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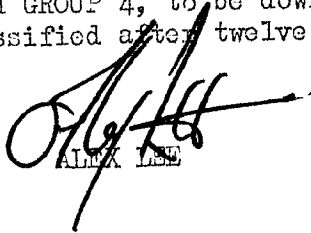
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Encl: (1) - January 1970 Command Chronology  
(2) - Operation Orders, Intelligence Briefs and Patrol  
Debriefs  
(3) - Company Training Schedules  
(4) - Situation Reports

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and  
(b), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION.COMMANDER

3d Force Reconnaissance Company  
 III Marine Amphibious Force, FMF

Major Alex LEE, USMC

SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

ATTACHED UNITS

Detachment, Fifth Communications Battalion

2. LOCATION.

01-31 January 1970; PHUBAI COMBAT BASE, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS.

Executive Officer

Capt. N. R. HISLER  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Personnel Officer (S-1)

2dLt. W. V. MORRIS  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Intelligence Officer (S-2)

1stLt. P. A. ROBERTSON  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Operations Officer (S-3)

1stLt. C. C. COFFMAN  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Assistant Operations Officer (S-3A)

1stLt. W. H. STUBBLEFIELD  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Supply Officer (S-4)

1stLt. D. BROWN  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

Communications Officer

1stLt. J. P. MURPHY  
 01Jan70 to 31Jan70

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1st. Platoon Commander

1stLt. W. R. BLACK  
01Jan70 to 12Jan70

1stLt. L. C. IVERSON  
13Jan70 to 28Jan70

GySgt. D. P. BILODEAU  
29Jan70 to 31Jan70

2nd. Platoon Commander

1stLt. D. C. HARRISON  
01Jan70 to 31Jan70

3rd. Platoon Commander

1stLt. W. H. STUBBLEFIELD  
01Jan70 to 26Jan70

1stLt. R. W. SPRUELL  
26Jan70 to 31Jan70

4th. Platoon Commander

2dLt. W. V. MORRIS  
01Jan70 to 31Jan70

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH.

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES. During the month of January, the Third Force Reconnaissance Company continued its assigned mission of reconnaissance and surveillance of those areas designated by the Commanding General of the Third Marine Amphibious Force. January activity was at a high level in the ASHAU VALLEY. The 2nd. Squadron of the 17th. Cavalry continued to be the gunship and emergency reaction/extraction unit in support of the Company's efforts. Enemy activity and patrol employment were at the highest level in six (6) months of the Company's records.
2. COMMAND RELATIONS. Relations between the Company and outside units were a major function of the Commanding Officer and his staff. Liaison meetings and discussions were held in the various Marine and Army working elements including SRC, III MAF, XXIV Corps, 101st. Airborne Division, 85th. Medical Evac. Hospital, 1st. Marine Aircraft Wing, 2nd/17th. Cav. and the MACV Advisory Team #5/DONG DA Training Center. Two (2) of the Company's officers or senior NCO's were assigned twenty-four (24) hour liaison duties at the Tactical Operations Center at the 2nd/17th Cav.
3. MISSIONS ASSIGNED. There were a variety of missions for the Third Force Reconnaissance Company during the reporting period. Included were reconnaissance and surveillance patrols, battle damage assessments, diving missions, reaction forces, target acquisition and communications relay.
4. INTELLIGENCE. The raw data and information that was gotten by the various patrols and assessments made by the Company was forwarded to the SRC, III MAF for processing and dissemination.
5. OPERATIONS. Field operations conducted during the month of January were largely performed in the ASHAU VALLEY. There were a total of thirty-four (34) patrols made during the month.

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6. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS. Operational patrolling during the month of January totalled thirty-four (34) patrols which sighted one hundred fifty nine (159) enemy troops visually, in eight (8) sightings and eight (8) contacts not including vehicles or undetermined numbers of enemy not actually seen but heard and which delivered various volumes of fire. The total number of enemy vehicles sighted was eight (8). There were sixty-seven (67) enemy observed during the eight (8) contacts and the members of the Company killed twenty-six (26) confirmed and ten (10) probables. There were no enemy taken as prisoners during the month. One Marine from the unit was killed and fourteen (14) were wounded. There were six (6) fixed-wing air strikes and eighty-three (83) helicopter gunship strikes flown in support of patrol operations. There were a total of eighteen (18) fixed-wing sorties and one hundred sixty five (165) helicopter sorties in the reporting period. Thirty-eight (38) artillery missions delivered a total of five hundred thirty one (531) rounds of 175mm on targets directed by members of patrolling units. There were eight (8) SCUBA personnel involved in two (2) operational dives during the month and a total of forty-one (41) men performed parachute jumps and seven (7) Marines earned their Navy-Marine Corps Gold Parachute Wings. During the same period, there were eight (8) who received their Viet Parachutists' insignia.

7. SUPPORTING ARMS. There was extensive use of artillery and helicopter assets during the reporting period, as seen above. The use of fixed-wing jet aircraft was largely limited due to the restrictions of weather in the ASHAU VALLEY.

8. LOGISTICS. The Company's logistical support during the month of January was a constantly improving picture. There was no shortage of clothing items and the majority of items of equipment were available. Batteries for the PSID device carried by each patrol became less difficult to obtain and handsets for the AN/PRC-25 radio were received in sufficient number to remove them from the critical list. Wrist compasses were made available in sufficient numbers during the month to enable the Company to issue at least six (6) to each patrol.

9. COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS. The internal communications and electronics equipment were sufficient to support patrols during the month. Numerous problems with frequencies and the encountering of jamming by the enemy caused some concern.

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10. EQUIPMENT. Items of equipment utilized by the Third Force Reconnaissance Company have proven to be adequate for the missions assigned.

11. CIVIC ACTION. The Company does not participate in the Civic Action Program. The primary mission precludes close contact with Vietnamese nationals.

12. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION. Personnel assignments within the Company are made by the Commanding Officer and the S-1. Normal company level administration is accomplished by the section under the Administrative Officer.

13. TRAINING. Training for personnel in the Company consists of three (3) categories; (ie) training conducted within the Company itself, training accomplished by Company personnel attending a school within III MAF, and personnel attending a school outside of I Corps or outside of Vietnam. During the January reporting period, three (3) enlisted Marines completed the SCUBA course in the Philippines and four (4) enlisted Marines completed the MACV RECONDO School in NHA TRANG, one (1) achieving Class Honor Man. The regular cycle of training maintained within the Company is included in the Company Training Schedules within this Chronology.

14. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST OR HISTORICAL VALUE. The Third Force Reconnaissance Company qualified seven (7) Marines for their Navy-Marine Corps Gold Parachutists' Insignia and eight (8) for the Viet Parachutists' Insignia. One (1) enlisted Marine completed the SCUBA Regulator Repair Course at Subic Bay and the Company acquired six (6) parachute riggers from incoming personnel. There were five (5) SCUBA qualified officers and seventeen enlisted divers. Eight (8) men were RECONDO qualified, two (2) officers and fifty-four (54) men on rolls as parachutists, two (2) officers and four (4) men qualified as jumpmasters.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PATROLLING OPERATIONS FOR JANUARY.

- 301220H - "WARTIC" (2-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter at vic YC353998, and between 301425H and 301440H, team heard several signal shots fired vic YC343998. On 311210H, team located several new bunkers in vic YC354994 and on 011920 team detected enemy movement vic YC349989. On 031235H, team located an enemy base area. Team was extracted 040917H, YC344986.
- 300940H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC440918, and on 301320H team located a two-man bunker vic YC435914. On 011030H, team located a high speed trail running Northwest to Southeast, and another East/West trail vic YC422915. Team extracted 040902H from vic YC414914.
- 300940H - "ATLAS" (3-1) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter vic YC440923 and on 021915H observed a bright light vic YD325033. An artillery fire mission was called on the target and the light went out. On 031500H, team observed one (1) NVA vic YC422922. Team extracted 040910H from vic YC419925.
- 310855H - "GARLIC" (1-3) and "SAVVY" (2-3) two (2) six-man teams inserted vic YC449955 as a radio relay for the teams employed in the ASHAU Valley. The teams had negative sightings or contacts during their tenure on the relay and they were extracted from site 091305H.
- 021100H - "TIMMY" (1-1) 7 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC356927 and on 040840H team heard eight (8) signal shots vic YC365931. On 051716H, team located an enemy base camp vic YC371935. Team extracted 081040H vic YC366932.

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- 020945H - "SHAKY" (3-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YD307087 and between 041348H and 041718H team heard twenty-one (21) signal shots fired from vic YD314087. On 051500H, team located sub-surface bunkers vic YD318084 and on 051930H located one high speed trail vic YD322082. On 061515H, team made contact with two (2) NVA, killing them both. At 061540H team made contact with two (2) more of the enemy, again killing both. Team was extracted 080910H vic YD318074.
- 030928H - "ROACH" (3-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC385977 and had negative sighting or contacts throughout their patrol. Team was extracted on 081215H from vic YC370989.
- 040855H - "BITTER" (4-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC434980 and on 040950H located a North/South trail and base camp vic YC433980. On 041245H team located an OP site vic YC437977 and on 051200H, team located underground bunkers vic YC423974. On 051315H team contacted one (1) NVA, killing him, and moved out of area. Movement in the vic of the team was constant after the contact and team was extracted on 111553H vic YC426977.
- 081240H - "COFFEE" (4-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC446946 and on 081300H located a high speed trail running Northwest to Southeast vic YC446946. Team located bunker systems vic YC452951, YC459948, YC464936 and team extracted vic YC467943 on 131145H.
- 091305H - "PONY" (1-2) and "SPINNER" (4-2) two (2) six man teams inserted as a radio relay vic YC449955. On 101845H the site was hit with mortar, RPG and auto small arms, receiving three (3) USMC WIA. Army ARA helicopters and UH-1C gunships supported with fire while medovac was made by a UH-1H. Relay was extracted 140940H.
- 081205H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC386956 on top of a new enemy bunker complex. Team made contact with twelve (12) NVA at 081225H, killing six (6). Helicopters extracted team under fire at same location as insert at 081305H.

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- 081048H - "ARTIC" (2-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YD338001 and on 091256H, team detected fifteen (15) to twenty (20) enemy vic YD341004. On 111107H and 111615H, team again detected movement and heard one (1) rifle shot vic YC348995. Team was extracted vic YD350002 on 120935H.
- 081200H - "ATLAS" (3-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC354965 and on 121235H team located a well-used trail vic YC355967. On 121235H team located twenty (20) fighting holes and some unfinished lean-tos. Team extracted on 131205H vic YC344967.
- 111530H - "ROACH" (3-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YD375029 and on 121230H located an enemy base camp with trail, spider holes and bunkers at vic YD377037. Team located a gun pit and trenchlines vic YD373023. Team extracted vic YD378033, 14Jan.
- 111325H - "SHAKY" (3-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC363952 and had negative sightings or contact during their entire patrol. Team was extracted vic YC369947 on 141130H.
- 111510H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter vic YC401933 and on 111545H team made contact with fifteen (15) NVA, killing six (6). 2/17 Cav gunships delivered suppressive fires and team was extracted vic YC397925 on 121643H.
- 131152H - "GARLIC" (1-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC453897 and had negative sightings or contact throughout their entire patrol. Team was extracted vic YC442907 on 171032H.
- 141120H - "BITTER" (4-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC433916 and had negative sightings or contact throughout their entire patrol. Team was extracted vic YC428912 on 171025H.
- 140940H - "TIMMY" (1-1) AND "ATLAS" (3-1) two (2) six-man teams inserted vic YC449955 as a radio relay site. Teams had negative sightings or contact throughout their tenure and extraction was 160930H.

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- 161300H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YD355013 and immediately sighted five (5) NVA five hundred (500) meters North of their position. Team had enemy movement to the East, North and the South, with small arms being fired at their cover aircraft. Team was extracted from the via YD355013 at 161355H.
- 170955H - "COFFEE" (4-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YD353047 and between 171145H and 171200H, the team observed a total of eighty-two (82) NVA/VC via YD353050. 2/17 gunships attacked target and had one LOH (OH6A) shot down by 12.7 MG. The team was extracted without incident on 171338H.
- 171000H - "TONY" (1-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YD299092 and had negative sightings or contact throughout their patrol. Team was extracted via YD293099 on 211445H.
- 181012H - "SNAKY" (3-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YC458979 and on 201605H the team located an enemy base camp with thirty-five (35) huts and framing for more. The team was extracted in via YC460989 on 211457H.
- 190937H - "SPINNER" (4-2) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter via YC403990 and located a well-used trail via YD406002 on 211410H. On 211650H, team heard one (1) rifle shot and located two (2) bunkers in via YD406002. On 221009H, team made contact with ten (10) NVA killing three (3). 2/17 Cav gunship and LOH came to support and the LOH was shot down with RPG fire. Two (2) team members were wounded and while two (2) remained with the WIA's, two (2) others went to the aid of the downed crew of the Army LOH. Army reaction force was put in and the team was extracted via YD399004 at 221202H.
- 190950H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter via YC462891 and detected enemy movement twenty (20) meters to their South. The team was socked in by weather so negative action was taken. Team observed one (1) enemy truck, three-quarter ton, via YC476887 and when aircraft checked area next morning vehicle tracks were seen but the truck was gone. Team extracted via YC467885, 230939H.

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- 190955H - "ROACH" (3-2) and "BITTER" (4-1) two (2) six-man teams were inserted as a radio relay via YC449955. The teams had negative sightings or contacts in their tenure on the relay. Extraction was 241101H.
- 211432H - "GARLIC" (1-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YC462922 and had negative sightings or contact throughout their entire patrol. Team was extracted via YC472915 at 251137H.
- 211350H - "COFFEE" (4-3) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YC432963 and on 211720H observed one (1) NVA via YC436965. Team had no further sightings and was extracted via YC432961 on 251200H.
- 241115H - "TINNY" (1-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YC460995 and on 241555H located a trail via YC485982. On 242030H, team observed five (5) sets of vehicle headlights moving from Northwest to the Southeast. Team was extracted via YC486893 on 270845H.
- 241101H - "ARTIC" (2-2) and "SNAKE" (3-3) two (2) six-man teams were inserted by helicopter via YC449955 as a radio relay for teams in the ASHAU Valley. The combined teams had negative sightings or contacts while on the relay and were both extracted at 290935H.
- 251142H - "ATLAS" (3-1) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter via YC404933 and located a high-speed trail via YC407934. Trail and some communications wires ran West/East. Team had negative further sightings or contacts and extracted at 291006H via YC417934.
- 261225H - "BOXHILL" (2-1) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter via YC419977 and on 281345H made contact with seventeen (17) NVA, killing five (5). ARA and 2/17 Cobras ran suppressive missions and the team was extracted under fire at 281505H.
- 271110H - "ROACH" (3-2) 6 men; Team was inserted by helicopter via YC508858 and at 271327H located one (1) heavily used trail via YC508853. On 281515H, team heard approximately twenty (20) spaced rifle shots via YC502856. Team then made contact with four (4) NVA, killing all and receiving two (2) USMC KIA. Team extracted via YC502856 at 281715H.

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251130H - "PONY" (1-2) 6 men; Team inserted by helicopter vic YC385984 and on 271300H team observed three (3) enemy trucks vic YC386983 which appeared to have been damaged by airstrikes. On 271200H, team located two (2) caves vic YC385985, containing TNT (20 lbs), AK-47 magazines and various utensils for cooking, etc. At 281155H, team observed two (2) NVA vic YC386983, and on 301410H, team was extracted vic YC382988.

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PART IV  
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. OPERATION ORDERS, INTELLIGENCE BRIEF AND PATROL DEBRIEFS.

a. The supporting documents contain each patrol's Operation Order, The Intelligence Brief covering the time and the area to be operated in, and a Patrol Debrief for each of these patrols that were run during the reporting period. There are several cases where a "Spot Report In Lieu of Debrief" may be inserted instead of a regular debrief. This is due to contact shortly after insert and not enough time having expired to warrant a regular debrief. The items of documentation are entitled ENCLOSURE (2).

2. COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULES.

a. The Training Schedules contained herein are inclusive of the reporting period only.

- (1) Training Schedule 01JAN70 to 04JAN70
- (2) Training Schedule 05JAN70 to 11JAN70
- (3) Training Schedule 12JAN70 to 18JAN70
- (4) Training Schedule 19JAN70 to 25JAN70
- (5) Training Schedule 26JAN70 to 31JAN70

b. Training Schedules are entitled ENCLOSURE (3).

3. SITUATION REPORTS ("SITREPS").

a. The Situation Reports (SITREPS) contain activities by twenty-four (24) hour increments and cover the reported operations of the Company.

b. The enclosed Situation Reports are entitled as ENCLOSURE (4).

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IV.1.B - Intelligence Briefing 1-70, 3 Jan 1970  
IV.1-1a thru IV.1-34b - OpOrder w appropriate Debriefing Report (some NIF),  
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## INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING 7-69

Ref: (a) Maps, AMS Series L7014, Sheets I, II, III, IV

TIME ZONE: H.

1. Enemy Situation

- a. Due to the location and accessibility of the A Shau and A Loui Valleys, there is some one non-combat elements, as well as rear service support elements. Also these valleys are known logistical and infiltration routes it is possible to encounter an unknown number of infiltration troops and rear services personnel.

(1). 6th NVA Regt. AKA Cong Truong 6; 6th Worksite, Nam Quy AD.26; Doan 6. Located in the Eastern portion of Base Area 611. Regt strength 1,950 men. HQ support units are the 15TH Air Defense Co armed with 12.7mm HMG's, 16TH Inf/Arty Co armed with 75mm RR, 18TH Trn Co armed with 12.7mm HMG's and the 19TH Medical Co. The 6TH Regt has the 800TH, 802D, and 806TH Inf Bns. Each Bn basically has four infantry companies, a signal platoon, a reconnaissance squad and a motor transportation squad. The 12th Sapper Bn has four companies. The 35th Artillery Bn has four companies, a signal platoon and a reconnaissance platoon. Elements of the regiment have received sapper training, believed to be presently combat effective. Morale is believed to be good. The AKA for the 806th Bn is 2d Infiltration Bn; K-6; Le Loi; D.10; M; 80.T Bn. The AKA for the 800th Bn is K.1; 1st Bn; L-1. The AKA for the 802d Bn is K-2; 1st Bn; 9th Regt.

(2) 803d NVA Regt. AKA Oun Long; 1st Regt; Cong Truong 21; Song Huang; Oun Tung; Tam Dao; Cong Truong 1/3; 41st Regt; K-14B Regt; Phan Thiet Regt; Doan 1. Located in the Eastern portion of Base Area 611. Regt strength 2,300 men. HQ support units are the 14th Air Defense Co, 12th Arty Co armed with 57mm RR, 13th Arty Co armed with 82mm mortars, 15th Engr Co, 16th Signal Co, 17th Recon Co, 18th Arty Co, 19th Medical Co and the 20th Replacement Co. The 803d Regt has the 1st, 2d, and 3rd Bns. The 1st Bn has three inf co, one wpn co one engr co, one arty co, and one recon sqd, one inf plt and one liaison co. The 2d Bn has three inf co, s. Two recon plts, arty plt, wpn plt, and a signal plt. The 3d Bn has three inf co, s and one wpn co. The 803d Regt is considered combat effective and morale is high. The 1st Bn AKA is T-1 Bn; K-1 Bn; Tam Dao 1; Song Lam; Song Huang; C-1. The 2d Bn AKA is T-2 Bn; K-2 Bn; Thu Nam; Song Huang 2; Tam Dao 2; C-2. The 3d Bn AKA is T-3 Bn; K-3 Bn; Tam Dao 3; Song Quang 3; C-3.

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(3). 29TH NVA Regt. AKA Ken Giang; Ba Na; 3D Regt; Son Gio Regt; Doan 8; AD 68. Located in the Eastern portion of Base Area 611. Est. strength 1,900 men. HQ support units are a Recon Co, 18TH Arty Co armed with 82mm mortars, 14TH Air Defense Co, 17TH Arty Co armed with 57mm and 75mm RR, 18TH Signal Co, 19TH Medical Co, 29TH Sapper Co, 21ST Enger Co, and the 25TH Motor Trans Co. The 29TH Regt. has the 7TH, 8TH and 9TH Bns. Marginally combat effective and morale at a low level. The AKA for the 7TH Bn is K-7, 1ST, D-1 and D-7; for the 8TH the AKA is K-8, 2ND, B-2, D-8 and the Duc Lap Bn; for the 9TH the AKA is K-9, 3D, D-3, and B-9.

(4). 675B NVA Arty Regt. AKA B675B. Located in the Eastern portion of Base Area 611. Est strength is 1,900 men. The 675B Arty Regt has 3 Bns. Each is authorized 10 arty pieces, but this Regt has an excess of 30 pieces. Also they have 9 ATS-59's one ATN-55 prime mover.

## 2. Enemy Activity

See current situation map.

## 3. Terrain

- a. High ridges and narrow valleys with a double to triple canopy with intense undergrowth. The A Chau Valley is generally flat following the RAO LAO and the RAO NAI rivers.

## 4. Weather

- a. High will average between 65 to 70 and lows from 50 to 55. Light rain/rain showers.

## 5. REI'S

- a. DETERMINE THE PRESENTS OF ENEMY UNITS IN THE AREA IF SO WHERE AND IN WHAT STRENGTH.
- b. DETERMINE THE PRESENTS OF ENEMY BASE CAMPS IN THE AREA IF SO SIZE AND RECENT USE.
- c. DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY LAND LINE COMMUNICATIONS IN THE AREA IF SO TYPE AND DIRECTION.

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**INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING 1-70**

Ref: (a) Maps, AMS Series L7014, Sheets I, II, III, IV

TIME ZONE: H.

**1. ENEMY SITUATION**

- a. There are 13 Infantry Regiments and 2 Independent Sapper Battalions and 1 Sapper Battalion (equivalent to a regiment) supported by 3 Rocket-Artillery and 2 Tube-Artillery Regiments.

(1) Committed units are

27th Infantry Regiment  
31st Infantry Regiment  
246th Infantry Regiment  
270th Infantry Regiment  
7th Front (equivalent to a regiment)  
4th Infantry Regiment  
5th Infantry Regiment  
6th Infantry Regiment  
126th Naval Sapper Regiment  
84th Rocket Artillery Regiment

(2) Reinforcing Units are

243 Infantry Regiment/304 Division  
524 Infantry Regiment/320 Division  
29th Infantry Regiment  
603rd Infantry Regiment  
312th Infantry Regiment  
164th Artillery Regiment  
204th Artillery Regiment  
673 Rocket-Artillery Regiment  
4/1 Rocket-Artillery Regiment  
33rd Sapper Battalion/VR IV  
L-3 Sapper Battalion/VRTH

(3) Total enemy personnel

NVA 27,500  
VC Infrastructure  
VC Guerrilla  
VC Local Forces

4,700  
32,200

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- b. Specific, operating out of Base Area 611 there are the 6th, 7th, 803rd and 812th Infantry Regiments, 6753 Rocket-Artillery Regiment, L-3 Sapper Battalion, and Combat Support Elements of PNTTH.

The 9th, 803rd, and the 812th Infantry Regiments subordinate to the 324B Division are now believed to be a cohesive division size tactical unit operation in the Vicinity of Base Area 611.

The 7th Front (equivalent to a regiment) and the 4th, 5th, and 6th Regiments are operating in the coastal and lowlands/piedmont areas.

The 6th Regimental Headquarters is presently in Eastern Laos, with its forward element located North of former Base Area 114. The 5th Regiment is located in the Southwestern portion of Thua Thien Province, while the 4th Regiment is located in Base Area 607.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time "H" ZONE

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly unit to the operating areas is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-2) "ARTIC" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3009; Lower Right YD3307, to detect enemy troop movement, logistics and communications within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) AIRBORNE YC4497
- (b) SCUBA YD3701
- (c) RANGER YD3606
- (d) HALO YC4095

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Net: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).

- (1) Primary Frequency: 46.65 (M-126) Code YELLOW
- (2) Secondary 37.05 (M-232) Code BLACK
- (3) Alternate 34.10 (M-249) Code GREEN

## b. Fire Support: "DESIRE TANGO 36" 1/83 Arty; BASTOGNE

COF Primary Frequency: 43.30

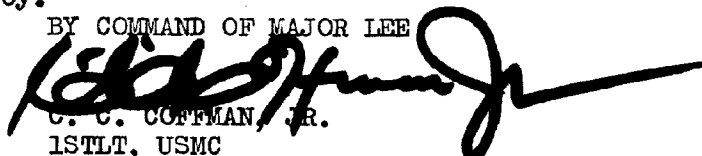
## c. Air Support:

- (1) "SCARFACE" (USMC GUNSHIPS) Team Primary
- (2) "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary
- (3) "CYCLONE" (USA 2/17 CAV) Primary: 67.25
- (4) "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40  
Alternate: 46.90
- (5) "COWPOKE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90  
Alternate: 31.90

## d. Team Shackle: CODE 54

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on team's primary frequency.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE



C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
1STLT, USMC  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution: (1) 3dForReconCo (COC)  
(1) Team Leader  
(1) 3dForReconCo LnO (101 Abn)

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DRAFTER: SSGT LYONS  
S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
4 JAN 1970

FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

INFO: CG XXIV CORPS, PHB  
CG FIRST MARDIV, DNG  
CG FIRST MAW, DNG  
MAG ONE SIX, DNG  
ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE (G-2), PHB  
2 SQND/SEVENTEENTH CAV, ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE, PHB  
FIRST RECON BN, DNG  
FIRST FORCE RECON CO. DNG

RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: ARTIC (2-2) (6 MEN) OPO 26-69
  2. DTG: INSERTED/EXTRACTED 301220H DEC 69/040917H JAN 70 (117 HOURS)
  3. ROUTE: FM YC353998 TO YC352996 TO YC353993 TO YC349989 TO YC349984 TO YC347983 TO YC344986.
  4. TERRAIN: DOUBLE CANOPY WITH THICK UNDERBRUSH. ELEPHANT GRASS 15 TO 20 FEET HIGH. SOIL WAS A RED CLAY. NATURAL WATER RESOURCES ARE GOOD.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 75 TO 100 METERS PER HOUR. POOR COVER AND GOOD CONCEALMENT. OP SITES ARE LOCATED AT YC345983 WITH A 360 DEGREE FIELD OF FIRE. POOR COVER AND GOOD CONCEALMENT. YC353998 WITH A 180 DEGREE FIELD OF FIRE. GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT. YC354994 WITH A 180 DEGREE FIELD OF FIRE. POOR COVER AND GOOD CONCEALMENT.
  6. HLZs: YC352999 ELEPHANT GRASS 15 FEET HIGH. ONE CH-46. BEST APPROACH NORTH TO SOUTH. YC352986 ELEPHANT GRASS 10 TO 15 FEET HIGH. ONE CH-46. BEST APPROACH SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST. YC345986 ELEPHANT GRASS 4 TO 6 FEET HIGH. ONE CH-46. BEST APPROACH SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST.
  7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 301425H IN THE VIC OF YC353997 HEARD THREE SIGNAL SHOTS ONE MIN APART APPROX 1000 METERS TO THE TM WEST.
- AT 301440H IN THE VIC OF YC353999 HEARD ONE SIGNAL SHOT APPROX 400 TO 500 METERS WEST OF THE TM.

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AT 311210H IN THE VIC OF YC34994 LOCATED TWO BUNKERS ON A TRAIL. BUNKERS WERE L SHAPE AND 6X5X4 FEET, COVERED WITH 8 INCH LOGS AND A FOOT OF DIRT.

AT 011920H IN THE VIC OF YC349989 HEARD LOUD MOVEMENT 20 TO 30 METERS TO THE WEST. MOVEMENT CONTINUED TILL 012318H. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 021915H OBS A LARGE LIGHT ON A 300 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (TM ATLAS OBS THE SAME LIGHT ON 315 DEGREE ASIMUTH. TM ATLAS WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC423922). 16 ROUNDS OF 175MM WERE FIRED AND LIGHT WENT OUT. THE TARGET WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD325033. TM ARTIC WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC349984.

AT 031235H IN THE VIC OF YC344986 LOCATED A POSSIBLE BASE AREA WITH SLEEPING NEST MADE OF ELEPHANT GRASS, A BUNKER COMPLEX 6X4X4 FEET COVERED WITH 6 INCH LOGS AND 6 INCH OF DIRT. BUNKERS HAD GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT WITH RECENT ACTIVITY. A CIRCULAR FIRING PIT 8 FEET IN DIAMETER AND 5 FOOT DEEP WITH THE CENTER PORTION BUILT UP WITH HARD PACKED DIRT AND ROCKS TO 2 TO 3 FEET HIGH. COVERED WITH A LEAN TO. A TUNNEL ENTRANCE TO THE SOUTH END OF THE PIT, 4X3X5 FEET, LOSS AMMO BUNKER. AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL WAS A SMALL DUG OUT AREA 4X5 FEET REINFORCED ON ALL SIDES WITH LOGS 6 INCH IN DIAMETER AND THE LOGS ON TOP WERE 8 INCH IN DIAMETER WITH 12 INCH OF DIRT. LOCATED ONE SHOVEL HEAD, ONE CANVAS POUCH, AND TWO METAL CONTAINERS. 200 EMPTY 50 CAL CASEINGS. FIRING PIT HAD TRAILS TO THE EAST, NORTH, AND WEST.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest Friendly unit to the operating areas is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4193; Lower Right YC4491, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

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(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) AIRBORNE YC4497
- (b) SCUBA YD3701
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#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None is required other than that designated by the patrol leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordinance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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b. ~~XXXX~~ Support:

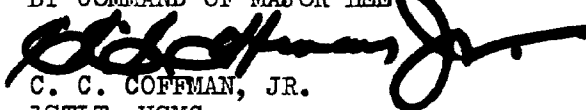
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d. Team Shackle: CODE 54 and "RUMANDCOKE"

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on team's primary frequency.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
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 (1) Team Leader  
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FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
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2 SQND/SEVENTEENTH CAV, ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE, PHB  
FIRST RECON BN, DNG  
FIRST FORCE RECON CO, DNG

RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: BOXHILL (2-1) (6 MEN) CPO 27-69
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED 300940H DEC 69/040902H JAN 70 (120 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC 440918 TO YC440918 TO YC433916 TO YC434914 TO YC426913 TO YC415913 TO YC414914.
4. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH 8 TO 10 FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS, VERY THICK. HEAVY UNDERBRUSH. TREES ARE DEFOLIATED. SOIL IS A RED CLAY. NATURAL WATER RESOURCES ARE GOOD.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 50 TO 100 METERS PER HOUR. COVER IS POOR AND CONCEALMENT IS GOOD. ONE OF SITE AT YC433913 WITH A 360 DEGREES FIELD OF FIRE WITH GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
6. HIZ,S: YC423910 WITH 6 TO 10 FEET ELEPHANT GRASS. WILL HOLD TEN SH-46,S. BEST APPROACH IS WEST TO EAST.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 301520H IN THE VIC OF YC433914 LOCATED A TWO MAN BUNKER WITH A ARMING STAKE. BUNKER WAS 5X1X3 FEET. LOGS ONE AND ONE HALF INCH,S WITH TWO FEET OF DIRT. 15 TO 20 METERS NW LOCATED A LARGE SLEEPING BUNKER 4X4X2 FEET. LOGS ONE AND ONE HALF INCH,S WITH TWO FEET OF DIRT.

AT 011030 H IN THE VIC OF YC435913 LOCATED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL RUNNING SOUTHEAST TO NORTH WEST. APPROX ONE METER WIDE WITH 8 TO 10 FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS FORMING A NATURAL CANOPY OVER THE TRAIL. USED IN LAST 24 HOURS WITH SMALL FOOT PRINTS.

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AT 021900H IN THE VIC OF YC422915 LOCATED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL RUNNING EAST TO WEST WITH COMM WIRE RUNNING ALONG THE TRAIL 4 TO 5 FEET OFF THE GROUND. TRAIL WAS TWO TO THREE FEET WIDE.

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(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-1) "ATLAS" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4193; Lower Right YC4491, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Net: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).

- |     |                    |               |             |
|-----|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 (M-126) | Code YELLOW |
| (2) | Secondary          | 37.05 (M-232) | Code BLACK  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 34.10 (M-249) | Code GREEN  |

## b. Air Support:

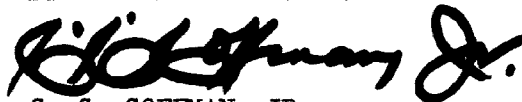
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|-----|--------------------------------|------------------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC GUNSHIPS)     | Team Primary     |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)     | Team Primary     |
| (3) | CYCLONE" (USA 2/17CAV)         | Primary: 67.25   |
| (4) | PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) | Primary: 47.40   |
| (5) | "COWPOKE" (USMC AO)            | Primary: 42.90   |
|     |                                | Alternate: 31.90 |

## c. Fire Support: "DESIRE TANGO 36" 1/83 Arty; BASTOGNE

## d. Team Shackle: CODE 54 and "RUMANDCOKE".

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on team's primary frequency.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE



C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
1STLT, USMC  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution: (1) 3dForReconCo (COC)  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3dForReconCo Ln0 (101 Abn)

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E-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
4 JAN 1970

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FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAP (SRC)

INFO: CG XXIV CORPS, PHB  
CG FIRST MARDIV, DMC  
CG FIRST MAW, NO  
MAC ONE SIX, DMC  
ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE (A-1), PHB  
2 SQDN/SEVENTH AVN CAV, ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE, PHB  
FIRST RECON BN, NO  
THIRD FORCE RECON CO, DMC

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## RECON DESCRIBING REPORT (U)

1. TARGET SINC: ATLAS (3-1) (6 MEN) OPO 28-69
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 300940Z DEC 69/040910H JAN 70 (120 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC440923 TO YC457923 TO YC429921 TO YC425926 TO YC422922 TO YC424925 TO YC419925 TO YC419925.
4. TERRAIN: HILLS 10 FEET HIGH WITH BAMBOO INTERLACED. THICK UNDERBUSH. TREES ON TOP OF THE HILLS WERE DEFOLIATED. NATURAL WATER RESOURCES WERE GOOD.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 METERS PER HOUR. GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 021915H TM LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC423922 OBS A LARGE LIGHT ON A 315 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (TM ARTIC OBS THE SAME LIGHT ON A 300 DEGREE AZIMUTH FROM THE VIC OF YC449924). 16 ROUNDS OF 175MM WERE FIRED ON THE TARGET AND THE LIGHT WENT OUT.

AT 051500H IN THE VIC OF YC422922 OBS ONE NVA/VR MOVING NORTH AT APPROX 1000 METERS. UNABLE TO OBS UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT. 2/17 CAV AIRCRAFT CHECKED THE AREA OUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AIRCRAFT DID LOCATE OLD FIGHTING HOLES BE REBUILT WITHIN THE LAST SIX HOURS IN THE VIC OF YC410937. ALSO A BUNKER COMPLEX AND HEAVY TUNNELS. AIR STRIKES WERE USED AND ONE TUNNEL WAS DESTROYED.

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(b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69.  
(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

## 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by ~~CG~~, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly unit to the operating areas is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

## 2. MISSION.

Teams (1-3) "GARLIC" and (2-3) "SAVVY", functioning jointly as "ZUIU RELAY", a fixed radio relay position, will perform as a recon relay site for such teams as will be inserted within the designated AO for a period of five (5) days or until relieved.

## 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Relay will insert into assigned RZ as a flip-flop vic YC449956 and take over site from presently operating teams. Relay commander will ensure that constant communications between teams operating within his area and this headquarters.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) An overflight is not necessary unless situation changes.

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(2) Intelligence brief will be given by the S-2 prior to your insert.

(3) Final inspection of relay team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ANCIENT SCOUT" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to this headquarters each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting artillery on designated frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrusts Points are:

- (a) AIRBORNE YC4497
- (b) SCUBA YD3701
- (c) RANGER YD3606
- (d) HALO YC4095

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of eight (8) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None is required except as designated by the relay commander. Equipment already on station with teams occupying relay will remain for the replacing relay teams.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: Two (2) bush medical kits and one (1) morphine syrette per man will be taken. Individual patrol members will carry two (2) field bandages per man.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

- a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).
- |     |                    |       |        |             |
|-----|--------------------|-------|--------|-------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M126) | Code YELLOW |
| (2) | Secondary          | 34.10 | (M249) | Code GREEN  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M232) | Code BLACK  |
| (4) | Alternate          | 43.20 | (M166) | Code PINK   |
| (5) | Alternate          | 36.40 | (M158) | Code ORANGE |
- b. Fire Support: Conduct of Fire Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30.
- c. Air Support:
- |     |  |
|-----|--|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC GUNSHIPS) Team Primary        |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46's) Team Primary       |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USA 2/17 CAV) Primary: 67.25        |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST*OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90             |
- d. Team Shackle: Code 54 and "RUMANDCOKE"
- e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the teams primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
 1STLT C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution: (1) 3dForRecCo (COC)  
 (1) Relay Commander  
 (1) 3dForRecCo LNO (101 Abn)

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Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

(a) Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly unit to the operating areas is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (1-1) "TINNY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC3594; Lower Right YC3892, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Seven (7) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) AIRBORNE YC4497
- (b) SCUBA YD3701
- (c) RANGER YD3606
- (d) HALO YC4095

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

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|-----|--------------------|-------|--------|-------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M126) | Code YELLOW |
| (2) | Secondary          | 34.10 | (M249) | Code GREEN  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M232) | Code BLACK  |
| (4) | Alternate          | 43.20 | (M166) | Code PINK   |
| (5) | Alternate          | 36.40 | (M158) | Code ORANGE |

b. Fire Support: Conduct of Fire Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30.

## c. Air Support:

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|-----|---------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC GUNSHIPS)      | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)      | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USA 2/17 CAV)        | Primary: 67.25 |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) | Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE" (USME AO)             | Primary: 42.90 |

d. Team Shackle: Code 54 and "RUMANDCOKE"

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
 1STLT C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution: (1) 3dForRecCo (COC)  
 (1) Relay Commander  
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DRAFTER: SSOT LYONS  
G-2 THIRD FORCE REGON  
8 JAN 1970

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FM: THIRD FORCE REGON  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

REGON DEBRI FING RE OPT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: TINY (1-1) (7 MEN) CPO 1-70
  2. DTG INS RTED/EXTRACTED: 021100H/091040H JAN 70 (144 HOURS)
  3. ROUTE: FM YC356927 TO YC362928 TO YC367938 TO YC371935 TO YC366934 TO YC366932.
  4. TERRAIN: STONY HILLS, DOUBLE CANOPY 20 TO 30 FEET WITH THICK UNDERBUSH. SOIL IS A RED CLAY. NATURAL AREA RESOURCES ARE GOOD.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 METERS PER HOUR. COVER AND CLOSURE AIRPORT IS GOOD.
  6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 040840H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC365931 TO HEARD 8 SIGNAL SMOGS 500 METERS TO THE NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST. REQUESTED AIRCRAFT FROM 2/17 CAV TO CHECK AREA. AIRCRAFT CBS 2 NVA/VC CROSSING A RIVER AT YC361932. ENEMY WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH 1 PROBABLE KIA. AT YC362937 AIRCRAFT CBS 1 NVA/VC SQD MOVING EAST TO WEST ALONG A TRAIL. ENEMY WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AIRCRAFT RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM YC354947 WITH NEGATIVE HITS. 1 BUNKER AT YC363934 WAS DESTROYED BY THE AIRCRAFT.
- AT 051716H LOCATED A POSSIBLE BN SIZE BASE CAMP AT YC371935. 500 METERS LONG AND 50 METERS WIDE. RUNNING EAST TO WEST. 100 TO 250 COOKING FIRES. 100 FIGHTING HOLES 1X2X2 FEET. THERE WAS SOME FOOD LEFT IN CANS.

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Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (3-3) "SNAKY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3909; LowerRight YD3307, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are: (a) AIRBORNE YC4497  
(b) SCUBA YD3701  
(c) RANGER YD3606  
(d) HALO YC4095

New thrust points to be used after change on "ZULU":

(a) GOLDIE YD2808  
(b) BAYONET ~~YD3104~~ YD3104  
(c) BLADE YD4201  
(d) KABAR YC3299  
(e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) CS, (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).

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|-----|--------------------|-------|---------|-----------------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M-126) | CODE YELLOW           |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M-166) | CODE PINK (USMC AIR)  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M-232) | CODE BLACK            |
| (4) | Alternate          | 34.10 | (M-249) | CODE GREEN (USMC AIR) |

b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

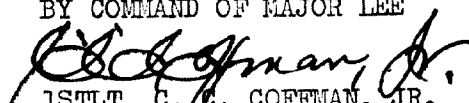
c. Air Support:

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|-----|--|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary          |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary        |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USMC CAV 2/17) Primary: 67.25       |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COMPOKE OR HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90  |

d. Team Shackle: "RUMANDCOKE" AND SHACKLE "BARBARA".

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
 1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3dForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3dForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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8 JAN 1970

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TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS, PHB  
CG FIRST MARDIV, DNG  
CG FIRST MAW, DNG  
MAG ONE SIX, DNG  
ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE (G-2), PHB  
2 SQND/SEVENTEENTH CAV, ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE, PHB  
FIRST RECONBN, DNG  
FIRST FORCE RECON CO, DNG

## RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: SNAKY (3-3) (6 MEN) OPO 2-70
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED 020945H/080910H JAN 70 (120 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM YD307087 TO YD311087 TO YD315086 TO YD321082 TO YD318081 TO YD316076 TO YD318074.
4. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS, CANOPY IS DEFOLIATED WITH THICK UNDERBRUSH. THICK BAMBOO ON LOWER PART OF HILLS. SOIL IS A RED CLAY. NO NATURAL WATER RESOURCES.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 METERS PER HOUR OFF THE TRAIL AND 200 METERS ON TRAIL. COVER AND CONCEALMENT IS GOOD.
6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: TM SNAKY HEARD A TOTAL OF 21 SIGNAL SHOTS.  
  
AT 041348H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD312088 HEARD 1 SIGNAL SHOT 800 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.  
  
AT 041550H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 1 SIGNAL SHOT 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.  
  
AT 041601H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 2 SIGNAL SHOTS 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.  
  
AT 041610H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 4 SIGNAL SHOTS 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.  
  
AT 041615 LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 3 SIGNAL SHOTS 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.

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AT 041619H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 2 SIGNAL SHOTS 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.

AT 041645H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 5 SIGNAL SHOTS 1200 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.

AT 041718H LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YD314087 HEARD 5 SIGNAL SHOTS 500 METERS TO THE TM,S NORTHEAST.

AT 051500H LOCATED A BUNKER BELOW GROUND AT YD318084. BUNKER WAS 6X6X6 FEET WITH A 2 FOOT ENTRANCE. ROOF WAS MADE OF LOGS 12 INCHES IN DIAMETER WITH 2 FEET OF DIRT. NOT USED IN LAST 2 MONTHS.

AT 051930H LOCATED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL RUNNING SOUTHEAST AT YD322082. TRAIL HAD STEPS DUG INTO THE DIRT. USED IN LAST 24 HOURS. APPROX 300 METERS SOUTHEAST THE TRAIL IMPROVES.

AT 061515H TM HEARD 2 NVA/VC AND APPROX 2 MINUTES LATER HEARD 2 MORE NVA/VC MOVING ALONG A TRAIL SOUTHEAST AT YD322082. TM MADE CONTACT WITH THE LAST 2 NVA/VC AND MOVED OFF TO THE NORTHWEST MAKING CONTACT WITH AN ADDITIONAL 2 NVA/VC. TM BROKE CONTACT MOVING SOUTHWEST. TM FIRED 150 ROUNDS OF 7.62MM, 3 M-79 HE ROUNDS AND THREW 3 GRENADES. TM RECEIVED NO FIRE. ENEMY WAS WEARING LIGHT BROWN SHIRTS AND GREEN TROUSERS. WEARING SANDALS AND BLACK HELMET LINERS. NO WEAPONS. ONE ENEMY WAS CARRYING A PACK OF RICE. CAPTURED 1 FOOD BELT, 1 CANTEEN AND MONEY. ENEMY HAD FRESH HAIR CUTS AND WERE IN GOOD CONDITION.  
1 NVA/VC KIA AND 2 NVA/VC PROBABLE.

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Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" ~~in~~ via YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-2) "ROACH" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC3699; Lower Right YC3897, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU" "RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and army units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are: (a) AIRBORNE YC4497  
(b) SCUBA YD3701  
(c) RANGER YD3606  
(d) HALO YC4095

New thrust points to be used after change on "ZULU":

(a) GOLDIE YD2808  
(b) BAYONET YD3104  
(c) BLADE YD4201  
(d) KABAR YC3299  
(e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) CS, (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).

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|-----|--------------------|-------|---------|-----------------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M-126) | CODE YELLOW           |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M-166) | CODE PINK (USMC AIR)  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M-232) | CODE BLACK            |
| (4) | Alternate          | 34.10 | (M-249) | CODE GREEN (USMC AIR) |

b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30.

c. Air Support:

- |     |                                 |                |
|-----|---------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)        | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)      | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)         | Primary: 67.25 |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) | Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)  | Primary: 42.90 |

d. Team Shackle: "RUMANDCOKE" and SHACKLE "HELEN".

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
 1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

(1)	3dForRecon COC
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3dForRecon InO 2/17 Cav

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8 JAN 1970

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FM: THIRD FORCE RECON  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: ROACH (3-2) (6 MEN) OPO 3-70
2. DTC INSERTED/SKT ACTED: 030928H/081215H JAN 70 (123 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC385977 TO YC378978 TO YC374981 TO YC371905 TO YC371988 TO YC370980 TO YC370989.
4. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS, MEDIUM UND BERRUSH. SINGAL CANOPY 50 FEET HIGH. SOIL IS A RED CLAY. NATURAL WATER RESOURCES ARE GOOD.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 TO 150 METERS PER HOUR. COVER AND CONCEALMENT IS GOOD.
6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: THERE WERE NO SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS OF NVA/VC.

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(b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69.  
(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Force  
COC

Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st., Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (4-1) "BITTER" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4298; Lower Right YC4496, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR,

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU" "RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and army units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are: (a) AIRBORNE YC4497  
(b) SCUBA YD3701  
(c) RANGER YD3606  
(d) HALO YC4095

New thrust points to be used after change on "ZUIU":

(a) GOLDIE YD2808  
(b) BAYONET YD3104  
(c) BLADE YD4201  
(d) KABAR YC3299  
(e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLIGHT" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) CS., (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC).

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65 (M-126)	CODE YELLOW
(2)	Secondary	43.20 (M-166)	CODE PINK (USMC AIR)
(3)	Alternate	37.05 (M-232)	CODE BLACK
(4)	Alternate	34.10 (M-249)	CODE GREEN (USMC AIR)

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30.


## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary	
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary	
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary:	67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary:	47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary:	42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "RUMANDCOKE" and "LINDA".

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE



1ST LT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon InO 2/17 Cav

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4. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS, SINGLE TO TRIPLE CANOPY 50 TO 200 FEET HIGH WITH THICK UNDERBUSH. SOIL ~~WAS~~ A RED CLAY. NATURAL WATER RESOURCES ARE GOOD.

6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 040950H LOCATED A TRAIL RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH AT YC433980. TRAIL WAS 3 FEET WIDE AND NOT USED IN LAST 3 MONTHS. FOLLOWED TRAIL SOUTH AND FOUND SIGNS OF RECENT ACTIVITY. TRAIL RAN THROUGH THREE BASE CAMPS. AT YC423974 TRAIL SPLIT INTO 3 DIRECTIONS, NORTH NORTHEAST, SOUTHWEST AND WEST NORTHWEST. TRAIL HAD A HAN MADE CANOPY AND COULD NOT BE SEEN FROM THE AIR.

AT 041245H LOCATED A NVA/VC OP SITE IN THE VIC GR YC437977. LOOKING  
SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST. 8 FOXHOLES AND BAMBOO BACKS.

AT 051200H LOCATED 3 L SHAPE BUNKERS BELOW GROUND WITH A PIT 4 TO 5 FEET DEEP AT YC423974. ENTRANCE TO BUNKER WAS THROUGH THE PIT. LOGS WERE 4 TO 5 INCHES IN DIAMETER WITH 2 TO 3 FEET OF DIRT. BELIEVED PIT WAS USED AS A AA SITE.

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AT 060700H TM WAS LOCATED AT YC439977 AND HEARD 1 SIGNAL SHOT 150 METERS TO THE NORTHEAST.

AT 061815H TM WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC439977 AND HAD MOVEMENT TO THE EAST AT 25 METERS, UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE.

AT 061300H TM WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC437976 AND HAD MOVEMENT TO THE WEST AT 100 METERS. ALSO HEARD ONE SIGNAL SHOT.

AT 080315H TM WAS LOCATED IN THE VIC OF YC434980 AND OBS MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTHEAST AT 100 METERS AND MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTHWEST AT 150 METERS. ENEMY HAD FLASH LIGHTS.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Force  
COC

Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) SUPPORTING air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (4-3) "COFFEE" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4595; Lower Right YC4794, to detect enemy movement (troop), communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone (ARMY-YC461940 USMC-Zulu Pos) by helicopter and commence reconnaissance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are: (a) GOLDIE YD2808  
(b) BAYONET YD3104  
(c) BLADE YD4201  
(d) KABAR YC3299  
(e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP., (1) CS, (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

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|-----|--------------------|-------|---------|-----------------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M-126) | CODE YELLOW           |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M-166) | CODE PINK (USMC AIR)  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M-232) | CODE BLACK            |
| (4) | Alternate          | 34.10 | (M-249) | CODE GREEN (USMC AIR) |

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- |     |  |
|-----|--|
| (1) | "SCAREFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary         |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary        |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary: 67.25         |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC A) Primary: 42.90   |

## d. Team Shackle: "RUMANDCOKE" and "LINDA".

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: COFFEE (4-3) (6 MEN) (OPO 05-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 081240H/131145H JAN 70 (119 HRS)
3. ROUTE: YC446946 TO YC448945 TO YC450948 TO YC457949 TO YC461940 TO YC467933 TO YC467943.
4. TERRAIN: IS STE P RUGGED HILLS WITH SINGLE CANOPY, THICK TEN (10) TO TWELVE (12) FOOT UNDERBRUSH OF VINES, BAMBOO AND FERNS. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS 75 TO 100 METERS PER HOUR.
6. HLZ: SITE AT YC467934 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) UH-1H. SITE IS BARE HILL TOP. BEST APPROACH IS FROM SW/NE.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 081300H AT YC446946 TEAM OBSERVED A TRAIL RUNNING NW/SE ONE (1) METER WIDE. TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE WITHIN LAST TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS, BY ONE PERSON AND A WATER BUFFALO.

081600H AT YC448945 TEAM OBSERVED A TRAIL ONE (1) METER WIDE RUNNING NE/SW. TRAIL SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

091150H AT YC452951 TEAM LOCATED A TRAIL ONE (1) METER WIDE RUNNING N W/SE.

101300H AT YC459948 TEAM FOUND A TRAIL ONE (1) METER WIDE RUNNING N/S.

AT YC452951 TEAM LOCATED ANTRAFRAME BUNKER, TWO (2) METAL RICE CANS AND CARRYING POLES AND ONE (1) REED BASKET.

AT YC461961 TEAM OBSERVED OLD US AND ARVN BUNKERS RUNNING NW/SE.

AT YC464936 TEAM OBSERVED A SMALL HARBOR SITE FOR SIX MEN WHICH SHOWED RECENT USE.

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(b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69  
(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly unit to the operating areas is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st. Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

# 2. MISSION.

Teams (1-2) "PONY" and (4-2) "SPINNER", functioning jointly as "ZULU RELAY", a fixed radio position, will perform as a recon relay site for such teams as will be inserted within the designated AO for a period of five (5) days or until relieved.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Relay will insert into assigned RZ as a flip-flop vic YC449956 and take over site from presently operating teams. Relay commander will ensure that constant communications between teams operating within his area and this headquarters.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) An overflight is not necessary unless situation changes.

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(2) Intelligence brief will be given by the S-2 prior to your insert.

(3) Final inspection of relay team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ANCIENT SCOUT" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to this headquarters each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting artillery on designated frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) THRUSTS POINTS ARE:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of eight (8) ~~b. Special Equipment:~~ quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None is required except as designated by the relay commander. Equipment already on station with teams occupying relay will remain for the replacing relay teams.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, One (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: Two (2) bush medical kits and one (1) morphine syrette per man will be taken. Individual patrol members will carry two (2) field bandages per man.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65	(M-126)	CODE YELLOW
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(3)	Alternate	37.05	(M-232)	CODE BLACK
(4)	Alternate	34.10	(M-249)	CODE GREEN (USMC AIR)

b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary	
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary	
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary:	67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary:	47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary:	42.90

d. Team Shackle: "RUMANDCOKE", "LINDA", "HELEN", ETC.

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the teams primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution: (1) 3dForReconCo (COC)  
 (1) Relay Commander  
 (1) 3dForRecCo LNO (101 Abn)

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(2-1) Boxhill

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 (c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 60123189.dtd 04Nov69.

Force  
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Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.

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b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None.

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conducts reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC3896; Lower Right YC4074, to detect enemy movement (troop), communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final Inspection of recon team will take place prior to inserting by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) THRUST POINTS ARE: (a) GOLDIE YD2808  
(b) BAYONET YD3104  
(c) BLADE YD4201  
(d) KABAR YC3299  
(e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

B. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) CS, (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

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|-----|--------------------|-------|---------|-----------------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M-126) | CODE YELLOW           |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M-166) | CODE PINK (USMC AIR)  |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M-232) | CODE BLACK            |
| (4) | Alternate          | 34.10 | (M-249) | CODE GREEN (USMC AIR) |

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- |     |  |       |
|-----|--|-------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary    |       |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary  |       |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary:         | 67.25 |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: | 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC A0) Primary:  | 42.90 |

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

(1)	3rdForRecon COC
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

DRAFTER: SSGT LYONS  
E-2 THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
8 JAN 1970

FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

INFO: CG XXIV CORPS, PHB  
CG FIRST MARDIV, DNG  
CG FIRST MAW, DNG  
MAC ONE SIX, DNG  
ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE (G-2), PHB  
2 SQND/SEVENTEENTH CAV, ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE, PHB  
FIRST RECON BN, DNG  
FIRST FORCE RECON CO. DNG

RECON SPOT REPORT IN LIEU OF PATROL DERRIEFING (U)

1. RECON TEAM BOXHILL WAS INSERTED AT 081205H IN THE VIC OF YC389376. TM LOCATED A NEW BUNKER COMPLEX OF 20 TO 25 BUNKERS BUILT BELOW GROUND. BUNKERS HAD LOGS 3 TO 6 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND SOME HAD DIRT OVER TOP. BUNKERS WERE IN A 360 DEGREE CIRCLE AND IN THE CENTER WAS A FLAG POLE. THE FLAG WAS MADE OF A PARACHUTE FLARE CANOPY. TM MOVED TO THE EAST NORTH-EAST TO OBS THE TRAIL RUNNING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. AT THIS TIME TM HEARD VOICES AND OBS 12 NVA/VC MOVING TOWARDS THEM. ENEMY WAS WEARING GREEN UNIFORMS WITH BLACK HELMET LINERS AND WERE CARRYING AK-47, S. THE ENEMY IN THE LEAD HAD ON A BROWN CAMOUFLAGE SHIRT (LITTLE BROWN AND GREEN SPOTS). TM MADE CONTACT, MOVING UP THE HILL TO THE CENTER OF THE BUNKER COMPLEX. TM FIRED 200 ROUNDS OF 7.62MM, 38 M-79 HE ROUNDS AND THREW 19 FRAG GRENADES, 5 WT GRENADES AND 2 RED SMOKE. HELICOPTERS FROM 2/17 CAV FIRD ON THE TARGET AND RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE. TM WAS EXTRACTED AT 081305H WHILE STILL IN CONTACT. 6 NVA/VC KIA (C) BY TM AND 2 NVA/VC KIA (C) BY AIR.

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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS, PHB  
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FIRST RECON BN, DNG  
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MESSAGE CORRECTION (U)

A. MY 080752Z JAN 70

1. CHANGE COORDINATES YC389376 IN LINE ONE TO READ YC386956.
2. CHANGE 7.62MM IN LINE ELEVEN TO READ 5.56MM.

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Time Zone: "H"

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COC1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 7-69.  
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b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-2) "ARTIC" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3301; Lower Right YC3599, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (5) five days of until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final Inspection of recon team will take place prior to inserting by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU relay" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) THRUST POINTS ARE:

(a)	GOLDIE	YD2808
(b)	BAYONET	YD3104
(c)	BLADE	YD4201
(d)	KABAR	YC3299
(e)	RIPCORN	YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordinance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) CS, (1) color-  
ed smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIET SCOUT" (COC)

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|-----|--------------------|-------|---------|------------------------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 46.65 | (M-126) | CODE YELLOW            |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M-166) | CODE PINK (USMC AIR)   |
| (3) | Alternate          | 37.05 | (M-232) | CODE BLACK             |
| (4) | Alternate          | 34.10 | (M-249) | CODE GREEN ( USMC AIR) |

## b. FIRE SUPPORT: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

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|-----|---|-------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary     |       |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary   |       |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary:          | 67.25 |
| (4) | "PHU BAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: | 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary;   | 42.90 |

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

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 (1) Team Leader  
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12 JAN 1970

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FM: THIRD FORCE RECON  
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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: ARTIC (2-2) ( 6 MEN) (OPO 08-70)
  2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 041048H/120935H JAN 70 (96 HOURS)
  3. ROUTE: FM YD338001 TO YD332008 TO YD349005 TO YC341999 TO YD349002 TO YD350002.
  4. TERRAIN: SCATTERED SINGLE CANOPY WITH THREE (3) TO FIVE (5) FOOT UNDERBRUSH AND THREE (3) TO TWELVE (12) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS; TREES ARE SLIGHTLY DEFOLIATED. NATURAL WATER SOURCES ARE AS MARKED ON MAP. SOIL IS A RED/BROWN CLAY/HUMUS MIXTURE. AREA AFFORDS POOR COVER AND FAIR CONCEALMENT.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 75 TO 100 METERS PER HOUR.
  6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 091256 TEAM HEARD UNKNOWN ENEMY GROUP PASS ON TRAIL IN VIC YD341004 AND THEN HEARD 15 TO 20 ENEMY COMING DOWN HIGH SPEED TRAIL ONE METER WIDE WITH BARE GROUND. TEAM CALLED FOR LOH AFTER WHOSE ARRIVAL ENEMY USED TRAIL FIVE (6) METERS TO SOUTH AND CONTINUED TO TRAVEL AND TALK UNKNOWN BY LOH.
- 111107H YC348995 TEAM HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY TALKING.
- 111615H TEAM HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY TALKING AND HEARD ONE (1) RIFLE SHOT IN VIC GRID YC348995.

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Time Zone: "H"

Force  
 COC

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document ~~7-69~~.  
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b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-1) "ATLAS" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC3497; Lower Right YC3695, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence Brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final Inspection of recon team will take place prior to inserting by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

(a)	GOLDIE YD2808
(b)	BAYONET YD3104
(c)	BLADE YD4201
(d)	KABAR YC3299
(e)	RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member.

b. Special Equipment: 4-114 WIRETAP, "STARLITE" Scope.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days per man.

d. Ordnance: Four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, (1) cs, (1) colored smoke, one (1) claymore, (20) magazines, (1) hand-held flare.

e. Medical: Bush medical kit, (1) syrette per man and (2) dressings.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1) Primary Frequency:	46.65 (M-126)	CODE YELLOW
(2) Secondary	43.20 (M-166)	CODE PINK (USMC AIR)
(3) Alternate	37.05 (M-232)	CODE BLACK
(4) Alternate	34.10 (M-249)	Code green (USMC AIR)

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary	
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary	
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17) Primary:	67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary:	47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE of HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary:	42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

DRAFTER: CPL PALMER  
S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: ATLAS (3-1) (6 MEN) (OPO 09-70)
  2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 081200H/131205H JAN 70 (120 HRS)
  3. ROUTE: FM YC354965 TO YC354963 TO YC345965 TO YC347965 TO YC343963 TO YC345966 TO YC344968.
  4. TERRAIN: MOVING FROM EAST TO WEST TERRAIN IS LOW ROLLING HILLS TO STEEP HILLS. CONTAINS EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) FOOT UNDERBRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS APPROX 75 TO 100 METERS PER HOUR.
  6. REZ: SITE AT YC348964 WILL ACCOMMODATE TWO (2) CH-46. BEST APPROACH IS FROM SW/NE.
  7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 121700H AT YC345966 TEAM OBSERVED TWENTY (20) FIGHTING HOLES AND UNFINISHED BUNKERS. TEAM ALSO FOUND ONE (1) GRASS MAT, REMAINS OF A COOKING FIRE AND NUMEROUS FOOD CANS ALL ABOUT ONE (1) MONTH OLD.
- 121235H AT YC332960 LOH CALLED BY TEAM OBSERVED A WHICKER BASKET AND TRAIL SHOWING SIGNS OF RECENT USE.
- AT YC348964 TEAM OBSERVED A ROAD RUNNING E/W OF PACKED DIRT SURFACE. ROAD SHOWED TRACES OF VEHICLES ONE (1) TO TWO (2) MONTHS OLD.

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(C-2) "Roach"

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 Force  
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Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-2) "ROACH" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3704; ~~Upper~~ Lower Right YD3902, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZULU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAIUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and army units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHA TTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

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OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (2) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
17 JAN 1970

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: ROACH (3-2) (6 MEN) (OPO 10-70)
2. DFC INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 111530H/161300H JAN 70 (118 HRS)
3. ROUTE: WH YD375029 TO YD345027 TO YD376025 TO YD347026 TO YD375029 TO YD378022 TO YD378033.
4. TERRAIN: IS STEEP SLOPES WITH EIGHT (8) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. AREA CONTAINS SCATTERED REGIONS OF SINGLE CANOPY. AREA AF ORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT. AT VIC GRID YD375026 IS AN UNMARKED STREAM RUNNING N/S.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS ONE HUNDRED M(100) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HILZ: SITE AT YD375029 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A HILL TOP WITH SIX (6) TO TEN (10) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS S/N.

SITE AT YD378023 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH46. SITE IS A HILL TOP WITH TWELVE (12) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS SE/NW.

7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 121230H AT YD375026 TEAM DISCOVERED THREE (3) TUNNELS, THREE (3) HUTS, ONE (1) COCK SHACK, ONE (1) FIFTY-FIVE (55) GALLON DRUM AND WELL. UPON FURTHER EXAMINATION OF AREA TEAM FOUND COMMUNICATION WIRE RUNNING FROM ONE OF THE TUNNELS, TWO (2) WHEELS FOR SOVIET 12.7mm MODEL 1938 DSK 46 CHICOM TYPE 54, MACHINEGUN, LARGE AMOUNTS OF USED BAT IRCS RESEMBLING US BA-30 AND NUMEROUS 12.7mm ARMOR PIERCING RDS.

TUNNELS WERE DUG INTO THE SLOPE IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION AND RAN BACK APPROX TWENTY (20) TO THIRTY (30) METERS. ONE (1) TUNNEL WAS INTERDICTED APPROX EIGHT (8) METERS FROM ITS ORIGIN BY A CAVE IN. THE TUNNEL FURTHEST NORTH CONTAINED LOGS SIX (6) INCHES IN DIAMETER DRIVEN INTO THE GROUND WITH POLES LASHED TO THEM AND PLANKS LAYED UPON THESE, THIS APPEARED TO BE A BED. ALL TUNNELS ENTERED A CENTRALLY LOCATED ROOM.

THIS ROOM WAS 10'x5'x6'. THIS ROOM CONTAINED BEDS, CANDLES AND VARIOUS LIVING EFFECTS.

PLACED BETWEEN SECOND AND THIRD TUNNELS ON AN UNMARKED STREAM WAS A DUG WELL WITH A FIFTY-FIVE (55) GALLON DRUM PLACED WITHIN TO PREVENT COLLAPSE. TEN (10) METERS DOWN STREAM WAS LOCATED A BOX CONTAINING ROCKS AND SAND TO

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## 6. ENEMY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)

FILTE WATER AS IT ENTERED A BAMBOO FLUME WHICH EMPTED INTO A POOL APPROX THREE (3) METERS IN DIAMETER.

SOUTH OF THIS APPROX FOUR (4) METERS TM LOCATED A COOK SHACK. SHACK CONTAINED THREE (3) STOOLS, A TABLE AND FOUR (4) COOKING RIRS. IN THIS LOCATION TM ALSO FOUND ONE (1) FIFTY-FIVE (55) GALLON DRUM CONTAINING TWO (2) GALVANIZED BANDS BETWEEN THE CENTER RIRS OF THE DRUM.

TEAM FOLLOWED THE COMMUNICATIONS WIRE FROM THE TUNNEL TO FIND IT FOLLOWED A PATTERN OF COLOR AND MAKE UP. TEAM STATES A SINGLE STRAND OF WIRE LEAVES THE TUNNEL AREA RUNNING N/S AND LINKS UP WITH A STACK IN THE GROUND WHICH CONTAINS TWO WIRES RUNNING OFF OF IT. ONE OF THESE WIRES IS JOINED TO THE WIRE TRACED FROM THE TUNNEL AREA WHILE THE OTHER WIRE IS PLACED INTO THE GROUND. WIRES ALTERNATE BETWEEN BROWN, BLACK, AND WHITE. WIRE IS SINGLE INTERNAL COPPER STRAND WITH INSULATION ON OUTSIDE.

TEAM FOUND BOXES THROUGHOUT THE AREA. ONE (1) SUCH BOX HAD WRITTEN ON IT 1148D IN BLACK PAINT APPROX ONE (1) INCH HIGH.

TEAM OBSERVED A TRAIL AT YD576025 RUNNING N/S. TRAIL WAS APPROX ONE (1) METER WIDE AND SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT ACTIVITY. TRAIL THROUGH THE ELEPHANT GRASS AND IS UNSEEN BY AIR.

AT GRID YD577027 TEAM OBSERVED NUMEROUS 3/4" SPIDER HOLES.

AT GRID YD576023 TEAM OBSERVED TWO (2) COVERED FIGHTING HOLES (OF SAME SIZE AS THOSE ABOVE), AN OLD GUN PIT, AND APPROX FIFTY (40) METERS OF TRENCHLINE.

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Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BA STOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-3) "SNAKY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC3696; Lower Right YC3894, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of (3) three days of until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air ~~and~~ and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of six (6) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. FIRE SUPPORT: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

(1)	3rdForRecon COC
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3rdForRecon InO 2/17 Cav



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TO: CG III MAF (SBC)

RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. BEAM CALL SIGN: SHARKY (3-3) (6 MEN) (OPO 11-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 111325H/141130H JAN 70 (70 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC363952 TO YC364951 TO YC368947 TO YC369946 TO YC369947.
4. TERRAIN: WAS THICK UNDERBRUSH OF EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) FOOT BLINDING GRASS AND BAMBOO. AREA OFFERED GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS FIFTY (50) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HILL: SITE AT YC369947 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. BEST APPROACH IS FROM S/R. SITE IS A HILL TOP WITH FOUR (4) TO FIVE (5) FOOT BLINDING GRASS.

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## OPERATION ORDER 12-70

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CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69.  
III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

(2-1) Boxhill  
Force

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st., 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE TANGO 36".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav., 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, UpperLeft ~~YD~~ YC3994; Lower Right YC4192, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (4) four days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAITHE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be tested fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of (7) seven days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 36" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE of HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the teams primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: BOXHILL (2-1) (6 MEN) (OPO 12-70)
  2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 11151CH/121641H JAN 70 (26 HRS)
  3. ROUTE: YC401933 TO YC400929 TO YC399927 TO YC394927 TO YC397925.
  4. TERRAIN: VIC GRID YC399927 TERRAIN IS LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH TWO (2) TO FOUR (4) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. VIC GRID YC394927 TERRAIN IS STEEP HILLS WITH THICK FIVE (5) TO EIGHT (8) UNDERBRUSH AND VINES, SINGLE CANOPY EIGHTY (80) FOOT IN HEIGHT. FAIR COVER AND POOR CONCEALMENT IN AREAS.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IN LOW LANDS VIC GRID YC399927 TEAM LEADER'S DISCRETION. IN VIC GRID YC394927 FIFTY (50) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) METERS PER HOUR.
  6. HLZ: SITE AT YC397925 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) UH-1H. SITE IS HILL KNOLL WITH FOUR (4) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS SW/NE WITH SMALL TREES TO SW.
  7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 111545H AT YC400929 TEAM CAME INTO CONTACT WITH FIFTEEN (15) NVA/VC RESULTING IN FIVE (5) ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED. ENEMY WAS WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS, DARK TROUSERS, AND ONE (1) IN SOLID GREEN. ENEMY USED AK-47s AND CHICOM GRENADES. TEAM CALLED FOR AERIAL SUPPORT AND RECEIVED ONE (1) COBRA AND ONE (1) UH-1H. TEAM MOVED TO THE EAST AFTER SUPPORT LEFT STATION. TEAM HEARD SOMEONE SAY DURING CONTACT "LET'S GO" IN ENGLISH.
- 121000H VIC GRID YC396927 TEAM OBSERVED ONE HIGH SPEED TRAIL RUNNING N/S. TRAIL WAS ONE (1) METER WIDE AND SHOWED RECENT USE WITHIN LAST TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS. TRAIL HAD HIGH GRASS ~~POPE WITH TOPS~~ TIED TOGETHER OVER TOP.
- 12145H VIC GRID YC394927 TEAM HEARD ENEMY AND LISTENED FOR MOVEMENT. IN TEAM LEADER'S OPINION ENEMY APPEARED TO BE FOLLOWING TEAM SINCE LAST CONTACT. TEAM REQUESTED A "PINK PACKAGE" AND RECEIVED ONE (1) COBRA AND ONE (1) UH-1H WHICH EXPENDED ALL ORDNANCE. TEAM REQUESTED ANOTHER "PINK PACKAGE" AND AN EXTRACTION DUE TO LACK OF AMMUNITION. TEAM MOVED UNDER AERIAL SUPPORT TO A SUITABLE HLZ AND WAS EXTRACTED. ENEMY WAS WEARING BROWN

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SHIRTS, GREEN TROUSERS OR SHORTS, ONE (1) CARRIED A LARGE P ACK AND ALL HAD CARTRIDGE BELTS. ENEMY USED ONE (1) SKS AND THE REST AK-47s DURING CONTACT. CONTACT RESULTED IN ONE (1) ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

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OPERATION ORDER 13-70

**GARLIC**

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 (b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69.  
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**FORCE  
COC**

Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE ~~TANG~~ FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (1-3) "GARLIC" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4491; Lower Right Y64689, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (4) four days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SA IUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points are:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

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b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of seven (7) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.



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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

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(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE ~~TANG~~ FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE of HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C.C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

(1)	3rdForRecon COC
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: GARLIC (1-3) (6 MEN) (OPO 13-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 131152H/171032H JAN 70 (95 HRS)
3. ROUTE FM YC453897 TO YC443903 TO YC447898 TO YC445815 TO YC442907.
4. TERRAIN: IS LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS, SCATTERED MARSHY AREAS AND HILL TOPS CONTAINING DEFOLIATED TREES RANGING FROM TWENTY (20) TO THIRTY (30) FEET HIGH. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS ONE HUNDRE AND FIFTY (150) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HILZs: ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE AREA .
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: NONE

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**FORCE COC**  
**BITTER**

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Reconnaissance Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operation area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (4-3) "BITTER" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4292; Lower Right YC4490, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (3) three days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the Vr.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ZUIU RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

(9) Thrust Points Are:

- (a) GOLDIE YD2808
- (b) BAYONET YD3104
- (c) BLADE YD4201
- (d) KABAR YC3299
- (e) RIPCORN YC4592

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather gear suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of six (6) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

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|-----|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 37.05 | (M232) | BLACK  |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M166) | PINK   |
| (3) | Air Freq           | 34.10 | (M249) | GREEN  |
| (4) | Alternate Freq     | 46.65 | (M126) | YELLOW |

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- |  |     |                                 |              |       |
|--|-----|---------------------------------|--------------|-------|
| <i>Assault "A" TRP</i><br><i>Banshee B</i><br><i>Condor C</i><br><i>Comanchero F</i> | (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)        | Team Primary |       |
|  | (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)      | Team Primary |       |
|  | (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)         | Primary;     | 67.25 |
|  | (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) | Primary:     | 47.40 |
|  | (5) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)  | Primary:     | 42.90 |

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

*[Signature]*  
 1STLT. C. G. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

"A" TRP / 2ND / 17TH CAV

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17 JAN 70

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TO: CG III MAF (SEC)

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1. TEAM CALL SIGN: BITTER (4-1) (6 MEN) (ops 14-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 141120H/171025H JAN 70 (70 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC433916 TO YC434910 TO YC433905 TO YC428912 TO YC428912
4. TERRA IN: IS ROLLING HILLS WITH DENSE FIVE (5) TO EIGHT (8) FOOT UNDERBUSH OF ELEPHANT GRASS, BAMBOO, AND VINES. CANOPY RANGED FROM DESPOLIATED TO AREAS OF SINGLE CANOPY. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS APPROX FIFTY (50) TO SEVENTY-FIVE (75) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HLZ: SITE AT VIC GRID YC433916 TO VIC GRID YC425915 WILL ACCOMMODATE SIX (6) CH-46. SITE IS VALLEY SHELF NEAR A STREAM RUNNING N/S. THE BEST APPROACH IS FROM N/S.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: NONE.

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Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly forces to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB BASTOGNE and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FORTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

"XRAY" Teams (1-1) "TINNY" and (2-2) ~~ALAS~~, functioning jointly as "XRAY RELAY", a fixed radio position, will perform as a recon radio relay site for such teams as will be inserted into the designated AO for a period of five (5) days or until relieved.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Relay will insert into assigned RZ as a flip-flop via YC449956 and take over site from presently operating teams. Relay commander will ensure that constant communications between teams operating within his area and this headquarters.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) An overflight is not necessary unless situation changes.

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(2) Intelligence brief will be given by the S-2 prior to your insert.

(3) Final inspection of relay team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ANCIENT SCOUT" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to this headquarters each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting artillery on designated frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraxtion aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of eight quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None is required except as designated by the relay commander. Equipment already on station with teams occupying the relay will remain for the replacing relay teams.

c. Rations: A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: Two (2) bush medical kits and one (1) morphine syrette per man will be taken. Individual patrol members will carry two (2) field bandages per man.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT " (COC)

- |     |                    |       |        |        |
|-----|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 37.05 | (M232) | BLACK  |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 | (M166) | PINK   |
| (3) | Air Freq           | 34.10 | (M249) | GREEN  |
| (4) | Alternate Freq     | 46.65 | (M126) | YELLOW |

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE TANGO 11) is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- |     |                                 |                |
|-----|---------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)        | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)      | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)         | Primary: 67.25 |
| (4) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) | Primary: 47.40 |
| (5) | "COWPOKE of HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)  | Primary: 42.90 |

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

*"Boxhill"  
(2-1)*

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

*COC*

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11!"

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments.

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3402; Lower Right YD3701, to detect enemy troop movements, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage is for a period of (3) three days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Seven (7) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAIUTE" messages are to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment: None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations: A minimum of six (6) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance: Individual load for riflemen will be four )4( M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical: One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF Primary "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary	
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary	
(3)	"CYCLONE" (USACAV 2/17)	Primary:	67.25
(4)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary:	47.40
(5)	"COWPOKE of HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary:	42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
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Distribution List:

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TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

1. RECON TEAM BOXHILL (2-1) (7 MEN) WHILE CIRCLING FOR INSERTION AT YD355013 OBSERVED EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) MUZZLE FLASHES AND SMOKE RISING FROM A RIDGELINE TWO KILOMETERS (2 KM) NORTH OF TEAM'S INSERTION POINT. TEAM ALSO OBSERVED TEN (10) TO FIFTEEN (15) MUZZLE FLASHES TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (250) METERS FROM THE SOUTH OF TEAM'S INSERTION POINT.

TEAM WAS INSERTED AT 161300H AND AT 161302H TEAM SPOTTED SIX (6) NVA/VC RUN INTO A BUNKER FIVE HUNDRED (500) METERS NORTH. THIS BUNKER HAD AN ENTRANCE APPROX TWO (2) METERS WIDE AND A BLAST WALL OF LOGS AND ROCKS APPROX THREE (3) METERS LONG. TEAM THEN CALLED IN GUNSHIPS WHICH DELIVERED THEIR ORDNANCE RESULTING IN THREE (3) ENEMY RUNNING FROM THE BUNKER. TWO (2) ENEMY TRAVELED WEST AND ONE (1) ENEMY TRAVELED EAST.

TEAM M THEN HEARD MOVEMENT TO ITS WEST, NORTH AND TO ITS EAST. IN TEAM LEADER'S OPINION THE ENEMY WAS ATTEMPTING TO ENVELOPE HIS POSITION.

TEAM OBSERVED FRESH WATER BUFFALO TRACKS THROUGHOUT THE AREA AND BELIEVED THE SMOKE SEEN UPON INSERTION TO BE THE DROWNING OF A CAMPFIRE.

TEAM WAS EXTRACTED AT 161355H RESULTING IN ONE (1) KBA PROBABLE.  
CONTACT RESULTED IN FOUR (4) KBA PROBABLE AND ONE (1) HIT ON ~~REAR~~ ~~FOR~~ ~~IN~~  
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Time Zone: "H"

(4-3)  
"Coffee"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

COC

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (4-3) "COFFEE" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3505; Lower Right YD3703, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and army units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment: The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None ~~other~~ required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of (8) eight days rations per man.

d. Ordinance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

B. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

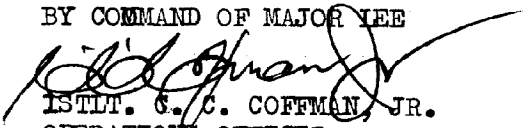
## c. Air Support:

(1)	"ASSAULT"	("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(2)	"BANSHEE"	("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(3)	CONDOR	("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"COMANCHERO"	("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF"	(USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(6)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE"	(USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR YEE

  
 1ST LT. G. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

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(1)	Team Leader
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1. RECON TEAM COFFEE (4-3) (6 MEN) OPO 16-70 WAS INSERTED IN THE VIC OF YD353047 AT 170955H.

AT 171145H TM OBS 6 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH NORTHEAST IN THE VIC OF YD356952. ENEMY HAD RIFLES AND HEAVY PACKS.

AT 171150H TM OBS 7 NVA/VC ON TOP OF A RIDGE LINE APPROX 50 METERS NORTH OF YD356952. ENEMY HAD 6 RIFLES AND 1 LMG, CARRYING 3 SMALL BOXES.

AT 171200H TM OBS 66 NVA/VC MOVING IN 3 COLUMNS (1ST COLUMN HAD 21, 2D COLUMN HAD 22 AND THE 3RD COLUMN HAD 23). ENEMY WAS CARRYING RIFLES AND 1 RPG. ALL OF THE ENEMY HAD ON BROWN UTILITIES, BOOTS AND SOFT COVERS.

TM OBS 3 LMG, 5 AND 1 50 CAL MG APPROX 50 TO 75 METERS APART. TO THE EAST ALONG THE SAME RIDGE LINE OBS 3 SNIPERS APPROX 150 METERS APART. (COORDS: 1608 0050N AND 1040E)

AT 171216H AIRCRAFT FROM 2/17 CAV (8 ARA/VC AND 10 IN TEAM) EXPENDED ALL ORDNANCE. AIRCRAFT RECEIVED 50 CAL, 30 CAL AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. TM WAS EXTRACTED AT 171338H FROM THE VIC OF YD353049 AND RECEIVED 3 ROUNDS OF SNIPER FIRE. USMC CV-10 A/C (?) SUPPORTED EXTRACTION.

TM LOCATED A POSSIBLE BUNKER COMPLEX IN THE VIC OF YD356053 AND A POSSIBLE BASE CAMP IN THE VIC OF YD357052.

TM STATES THERE ARE NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE AREA. TRAILS ARE COVERED BY ELEPHANT GRASS TIED AT THE TOP CAMOUFLAGING THEM FROM THE AIR.

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MESSAGE CORRECTION (U)

A. MY 171230Z

1. CHANGE COORDINATES IN LINE THREE (3) FROM YD356952 TO YD353050.

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Time Zone: "H"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger unit force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at PSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at PSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FORCE 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (1-2) "PONY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD2811; Lower Right YD5009, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of four (4) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert in to their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SECRET" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on designated frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of seven (7) days rations per man.

d. Ordinance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

- |     |                    |              |        |
|-----|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 37.05 (M252) | BLACK  |
| (2) | Secondary          | 45.20 (M166) | PINK   |
| (3) | Air Freq           | 34.10 (M249) | GREEN  |
| (4) | Alternate Freq     | 46.65 (M126) | YELLOW |

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXROE 11" is 43.50

## c. Air Support: "

- |     |                                     |                |
|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)    | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)    | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)     | Team Primary   |
| (4) | "COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) | Team Primary   |
| (5) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)     | Primary: 47.40 |
| (6) | "CLOWPONE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)     | Primary: 43.90 |

## d. Team Shackle: "AAG QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force: (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT) on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1ST LT. G. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
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1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (1-2) PONY (6 MEN) (OPO 17-70)
  2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 171000H/211445H JAN 70 (100 HRS)
  3. ROUTE: FM YD299092 TO YD298095 TO YD292100 TO YD290104 TO YD291101 TO YD293099.
  4. TERRAIN: STEEP ROLLING HILLS, THICK ELEPHANT GRASS, SCATTERED UNDERBRUSH OF VINES AND BAMBOO IN DEFOLIATED TREES. THE ELEPHANT GRASS AND BRUSH ARE EIGHT (8) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT HIGH. AREA HAS POOR COVER AND GOOD CONCEALMENT.
  5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: SEVENTY-FIVE (75) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) METERS PER HOUR.
  6. HLZs: SITE AT YD299092 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A HILL TOP WITH EIGHT (8) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH IS W/E.
- SITE AT YD293099 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A HILL TOP WITH EIGHT (8) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH IS W/E.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: NONE.
  8. OTHER INFORMATION:

TIME	VIC	VIEW	RANGE
17 AM	YD298092	NW/SE 135°-235°	1,000 M
PM	"299095	NW/E 40°-270°	2,000 M
18 AM	YD296096	NW/SE 120°-270°	3,000 M
PM	"295097	W/SE 110°-300°	4,000 M
19 AM-PM	YD287101	W/SE 135°-300°	3,000 M
20 AM-PM	YD291106	N/NW 350°-260°	3,000 M
21 AM-PM	YD293099	N/NW 360°-270°	3,000 M

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8. OTHER INFORMATION (CONT'D):

OP SITES YD298092, YD296096, YD291106 WERE RESTRICTED DUE TO HEAVY UNDERBRUSH AND THICK CANOPY. AT ALL OTHER SITES ROAD AND VALLEY FLOOR WERE CLEARLY VISIBLE. THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF RECENT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN RZ.

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"SNAKY"  
(3-3)

Time Zone: "H"

## 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

COC

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger unit force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE . OUTRO 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

## 2. MISSION.

Team (3-3) "SNAKY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YG4599; Lower Right YG4797, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of four (4) days or until extracted.

## 3. Execution.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

## b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with the "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SHEEP" to be sent to radio relay each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on designated frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of seven (7) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

I. Tactical Notes: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (000)

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|-----|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 37.05 (M232) | BLACK  |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 (M166) | PINK   |
| (3) | Air Freq           | 34.10 (M249) | GREEN  |
| (4) | Alternate Freq     | 46.65 (M126) | YELLOW |

b. Fire Support: GOF "DESIRE FOOTPRINT 11" is 43.30

c. Air Support: "

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|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)    | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)    | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)     | Team Primary   |
| (4) | "COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) | Team Primary   |
| (5) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)     | Primary: 47.40 |
| (6) | "GOMPONE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)      | Primary: 42.90 |

d. Team Shackle: "KAG QAR 504"

e. Reaction Force: (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT) on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

LEWIS. G. G. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COG  
(1) Team Leader  
(1) 3rdForRecon ImO 2/17 Cav

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## RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (3-3) SNAKY (6 MEN) (OPO 18-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 181012H/211457H JAN 70 (101 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC458979 TO YC463974 TO YC464978 TO YC467978 TO YC460990 TO YC460989.
4. TERRAIN: STEEP SHEER HILLS WITH THIN SIX (6) TO EIGHT (8) FOOT UNDER-BRUSH. AREA IS COMPLETELY DEFOLIATED. COVER IS GOOD AND CONCEALMENT IS FAIR.

AN UNMARKED STREAM WAS DISCOVERED VIC GRID YC460980 RUNNING SE/NW. STREAM WAS TWELVE (12) FEET WIDE AND THREE (3) FEET DEEP, STREAM IS YEAR ROUND AND HAS A ROCK BOTTOM.

5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS TWO HUNDRED ~~(250)~~ METERS PER HOUR.

6. HLZ: SITE AT YC458979 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A RIDGE LINE. BEST APPROACH IS FM SE/NW WITH FORTY (40) FOOT TREES SURROUNDING THE HLZ.

SITE AT YC458989 WILL ACCOMMODATE TWO (2) CH-46. SITE IS A HILL FINGER. THE BEST APPROACH IS FM SE/NW.

7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 201605H AT YC462989 TM DISCOVERED THIRTY-FIVE (35) FRAMES FOR TEMPORARY HUTS, MADE OF STICKS TWO (2) INCHES IN DIAMETER. STICKS WERE TIED WITH VINES FORMING FRAMES FOR PONCHOS. STICKS WERE CUT WITH AXES. SITE WAS TWO (2) TO THREE (3) MONTHS OLD. BEST COMPANY SIZE CAMP. THIS WAS ONCE AN AMERICAN POSITION WITH SIXTY (60) FIGHTING HOLES.

## 8. OTHER INFORMATION:

TIME	VIC	VIEW	RANGE
17 AM	459977	SE 190°-240°	500 M
PM	462977	SE 190°-270°	600 M
18 AM	467977	NE 20°-90°	900 M
PM	465986	N 270°-110°	300 M
19 AM	462989	S 150°-200°	300 M
20 AM	463989	SW 120°-160°	1000 M
PM	462989	SE 190°	

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## 8. OTHER INFORMATION (CONT'D):

ALL OP SITES WERE RESTRICTED DUE TO HEAVY GROWTH OF LARGE TREES. FOG WAS ALSO COMMON AND RESTRICTED DETAILED VISION. AT NO TIME WAS THE ROAD (547) CLEARLY VISIBLE. NO SIGNS OF ANY RECENT ENEMY ACTIVITY WERE FOUND IN THE RZ.

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## OPERATION ORDER 19-70

- Ref: (a) Maps VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS Series 7014, Series No:  
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(b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69  
(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser OOI 23169 dtd 04Nov69

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces: Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces: Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094, 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101st Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (4-2) "SPINNER" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YD3901; Lower Right YD4199, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of four (4) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permit.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place ~~prior~~ as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "STREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and army units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of seven (7) days rations per man.

d. Ordinance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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**5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.****a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COG)**

- |     |                    |              |        |
|-----|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| (1) | Primary Frequency: | 57.05 (M22)  | BLACK  |
| (2) | Secondary          | 43.20 (M166) | PINK   |
| (3) | Air Freq           | 34.10 (M249) | GREEN  |
| (4) | Alternate Freq     | 46.65 (M126) | YELLOW |

**b. Fire Support: COG "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30****c. Air Support:**

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|-----|------------------------------------|----------------|
| (1) | "ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)   | Team Primary   |
| (2) | "BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)   | Team Primary   |
| (3) | "CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)    | Team Primary   |
| (4) | "COMMANDER" ("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) | Team Primary   |
| (5) | "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)    | Primary: 47.40 |
| (6) | "COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)     | Primary: 42.90 |

**d. Team Shocks: "KAC QAH 504"****e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.**

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. G. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

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 (2) Team Leader  
 (3) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (4-2) SPINNER (6 MEN) (OPO 19-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 190937H/221610H JAN 70 (74 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC403990 TO YC406995 TO YC404997 TO YD405002 TO YC398999.
4. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS WITH THICK EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS AND UNDERBRUSH OF VINES AND BAMBOO. FAIR COVER AND GOOD CONCEALMENT.

TEAM LOCATED TWO (2) UNMARKED STREAMS. FIRST IN VIC GRID YC402988 SECOND IN VIC GRID YC404986 RUNNING NE/SW. BOTH STREAMS WERE FAST FLOWING WITH ROCK AND SAND BOTTOMS. STREAMS WERE SIX (6) FEET WIDE AND ONE (1) TO THREE (3) FEET DEEP.

5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS FIFTY (50) TO SEVENTY-FIVE (75) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HLZ: SITE AT YC398999 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) UH-1H. SITE IS A HILL FINGERWITH EIGHT (8) TO TEN (10) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS SE/NE.

7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 211410H VIC GRID YD406002 TM OBSERVED A TRAIL RUNNING NE/SW ONE METER WIDE SHOWING SIGNS OF RECENT USE. FOOT PRINTS ON THE TRAIL WERE HEADING IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.

211630H VIC GRID YD406002 TEAM HEARD ONE (1) RIFLE SHOT AND DISCOVERED TWO (2) BUNKERS. BUNKERS WERE 4'x3'x2' AND WERE COVERED WITH DIRT AND LOGS FIVE (5) TO SIX (6) INCHES IN DIAMETER.

221009H VIC GRID YD404004 TEAM CAME INTO CONTACT WITH TEN (10) NVA/VC. TEAM TOLD ENEMY TO CHIEU HOI. ENEMY INITIATED CONTACT RESULTING IN THREE (3) ENEMY CONFIRMED KIA AND ONE (1) ENEMY PROBABLE KIA.

THREE (3) ENEMY WERE CARRYING TWO (2) PACKS AND CARRYING TWO (2) AK-47s. ENEMY WAS WEARING GREEN UTILITIES WITH K-3, T-3, T-16, AND 20 EMBROIDERED ABOVE THE LEFT HAND BREAST POCKET; PITH HELMETS, AND BOOTS.

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## 7. ENEMY ACTIVITY (CONT'D):

CONTENTS OF ENEMIES PACKS WERE EIGHT (8) FOOD BLOCKS, TEN (10) LBS OF RICE, ONE (1) GAS MASK, SEVERAL BATTLE DRESSINGS AND ONE (1) FIRST AID KIT. ENEMY WAS USING TWO (2) COMPASSES AND ONE (1) AMERICAN MAP. OTHER ASSORTED PERSONAL EFFECTS WERE FOUND BUT NOT LISTED.

TEAM MOVED SW ALONG TRAIL AND DISCOVERED ONE (1) AK-47 AND ONE (1) PACK WITH SIMILAR CONTENTS AS THOSE MENTIONED ABOVE.

AT 221027H TEAM RECEIVED AERIAL SUPPORT. AT 221120H TEAM RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM PREVIOUS POSITION RESULTING IN ONE (1) USMC WIA (EVAC).

AT 221129H UPON EXAMINING AREA VIC GRID YD404003 LOH RECEIVED ONE (1) RPG ROUND RESULTING IN ONE (1) DOWNED LOH AND TWO (2) USA WIA. TEAM FIRED SUPPRESSIVE INTO AREA AND RECEIVED ONE (1) RPG RESULTING IN ONE (1) USMC WIA.

TEAM MOVED INTO VIC GRID YD399004 OF DOWNED LOH AND AT 221202H USA REACTION FORCE LANDED AND SWEEPED AREA WITH TEAM HAVING NEG RESULTS.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69

Time zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces: Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces: Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" In via YD620094, 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4689; Lower Right YC4887, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations: Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions:

- (1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "STREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will test fire their in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of seven (7) days rations per man.

d. Ordinance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

- (1) Primary Frequency: 57.05 (M252) BLACK
- (2) Secondary 43.20 (M166) PINK
- (3) Air Freq 34.10 (M249) GREEN
- (4) Alternate Freq 46.65 (M126) YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- (1) "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary
- (2) "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH46s) TEAM Primary
- (3) "ASSAULT" ("A" TRF/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (4) "BANSHEE" ("B" TRF/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (5) "CONDOR" ("C" TRF/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (6) "COMANCHERO" ("D" TRF/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (7) "CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17) Primary: 67.25
- (8) "RHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40
- (9) "COMANCHE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force: (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" in the team's Primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

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OPERATIONS OFFICER

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1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (2-1) BOX HILL 6 MEN (OPO 20-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED 190945 H JAN 70 230939 H JAN 70 (96)
3. ROUTE: YC 462391 TO YC 462889 TO YC 466886 TO YC 467885
4. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS THICK UNDERBUSH, GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT
5. RATE OF MOV'T. 100 TO 125 METERS/HR.
6. HLM: SITE AT YC 467885 WILL ACCOMMODATE 1 CH-46. SITE IS A VALLEY FLOOR 6 FT. ELEPHANT GRASS. TREES TO BE ARE ONLY OBSTACLES. BEST APPROACH IS NE TO SW.
7. FINDING: AT YC 464883 TM HAD MOV'T. WITHIN 20 METERS OF POSITION TM ALSO HEARD CHOPPING SOUNDS 500 METERS AWAY AT AP BOX. GRID YC 458887 TM FOUND FOOTPRINTS OF APPROX 25 TO 30 MEN AT YC 466885 DIRECTION W TO E APPROX 24 HRS. OLD. AT YC 464885 TM FOUND 12 TO 15 WATER BUFFALO TRACKS AND 1 SET OF HUMAN TRACKS. APPROX 24 HRS. OLD. TM SPOTTED TRUCK AT YC 476887 TRUCK APPEARED TO BE USABLE. COLOR BLACK/BROWN 3/4 TON. TM IDENTIFIED PICTURES OF TRUCK AS 4X4 GAZ-63 FLAT BED BODY. NEG ACTION TAKEN.

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"XRAY Relay"

Time Zone: "H"

## 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

## 2. MISSION

Teams (3-2) "ROACH" and (4-1) "BITTER", functioning jointly as "XRAY RELAY", a fixed radio position, will perform as a recon radio relay site for such teams as will be inserted into the designated AO for a period of five (5) days or until relieved.

## 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Relay will insert into assigned RZ as a flip-flop vic YC449956 and take over site from presently operating teams. Relay commander will ensure that constant communications between teams operating within his area and this headquarters.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) An overflight is not necessary unless situation changes.

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(2) Intelligence brief will be given by the S-2 prior to your insert.

(3) Final inspection of relay team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "ANCIENT SCOUT" on designated Frequency and report exact time of insertion.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent to this headquarters ~~as required~~ <sup>each hour</sup>.

(7) Establish communications with supporting artillery on designated frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of eight (8) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None is required except as designated by the relay commander. Equipment already on station with teams occupying the relay will remain for the replacing teams.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. Two (2) bush medical kits and one (1) morphine syrette per man will be taken. Individual patrol members will carry two (2) field bandages per man.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP/2/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force: (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

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Time Zone: "H"

(1-3)  
 "GARLIC"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70. ....

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b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT"11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (1-3) "GARLIC" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4693; Lower Right YC4891, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. Execution.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	<del>Primary Frequency</del>	<del>37.85</del>	<del>(M232)</del>	<del>BLACK</del>
(2)	<del>Secondary</del>	<del>42.80</del>	<del>(M266)</del>	<del>PINK</del>
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

- (1) "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary
- (2) "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary
- (3) "ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (4) "BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (5) "CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (6) "COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (7) "CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17) Primary: 67.25
- (8) "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40
- (9) "COWPOKE and HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

*[Signature]*  
 1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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RECON SUBBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (4-3) 6 MEN COMBAT (OPO 23-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 211350H/251200H JAN 70 (94HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC 432963 TO YC435964 TO YC436968 TO YC432961
4. TERRAIN: 4 TO 6 FT. DISPERSED GRASS, BOMBED OUT AREAS DOMINANT  
THROUGHOUT RE. POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT, WEAPONS WERE FOUND THROUGHOUT RE.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 200 TO 300 METERS/HK.
6. HILLS: SITE AT YC432963 HILLTOP 5 CH-46'S SITE IS OLD PSB. 4 TO 6 FT.  
DISPERSED GRASS, BEST APPROACH NE TO SW. SITE AT YC432961 IS HILLTOP  
2CH-46'S 3 TO 4 FT. DISPERSED GRASS, BEST APPROACH N TO S.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 211720 H VIC GRID YC436965 TM SPOTTED 1 NVA/VC BROWN  
UTILITIES, WEAPON UNKNOWN. FM WAS WITH ANIMAL TM BELIEVED WAS A DEER.  
TM FOUND TRAIL AT YC439965 RUNNING N TO N NW TO SE APPROX 3 TO 4 FT WIDE  
RECENT USE (48HRS) MOVT OF APPROX 3 TO 4 HN MOVING NW ~~AT~~ 221000H.  
TM FOUND TRAIL AT YC440966 RUNNING NE TO SW ALONG RIDGELINE 7 TO 8 FT WIDE  
RECENT USE (24HRS) APPROX 12 MEN. TM LEADER COMMENTED THAT MOVT ON  
TRAILS FROM YC434972 TO YC438964 TO YC443966 WAS FROM THE NORTH TO  
THE SOUTH THEN TO THE EAST. TM ALSO CHECKED VALLEY FLOOR AND CONFIRMED  
NO MOVT ON RT 547. THIS CONFIRMS BELIEF THAT ENEMY HAVE BYPASSED MAIN  
ROUTE IN THIS REA. TM LEADER ALSO COMMENTED THAT FOOT PRINTS WERE WELL  
SUNK IN TRAIL INDICATING HEAVY LOADS.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

(4-3)  
"Coffee"

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YB620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE FOXTROT-11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (4-3) "COFFEE" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4397; Lower Right YC4596, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of (5) five days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

~~(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.~~

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed scene brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate Freq	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE FOXTROT 11" is 43.30

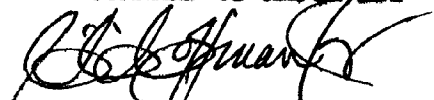
## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP/2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE and HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 304"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

  
 1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List:

(1)	3rdForRecon COG
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3rdForRecon InD 2/17 Cav

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THIRD FORCE RECON COMPANY PATROL DEBRIEFING REPORT

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (1-1) TIRRY (6 MEN) (OPO 24-70)
2. DTG DEPARTED/EXTRACTED: 241115H/270845H JAN 70 (71 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC480995 TO YC481899 TO YC483894 TO YC487896 TO YC486893.
4. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS WITH DOUBLE CANOPY OF THIRTY (30) TO FORTY (40) FEET. VEGETATION CONSISTS OF TEN (10) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS AND FIVE (5) TO EIGHT (8) FOOT UNDERBUSH/OOF BAMBOO AND VINES. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS FIFTY (50) TO SEVENTY-FIVE (75) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HLZs: SITE AT YC480995 WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A HILLTOP WITH TEN (10) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE W/E.  
SITE AT YC486893 WILL ACCOMMODATE TWO (2) CH-46s. SITE IS A HILLTOP WITH TEN (10) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS, OFFERING A THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY (360°) APPROACH.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: ON 241555H AT YC485992, TEAM OBSERVED A TRAIL APPROX ONE (1) METER WIDE. BOTH SIDES OF THE TRAIL WERE CLEARED OF UNDERBUSH. TRAIL WAS RUNNING S/N. AREA AROUND THE TRAIL WAS COVERED WITH LEAVES WHILE THE TRAIL WAS HARD PACKED DIRT, THE TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE (WITHIN THE LAST WEEK). TRAIL WAS CAMOUFLAGED FROM THE AIR BY THIRTY (30) TO FORTY (40) FOOT CANOPY. NUMEROUS MARKINGS AROUND THE AREA WERE NOTED. TWO SUCH MARKINGS WERE A TRIANGLE MADE OF VINES TIED TO A TREE AND A TRIANGLE LAYING ON THE GROUND WITH FOUR PARALLEL STICKS RUNNING ACROSS ITS LEFT HAND SIDE. BOTH THESE MARKINGS WERE POINTING SW.  
ON 242030H IN THE VIC GRID YC509915 THE TEAM OBSERVED FIVE (5) SETS OF LIGHTS MOVING N/E.

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**"TINNY"**  
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Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE DELTA 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (1-1) "TINNY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4891; Lower Right YC5089, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of four (4) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of (7) seven days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW
(2)	Secondary	73.00	<del>36.64</del> (M558)	PURPLE
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate	72.00	(M537)	GOLD

## b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DELTA 11".

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE"	(USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX"	(USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT"	("A" TRP 2/17 CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE"	("B" TRP 2/17 CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR"	("C" TRP 2/17 CAV)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO"	("F" TRP 2/17 CAV)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE"	(USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF"	(USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE"	(USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

## e. Reaction Force (Force Recon) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

*C. O. Coffman, Jr.*  
 1STLT. C. O. COFFMAN, JR.  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (3-1) ATLAS (6MEN) OPO (26-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 251142H/291006H JAN 70 (95HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC404933 TO YC408934 TO YC413934 TO YC417934.
4. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS, 10 TO 12 FT. ELEPHANT GRASS, MODERATE TO THICK UNDERBRUSH, COVER AND CONCEALMENT FAIR.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 TO 150 METERS/HR.
6. HLZ'S: SITE AT YC417934 IS HILLTOP WILL ACCOMADATE 1 CH-46  
3 TO 6 FT. ELEPHANT GRASS BEST APPROACH SE TO NW.
6. ENEMY ACTIVITY: TM FOUND TRAIL RUNNING EAST TO WEST AT YC407934 TO YC411934 2 TO 3 FT WIDE PACKED DOWN NORECENT USE IN PAST TWO MONTHS. AT YC415934 TM FOUND OLD TELEPHONE POLE WITH  $\frac{1}{4}$ " NON-INSULATED COPPER WIRE. WIRE WAS DISCONNECTED AT BOTH ENDS.

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Time zone: H

1. SITUATION.

a.  
a. ~~Enemy~~ Forces: Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces: Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and sureillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101st Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign is "DESIRE FOXTROT 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101st Abn.

c. Attachements. None

2. MISSION.

Teams (2-2) "ARTIC" and (3-3) <sup>SNARK</sup> "BIPPER", functioning jointly as "X-RAY RELAY", a fixed radio position, will perform as a recon radio relay site for such teams as will be inserted into the designated AO for a period of five (5) days or until relieved.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operations. Relay will insert into assigned RZ as a flip-flop vic YC449956 and take over site presently in operation. Relay commander will ensure that constant communications between teams operating within his area and this headquarters.

b. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS .

(1) An overflight is not necessary unless situation changes.

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(2) Intelligence brief will be given by S-2 prior to your insert.

(3) Final inspection of relay team will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertation, establish communications with "ANCIENT SCOUT" on designated Frequency and report exact time of insertation.

(5) "SPOT" and "SAUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "STREP" to be sent to this headquarters each hour.

(7) Establish communications with supporting artillery on designated frequency.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of eight (8) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None is required except as designated by the relay commander. Equipment already on station with team occupying relay will remain for the replacing teams.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordinance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand held illumination flare.

e. MEDICAL. Two (2) bush medical kits and one (1) morphine syrette per man will be taken. Individual patrol members will carry two (2) field bandages per man.

#### 5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

##### a. TACTICAL NETS: "ANCIENT SCOUT" COC

(1) Primary Frequency	46.65	<del>34.00</del> M126 (M126)
(2) Secondary		45.20 (M166)
(3) Air Freq		34.00 (M249)
(4) Alternate Freq	36.40	<del>34.00</del> M158 (M158)
" "	37.05	M232
" "	72.00	M537
" "	73.00	M558

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~~PINK~~ PINK  
~~GREEN~~ GREEN  
~~BLUE~~ Blue  
 Black  
 Gold  
 Purple

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b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DENTA 11". is 45.00.

c. Air Support:

- (1) "SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS) Team Primary
- (2) "CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s) Team Primary
- (3) "ASSAULT" ("A" TRP 2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (4) "BANSHEE" ("B" TRP 2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (5) "CONDOR" ("C" TRP 2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (6) "COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP 2nd/17th CAV) Team Primary
- (7) "CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17) Primary: 67.25
- (8) "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC) Primary: 47.40
- (9) "COMPONE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO) Primary: 42.90

d. Team Shackle: "AAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force: (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1ST LT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COG  
(1) Team Leader  
(1) 3rdForRecon InO 2/17 CAV

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Time Zone: "H"

(3-1)  
ATLAS

# 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

COC

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101 Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE DELTA 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

# 2. MISSION.

Team (3-1) "ATLAS" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4094; Lower Right YC4292, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

# 3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR,

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

§. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate	36.40	(M158)	BLUE
(5)	"	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(6)	"	72.00	(M537)	GOLD
(7)	"	73.00	(M558)	PURPLE

b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DELTA 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARRACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67/25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47/40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

## Reaction Force

d. ~~Team Shackle~~: (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

## e. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution list:

(1)	3rdForRecon COC
(1)	Team Leader
(1)	3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

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3D FORCE RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (1-2) PONY (6 MEN) (OPO 27-70)
2. DTG INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 251130H/301410H JAN 70 (123 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FROM YC385984 TO YC383982 TO YC385979 TO YC384973 TO YC381987 TO YC382988.
4. TERRAIN: IS THE A LOUI VALLEY FLOOR CONTAINING TEN (10) TO FIFTEEN (15) FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS AND FIVE (5) TO SEVEN (7) FOOT UNDERBRUSH. THIS AREA CONTAINS SCATTERED BOMB CRATERS AND TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO THIRTY-FIVE (35) FOOT SCATTERED SINGLE CANOPY. AREA AFFORDS GOOD COVER AND FAIR CONCEALMENT.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: IS FIFTY (50) TO SEVENTY-FIVE (75) METERS PER HOUR.
6. HLZs: ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT AREA.
7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: ON 271200H AT YC384978 TEAM DISCOVERED TWO (2) CAVES. THE CAVES WERE TEN (10) METERS APART. ONE (1) CAVE WAS APPROX. FOUR BY TEN BY FIVE (4x10x5) FOOT AND THE OTHER WAS APPROX. FOUR BY TWENTY-FIVE BY FIVE (4x25x5) FOOT. THESE CAVES CONTAINED THREE (3) LARGE TNT BLOCKS AND NINE (9) SMALLER BLOCKS OF TNT, TWO (2) AK-47 MAGAZINES WITH ROUNDS AND ONE (1) NVA ENTRENCHING TOOL. THE LAST USE OF THE AREA WAS APPROX. FOUR (4) TO FIVE (5) MONTHS.

ON 271300H AT YC387987 TEAM OBSERVED THREE (3) TRUCKS. THESE TRUCKS WERE COVERED WITH GRASS AND WERE LATTER CONFIRMED DESTROYED.

ON 281145H AT YC386983 TEAM SPOTTED TWO (2) NVA/VC MOVING SE ALONG THE RIVER. TEAM WAS UNABLE TO DISCRIMINATE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT DUE TO DISTANCE.

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In The Field, PHUBAI, RVN

OPERATION ORDER 27-70

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(b) CG, III MAF Recon OpOrder 12-69.  
(c) III MAF LOI 1\*69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101 Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE DELTA 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (1-2) "PONY" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper left YD3700; Lower Right YC3997, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR,

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6), "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

**\$. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.**

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for entire patrol and one (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate	36.40	(M158)	BLUE
(5)	"	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(6)	"	72.00	(M537)	GOLD
(7)	"	73.00	(M558)	PURPLE

b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DELTA 11" is 43.30

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP 2nd/17th CAV)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

Reaction Force

d. ~~Team Shackle~~: (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

e. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution list: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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DRAFTER: SSGT LYONS  
S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
28 JAN 1970

FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (2-1) BOXHILL (6 MEN) OPO 23-70
2. DTG INSERTED/ EXTRACTED: 261225H/281500H JAN 70 (51 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC419977 TO YC417976 TO YC414973 TO YC417975.

UNMARKED STREAM RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH IN THE VIC OF YC41975. 2 TO 3 FEET DEEP, FAST FLOWING WITH SAND AND ROCK BOTTOM.

6. HLZ,S: THERE WERE NO HLZ,S NOTED.

UNIFORMS. CARRYING AK-47, S AND GRENADES. THERE WAS A BROWN PATCH NOTED OVER THE LEFT-BELT POCKET (SIZE OF A PACK OF CIGARETTES. IN RECEIVED

GUNBATS (2/17 GAV) MADE 7 PASSES AND AFTER <sup>5000</sup> PASS THE ENEMY CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARDS THE TEAM, TRYING TO ENVELOPE THE LEFT AND RIGHT FLANKS OF

FIRE. TEAM MOVED TO AN IZ 50 METERS AWAY AND WAS EXTRACTED AT 281505Z.  
CONTACT RESULTED IN 6 NVA/VC KIA (CONFIRMED) AND 4 NVA/VC KIA (TROUBLE).

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Time Zone: "H"

"BOXHILL"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70. COC

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

~~a. Friendly Forces. Third Force~~

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101 Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE DELTA 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (2-1) "BOXHILL" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC4098; Lower Right YC4397, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of five (5) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place ~~prior~~ as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and locations.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol ~~Member~~ Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of eight (8) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and (1) morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.

## a. Tactical Nets: "ANCIENT SCOUT" (COC)

(1)	Primary Frequency:	46.65	(M126)	YELLOW
(2)	Secondary	43.20	(M166)	PINK
(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate	36.40	(M158)	BLUE
(5)	"	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(6)	"	72.00	(M537)	GOLD
(7)	"	73.00	(M558)	PURPLE

b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DELTA 11" is 43.30.

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAS)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTEEBX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LNO 2/17 Cav

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S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
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IMMEDIATE 2 JAN 70

FM: THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

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THIRD FORCE RECON COMPANY RECON FILING REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (3-2) BOACH (6 MEN) OPO 29-70
2. TAG DISBURSED/ CONTACTED: 271110H/281715H JAN 70 (30 T U.S.)
3. ROUTE: FM YC508858 TO YC506862 TO YC5 2856.
4. TERRAIN: ELEVATION GRASS 4 TO 6 FEET HIGH, DENSE UNBURNED, BAMBPOO, V HED. COVER AND CONCEALMENT IS FAIR.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 150 METERS PER HOUR.

6. HILLS: SIDE AT YC508858 IS A VALLEY WITH 4 TO 6 FEET HIGH HT GRASS. WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE C-46. BEST APPROACH IS SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST. SIDE AT YC506857 IS A BOMB CRATER WITH 4 TO 6 FEET ELEVATION GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE C-46.

7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 271527H TM LOCATED A TRAIL RUNNING NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST AT YC508858. TRAIL WAS 2 TO 3 FEET WIDE AND RAN FOR APPROX 1200 METERS. THERE WERE TWO SETS OF BAREFOOT TRACKS AT YC506857 APPROX

24 HOURS OLD. T ALSO FOUND NUMEROUS ANIMAL TRACKS WHICH THEY BELIEVED TO BE PIG TRACKS.

AT 281515H TM HEARD ABOUT 20 SHOTS 500 METERS TO THEIR SOUTHWEST IN THE VIC OF YC502856. BELIEVED TO BE SHOOTING AT AN C-1 AIRCRAFT CIRCUMNAVIGATING THE AREA. TM MOVED TO INVESTIGATE AND DISCOVERED A CAMP SITE AT

YC502856. AT THAT TIME THE TM MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA/VC RESULTING IN 1 NVA/VC KIA (CO FI MED). TM RECEIVED 1 OPTIC GRENADE RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA MINGO (EVAC). TM CAPTURED THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL. 2 NVA

HELMETS, 4 BAGS OF RICE (APPROX 150 LBS), PERSON EL GEAR, SLEEPING GEAR AND 1 AK-47.

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(c) III MAF LOI 1-69, Ser 00123169 dtd 04Nov69.

Time Zone: "H"

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Refer to Third Force Recon Intelligence Document 1-70.

b. Friendly Forces. Third Force Reconnaissance Company, as a part of a larger force, conducts reconnaissance and surveillance in I Corps, RVN as directed by CG, III MAF.

(1) Nearest friendly units to the operating area is at FSB "BASTOGNE" in vic YD620094. 2/501st, 101 Abn.

(2) Supporting artillery is also located at FSB "BASTOGNE" and consists of 175mm guns. Call sign "DESIRE DELTA 11".

(3) Supporting air will be provided by the First Marine Aircraft Wing and 2/17 Cav, 101 Abn.

c. Attachments. None

2. MISSION.

Team (3-2) "ROACH" will conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within their assigned RZ, Upper Left YC5087; Lower Right YC5285, to detect enemy troop movement, communications and logistics within that area. Mission coverage will be for a period of three (3) days or until extracted.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations. Team will insert into their primary zone by helicopter and commence reconnaissance and surveillance operations within that area. Six (6) men will comprise the patrol.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Overflight will be accomplished as weather permits.

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(2) Intelligence brief will take place as scheduled by S-2, following the VR.

(3) Final inspection of recon teams will take place prior to insertion by the Operations Officer and the Platoon Commander.

(4) Upon insertion, establish communications with "XRAY RELAY" on designated frequency and report exact time of insertion and location.

(5) "SPOT" and "SALUTE" messages to be sent as required.

(6) "SITREP" to be sent each hour to radio relay.

(7) Establish communications with supporting air and arty units as necessary on provided frequencies.

(8) Have a detailed zone brief prepared for extraction aircraft prior to their arrival.

#### 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Individual Equipment. The normal patrolling equipment is to be carried by each individual patrol member. In addition, men will carry wet weather suits and poncho liners. A minimum of six (6) quarts of water will be carried by each man in canteen form.

b. Special Equipment. None required other than that designated by the Patrol Leader. Weapons will be test fired in the firing pit.

c. Rations. A minimum of five (5) days rations per man.

d. Ordnance. Individual load for riflemen will be four (4) M26 frags, two (2) WP, one (1) colored smoke, one (1) CS, twenty (20) magazines and one (1) hand-held illumination flare.

e. Medical. One (1) bush medical kit for the entire patrol and (1) one morphine syrette per patrol member will be taken. A pair of battle dressings will be taken by each patrol member.

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(3)	Air Freq	34.10	(M249)	GREEN
(4)	Alternate	36.40	(M158)	BLUE
(5)	"	37.05	(M232)	BLACK
(6)	"	72.00	(M537)	GOLD
(7)	"	73.00	(M558)	PURPLE

b. Fire Support: COF "DESIRE DELTA 11" is 43.30.

## c. Air Support:

(1)	"SCARFACE" (USMC COBRAs)	Team Primary
(2)	"CHATTERBOX" (USMC CH-46s)	Team Primary
(3)	"ASSAULT" ("A" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(4)	"BANSHEE" ("B" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(5)	"CONDOR" ("C" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(6)	"COMANCHERO" ("F" TRP 2nd/17th Cav)	Team Primary
(7)	"CYCLONE" (USA CAV 2/17)	Primary: 67.25
(8)	"PHUBAI DUST-OFF" (USA MEDEVAC)	Primary: 47.40
(9)	"COWPOKE or HOSTAGE" (USMC AO)	Primary: 42.90

d. Team Shackle: "KAC QAH 504"

e. Reaction Force: (FORCE RECON) "ANCIENT SCOUT/REACT" on the team's primary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR LEE

1STLT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.  
OPERATIONS OFFICER

Distribution List: (1) 3rdForRecon COC  
 (1) Team Leader  
 (1) 3rdForRecon LnO 2/17 Cav

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S-2 THIRD FORCE RECON  
28 JAN 1 70

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TO: CG III MAF (SRC)

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THIRD FORCE RECON COMPANY INTERFIRM REPORT (U)

1. TEAM CALL SIGN: (3-2) BOACH (6 MEN) OPO 29-70
2. TAG DROPPED/REMOVED: 271100H/281715H JAN 70 (30 MINS)
3. ROUTE: FM YC508850 TO YC508862 TO YC5 2856.
4. TERRAIN: ELEPHANT GRASS 4 TO 6 FEET HIGH, DENSE IN SOME PLACES, BAMBUSH, VINES. COVER AND CONCEALMENT IS FAIR.
5. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 150 METERS PER HOUR.

6. HILLS: SITE AT YC508850 IS A VALLEY WITH 4 TO 6 FEET HIGH HT GRASS. WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE C-46. BEST APPROACH IS SOUTHWEST TO NORTHWEST. SITE AT YC508857 IS A BOMB CRATER WITH 4 TO 6 FEET HT ELE GRASS. BEST APPROACH IS NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE C-46.

7. ENEMY ACTIVITY: AT 271527H TM LOCATED A TRAIL RUNNING NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST AT YC508850. TRAIL WAS 2 TO 3 FEET WIDE AND RAN FOR APPROX 1200 METERS. THERE WERE TWO SETS OF BAREFOOT TRACKS AT YC508857 APPROX

24 HOURS OLD. TM ALSO FOUND NUMEROUS ANIMAL TRACKS WHICH THEY BELIEVED TO BE PIG TRACKS.

AT 281515H TM HEARD ABOUT 20 SHOTS 500 METERS TO THEIR SOUTHWEST IN THE VIC OF YC508856. BELIEVED TO BE SHOOTING AT AN C-1 AIRCRAFT CIRCLING THE AREA. TM MOVED TO INVESTIGATE AND DISCOVERED A CAMP SITE AT

YC508856. AT THAT TIME THE TM MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA/VC RESULTING IN 1 NVA/VC KIA (GO BY MED). TM RECEIVED 1 CRACK GRENADE RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA MINOR (EVAC). TM CAPTURED THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL. 2 NVA

HELMETS, 4 BAGS OF RICE (APPROX 150 LBS), PERSON EL GRAS, SLEEPING GEAR AND 1 AK-47.

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A. UNIT 3RD FORCE. RECON

B. DTG OF ACTIVITY/INCIDENT 250846H JAN '70-251200H JAN '70

C. LOCATION BY COORDINATES VIC YD 756134

D. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT UNDERWATER BRIDGE  
CHECK FOR A 600 LBS. BOMB. NEG RESULTS  
FOUND ONE DUD MORTAR ROUND (60mm) STUCK  
IN MUD. NO ACTION TAKEN

E. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_

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F. FRIENDLY KIA \_\_\_\_\_ I. VC/NVA KIA (C) \_\_\_\_\_

G. FRIENDLY WIA \_\_\_\_\_ J. VC/KIA WIA (C) \_\_\_\_\_

H. FRIENDLY MIA \_\_\_\_\_ K. POW \_\_\_\_\_

L. OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

M. WPMS CAPTURED \_\_\_\_\_

N. EQUIP & DOCUMENTS CAPTURED \_\_\_\_\_

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THIRD FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY  
III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE, FMF  
FPO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 96602

## COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULE 1 JANUARY THROUGH 4 JANUARY 1970

## THURSDAY 1 JANUARY

0800 to 1600 - HOLIDAY ROUTINE

## FRIDAY 2 JANUARY

0800 to 1100 - STABO EXTRACTIONS

1300 to 1500 - PLF PRACTICE

1500 to 1600 - PLT COMMANDER'S TIME

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CO GY SGT

PLT CDRS

## SATURDAY 3 JANUARY

0800 to 1100 - WORKING PARTIES

1300 to 1600 - ORGANIZED ATHLETICS

CO GY SGT

CO GY SGT


## SUNDAY 4 JANUARY

0800 to 1100 - PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

1100 til COMPLETE \* RECOVERY OF EQUIPMENT

LT COFFMAN

GY SGT HAMILTON



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## COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULE 5 JANUARY THROUGH 11 JANUARY

## MONDAY 5 JAN

0800 - 1100 - WORKING PARTIES

CO GY SGT

1300 - 1600 - PLATOON COMMANDER'S TIME

PLT CDRS

## TUESDAY 6 JAN

0830 - 1100 - FIELD FIRST AID &amp; MEDEVAC

BAS

1300 - 1600 - WORKING PARTIES

CO GY SGT

## WEDNESDAY 7 JAN

0830 - 0930 - CARE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT

COMM

0930 - 1100 - WORKING PARTIES

CO GY SGT

## THURSDAY 8 JAN

0800 - 1130 - WORKING PARTIES

CO GY SGT

1300 - 1600 - PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME

PLT CDRS

## FRIDAY 9 JAN

0800 - 1100 - STABO EXTRACTION S-3

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1300 - 1400 - PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME

PLT CDRS

1400 - 1600 - PLF PRACTICE

CO GY SGT

## SATURDAY 10 JAN

0800 - 1100 - WORKING PARTIES

CO GY SGT

1300 - 1600 - ORGANIZED ATHLETICS

CO GY SGT

## SUNDAY 11 JAN

0800 - 1100 - PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

LT COFFMAN

1100 - til COMPLETED - RECOVERY OF EQUIPMENT

GY SGT HAMILTON



LT. C. C. COFFMAN, JR.

OPERATIONS OFFICER

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## COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULE 12 JANUARY THROUGH 18 JANUARY

## MONDAY 12 JAN

0800 - 1000	VOICE RADIO PROCEDURES	COMM
1000 - 1145	MESSAGE FORMAT	COMM
1300 - 1630	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT

## TUESDAY 13 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

## WEDNESDAY 14 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	ORGANIZED ATHLETICS	CO GY SGT

## THURSDAY 15 JAN

0800 - 1100	IMMEDIATE ACTION DRILLS	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

## FRIDAY 16 JAN


0800 - 1100	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS
1300 - 1500	PLF PRACTICE	CO GY SGT

## SATURDAY 17 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

## SUNDAY 18 JAN

0700 - 1600	PARACHUTE OPERATIONS	LT. COFFMAN
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## COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULE 19 JAN TH ROUGH 25 JANUARY 1970

## MONDAY 19 JAN

0800 - 0900	M-60 MACHINE GUN	S-3
0930 - 1030	.50 CAL MACHINE GUN	S-3
1200 - 1600	FIELD FIRING OF MACHINE GUNS	RANGE

## TUESDAY 20 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

## WEDNESDAY 21 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	ORGANIZED ATHLETICS	CO GY SGT

## THURSDAY 22 JAN

0800 - 1000	BASE DEFENSE	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT

## FRIDAY 23 JAN

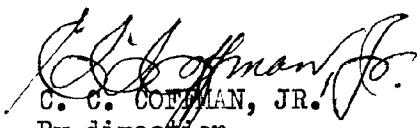
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1300 - 1500	PLF PRACTICE	CO GY SGT

## SATURDAY 24 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

## SUNDAY 25 JAN

0700 - 1400	PARACHUTE OPERATIONS	LT. COFFMAN
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COMPANY TRAINING SCHEDULE 26 JANUARY THROUGH 31 JANUARY 1970

MONDAY 26 JAN

0800 - 0930	"STARLITE" SCOPE	S-3
1000 - 1100	FIELD HYGIENE	BAS
1300 - 1600	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT

TUESDAY 27 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS

WEDNESDAY 28 JAN

0800 - 1100	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT
1300 - 1600	ORGANIZED ATHLETICS	CO GY SGT

THURSDAY 29 JAN

0800 - 1100	BREVITY CODE	COMM
1300 - 1600	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT

FRIDAY 30 JAN

0800 - 1100	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS
1300 - 1500	PLF PRACTICE	CO GY SGT

SATURDAY 31 JAN

0800 - 1100	PLATOON COMMANDERS' TIME	PLT CDRS
1300,- 1600	WORKING PARTIES	CO GY SGT

  
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FROM THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO CG III MAF (ATTN DIR SRC)

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1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED TO THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAYS INSERTIONS:
  - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" FOUR MEN ON EMERGENCY SCUBA MISSION REQUESTED BY 2ND/17TH CAV FOR BODY SEARCH VIC YD630307, AT 011540H BY HELO.
3. TODAYS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" FOUR MEN ON SCUBA MISSION FROM VIC YD630307 AT 011830H.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YG355932.
  - B. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" SEVEN MEN ON SCUBA MISSION VIC YD630307.
5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" SEVEN MEN ON SCUBA MISSION VIC YD630307.
6. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YD449956.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YD449956.
  - C. TM (3-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YG433913.
  - D. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YG429924.
  - E. TM (1-3) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YG348989.
7. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 011055H - "BOXHILL" LOCATED A HIGHSPEED TRAIL SE/NW, ONE METER WIDE IN 8 FT ELEPHANT GRASS VIC YG433913 WITH FOOTPRINTS 24 HRS OLD.
  - B. 011917H - "ARTIC" LOCATED WATER BUFFALO TRACKS IN AND AROUND TWO BOMB CRATERS WITH HUMAN FOOTPRINTS INTERMINGLED VIC YG352989. TM JUDGED PRINTS TO BE MADE WITHIN LAST 24 HRS.
  - C. 011920H - "ARTIC" HAD MOVEMENT AND VOICES WITHIN TWENTY-FIVE METERS SW OF RIGHT POSITION. WEATHER PRECLUDED 2ND/17TH CAV COBRAS FROM REACHING AREA AFTER THREE ATTEMPTS. TEAM JUDGED ~~THEM~~ TO FIFTEEN ENEMY, WILL MAINTAIN POSITION UNTIL FIRST LIGHT OR UNTIL DISCOVERED.

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SITREP 020001H TO 022400H JAN 1970

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED TO THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAYS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" SEVEN MEN SCUBA MISSION IN AT 020755H VIC YD630307 ON BODY SEARCH FOR 2ND/17TH CAV.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN IN AT 021100H VIC YC356927.
3. TODAYS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" SEVEN MEN FROM VIC YD630307 AT 021855H.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC 384977.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YD 311088.
5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS: NONE.
6. TOMORROWS OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" UPPER LEFT YC4298; LOWER RIGHT YC4496.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC349984.
  - B. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC424911.
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC422922.
  - D. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449956.
  - E. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449956.
  - F. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC362928.

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## 8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A. 021025H - DURING OVERFLIGHT VR, RECON MISSION CDR SIGHTED FIVE (5) NVA WITH HEAVY PACKS MOVING FROM NW TO SE ON TRAIL AT VIC YD368025 AND DIRECTED COBRA GUNSHIPS WITH .50 CAL. MG FIRE. ENEMY DROPPED PACKS AND LARGE BASKETS AND RAN OFF TRAIL AS COBRAS MADE ORDNANCE RUNS. SEVERED RUN OF GUNSHIPS RESULTED IN ONE (1) SECONDARY EXPLOSION. PACKS AND BASKETS DESTROYED. ONE NVA/VU KIA (C), ONE NVA/VC KIA (P).

B. 021030H - TEAM "DEEP" ON A SCUBA MISSION FOR 2ND/17 CAV AT VIC YD630307 PERFORMING BODY SEARCH RECEIVED EIGHT (8) ROUNDS OF SEMIAUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION AND WAS UNABLE TO RETURN FIRE DUE TO CIVILIANS IN THE AREA. NEGATIVE FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

C. 021945H - TEAM "ATLAS" OBSERVED BRIGHT LIGHT WHICH WAS ALSO SEEN BY TEAM "ARTIC". TWO POINT INTERSECTION HAD LIGHT AT VIC YD325320 WHICH WAS BELIEVED TO BE A BEACON FOR INFILTRATION PERSONNEL ENTERING SVN FROM LAOS. 175MM FROM FSB BASTOGNE FIRED MISSION ON TARGET, LIGHT WENT OUT.

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## 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. EIGHTEEN (18) MEN WERE AIRLIFTED TO FSB "RAKKUSAN" FOR DEMONSTRATION AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE RADFAC 122 BEACON.

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1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE EIGHT (8) DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN IN AT 030928H VIC YC389977.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" SIX MEN IN AT 030945H VIC YD307087.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC427975.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC421913.
  - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC419925.
  - C. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC344986.
6. TOMORROW'S OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" UPPER LEFT YC4395; LOWER RIGHT YC4794.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC378998.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" SIX MEN VIC YD311087.
  - C. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC419912.
  - D. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC422922.
  - E. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC367932.
  - F. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC347985.
  - G. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
  - H. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.

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## 8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A.. 030950H - "BOXHILL" LOCATED AN E/W TRAIL TWO FT WIDE, WITH A GREEN AND WHITE WIRE RUNNING PARALLEL ON BOTH SIDES OF TRAIL APPROX FOUR TO FIVE FEET OFF OF GROUND. WIRE WAS TIED AND POSSIBLY USED AS GUIDE FOR PERSONNEL MOVING AT NIGHT. TM EMPLOYED PSID AND DETECTED NEG MOVEMENT. (YC421923)

B. 031520H - "ATLAS" SIGHTED ACTIVITY IN A BUNKER COMPLEX VIC YC421940 AND REQUESTED "RED TEAM" FROM 2ND/17TH CAV. "RED TEAM" ON STATION AND FIRING AT 031535H, RESULTING IN THREE (3) NVA KIA (C), TWENTY (20) "A-FRAME" BUNKERS DESTROYED, THREE (3) STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND TWO (2) LEAN-TO SHELTERS SET ON FIRE. SIX (6) SORTIES OF 2ND/17TH COBRAS EXPENDED ALL ORDNANCE.

C. 031530H - "ARTIC" LOCATED A NW/SE TRAIL APPROX THREE (3) FT WIDE USED IN LAST 24 HRS. FOOTPRINTS WERE FRESH, AND 50 METERS SOUTH OF TRAIL LOCATED SLEEPING NEST FOR ONE MAN, TWO (2) RECENTLY USED BUNKERS (YC345986) CAMOFLAGED WITH ELEPHANT GRASS. BOTH WERE SIX (6) FT LONG BY FOUR (4) FT WIDE BY (4) FT DEEP.

D. 031830H - "ARTIC" LOCATED ONE (1) 12.7 MG BUNKER AT VIC YC345985 WITH A TUNNEL LEADING TO THE SW. TM WENT IN TO BUNKER FOUND NEG WPNS, ONE (1) AMMO POUCH AND MISC COOKING GEAR. AREA SEEMED UNUSED FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) WEEK.

## 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. CH-46 THAT WENT DOWN WITH MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION AT 031010H, LANDED AT OLD A LUOI AIRSTRIP WITH NEG INJURIES TO CREW OR PAX. AIRCRAFT WAS PART OF FORCE RECON PACKAGE AND HAD COMPLETED WORK. FORCE RECON REACTION FORCE COMMITTED FOR SECURITY AND A CH-53 LIFTED THE DOWNED A/C OUT AT 031250H. REACTION FORCE BACK IN PHU BAI AT 031320H.

B. AT 032030H, 1/83 ARTY AT BASTOGNE (175MM GUNS) BEGAN FIRES ON AREA VIC YC425942 WHERE "ATLAS" DIRECTED AIR STRIKES AGAINST BUNKER COMPLEX.

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SITEP 040001H TO 042400H JAN 70

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN IN AT 040855H VIC YC427975.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC421913 AT 040902H.
  - B. TM (1-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC419925 AT 040910H.
  - C. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC344986 AT 040917H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC461940.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YD315086.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC369935.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC434976.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC374981.
  - E. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
  - F. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.

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## 8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A. 040800H - "TINNY" HEARD SEVERAL SHOTS BELIEVED TO BE AK-47, FIRED FROM THEIR WEST VIC YC360922. AT 040928H, TM HEARD EIGHT (8) MORE SHOTS AND VOICES VIC YC369936. AT 041145H, TM OBSERVED SQUAD OF EIGHT (8) NVA/VC MOVING W TO E ON TRAIL VIC YC362937. ENEMY WAS TALKING IN LOUD VOICES, FIRED EIGHT (8) RANDOM ROUNDS. A "PINK" TM AND ONE (1) C AND C UH-1H RESPONDED FROM THE INSERT/EXTRACT TM PACKAGE WORKING FORCE RECON IN AREA. 2ND/17TH CAV COBRA AND UH-1H RECEIVED AK-47 FIRE DURING RUNS RESULTING IN NEG FRIENDLY CAS, ONE (1) NVA/VC KIA (8). DURING FIRING RUNS, SEVERAL BUNKERS WERE DISCOVERED VIC YC363934 AND FOUR (4) NVA/VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE IN THEIR ATTEMPT TO SWIM ACROSS SMALL RIVER VIC YC363934.

B. 041348H - "SNARKY" HEARD THREE (3) RIFLE SHOTS SPACED AT APPROX TWENTY (20) SECOND INTERVALS VIC YD328088. NEG SIGHTING.

C. 041630H - "ZULU RELAY" AT VIC YC449954, RECEIVED ONE (1) SMALL ARMS ROUND FROM APPROX 150 METERS NE OF THEIR RELAY SITE.

D. 041710H - "SNARKY" HEARD ONE (1) SHOT, AT TWO (2) TO THREE (3) MIN INTERVALS HEARD A TOTAL OF TWELVE (12) MORE SHOTS FROM VIC YD320095. ANSWERING SHOTS WERE HEARD (4) SPACED ONE (1) MIN APART, FROM VIC YD328091. AGAIN AT 041718H, TEAM HEARD THREE (3) SHOTS VIC YD319086.

E. 041900H - "BITTER" DISCOVERED A BASE CAMP APPROX 100 TO 150 METERS IN LENGTH, ORIENTED N TO S, APPROX THREE (3) MONTHS OLD. TWELVE (12) FIGHTING HOLES WITH BAMBOO RACKS, LEAN-TO'S AND COOKING AREAS WITH CENTER VIC YC437978, JUDGED TO BE SUFFICIENT IN SIZE FOR 100 TO 150 MEN. (THE SAME AREA WAS FORMERLY AN OLD U.S. OR ARVN POS)

F. 041940H TO 042300H - "ZULU RELAY" DETECTED SLIGHT MOVEMENTS ALTERNATELY N, W, SW AND E OF THEIR POS BUT PSID'S HAD NEG ACTIVATIONS, "STARLIGHT" SCOPE HAD NEG IMAGING.

## 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. IN SUPPORT OF SIGHTINGS FORCE RECON TEAMS MADE THIS DATE, 2ND/17TH CAV FLEW SIX (6) SORTIES WITH ONE (1) OH-6A, TWO (2) COBRAS, TWO (2) ARA COBRAS AND ONE (1) UH-1H. THREE (3) LARGE BUNKERS APPROX 20FT BY 25FT WERE FOUND, ONE (1) OF WHICH WAS DESTROYED. ONE (1) LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION RESULTED FROM GUNSHIP ATTACKS ON BUNKERS.

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SITREP 050001H TO 052400H JANUARY 1970

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC461940.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" SIX MEN VIC YD321082.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC371935.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC439977.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC371985.
  - E. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
  - F. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 050735H - "SNARKY" LOCATED TWO (2) LARGE STRUCTURES WHICH

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MEASURED 15 FT LONG, 8 FT WIDE, 5 FT HIGH, AND TWO STRUCTURES (LEAN-TO) 3 FT WIDE, 5 FT HIGH, WHICH APPEARED TO BE SEVERAL MONTHS OLD. LARGER STRUCTURES MADE OF 5 IN. DIAMETER LOGS, 2 IN. TO 3 IN. DIAMETER BAMBOO WALLS, ROOF AND SIDES WOVEN WITH STICKS AND GRASS. ONE STRUCTURE CONTAINED THREE FISH TRAPS, ONE FISH SMOKING RACK, ONE KNIFE, A METAL BOWL. AREA APPEARED TO BE PLATOON SIZED BASE CAMP. AREA LOCATED VIC YD315087.

B. 051220H - "BITTER" LOCATED A NEWLY CONSTRUCTED ENEMY BUNKER, "L-SHAPED", 7 FT WIDE, 7 FT LONG, 4 FT HIGH. ENTRANCE FACES WEST AND IS 2.5 FT HIGH. VERY FRESH FOOTPRINTS STILL IN PROCESS OF OOOZING WATER LEADING SOUTH, EAST AND WEST. VOICES WERE HEARD TO SOUTHWEST AND TEAM CONTINUED TO INVESTIGATE AREA. WHILE IN PROCESS OF INVESTIGATING WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE FRINGE OF A BASE CAMP, AT YC430974, LESS THAN 100 METERS FROM THE BUNKER, TEAM HAD ONE NVA/VC DRESSED IN A PONCHO, SHORTS AND A U. S. ARMY TYPE OF BASEBALL CAP, WALK INTO THE REAR OF THE TEAM WITH AN AK-47 AT SLING ARMS. REAR POINT KILLED ENEMY WHICH IMMEDIATELY SET OFF LOUD SHOUTS AND VOICES IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA TO THE SOUTH, SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST. TEAM MOVED 200 METERS NORTH OF CONTACT AND DUE TO 30 METER TO 50 METER VISIBILITY IN RAIN AND FOG, WAS NOT ABLE TO CALL IN GUNSHIPS OR ARTILLERY (175MM). VOICES AND NOISE CONTINUED FOR A SHORT WHILE AND TEAM MOVED OUT OF AREA.

C. 051716H - "TINNY" LOCATED A LARGE, REGIMENTAL SIZED BASE CAMP AT VIC YC371935, WHICH CONTAINED BETWEEN 150 AND 200 COOKING FIRE SITES, 100 FIGHTING HOLES 2 FT DEEP AND 1 FT SQUARE, NUMEROUS PONCHO-TYPE STRUCTURES, BAMBOO FRAMES FOR MORE STRUCTURES WHICH WERE INCOMPLETE. ENTIRE AREA IS 300 METERS LONG AND 50 METERS IN WIDTH. OPEN RATION CANS STILL CONTAINING FOOD, AND PARTIALLY COMPLETED SHELTERS SHOWING RECENT ACTIVITY MADE TEAM FEEL ENEMY DEPARTED IN HASTE. CUT AND BROKEN COMMUNICATION WIRE LAY IN A NUMBER OF WELL USED TRAILS. WIRE IS WHITE WITH DOUBLE STRAND OF COPPER AND ANOTHER BRIGHT BLUE WITH SINGLE STRAND OF COPPER. ENTIRE AREA IS WELL CAMOUFLAGED AND TEAM FEELS THAT THE AREA HAS BEEN OCCUPIED FOR AT LEAST TWO TO THREE WEEKS DUE TO THE HEAVY TRAIL ACTIVITY WHICH RUNS WEST TO EAST.

#### 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. THE AREA OF "BITTER" SIGHTING/CONTACT IS DIRECTLY NORTH-WEST OF "ZULU RELAY" AT A RANGE OF APPROX 2,000 METERS AND DIRECTLY ABOVE THE ROAD THAT LEADS EAST OUT OF THE ASHAU VALLEY.

B. URS [REDACTED] DISCLOSED THAT ENEMY FORCES IN THE ASHAU HAVE BEEN WARNED ABOUT THE IMMINENT DANGER OF RECON ELEMENTS IN THEIR IMMEDIATE VICINITY AND THAT THEY MUST REMAIN INSTANTLY COMBAT PREPARED.

C. SLAR READING AT VIC YD370017 WAS RELAYED TO FORCE COC FOR CLEARANCE TO FIRE ARTILLERY AT 052120H.

D. FLIP-FLOP ON "ZULU RELAY" WILL TAKE PFB-6 RADAR AND RADFAC BEACON (122), INCLUDING AN/PRC-41 RADIO CAPABILITY.

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SITREP 060001H TO 062400H JAN 70

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC461940.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN FROM VIC TO BE TACTICALLY DECIDED.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" UPPER LEFT YC3896; LOWER RIGHT YC4094.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" UPPER LEFT YD3301; LOWER RIGHT YD3599.
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" UPPER LEFT YC3497; LOWER RIGHT YC3695.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" SIX MEN VIC YD314081.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC366934.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC432979.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC371988.
  - E. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
  - F. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 060710H - "BITTER" HEARD ONE RIFLE SHOT APPROX 200 METERS SOUTHEAST OF THEIR POSITION AT VIC YC438975.
  - B. 060730 - "BITTER" HEARD ONE RIFLE SHOT APPROX 50 METERS TO THEIR SOUTH, HEARD MOVEMENT GOING EAST OF THEIR POSITION AT VIC YC438977.
  - C. 061505 - "SNARKY" MADE POINT CONTACT WITH TWO NVA/VC VIC YD322082, RESULTING IN ONE NVA/VC KIA (G) AND ONE NVA/VC KIA (P). ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORM, PACKS, PITH HELMETS AND CARRIED RICE BAGS.

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D. 061530 - "SNAKY" MADE FLANK CONTACT WITH TWO NVA/VC VIC YD321083, WEARING GREEN UNIFORM, PITH HELMETS AND ARMED WITH AK-47, NEG PACKS. IN AN EXCHANGE OF FIRE IN DENSE UNDERGROWTH, TEAM WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS. MOVEMENT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONTACT PLACED ADDITIONAL ENEMY ON TWO SIDES OF TEAM WITHIN 50 METERS. TEAM MOVED DOWNHILL AND ELUDED PURSUIT.

## 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. COMMUNICATIONS PROVE TO BE DIFFICULT IN THE AREA BEING PATROLLED BY "SNAKY", DUE TO TERRAIN MASKING. AO WAS REQUESTED TO ESTABLISH CONTINUOUS COMMUNICATIONS UNTIL TEAM MOVED SOUTH-WEST.

B. "SNAKY" BELIEVES AREA OF CONTACT TO BE REST CAMP AND A POSSIBLE CACHE SITE DUE TO THE LOCATION OF STRUCTURES YESTERDAY AND THE ENEMY IN THE FIRST CONTACT CARRYING RICE BAGS AND PACKS.

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1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. ~~TOMORROW'S~~ TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC461940.
  - D. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN IN VIC YC390950.
  - E. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC340000.
  - F. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN IN VIC YC350960.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449954.
  - C. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN FROM VIC YC366932.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC370989.
  - E. TM (3-3) "SHAKY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YD316076.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-3) "SHAKY" SIX MEN VIC YD316076.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC366932.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC461940.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC370990.
  - E. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
  - F. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449954.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 070800H - "SHAKY" LOCATED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL WHICH HAD BEEN RECENTLY USED AT VIC YD322082. TRAIL RUNS NW TO SE.

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## 9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. 071347H - "SNAKY" REQUESTED ONE PRIORITY MEDEVAC FOR TEAM MEMBER WITH SEVERE SPRAIN OR FRACTURE OF ANKLE AND FOOT. ALL ATTEMPTS AT PENETRATION OF THE ASHAU VALLEY WERE UNSUCCESSFUL DUE TO THE ADVERSE WEATHER.

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SITREP 080001H TO 082400H JAN 70

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED TO THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
  2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
    - A. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD338010 AT 081110H.
    - B. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC386956 AT 081205H.
    - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC357962 AT 081220H.
    - D. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC452934 AT 081227H.
  3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
    - A. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YD312075 AT 080910H.
    - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC366932 AT 080940H.
    - C. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC370989 AT 081225H.
    - D. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC386956 AT 081305H.
  4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
    - A. TM (1-3) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
    - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC434980.
  6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE
  7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
    - A. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC433981.
    - D. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC354963.
    - E. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD333008.
    - F. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC457935.
  8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
 

080425H - "BITTER" OBS 6 FLASHLIGHTS VIC YC430974. NEG ACTION.

080522H - "SNAKY" HEARD MOVEMENT 25 METERS FROM HARBOR SITE VIC YD316076. NEG ACTION.

081245H - "BOXHILL" MADE CONTACT WITH EST. PLT NVA/VC, RESULT SIX (6) ENEMY KIA (C). SIX (6) SORTIES 2ND/17TH CAV AND EXTRACT UNDER FIRE, DURING WHICH HELO DOOR GUNNER HAD TWO (2) NVA/VC KIA (C).
  9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE (SEE DEBRIEF).
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SITREP 090001H TO 092400H JAN 70

1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED TO THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC 449954 AT 091305H
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC 449954 AT 091305H
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC 449954 AT 091305H
  - B. TM (2-3) "SAVVY" SIX MEN VIC YC 449954 AT 091305H
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC 434980 NOT EXTRACTED DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS: NONE
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC 434980
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" UPPER LEFT YC3994; LOWER RIGHT YC4192
  - B. TM (3-2) "ROACH" UPPER LEFT YD3704; LOWER RIGHT YD3902
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" UPPER LEFT YC3696; LOWER RIGHT YC3894
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449954
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449954
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC345966
  - D. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD340005
  - E. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC424976
  - F. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC450944
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 091125H - "ARTIC" LOCATED HIGH SPEED TRAIL WITH HEAVY USAGE VIC YD341003. 5 METERS TO THE SOUTH TEAM LOCATED SECOND TRAIL. SECOND TRAIL 2FT WIDE WITH GOOD CONCEALMENT, LIGHT USAGE. SECOND TRAIL RUNS PARALLEL TO FIRST TRAIL. TRAILS RUN SE-NW.
  - B. 091256H - "ARTIC" HEARD VOICES ON SECOND TRAIL, ESTIMATED TWO GROUPS OF FIVE. TEAM HAD MOVEMENT FROM NE-SW, MOVEMENT STOPPED 20 METERS FROM TEAM'S POSITION. TEAM REQUESTED RED TEAM. RED TEAM REPORTED NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS.
  - C. 091415H - "ARTIC" HEARD YELLING AND VOICES EAST OF THEIR POSITION VIC YD341004, ESTIMATED 20 NVA MOVING FROM EAST TO NORTH ON SAME TRAIL. PINK TEAM ON STATION AT SAME TIME REPORTED NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS.

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9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. TEAM "ARTIC" BELIEVES NVA/VC USED TRAIL WHICH WAS CONCEALED FROM THE AIR. TEAM WILL CHECK OUT TRAIL.

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SITREP 100001H TO 102400H JAN 70

1. OF THE TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND, THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE DEADLINED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF PERSONNEL, THREE PREPARING FOR INSERT TOMORROW AND TWO ON REACTION FORCE STANDBY, AUGMENTED BY HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE PLANNED.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC403928.
  - B. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD371025.
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC365955.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN FROM VIC YU424975.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE PLANNED.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 102400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC424975.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD338999.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC457949.
  - D. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC347965.
  - E. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - F. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 101330H - "COFFEE" LOCATED NVA/VC A-FRAME BUNKER AND RICE CONTAINERS VIC YC453951.
  - B. 101510H - VR OVERFLIGHT SIGHTED TWO NVA/VC EAST OF A LUOI AIRSTRIP APPROX 50 METERS AND TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - C. 101810H - "ZULU RELAY" TWELVE MEN OF COMBINED TEAMS "PONY" AND "SPINNER" CAME UNDER COORDINATED ATTACK BY FIRE. SMALL ARMS, 82MM MORTAR AND RPG FIRE WERE RECEIVED BEGINNING AT 101810H AND CONTINUING UNTIL 101903H UPON ARRIVAL OF 2ND/17TH CAV GUNSHIPS. ONE (1) USMC WIA (SERIOUS EVAC) AND TWO (2) USMC WIA (MINOR NONEVAC).
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A.. BDA OF ARC LIGHT STRIKE TO BE ACCOMPLISHED TOMORROW.

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SITREP 110001H TO 112400H JAN 70

1. OF THE TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND, THERE WERE EIGHT DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE DEADLINED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF PERSONNEL, AND THREE ON REACTION FORCE STANDBY, AUGMENTED BY HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC402928.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC361955.
  - C. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD375030.
3. ~~TODAYS~~ EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC426977.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS: NONE PLANNED.
5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YD350002.
6. TOMORROWS VS OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" UPPER LEFT YC4491 LOWER RIGHT YC4689.
  - B. TM (4-1) "BITTER" UPPER LEFT YC4292 LOWER RIGHT YC4490.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 112400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC461940.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC364953.
  - C. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD348002.
  - D. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC399926.
  - E. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD375027.
  - F. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC344962.
  - G. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - H. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 110045H \* "PONY" AND "SPINNER" ON "ZULU RELAY" DETECTED MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTH OF THEIR POSITION. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.

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B. 111050H - "ARTIC" AT VIC YC338999 HEARD VOICES 50 METERS TO THEIR SOUTH. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.

C. 111305H - "ARTIC" AT VIC YC338999 HEARD 2 RIFLE SHOTS APPROXIMATELY 400 METERS TO THEIR N.E. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.

D. 111424H - "BITTER" FOUND AN ENEMY BASE CAMP, HEARD VOICES, AND HAD MOVEMENT TO THEIR NORTH AT VIC YC417977. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.

E. 111540H - "BOXHILL" MADE CONTACT WITH 10 TO 15 NVA/VC AT VIC YC400929, KILLING 5 ENEMY(C). ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHIRTS, DARK BLUE TROUSERS, WERE ARMED WITH AK-47S AND GRENADES. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT UNDER FIRE OF COBRA GUNSHIPS. TEAM MOVED OUT OF AREA.

F. 111938H - "ZULU RELAY" HAD MOVEMENT TO THEIR SOUTH, EMPLOYED 3 M-26 GRENADES, AND MOVEMENT CEASED.

G. 112222H - "ZULU RELAY" HAD PSID ACTIVITY TO THEIR SOUTH, EMPLOYED M-26 GRENADES, AND PSID ACTIVITY CEASED.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. ADVERSE WEATHER PRECLUDED REPLACEMENT ON "ZULU" OF TWO WOUNDED(MINOR) PERSONNEL REMAINING FROM CONTACT ON 101810H.

B. HEAVY, LOW CLOUD COVER OBSTRUCTED ALL EFFORTS TO CONDUCT A VALID BDA OF AIRCRAFT STRIKE CONDUCTED 101705H IN NORTH CENTRAL ASHAU.

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1. OF TWELVE AVAILABLE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND, THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE DEADLINED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF PERSONNEL, THREE ON REACTION FORCE STANDBY, AUGMENTED BY HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL, ONE TO BE INSERTED TOMORROW.
2. TODAYS INSERTS;
  - A. FOUR REPLACEMENT PERSONNEL ON "ZULU RELAY".
3. TODAYS EXTRACTS;
  - A. THREE CASUALTIES FROM "ZULU RELAY".
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YD350002.
  - C. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC394927.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS;
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC445899.
5. ~~TOMORROWS EXTRACTS~~;
  - A. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN FROM VIC OF UNDETERMINED LOCATION.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN FROM VIC OF UNDETERMINED LOCATION.
6. TOMORROWS VR OVERFLIGHTS;
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" UPPER LEFT YC4292 LOWER RIGHT YC4490.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 122400H THIS DATE;
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC467933.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC368947.
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC345963.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD377025.
  - E. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - F. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS;
  - A. 120432H - "ZULU" OBSERVED VEHICLE LIGHTS TO THEIR N. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.
  - B. 120525H - "ZULU" OBSERVED VEHICLE LIGHTS AT VIC YC471990. FIRE MISSION CALLED IN ON TARGET, LIGHTS WENT OUT.
  - C. 120530H - "ZULU" CALLED FIRE MISSION ON 1ST VEHICLE LIGHT SIGHTING AT VIC YC456995. UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - D. 121152H - "BOXHILL" HEARD CHOPPING NOISE TO THEIR WEST AT VIC YC394927. NEG. ACTION TAKEN.
  - E. 121221H - "ROACH" DISCOVERED SIX BAMBOO STRUCTURES, (3) SMALL, (3) LARGE, AND (2) CAVES AT VIC YD377027 WHICH WERE SEARCHED WITH NEG. RESULTS.

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F. 121437H \* "BOXHILL" MADE CONTACT WITH 8 TO 10 NVA/VC AT VIC YC394947, KILLING 1 ENEMY(C). ENEMY WAS WEARING BROWN SHIRTS, GREEN TROUSERS OR SHORTS, ONE(1) CARRIED A LARGE PACK AND ALL HAD CARTRIDGE BELTS. ENEMY USED ONE(1) SKS AND THE REST WERE AK-47s DURING CONTACT. TEAM REQUESTED AND RECEIVED ONE(1) COBRA AND ONE(1) UH-1H WHICH EXPENDED ALL THEIR ORDNANCE. ANOTHER TEAM ARRIVED ON STATION AND EXTRACTED "BOXHILL".

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. RADFAC 122 BEACON STRIKE WAS DIRECTED BY "ZULU RELAY" IN THE AREA OF BOXHILL'S CONTACT AT YC394927.

B. A HAND IMPLANTATION OF MINI-HANDSID SENSORS HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY G-2, 101 ABN FOR VIC YC4296.

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SITREP 130001H TO 132400H THIS DATE

1. OF TWELVE TEAMS AVAILABLE IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AS OF 2400H THIS DATE, THREE FOR INSERT TOMORROW AND THREE ON STANDBY REACTION FORCE, ONE DEADLINED.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC453897 AT 131152H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC467934 AT 131159H.
  - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC344968 AT 131205H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC433916.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC369947.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" UPPER LEFT YD3402, LOWER RIGHT YD3701.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD374026.
  - D. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC369946.
  - E. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC452895.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 131708H - "ROACH" CALLED INFO AIRSTRIKE ON STRUCTURES AND TURRETS LOCATED VIC YD375026 WITH NEGATIVE CONFIRMED ENEMY CASUALTIES.

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9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. INSERTION/EXTRACTION HELOS PERFORMED TWO FALSE INSERTS DURING MISSION TODAY.

B. OVERFLIGHT VR HELO DREW AUTOMATIC WPN FIRE VIC HILL 600 AT VIC YC386950. TWO ENEMY WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND SHORTS WITH LIGHT PACKS AND EITHER DARK BLUE OR BLACK HATS WERE SIGHTED, ONE OF WHICH WAS KILLED BY HELO DOOR GUNNER (C).

C. BDA OF BEACON CONTROLLED A-6 STRIKE VIC YC394927 SHOWS A CENTER OF ZONE COINCIDING WITH REQUESTED TARGET.

D. OVERFLIGHT VR OF SLAR READING OF 090200H IN VIC YD370015 INDICATES FRESH WHEELED VEHICLE TRACKS, AS WELL AS VIC YC425966.

E. BDA OF ARC LITE AREAS NOT COMPLETED DUE TO SOLID OVERCAST.

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SITREP 140001H TO 142400H JAN 70

1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE FOR INSERTION TOMORROW, FOUR EXTRACTED TODAY AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGE.

2. TODAY'S INSERTS:

- A. (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955.
- B. (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955.
- C. (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955.
- D. (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC433916.

3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:

- A. (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
- B. (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
- C. (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
- D. (3-3) "SHAKY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC369947.

4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:

- A. (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YD341004.

5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:

- A. (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN FROM VIC YD375020.

6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:

- A. (4-3) "COFFEE" UPPER LEFT YD3505, LOWER RIGHT YD3703.

7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:

- A. (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
- B. (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC 449955.
- C. (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC448894.
- D. (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC434910.
- E. (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD378023.

8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A. 140940H - INSERT AIRCRAFT (UH-1H) ON SHORT FINAL INTO RELAY VIC YC449955 RECEIVED AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CRASHED KILLING THREE ARMY CREW, ONE FORCE RECON TEAM MEMBER AND WOUNDING ONE ARMY CREW (SERIOUS), FIVE FORCE RECON TEAM MEMBERS, ONE SERIOUS AND FOUR EVAC. FIRE ORIGINATED FROM NE FINGER OF

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9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. HELICOPTERS FLYING INSERT/EXTRACT MISSIONS FOR FORCE RECON RECEIVED GROUND FIRE FROM THREE POINTS TODAY. FIRST IN VIC OF YC445965, THEN VIC YC450958, THEN VIC YD455015. THE LATTER LOCATION RESULTED IN TWO HELICOPTERS BEING HIT BY FIRE AND THE LOCATION OF APPROX 100 HEAVY BUNKERS.

B. SHOT DOWN AIRCRAFT AND THE TWO AIRCRAFT THAT WERE HIT BY GROUND FIRE WERE FROM "F" TRP/2ND/17TH CAV, WHICH FLEW A TOTAL OF 41 SORTIES IN 10 STRIKES IN SUPPORT OF FORCE RECON.

C. "SKY SPOT" STRIKE IS PROGRAMMED FOR VIC YD455015 TONIGHT.

D. TWO ARTILLERY MISSIONS WITH A TOTAL OF 29 ROUNDS OF 175MM WERE FIRED IN SUPPORT OF RECONNAISSANCE TEAM EFFORTS TODAY.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE FOR INSERTION TOMORROW AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SEVEN MEN VIC YD341004.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN FROM VIC YD375020.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" UPPER LEFT YD3505, LOWER RIGHT YD3703.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC446898.
  - D. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC433905.
  - E. TM (2-1) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YD378022.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS: NONE.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A. ONE 10 ROUND 175MM MISSION WILL BE FIRED FROM 151600H TO 160600H IN AREA SOUTH OF "BOXHILL" INSERTION POINT DUE TO URS REPORTING.

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2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SEVEN MEN IN AT VIC YD354013.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SEVEN MEN OUT AT VIC YD354013.
  - B. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN OUT AT VIC YD373020.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YD353047.
  - B. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YD295097.
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" SIX MEN VIC YC457979.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN OUT AT VIC YC423915.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC442908.
6. ADMINISTRATIVE INSERT/EXTRACT OF TWO MEN IN AND TWO MEN OUT ON "X-RAY RELAY" VIC YC449955.
7. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" UPPER LEFT YD3901, LOWER RIGHT YC4199.
  - B. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" UPPER LEFT YC4689, LOWER RIGHT YC4887.
8. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC423915.
  - D. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC443907.
9. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 161300H - "BOXHILL" INSERTED VIC YD354013 AND INSERT AIRCRAFT RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AS IT LIFTED OUT OF ZONE. TEAM OBSERVED TWO ENEMY APPROX 100 METERS NORTH AND CALLED IN COBRAS WHICH TOOK FIRE FROM VIC YD357011 AND YD361012. AS SUPPORT AIR-

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CRAFT BEGAN RUNS TO SUPPORT THE TEAM, THEY SIGHTED SEVEN TRUCKS PARKED UNDER TREES NEAR THE BASE OF A HIGH RIDGELINE. VEHICLES WERE IN ONE GROUP OF THREE (YD359013) AND ONE GROUP OF FOUR AT (YD359014). AS GUN RUNS WERE MADE TO SUPPORT THE TEAM AND ATTACK THE TRUCKS, A NUMBER OF BUNKERS AND CAVES WERE SIGHTED AND ORDNANCE DELIVERED ON SIX ENEMY WHO RAN INTO A BUNKER. ONE ROCKET HIT THE ENTRANCE OF THE BUNKER AND THREE ENEMY RAN OUT AND SCATTERED IN THE SURROUNDING BRUSH, RES THREE KBA (P).

B. 161331H - TWO LOH-AND -COBRA TEAMS OF "F"/2ND/17TH CAV AND A PAIR OF ARA COBRAS ("DRAGON 46 AND 46A) RELIEVED HML-367 "SCAR-FACE" GUNSHIPS ON STATION AND CONTINUED THE ATTACK ON THE VEHICLES WHILE TEAM "BOXHILL" WAS EXTRACTED. EXTRACTION AIRCRAFT RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPON GROUND FIRE, SUSTAINING ONE HIT.

C. 161405H - HML-161 EXTRACTION AIRCRAFT SIGHTED ONE TRUCK OR TRAILER OF AN ORANGE-LIKE COLOR VIC YC381987 AND TOOK IT UNDER FIRE WITH .50 CAL. MG FIRE FOLLOWED BY ARA COBRAS.

D. 161558H - AN A-6 WAS CALLED ON STATION TO ATTACK THE AREA OF THE TRUCK CONTACT BY EMPLOYING THE RADFAC 122 BEACON FROM X-RAY RELAY. "RINGNECK 368" HAD TWO PASSES WITH FAILURE OF COMPUTERIZED EQUIPMENT AND ANOTHER A-6, "RINGNECK 370" CAME ON STATION, DELIVERING 18 D-2'S DIRECTED BY ASRAT AT QUANG TRI.

E. 161733H - "RINGNECK 558", AN A-6 DIRECTED BY MSQ-77 ("SKY-SPOT") DELIVERED 28 D-2'S VIC YD371027 ON A URS REPORTED AREA OF AN ENEMY BATTALION SEARCHING FOR "ROACH", WHICH HAD BEEN EXTRACTED EARLIER.

#### 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. LOW LEVEL VR FLIGHTS IN THE SAME AREAS AS TODAY'S VEHICLE SIGHTINGS HAVE SHOWN NOTHING OF THIS NATURE AS LATE AS DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY, ALTHOUGH TIRE TRACKS HAVE BEEN REPORTED WITHIN 1200 METERS OF THESE LOCATIONS IN THE LAST THREE DAYS.

B. THERE WERE SIX INCIDENTS OF GROUND FIRE AT AIRCRAFT TODAY AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- (1) YD357011 - ONE HIT.
- (2) YD361012 - NO HITS.
- (3) YC387951 - NO HITS.
- (4) YC439931 - NO HITS.
- (5) YC440966 - NO HITS.
- (6) YC445963 - 5 HITS (CON UH-34, NON-CONFIRMED)

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2. TODAY'S INSERTS:

- A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YD353047 AT 170936H.
- B. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YD293095 AT 171003H.
- C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC463969 AT 171012H.

3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:

- A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC423915 AT 171025H.
- B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC443908 AT 171032H.
- C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN OUT VIC YD353049 AT 171338H.

4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:

- A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC463887.
- B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC403990.

5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS: NONE.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE INSERT/EXTRACT OF TWO MEN IN AND TWO MEN OUT ON "X-RAY RELAY" VIC YC449955 ACCOMPLISHED TODAY AT 171035H.

7. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.

8. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:

- A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
- B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
- C. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YD293095.
- D. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" FIVE MEN VIC YC463977.

9. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A. 171140H - "COFFEE" OBSERVED 15 NVA/VC VIC YD353054 MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A RIDGELINE NORTH OF THEIR POSITION. ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORM, BUSH HATS AND PACKS, WERE ARMED WITH MACHINEGUNS, AK'S. LOH-AND-COBRA TEAM DISPATCHED.

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B. 171150H - "COFFEE" OBSERVED 66 NVA/VC VIC YD353050 MOVING WEST TO EAST ALONG ANOTHER RIDGE NEAR THEIR POSITION. ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORM, BUSH HATS AND PACKS, CARRIED 3 LIGHT MACHINEGUNS AND AK'S. AT 171205H, THE LOW-AND-COBRA TEAM ARRIVED ON STATION AND WERE DRIVEN OFF OF TARGET AREA BY INTENSE 12.7 MM AND AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE. AT 171222H, ARA COBRAS WERE REQUESTED AND AT 171225H "COFFEE" HAD NUMEROUS ENEMY TEN TO THIRTY METERS FROM THE TEAM'S POSITION ON THREE SIDES. AT 171237H, THE ARA COBRAS WERE ON STATION, AS WELL AS THREE OV-10'S WHICH WERE TO DIRECT F-4'S ON THE TARGET. AT 171250H, CO, 3D FORCE REQUESTED EXTRACT OF THE TEAM AS AIRCRAFT RAN GUN AND ROCKET FIRE AROUND THEIR POSITION. AT 171330H, "LOVEBUG 209", THE F-4, WAS ON STATION BUT COMPLETELY SOCKED IN BY HEAVY CLOUDS. AT 171338H, "COFFEE" WAS EXTRACTED AS EXTRACTION UH-1H TOOK SMALL ARMS FIRE GOING IN AND COMING OUT OF EXTRACTION ZONE.

## 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. THE FOLLOWING ORDNANCE WAS DELIVERED BY 2ND/17TH CAV IN SUPPORT OF "COFFEE" IN 16 SORTIES BY COBRA GUNSHIPS AND ARA'S:

564 TEN POUND ROCKETS  
1800 FOURTY MM  
25,000 7.62 MM

B. THERE WERE 50 ROUNDS OF 175MM FIRED ON THE AREA OF THE TEAM'S EXTRACTION IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TEAM WAS LIFTED OUT.

C. "SNAKY" HAD ONE ROUTINE MEDEVAC (FUC) PERFORMED BY THE "PHUBAI DUST-OFF" AT 171614H.

D. A "SKYSPOT" STRIKE IS SCHEDULED FOR THE AREA OF "COFFEE" SIGHTINGS/CONTACT PRIOR TO 180600H.

E. AT 172225H, ALL FIVE ASSIGNED FREQUENCIES FOR THIS UNIT WERE BEING JAMMED BY ELECTRONIC SOUND. TEMPORARY FREQUENCIES WERE REQUESTED FROM SRC AND EMPLOYED WITHOUT INTERFERENCE.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FOUR DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, FOUR PREPARING TO INSERT TOMORROW, TWO ON REACTION FORCE AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGE.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE, DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC463887.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC403990.
  - C. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - D. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YD292100.
  - D. TM (3-3) "SNARKY" FIVE MEN VIC YC464978.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS: NONE.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A. "SKYSPOT" STRIKE SCHEDULED FOR LAST NIGHT WAS NOT DELIVERED DUE TO TPQ RADAR FAILURE.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, TWO EXTRACTED TODAY, TWO ON REACTION FORCE AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN IN VIC YC462891 AT 190945H.
  - B. (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC403990 AT 190937H.
  - C. (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 190930H.
  - D. (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 190930H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955 AT 190930H.
  - B. (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955 AT 190930H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS: NONE.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" UPPER LEFT YC4693, LOWER RIGHT YC4891.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" UPPER LEFT YC4397, LOWER RIGHT YC4596.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 192400H.
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YD290104.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY FIVE MEN VIC YC462984.
  - C. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC ~~YD462984~~ YC406995.
  - D. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC461887.
  - E. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - F. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 191125H - "BOXHILL" DETECTED MOVEMENT TO TM'S WEST VIC YC476887 BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO HEAVY FOLIAGE.
  - B. 191242H - "BOXHILL" LOCATED A FOREIGN TRUCK, APPROX 3/4 TON, FLAT BED, PAINTED BROWN AND BLACK WITH UNBROKEN HEADLIGHTS, UNBROKEN FRONT TIRES. TM WAS UNABLE TO APPROACH VEHICLE DUE TO INTERVENING WATER AND OPEN TERRAIN. TM OP'D AREA VIC YC476887 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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C. 191500H - "BOXHILL" OBSERVED AN ORANGE AND WHITE FLAG VIC YC479899 WHICH WAS A POSSIBLE ENEMY OP. ARTY FIRE MISSION ON AREA WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. "BOXHILL" LOCATED SEVEN ONE-POUND BLOCKS OF U.S. TNT ON THEIR INSERTION POINT VIC YC462891.

B. ROUTE INTERDICTION MISSIONS FIRED BY 175MM UNTIL 200600H:

(1)	YD312043
(2)	YD373019
(3)	YC403946
(4)	YC406962
(5)	YC427975
(6)	YC445905

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, TWO FOR INSERTION TOMORROW, TWO ON REACTION FORCE AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND SHORTAGES OF PERSONNEL.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE SCHEDULED.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE SCHEDULED.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC462922.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC433963.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YD293099.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" FIVE MEN FROM VIC YC461989.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 202400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YD291101.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" FIVE MEN VIC YC460990.
  - C. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC404997.
  - D. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC464883.
  - E. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - F. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 201010H - "BOXHILL" HEARD TALKING AND CANS BEING THROWN VIC YC462887. NEG ACTION TAKEN.
  - B. 201237H - "PONY" HEARD TWO (2) RIFLE SHOTS TO THEIR WEST APPROX 500 METERS, VIC YD290105.
  - C. 201622H - "SNAKY" LOCATED A COMPANY SIZED BASE CAMP APPROX TWO TO THREE MONTHS OLD VIC YC462989. AREA CONTAINED FRAMES FOR PONCHOS, COOKING AREAS AND NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES.
  - D. 201956H TO 202023H - "BOXHILL" DETECTED MOVEMENT OF APPROX TWELVE TO FIFTEEN ENEMY 20 METERS SOUTH AND WEST OF THEIR POSITION VIC YC464883. TM BELIEVES ENEMY WAS TAKING BREAK FOR A MEAL THEN MOVED ON SOUTHEAST.

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9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. ROUTE INTERDICTION MISSIONS TO BE FIRED ~~202300H~~ TO 210600H:

- (1) YD313070
- (2) YD353038
- (3) YC395970
- (4) YC445930
- (5) YC369940

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, TWO EXTRACTED TODAY, TWO ON REACTION FORCE AUGMENTED BY HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC433961 AT 211430H.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC462922 AT 211442H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YD293099 AT 211447H.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" FIVE MEN OUT VIC YC461989 AT 211458H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS: NONE.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YD405002.
  - B. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC465885.
  - C. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449985.
  - D. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - E. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC464919.
  - F. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC435964.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 211515H - "SPINNER" LOCATED HEAVILY TRAFFICKED HIGH SPEED TRAIL VIC YD406002 WITH RECENT FOOTPRINTS TRAVELLING BOTH WAYS. THE TRAIL RUNS IN A NE/SW DIRECTION, IS APPROX THREE (3) FT WIDE.
  - B. 211715H AND 211750H - "SPINNER" HEARD SINGLE RIFLE SHOTS VIC YD409006.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A. C.O., "F"/2/17 CAV SEARCHED AREA VIC YC476887 FOR 3/4 TON TRUCK SIGHTED BY "BOXHILL" YESTERDAY. NEG VEHICLE, FRESH TIRE AND FOOTPRINTS.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC398999 AT 221610H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS: NONE.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC467885.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" UPPER LEFT YC4891, LOWER RIGHT YC5089.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 222400H:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC466885.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC468919.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC436968.
  - D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - E. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 221009H - "SPINNER" MADE CONTACT WITH TEN NVA VIC YD404004. THREE NVA KIA (C), ONE NVA KIA (P). BODIES SEARCHED AND WEAPONS, EQUIPMENT SEARCHED. THREE AK-47, TWO M-34 PISTOLS, VARIOUS OTHER EQUIPMENT (SEE DEBRIEF). 2/17 CAV HELOS DELIVERED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. AGAIN AT 221120H TEAM IN CONTACT, PATROL LEADER WIA, ARMY LOH SHOT DOWN WITH RPG. SECOND TEAM MEMBER WIA AT 221130H AND 2/17 CAV LANDED AIR RIFLE PLATOON FOR DOWNED LOH. AT 221240H, A LINK-UP WAS EFFECTED BETWEEN TROOPS AND "SPINNER", TWO LOH PILOTS AND PL OF "SPINNER" MEDEVAC AT 221307H, FOLLOWED BY "SPINNER" SECOND MEMBER MEDEVAC. FOUR REMAINING TEAM MEMBERS EXTRACTED WHEN AIR RIFLE PLATOON LIFTED OUT AT 221610H VIC YC398999.

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9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A. BDA ON ARC LIGHT DELIVERED ON 191130H COMPLETED TODAY.
- B. BDA AIRCRAFT RECEIVED FIRE IN TWO LOCATIONS OUTSIDE OF ARC LIGHT AREA.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FOUR DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS: NONE.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC467885 AT 0936H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC496899.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" UPPER LEFT YD3700, LOWER RIGHT YC3997.
  - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" UPPER LEFT YC4094, LOWER RIGHT YC4292.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC474918.
  - D. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC427966.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS: NONE.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE.

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2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC489899 AT 241117H.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 241105H.
  - C. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 241105H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC385984.
  - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN IN VIC YC404933.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC472914.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC432961.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" UPPER LEFT YC4098, LOWER RIGHT YC4397.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC488899.
  - B. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC473914.
  - C. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC429964.
  - D. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - E. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 241627H - "TINNY" LOCATED A WIDE, HIGH SPEED TRAIL FOUR TO FIVE FEET IN WIDTH, WITH AN EXTRA THREE FEET OF CLEARED BRUSH ON EITHER SIDE, HEAVILY TRAVELED. TRAIL RUNS N/S, VIC YC485902.

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B. 242030H - SIMULTANEOUS SIGHTINGS OF TRUCK HEADLIGHTS MADE BY "X-RAY RELAY", "GARLIC", "COFFEE" AND "TINNY" IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS AND NUMBERS:

YC475895 NINE.  
YC463905 THREE.  
YC454915 TWO.  
YC436947 THREE.  
YC415970 THREE.

"X-RAY" SHOT AZIMUTH APPROX 300 DEGREES, EST. RANGE 5 KILOMETERS. OTHER TEAMS REPORTED THE LIGHTS TO NW, W, AND SW. AT 242040H, COC REQUESTED ARA HELOS, FLARESHIP, NOTIFIED DASC "VICTOR" AND SRC. AT 242108H, ARA AIRCRAFT CHECKED IN WITH "X-RAY" BUT HAD TO LEAVE FOR FUEL. AT 242116H, FLARESHIP ON STATION. AT 242132H, SLAB-IR AIRCRAFT ON STATION. OV-10 AND FLARESHIP ATTEMPTED TO DROP FLARES THROUGH OVERCAST. AT 242300H, WHEN ALL AIRCRAFT HAD DEPARTED, 175 GUNS BEGAN FIRING INTERDICTION FIRES AT FOLLOWING AREAS:

YC493860.  
YC446930.  
YC392985.  
YD365007.  
YD355035.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES.
  2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
    - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC385984 AT 251130H.
    - B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC404933 AT 251142H.
    - C. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" FOUR MEN SCUBA VIC YD756134 AT 250846H.
  3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
    - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC472914 AT 251150H.
    - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC532961 AT 251202H.
    - C. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" FOUR MEN SCUBA OUT VIC YD756134 AT 251202H.
  4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
    - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN IN VIC YC418977.
  5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
  6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
    - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" UPPER LEFT YC5087, LOWER RIGHT YC5285.
  7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
    - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC483894.
    - B. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC383982.
    - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC405931.
    - D. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
    - E. TM (3-3) "SHARK" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS: NONE.
  9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
    - A. TM (SPCL) "DEEP" FOUR MAN SCUBA MISSION REQUESTED BY 101 ABN DIV ENIGNS FOR BRIDGE CHECK VIC YD756134 LOCATED ONE (1) 61MM MORTAR ROUND ON BOTTOM NEAR BRIDGE. NEGATIVE ACTION TAKEN.
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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE SIX DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN IN VIC YC418977 AT 261225H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN IN VIC YC512862.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" UPPER LEFT YD4000, LOWER RIGHT YC4298.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC417976.
  - B. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC385979.
  - C. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC487896.
  - D. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC408934.
  - E. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - F. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS: NONE.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A. AT 261243H, ONE MAN WAS NON-BATTLE MEDEVAC FROM "X-RAY" RELAY DUE TO VOMITING AND SICKNESS.
  - B. AT 261640H, ONE REPLACEMENT MAN WAS INSERTED ON "X-RAY".
  - C. AT 261340H, A REPORTED POSSIBLE STACK OF ENEMY ROCKETS IN A BOMB CRATER VIC YC389992 PROVED TO BE OLD 105MM CANISTERS.

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1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE SEVEN DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES.
2. TODAY'S INSERTS:  
A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN IN VIC YC52860 AT 271111H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS: NONE.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:  
A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC398996.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:  
A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC486893.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:  
A. TM (2-1) "BOXHILL" SIX MEN VIC YC414973.  
B. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC417938.  
C. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN VIC YC486893.  
D. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN VIC YC506842.  
E. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC387976.  
F. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.  
G. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:  
A. 271355H - "PONY" LOCATED TWO CAVES, ONE 4'X5', 10' DEEP, THE OTHER 4'X5', 25' DEEP, VIC YC387977 AND YC387978. ONE CONTAINED THREE LARGE BLOCKS CHIOM TMT DIVIDED EACH INTO TWELVE SMALLER BLOCKS, TWO AK-47 MAGAZINES, PONCHO AND ENTRENCHING TOOL (NVA).  
B. 271430H - "ROACH" LOCATED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL VIC YC507879 TO YC508858. TWO TO THREE FEET WIDE, PACKED HARD WITH FOOTPRINTS NO MORE THAN 24 HRS. OLD MOVING TO NE. MAIN TRAIL RUNS NNE/SW, IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO STREAM WIDE ENOUGH TO USE AS VEHICLE PATH.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE.

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2. TODAY'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC392998 AT 280855H.
3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC486893 AT 280845H.
4. TOMORROW'S INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
5. TOMORROW'S EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN FROM VIC YC417934.
6. TOMORROW'S VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" UPPER LEFT YD2711 LOWER RIGHT YD2909.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" UPPER LEFT YC4788 LOWER RIGHT YC4986.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC401995.
  - D. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC384973.
  - E. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN VIC YC417936.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 281200H - TEAM PONY (1-2) OBSERVED TWO NVA MOVING SE ALONG RIVER AT VIC YC386983. NEG ACTION TAKEN.
  - B. 281340H - TEAM "BOXHILL" (2-1) CAME IN CONTACT WITH 10 - 15 NVA AT VIC YC411975. SIX NVA KIA (C), 4 NVA KIA (P) AND THREE USMC KIA. ENEMY HAD AK-47'S AND CHICOM GRENADES, SEE OTHER EQUIPMENT IN DEBRIEF. 2217 CAV. HELIOS DELIVERED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. TEAM WAS EXTRACTED AT 281505H BY 2/17 CAV.

SUSPECTED BY AM-16 OF AREA.

C C. 281600H - TEAM "ROACH" (3-2) HAD MOVEMENT THIRTY (30) METERS TO THEIR WEST AT VIC YC505858 AT 281705. "ROACH" MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA AT VIC YC505858. ONE (1) NVA (C), ONE (1) USMC KIA. TEAM WAS EXTRACTED AT 281735H BY 2/17 CAV HELIOS, SUPPORTED THE TEAM. BY AIRCRAFT CT AREA.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE.

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29 JANUARY 1970

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FROM THIRD FORCE RECON CO  
TO CG III MAF (ATTN DIR SRG)

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THIRD FORCE RECON CO 290000H TO 292400H JAN 70.

1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FOUR DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND ONE DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES.
2. TODAYS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 290935H.
  - B. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN IN VIC YC449955 AT 290935H.
3. TODAYS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (2-2) "SNAKY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955 AT 290935H.
  - B. TM (2-2) "ARTIC" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC449955 AT 290935H.
  - C. TM (3-1) "ATLAS" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC417934 AT 291006H.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC382988.
  - B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC473862.
5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC382988.
6. TOMORROWS VR OVERFLIGHTS:
  - A. TM (3-2) "ROACH" UPPER LEFT YC5087, LOWER RIGHT YC5385.
  - B. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" UPPER LEFT YC4499, LOWER RIGHT YC4697.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN VIC YC381987.
  - B. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC407992.
  - C. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - D. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 290950H - INSERT AIRCRAFT REPORTED TAKING SMALL ARMS FIRE ON INSERTION/EXTRACTION OF TEAMS ON "X-RAY RELAY". 2/17 CAV DELIVERED FOLLOWING ORDNANCE IN SUPPORT OF "X-RAY":
    - A. 80 SEVENTEEN POUND ROCKETS
    - B. 5000 RNDs 7.62
    - C. 400 FOURTY MM RNDs.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE.

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THIRD FORCE RECON CO <sup>SITREP</sup> 300001 TO 302400H JAN 70.

1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD, ONE DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND ONE DEADLINED DUE TO PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.

2. TODAY'S INSERTS:

- A. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC382988.
- B. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN IN VIC YC485865.

3. TODAY'S EXTRACTS:

- A. TM (1-2) "PONY" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC382988.

4. TOMORROWS INSERTS: NONE

5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS: NONE

6. TOMORROWS VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE

7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:

- A. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC478863.
- B. TM (1-1) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC381985.
- C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC406986.
- D. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
- E. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.

8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

A. 301115H - AT YC407986 TM (4-1) "BITTER" REPORTED MOVEMENT 50 METERS TO THE EAST. ~~TM 407986~~ AS.

B. 301120H - XRAY RELAY VIC YC449955 OBSERVED CAVE ENTRANCE 1500 METERS AWAY ON AN AZIMUTH OF 345°.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: NONE

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3D FORCE RECON CO  
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THIRD FORCE RECON CO SITREP 310001H TO 312400H JAN 70.

1. OF TWELVE TEAMS IN THIS COMMAND THERE WERE FIVE DEPLOYED IN THE FIELD AND TWO DEADLINED DUE TO CASUALTIES AND PERSONNEL SHORTAGES.
2. TODAYS INSERTS: NONE.
3. TODAYS EXTRACTS: NONE.
4. TOMORROWS INSERTS:
  - A. TM (3-3) "SNAKY" SIX MEN IN VIC YC448983.
  - B. TM (3-2) "ROACH" SIX MEN IN VIC YC500856.
5. TOMORROWS EXTRACTS:
  - A. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN OUT VIC YC402990.
6. TOMORROWS VR OVERFLIGHTS: NONE.
7. TEAM LOCATIONS AS OF 2400H THIS DATE:
  - A. TM (4-2) "SPINNER" SIX MEN VIC YC473863.
  - B. TM (1-10) "TINNY" SEVEN MEN VIC YC378977.
  - C. TM (4-1) "BITTER" SIX MEN VIC YC409985.
  - D. TM (1-3) "GARLIC" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
  - E. TM (4-3) "COFFEE" SIX MEN VIC YC449955.
8. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
  - A. 311956H - "TINNY" DETECTS MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTH OF THEIR POSITION AND AT 312008H REPORTS A SMALL CAMPFIRE 150 METERS TO THEIR NORTHEAST. DUE TO LOW OVERCAST, NEGATIVE ACTION TAKEN. MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTH CONTINUED AND THE SOUTHERN ON-CALL ARTY MISSION WAS FIRED. MOVEMENT CEASED.
9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
  - A. BDA'S OF TWO ARC LIGHTS PROVED TO BE OFF LINE OF INTENDED TARGET AREAS.
  - B. BDA'S OF TWO ARC LIGHTS TO BE RUN TOMORROW MORNING WILL BE ATTEMPTED DURING THE DAY OF 01 FEB.

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SECOND ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3d ForRecon Co ltr 1:TSH:fjs  
over 5700 dtd 24Aug70

From: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific  
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 10 July to 27  
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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO 3d Forrecon Co ltr 1:TSH:fjs over 5700 dtd 24Aug70

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Pendleton, California 92055  
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps, (Code HD), Headquarters U. S. Marine  
Corps, Washington, D. C. 20380  
Via: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, FPO San Francisco,  
California 96610

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