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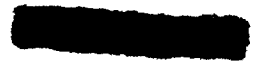
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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 240 AS OF 011000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. BOX SCORE. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |            | <u>SQUAD</u> |            | <u>PLATOON</u> |           | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N          | D            | N          | D              | N         | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 8               | 6          |              |            |                |           |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 92         |              |            |                |           |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 1               | 33         | 2            | 90         |                | 4         |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 11              | 9          | 8            | 4          | 3              | 6         |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 11              | 10         | 28           | 38         | 5              | 3         |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |            | 10           | 27         | 3              | 1         | 1              |   |
| TOTAL            | <u>33</u>       | <u>151</u> | <u>48</u>    | <u>159</u> | <u>11</u>      | <u>14</u> | <u>1</u>       |   |

**B. DIVISION CONTACTS**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 936664           | 312015H               | SQD AMB                     | F/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 923674                        | 312015H               | SQD AMB                     | F/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 072673                        | 312105H               | SQD AMB                     | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 056640                        | 011100H               | CO S/D                      | C/1/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 990642                        | 312010H               | PLT SEC                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 995643                        | 011200H               | SQD S/D                     | F/2/9/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 962660                        | 010400H               | PLT SEC                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 966648                        | 010905H               | SQD S/D                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 959657                        | 010915H               | SQD S/D                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955648                        | 010945H               | SQD S/D                     | M/3/3/1WIA                       | UNK/2WIA(POS)                 |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 463146           | 011505H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/4/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 447055                        | 011246H               | CO S/D                      | F/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/1WIA(CAPT)<br>2 WIA (POS) |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 637909          | 311330H               | SQD SEC                     | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/2VCS                      |
| BS 623983                        | 312220H               | CO SEC                      | B/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 618985                        | 010001H               | CO SEC                      | B/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 561028                        | 010025H               | CO SEC                      | HAS/1/7/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| THUA THIEN<br>YD 856133          | 312255H               | SQD OP                      | HAS/2/1/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 790110                        | 011700H               | PLT PAT                     | A/3/RECON/1KIA                   | UNK/UNK                       |
| Quang Tin<br>BT 465024           | 011200H               | PLT PAT                     | F/2/7/NONE                       | UNK/2VCS                      |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. A TOTAL OF 416 SEPERATE OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WERE  
CONDUCTED TO GAIN CONTACT WITH VC FORCES, RESULTING IN 19 CONTACTS.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                 | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 26                |                   |
| AMBUSH          |                   | 20                |
| RECON PATROL    | 5                 | 2                 |
| SECURITY PATROL | 2                 | 3                 |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 312015H, A GRENADE EXPLODED APPROXIMATELY 300 METERS FROM A CO F SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (AT 936654). IT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED WHERE THE GRENADE CAME FROM BUT IT WAS ASCERTAINED THAT FRIENDLY UNITS HAD NOT THROWN A GRENADE INTO THAT VICINITY. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

AT 312015H, CO F SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (AT 923694) RECEIVED ABOUT 20 RDS OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM A POINT NORTH OF THE AMBUSH. FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED AS NO SPECIFIC TARGET COULD BE PINPOINTED. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

(3) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 010400H, THE 3D PLT OF CO L VIC (AT 962660) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING SA RD. NO CASUALTIES. DIRECTION OF INCOMING RD UNDETERMINED. NO FIRE WAS RETURNED.

AT 010905H, A CO M SQUAD VIC (AT 966648) RECEIVED A HEAVY VOLUME OF SA FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 5 VC. 32 RDS OF 105MM WERE FIRED IN RETURN. AREA SEARCHED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 010915H A CO M SQUAD PAT VIC (AT 959657) RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC.

AT 010945H, SEVERAL SA RDS WERE RECEIVED BY A CO M SQUAD PAT VIC (AT 955648) RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. FIRE WAS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED. AT ONE POINT DURING THE FIRE FIGHT, APPROXIMATELY 8 VC'S WERE SEEN DRAGGING TWO BODIES WITH THEM.

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B. 9TH MARINES(1) BCK SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|--------------------|-------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                    | D                 | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 2                 |    |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST     |                   | 25 |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH             | 1                 | 7  | 2            | 29 |                |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 4                 | 7  |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 3                 |    | 2            | 12 | 3              | 1 |                |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                   |    | 7            | 23 |                |   | 1              |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 312105H, A COMPANY B SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (BT 072673) OBSERVED THREE VC MOVING ALONG A DIKE APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS EAST OF THE AMBUSH SITE. THE AMBUSH OPENED FIRE, THE VC FLED. NO CASUALTIES. AT 011100H, COMPANY C POSITIONS VIC (BT 056640) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 30 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. FIRE WAS RETURNED BY THE MARINES. VC BROKE CONTACT. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 312010H, THE 3D PLATOON OF COMPANY F VIC (AT 990642) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. FIRE WAS RETURNED BY THE PLATOON CAUSING THE VC TO CEASE FIRE AND BREAK CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES. AT 011200H, A COMPANY F SQUAD PATROL SUSTAINED ONE KIA WHILE IT WAS DESTROYING A BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 995643).

C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAT</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155H  |                        |              | 80         | 80           | 80                |            |
| 105H  | 4                      | 2            | 241        | 247          | 245               | 2          |
| 107HT |                        |              | 2          | 2            | 2                 |            |
| 8"H   |                        | 1            |            | 1            | 1                 |            |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 115                    |              |           | 115          |
| 105H  | 738                    |              | 2         | 740          |
| 107HT | 2                      |              |           | 2            |
| 8"H   | 1                      |              |           | 1            |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               | 2        |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |                | 3        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 3              | 3        |

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3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCOUTS

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 26       |              | 17       |                | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL | 6               | 4        | 14           | 13       |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 011505H, A SQUAD PAT FROM CO B LOCATED AT (BT 463146) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM AN UNK NUMBER OF VC LOCATED VIC (BT 461148). IN DEPLOYING TO RETURN FIRE, A BOOBY TRAP WAS TRIPPED AND TWO MARINES WOUNDED, BOTH REQUIRING ~~EVACUATION~~ EVACUATION. FIRE WAS RETURNED AND AN ARTILLERY MISSION CALLED. A SWEEP OF THE AREA BY THREE LVT'S PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 011246H, A PLT FROM CO F MADE CONTACT WITH 5 VC AT (BT 447055). IN THE ENSUING FIRE FIGHT, 3 VC WERE WOUNDED. TWO OF THE WOUNDED VC ESCAPED, ONE WAS CAPTURED, ALONG WITH ONE FRENCH RIFLE AND ONE CHICOM CARBINE.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 2               | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 19       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 |          |              | 4        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 1               | 2        | 1            |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 2               | 6        | 2            | 1        | 2              | 2        |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 3            | 4        | 3              | 1        |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES.

(A) LATE REPORT: AT 311330H, A S&D PAT FROM CO D APPREHENDED TWO VCS AT (BS 631909). BOTH VCS WERE POINTED OUT BY AN INTELLIGENCE AGENT FROM BINH SON.

(B) AT 312220H, CO B COMBAT PAT BASE RECEIVED 200-250 RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (BS 623983). FIRE RETURNED WITH SA, 81 MM MORTARS, 106 MM RECOILLESS RIFLES AND 90 MM TANK GUNS, ARTILLERY MISSION CALLED. A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(C) AT 010001H, A CO B OF AT (BS 618985) RECEIVED 30 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM AN UNK NUMBER OF VC LOCATED VIC (BS 623983). THE OP RETURNED FIRE WITH AN M-60 MACHINE GUN WITH UNK RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(D) AT 010025H, THE 81 MM MORTAR FLT RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FIRE FROM THE NORTHEAST AT CLOSE RANGE. A SENTRY RETURNED FIRE AND THE VC WITHDREW. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES OR KNOWN ENEMY CASUALTIES.

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(3) 2ND BN, 7TH MARINES AT 011200H A PATROL FROM E COMPANY  
APPROHENDED TWO (2) VC AT (BT 465024) AS RESULT OF PATROL ACTION.  
WOUNDED VC WAS EVACUATED TO B MED. THE OTHER VC WAS SENT TO CHU-LAI  
POW COMPOUND

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C. ARTY BN GROUP(1) BOX SCORES.

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              |            | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |            |              |
|------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|--------------|
|                        | <u>OBS</u> | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u>      | <u>MAT</u> | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 155G                   |            |              | 6          | 6                 | 6          |            |              |
| 155H                   | 3          |              |            | 3                 | 1          | 1          | 1            |
| 105H                   | 6          |              | 38         | 44                | 43         | 1          |              |
| 107HT                  | 1          |              | 11         | 12                | 11         | 1          |              |

| <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |           |              |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
|                        | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G                   | 12        |              | 6         | 18           |
| 155H                   | 12        |              |           | 12           |
| 105H                   | 542       | 29           | 9         | 580          |
| 107HT                  | 50        | 5            |           | 55           |



D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              | 2        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 2        |                | 3        |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                 | D    N          | D    N       |
| LISTENING POST  | 15              |              |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 8            |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 | 4    7       |

(2) 2D BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 312255H, AN ESTIMATED FOUR VC FIRED SIX ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AT HILL 180 (YD 856133) DEFENDED BY A REINFORCED SQUAD FROM H&S COMPANY. SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RETURNED IMMEDIATELY. VC CEASED FIRE AND BROKE CONTACT. AREA SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT. NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

AT 011700H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM COMPANY A, 3D RECON BATTALION, RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 40 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (YD 790110) FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. THE PATROL IMMEDIATELY RETURNED FIRE AND CALLED ARTILLERY ROUNDS ON THE SUSPECTED VC POSITION. THE POSITION WAS LATER SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL SUSTAINED 1 FRIENDLY KIA.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H | 1                      |              |                | 1            | 1                 |
| 105H |                        | 149          | 148            | 149          | 149               |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> |              |
| 155H |                        |              |           | 13           |
| 105H | 160                    |              |           | 160          |

SUMMARY(A) DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 12              | 3        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 91       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 3               | 31       | 5            | 97       |                | 9        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 8               | 7        | 3            |          | 8              | 7        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 9               | 9        | 34           | 42       | 8              | 4        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 23           | 23       | 3              | 2        | 1              |          |
| CLEARING         |                 |          |              |          | 4              | 4        |                |          |

(B) THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 13 PATROLS AND 142 AMBUSHES DURING THE  
NEXT 24 HOURS.

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FROM: CG 3D MAR DIV  
 TO: CG 1st MAR  
 INFO: CG FMAN  
 THIRD MAR DIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 241 AS OF 021000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. BOX SCORES. DAY - D, NIGHT - N

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |            | <u>SQUAD</u> |            | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | D               | N          | D            | N          | D              | N        | D              | N        |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 10              | 3          |              |            |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 91         |              |            |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             | 1               | 30         | 3            | 86         |                | 3        |                |          |
| PATROL             | 10              | 10         | 32           | 30         | 9              | 6        | 1              | 1        |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |            | 20           | 37         | 3              |          | 3              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL          | <u>23</u>       | <u>133</u> | <u>55</u>    | <u>153</u> | <u>12</u>      | <u>9</u> | <u>4</u>       | <u>2</u> |
| TOTAL              | 391             |            |              |            |                |          |                |          |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---|
| QUANG NAM<br>(AB 905708)         | 021020H               | PLT                    | SEC         | B/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCC                               |
| (BT 056659)                      | 011800H               | PLT                    | S&D         | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 993680)                      | 021025H               | PLT                    | SEC         | H&S/2/9/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 991633)                      | 021315H               | S&D                    | S&D         | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 991633)                      | 021600H               | S&D                    | S&D         | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 955672)                      | 011715H               | S&D                    | S&D         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 963660)                      | 011915H               | PLT                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 973662)                      | 011915H               | PLT                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 971662)                      | 011915H               | PLT                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 962660)                      | 011916H               | PLT                    | SEC         | L/3/3/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 943680)                      | 012225H               | S&D                    | AMB         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2 KIA, 4 KIA (POBB)<br>6 WIA (PHOB) |
| (AT 972660)                      | 012225H               | PLT                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 977651)                      | 012230H               | S&D                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                               |
| (AT 956665)                      | 020730H               | S&D                    | S&D         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 954651)                      | 021250H               | S&D                    | S&D         | L/3/3/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (AT 963660)                      | 021245H               | PLT                    | SEC         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| QUANG TIN                        |                       |                        |             |                                  |   |
| (AT 526091)                      | 012200H               | FT                     | SEC         | H&S/1/4/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (BT 435160/<br>BT 435152)        | 020818H               | PLT                    | S&D         | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (BT 437156)                      | 020855H               | PLT                    | S&D         | B/1/4/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (BT 438153)                      | 021032H               | CO                     | S&D         | B/1/4/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                                 |
| (BT 495102)                      | 021100H               | S&D                    | SEC         | D/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCC                               |
| (BT 4314)                        | 021335H               | CO                     | S&D         | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/11 VCS                              |
| (BT 439145)                      | 021335H               | CO                     | S&D         | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                                 |

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| <u>COORDINATES</u>        | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE/ON</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>(BT 431084)  | 021145H               | PLT                    | S&D            | G/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 515065)               | 021330H               | PLT                    | SEC            | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS, 1VCS WIA           |
| QUANG NGAI<br>(BS 605915) | 011945H               | PLT                    | SEC            | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>(BT 557016)  | 012005H               | PLT                    | SEC            | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI<br>(BT 623022) | 020550H               | SQD                    | AMB            | H/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/ 2 WIA,VCC, 1 KIA         |
| (BS 620990)               | 020700H               | FT                     | SEC            | E/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| (BS 606920)               | 020810H               | PLT                    | SEC            | MAG-36/D/1/7/NONE                | UNK/UNK                       |
| THUA THIEN<br>(YD 790115) | 011700H               | PLT                    | REC            | A/1/RECON/1 KIA                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| (YD 784097)               | 020945H               | AO SPOT                | FOR ARTY       | 4/12/NONE                        | UNK/4 KIA                     |
| (YD 825084)               | 021000H               | PLT                    | SEC            | E/2/1/NONE                       | UNK/2 KIA, 1 RIFLE, 1 PISTOL  |

6. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONTINUED THE SEARCH FOR VC FORCES IN THE DANANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES AS 391 ACTIONS WERE INITIATED AND 33 CONTACTS MADE. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITH NO SIGNIFICANT RESULTS.

2. DANANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 26       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 21       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL    |                 |          | 3            |          | 2              | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 4        | 2              |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES AT 021020H CO B APPREHENDED A TWENTY YEAR OLD VCS AT (AT 905708). HE WAS TAKEN TO HIEU DUC DISTRICT HQ WHICH CONFIRMED HIM AS A VC.



B. 9TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 25 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 1               | 3  | 3            | 27 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 1               |    |              |    |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 19           | 33 | 1              |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. BETWEEN 011800H AND 011830H PLATOON PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED SPORADIC SA FIRE WHILE ENROUTE TO NEW PLATOON PATROL BASE. (BT 056659) FIRE RETURNED IN EACH INSTANCE AND AREA SEARCH WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. ONE USMC FROM CO B SQD PATROL KIA AT 021630 (BT 090658) BY BOOBY TRAP. BELIEVED TO BE FRO 105MM RDS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F AT (AT 991633) RECEIVED SIX RDS SA FIRE AT 021315H. FIRE RETURNED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

AT 021600H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F RECEIVED FIFTY RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 991633). FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(4) ~~3D BN, 9TH MARINES~~. AT 011715H, SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L VIC (AT 955672) PICKED UP ONE VCS WITH FALSE ID CARD.

AT 011915H PLATOON DEFENSIVE POSITION (AT 962660) RECEIVED SMALL AMOUNT OF SA AND AUTO MPKS FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA.

AT 011915H 1ST PLT (AT 963660), 2D PLT (AT 973662) AND 3D PLT (AT 971662) OF CO M RECEIVED HEAVY SA AND AUTO MPKS FIRE FROM APPROX EIGHTY VC IN THREE SEPERATE CONTACTS. APPROX TWENTY VC FIRED AT 1ST PLATOON FROM NE AND SE AT A RANGE OF APPROX 100 METERS. VC WERE ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC CARBINES, BAR'S AND ONE BENT FED MG. 2D PLT RECEIVED FIRE FROM SE DIRECTION FROM APPROX 35 VC ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC CARBINES, BAR AND M-1'S FROM APPROX 50 METERS. 3D PLT RECEIVED FIRE FROM APPROX 25 VC ARMED WITH 2 MG'S, AUTO CARBINES

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AND M-1'S: FIVE PARACHUTE FLARES ALSO FIRED. HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE RETURNED AT CLOSE RANGE WHICH BROKE UP THE ATTACK BEFORE IT COULD PENETRATE THE PERIMETER. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES AND NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES.

AT 012230H SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO M VIC (AT 973656) FIRED AT FOUR VC FROM APPROX TEN METERS RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA. FIRE FROM LARGER VC FORC CAUSED AMBUSHE TO BREAK CONTACT AND RETURN TO CP. AT 012225H SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO L AMBUSHED SEVEN VC (AT 948674) AND OBSERVED TWO OF THE VC GO DOWN. AMBUSH SITE MOVED 200 METERS NORTH AND OBSERVED VC REGROUPING. AMBUSH FIRED AGAIN AND ALL VC WENT DOWN RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA (BC) AND FOUR VC POSSIBLY KIA. POOLS OF BLOOD AND INDICATION OF BODIES DRAGGED ON GROUND. PATROL ESTIMATED SIX VC WIA. CONTACT BROKEN AND AREA SEARCHED AFTER FIRST LIGHT 2 JAN AND .45 CAL PISTOL PAMPHLETS, CHICOM GRENADE, AND THREE m-26 GRENADES FOUND.

AT 020730H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L PICKED UP ONE VCS (AT 956665). AT 012225H PLT FROM CO M IN DEFENSIVE POSITION (AT 971661) PROBED BY TWELVE VC. FIRE RETURNED AND NO FRIENDLY OR KNOWN VC CASUALTIES. AT 021245H CO M RECEIVED THIRTY RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 961653). FIRE RETURNED WITH EIGHT SIXTY MM RDS. AT 021250H SQD PATROL TRIPPED GRENADE BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 954651) RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA.

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C. 12TH MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |             |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
| <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAT</u>        | <u>ARVN</u> |
| 2                      | 1            | 252        | 255          | 247               | 8           |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

HE

|       |     |
|-------|-----|
| 155H  | 161 |
| 105H  | 500 |
| 8"H   | 6   |
| TOTAL | 667 |

D. 3D RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |                |          |
| PATROL       |                  |          | 4            | 4        | 1              | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL        | 2                |          | 4            | 8        | 1              | 2        | 1              | 1        |

E. 3D ENGR BN. 74 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 17 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN DA NANG TAON.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3               | 1        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 26       |              | 17       |                | 1        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 6               | 3        | 14           | 12       |                | 1        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          | 2              |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 012204H HAS CO OBSERVED ONE MAN IN FRONT OF THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC (BT 526091). THE MAN REFUSED TO HALT WHEN CHALLENGED AND WAS OBSERVED TO FALL WHEN FIRED UPON. THE ADJACENT PSN SAW THE MAN GET UP AND RUN INTO THE BUSH. ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED AND A PATROL WAS SENT INTO THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 020818H A PLATOON FROM CO B RECEIVED S/A FIRE VIC (BT 435152) AND (BT 435160). ARTILLERY WAS CALLED AND THE AREA WAS THOROUGHLY SEARCHED AFTER THE MISSION WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 020855H CO B RECEIVED S/A FIRE VIC (BT 437156) WOUNDING ONE MARINE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT.

AT 021032H ONE MARINE FROM CO B WAS WOUNDED WHEN A 60MM MORTAR BOOBY TRAP WAS ACTIVATED VIC (BT 438153).

AT 021100H A SQUAD SECURITY PATROL FROM CO D APPREHENDED ONE VC VIC (BT 495102). ARMED WITH TWO HAND GRENADES AND SEVERAL DOCUMENTS.

AT 021330H CO B WHILE CONDUCTING A SEARCH OF PHU VINH HAMLET VIC (BT 4314) APPREHENDED 11 VCS.

AT 021335H CO B UPON LEAVING THE VILLAGE CAME UNDER SPORADIC S/A FIRE VIC (BT 439145).

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(3) 2ND BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 021145H A PLATOON FROM CO G RECEIVED S/A FIRE VIC (BT 431081). FIVE ARMED VC WERE OBSERVED VIC (BT 429090). THEY WERE FIRED ON AND PURSUED TO VIC (BT 423096), WHERE THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED THE AREA.

AT 021330H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO E RETURNING TO THE MLR, SAW TWO FLEEING VN. THREE WARNING SHOTS WERE FIRED AND THEY CONTINUED TO RUN. THEY WERE THEN TAKEN UNDER FIRE, ONE WAS WOUNDED AND BOTH WERE APPREHENDED. BT 515065

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3. ~~seventh~~ MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2               |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 19 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    |              | 6 |                |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 2  | 2            |   |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2               | 5  | *2           | 1 | 3              | 3 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 1            | 4 | 1              |   | 1              | 1 |

REMARKS: \* INCLUDES A CIVIC ACTION PATROL

(2) 1ST BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 011945H A PLATOON PATROL FROM CO D RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 50 RDS OF S/A FIRE, BOTH AUTOMATIC AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC, FROM SIX WPHS. PATROL RETURNED FIRE. A SEARCH OF THE AREA AT FIRST LIGHT REVEALED BLOOD PATCHES AND A BLOOD TRAIL INDICATING ONE VC KILLED OR WOUNDED.

AT 012105H CO D OBSERVED ONE VCS APPROACHING THE LINES VIC (BT 557016). AFTER CHALLENGING, THE MARINES THREW A HAND GRENADE, AND THE MAN WAS OBSERVED RUNNING AWAY.

AT 020550H AN AMBUSH FROM CO B FIRED ON FIVE VC VIC (BS 623022). ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED AND TWO VC WIA WERE CAPTURED AND ONE VC WAS KILLED. THE REMAINING VC WITHDREW INTO THE DENSE ~~FOULAGE~~ <sup>FOULAGE</sup>.

AT 020700H CO B APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BS 620990), WHO'S NAME APPEARED ON THE WANTED LIST.

AT 020810H WHILE A PLATOON FROM CO D WAS RETRACTING FROM A PATROL BASE RECEIVED ONE RD S/A FIRE VIC (BS 606920).

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C. ARTY BN GROUP(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTINGOBS    HAI    TOTALMAP

7        48        55

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ROUNDS EXPENDEDHE    ILLUM    WP    TOTAL

|       |     |    |    |                  |
|-------|-----|----|----|------------------|
| 1550  | 26  |    | 14 | 40               |
| 155H  | 7   |    |    | 7                |
| 105H  | 402 | 92 | 26 | 522 (2 HC SMOKE) |
| 107HT | 27  |    | 3  | 30               |
| 8"H   | 9   |    |    | 9                |
| TOTAL | 473 | 92 | 43 | 608              |



4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                 | D N             | D N          |
| LISTENING POST  | 14              |              |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 9            |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 | 4 7          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 011700H RECON PATROL FROM CO A, 3D RECON BN EXCHANGES S/A FIRE WITH THREE VC AT (YD 790115). ONE USMC KIA. ARTILLERY FIRES PLACED ON VC: VC CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.

AT 020945H AIR OBSERVER SPOTTED 10-15 VC AT (YD 784097): ARTILLERY FIRED AND THREE VC KIA OBSERVED AND AIR OBSERVER FIRED HIS ROCKET KILLING ONE OTHER VC. VC DRESSED IN GREEN CAMOUFLAGE UNIFORMS. AT 021000H PATROL FROM COMPANY B EXCHANGED S/A FIRE WITH THREE VC AT (YD 831094) KILLING TWO, AND WOUNDING ONE WHO WAS CAPTURED. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. ONE VC KIA WAS VC DISTRICT CHIEF. ALSO CAPTURED WERE ONE .45 CALIBER PISTOL, ONE PAIR FIELD GLASSES, AND MAPS.

B. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 155H  | 1                      |              |                | 1            |                   |            | 1            |
| 105H  |                        | 1            | 57             | 58           | 57                |            | 1            |
| 107HT | 1                      |              |                | 1            |                   |            | 1            |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 36                     |              |           |              | 36           |
| 105H  | 87                     |              |           |              | 87           |
| 107HT | 36                     |              |           |              | 36           |

~~REMARKS: 105's, 107's and 155's FIRED ARE DEMONSTRATION BASH~~

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |            | <u>SQUAD</u> |            | <u>PLATOON</u> |           | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u>   | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u>   | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 6              | 2          |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2              | 86         |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                | 24         | 2            | 76         |                | 6         |                |          |
| PATROL           | 18             | 10         | 32           | 31         | 6              | 5         | 1              | 1        |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |            | 16           | 37         | 3              | 1         | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | <u>26</u>      | <u>122</u> | <u>50</u>    | <u>144</u> | <u>9</u>       | <u>12</u> | <u>2</u>       | <u>2</u> |

TOTAL 367

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 104 PATROLS AND 108 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS PERIOD.

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THIRD MARDIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 242 AS OF 031000Z JAN 661. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTSA. BOX SCORES (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |            | <u>SQUAD</u> |            | <u>PLATOON</u> |           | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | D               | N          | D            | N          | D              | N         | D              | N        |
| SCOUT SNIPER    | 5               | 4          |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| LISTENING POST  | 5               | 89         |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 24         | 2            | 79         |                | 6         |                |          |
| RECON PATROL    | 2               | 5          | 10           | 6          | 5              | 3         |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 7               | 13         | 24           | 25         | 5              | 2         |                |          |
| SEARCH&DESTROY  |                 |            | 17           | 35         | 3              |           | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL           | <u>19</u>       | <u>135</u> | <u>53</u>    | <u>145</u> | <u>13</u>      | <u>11</u> | <u>1</u>       | <u>1</u> |

TOTAL - 378

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DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u>       |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>BT 090640           | 030535H               | CO S/D                      | B/1/9/1 WIA                      | NONE/NONE                           |
| AT 995670                        | 022030H               | PLT PERIM                   | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 996643                        | 022200H               | PLT PERIM                   | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 991642                        | 022230H               | PLT PERIM                   | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 969663                        | 021930H               | PLT PERIM                   | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 974663                        | 021930H               | PLT PERIM                   | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 971699                        | 031255H               | SQD PERIM                   | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA(POSS)                      |
| BT 125605                        | 031215H               | CO S/D                      | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| BT 113625                        | 031635H               | CO S/D                      | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| AT 840590                        | 020020H               | PLT RECON                   | RECON/NONE                       | UNK/1 VC KIA                        |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 462146           | 030800H               | PLT AMB                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/ 2 VCS                          |
| BT 482094                        | 031350H               | SQD SEC                     | D/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/ 1 VCS                          |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 632990          | 021830H               | CO DEF                      | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                            |
| BT 594000                        | 022300H               | SQD SEC                     | O/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                            |
| BS 571921                        | 022015H               | PLT S/D                     | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| BS 572922                        | 030700H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                           |
| BS 560976                        | 030720H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/ 1KIA,<br>1 WIA (POSS)<br>1 VCC |
| BS 553913                        | 031240H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                             |
| BS 553922                        | 030953H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                           |

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C. THIRD MARINE DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. 2D BN, 9TH MARINES (REIN) COMMENCED WAR BONNET. SEE T IRD MAR DIV SPECIAL SITREPS NUMBERS 1, 2, & 3. OPERATION CONTINUES.

ELSEWHERE IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES 19 CONTACTS WERE GAINED WITH VC ELEMENTS RESULTING IN 3 VC KILLED (1 POSSIBLE), 1 VC CAPTURED, 1 VC WIA (POSSIBLE) AND 5 VCS APPREHENDED.

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.. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |           | <u>SQUAD</u> |           | <u>PLATOON</u> |               |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u>      |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 25        |              |           |                |               |
| AMBUSH           |                 |           |              | 25        |                |               |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |           | 2            | 3         | 3              |               |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |           | 2            |           | 3              |               |
| TOTALS           | <u>      </u>   | <u>25</u> | <u>4</u>     | <u>28</u> | <u>6</u>       | <u>      </u> |
| TOTALS -         |                 | 63        |              |           |                |               |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. NO CONTACT.(3) 2D BN, 3D MARINES. NO CONTACT

B. NINTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
|                  | D    H          | D    H       | D    H         | D    H         | D    H           |
| LISTENING POST   | 19              |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH           | 8               | 19           |                |                |                  |
| PATROL           | 8               |              |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 | 13   29      |                | 1    1         |                  |
| SUB TOTALS       | 30              | 13   28      |                | 1    1         |                  |
| TOTALS           | 71              |              |                |                |                  |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 090535H, ONE MARINE FROM CO B WAS KIA WHEN A TANK HIT A MINE VIC (BT 090640) WHILE ENROUTE TO BLOCKING POSITION. TANK SUSTAINED MODERATE DAMAGE.

AT 051215H, CO B APPREHENDED FIVE VOB VIC (BT 125605).

AT 051635H, CO B FIRED 80MM ROUNDS AT SUSPECTED VC MACHINE GUN POSITION VIC (BT 115625). NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES. ALL ACTIVITIES BY CO B IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION "WAR BONNET". CO B OPOON 2/9 FOR OPERATION WAR BONNET.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 022030H, THE 1ST PLT OF CO F VIC (AT 995670) RECEIVED THREE RDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 995663). SA AND M-79 FIRE RETURNED. VC CEASED FIRE. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

AT 022200H, THE 3D PLT OF CO F VIC (AT 996643) OBSERVED TWO VO VIC (AT 997653) FIRING TO THE NORTH. THE PLT FIRED ON THE VC WHO IMMEDIATELY TOOK COVER. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. A

AT 022230H, THE 3D PLT, CO F VIC (AT 991642) RECEIVED 25 RDS OF SA FIRE. THE PLT IMMEDIATELY RETURNED FIRE WITH SA AND 16 60MM MORTAR RDS. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES. IN CONDUCTING OPN WAR BONNET.

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(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 021930H, THE 2D PLT OF CO M (AT 969663) AND THE 3D PLT VUC (AT 974664) RECEIVED FOUR RDS OF SA FIRE. AN ARTILLERY FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED ON THE SUSPECTED VC POSITION. AREA SEARCHED FOLLOWING MORNING. NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

AT 022218H, A COMPANY I SQUAD SERVING AS A RIVER BLOCK SECURITY (AT 971699) OBSERVED A BOAT CAUGHT IN THE RIVER BARRIER. THE OWNER OF THE BOAT WAS CHALLENGED SEVERAL TIMES AS HE ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE THE SCENE. HE WAS SHOT AS HE JUMPED FROM THE BOAT. THE SQUAD OBSERVED HIM GO INTO THE WATER AND DID NOT COME UP. HE WAS PRESUMED KIA. HIS BODY NOT RECOVERED.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G | 1                      |              | 8              | 9            | 9                 |
| 155H | 2                      |              | 56             | 58           | 58                |
| 105H | 11                     | 2            | 199            | 212          | 212               |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G | 9                      |              |           |              | 9            |
| 155H | 84                     |              | 1         |              | 85           |
| 105H | 599                    |              | 98        |              | 697          |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | D               | N        | D            | N        | D              | N        |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 6            | 4        | 3              | 1        |
| TOTALS       | <u>2</u>        | <u>2</u> | <u>6</u>     | <u>8</u> | <u>3</u>       | <u>2</u> |

TOTALS - 23

(2) 3D RECON BN. AT 030020H, ONE VC WAS OBSERVED FORWARD OF CO C POSITION (BT 8459). THE VC WAS CHALLENGED FOLLOWING WHICH HE STARTED TO FLEE. HE WAS SHOT AND KILLED. BODY RECOVERED. VC WAS CARRYING 35 POUNDS OF RICE AND NOTEBOOK DOCUMENTS. NO WEAPON. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

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3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |           | <u>SQUAD</u> |           | <u>PLATOON</u> |             |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u>    |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7         |              |           |                |             |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 21        |              | 19        |                |             |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5               | 2         | 15           | 13        |                |             |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |           |              |           | 2              |             |
| TOTALS           | <u>7</u>        | <u>30</u> | <u>15</u>    | <u>32</u> | <u>2</u>       | <u>    </u> |
| TOTAL - 66       |                 |           |              |           |                |             |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 030800H, A COMPANY B AMBUSH VIC (BT 462146) APPREHENDED TWO (2) FEMALE VCS. A P. F. PLATOON COMMANDER INFORMED THE MARINES THAT THEY WERE THE WIVES OF VC. ONE WOMEN DID NOT HAVE AN ID CARD. AT 031350H, A COMPANY D PATROL APPREHENDED TWO (2) VCS VIC (BT482094). ONE OF THE VCS DID NOT HAVE ANY IDENTIFICATION, AND THE VILLAGE CHIEF DID NOT KNOW HIM.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. NONE.

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**B. SEVENTH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |           | <u>SQUAD</u> |           | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3               |           |              |           |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 3               | 22        |              |           |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |           | 2            | 6         |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 2         | 2            |           |                |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2               | 6         | 3            | 2         | 2              | 2        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |           | 2            | 3         |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| TOTALS           | <u>10</u>       | <u>30</u> | <u>9</u>     | <u>11</u> | <u>2</u>       | <u>2</u> | <u>1</u>       | <u>1</u> |
| TOTALS - 66      |                 |           |              |           |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 021830H, COMPANY B DEFENSIVE POSITIONS RECEIVED 15 ROUNDS S/A FIRE FROM (BS 632990) FROM AN ESTIMATED THREE (3) VC. A SQUAD WAS SENT TO SEARCH THE AREA, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. NONE

(4) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 022015H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM COMPANY L RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 5 OR 6 VC VIC (BS 571921). THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED THE VC, BUT LOST CONTACT. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. AT 030700H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO L SIGHTED ONE VCS, WHO ATTEMPTED TO FLEE. THE VCS WAS CAPTURED AT (BS 572922), AND PROVED TO HAVE NO IDENTIFICATION. AT 030720H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO L RECEIVED FIRE FROM 9 VC AT (BS 560976). THE PLT RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED THE VC. THE ACTION RESULTED IN 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CAPTURED AND POSSIBLY ONE VC WIA. CAPTURED ONE M-1 RIFLE, TWO M-26 GRENADES AND A CARTRIDGE BELT WITH AMMO. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. AT 030933H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO L CAPTURED TWO (2) VCS VIC (BS 553922). NEITHER VCS HAD PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

C. ARTILLERY BATTALION GROUP(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155G  |                        |              | 4          | 4            | 4                 |
| 155H  | 13                     |              | 3          | 16           | 16                |
| 105H  | 5                      |              | 27         | 32           | 32                |
| 107HT |                        |              | 16         | 16           | 16                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 11                     |              |           |              | 11           |
| 155H  | 80                     |              | 6         |              | 86           |
| 105H  | 323                    |              | 3         |              | 329          |
| 107HT | 80                     |              |           |              | 80           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER |                 | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 2            |          |                | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 2        | 2              | 2        |
| TOTALS       | <hr/>           | <hr/> 2  | <hr/> 2      | <hr/> 4  | <hr/> 2        | <hr/> 4  |
| TOTALS - 14  |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2ND BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 16       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          | 4            |          |                | 3        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 7        |                |          |
| TOTALS          | —               | — 16     | — 4          | — 11     | —              | — 3      |
| TOTAL -         |                 | 34       |              |          |                |          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. NO CONTACT.



3. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155H | 2                      |              |                | 2            | 2                 |
| 105H |                        | 2            | 90             | 92           | 92                |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H | 65                     |              |           |              | 65           |
| 105H | 109                    |              |           |              | 109          |

5. PLAN SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |            | <u>SQUAD</u> |            | <u>PLATOON</u> |           | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u>   | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u>   | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u>  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SQUAD      | 7               |            |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 5               | 79         |              |            |                |           |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 23         | 1            | 65         |                | 7         |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 6          | 6            | 4          | 5              | 5         |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 8               | 11         | 25           | 43         | 7              | 6         |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |            | 13           | 24         | 3              |           | 2              | 1        |
| TOTALS           | <u>25</u>       | <u>119</u> | <u>45</u>    | <u>136</u> | <u>15</u>      | <u>18</u> | <u>2</u>       | <u>1</u> |

TOTAL 361

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 131 PATROLS AND 98 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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FM: CG THIRD MARDIV  
 TO: CG III MAF  
 INFO: CG FMAN  
 THIRD MARDIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 243 AS OF 041000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. BOX SCORES (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 5               |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 4               | 77  |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 30  | 3            | 62  |                | 8  |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 2   | 4            | 4   | 7              | 7  |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 8               | 11  | 25           | 29  | 7              | 6  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 12           | 23  | 3              |    | 2              | 1 |
| SUB TOTALS       | 19              | 120 | 44           | 118 | 17             | 21 | 2              | 1 |
| TOTALS - 342     |                 |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |

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DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 926605           | 032110H               | CO S&D                      | B/1/1/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 896601                        | 032220H               | CO S&D                      | B/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 991642                        | 032120H               | SQD SEC                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 995647                        | 040950H               | SQD SEC                     | F/2/9/3WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 997646                        | 041000H               | SQD S&D                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 953653                        | 032220H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 965641                        | 040715H               | PLT S&D                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 970659                        | 040810H               | FT SEC                      | M/3/3/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 964645                        | 040830H               | PLT S&D                     | M/3/3/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 963645                        | 041030H               | PLT S&D                     | M/3/3/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 958653                        | 041046H               | SQD S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 958674                        | 041205H               | SQD S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 959676                        | 041245H               | SQD S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 835664                        | 040935H               | PLT REC                     | D/3D RECON/1WIA                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 826660                        | 041135H               | PLT REC                     | D/3D RECON/NONE                  | UNK/2 KIA                     |
| AT 825660                        | 041145H               | PLT REC                     | D/3D RECON/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 8685                          | 041300H               | SQD RED                     | A/3D RECON/NONE                  | UNK/7 VCS                     |

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|                         | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEM.<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 468140  | 041222H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                 |
| BT 469026               | 032105H               | SQD S&D                     | E/2/7/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                 |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 502922 | 041110H               | SQD SEC                     | K/3/7/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                 |
| BS 537992               | 041128H               | SQD S&D                     | I/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                 |
| BS 517905<br>BS 517897  | 041215H               | CO S&D                      | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                 |
| THUY THIEN<br>YD 821025 | 031820H               | AO/ARTY                     | 4/12/NONE                        | UNK/2 KIA               |

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C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

A. WAR BONNET (SEE SPECIAL SITREP)

(1) TYPE OF OPERATION

B. SEARCH AND DESTROY

(2) AREA OF OPERATIONS

C. QUANG NAM: BOUNDARIES (BT 123634) TO (BT 183589) AND BOUNDED BY SONG HA XUA, CONG HIEP, AND SONG DE VONG ON THE WEST.

(3) UNITS PARTICIPATING

D. 2D BN, 9TH MARINES (REIN)

(4) TIME OF COMMENCEMENT

E. 030650H

(5) TIME OF TERMINATION

F. 041130H

FRIENDLY LOSSES

WIA: ONE

ENEMY LOSSES

KIA: ONE

VCS CAPTURED: TWENTY

CAPTURED: ONE US CARBINE

ONE FIRST AID PACKET

ONE PONCHO

D. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION INITIATED 342 DEFENSIVE ACTIONS AGAINST VC FORCES IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES. TWENTY THREE CONTACTS WERE MADE AS THE MARINES TOOK ADVANTAGE OF IMPROVED WEATHER TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR THE VC. TPS-21 EMPLOYED BY CO L 3/3 PICKED UP A TARGET OF 5 - 8 VC AND FIRED 81MM MORTARS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITH NO SIGNIFICANT RESULTS.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|                  | D N             | D N          | D N            |
| LISTENING POST   | 15              |              |                |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 15           |                |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 | 1 3          | 3 3            |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |              | 1              |
| TOTAL - 41       |                 |              |                |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 032233H CO A RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS SA FIRE AT (AT 923692): FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. AT 040800H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO A AT (AT 912692) RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE WITH NO CASUALTIES. FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. REMAINDER OF BATTALION COMMITTED TO OPERATION LONG LANCE (SEE SPECIAL SITREP)

B. NINTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 20 |              |    |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 4  | 2            | 19 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 9            | 18 |
| TOTAL -          |                 | 72 |              |    |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES AT 041600H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED TEN RDS SA FIRE FROM (BT 063651). PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND CONDUCTED SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. SEE SPECIAL SITREPS OPERATION WAR BONNET. AT 032120H SQUAD FROM CO F LOCATED AT HA DONG BRIDGE (AT 991642) RECEIVED TWENTY RDS SA FIRE .60MM AND SA FIRED. RESULTS UNKNOWN. AT 040950H SQUAD PATROL TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP (AT 995647) RESULTING IN THREE USMC WIA. AT 041000H SAME SQUAD TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY SA FROM (AT 997646) BY ESTIMATED FIFTEEN VC. SQUAD RETURNED FIRE AND 81 MM AND ARTY FIRED WITH VC BREAKING CONTACT, NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES, AND UNKNOWN RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 032220H FIVE TO EIGHT VC PICKED UP BY AN TPS-21 IN CO L AREA VIC (AT 963653); 81MM FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 040715H PLATOON (-) PATROL FROM CO M FIRED AT SIX ARMED VC IN OPEN FIELD VIC (AT 965664). ONE VC KNOCKED DOWN AND CARRIED AWAY INTO TREE LINE. AT 040730H 72 RDS 105MM FIRED INTO TREE LINE (AT 965641); AREA SEARCH AND BLOOD STAINED BLACK PAJAMES AND HAT FOUND. AT 040810H A FIRE TEAM FROM CO M TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 970659) RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WIA, TWO ARVN WIA, AND ONE CIVILIAN WOUNDED. AT 040830H SA FIRE RECEIVED FROM VIC (AT 964645) RESULTED IN ONE USMC WIA. FIRE RETURNED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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AT 041030H PLT (-) PATROL<sup>Co M</sup> RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM FOUR VC (AT 960643) RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA. FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 041046H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L FIRED ON VC IN CANE FIELD (AT 958653). AREA SEARCH AND BLOOD STAINS FOUND. AT 041205H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L PICKED UP ONE VCS AT (AT 958674). AT 041245H SAME PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (AT 959676).

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      |            | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u> | <u>UNOBS</u>           | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G | 1          |                        | 6          | 7            | 7                 |
| 155H |            |                        | 66         | 66           | 66                |
| 105H | 6          |                        | 265        | 271          | 271               |
| 8"H  |            | 2                      |            | 2            | 2                 |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G | 7                      |              |           |              | 7            |
| 155H | 66                     |              |           |              | 66           |
| 105H | 516                    |              | 19        |              | 535          |
| 8"H  | 2                      |              |           |              | 2            |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>TEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D           | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2           |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |             |   | 2            |   | 5              |   |
| RECON PATROL |             |   | 2            | 2 | 6              | 6 |
| TOTAL -      | 25          |   |              |   |                |   |

(2) 3D RECON BN. SQUAD SIZE OPERATION FROM CO A CAPTURED SEVEN VCS WHILE OPERATING VIC (AT 8685) AT 041300H. AT 040935 PLATOON FROM CO D DETONATED BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 835664) RESULTING IN ONE MARINE SUSTAINING A WOUND BUT NOT SERIOUS ENOUGH TO REQUIRE EVAC. AT 041135H PLATOON PATROL FROM CO D KILLED TWO VC AT (AT 826660) AND CAPTURED TWO WEAPONS: ONE RUSSIAN BURP GUN AND ONE MAS 36. AT 041145H SAME PATROL DISCOVERED TWO VC EATING A WILD PIG VIC (AT 825660): PATROL FIRED AT VC AND WOUNDED ONE, BUT BOTH ESCAPED.

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3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 26       |              | 16       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 6               | 5        | 14           | 8        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| TOTAL - 86       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 041222H A SQUAD SECURITY PATROL FROM CO B DISCOVERED TWO FRAG GRENADES BOOBY TRAPS WHICH WERE WIRED INTO A PUNJI PIT VIC (BT 468140). BOOBY TRAPS BLOWN IN PLACE BY THE PATROL.

B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3               |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 19 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    | 1            | 6 |                |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 2  |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2               | 6  | 1            | 2 | 4              | 3 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 3            | 5 |                |   | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL -          | 63              |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |

(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 041110H A SQUAD SECURITY PATROL FROM CO K RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM VIC (BS 602992), SUSTAINING ONE MINOR WIA. AREA SWEEPED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 041128H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO I RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC (BS 537992). AREA IMMEDIATELY SWEEPED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 041215H CO L (-) CONDUCTING TWO PLATOONS COMBAT PATROLS RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM VIC (BS 513905) AND (BS 517897). OBSERVED ONE VC IN A CAMOUFLAGE UNIFORM RUNNING AT VIC (BS 517897). RETURNED FIRE. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

→ AT 032105H A MARINE IN A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO E STEPPED INTO A BEAR TRAP VIC (BT 469026)

LATE ENTRY

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES

C. ARTY BN GROUP(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
|       | 21                     | 62             | 83           | 82                | 1          |
|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |                |              |                   |            |
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u>      | <u>TOTAL</u> |                   |            |
| 155G  | 58                     | 12             | 70           |                   |            |
| 155H  | 86                     |                | 86           |                   |            |
| 105H  | 447                    | 28             | 476          |                   |            |
| 107HT | 56                     |                | 56           |                   |            |
| 8"H   | 5                      |                | 5            |                   |            |
| TOTAL | 693                    |                |              |                   |            |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH       |              | 2        |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL | 2            | 2        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 9    |              |          |                |          |

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(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                 | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 16                |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH          |                   | 2                 | 2                 |
| SECURITY PATROL |                   | 9   16            |                   |
| TOTAL - 45      |                   |                   |                   |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 031820H AIR OBSERVER DIRECTED ARTY FIRE ON TWO VC AND OBSERVED TWO VC KIA.

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.. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  | 1                      |              |                | 1            | 1                 |
| 105H  |                        | 12           | 72             | 73           | 73                |
| 107HT | 5                      |              |                | 5            | 5                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 30                     |              |           |              | 30           |
| 105H  | 90                     |              |           |              | 90           |
| 107HT | 74                     |              | 30        |              | 104          |

PLAN SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 5              | 1        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2              | 104      |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                | 31       |              | 69       |                | 6        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 5              |          | 6            | 4        | 8              | 7        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 9              | 10       | 26           | 32       | 5              | 3        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY   |                |          | 14           | 14       | 6              |          | 1              | 1        |
| CLEARING OPERATION |                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| TOTAL -            | 21             | 146      | 46           | 119      | 19             | 16       | 1              | 1        |
| TOTALS -           | 369            |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 115 PATROLS AND 106 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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COMMAND POST LOCATIONSA. DA NANG TAOR.

## 3D MARDIV

AT 954752 ✓

## HQ BN

AT 954752 ✓

## 3D MARINES

AT 944762 ✓

## 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES

AT 953723 ✓

## CO A

AT ~~953723~~ 942718 ✓

## CO B

AT ~~925693~~ 927104 ✓

## CO C

AT 923732 ✓

## CO D

AT ~~923732~~ 902777 (during Opn Malleau)

## CO F/2/1

AT 938663 ✓

## 1ST BN, 3D MARINES LESS

AT ~~943785~~ ONE CO COOPERATION (MALLAU)~~CO A~~AT ~~898821~~~~CO B~~AT ~~895801~~~~CO C~~AT ~~908776~~

## CO D/1/3

AT ~~898822~~ 943789 (during Opn Malleau)

## 9TH MARINES

AT 996725

## 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES

BT 068715

## CO A

BT ~~068715~~ 096658

## CO B

BT ~~096658~~ 043691

## CO C

BT ~~043690~~ 063745

## CO D

BT 068715 OK

## 2D BN, 9TH MARINES

AT 992677

## CO E

AT ~~041724~~ 943661

## CO F 3

AT 983661 OK

## CO G

AT 024659 OK

## CO H

BT ~~992677~~ 041724

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|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 30 BN, 30 MARINES               | AT 974707 ✓                              |
| CO 1                            | AT 988726 ✓                              |
| CO K                            | AT 992687 ✓                              |
| CO L                            | AT 954668 ✓                              |
| CO M                            | AT 973663 ✓                              |
| 12TH MARINES                    | AT 957857 ✓                              |
| 1ST 8" HOWTRY                   | AT 955775 ✓                              |
| 1ST BN, 12TH MARINES            | <del>AT 957758</del> (operation Mallard) |
| A BTRY 1/12                     | AT 939722                                |
| <del>A BTRY 1/11</del>          | <del>AT 922791</del>                     |
| <del>C BTRY</del>               | <del>AT 921737</del>                     |
| 2D BN, 12TH MARINES             | <del>AT 995722</del> 996725              |
| D BTRY                          | <del>AT 064680</del> 062680              |
| E BTRY                          | AT 988672                                |
| <del>F BTRY</del>               | <del>AT 964712</del>                     |
| L BTRY, 4TH BN,<br>12TH MARINES | AT 965717                                |
| 30 AT BN                        | <del>AT 987711</del> 984713              |
| 30 ENGR BN                      | AT 949755                                |
| 30 MED BN                       | AT 969754                                |
| 30 RECON BN                     | AT 959749                                |
| 30 MT BN                        | AT 988720                                |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN                   | AT 990713                                |
| 30 DENTAL CO                    | AT 969754                                |
| 30 TANK BN                      | <del>AT 985713</del> 984713              |

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## (1) 4TH MARINES

CO B, 3D AT BN

CP (BT 533089) ✓

CO C, 3D TANK BN

CB (BT 533089) ✓

CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN

CP (BT 523088) ✓

3D BN, 12TH MARINES

CP (BT 566062) ✓

## (2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES

CO A

CP (BT 551048) ✓

CO B

CP (BT 525090) ✓

CO C

CP (BT 529110) ✓

CO D

CP (BT 511125) ✓

CP (BT 525090) ✓

CP (BT 487102) ✓

## (3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES

CO E

CP (BT 515065) 463073

CO F

CP (BT 534075) 534078

CO G

CP (BT 515065) ✓

CO H

CP (BT 468068) ✓

HAS CO

CP (BT 534076) X

## (4) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES

CO A

CP (BT 565044) ✓

CO B

CP (BT 572029) ✓

CO C

CP (BT 624991) 566020

CO D

CP (BT 566020) 624991

CP (BT 558019)

81 MORTAR FLT.

CP (BT 561028)

CO A, 3D AMTRAC BN

CP (BT 568039) ✓

BTRY G, 3D BN, 11TH MAR

CP (BT 566042) ✓

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OP (BT 583027)

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H&S CO

CO E

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CO G

CO H

TASK FORCE SMITH

CP (BT 518041) ✓

CP (BT 518041) ✓

CP (BT 495038) ✓

CP (BT 530078) 531024

CP (BT 515047) ✓

CP (BT 521040) ✓

CP (BT 530078) ✓

3D BN, 7TH MARINES

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CP (BT 531025) X

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THIRD MAR DIV SPECIAL SITREP 040300H OPN WAR BONNET

1. COMMENCING AT 030650H THE 2D BN, 9TH MARINES (-)(REIN) SUPPORTED BY LVT'S TANKS, ONTOS AND ENGINEERS CROSSED LINE OF DEPARTURE (BT 078718) TO AREA OF OPERATION TO SEARCH AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN THE COASTAL AREA IMMEDIATELY SOUTHEAST OF THE DA NANG TAOR (BOUNDRIES: (BT 123634) TO (BT 183589) AND BOUNDED BY SONG HA XUA, CONG HIEP, AND SONG DE VONG ON THE WEST.
2. COMPANY E/2/9 COMPANY H/2/9 AND COMPANY K/3/3 COMPRISED THE INFANTRY ELEMENTS IN THE MECHANIZED MOTORIZED COLUMN WHICH PROCEEDED ALONG THE BEACH AT APPROXIMATELY 15 KNOTS PER HOUR REACHING THE SOUTHERN TIP OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS (BT 184590) AT APPROX 040910H WHERE IT EXECUTED A TURNABOUT REACHING PHASE LINE GREEN (BT 171594) TO BT 184590 BY 040940. IN THE MEANTIME CO L/3/9 WAS HELILIFTED TO NORTH BLOCK POSITION (BT 125634) COM B/1/9 MOVED BY FOOTMARCH TO NORTHWEST BLOCKING POSITION (BT 115619): 927TH RF COMPANY OCCUPIED BLOCKING POSITION (BT 162593) AND THE 706TH RF COMPANY MOVED TO ITS BLOCKING POSITION (BT 160600). BY 031140H., THE FORWARD COMPANIES (E ON RIGHT, H ON LEFT) REACHED PHASE LINE BROWN (BT 160597) TO (BT 170609). DURING THE INTERIM, JUNKS FROM THE COASTAL SURVEILLANCE FORCE APPREHENDED 9 VCS FLUSHED SEAWARD BY THE PRESENCE OF MARINE FORCES IN THE AREA.

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3. AT 031600H, K/3/3 WAS HELILIFTED INTO OBJECTIVE "A" FOLLOWING PREPARATORY FIRES BY LVTH-6'S. BY 031730H CO E AND H HAD ADVANCED TO PHASE LINE PURPLE (BT 146600) TO (BT 160618). COMPANY K/3/3 HAD SECURED OBJECTIVE "A" WITHOUT OPPOSITION AND WAS RETRACTED AT 031750H. BY 031800H COMPANIES E AND H HAD ESTABLISHED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC 2/9 CP (BT 145617). SIX ADDITIONAL VCS WERE APPREHENDED BY 2/9 UNITS BY DARK.

4. AT 032240H, CO B/1/9 KILLED ONE VC VIC (BT 132603). VCS WEAPON U.S. CARBINE CARTRIDGE BELT, FIRST AID POUCH AND PONCHO CAPTURED.

5. DURING REMAINDER OF OPERATION, THE BATTALION PROGRESSED WITH NO OPPOSITION BY THE VC. OPERATION TERMINATE<sup>ED</sup> AT 041130H WHEN 2/9 UNITS CLOSES ON THE DA NANG TAOR. FINAL BOX SCORES SHOWS 1 USMC WIA (WHEN TANK HIT MINE AT 030530H WHILE ENROUTE TO CO B/1/9 BLOCKING PSN.) AND 1 VC KIA AND 20 VCS.

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THIRD MAR DIV SPECIAL SITREP 040300H OPN WAR BONNET

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 244 AS OF 051000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. BOX SCORES (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                    | D               | N   | DD           | N   | D              | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SHIPER       | 6               |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 84  |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 28  | 1            | 77  |                | 4  |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 6               | 7   | 7            | 11  | 4              | 4  | 1              | 1 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 9               | 10  | 24           | 33  | 2              | 3  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 | 16  | 15           | 10  |                |    |                | 1 | 1                |   |
| SUB TOTALS         | 23              | 129 | 48           | 136 | 16             | 11 | 1              | 2 | 1                |   |
| TOTAL - 367        |                 |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>BT 043662           | 050830H               | SQD                    | PAT         | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 991635                        | 051015H               | SQD                    | S/D         | F/29/NONE                        | UNK/1WIA<br>(POS)             |
| AT 946678                        | 042105H               | SQD                    | AMB         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| AT 947676                        | 050801H               | PLT                    | S/D         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 989687                        | 050815H               | CO                     | S/D         | K/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955675                        | 050931H               | PLT                    | S/D         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/ 8 VCS                    |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 415159           | 050825H               | HELO                   | RECON       | H&S/1/4/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 478052                        | 042100H               | SQD                    | AMB         | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 474061                        | 042100H               | SQD                    | AMB         | H&S/2/4/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 484047                        | 042110H               | SQD                    | AMB         | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 499069                        | 042300H               | PLT                    | SEC         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 499064                        | 042322H               | PLT                    | SEC         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 429089                        | 051229H               | PLT                    | S/D         | F/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 429088                        | 051300H               | PLT                    | S/D         | F/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 17039                         | 050030H               | CO                     | SEC         | H&S/2/7/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 399148                        | 051025H               | SUR SEC                | SUR         | 3/12/NONE                        | UNK/3 KIA,<br>1 VCC, 1VCS     |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BT 656001          | 051035H               | PLT                    | S/D         | B/1/7/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 629001                        | 051040H               | SQD                    | S/D         | B/1/7/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 583929                        | 051140H               | SQD                    | S/D         | M/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 533894                        | 051205H               | CO                     | S/D         | L/3/7/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

## 1. LONG LANCE (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS)

A. TYPE OF OPERATION

(1) SEARCH AND DESTROY

B. AREA OF OPERATIONS

(1) SEE 1ST BN, 1ST MAR OP ORD 130-65

C. UNITS PARTICIPATING

(1) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES (-)

D. TIME OF COMMENCEMENT. 1900 3 JAN 1966.E. OPERATION CONTINUINGFRIENDLY LOSSES

WIA: 13

ENEMY LOSSES

KIA: 7

WIA: 4

VCS: 9

D. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION INITIATED 367 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WITH 20 CONTACTS AGAINST VC FORCES IN THE DANANG, CHU-LAI AND PHU-BAI ENCLAVES AS CLEARING SKIES AND WARM WEATHER CONTINUED TO IMPROVE GROUND TRAFFICABILITY. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS ~~WERE EMPLOYED, WITH ONE SID CONTACT REPORTED.~~ WERE EMPLOYED, WITH ONE SID CONTACT REPORTED.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                    | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     | 15                |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH             |                   | 25                |                   |
| SECURITY PATROL    |                   | 3   3             |                   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                   | 2                 | 4                 |
| TOTAL - 52         |                   |                   |                   |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. SEE SPECIAL SITREP FOR  
OPERATION LONG LANCE.

B. NINTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                    | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 22 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 7  | 1            | 18 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 4               | 5  | 1            | 7  |                |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |    | 12           | 14 | 2              |   |
| TOTAL - 93         |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. A CO G SQD PAT APPREHENDED ONE ARVN DESERTER WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY THE VC AT 050830H VIC (BT 043662). HE WILL BE DELIVERED TO APPROPRIATE ARVN AUTHORITIES.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. A CO F SQD PAT AT (AT 991635) RECEIVED 100-200 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 7 VC. AT 051015H PAT RETURNED SA FIRE AND FIRED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON THE SUSPECTED VC PSN. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 042105H, A COMPANY L SQD AMBUSHED THREE VC (AT 946678). ONE VC WAS KIA. THE OTHER TWO ESCAPED IN THE DARKNESS. RECOVERED FROM THE DEAD VC WERE THREE CHICOM GRENADES, CARTRIDGE BELT, FIRST AID PACKET, ONE PAIR OF KHAKI TROUSERS.

AT 050801H, ONE VCS WAS APPREHENDED BY A CO L PLT VIC (AT 947676); AT 050815H, THE FORWARD SECURITY ELEMENTS OF CO K



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RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (AT 989687).  
FIRE RETURNED: AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 050931H,  
EIGHT VCS WERE APPREHENDED AT (AT 955675) BY A CO L PLT. THE  
VCS WERE DRAFT AGE MALES; DELIVERED TO 1TT.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H/L</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155G |                        | 7          | 7            | 5                 | 2          |
| 155H | 2                      | 67         | 69           | 69                |            |
| 105H | 10                     | 363        | 373          | 373               |            |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|------|------------------------|-----------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WF</u> |
| 155G | 7                      |           |
| 155H | 76                     |           |
| 105H | 556                    | 12        |

D. 3D RECON BN

(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    | <u>COMPANY</u>    |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|              | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                 |                   |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH       |                   | 2                 | 3                 |                   |
| RECON PATROL |                   | 2   2             | 3   3             | 1(-)   1(-)       |
| TOTAL - 19   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 21       |              | 20       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 7               | 3        | 12           | 13       |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 4              |          |
| TOTALS -           | 9               | 28       | 12           | 13       | 4              |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 050825H WHILE THE BN CMDR WAS MAKING AN AERIAL RECON 7 PERSONS WERE OBSERVED TO RUN FROM A BUILDING VIC (BT 415159) AND FIRE SA AT THE HELICOPTER. FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED DUE TO THE EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN BY THE HELICOPTER. HELICOPTER RECEIVED ONE HIT.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 042100H A SQD AMBUSH FROM CO E OBSERVED TWO VC VIC (BT 478052) 50 METERS SOUTH OF THEIR PSN. VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS CONDUCTED WITH NEG RESULTS.

AT THE SAME TIME ANOTHER SQD AMBUSH FROM H&S CO VIC (BT 474061) OBSERVED SEVERAL VC RUNNING FROM WEST TO EAST VIC (BT 479055). VC TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS.

AT 042110H A SQD AMBUSH FROM CO E FIRED ON FOUR TO FIVE VC'S NEAR THEIR PSNS VIC (BT 484047). SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

AT 042300H A PLT FROM CO H LOCATED AT AN TAN BRIDGE VIC

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(BT 497067) FIRED AT FOUR VC VIC (BT 499069), VC FLED TO THE NORTH, TWO ADDITIONAL VC OBSERVED WHO FLED TO THE WEST.

AT 042322 A PLT FROM CO H OBSERVED THREE VC VIC (BT 499064) 81 MM MORTAR FIRE WAS CALLED, AREA SEARCHED AT FIRST BIGHT WITH NEG RESULTS.

AT 051229H A REINFORCED PLT FROM CO F IN THE HILL 22 AREA VIC (BT 453038) RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE VIC (BT 429089), PLT RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED BUT LOST CONTACT.

AT 051300H REINFORCED PLT FROM CO F RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FIRE VIC (BT 429088), OBSERVED THREE VC'S DISAPPEAR INTO THE WOODLINE BEFORE THEY COULD BE TAKEN UNDER FIRE.

B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 20       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 |          |              | 5        |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 2               | 2        | 2            |          |                |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 2               | 7        | 1            | 3        | 2              | 3        |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 2            | 1        |                |          |                | 1        |
| CLEARING           |                 |          | 1            |          |                |          |                |          |
| TOTAL - 54         |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 051035H A PLATOON FROM CO B RECEIVED 20 RDS SA FIRE FROM THREE VC VIC BT 656001. RETURNED FIRE AND A ARTILLERY MISSION WAS CALLED ON THE AREA. AREA SEARCHED , NEG RESULTS. SUSTAINED ONE USMC WIA.

AT 051040H A SQD FROM CO B SUSTAINED ONE WIA WHEN A MARINE OPENED A DOOR THAT WAS BOOBY TRAPPED VIC (BT 629001).

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 050030H H&S CO DETECTED MOVEMENT WITH THE SID. TWO PERSONS WERE OBSERVED AND TWO HAND GRENADES WERE THROWN BY H&S CO PERSONNEL. AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT, NEG RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 051140H A SQD FROM CO M RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC (BS 583929). FIRE RETURNED AND VC BROKE CONTACT.

AT 051205H TWO MARINES FROM CO L WERE WOUNDED WHILE REMOVING A BICYCLE THAT WAS BOOBY TRAPPED LYING ACROSS A TRAIL, VIC (BS 533894).

C. ARTY BN GROUP(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H/1</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G  | 3                      | 6          | 9            | 9                 |
| 155H  | 5                      |            | 5            | 5                 |
| 105H  | 3                      | 25         | 28           | 28                |
| 105HT | 1                      | 4          | 5            | 5                 |
| 8" H  |                        | 1          | 1            | 1                 |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155G  | 25        |            | 9         | 34           |
| 155H  | 29        |            |           | 29           |
| 105H  | 349       | 5          |           | 255*         |
| 107HT | 32        | 3          |           | 35           |
| 8" H  | 3         |            |           | 3            |

\* 1 HC SMOKE

(2) THE SURVEY SECTION FROM THE ARTILLERY BN GROUP WERE LOCATED IN VIC(BT 399148) TO SURVEY DEFENSIVE CONCENTRATIONS FOR PF FORCES WHEN THEY RECIEVED A REPORT FROM THE VILLAGERS THAT VC WERE COLLECTING BOXES IN THAT AREA. REQUESTED AIR COVERAGE AND A UH1E ARRIVED ON STATION AND LOCATED TARGET. UH1E COMMENCED FIRING ON VE IN TRENCHES. 15 MARINES ASSAULTED BOTH VILLAGES AT 051025H. THE VC SUFFERED THREE KIA, ONE VCC AND ONE VCS. ONE CHICOM MOSSIN-NAGAUT MODEL 53 AND FRENCH MAS 36 RIFLE WERE CAPTURED. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

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D. RECON GROUP ALPHA

(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|              | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1                 |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH       |                   | 2                 | 1                 |
| RECON PATROL |                   | 2   2             | 1   1             |
| TOTAL - 10   |                   |                   |                   |



4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS

A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                 | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 20                |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH          |                   | 5                 |                   |
| SECURITY PATROL |                   | 8                 | 14                |
| TOTAL - 47      |                   |                   |                   |

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H/I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H | 2                      |              |            | 2            | 2                 |
| 105H | 1                      | 99           | 98         | 100          | 100               |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H | 6                      | 9         | 15           |
| 105H | 208                    | 7         | 215          |

5. PLAN SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          | <u>BATTALION</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 3               | 3        |              |          |                |          |                |          |                  |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 90       |              |          |                |          |                |          |                  |          |
| AMBUSH             | 2               | 32       | 1            | 73       |                | 3        |                |          |                  |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 4               | 9        | 9            | 11       | 3              | 3        | 1              | 1        |                  |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 9               | 8        | 24           | 30       | 6              | 6        |                |          |                  |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 21           | 36       | 5              |          |                |          | 1                | 1        |
| SUB TOTALS         | 20              | 143      | 55           | 150      | 14             | 12       | 1              | 1        | 1                | 1        |
| TOTAL - 398        |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |                  |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT <sup>124</sup>~~124~~ PATROLS AND 111 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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 THIRD BATTAL (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD BATTAL SITREP NUMBER 245 AS OF 061000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD BATTAL HIGHLIGHTS.

A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SHIPER     | 6               |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 96  |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 32  |              | 82  |                | 3  |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 7   | 9            | 11  | 3              | 3  |                |   |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 10              | 8   | 30           | 42  | 6              | 6  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 20           | 30  | 4              | 1  | 2              |   | 1                | 1 |
| TOTAL            | 22              | 143 | 59           | 165 | 13             | 13 | 2              |   | 1                | 1 |

B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE    TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>AT 935688          | 061030H               | N/A                            | 3 ATBn/1 KIA, 3 WIA              | UNK/UNK                          |
| BT 035677                        | 051825H               | PIF    PFB                     | C/1/9/2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                          |
| BT 031649                        | 051845H               | SQD    RB                      | G/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                          |
| AT 999699                        | 052320H               | SQD    AMB                     | G/2/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                          |
| AT 974674                        | 060930                | SQD    SEC                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2 WIA                        |
| AT 959681                        | 061225H               | SQD    SEC                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/3 KIA                        |
| AT 968679                        | 061225H               | SQD    S/D                     | 3 ENGR/1 WIA                     | UNK/1 KIA                        |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 438056          | 060014H               | SQD    AMB                     | G/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                         |
| BT 434092                        | 061140H               | FLT    S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                         |
| BT 561015                        | 052000H               | CO    SEC                      | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                         |
| BS 614982                        | 052200H               | SQD    SEC                     | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/ <del>NONE</del> 1 VC KIA    |
| BT 494020                        | 060300H               | SQD    AMB                     | E/2/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                          |
| BT 515047                        | 060805H               | CO    SEC                      | G/2/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                          |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BS 551011         | 052005H               | BO    SEC                      | I/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                          |

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.1. LONG LANCE (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS)

- A. TYPE OF OPERATION: SEARCH AND DESTROY
- B. AREA OF OPERATION: SEE 1ST BN, 1ST MAR OP ORDER 130-65
- C. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1ST BN, 1ST MAR (-) (REIN)
- D. TIME OF COMMENCEMENT: 031900 JAN 1966
- E. OPERATION CONTINUES

FRIENDLY LOSSES

2 KIA; 21 WIA

ENEMY LOSSES

35 VC KIA (12 CONFIRMED, 23 EST); 20 WIA (EST)

6 VCC; 13 VCS

D. GOOD WEATHER AGAIN PREVAILED IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND THU BAI ENCLAVES

AS MARINE FORCES CONDUCTED 317 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS TO LOCATE AND DESTROY VC ELEMENTS,  
 AND 2 VCC (WIA) WHICH WERE IN ADDITION TO OPN LONG LANCE.

5 VC WERE KILLED, AS A RESULT OF THESE ACTIONS, BID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE

EMPLOYED WITH NEGATIVE CONTACTS REPORTED.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.

A. THIRD MARINES.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|                                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>BATTALION</u> |          |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> |
| <del>SCOUT-SNIPE</del> <i>LP</i> |                 | 14       |              |          |                |          |                  |          |
| AMBUSH                           |                 |          |              | 16       |                |          |                  |          |
| SECURITY PATROL                  |                 |          | 2            | 3        | 3              | 3        |                  |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY                 |                 |          |              |          |                |          | 1                | 1        |
| TOTAL                            |                 | 14       | 2            | 19       | 3              | 3        | 1                | 1        |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. SEE SPECIAL SITREP OPERATION LONG LANCE.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 |    |              |    |                |   |
|                  |                 | 33 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 7  |              |    | 31             |   |
| RECON PATROL     |                 | 5  |              |    | 7              |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |    | 6            |    | 12             |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 15           | 22 | 2              |   |
| TOTAL            | 2               | 45 | 21           | 72 | 2              |   |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. TWO MARINES FROM CO G WIA AT 051825H WHEN UNKNOWN NUMBER VC FIRED TEN RDS A/W FROM (BT 030673) INTO FLT PATROL BASE (BT 035677). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 051845H SQUAD RIVER BLOCK FROM CO G RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE FROM TU CAN (2) (BT 034650). RETURNED 30 RDS SA FIRE AND APPARENTLY WOUNDED ONE VC. AT 052320H SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO G (AT 999699) RECEIVED FOUR TO FIVE RDS SA FROM (BT 000701). ONE USMC WIA: UNKNOWN VC CASUALTIES.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 060930H AT (AT 974674) SQUAD PATROL FROM CO M ENTERING LA BONG (1) WITH PAT RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FIRE. PATROL MOVED INTO AREA FLUSHING OUT FOUR VC AND WOUNDING TWO WHO WERE EVACUATED. OTHER TWO ESCAPED TO NORTH. SQUAD FROM CO M ACCOMPANIED PAT SUPPORTED BY ONE DOG TEAM TO DESTROY ORTIFICATIONS: VNAF COMMANDOS ALSO SUPPORTED OPERATION. AT 061225H PAT SENT YOUNG BOY IN TO CHECK TUNNEL (AT 999681) AND BOY SAID NO VC WERE IN TUNNEL AND RAN. AT THAT TIME GRENADE THROWN FROM TUNNEL KILLED ONE MEMBER OF PAT AND WOUNDED ANOTHER. MARINES KILLED THREE VC IN TUNNEL AND FOUND SUITCASE WITH CLOTHING, ONE BLOCK TNT AND DOCUMENTS.



C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>OPS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 1550                   | 5              | 5            | 5                 |
| 155H                   | 86             | 86           | 86                |
| 105H                   | 3              | 235          | 238               |
| <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |                |              |                   |
|                        | <u>HE</u>      | <u>WP</u>    |                   |
| 155H                   | 86             |              |                   |
| 105H                   | 482            | 3            |                   |

D. RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2              |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                |          | 2            |          | 3              |          |
| RECON PATROL |                |          | 4            | 2        | 3              | 3        |
| TOTAL        | 2              |          | 4            | 4        | 3              | 6        |

SQUAD SIZE OPERATION FROM CO A ENCOUNTERED UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (AT 818852). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

E. 3D REGR BN. DEMO-SWEEP TEAM SUPPORTED CO M IN CAN BE COMPLEX. TUNNEL LOCATED AT (AT 968679) AND ARVN CAPTAIN DIRECTED TEN YEAR OLD BOY TO SEARCH TUNNEL AND HE REPLIED "NO VC". AS CAPTAIN ENTERED TUNNEL, VC EMERGED FROM ANOTHER HOLE THREE FEET AWAY AND THREW GRENADE KILLING ARVN CAPTAIN AND WOUNDING ONE ENGINEER. ANOTHER ENGINEER KILLED VC. 77 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 15 SWEEPS. AT 061225

F. 3D AT BN. AT 061020M AT (AT 937687) NEAR BINH DUC HQ M-37 (PG) HIT MINE. <sup>740</sup> ONE USMC WIA AND ONE USMC KIA; MINE SUSPECTED TO HAVE BEEN 30 LBS TNT ELECTRICALLY DETONATED. CRATER SIZE: WIDTH-12 FEET; DEPTH-6 FEET.

D. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1                 |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                 | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                   |          | 25           | 17       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7                 | 3        | 13           | 12       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| TOTAL            | 10                | 35       | 13           | 29       | 2              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 060014H A SQUAD AMBUSH FROM THE GOLF CO PATROL, OPERATING OUT OF KY PHU (2), SIGHTED THREE VC AT (BT 438056). THEY WERE FIRED ON WITH THE M-79 AND SOME SMALL ARMS FIRE, HOWEVER, THE VC MANAGED TO ESCAPE.

AT 061140H, A PLT SEARCH AND DESTROY PATROL FROM E CO RECEIVED 10 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM (BT 434092). THERE WERE 4 VC SIGHTED, WHO WERE IMMEDIATELY TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND PURSUED. THE VC MANAGED TO ESCAPE BEFORE THE PATROL COULD CLOSE THE GAP BETWEEN THEM. A WALLET WAS FOUND, HOWEVER, WHICH CONTAINS SOME DOCUMENTS TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE BN S-2.

**B. SEVENTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                 | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2                 |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                   | 20 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                   |    |              | 6  |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2                 | 2  | 3            |    |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 3                 | 5  | 1            | 2  | 3              | 3 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |    | 5            | 8  | 2              | 1 |
| TOTAL            | 7                 | 27 | 9            | 16 | 5              | 4 |

(2) 1ST BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 052000H, BT 561016, CO D SID'S DETECTED MOVEMENT AT BT 561015. ILLUMINATION OF AREA PROVIDED OBSERVATION THREE VCS. THE MARINES FIRED 10 RDS OF SA'S AND 10 M-79 AND M-72 RDS AT THE VCS. A SEARCH WAS MADE OF THE AREA AT 060630H AND ONLY FOOT PRINTS WERE FOUND IN THE AREA.

AT 052200H, BS 614983, A CO C PATROL OBSERVED ONE VC, WITH A RIFLE HELD OVER HIS <sup>HEAD</sup> ~~HEAD~~, CROSSING A STREAM AT BS 614982. THE PATROL KILLED THE VC SA FIRE. <sup>HIS</sup> ~~THE~~ WEAPON SANK TO THE BOTTOM AND THE BODY FLOATED OUT IN THE SONG TRA BONG RIVER.

(3) 2D BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 060300H E CO'S AMBUSH #8 HEARD NOISE IN FRONT OF THEIR AMBUSH POSITION AT BT 494020 AND OPENED FIRE WITH SA'S. ENEMY LOSSES ARE NOT KNOWN. AT 060805H CO G RECEIVED ONE RD OF SNIPER FIRE AT BT 515047. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES RESULTED. A PATROL CHECKED THE AREA FROM WHICH THE RD WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN FIRED. NO CONTACT WAS MADE IN THAT AREA.

(4) 3D BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 052005 H CO I FIRETEAM SIZE COMBAT  
OUTPOST, VIC (BS 548012) NOTICED THREE PERSONS APPROACHING THEIR POSITION.  
OP CHALLENGED PERSONS AND AT THIS TIME THE OP RECEIVED AN UNKNOWN AMOUNT  
OF CARBINE RDS. THE OP RETURNED THE FIRE, AND M-79 RD WAS FIRED AND THE OP  
HEARD A LOUD SCREAM. TWO FIRETEAMS WERE DISPATCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>ORS</u>             | <u>UNORS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 1590  |                        |              | 2              | 2            | 2                 |
| 155H  |                        |              | 4              | 4            | 4                 |
| 105M  | 13                     | 2            | 28             | 43           | 43                |
| 107HT |                        |              | 11             | 11           | 11                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 1590  | 4                      | 4         | 8            |
| 155H  | 17                     |           | 17           |
| 105H  | 544                    | 13        | 558*         |
| 107HT | 67                     |           | 67           |

\* 1 HC SMOKE

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |          |              |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 1               |          | 2            | 4        |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.

A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRSTIAN</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>H</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 22       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 8        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 | 8        | 13           |          |
| TOTAL           | 22              | 8        | 21           |          |



B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>OPS</u>             | <u>UNOPS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        | <u>EVI</u> |
| 155H | 2                      |              |            | 84           |                   | 2          |
| 105H | 2                      | 82           | 82         | 84           | 82                | 22         |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|------|------------------------|-----------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 155H | 147                    | 5         |
| 105H | 262                    |           |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 7               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 90       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 23       | 6            | 91       |                | 6        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 11       | 15           | 18       | 11             | 1        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 10              | 9        | 33           | 38       | 4              | 4        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 15           | 17       | 5              | 1        | 2              |          |
| TOTAL            | 23              | 133      | 69           | 154      | 10             | 12       | 2              |          |

TOTAL: 403

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 146 PATROLS AND 128 AMBUSHES DURING THE  
NEXT 24 HOURS.

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 THIRD MARDIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 246 AS OF 071000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.

A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 7               |     |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 10              | 85  |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 50  | 1            | 90  |                | 5  |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 7               | 13  | 10           | 20  | 3              | 3  |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12              | 10  | 33           | 3   | 3              |    |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 22           | 14  | 6              |    | 1                | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 38              | 158 | 53           | 157 | 12             | 11 | 1                | 1 |
| TOTAL: 431       |                 |     |              |     |                |    |                  |   |

B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>BT 088698          | 070925H               | SQD MINE CLEAR              | D/1/9/2MNO/2KIA                  | UNK/2KIA                      |
| BT 086665                        | 071215H               | PLT S/D                     | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| BT 086698                        | 071730H               | RM(-) S/D                   | 1/9/2MIA ✓                       | UNK/1KIA, 96VCS               |
| BT 090690                        | 071600H               | CO S/D                      | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| AT 998638                        | 071120H               | PLT PAT                     | F/2/9/1MIA ✓                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 978667                        | 062330H               | SQD AMB                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2MIA                      |
| AT 953684                        | 071020H               | CO SEC                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 957684                        | 071128H               | PLT PAT                     | M/3/3/1KIA, 1MIA ✓               | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 431142          | 070315H               | PLT S/D                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA, 1MIA                |
| BT 433145                        | 070815H               | PLT S/D                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| BT 429158                        | 071035H               | PLT S/D                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 433148                        | 071115H               | PLT S/D                     | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/18VCS                     |
| BT 441042                        | 071020H               | PLT S/D                     | F/2/4/1MIA ✓                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 462072                        | 071200H               | PLT SEC                     | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BS 623983         | 061930H               | CO SEC                      | B/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 561014          | 070130H               | CO SEC                      | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BS 592943         | 071025H               | PLT S/D                     | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

1. LONG LANCE (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS)

- A. TYPE OF OPERATION: SEARCH AND DESTROY
- B. AREA OF OPERATION: SEE 1ST BN, 1ST MAR OP ORD 130-65
- C. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 1ST BN, 1ST MAR (-) REIN
- D. TIME OF COMMENCEMENT: 031900 JAN 1966
- E. OPERATIONS CONTINUING

FRIENDLY LOSSES

NONE

ENEMY LOSSES

1 VC KIA

3 VCC

D. CONTINUED FAIR WEATHER AT ALL THREE ENCLAVES HAS GREATLY ASSISTED TRAFFICABILITY. 431 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WERE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE DIVISION AREA WITH 17 CONTACTS. ONE SID CONTACTED REPORTED WHICH ALERTED PERSONNEL TO THE PRESENCE OF THREE VCS. SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITH NEG CONTACTS.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>BATTALION</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 14       |              |          |                |          |                  |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 |          |              | 8        |                |          |                  |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    |                 |          | 3            | 3        | 1              |          |                  |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          |              |          |                |          | 1                | 1        |
| TOTAL - 31         |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                  |          |

(2) 1ST BN 1ST MARINES. LONG LANCE CONTINUES. SEE SPECIAL SETREPS  
FOR DETAILS ON THE OPERATION.

**B. FIFTH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                    | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------------|----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                    | D              | H  | D            | H  | D              | H |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 1              |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST     |                | 21 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH             | 2              | 43 | 1            | 42 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 5              | 11 | 1            | 14 |                |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                |    | 21           | 11 | 3              |   |
| <b>TOTAL - 177</b> |                |    |              |    |                |   |

*1st BN 9th MAR*

(2) AT 09025H, A FIRTEAM FROM CO D REINFORCED WITH ENGR PERS, ON A MINE CLEARING MISSION SUSTAINED 3 KIA VIC (BT 088698) WHEN IT ENGAGED APPROX 30 VC ARMED WITH ABOUT 10 AUTOMATIC WPNS, HAND GRENADES AND POSSIBLE SOME M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHERS. THE VC SUFFERED TWO KIA AS A RESULT OF THE FIREFIGHT. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AS MARINE REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED WITH 2 TANKS.

AT 071215H, A CO B PLT KILLED ON VC VIC (AT 086665) AS HE ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE FROM THE PLT AS IT WAS SEARCHING THE AREA FOR THE VC GRP WHICH HAD ENGAGED CO D. TWO CHICOM GRENADES WERE FOUND ON THE VC. BETWEEN 070945H AND 071730H, 1ST BN UNITS CONDUCTED A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN THE GENERAL VIC OF (BT 086698) TO (BT 113648). ONE MARINE WAS KIA WHEN HE DETONATED A BOOBY TRAP BELIEVED TO BE A CHICOM GRENADE. A TOTAL OF 96 VCS WERE APPREHENDED BY 1ST BN UNITS DURING THE SWEEP. AT 071600H CO A UNITS CONDUCTED A S&D OPERATION VIC (BT 090690) UNCOVERED A VC BODY WHO APPARENTLY WAS KILLED DURING THE CO D ENGAGEMENT EARLIER IN THE DAY. (SEE THIRD MARDIV MSG NR 221 OF 071305H JANUARY FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT).

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(2) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 071120H, ONE MARINE FROM THE 1ST PLT WAS KILLED BY A VC BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 998638).

(3) 3d BN, 3D MARINES. AT 062330H, A CO M SQUAD AMBUSH OBSERVED THREE VC DRESSED IN BLACK AND CARRYING TWO WEAPONS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF A STREAM VIC (AT 978667). THE VC FELL WHEN FIRED UPON. THE AMBUSH SEARCHED THE AREA LATER AND FOUND TRACES OF BLOOD. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST ONE VC WIA. AT 071128H, A CO M PLT PATROL VIC (AT 957684) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM ABOUT 15 VC ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THE RIVER. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE IMMEDIATELY WITH SA'S, M-79, AND 81MM MORTARS. THE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES. USMC SUSTAINED ONE KIA AND ONE WIA. TWO SQUAD PATROLS IN THE VICINITY OF WHERE THE VC WERE IMMEDIATELY MOVED INTO THE AREA; AN ARMED UH-1E CONDUCTED STRAFING RUNS ON THE TARGET. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 071020H A COMPANY L VEHICLE RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM FOUR VC VIC (AT 953678). THE VEHICLE WAS NOT HIT AND CONTINUED ON ITS JOURNEY. A SQUAD PATROL WAS SENT TO SEARCH THE AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS.



C. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              |                | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |         |
|------------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|---------|
|                        | <u>OBS</u> | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u>      |         |
| 155G                   |            |              | 10             | 10                | MAF EYM |
| 155H                   | 3          |              | 125            | 128               | 10      |
| 105H                   | 3          | 2            | 288            | 293               | 128     |
| 107HT                  |            |              |                | 16                | 293 2   |
|                        |            |              |                |                   | 16      |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>WP</u> |
|-------|-----------|-----------|
| 155G  | 10        |           |
| 155H  | 143       | 4         |
| 105H  | 571       | 2         |
| 107HT | 32        |           |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 4            |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 3              | 3        |
| TOTAL - 20   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                   | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 5                 | 11       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                   | 7        |              | 17       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7                 | 4        | 10           | 13       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| TOTAL -          | 77                |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 070315H A PLT FROM CO B RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE FROM PHU VINH HAMLET VIC (BT 433142). PLT RETURNED FIRE KILLING ONE VC AND WOUNDING ONE VC. THE WOUNDED VC ESCAPED BEFORE PATROL COULD RECOVER BODY.

AT 070815H PLT PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 433145) WHO SEEMED INTERESTED IN ONE OF THE CAVES.

AT 071035H PLT PATROL FROM CO B RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC (BT 429158). RETURNED FIRE AT THREE VC WHO FLED THE AREA. UPON BEING RETRACTED BY LVT'S VC AGAIN OPENED FIRE, WHEN FIRE WAS RETURNED SA FIRE CEASED PLT COMPLETED RETRACTION WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT.

AT 071115H A PLT PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED TEN VCS IN THE HAMLET OF PHU VINH VIC (BT 433142) WHO WERE OF MILITARY AGE.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 071020H A PLATOON PATROL FROM CO F TRIPPED A HAND GRENADE BOOBY TRAP PLACED ON A GATE. ONE USMC KIA TWO OTHER BOOBY TRAPS AND NINE PUNJIE STAKES FOUND ON SIDE OF TRAIL VIC (BT 441042). BOOBY TRAPS DESTROYED IN PLACE.

AT 071200H ONE CAN TYPE MINE VIC (BT 462072) AND FIVE CAN TYPE MINES VIC (BT 460070) WERE POINTED OUT BY VN CHILDREN IN THE AREA OF HILL 69. MINES APPEARED TO BE IN A ZIG ZAG PATTERN APPROX 10 METERS APART. ENGINEERS CALLED INTO BLOW MINES IN PLACE.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOY SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>L</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 5               | 15       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 |          | 7            |          | 2              |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 2               | 2        | 3            |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 5               | 6        | 1            | 4        | 3              | 3        |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 1            | 3        | 1              |          |
| TOTALS - 60        |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 061930H CO B RECEIVED EIGHT RDS OF SA FIRE VIC BT 62398). AREA WAS ILLUMINATED, NO MOVEMENT OBSERVED.

AT 070130H CO D SID DEVICES VIC BT 563015 DETECTED MOVEMENT AT VIC BT 561014. AREA WAS ILLUMINATED REVEALING THREE VCS APPROACHING THE MTR. TAKEN UNDER FIRE, VCS WITHDRAWN, AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 071025H A PLATOON PATROL FROM CO D APPREHENDED ONE VCS HIDING BEHIND A ROCK.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u>    |
| 155G  | 1                      |              |                | 1            | 1                 |
| 155H  |                        |              | 5              | 5            | 5                 |
| 105H  | 2                      | 3            | 29             | 34           | 34                |
| 107HT |                        |              | 9              | 9            | 9                 |
| 8"H   |                        |              | 3              | 3            | 3                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 6                      |              | 6            |
| 155H  | 20                     |              | 20           |
| 105H  | 442                    | 2            | 444          |
| 107HT | 54                     |              | 54           |
| 8"H   | 3                      |              | 3            |

**D. RECON GROUP ALPHA****(1) BOX SCORES**

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |   |              |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 2            |   |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 2            | 2 |
| TOTAL - 7    |                 |   |              |   |

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4. PHU RAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES(1) ROI SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|                 | D    N          | D    N       | D    N         |
| LISTENING POST  | 24              |              |                |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 5            | 3              |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 | 6            | 13             |
| TOTAL - 51      |                 |              |                |



B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>HAI</u>        |
| 155H  | 1                      |              | 10         | 10           | 11                |
| 105H  | 6                      |              | 81         | 87           | 87                |
| 107HT | 15                     |              |            | 15           | 15                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 34                     |           | 34           |
| 105H  | 141                    |           | 141          |
| 107HT | 188                    | 15        | 203          |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FINETeam</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                    | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 7               |     |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST     | 5               | 95  |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH             | 2               | 17  | 2            | 7*  |                | 3 |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 5               | 10  | 13           | 17  | 3              | 3 |                |   |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 12              | 9   | 30           | 39  | 4              | 3 |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |     | 15           | 25  | 8              |   | 1              |   | 1                | 1 |
| TOTALS:            | 31              | 131 | 60           | 255 | 15             | 9 | 1              |   | 1                | 1 |
| TOTAL - 404        |                 |     |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 145 PATROLS AND 98 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 247 AS OF 081000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 6               | 29  |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 66  |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 21  | 2            | 7   |                | 2 |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 7               | 9   | 11           | 14  |                |   | 1              | 1 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 11              | 15  | 36           | 48  | 4              | 3 |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 11           | 9   | 7              | 1 |                |   | 1                | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 28              | 140 | 60           | 142 | 12             | 6 | 1              | 1 | 1                | 1 |
| TOTAL -          | 391             |     |              |     |                |   |                |   |                  |   |

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**B. DIVISION CONTACTS.**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>BT 045718           | 071850H               | FLT CP                      | E/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 986614                        | 080913H               | CO S&C                      | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 993601                        | 080958H               | CO S&C                      | F/2/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 995642                        | 081000H               | S&D JMB                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 005611                        | 081110H               | CO S&C                      | CO F/2/9/NONE                    | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 007618                        | 081155H               | CO S&C                      | F/2/9/2 WIA                      | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| BT 027621                        | 081600H               | CO S&C                      | F/2/9/1 KIA, 3 WIA               | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 944688                        | 071706H               | S&D S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/ 1 VCS                    |
| AT 955665                        | 081145H               | S&D S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/ 1 VCS                    |
| AT 999682                        | 081520H               | S&D S&D                     | N/3/3/ 1 DOW                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955665                        | 081710H               | FT S&D                      | N/3/3/1 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955680                        | 081150H               | FLT S&D                     | L/3/3/2 WIA                      | UNK/2 KIA                     |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 461146           | 072250H               | S&D JMB                     | 2 FLT/B/1/4/NONE                 | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 448055                        | 080958H               | FLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 438052                        | 081215H               | FLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 5<br>448044                   | 081310H               | FLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 441046                        | 081340H               | FLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 590921          | 080910H               | FLT S&D                     | K/3/7/2 WIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 581916                        | 081005H               | FLT S&D                     | K/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.1. LONG LANCE.

- A. TYPE OF OPERATION: SEARCH AND DESTROY
- B. AREA OF OPERATION: SEE 1ST BN, 1ST MAR OP ORD 130-65
- C. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1ST BN, 1ST MAR (-) (REIN)
- D. TIME OF COMMENCEMENT: 031900H
- E. TIME OF TERMINATION: 081615H
- F. RESULTS:

FRIENDLY LOSSES

KIA: THREE

WIA: TWENTY-ONE

ENEMY LOSSES

KIA: SEVEN

KIA(POSS): TEN

WIA(POSS): TEN

VCC: TEN

VCS: TEN

KBA: TEN

KRA(EST): THIRTEEN

MBA(POSS): FIFTEEN

EQUIPMENT CAPTURED: ONE CHICOM GRENADE  
 ONE CARBINE MAGAZINE  
 400 RDS 30CAL AMMO

D. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION INITIATED 391 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS TO FIND AND  
FLY THE VC IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI UNDER SUNNY SKIES AND WEATHER  
THAT CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THE MOBILITY OF THE INFANTRYMAN, WHEELED AND TRACKED  
VEHICLES. <sup>NINETEEN</sup> ~~TWENTY~~ CONTACTS WERE MADE WITH VC FORCES. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS  
WERE EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT RESULTS. OPERATION LONG LANCE TERMINI-  
NATED AT 08161Z (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS).

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>PLATOON</u><br>D H | <u>SQUAD</u><br>D H | <u>BATTALION</u><br>D H |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| LISTENING POST   | 14                    |                     |                         |
| AMBUSH           |                       | 12                  |                         |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                       | 7 3                 |                         |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                       |                     | 1 1                     |
| TOTAL - 38       |                       |                     |                         |

**B. NINTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 1  |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 26 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 7  | 2            | 28 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 7  | 2            | 8  |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |    | 6            | 10 | 2              |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 10           | 8  | 4              | 1 |

TOTAL - 126

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 071820H VIC (BT 030662) SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED SEVEN RDS SA FIRE. FIRE RETURNED WITH TWO RDS 3.5 IN. RDS 40MM, 215 RDS SA. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 081130H TANK ACCOMPANYING CO C RETURNING TO CO CP HIT MINE AT (BT 063640). THERE WAS NO DAMAGE TO TANK.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 071850H CO H RECEIVED TEN RDS CARBINE FIRE FROM TWO WPMS. RETURNED 100 RDS SA AND THREE M-79 RDS. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 081000H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO E DETONATED BOOBY TRAPPED GRENADE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 080500H CO F CROSSED LOD ON COORDINATED USMC-ARVN S&D OPERATION. <sup>9 7 3 6 4 2</sup> 2. AT 080913H SA FIRE RECEIVED FROM VIC (AT 994606). FIRED SA AND ARTY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. DESTROYED THREE TONS OF RICE, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, FIFTY M-1 CARTRIDGES AND ONE 57MM SHELL IN GS (AT 9961). 3. AT 080950H ONE MARINE WOUNDED FROM SECONDARY EXPLOSION WHEN BOOBY TRAPPED GRENADE WAS DESTROYED AT (AT 993610). 4. AT 081100H VIC (BT 005611) RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME SA AND M-79 FIRE FROM EST 20-30 VC. RETURNED FIRE WITH SA, ARTY, AND AIR STRIKE. AIR STRIKE WITH ROCKETS AND NAPALM PROVIDED EXCELLENT TARGET COVERAGE. POSSIBLY EIGHT VC KILLED BY AIR STRIKE. 5. AT 081150H VIC (BT 007618) ONE VC WITH WEB GEAR AND TWO CHICOM GRENADES KIA. TWO MARINES KIA BUT DID NOT REQUIRE EVAC. AT



6. 081600H HEAVY VOLUME SA FIRE RECEIVED KILLING ONE AND WOUNDING THREE MARINES AT (BT 027621). FIRE RETURNED INCLUDING FORTY RDS 109MM. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. 1 AT 071706H ONE VCS PICKED UP BY SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L AT (AT 944688). 2 AT 081145H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L CAPTURED ONE VCS AT (AT 955665). 3 AT 081150H, CO L PLT (-) PATROL RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 958650) FROM APPROX 10 VC. TWO VC KIA AND TWO USMC WIA. ESTIMATE ADDITIONAL EIGHT VC KIA BY ARTY MISSION. 4 AT 081520H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO M RECEIVED FOUR RDS SNIPER FIRE AT (AT 959682) FROM ACROSS RIVER. FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. ONE USMC DOW. 5 AT 081710 FIRETEAM PATROL FROM CO M TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY TWO VC WITH A/W FIRE. RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS: ONE USMC KIA.

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C. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>OPS</u>             | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>NAF</u>        | <u>AVN</u> |
| 1590 |                        | 10         | 10           | 10                |            |
| 159H | 27                     | 110        | 137          | 111               | 26         |
| 109H | 7                      | 336        | 343          | 343               |            |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|------|------------------------|-----------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 1590 | 10                     |           |
| 159H | 135                    | 7         |
| 109H | 517                    | 10        |

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D. 3D RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D    N          | D    N       | D    N         |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 4            | 2              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 4   4        |                |
| TOTAL - 16   |                 |              |                |

E. 3D ENGINEER BN. 71 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED TWELVE SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DA NANG TAOR.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 14       |              | 14       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 6               | 11       | 12           | 12       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| TOTAL - 80       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 072150H, A SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO B AT (BT 461145) SIGHTED A BOAT VIC (BT 456146) MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSITION. THE BOAT WAS CHALLENGED BUT DID NOT STOP. WHEN FIRED ON, THE BOAT REVERSED COURSE. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

(3) 2D BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 080958H, A PLT FROM CO E FOUND SIX AP MINES ON A TRAIL AT (BT 446055). THE MINES WERE DESTROYED IN PLACE.

AT 081215H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E RECEIVED 5 RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 438052). THE PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

AT 081310H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E DISCOVERED A MINE ON A TRAIL AT (BT 440044). THE MINE WAS DESTROYED IN PLACE.

AT 081340H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E RECEIVED 2 RDS SA FIRE VIC (BT 441046). THE PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA AND APPREHENDED ONE VCS.

**B. SEVENTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 19       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              | 10       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 2               | 2        | 3            |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5               | 4        | 3            | 4        | 3              |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 1            | 1        | 2              |          |
| TOTAL -          | 61              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 080910H, CO K RECEIVED 3 RDS INCOMING 60MM MORTAR FIRE AT (BS 590921). AN AO WAS CALLED BUT FOUND NOTHING. THERE WERE 2 USMC KIA.

AT 081005H, CO K RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM 3 VC AT (BS 581916). THE FIRE WAS RETURNED BY A PATROL DISPATCHED TO PURSUE THE VC, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY FOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OPS</u>             | <u>UNOPS</u> | <u>HAL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>NAF</u>        |
| 1590  |                        |              | 8          | 8            | 8                 |
| 159H  | 1                      |              | 14         | 15           | 15                |
| 109H  | 5                      |              | 27         | 32           | 32                |
| 109HT | 7                      |              | 2          | 9            | 9                 |

ROUNDS EXPENDED.

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>MP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| 1590  | 8         | 6         | 14           |
| 159H  | 61        |           | 61           |
| 109H  | 377       | 4         | 381          |
| 109HT | 105       | 6         | 111          |

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D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>PLNT TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>H</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1                |          |              |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          |              | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                  |          | 2            | 2        |

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A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>PLUNTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 28       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 11           | 20       |
| TOTAL - 60      |                 |          |              |          |

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B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOI SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OPS</u>             | <u>UNOPS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155H  |                        | 10           | 10         | 10           | 10                |
| 105H  | 7                      | 811          | 81         | 88           | 88                |
| 107HT | 15                     |              |            | 15           | 15                |
|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |            |              |                   |
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u>    |            |              |                   |
| 155H  | 34                     |              |            |              |                   |
| 105H  | 141                    |              |            |              |                   |
| 107HT | 188                    | 15           |            |              |                   |

PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 11             |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2              | 87       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2              | 24       | 2            | 80       | 2              |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 5              | 12       | 12           | 15       |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12             | 15       | 33           | 49       | 3              | 2        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |          | 15           | 17       | 6              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        | 32             | 138      | 62           | 161      | 9              | 4        | 2              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 408      |                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 160 PATROLS AND 110 AMBUSHES DURING THESE

NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

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THIRD MAR DIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 248 AS OF 091000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTSA. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 3               | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 98       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 28       | 2            | 85       |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL       | 5               | 9        | 10           | 15       |                | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 19              | 24       | 27           | 49       | 4              | 1        |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 15           | 33       | 6              | 2        |
| SUB TOTALS         | 29              | 160      | 54           | 182      | 10             | 5        |
| TOTAL -            | 440             |          |              |          |                |          |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRINELDY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>AT 902774          | 090310H               | SQD                    | AMB         | C/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 063645                        | 081805H               | PLT                    | CP          | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 057720                        | 082015H               | BN                     | CP          | MCB-8/NONE                       | UNK/2KIA (PROB)               |
| BT 064644)                       | 082115H               | PLT                    | CP          | C/1/9/1KIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 002645                        | 082155H               | PLT                    | CP          | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 114645                        | 091145H               | PLT                    | PAT         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 072686                        | 091245H               | PLT                    | PAT         | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/5 VCS                     |
| BT 068642                        | 090930H               | SQD                    | PAT         | C/1/9/1WIA                       | UNK/7KIA, 13WIA<br>(PROB)     |
| AT 066634                        | 091330H               | SQD                    | PAT         | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/5WIA (PROB)               |
| BT 045716                        | 082110H               | FT                     | AMB         | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955665                        | 081145H               | SQD                    | S/D         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2VCS                      |
| AT 957678                        | 081450H               | PLT (-)                | S/D         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| AT 964667                        | 090730H               | CO                     | BLOCK POS   | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCC, 1VCS                |
| AT 961668                        | 090810H               | CO                     | BLOCK POS   | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2VCS                      |
| AT 969693                        | 090941H               | CO                     | S/D         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 967684                        | 091130H               | CO                     | S/D         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/12UCS                     |
| AT 952682                        | 091410H               | SQD                    | S/D         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/3VCS                      |
| AT 958679                        | 091430H               | CO (-)                 | S/D         | I/3/3/1WIA                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 432038          | 091343H               | PLT                    | S/D         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 432039                        | 091343H               | PLT                    | S/D         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 433043                        | 091441H               | PLT                    | S/D         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| BT 436053                        | 091521H               | PLT                    | S/D         | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BS 558016         | 082105H               | CO                     | SEC         | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 625993                        | 082245H               | CO                     | 2 SEC       | 16 C/1/7/NONE                    | UNK/NONE                      |

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| <u>PLACE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY/UNIT<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| BL 553016                     | 082105H               | 00                     | SEC         | D/1/7/NONE                       | UNE/NONE                     |
| BL 625993                     | 082245H               | 00                     | SEC         | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNE/NONE                     |

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HIGHLIGHTS. DIVISION UNITS CONDUCTED 440 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS IN THE DAWANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES UNDER EXCELLENT WEATHER CONDITIONS. LIMITED CONTACT WAS GAINED WITH VC ELEMENTS.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 18       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 20       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 3        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL       |                 | 18       | 2            | 23       | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 45      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. CO C EXCHANGED SEVERAL RDS SA FIRE WITH FOUR VC AT 090310H AT (AT 902774). SEARCH OF THE AREA HAD NEG RESULTS.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 27 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 7  |              | 30 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 7  |              | 8  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 15           | 30 | 2              | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 3               | 41 | 15           | 68 | 2              | 2 |
| TOTAL - 131      |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 081805H CO C (BT 063645) RECEIVED SIX RDS SA FIRE. FIRE RETURNED, AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO USMC CASUALTIES. AT 082015 TANK FIRED ON BOAT WITH TWO VC ON THE RIVER (BT 057720) SINKING BOAT AND RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA (POSS). AT 082115H TWO RDS SA FIRE RECEIVED BY CO C FROM (BT 064644): FIRE RETURNED, AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONE USMC WIA. AT 082155H FRAG GRENADE THROWN AT CO C LP (BT 062645) CAUSING NO CASUALTIES. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 091145H CO A RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FROM (BT 114645). FIRE RETURNED, AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. CO B APPREHENDED FIVE VC AT 091245H AT (BT 072686). AT 090930H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED FIRE FROM BRICK BUILDING (BT 061637). SQUAD ATTEMPTED TO FLANK BUILDING AND RECEIVED MORE FIRE FROM HAMLET (BT 061633). FIRE RETURNED WITH SA, LAW, 3.5 IN ROCKETS, 81MM, AND 60MM. SQUAD THEN REINFORCED WITH ONE SQUAD AND TWO TANKS AND SEARCHED AREA. CIVILIANS SAID SEVEN VC KIA AND THIRTEEN VC WIA WERE CARRIED AWAY TO SOUTH. . AT 091330H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE WHEN APPROACHING (BT 066634). RETURNED FIRE AND ADVANCED AND AT (BT 068629) RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE AND A/W FIRE AND CALLED IN 81MM AND RECEIVED NO FURTHER FIRE. BEGAN TO CHECK AREA (BT 068630)



AND RECEIVED 300 RDS FROM THREE POSITIONS. REINFORCED BY TANKS AND ASSAULTED VIC (BT 068627). VC BROKE CONTACT. NO USMC CASUALTIES. THREE VC OBSERVED HIT VIC (BT 068627) AND BELIEVE MORE HIT BY MORTAR AND TANK FIRE.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 082215H CO H SQUAD AMBUSH OBSERVED FOUR OR FIVE PEOPLE VIC (BT 046716) AND THREW GRENADE AND FIRED SA. CONTACT BROKEN WITH NO CASUALTIES.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 090730H CO L APPREHENDED TWO VCS AT (AT 964667). AT 090810H CO L PICKED UP TWO VCS AT (AT 961668). AT 090941H CO D, 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES UNDER OPCON 3D BN, 3D MARINES APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (AT 969693). AT 091130H TWELVE VCS APPREHENDED BY CO D VIC (AT 967684). TEN FIGHTING HOLES DESTROYED SAME AREA. AT 091410H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L PICKED UP THREE VCS AT VIC (AT 952682). AT 091430H ONE USMC FROM CO I WIA BY BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 958679). IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3D BN, 3D MARINES S/D OPN ON 9 JAN 1966, HUNG LOC DISTRICT HQS CONDUCTED A S/D OPN IN GS (AT 9368). DURING THIS OPN TWO VC WERE CAPTURED. THESE TWO VC ARE KNOWN TO BE WORKING IN THIS VIC AND WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR HITTING INCIDENTS AND ACTS OF TERRORISM. SEVEN VC WERE KIA IN SAME AREA. NUMEROUS DOCUMENTS, 26 HAND GRENADES, ONE M-14 AND OTHER WEAPONS WERE FOUND IN TUNNELS AND CAVES VIC (AT 937679) AND (AT 938683).

D. 3D RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER |                 | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              | 4        |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 4        |                | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    |                 | 1        | 4            | 8        |                | 2        |
| TOTAL - 15   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>OPS</u>             | <u>UNOPS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155G |                        |              | 25             | 25           | 11                | 14         |
| 155H | 1                      | 1            | 62             | 64           | 63                | 1          |
| 105H | 7                      | 2            | 353            | 362          | 360               | 2          |
| 8"H  |                        |              | 6              | 6            |                   | 6          |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|------|------------------------|-----------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 155G | 25                     |           |
| 155H | 75                     |           |
| 105H | 513                    | 3         |
| 8"H  | 6                      |           |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 10       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 21       |              | 19       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     |                 |          |              | 1        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 14              | 18       | 18           | 26       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        | 17              | 49       | 18           | 26       | 2              |          |
| TOTAL -          | 112             |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 082240H A PATROL FROM CO D RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE AND TWO RDS SA FIRE VIC BT 486116. HAND GRENADE FAILED TO EXPLODE. PATROL SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS, ONE COVERING AND ONE SEARCHING. NEGATIVE ENEMY CONTACT.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 091343H A PLT FROM CO H ENCOUNTERED THREE MINES VIC BT 432039 AND FOUR MINES VIC BT 432036. SIX MINES WERE M-79'S THAT WERE BOOBY TRAPPED AND ONE PRESSURE ACT MINE. MINES BLOWN IN PLACE.

AT 091441H A PLT FROM CO H OBSERVED ONE VC VIC BT 433043. TAKEN UNDER FIRE KILLING THE VC. CAPTURED ONE CHICOM CARBINE.

AT 091521H A PLT FROM CO H RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC BT 436053. ARTILLERY MISSION FIRED, AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1              |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                | 19       |              |          |                |          |
| AMMUN            |                |          |              | 5        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 2              | 2        | 2            |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5              | 6        |              | 3        | 1              | 1        |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |          |              | 3        | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        | 8              | 27       | 2            | 11       | 2              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 51       |                |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 082105H CO D RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC BS 558016. CO RETURNED FIRE, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

AT 082245H CO C OBSERVED ONE MAN VIC BS 625993 FORWARD OF THE CO POSITION. ONE HAND GRENADE WAS THROWN, SEARCHED AREA, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 090230H A FT PATROL FROM CO I RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM THREE VC VIC BT 534914. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND VC BROKE CONTACT.

AT 090300H A FT PATROL FROM CO I OBSERVED EIGHT VC VIC BT 548012. PATROL FIRED ON VC OBSERVING ONE TO FALL, VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED THE AREA.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>R&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155G  | 1                      | 5              | 6            | 5                 | 1          |
| 155H  | 1                      | 14             | 15           | 15                |            |
| 105H  | 6                      | 34             | 40           | 40                |            |
| 105HT | 5                      |                | 5            | 5                 |            |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 9                      | 12         | 8         | 29           |
| 155H  | 63                     |            | 2         | 65           |
| 105H  | 327                    |            | 77        | 406          |
| 107HT | 15                     |            |           | 15           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1              |          |              |          |
| AMBUSH       |                |          |              | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                |          | 4            | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1              |          | 4            | 4        |
| TOTAL - 9    |                |          |              |          |

4. THU BAY OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES.(1) BOY SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    |
|-----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|
|                 | D               | N  | D            | N  |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 24 |              |    |
| AMBUSH          |                 |    |              | 3  |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |    | 8            | 17 |
| SUB TOTAL       |                 | 24 | 8            | 20 |
| TOTAL - 52      |                 |    |              |    |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. THE OP ON HILL 225 SPOTTED TWO INDIVIDUALS AT 081820H WHO WERE HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED AT (YD 849085). 81MM AND 106MM FIRED ON VC POSITION AND SEARCH OF AREA MADE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 082240H THE OP NOTICED MOVEMENT FORWARD OF ITS POSITION AND FIRED THIRTY RDS SA. SEARCH OF AREA HAD NEGATIVE RESULTS.



B. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155H  | 1                      |              |                | 1            |                   | 1          |
| 105H  |                        | 151          | 150            | 151          | 151               |            |
| 107HT | 8                      |              |                | 8            |                   | 8          |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>WP</u> |
|-------|-----------|-----------|
| 155H  | 11        | 3         |
| 105H  | 168       |           |
| 107HT | 71        | 21        |

5. PLANS SUMMARY(A) DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|
|                    | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 4               | 1   |              |     |                |   |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 95  |              |     |                |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 21  | 2            | 77  |                | 1 |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               | 3   | 8            | 15  | 2              |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 11              | 10  | 24           | 33  | 4              | 1 |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |     | 25           | 26  | 5              |   |
| SUB TOTALS         | 20              | 130 | 59           | 151 | 11             | 2 |

TOTAL - 373

(B) THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 114 PATROLS AND 101 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 249 AS OF 101000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.

A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 6               | 1   |              |     |                |    |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 76  |              |     |                |    |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 21  | 2            | 72  |                | 2  |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 3   | 8            | 16  | 2              | 2  |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 9               | 15  | 17           | 18  | 5              | 2  |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 22           | 27  | 8              | 4  |
| SUB TOTAL        | 24              | 116 | 49           | 183 | 15             | 10 |
| TOTAL - 347      |                 |     |              |     |                |    |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 934658           | 092020                | FT LP                       | F/1/1/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 930667                        | 092030H               | FT LP                       | D/1/1/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 935718                        | 092315H               | PLT SEC                     | D/1/1/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 121641                        | 092330H               | PLT PPH                     | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 102642                        | 101410H               | PLT CP                      | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 102642                        | 101500H               | PLT CP                      | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 061632                        | 101530H               | SQD PAT                     | C/1/9/2 WIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 040724                        | 091830H               | CO SEC                      | H/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 966644                        | 092345H               | SQD AMB                     | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/2 POS KIA                 |
| AT 994673                        | 100900H               | PLT SEC                     | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 991633                        | 101320H               | PLT S&D                     | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 954652                        | 091800H               | SQD S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/1 KIA 2 VCS               |
| AT 952644                        | 100708H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 954641                        | 100900H               | PLT S&D                     | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 417093           | 100930H               | PLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 451061                        | 101038H               | PLT S&D                     | H&S/2/4/NONE                | UNK/2 KIA                     |
| BT 442055                        | 101135H               | PLT S&D                     | H&S/2/4/NONE                | UNK/1 WIA                     |
| BT 419104                        | 101140H               | PLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 438045                        | 101314H               | PLT S&D                     | H&S/2/4/NONE                | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 427098                        | 101315H               | PLT S&D                     | E/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BT 566020          | 092320H               | CO SEC                      | B/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| THAY THIEN<br>YD 803067          | 092135H               | PLT OP                      | G/2/1/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 910150                        | 091945H               | PLT SEC                     | 2D CA CO./NONE              | UNK/UNK                       |

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| <u>ANCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| YD 911147                    | 092200H               | FLT SEC                     | 2D CA CO./1 KIA             | UNK/2 POS KIA                 |

C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THIRD MARDIV UNITS CONDUCTED 347 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WITH 21 CONTACTS. CLEAR SKIES AND WARM WEATHER GREATLY ASSISTED TACTICAL OPERATIONS BY IMPROVING OBSERVATION AND GROUND TRAFFICABILITY

BY 102000H THE REGIMENTAL COMMAND GROUP 3 D MARINES, 1ST BN, 3D MARINES(-), 3D BN, 7TH MARINES (-) AND SUPPORTING UNITS WERE PREPOSITIONED FOR OPERATION "HALLARD".

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 23       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              | 19       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          | 5            | 3        | 3              |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 23       | 5            | 22       | 4              |          |
| TOTAL - 54       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 092020H, ONE HAND GRENADE AND ONE RD OF SA FIRE WERE DIRECTED AT A CO F LP VIC (AT 934658). AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 092030H, A CO D LP EXCHANGED SEVERAL RDS OF SA FIRE WITH TWO VC VIC (AT 930667). AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 092315H, THE 2D PLT, CO D RECEIVED THREE RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (AT 935718). FIRE WAS RETURNED. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2               | 1        |              |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 28       |              |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 3        | 2            | 33       |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 3        | 2            | 10       |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 18           | 24       |
| SUB TOTAL        | 9               | 35       | 22           | 67       |
| TOTAL - 133      |                 |          |              |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 092330H, A CO B PLT PATROL BASE OBSERVED SIX BOATS ATTEMPTING TO LAND VIC (BT 121641). THE PLT FIRED AT THE BOAT WITH SA AND ARTILLERY. ONE BOAT WAS SUNK. ENEMY CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.

AT 101410H, THE 3D PLT OF CO A RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 15 RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (BT 102642) FROM AN ESTIMATED THREE VC. THE PLT RETURNED FIRE WITH SA. AREA SEARCHED. 31 PUNJI PITS WERE DISCOVERED. AT 101500H, 12 RDS OF SA FIRE WAS RECEIVED BY THE 3 D PLT OF CO A VIC (BT 102642) FROM AN ESTIMATED SIX VC. SMALL ARMS FIRE AND AN ARTILLERY FIRE MISSION WERE DIRECTED AT THE SUSPECTED VC POSITION. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

AT 101630H, A COONQ SQUAD PATROL RECEIVED 50-60 RDS OF SA FIRE, 7 RDS OF 40MM, 1 3.5" RD FROM VIC (BT 061632). THE PATROL ASSAULTED THE VC POSITION. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED. THE PATROL FOUND A WELL DUG IN POSITION REINFORCED WITH A BAMBOO FENCE. ONE MARINE TRIPPED A BOOBY-TRAPPED GRENADE WHICH RESULTED IN TWO WIA. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 092345H, A CO F SQUAD AMBUSH RETURNING TO CO CP DETECTED A VC AMBUSH VIC (AT 966644) AND FIRED AT IT. TWO VC WERE SEEN TO FALL AND SCREAMS WERE HEARD. THE SQUAD WAS REINFORCED WITH TWO TANKS AND ONE ADDITIONAL



SQUAD. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 100900H, A CO F PLT VIC (AT 994673) REPORTED BEING HARRASSED BY A SNIPER LOCATED VIC (BT 001669). A SNIPER TEAM ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE THE SNIPER WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 091830H, CO H RECEIVED TWO RDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 040724 ). A FIRETEAM SENT TO LOCATE THE SNIPER APPREHENDED ONE VCS WHO WAS ATTEMPTING TO HIDE FROM THE PATROL. THE VCS HAD NO ID CARD. AT 101320H, A CO F PLT PATROL RECEIVED ONE RD OF SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (AT 991633). THE PLT RETURNED FIRE. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 091800H, A CO L SQUAD PATROL FOUND TWO VIETNAMESE, ONE MALE AND ONE FEMALE, CARRYING A DEAD VC. THE FEMALE WAS THE DEAD VC'S MOTHER. THE MALE WAS APPROXIMATELY 26 YEARS OF AGE. NEITHER HAD ID CARD. THE VC WAS REPORTEDLY KILLED IN A FIREFIGHT WITH MARINES THE PREVIOUS DAY. LOCATION OF FIREFIGHT UNKNOWN. THE TWO VCS AND THE VC BODY WERE EVACUATED TO HIEU LUC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. AT 100708H, A CO L PLT PATROL RECEIVED THREE RDS OF SA FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC VIC (AT 952644). THE PLT ATTEMPTED TO ENGAGE THE VC WHO BROKE CONTACT AND FLED. NO CASUALTIES. AT 100900H, A CO L PLT RECEIVED SA FROM VIC (AT 954641) FROM AN ESTIMATED FIVE VC ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE SONG YEN. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH 60MM MORTARS, 105MM ARTY, AND SA. ONE POSSIBLE VC KIA. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 1550 |                        | 2            | 6              | 8            | 8                 |
| 155H |                        |              | 126            | 126          | 126               |
| 105H | 7                      |              | 318            | 325          | 325               |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|      | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> |
|------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| 1550 | 8         |            |           |
| 155H | 126       |            |           |
| 105H | 536       | 8          | 2         |

D. 3D RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2               |          | 4            | 8        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 17   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

.. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 17       |              | 10       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 7               | 6        | 12           | 10       |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| TOTAL - 74         |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 100930H, A REINFORCED PLT PATROL FROM CO D AT (BT 421091) RECEIVED 8 RDS SA FIRE FROM (BT 417093). THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE AREA CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. SHORTLY THEREAFTER THE PATROL SIGHTED SIX VC AND AGAIN FIRED ON THEM, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 100938H, A PLT PATROL FROM H&S CO AT (BT 454065) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM VC SIGHTED AT (BT 451061). THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE VC PURSUED. A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED TWO VC KIA AND THREE WPNS CAPTURED - ONE SUB-MACHINE GUN AND TWO RIFLES. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

AT 101135H, A PLT PATROL FROM H&S CO AT (BT 442055) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM (BT 441057). THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND ONE WOUNDED VC WAS SEEN TO CRAWL INTO THE BUSHES. THE VC MANAGED TO ESCAPE. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. DURING THE FIRING, A VIETNAMESE WOMAN WAS WOUNDED IN THE LEG AND LATER EVACUATED.

AT 101140H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E AT (BT 419104) SIGHTED EIGHT ARMED VC. THE VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE, BUT THEY FLED. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 101314H, A PLT PATROL FROM H&S CO AT (BT 441047) RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC WPNS FIRE FROM THE VILLAGE OF KY LONG (2) (BT 438045). A STRIKE BY ARMED HELICOPTERS WAS CALLED AND THE PATROL SEARCHED THE VILLAGE. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 101315H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E AT (BT 431100) RECEIVED ONE RD OF SA FIRE FROM (BT 427098). AN M-70 RD WAS FIRED IN RETURN AND THE AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 18       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 1        |              | 4        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 2               | 9        |              | 5        | 2              | 2        |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 4            | 3        | 2              |          |
| TOTAL - 52         |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 092320H. CO B RECEIVED ONE RD OF HARASSING FIRE IN THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT (BT 566020). THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(3) 3RD BN. 7TH MARINES. OPCON 3RD MARINES.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 1550  |                        | 2              | 2            | 2                 |
| 155H  | 2                      | 6              | 8            | 8                 |
| 105H  | 5                      | 30             | 35           | 35                |
| 107HT | 2                      | 94             | 46           | 101               |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>HC WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 1550  | 4                      |            | 4            | 8            |
| 155H  | 81                     |            |              | 81           |
| 105H  | 373                    |            | 5 4          | 382          |
| 107HT | 75                     | 8          | 1            | 84           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D      N        | D      N     | D      N       |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 2            | 1              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 2   2        | 1   1          |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               | 2   4        | 1   1          |
| TOTAL        | 9               |              |                |



4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   |
|-----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|
|                 | D               | N  | D            | N |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 16 |              |   |
| AMBUSH          |                 |    | 4            |   |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 | 7  | 20           |   |
| SUB TOTAL       | 16              | 7  | 24           |   |
| TOTAL - 47      |                 |    |              |   |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. THE OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 225 (YD 8006) SPOTTED TWO VC VIC (YD 803067) AT 092135H AND FIRED SA AND ARTILLERY. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES.

AT 091945H, THE 2D PLT, COMBINED ACTION CO RECEIVED AN INCOMING HAND GRENADE AND TWO RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (YD 910150). AREA SEARCHED. NEG RESULTS.

AT 092200H, AN ESTIMATED TEN VC PROBED THE PERIMETER OF THE 2D PLT COMBINED ACTION CO. VIC (AT 911147). SA FIRE EXCHANGED. ONE MARINE KIA. IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT TWO VC WERE KIA AS A RESULT OF THE ENCOUNTER; HOWEVER, SEARCH PRODUCED NEG RESULTS.

5. PLANS SUMMARY(A) DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|------------------|---|
|                    | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 4               | 11  |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 90  |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| AMBUSH             | 2               | 18  |              | 40  | 2              | 36 |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 8               | 3   | 6            | 6   | 4              | 13 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 12              | 12  | 21           | 37  | 2              | 2  |                  |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |     | 20           | 29  | 6              | 2  | 2                | 1 |
| SUB TOTALS         | 28              | 124 | 47           | 112 | 14             | 53 | 2                | 1 |
| TOTAL - 380        |                 |     |              |     |                |    |                  |   |

(B) THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 126 PATROLS AND 98 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

COMMAND POST LOCATIONS.A. DA NANG TAOR.

## 3 D MARDIV

AT 954752

## HQBW

AT 954752

## 3D MARINES

AT 944762

## 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES

AT 953723

## CO A

AT 953723

## CO B

AT 925693

## CO C

AT 923732

## CO D

AT 902777(DURING OPN MALLARD)

## CO F(2/1)

AT 938663

## 1ST BN, 3D MARINES LESS ONE CO(OPERATION MALLARD)

## CO D/1/3

AT 898822(DURING OPN MALLARD)

## 9TH MARINES

AT 996725

## 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES

BT 068715

## CO A

BT 096658

## CO B

BT 043691

## CO C

BT 063745

## CO D

BT 068715

## 2D BN, 9TH MARINES

AT ~~998677~~

## CO E

AT 983661

## CO F

AT 983661

## CO G

AT 024659

## CO H

BT 041724

## 3D BN, 3D MARINES

AT 974707

## CO I

AT 988726

## CO K

AT 992687

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| CO L                         | AT 954668           |
| CO M                         | AT 973663           |
| 12 TH MARINES                | AT 957857           |
| 1ST 8" HOWBTRY               | AT 955775           |
| 1ST BN, 12TH MARINES         | (OPERATION MALLARD) |
| 2D BN, 12TH MARINES          | AT 996725           |
| D BTRY                       | AT 062680           |
| E BTRY                       | AT 988672           |
| L BTRY, 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES | AT 965717           |
| 3D AT BN                     | AT 987711           |
| 3D ENGR BN                   | AT 969754           |
| 3D MED BN                    | AT 969754           |
| 3D RECON BN                  | AT 959799           |
| 3D MT BN                     | AT 988720           |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN                | AT 990713           |
| 3D DENTAL CO                 | AT 969754           |
| 3D TANK BN                   | AT 985713           |

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| 4TH MARINES.                | BT 533089 |           |
| CO B, 3D AT BN              | BT 533089 |           |
| CO C, 3D TANK BN            | BT 523088 |           |
| CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN         | BT 566062 | 555052    |
| CO B, 3d ENGR BN            | BT 551048 | BT 566062 |
| 3D BN, 12TH MARINES         |           |           |
| (2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES     | BT 525090 | 524091    |
| CO A                        | BT 529110 |           |
| CO B                        | BT 511125 |           |
| CO C                        | BT 525090 |           |
| CO D                        | BT 487102 |           |
| (3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES      | BT 534078 |           |
| CO E                        | BT 463073 | 462072    |
| CO F                        | BT 534078 | 465071    |
| CO G                        | BT 515065 |           |
| CO H                        | BT 468068 |           |
| (4) 7TH MARINES             | BT 560048 |           |
| CO C, 1ST AT BN             | BT 560048 |           |
| CO B, 1ST TANK BN           | BT 560048 |           |
| CO A, 3D AMTRAC BN          | BT 569040 |           |
| CO C, 1ST ENGR BN           | BT 560048 |           |
| (5) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES     | BT 565044 |           |
| CO A                        | BT 572029 |           |
| CO B                        | BT 566020 |           |
| CO C                        | BT 624991 |           |
| CO D                        | BT 558019 |           |
| BTRY G, 3D BN, 11TH MARINES | BT 566042 |           |
| (6) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES      | BT 518041 |           |

CO E

BT 495038 SS 552887

CO F

BT 531024

CO G

BT 515047

CO H

BT 521040

CO K (3/7)

BT 545017

AIRFIELD DEFENSE UNIT

PROV Co, 1st Bn, 4th MARINES

BT 530078

(7) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES (-)

BT 532078

OPCOM 3D MARINES FOR OPERATION MALLARD

Arty Bn GPO

3d Bn, 11th MARINES

BT 554043

Btry G

BT 567046

Btry H

BT 548044

Btry I

BT 552043

3D Bn, 12TH MARINES

BT 549046

Btry G

BT 527070

Btry H

BT 546048

GENERAL SUPPORT

Btry M, 4TH Bn, 11TH MARINES

BT 554041

3d 155 GUN

BT 529067

MORTAR BTRY, 3D BN, 11TH MARINES

BT 547049

1st Plt, 1st 8" How Btry

BT 550044

1st Bn, 11TH MARINES

BT 553045

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2D BN, 1ST MARINES

YD 885139

CO H

YD 892146

CO L

YD 882140

CO GG

YD 882140

4 TH BN, 12 TH MARINES

YD 883142

A BTRY

YD 883142

W BTRY, 1ST BN, 12TH MARINES

YD 890144

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 250 AS OF 111000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.

A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|
|                  | D              | N   | D            | N   | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3              |     |              |     |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2              | 90  |              |     |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2              | 18  | 2            | 81  |                | 2 |
| RECON PATROL     | 6              | 3   | 8            | 17  | 2              | 2 |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12             | 12  | 18           | 36  | 5              | 2 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |     | 20           | 29  | 8              | 3 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 25             | 123 | 48           | 163 | 15             | 9 |
| TOTAL - 383      |                |     |              |     |                |   |



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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>BT 047645           | 101905H               | PLT PRB                     | 0/1/9/1 WIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 055645                        | 110830H               | SQD PAT                     | C/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 102640                        | 110545H               | SQD PAT                     | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 KIA (PROB)              |
| BT 094637                        | 111240H               | SQD PAT                     | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 004663                        | 102305H               | SQD AMBUSH                  | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 999636                        | 110830H               | SQD PAT                     | F/2/2/2 WIA (DOW)           | UNK/1 KIA (POSS)              |
| BT 000635                        | 111211H               | SQD PAT                     | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955673                        | 102100H               | CO CP                       | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 965656                        | 101930H               | CO S/D                      | M/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 974659                        | 102010H               | CO S/D                      | M/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 953655                        | 110915H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 953655                        | 111005H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 399126           | 111045H               | BN S/D                      | G/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 405115                        | 111240H               | BN S/D                      | G/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 405115                        | 111255H               | BN S/D                      | G/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 405115                        | 111302H               | BN S/D                      | G/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 427104                        | 111334H               | BN S/D                      | G/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 563996          | 102020H               | SQD CP                      | D/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 667992                        | 111000H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATION MALLARD. SEE THIRD MAR DIV  
SPECIAL SITREPS. OPERATION CONTINUES.

GOOD WEATHER AGAIN PREVAILED THROUGHOUT THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND  
PHU BAI ENCLAVES. MARINE UNITS CONDUCTED 398 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS RESULTING IN  
LIMITED CONTACT WITH VC ELEMENTS.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 23       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              | 19       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          | 5            | 3        | 3              |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 23       | 5            | 22       | 4              |          |
| TOTAL - 54       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. SEE OPERATION MALLARD SITREPS FOR DETAILS.

OPERATION CONTINUES.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1               |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 29 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 3  | 2            | 38 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 3  | 1            | 11 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 18           | 29 | 4              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 6               | 35 | 21           | 78 | 4              | 1 |
| TOTAL - 145      |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 101905H, THE 2D PLT CO C LOCATED VIC (BT 047645) RECEIVED 50 RDS OF SA FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT WHEN THE PLT RETURNED FIRE. NO USMC CASUALTIES. AT 110830H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 055645); HE WAS OBSERVED ATTEMPTING TO HIDE FROM THE SQUAD. AT 110545H, A CO A SQUAD PATROL VIC (BT 102648) SPOTTED A MAN IN A BOAT AND CHALLENGED HIM TO HALT. THE PATROL FIRED AND HIT BOTH THE MAN AND HIS BOAT. IT IS PRESUMED THAT THE MAN WAS KILLED. HIS BODY WAS NOT RECOVERED BUT HIS BOAT WAS CAPTURED WHEN IT DRIFTED TO SHORE. AT 111240H, A CO A SQUAD PATROL VIC (BT 094637) RECEIVED 30 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 8 VC. THE SQUAD RETURNED FIRE IMMEDIATELY; THE HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. THERE WERE NO MARINE CASUALTIES. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES. AREA SEARCHED; NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 102305H, A CO F SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (BT 004663) RECEIVED SA RDS; FIRE RETURNED IMMEDIATELY. CONTACT BROKEN. NO CASUALTIES. AT 110830H, A CO F SQUAD PATROL RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 500 RDS OF SA AND AUTO-MATIC WPBS FIRE, VIC (AT 999636). THE PATROL SATURATED THE SUSPECTED VC POSITION WITH SA FIRE AND 26 RDS OF 81MM MORTARS. ONE VC WAS KIA; TWO MARINES WERE WIA WHO LATER DIED OF WOUNDS. AT 111211H, A CO F SQUAD PATROL VIC (BT 000635)

RECEIVED SA FIRE. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE. CONTACT BROKEN. AREA CHECKED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. CO L. CP RECEIVED LIGHT SA FIRE AT 102100H FROM (AT 955673). RETURNED FIRE WITH TWO RDS M-70 AND FOUR RDS 81MM HE AND SA. VC BROKE CONTACT. AT 110915H VIC (AT 953655) TWO VC APPREHENDED BY SQUAD PATROL. ONE SUSPECT WAS CARRYING EXPENDED CARTRIDGE CASE. AT 111005H VIC (AT 959659) ONE VCS APPREHENDED WHEN PARTS OF PRC-10 AND BATTERIES WERE FOUND NEAR HIS HOUSE.

CO M. AT 102010H CO M PICKED UP MOVEMENT BY SID VIC (AT 974659), FIRED 81 AND 60MM MORTAR, AND 81MM ILLUMINATION. MOVEMENT CEASED, CHECKED OUT AREA WITH PATROL. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 101930H CO M RECEIVED FOUR RDS CARBINE FIRE FROM VIC (AT 965656). RETURNED FIRE WITH FOUR RDS 60MM MORTAR. FIRE CEASED.

HASCO. NO CHANGE IN MISSION OR CP LOCATION. EMPLOYING A .50 CAL. SPOTTING RIFLE MOUNTED ON 106MM RR TO SHOOT AT AND CONTROL BOAT TRAFFIC ALONG THE SONG CAU DU AND SON YEN RIVERS. A MINE FIELD IS BEING INSTALLED AT THE SOUTH END OF RIVER BLOCK VIC (AT 971697).

C. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G |                        | 10             | 10           | 10                |
| 155H | 2                      | 74             | 76           | 76                |
| 105H | 6                      | 308            | 314          | 314               |
| 8"H  |                        | 6              | 6            | 6                 |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |
|------|------------------------|------------|-----------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> |
| 155G | 10                     |            |           |
| 155H | 92                     |            |           |
| 105H | 495                    | 2          | 9         |
| 8"H  | 6                      |            |           |

D. 3D RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 4            |   |                | 1 |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 4            | 4 | 1              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               |   | 8            | 8 | 1              | 2 |
| TOTAL -16    |                 |   |              |   |                |   |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 2               | 7        |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 15       |              | 11       |
| SECURITY PATROL | 7               | 6        | 6            | 10       |
| SUB TOTAL       | 9               | 28       | 6            | 21       |
| TOTAL - 64      |                 |          |              |          |

(2) 2ND BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 111045H, COMPANY G RECEIVED 2 ROUNDS SNIPER FIRE AT (BT 399126) FROM (BT 394124). A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 111240H, COMPANY G RECEIVED 10 ROUNDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE AT (BT 405115) FROM (BT 401116). A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. THERE WAS 1 USMC WIA.

AT 111255H, COMPANY G RECEIVED 10 ROUNDS SMALL ARMS FIRE AT (BT 405115) FROM (BT 406112). A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 111302H, COMPANY G RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AT (BT 405115) FROM APPROXIMATELY 6 VC AT (BT 393113). A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 111334H, COMPANY G RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE AT (BT 427104). THE COMPANY DEPLOYED AND THE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | .15      |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 |          |              | 3        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               |          |              |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 5               | 6        | 3            | 2        | 2              |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 2            | 3        | 2              |          |
| SUB TOTAL          | 8               | 21       | 2            | 6        | 5              | 4        |
| TOTAL -            | 47              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 102020H, A TRIP FLARE WAS IGNITED AT THE BASE OF COMPANY D'S OUTPOST #10 (BS 563996). THE AREA WAS ILLUMINATED AND ONE VCS WAS SEEN RUNNING AWAY. HE WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 111000H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM COMPANY C RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 200 ROUNDS SMALL ARMS FIRE AT (BS 663990) FROM 5 VC AT (BS 667992) AND (BS 673987). THE MARINES RETURNED FIRE AND THE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

(3) 3RD BN, 7TH MARINES. OPCON 3RD MARINES FOR OPERATION HALLARD.

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C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G  |                        | 2              | 2            | 2                 |
| 155H  | 2                      | 8              | 10           |                   |
| 105H  |                        | 37             | 37           | 37                |
| 105HT |                        | 9              | 9            | 9                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 8                      |            | 8            |
| 155H  | 49                     | 3          | 52           |
| 105H  | 412                    |            | 412          |
| 105HT | 45                     |            | 45           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D N             | D N          | D N            |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 2            | 1              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 3 2          | 1 1            |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               | 3 4          | 1 2            |
| TOTAL - 11   |                 |              |                |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 16       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 4        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 7            | 20       |
| SUB TOTAL       |                 | 16       | 7            | 24       |
| TOTAL - 47      |                 |          |              |          |

B. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>CBS</u>             | <u>UNCBS</u> | <u>MAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  | 7                      |              |            | 7            | 7                 |
| 105H  |                        | 121          | 120        | 121          | 121               |
| 107HT | 9                      |              |            | 9            | 9                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 155H  | 38                     | 12        |
| 105H  | 138                    |           |
| 107HT | 97                     |           |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3               | 2   |              |     |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 92  |              |     |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 20  | 2            | 75  |                | 2 |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 6   | 5            | 18  | 2              | 2 |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12              | 12  | 26           | 40  | 3              | 3 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 25           | 32  | 8              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 22              | 132 | 58           | 165 | 13             | 8 |
| TOTAL -          | 398             |     |              |     |                |   |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 132 PATROLS AND 101 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 251 AS OF 121000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. BOX SCORES. (DAY) D (NIGHT) N

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N   | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3               | 2  |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 55 |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 20 | 1            | 101 | 1              | 1 |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 6               | 4  | 7            | 16  | 2              | 1 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12              | 12 | 26           | 40  | 3              | 3 |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 29           | 29  | 8              | 1 | 2                | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 25              | 93 | 63           | 186 | 13             | 6 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL - 290      |                 |    |              |     |                |   |                  |   |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATED</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 940671           | 112137H               | SQD SEC                     | F/1/1/5 WIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 928669                        | 121413H               | SQD SEC                     | F/1/1/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 087644                        | 111900H               | PLT SEC                     | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 092642                        | 120500H               | PLT PAT                     | A/1/9/1 WIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 065634                        | 120700H               | SQD AMB                     | C/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/12 KIA (POSS)             |
| BT 065673                        | 120915H               | SQD PAT                     | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 089691                        | 121135H               | PLT PAT                     | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/ 1VCS                     |
| BT 085681                        | 121235H               | PLT PAT                     | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 044723                        | 121500H               | PLT PAT                     | H/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 997643                        | 120445H               | PT AMB                      | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/2 KIA (POSS)              |
| AT 986662                        | 120815H               | PLT S/D                     | F/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 953665                        | 112000H               | PLT CP                      | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 518102           | 120145H               | PT SEC                      | A/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 468068                        | 112240H               | PLT SEC                     | H/2/4/1 WIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 522057                        | 112250H               | PLT SEC                     | HAS/2/4/NONE                | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 431098                        | 121102H               | PLT S/D                     | E/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BT 653040          | 120500H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 646045                        | 120910H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/ 4 KIA, 2 CAPTIVE         |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 521048           | 120215H               | PLT SEC                     | H/2/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |
| TRUY THIEN<br>YD 808168          | 111910H               | PLT AMB                     | G/2/1/NONE                  | UNK/5 WIA (POSS)              |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES SECOND DAY OPERATIONS WITH LIMITED CONTACT WITH VC ELEMENTS. SEE THIRD MAR DIV SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS.

EXCELLENT WEATHER PREVAILED THROUGHOUT THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES AS MARINE UNITS LANCHED 290 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS, GAINING 20 CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| 1 LISTENING POST |                 | 25 |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    |              | 18 |                |   |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |    | 5            | 7  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    |              |    | 1              |   | 2                | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 25 | 5            | 25 | 1              |   | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL - 60       |                 |    |              |    |                |   |                  |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. ~~OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES.~~ WHILE PROVIDING ROAD SECURITY FOR THE MSR IN CONNECTION WITH OPERATION MALLARD, A SQUAD FROM THE 3D PLATOON, COMPANY F TRIPPED A BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 940671) AT 112113H. FIVE MARINES RECEIVED WOUNDS FROM THE EXPLOSION. AT 121413H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM THE SAME PLATOON DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 928669).

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES. SEE OPERATION MALLARD FOR DETAILS.

## B. 9TH MARINES

(1) KIA SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 2   |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 28  |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUCH           | 2               | 4   | 1            | 40 |                |   |
| PATROL           | 3               | 4   | 1            | 10 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 28           | 27 | 4              |   |
| SUB TOTAL        | 5               | 38  | 30           | 77 | 4              |   |
| TOTAL            |                 | 154 |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. CO A AT 111900H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (BT 087644) FIRED FOUR S/A ROUNDS AT THE 3D PLATOON AND BROKE CONTACT WHEN THE PLATOON RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED. AT 120500H THE 3D PLATOON HAD ONE WIA WHEN HE DETONATED A MINE AT (BT 092642). SHORTLY AFTER THIS THE PLATOON RECEIVED TWO S/A ROUNDS FROM (BT 094642). NO FIRE WAS RETURNED.

CO B.A PATROL FROM THE 3D PLATOON, LOCATED AT (BT 065673) OBSERVED ONE VCS AT 120915H WHO APPEARED TO BE FLEEING FROM A CO C FIREFIGHT WHICH WAS TAKING PLACE TO THE SOUTHWEST. THE VCS WAS CAPTURED. PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 089691) AT 121135. SENT TO ITT AT 121235H PATROL APPREHENDED VC POINTED OUT BY LOCAL POLICE CHIEF. VC HAD A VC GAS MASK IN HIS POSSESSION.

CO C. AT 120700H AN AMBUSH LOCATED AT (BT 065634) OBSERVED FIVE VC AT (BT 065634) AND FIRED ON THEM, POSSIBLY KILLING THREE. THE VC WITHDREW TO THE NORTH END OF PHONG HO VIC (BT 065631). THE PATROL SEARCHED THE AMBUSH SITE AND FOUND MANY BLOOD STAINS. THE PATROL THEN ENTERED PHONG HO AND ENGAGED THE VC. TWO TANKS JOINED THE PATROL AND

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OBSERVED A VC UNIT (LOCATION AND EXACT SIZE NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME) AND FIRED NINE ROUNDS OF 90MM, POSSIBLY KILLING NINE VC. THE NINE VC WERE SEEN TO BE THROWN IN THE AIR BY THE BLAST OF THE 90MM ROUNDS. ~~ONE~~ <sup>AN</sup> AO CAME OVERHEAD AND RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS HITS FROM (BT 066623) AND (BT 066620). THE AO CALLED IN TWO 105MM MISSIONS ON THESE LOCATIONS AND SILENCED THE ENEMY FIRE. AT APPROX 121100H, THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED TO THE SOUTH.

(3) 2D BN, 3D MARINES. CO L. AT 112000H THE 1ST PLATOON PICKED UP CONTACT ON SID-150 VIC (AT 953665), FIRED TWO M-79 ROUNDS AND THREW TWO HAND GRENADES. ILLUMINATED WITH 81MM MORTAR, SQUAD PATROL SENT OUT TO CHECK. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

CO F. AT 120665H A FIRE TEAM AMBUSH AT (AT 997643) OBSERVED TWO VC 30 METERS TO THE NORTH AT (AT 997642). AMBUSH FIRED 60 ROUNDS S/A TWO VC SEEN TO FALL. AREA SEARCHED AND ONE COOLIE HAT WAS RECOVERED. AT 120815H A PLATOON (RKN) S/D PATROL DEPARTED CO CP VIC (AT 986662). TWENTY-THREE TUNNELS AND FIVE GATES DESTROYED IN VILLAGE OF HA DONG VIC (GS 9964) FROM 120830H TO 121145H. PAPERS AND OVERLAY FOUND AT (AT 998645) AT 120915H. PAPERS AND OVERLAY TURNED OVER TO BN S-2. CHICOM GRENADE DESTROYED IN PLACE. FIVE STEEL PUNJI STAKES FOUND AT (AT 997643) AND DESTROYED.

CO H. AT 121500H VIC (BT 044723) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. SENT TO ITF.

## C. 12TH MARINES

(1) ARTILLERY BATTALION BOX SCORES

|       | NUMBER MISSIONS |              |                |              | SUPPORTING |            |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>      | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u> | <u>RVN</u> |
|       | 5               | 3            | 375            | 383          | 367        | 16         |
|       | AMMO EXPENDED   |              |                |              |            |            |
|       | <u>HE</u>       | <u>ILL</u>   | <u>WP</u>      |              |            |            |
| 155 G | 5               |              |                |              |            |            |
| 155 H | 90              | 1            |                |              |            |            |
| 105 H | 481             | 2            | 62             |              |            |            |
| 8" H  | 12              |              |                |              |            |            |

## D. THIRD RECON BN

(1) POX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |
| PATROL       |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               |          | 4            | 8        | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 17              |          |              |          |                |          |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1               |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7  |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 16 |              | 11 |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7               | 6  | 12           | 10 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    |              |    | 1              |   |
| SUB TOTAL        | 10              | 29 | 12           | 21 | 1              |   |

TOTAL - 73

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 120145H, JOINT USMC/SEC POST #2 AT (BT 518102) RECEIVED 3 ROUNDS SMALL ARMS FIRE. COMMUNICATIONS WERE ESTABLISHED WITH A COMPANY A PATROL IN THE AREA, WHICH CHECKED OUT THE SUSPECTED ORIGIN OF THE FIRE. NEGATIVE RESULT. NO CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 122240H, A PLATOON FROM COMPANY E MANNING OP # 69 AT (BT 468068) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE, WOUNDING ONE MARINE. NO VC WERE SIGHTED.

AT 112250H, A PLATOON FROM H&S COMPANY IN MLR POSITIONS SAW 2 ARMED VC AT (BT 522057). THE VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE AT ABOUT 300 METERS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

AT 121102H, A PLATOON FROM COMPANY E CONDUCTING A SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATION VIC (BT 431098) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE AREA SWEEPED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 15 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    | 5            |    |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               |    |              |    |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5               | 6  | 3            |    | 3              | 3 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 1            | 2  | 2              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 8               | 21 | 1            | 10 | 5              | 4 |
| TOTAL - 49       |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 120500H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM COMPANY C OBSERVED ONE VC, ARMED WITH A RIFLE, AT (BT 653040). THE MARINE FIRED FIVE ROUNDS AT THE VC AS HE FLED INTO A SMALL HAMLET. A SEARCH OF THE HAMLET PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 120910H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM COMPANY C OBSERVED 6VCS ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE BY BOAT AT (BT 646045). WARNING SHOTS WERE FIRED IN AN ATTEMPT TO STOP THE BOAT, BUT <sup>VCS</sup> ~~THE BOAT~~ REFUSED TO STOP. THE MARINES THEN FIRED ON THE OCCUPANTS, KILLING 4 AND CAPTURING THE REMAINING 2.

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 120215H, 2 FRAGMENTATION GRENADES WERE THROWN INTO THE RMK COMPOUND AT (BT 521048). TWO VC WERE SIGHTED RUNNING AWAY AND FIRED ON BY A PLATOON FROM COMPANY H, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155G  |                        | 3              | 3            | 3                 |
| 155H  |                        | 6              | 6            | 6                 |
| 105H  | 6                      | 32             | 38           | 38                |
| 105HT | 12                     | 12             | 24           | 24                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 13                     |            | 5         | 18           |
| 155H  | 36                     |            |           | 36           |
| 105H  | 406                    | 10         | 10        | 426          |
| 107HT | 175                    |            | 14        | 189          |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |                |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |          |              |          |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              | 2        |                |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2            | 2        |                |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               |          | 2            | 4        |                |
| TOTAL - 7    |                 |          |              |          |                |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 16       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 3        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          | 9            | 20       |
| SUB TOTAL       |                 | 16       | 9            | 23       |
| TOTAL - 48      |                 |          |              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. THE 3D PLATOON, COMPANY G, ENROUTE TO AN AMBUSH POSITION, ENGAGED 20 VC VIC (YD 808168) AT 111910H. DURING THE FIREFIGHT, FIVE VC WERE OBSERVED TO FALL AND WERE PRESUMED WIA. NO MARINE CASUALTIES.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>UNOBS</u>           | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155H | 2                      |                | 2            | 2                 |
| 105H | 2                      | 128            | 130          | 130               |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H | 48                     | 2         | 50           |
| 105H | 219                    |           | 219          |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>BATTALION</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SHIPER     | 3               | 1        |              |          |                |          |                  |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 94       |              |          |                |          |                  |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 21       | 2            | 76       |                | 1        |                  |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 3        | 13           | 16       | 2              | 1        |                  |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12              | 12       | 31           | 40       | 2              | 2        |                  |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 20           | 24       | 5              | 1        | 2                | 2        | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL        | 22              | 131      | 66           | 156      | 9              | 5        | 2                | 2        | 1              |          |

TOTAL - 394

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 147 PATROLS AND 102 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 832 AS OF 0000Z JANUARY 1966

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTSA. BOX SCORES

|                  | FIRE TEAM |     | SCOUT |     | PLATOON |   | COMPANY |   | BATTALION |   |
|------------------|-----------|-----|-------|-----|---------|---|---------|---|-----------|---|
|                  | D         | N   | D     | N   | D       | N | D       | N | D         | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 4         | 1   |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2         | 85  |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2         | 21  | 2     | 75  |         | 1 |         |   |           |   |
| PATROL           | 15        | 13  | 46    | 57  | 4       | 3 |         |   |           |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |           |     | 20    | 21  | 4       | 1 | 2       |   | 2         | 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 23        | 120 | 60    | 155 | 10      | 5 | 2       |   | 2         | 2 |
| TOTAL            | 380       |     |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |

B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u>    | <u>FRD UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENM UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| THUY THIEN<br>(YD 908121)        | 130230H               | SQD                    | SEC            | 3-CAC/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |
| JIANG NAM/<br>(AT 928613)        | 122015H               | SQD                    | SEC            | F/2/1/1 WIA                 | UNK/NONE                    |
| (AT 920590)                      | 122200H               | SQD                    | SEC            | F/2/1/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |
| (AT 903695)                      | 130800H               | SQD                    | AMB            | B/1/1/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |
| (BT 093045)                      | 130730H               | PLT                    | S/D            | A/1/9/2 WIA                 | UNK/NONE                    |
| (BT 110623)                      | 130030H               | PLT                    | S/D            | A/1/9/ NONE                 | UNK/UNK                     |
| (BT 070685)                      | 130725H               | SQD                    | S/D            | B/1/9/ NONE                 | UNK/4 VCS                   |
| (BT 077663)                      | 130750H               | SQD                    | S/D            | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/ 1 VCS                  |
| (BT 003627)                      | 131039H               | CO                     | S/D            | G/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| (BT 100635)                      | 131044H               | SQD                    | S/D            | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| (AT 992679)                      | 122215H               | BN                     | PERIM          | H&S/2/9/NONE                | UNK/UNK                     |
| (AT 949679)                      | 130840H               | SQD                    | S/D            | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |
| (AT 969665)                      | 121915H               | CO CP                  | HARS<br>FIRE   | M/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |
| (AT 969662)<br>(AT 968664)       | 122100H               | CO CP                  | SID<br>CONTACT | M/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/3WIA (POSS)             |
| (AT 826855)                      | 130442H               | SQD                    | AMB            | A/3d RECON/<br>NONE         | UNK/UNK                     |
| JIANG TINE<br>(BT 443156)        | 130833H               | PLT                    | S/D            | A/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |

C. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES ITS  
THIRD DAY OF OPERATIONS WITH LIGHT CONTACT WITH VC ELEMENTS. SEE 3D MAR DIV  
SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS. EXCELLENT WEATHER PREVAILED THROUGHOUT ALL  
DIVISION ENCLAVES. 393 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WERE CONDUCTED GAINING ~~36~~ 46 CONTACTS  
WITH VC FORCES.



2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 24 |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    |              | 13 |                |   |                  |   |
| PATROL           |                 |    | 10           | 9  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    |              |    |                |   | 2                | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 24 | 10           | 22 |                |   | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL            |                 | 60 |              |    |                |   |                  |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 122015H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM COMPANY F RECEIVED ENEMY SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (AT 928613) FROM ESTIMATED 10 VC. FIRE WAS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED. THE VC BROKE CONTACT. ONE MARINE WAS WIA.

AT 122200H, A SQUAD FROM COMPANY F RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (AT 920590). THE SQUAD RETURNED FIRE. VC FIRED CEASED. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 130800H, A SQUAD FROM COMPANY B APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (AT 903695).

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION MALLARD. SEE OPERATION MALLARD SITREPS FOR DETAILS.

(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 1  |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| MINTING POST     |                 | 28 |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 3  | 2            | 36 |                |   |                |   |
| PATROL           | 3               | 1  | 1            | 7  |                |   |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 20           | 24 | 2              |   | 1              |   |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 5               | 33 | 23           | 67 | 2              |   | 1              |   |
| TOTAL            | 131             |    |              |    |                |   |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 130730H, A GRENADE BOOBY TRIP WAS DETONATED BY A MEMBER OF 1ST PLATOON COMPANY A VIC (BT 093645) WOUNDING TWO MARINES. THREE OTHER SIMILAR BOOBY TRAPS WERE RECOVERED AND REMOVED FOR EVALUATION. AT 130830

AT 130830 THE 2D PLATOON OF COMPANY A RECEIVED 12 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VIC (BT 110623). THE PLATOON RETURNED FIRE; AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

AT 130715H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM COMPANY B APPREHENDED FOUR MALE VCS VIC (BT 070685) FOR IMPROPER IDENTIFICATION PAPERS.

AT 130750H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM COMPANY B APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 077663).

AT 131055H, COMPANY C ELEMENTS RECEIVED FIVE RDS SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (BT 063627) FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. FIRE RETURNED. CONTACT BROKEN. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 131044H, A COMPANY A SQUAD PATROL VIC (BT 100635) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 175 SMALL ARMS ROUNDS FROM THREE VC ARMED WITH TWO AUTOMATIC

AND ONE SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPON. INTENSIVE FIRE RETURNED BY THE PATROL CONSISTING OF SMALL ARMS AND 3.5" ROCKETS. HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO USMC CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 122215H, THE BATTALION CP PERIMETER VIC (AT 992679) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY EIGHT ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. SUSPECTED VC POSITION ILLUMINATED. NO TARGET VISIBLE.

AT 130753H, A SQUAD PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA AND APPREHENDED A VCS WHO WAS LATER CLASSIFIED AS A VC TAX COLLECTOR.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 130840H, A COMPANY L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (AT 949679). SUSPECT WAS A NON-FARMER OF DRAFT AGE.

AT 121915H, THE COMPANY M PERIMETER RECEIVED ABOUT 20 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (AT 969665) FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC WITH TWO AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND TWO CARBINES. FIRE RETURNED. HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. SUSPECTED VC POSITION ASSAULTED BY ONE FIRE TEAM WHICH THREW A GRENADE AT THE VC POSITION. GRENADE WAS ON TARGET BUT AREA WAS NOT SEARCHED DUE TO HEAVY FIRE DIRECTED AT THE FIRE TEAM FROM ANOTHER DIRECTION AS IT APPROACHED THE VC POSITION. ESTIMATE THREE VC KIA.

AT 122100H, A SID 150 VIC (AT 969663) PICKED UP MOVEMENT TO ITS FRONT. INTENSIVE FIRE WAS DIRECTED AT THE SUSPECTED VC MOVEMENT CONSISTING OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AND 81MM MOTARS. FROM THE EFFECT ON THE TARGET, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST THREE VC WERE KIA.

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C. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G  |                        | 7              | 7            | 7                 |
| 155H  | 2                      | 90             | 92           | 92                |
| 105H  | 3                      | 269            | 272          | 272               |
| 107HT |                        | 4              | 4            | 4                 |
| 8" H  |                        | 6              | 6            | 6                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 7                      |            | 7            |
| 155H  | 104                    | 4          | 108          |
| 105H  | 448                    |            | 448          |
| 107HT | 8                      |            | 8            |
| 8"H   | 6                      |            | 6            |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 4            |          | 1              |          |
| PATROL       |                 |          | 8            | 4        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 1               |          | 8            | 8        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 20              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 3D RECON BN. AT 130442H, FOUR VC WALKED INTO A SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (AT 826855). ALL WERE CARRYING WEAPONS AND ONE WAS CARRYING A PACK. THE SQUAD FIRED AT THE VC. NEGATIVE RESULTS. VC DID NOT RETURN FIRE.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SOURCES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 7        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBIUS           |                 | 16       |              | 11       |                |          |                |          |
| PATROL           | 7               | 6        | 12           | 10       |                |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 9               | 29       | 12           | 21       | 1              |          | 1              |          |
| TOTAL            | 73              |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 130833H, A PLT PATROL FROM COMPANY A, MOVING UP THE THUONG GIANG RIVER IN ~~IN-ACC~~ <sup>LCO P</sup> RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND 3-60MM MORTAR ROUNDS VICINITY (BT 443158). THE FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED INASMUCH AS THE PLT COULD NOT DETERMINE THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(3) 2ND BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 130959H, AFTER STAGING AT QUANG NGAI, CO G (REIN), ACCOMPANIED BY THE RECONNAISSANCE CO, 2D (ARVN) LIV AND A SMALL COMMAND GROUP FROM THE 2D BN, 4TH MARINES, LANDED BY HELICOPTER AT LZ RED (BS 834422). THE LANDING WAS UNOPPOSED AND WAS COMPLETED AT 131037H.

AT 131137H, THE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION BEGAN WHEN THE UNITS CROSSED THE LINE OF DEPARTURE (BS 828424) TO (BS 837428). A

AT 131153H, THE SEARCH UNITS DISCOVERED SOME VC PROPOGANDA LEAFLETS AND SEVERAL FOXHOLES APPROXIMATELY 2½ X 4 FEET IN SIZE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE FOXHOLES WERE ABOUT 4 DAYS OLD.

AT 131159H, AN AIR OBSERVER SPOTTED A BUNKER AT (BS 814456) AND AT 131215H, THE UH-1E RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM (BS 827429).

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BOTH OF THESE LOCATIONS ARE OUTSIDE THE ZONE OF TODAY'S OPERATION.) MORE  
PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS WERE FOUND AT (BS 833428) AND (BS 824434).

AT 131250H, ANOTHER CAVE, WITH ONE WOMAN AND 4 CHILDREN IN IT, WAS FOUND AT  
(BS 822433).

AT 131304H, A NETWORK OF CAVES EXTENDING FROM (BS 825435) TO (BS 821437) WAS  
LOCATED. THESE CAVES WERE NOT DESTROYED.

AT 131404H, THE ARVN RECON CO APPREHENDED FOUR VCS AT (BS 830434) AND (BS 827438).  
A AT 131430H, RETRACTION COMMENCED FROM LZ WHITE (BS 826448) TO QUANG NGAI.  
THE RETRACTION WAS COMPLETED AT 131510H. COMPANY G AND THE COMMAND GROUP WERE  
THEN LIFTED BACK TO CHU LAI, THE LIFT COMPLETED AT 131705H.

B. SEVENTH MAJINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRSTTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1                |    |              |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 5  |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 2  |              | 3 |                |   |
| PATROL           | 5                | 8  | 3            | 5 | 2              | 2 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    |              | 1 | 3              | 1 |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 6                | 15 | 3            | 9 | 5              | 3 |
| TOTAL            | 39               |    |              |   |                |   |



C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G  |                        | 3              | 3            | 3                 |
| 155H  |                        | 6              | 6            | 6                 |
| 105H  | 8                      | 32             | 40           | 40                |
| 105HT | 12                     | 12             | 24           | 24                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u>  | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G  | 13                     |            | 5          | 18           |
| 155H  | 36                     |            |            | 36           |
| 105H  | 410                    | 10         | 9<br>5(HC) | 434          |
| 107HT | 175                    |            | 14         | 189          |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) FOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u>  | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|              | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                 |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH       |                   | 2                 |                   |
| PATROL       |                   | 3    2            | 1                 |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 2                 | 3    4            | 1                 |
| TOTAL        | 10                |                   |                   |

4. PHU HAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FINETeam</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                 | 21       |              | 5        |
| PATROL         |                 |          | 9            | 20       |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                 | 21       | 9            | 25       |
| TOTAL          | 55              |          |              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 130230H, THE 3D BATTALION OF THE COMBINED ACTION COMPANY EXCHANGED FIRE WITH TWO VC VIC (YD 908121). THE VC IMMEDIATELY BROKE CONTACT. NO USMC CASUALTIES. AREA SEARCHED; NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  | 7                      |              | 13         | 20           | 20                |
| 105H  | 11                     | 1            | 104        | 116          | 116               |
| 107HT | 3                      |              |            | 3            | 3                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 46                     | 12        | 58           |
| 105H  | 263                    | 8         | 271          |
| 107HT | 36                     |           | 36           |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N   | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT MISSION    | 5                | 1   |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| DESTROYED POST   | 2                | 81  |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 21  | 1            | 73  |                | 2 |                  |   |
| PATROL           | 15               | 14  | 30           | 46  | 4              | 4 |                  |   |
| SEARCHES DESTROY |                  |     | 24           | 25  | 5              | 1 | 2                | 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 24               | 117 | 55           | 144 | 9              | 7 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL            | 340              |     |              |     |                |   |                  |   |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 113 PATROLS AND 99 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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THIRD MAR DIV SIEREP NUMBER 253 AS OF 141000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTSA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                | FIRE TEAM |     | SQUAD |     | PLATOON |   | COMPANY |   | BATTALION |   |
|----------------|-----------|-----|-------|-----|---------|---|---------|---|-----------|---|
|                | D         | N   | D     | N   | D       | N | D       | N | D         | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 9         | 9   |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |
| LISTENING POST | 2         | 73  |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |
| AMBUSH         | 2         | 21  | 2     | 56  |         | 2 |         |   |           |   |
| PATROLS        | 15        | 15  | 30    | 34  | 3       | 4 |         |   |           |   |
| SEARCH&DESTROY |           |     | 20    | 24  | 6       |   | 1       |   | 2         | 2 |
| SUB TOTALS     | 28        | 118 | 52    | 114 | 9       | 6 | 1       |   | 2         | 2 |
| TOTALS         | 382       |     |       |     |         |   |         |   |           |   |

B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| PROVINCES/<br>COORDINATES | DATE/<br>TIME | ACTION<br>SIZE | TYPE | FRD UNIT/<br>LOSSES    | ENR UNIT/<br>LOSSES |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|------|------------------------|---------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>(AT 863857)  | 141045H       | PLT            | SEC  | D/1/3/NONE             | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 924689)               | 132050H       | CO             | LP   | B/1/1/NONE             | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 932624)               | 140925H       | SQD            | SEC  | 3D ENG/1 WIA           | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 932625)               | 141045H       | SQD            | SEC  | 3D ENG/1/1/1/<br>2 WIA | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 932623)               | 141125H       | SQD            | SEC  | B/1/1/NONE             | UNK/3 VCS           |

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| PROVINCE/<br>COORDINATES  | DATE/<br>TIME      | ACTION<br>SIZE | TYPE           | FRD UNIT/<br>LOSSES           | ENM UNIT/<br>LOSSES |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| (BT 034683)               | 132000H            | SQD            | S&D            | B/1/9/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| (BT 056738)               | 141130H            | CO             | S&D            | L/3/9/NONE                    | UNK/1 VCS           |
| (BT 076632)               | 141428H            | SQD            | S&D            | C/1/9/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| (BT 116648)               | 141435H            | SQD            | S&D            | A/1/9/NONE                    | UNK/1 VCS           |
| (AT 991641)               | 141130H            | PLT            | SEC            | F/2/9/1 WIA                   | UNK/UNK             |
| (BT 029641)               | 141430H            | SQD            | S&D            | E/2/9/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 972599)               | 132210H            | PLT            | RIVER<br>BLOCK | H&S/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK             |
| (AT 954654)               | 140710H            | SQD            | AMB            | L/3/3/NONE                    | UNK/ 2 VCS          |
| <del>(AT 959680)</del>    | <del>141715H</del> | <del>SQD</del> | <del>PAT</del> | <del>L/3/3/1 KIA/ 5 WIA</del> | <del>UNK/UNK</del>  |
| QUANG TIN<br>(PT 465072)  | 132125H            | CO             | SEC            | E/2/4/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| (BT 559014)               | 132045H            | CO             | SEC            | D/1/7/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| QUANG NGAI<br>(BS 551996) | 132150H            | CO             | OP             | D/1/7/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |
| (BT 570015)               | 141010H            | C/A TEAM       |                | H&S/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK             |
| THUY TIEN<br>(YD 810155)  | 131810H            | PLT            | SEC            | H/2/1/NONE                    | UNK/UNK             |

C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES. SEE THIRD MAR DIV SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS FOR DETAILED ACTIVITIES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. ELSEWHERE, <sup>332</sup> OFFENSIVE ACTIONS WERE EXECUTED IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES RESULTING IN 18 CONTACTS. GENERALLY GOOD WEATHER CONTINUED IN ALL ENCLAVES.

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2. OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N  | D                | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 24 |              |    |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  |    |              | 13 |                  |   |
| PATROL           |                  |    | 10           | 9  |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    |              |    | 2                | 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL        |                  | 24 | 10           | 22 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL            |                  | 60 |              |    |                  |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 132050H, CO B AT (AT 924689) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 140925H AN ENGINEER <sup>Vehicle (M37)</sup> FROM 3D ENGINEER BN DETONATED A MINE AT (AT 932624) AND ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED. LATER, IN THE SAME VIC (AT 932625) ANOTHER MINE WAS DETONATED AT <sup>By AN M37 Vehicle</sup> 141045H WOUNDING 2 MARINES. A SQUAD FROM CO B APPREHENDED 3 VCS AT 141125H AT (AT 932623).

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. THE 2D PLATOON, CO D EMBARKED IN THREE LVT'S RECEIVED SMALL RMS FIRE FROM THE NORTH AND SOUTH BANKS OF THE SONG CA DE AT (AT 863857) AND (AT 866846). AT 141045H THE MARINES DISEMBARKED FROM THE LVT'S AND SEARCHED BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES. COSS A, B, AND C PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION MALLARD.



I. NINTH MARINES  
 (1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                  | 1        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 27       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 4        | 2            | 27       |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3                | 4        | 1            | 5        |                |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 20           | 22       | 3              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 5                | 36       | 23           | 54       | 3              |          | 1              |          |
| TOTAL            |                  | 142      |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 132000H A VC FIRED FOUR RDS OF S/A FROM (BT 035683) AT A PATROL FROM THE 2D PLT WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS TO THE WEST. THE PATROL IMMEDIATELY RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED THE VC, WHO ESCAPED.

AT 141435H PATROL FIRED WARNING SHOTS AND THEN WOUNDED A FLEEING FEMALE (BT 058662) WITHOUT ID CARD AND BEARING PAPERS WITH WORDS "VIET CONG". MEDEVACED TO USON HOSPITAL.

AT 141428H, CO C PATROL (BT 076630) REC'D TWO RDS S/A FIRE FROM THE SOUTH VIC (BT 076630). PATROL RETURNED TEN RDS 7.62 BUT WERE UNABLE TO DETERMINE EFFECT OF FIRE.

CO (L) CONDUCTED A S/D OPN ALONG THE DE TOURANGE RIVER FROM NORTH TO SOUTH BETWEEN GL (75) AND (71) COMMENCING AT 141030H. PURPOSE OF THE OPN WAS TO SEARCH BOATS USED IN THE RIVER ~~BOATS~~ AND TO WARN THE PEOPLE WHO USE THE BOATS IN THE RIVER OF THE RECENT DISTRICT RESTRICTIONS PLACED ON THEIR USE.

AT 141145H CO L REPORTED THAT THEY HAD APPREHENDED 27 SUSPICIOUS PERSONS (FIVE OF

2d Battalion 9th Marines

Co E. At 14130H sqd patrol (BT 029641 rec'd six rds from (BT 029635) and returned three rds 1E-79.

Co F. At 141130H, a Marine at H A DONG B ridge (BT 991641) tripped a booby trapped grenade. One trip wire was found. One Marine WIA evac to 2/9 BAZ.

THEM WOMEN) AND DESTROYED 11 ABANDONED RIVER BOATS. AT

AT 141345H IT WAS REPORTED THAT 16 MORE SUSPICIOUS PERSONS WERE ADDED TO THE GROUP ALREADY APPREHENDED. TWO PLASTIC AP MINES WERE FOUND VIC (BT 058729) AND (BT 065715) AT APPROXIMATELY 141130H. AP MINES WERE OF A MANUFACTURED TYPE, AND WERE 3.5 INCHES IN DIAMETER. BOTH WERE BLOWN IN PLACE AND WERE JUDGED AS HAVING ABOUT THE SAME EXPLOSIVE FORCE AS A HAND GRENADE. A TOTAL OF 76 SUSPICIOUS PERSONS WERE DETAINED AND QUESTIONED AND ALL BUT ONE MALE WHO HAD AN ID CARD SAYING HE WAS 38 YEARS OF AGE (PERSON APPEARED TO BE 20 YEARS OF AGE) WERE RELEASED AFTER QUESTIONING. THE ONE MALE VCS WAS TURNED OVER TO ITT FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING. THE OPERATION WAS CONCLUDED AT APPROXIMATELY 141345H.

(3) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 140710H CO L A SQD AMB PICKED UP TWO MALE VCS. VCS EVACUATED TO ITT. ~~A SQUAD SIZE PATROL PROVIDING SECURITY TO PSYWAR TEAM RECEIVED FIRE FROM EAST OF SONG YEN RIVER VIC (AT 959680). USMC CASUALTIES 1 KIA, 5 WIA. VC CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. SQUAD SENT UP WEST SIDE OF RIVER TO CHECK AREA. FOUND EXTENDED BRASS. VC BROKE CONTACT.~~

AT 132210H HAS CO A FLT (-) LOCATED AT RIVER BLOCK (AT 971699) REC'D EIGHT TO TEN RDS S/A FIRE FROM THE NW. SAW MOVEMENT IN SOUTHEAST PART OF CAM HOA (AT 969701). FIRED 50 RDS S/A AT MOVEMENT AND ILLUMINATED WITH SIX RDS 81MM MORTAR. SPOTTED BOA IN SONG CAU DO (AT 972699). FIRED THREE RDS OF M-79 AND FOUR RDS S/A AND SANK BOA

CO D, 1/9 OPCON 3/3, BECAME OPCON 3/3 AT 141130H. D-1 IS OPCON "L" CO 3/3 HILL 22 (AT 954667). D-2 IS OPCON "M" CO AT AN TRAC (AT 972662). D-3 IS AT SP#1 (AT 988728) AND WILL HAVE 30 FLSG PERSONNEL ATTACHED EACH EVENING FOR NIGHT SECURITY OF ASP #1. CO D/1/9 D CP LOCATED AT 3/3 CP (AT 975705).

C. 12TH MARINES

(10) BOX SCORES

NUMBER MISSIONS

SUPPORTING

OBS      H&I      TOTAL

K&F

4              417      421

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ROUND EXTENDED

RE      ST

155 G      14

155 H      95

105 P      457      5

107 HT      4

8" M      52

D. THIRD RECON BATTALION(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              | 2        |                | 1        |
| PATROLS      |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 2               | 2        | 4            | 6        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 17              |          |              |          |                |          |

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OPERATIONSA. ROBERT MARINES(1) BOX SODRES

|               | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|---------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|               | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LIGHTING POST | 2                | 7        |              |          |
| AMFILL        |                  | 15       |              | 11       |
| PATROL        | 7                | 6        | 11           | 10       |
| SUB-TOTAL     | 9                | 28       | 11           | 21       |
| TOTAL         |                  |          |              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 132125H, COMPANY E, OCCUPYING THE OUTPOST OF HILL 69, (BT 465073) RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE WAS UNDETERMINED. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPE    | 1                |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 15       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 2        |              | 3        |                |          |
| PATROLS        | 5                | 5        | 3            | 5        | 1              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 6                | 22       | 3            | 8        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL          | 42               |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 132045H, AFTER HEARING NOISES AND FIRING ILLUMINATION, COMPANY D RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 65 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE IN THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITIONS FROM (BT 565011). THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE AREA WAS CHECKED OUT AT FIRST LIGHT. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 132150H, THE COMPANY D OUTPOST AT (BS 550996) OBSERVED 2 MEN WITHIN TEN FEET OF THEIR PROTECTIVE WIRE. AFTER CHALLENGING<sup>W</sup>, THE OUTPOST FIRED ON THE MEN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

AT 141010H THE BATTALION CIVIL AFFAIRS TEAM RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AT (BT 570015), FROM AN UNKNOWN ORIGIN. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

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100TH BATTALION GROUP(1) BOX SCORENUMBER MISSIONS

| <u>OBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------------|----------------|--------------|
| 9          | 60             | 69           |

SUPPORTING

| <u>FAF</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
|------------|--------------|
| 65         | 4            |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|        | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155 G  | 4         |            | 8         | 12           |
| 155 H  | 63        |            | 3         | 66           |
| 105 H  | 274       | 28         | 2 (HC)    | 304          |
| 107 HT | 36        | 2          |           | 38           |



D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 2                | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST |                  |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              |          |                | 1        |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 1            | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 2                | 2        | 1            | 1        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL          | 9                |          |              |          |                |          |

4. NUC PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                  | 21       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                  |          |              | 6        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                  |          | 9            | 20       |
| SUB-TOTAL       |                  | 21       | 9            | 26       |
| TOTAL           | 56               |          |              |          |

(2) 2A BN, 1ST MARINES. THE 3A PLATOON, CO H AT 131810H RECEIVED SPALL AND FIRE FROM 3 VC AT (YD 810155). FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NO CASUALTIES.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
| <u>UNOBS</u>           | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 1                      | 129            | 130          | 129               | 1          |
| <u>AMMO EXPENDED</u>   |                |              |                   |            |
| HE                     |                |              |                   |            |
| 155 H                  | 17             |              |                   |            |
| 105 H                  | 127            |              |                   |            |

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|------------------|----|-----|----|-----|---|--|---|---|-----|
|                  | 7  | 9   |    |     |   |  |   |   |     |
| LISTENING POST   | 2  | 48  |    |     |   |  |   |   |     |
| AMBUSH           | 2  | 66  | 2  | 77  |   |  | 3 |   |     |
| PATROLE          | 20 | 9   | 31 | 38  | 4 |  | 4 |   |     |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |    |     | 23 | 26  | 5 |  | 1 | 1 | 3 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 33 | 132 | 56 | 141 | 9 |  | 8 | 1 | 3 2 |
| TOTAL            |    | 385 |    |     |   |  |   |   |     |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 106 PATROLS AND 150 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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THIRD MARCH (ATTEMPT NUMBER 254 AS OF 101000Z JAN 1966)

1. THIRD MARCH HIGHLIGHTSA. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 4               | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 94  |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 26  |              | 73  |                | 5  |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 7               | 4   | 5            | 10  | 5              | 4  |                |   |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 13              | 6   | 25           | 35  | 2              | 2  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 24           | 24  | 6              | 1  | 1              |   | 3                | 2 |
| TOTAL            | 28              | 151 | 54           | 142 | 13             | 12 | 1              |   | 3                | 2 |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCES/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u>       | <u>FRD UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENM UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| THUA THIEN<br>YD 796078           | 151210H               | SQD                    | OP                | G/2/1/NONE                  | UNK/3 KIA                   |
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 930651            | 142240H               | SQD                    | AMB               | F/2/1/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |
| AT 901772                         | 150500H               | SQD                    | SEC               | B/1/1/1 KIA<br>? WIA        | UNK/NONE                    |
| BT 102651                         | 150800H               | SST                    | SST               | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 KIA (DEAD)            |
| BT 065628                         | 151030H               | PLT                    | S/D               | O/1/9/1 MIA                 | UNK/UNK                     |
| BT 091631                         | 151200H               | PLT                    | S/D               | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |
| BT 092632                         | 150915H               | PT                     | SS                | A/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| BT 048672                         | 150915H               | SQD                    | S/D               | B/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| BT 065628                         | 151249H               | PLT                    | S/D               | C/1/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| BT 032648                         | 142250H               | SQD                    | AMB               | E/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/1 KIA                   |
| AT 989643                         | 150215H               | CO                     | PER               | G/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| BT 000635                         | 150230H               | SQD                    | S/D               | E/2/9/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| AT 955665                         | 142020H               | CO                     | HARASSING<br>FIRE | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| AT 949629                         | 151030H               | CO                     | S/D               | L/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/5 VCS                   |
| AT 976636                         | 151506H               | SQD                    | S/D               | K/3/3/NONE                  | UNK/1 KIA                   |
| QUANG TINH<br>BT 416158           | 150715H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | D/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| BT 410156                         | 150735H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | D/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/2 FSA                   |
| BT 415159                         | 150730H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | D/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| BT 416158                         | 150815H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | A/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| BT 422159                         | 151030H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | A/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |
| BT 442150                         | 151115H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | D/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/ 1 VCS                  |
| BT 441155                         | 151400H               | BN(-)                  | S/D               | D/1/4/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |

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| <u>PROVINCES/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRD UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENK UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 500068            | 150500H               | FT AMB                      | H/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| BT 421084                         | 151040H               | FT S/D                      | E/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/NONE                    |
| BT 435089                         | 151255H               | FT S/D                      | S/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 618985           | 151358H               | S/D SEC                     | G/1/7/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 502026            | 142215H               | S/D SEC                     | E/2/7/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                     |
| BS 610250                         | 142215H               | S/D SEC                     | E/2/7/NONE                  | UNK/2 VCS                   |
| BS 460250                         | 142315H               | FT AMB                      | H/2/4/NONE                  | UNK/1 VCS                   |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATION BIG LODGE, A SEARCH AND DETECTION OPERATION COMMENCED AT 150750H AS LEADING ELEMENTS 2D BN, 9TH MARINES, CROSSED THE LOD. SEE 3D MARINE SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS. OPERATION MALLARD CONTINUES. SEE 3D MARINE SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS. DURING OPERATION BIRDWATCHER A 1ST FORCE RECON PATROL KILLED THREE VC AT 152730H VIC (BS 610290), KILLING TWO AND WOUNDING ONE. EXCELLENT WEATHER PREVAILED THROUGHOUT ALL ENCLAVES AS DIVISION UNITS CONDUCTED 381 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS, RESULTING IN 22 CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD BATTALIES.(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|----------------|----|--------------|----|------------------|---|
|                  | D              | N  | D            | N  | D                | N |
| LETTERHEAD POST  |                | 26 |              |    |                  |   |
| MINE             |                |    |              | 23 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                |    | 4            | 6  |                  |   |
| SEARCH & SEIZURE |                |    |              |    | 1                | 1 |
| TOTAL            |                | 26 | 4            | 29 | 1                | 1 |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. A SQUAD FROM CO F ENCOUNTERED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (AT 930651) AT 1400H. SA FIRE WAS EXCHANGED AND THE VC BROKE CONTACT. A SEARCH OF THE AREA HAD NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.

A SQUAD FROM CO B DETONATED A DIRECTIONAL TYPE MINE AT 150800H AT (AT 901772). THE MINE WAS MOUNTED ON A FOUR FOOT BAMBOO TRIPOD. THE PATROL WAS IN COLUMN WITH A FIFTEEN PACE INTERVAL BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS. ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND SEVEN WERE WOUNDED.

(3) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. NO CONTACT WAS REPORTED. CO A, B, AND C PARTICIPATED IN OPN MALLARD.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 30       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 4        |              | 30       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 4        |              | 5        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 22           | 22       | 3              |          |
| TOTAL            | 5               | 39       | 22           | 57       | 3              |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. CO A. AT 150800H A SCOUT SNIPER TEAM LOCATED AT (BT 102651) OBSERVED ONE VC AT (BT 095641) AND SHOT HIM. THE RESULTS WERE NOT INVESTIGATED DUE TO HIGH WATER LEVEL BETWEEN THE TWO POSITIONS. AT 151200H 1ST PLT CO A VIC (BT 091631) RECEIVED FIVE TO TEN RDS OF AUTOMATIC AND SEMI AUTOMATIC FIRE FROM VIC (BT 094630). RETURNED HEAVY SA FIRE WITH 81MM AND ARTY MISSIONS AND SEARCHED AREA THEN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. DURING SEARCH, THE PLT AGAIN RECEIVED FIRE FROM VC VIC (BT 110630) AND FIRED ARTY MISSION WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS DUE TO WATER BETWEEN THE POSITIONS. APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 091631) RINGING A BELL. AT 150915H 1ST PLT CO A SNIPER TEAM VIC (BT 092632) REPORTED ONE RD HIT VC IN TRENCH LINE VIC (BT 092620). SQUAD SEARCHING FOR BODY RECEIVED 10 RDS SA FIRE WHICH WAS RETURNED. FOUND BLOOD AND TRACKS LEADING SOUTH BUT SEARCH PROVED NEGATIVE.

CO B. AT 150915H SQUAD PATROL SEARCHING VILLAGE VIC (BT 048677) FROM WHICH SA FIRE WAS RECEIVED 14 JAN 1966, APPREHENDED TWO VCS WHO RESISTED AND WERE TAKEN TO 1/9 CP FOR QUESTIONING.

CO C. AT 150730H A SQUAD PATROL OBSERVED SIX VC RUNNING TO THE SOUTHWEST WHILE LOCATED AT (BT 062627). THE SQUAD TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE AND PURSUED TO (BT 063625)

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WHERE, AT 150930H, THEY RECEIVED 10 RDS SA FROM (BT 061622) CAUSING ONE USMC. THE VC WERE ONCE AGAIN PURSUED AND AT 151030H, WHILE LOCATED AT (BT 065628), SUSTAINED SECOND USMC KIA WHEN THE PLT RECEIVED 10 RDS SA FROM (BT 072643). AT 151245H, 3D PLT CO C VIC (BT 065628) DIRECTED 15 90MM RDS TANK FIRE AT VC POSITION VIC (BT 072635) AND UNDER LIGHT TO HEAVY SNIPER FIRE MOVED TWO TANKS AND INCREASED ON THAT POSITION. FOUND EVIDENCE OF BODIES DRUG ~~IN~~<sup>OFF</sup> AND VILLAGERS INDICATED EIGHT VC WERE KIA BUT RESULTS OF TANK AND SA FIRE ARE UNCONFIRMED.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. CO E. AT 142250H SQUAD AMBUSH VIC (BT 032649) OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL VIC (BT 033648). SQUAD AMBUSH FIRED TWO M-79 RDS. OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL FALL INTO RIVER, WHILE AREA WAS UNDER ILLUMINATION. ESTIMATED ONE VC KIA. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. AT 150230H SQUAD PATROL VIC (BT 000635) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 10 RDS MORTAR FIRE FROM UNDETERMINED DIRECTION AND EIGHT RDS SA FIRE FROM (AT 990643) ACROSS SONG PAU XAU RIVER.

CO G. AT 150215H A CO PERIMETER VIC (AT 989643), RECEIVED EIGHT RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 991697). KEPT AREA UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. CO K. AT 151506H SQUAD PATROL VIC (AT 978686) SHOT AND KILLED ONE VC. VC REFUSED TO STOP WHEN CHALLENGED. DRESSED IN GREEN UNIFORM WITH BLACK PAJAMAS UNDERNEATH. NO WEAPON RECOVERED. AT 151430H IN VIC (AT 949629), APPREHENDED FIVE VCS.

CO M. AT 141710H CO M WAS ALERTED TO SEND BLOCKING FORCE AND SCREEN CO K'S ELEMENTS MOVING TO (AT 959679). AT 1812H ESTABLISHED A SQUAD BLOCKING FORCE AT (AT 966672). THE BLOCKING FORCE REMAINED IN POSITION THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT AND ESTABLISHED AMBUSHES IN THAT AREA. IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATION BIG LODGE ESTABLISHED SQUAD SIZE (MAIN) AMBUSH AT (AT 961651) AND (AT 973651) TO PROVIDE A SCREEN FOR CO I'S MOVEMENT TO THE AMBUSH SOUTH AT FIRST LIGHT. AT 152100H SQUAD AMBUSHES WERE RETRACTED TO CP (AT 971661). NO ENEMY CONTACT PAST TWENTY FOUR H

C. 12TH AIR DIVISION.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SOURCES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>ONE</u>             | <u>TWO</u> | <u>THREE</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>HVN</u> |
| 155G  |                        | 1          | 2            | 3            | 2                 | 1          |
| 155H  | 1                      | 2          | 138          | 141          | 139               | 2          |
| 105H  | 7                      |            | 275          | 282          | 282               |            |
| 107HF |                        |            | 2            | 2            | 2                 |            |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> |
| 155G  | 5                      |            |
| 155H  | 228                    | 2          |
| 105H  | 519                    |            |
| 107HF | 4                      |            |

D. 3D RECON BN.

(1) BOX TROOP.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SHIPER | 2               |   |              |   |                |   |
| ALTERN       |                 |   | 4            |   | 1              |   |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 4            | 4 | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL        | 2               |   | 4            | 8 | 1              | 2 |

(2) 3D RECON BN. 4TH FLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO, DURING OPN BIRDWATCHER  
 AMBUSHED THREE VC VIC (BS 6129) AT 151730H, KILLING TWO AND WOUNDING ONE. WOUNDED  
 VC ESCAPED.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) COA SCORES.

|                  | <u>FOURTH BN</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1                |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 7  |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 21 |              | 9  |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7                | 2  | 12           | 9  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    |              |    | 2              |   |
| TOTAL            | 10               | 30 | 12           | 18 | 2              |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 150715H, A PLT FROM CO D APPREHENDED 2 VCS SHORTLY AFTER DEPARTING FROM HELICOPTERS IN THE COURSE OF A BATTALION (-) SEARCH AND DESTROY OPN. THE VCS WERE CAPTURED NEAR THE LANDING ZONE VIC (BT 416158). NEITHER VCS HAD PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

AT 150730H, A PLT FROM CO D APPREHENDED 2 VCS VIC (BT 415159).

AT 150735H, CO D DISCOVERED 2 DEAD VIETNAMESE IN THE HELICOPTER LANDING ZONE VIC (BT 410156). BOTH VIETNAMESE HAD BEEN KILLED BY THE PRE-LANDING AIR STRIKES.

AT 150815H, A PLT FROM CO A APPREHENDED 2 VCS VIC (BT 416158).

AT 151030H, A PLT FROM CO A APPREHENDED 1 VCS VIC (BT 422159).

AT 151115H, A PLT FROM CO D APPREHENDED 1 VCS VIC (BT 442150).

AT 151400H, A PLT FROM CO D APPREHENDED 2 VCS VIC (BT 441155).

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 150500H, A FIRE TEAM AMBUSH FROM CO H AT (BT 500068) HEARD A BURST OF SA FIRE. ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED, AND THE FIRE TEAM SAW A PERSON MOVING NEAR THEIR POSITION. THE MAN WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND THE AREA CHECKED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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AT 151040H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E LOCATED AT (BT 421084) RECEIVED FIVE RDS SNIPER FIRE FROM VIC (BT 425090). THE PATROL RETURNED THE FIRE, CALLED AN ARTY MISSION AND CLEFT THE AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 151250H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO E FOUND SOME FRESH FOXHOLES VIC (BT 436089). A SEARCH OF THE AREA UNCOVERED ONE VCS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) FOX SQUAD.

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D              | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                | 15 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBU             |                | 1  |              | 4  |                | 1 |
| REGA PATROL      | 4              |    |              |    |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 6              | 4  | 1            | 4  | 2              | 2 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |    | 2            | 2  | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL            | 10             | 20 | 3            | 10 | 3              | 4 |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 151358H, A SQUAD FROM CO C ON THE ISLAND OP AT (BS 618985) APPREHENDED TWO VCS. NEITHER VCS HAD PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 142215H, A SQUAD FROM CO E HANING OP #20 (BT 502026) HEARD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF THEIR POSITION. THEY CHALLENGED AND IMMEDIATELY HEARD THE SOUND OF RUNNING. A HAND GRENADE WAS THROWN AND THE AREA ILLUMINATED. UNDER ILLUMINATION, TWO PERSONS WERE SEEN RUNNING AWAY. WHILE THE AREA WAS ILLUMINATED, THE SQUAD RECEIVED TWO RDS OF SA FIRE. THE FLEEING PERSONS WERE FIRED ON AND A PATROL DISPATCHED TO SEARCH THE AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS.



C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HEI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155G  |                        | 4            | 5          | 9            | 4                 | 4          |
| 155H  | 6                      | 4            |            | 10           | 9                 | 1          |
| 105H  | 4                      |              | 28         | 32           | 32                |            |
| 105HT | 1                      |              | 11         | 12           | 12                |            |
| 8"H   | 1                      |              |            | 1            | 1                 |            |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155G  | 28        | 7          |           | 35           |
| 155H  | 45        | 5          | 7         | 57           |
| 105H  | 371       |            | 11        | 382          |
| 107HT | 58        |            |           | 58           |
| 8"H   | 26        |            |           | 26           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SQUAD  | 1              |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMTRAC       |                |          | 1            |          |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                |          | 1            | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL        | 1              |          | 1            | 2        | 1              | 2        |

(2) RECON GROUP ALPHA. 2D PLT, CO B, KILLED ONE VC AT 141515H VIC  
(BS 462925). VC SPOTTED PATROL AND ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE. ONE CARBINE RECOVERED.

4. PHU DAT OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FOR TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    |
|-----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|
|                 | D               | N  | D            | N  |
| DISPATCH POST   |                 | 16 |              |    |
| NEIGHB          |                 |    | 2            |    |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |    | 8            | 16 |
| TOTAL           |                 | 16 | 8            | 18 |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AN OBSERVATION POST SPOTTED FOUR VC AT (YD 848356) AND PLACED ARTY FIRES ON THEIR POSITION KILLING THREE VC.

4TH BN , 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>INOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>HAI</u>        |
| 155H  | 6                      |              | 20         | 26           | 26                |
| 105H  |                        | 1            | 90         | 91           | 91                |
| 107HC | 16                     |              |            | 16           | 16                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 155H  | 65                     | 8         |
| 105H  | 96                     |           |
| 107HC | 132                    | 10        |

5. PLAN SUMMARY.A. DEV BATT BOX SCORE'S.

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D                 | N   | D            | N   | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT LIFER      | 2                 | 1   |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                 | 29  |              |     |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                 | 28  |              | 88  |                | 2 |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 5                 | 6   | 8            | 14  | 4              | 2 |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 12                | 8   | 30           | 30  | 2              | 2 |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |     | 1            | 28  | 7              | 2 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL            | 23                | 132 | 55           | 160 | 13             | 8 | 2                | 2 |

3. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 122 PATROLS AND 120 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. *OPERATION MAHARD AND OPERATION*  
*Big Lodge will continue.*  
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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 255 AS OF 161000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARINE DIVISION HIGHLIGHTSA. DIVISION PCA SCORES

|                  | FIRE TEAM |     | SQUAD |     | PLATOON |    | COMPANY |   | BATTALION |   |
|------------------|-----------|-----|-------|-----|---------|----|---------|---|-----------|---|
|                  | D         | N   | D     | N   | D       | N  | D       | N | D         | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 4         | 1   |       |     |         |    |         |   |           |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2         | 91  |       |     |         |    |         |   |           |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2         | 27  | 2     | 86  |         | 4  |         |   |           |   |
| PATROLS          | 17        | 13  | 37    | 45  | 8       | 6  |         |   |           |   |
| CLEARING         |           |     |       |     |         |    | 1       | 1 |           |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |           |     | 18    | 31  | 7       | 2  |         |   | 2         | 2 |
| SUB- TOTAL       | 25        | 132 | 57    | 162 | 15      | 12 | 1       | 1 | 2         | 2 |
| TOTAL            | 409       |     |       |     |         |    |         |   |           |   |

B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| PROVINCE/<br>COORDINATES | DATE/<br>TIME | ACTION<br>SIZE | TYPE | FRIENDLY UNIT/<br>LOSSES | ENEMY UNIT/<br>LOSSES |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>(AT 893706) | 151845H       | SQD            | SEC  | C/1/1/NONE               | UNK/2 VOC             |
| (AT 913690)              | 152030H       | SQD            | AMB  | B/1/1/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 0699623)             | 151845H       | PLT            | CP   | C/1/9/NONE               | UNK/1 KIA             |

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| PROVINCE/<br>COORDINATES  | DATE/<br>TIME | ACTION<br>SIZE | TYPE | FRIENDLY UNIT/<br>LOSSES | ENEMY UNIT/<br>LOSSES |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>(BT 063680)  | 152030H       | BTRY           | CP   | D/2/12/NONE              | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 067671)               | 152030H       | SQD            | S&D  | E/1/9/NONE               | UNK/1 KIA             |
| (BT 067671)               | 152200H       | SQD            | S&D  | E/1/9/NONE               | UNK/4 KIA (POS)       |
| (BT 065628)               | 152200H       | SQD            | AMB  | C/1/9/NONE               | UNK/1 KIA (BOS)       |
| (BT 093642)               | 160900H       | SQD            | S&D  | A/1/9/NONE               | UNK/2 KIA             |
| (BT 044658)               | 161210H       | SQD            | S&D  | C/1/9/NONE               | UNK/ 1 KIA (POS)      |
| (AT 945610)               | 151930H       | FT             | PLT  | I/3/3/NONE               | UNK/1 KIA             |
| (AT 976583)               | 161210H       | CO             | S&D  | F/2/9/1 WIA              | UNK/UNK               |
| (AT 9734628)              | 161220H       | CO             | S&D  | F/2/9/1 WIA              | UNK/UNK               |
| (AT 934628)               | 151840H       | CO             | S&D  | I/3/3/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (AT 945610)               | 151915H       | PLT            | CP   | H/3/3/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (AT 973659)               | 152100H       | CO             | CP   | H/3/3/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| QUANG TIN<br>(BT 515056)  | 152015H       | CO             | SEC  | G/2/4/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 519058)               | 152030H       | PLT            | SEC  | H&S/2/4/NONE             | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 518054)               | 152050H       | PLT            | SEC  | H&S/2/4/NONE             | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 472069)               | 152105H       | PLT            | SEC  | H/2/4/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 459073)               | 152106)       | CO             | SEC  | E/2/4/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 466070)               | 152112H       | PLT            | SEC  | H/2/4/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| (BT 469059)               | 152115H       | PLT            | SEC  | H/2/4/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| QUANG NGAI<br>(BS 625988) | 150115H       | CO             | SEC  | C/1/7/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| QUANG TIN<br>(BT 530015)  | 152040H       | FT             | OP   | F/2/7/NONE               | UNK/1 WIA (POS)       |
| (BT 528055)               | 152050H       | PLT            | SEC  | B/1/7/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. OPERATIONS MALLARD AND BIG LODGE, BOTH SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS CONTINUED WITH LIGHT ENEMY CONTACT. SEE 3D MARINEV SPECIAL SITUATION REPORTS. EXCELLENT WEATHER CONDITIONS THROUGH OUT ALL THREE ENCLAVES AS DIVISION UNITS CONDUCTED 409 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS RESULTING IN 25 CONTACTS WITH ENEMY FORCES.

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OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N  | D                | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 29 |              |    |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  |    |              | 24 |                  |   |
| PATROL           |                  |    | 11           | 7  |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    |              |    | 2                | 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL        |                  | 29 | 11           | 31 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTAL            |                  | 75 |              |    |                  |   |

(2) 1ST BR., 1ST MARINES. COMPANY C APPREHENDED TWO VC AT (AT 893706) AT 151845H. THE VC WERE TURNED OVER TO ITT FOR INVESTIGATION.

AN AMBUSH FROM COMPANY B RECEIVED TWELVE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AT 152030H AT (AT 913690). FIRE RETURNED. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

B. NINTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                  | 1   |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 22  |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 7   | 2            | 37 |                |   |
| PATROL           | 3                | 5   |              | 10 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |     | 17           | 29 | 3              |   |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 5                | 35  | 19           | 76 | 3              |   |
| TOTAL            |                  | 138 |              |    |                |   |

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(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 160900H A SQD ENGAGED 10 VC AT (BT 093642) AND KILLED TWO VC WHEN AN 81MM MORTAR MISSION WAS CALLED IN AND OBS TO LAND ON TOP OF TWO OF THE ENEMY. THE VC FLED TO THE SOUTH AND THE PATROL PURSUED BY FIRE.

A PATROL FROM THE 3D BPT CO B CAPTURED ONE VC, ARMED WITH M-26 GRENADE, IN A HOUSE AT (BT 067671) AT 152030H. WHILE ENROUTE TO THE CP THE PATROL RECEIVED SMALLS ARMS FIRE AND ONE GRENADE AT (BT 067669). THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND THE VCC ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE AND WAS KILLED. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND THE PATROL PURSUED BY FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

AS A PATROL FROM THE 3D PLT MOVED INTO A VILLAGE AT (BT 067671) AT 152200H THEY ENCOUNTERED AN ESTIMATED 10 VCS ARMED WITH A/W AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. THE PATROL WAS SUPPORTED BY 81MM ILLUMINATION AND HE AND FOUR VC WERE SEEN TO BE HIT BY MORTAR FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND THE PATROL PURSUED BY FIRE. THE PATROL ALSO LOCATED TEN STRAW DUMMIES AND A NUMBER OF BAMBOO WEAPONS.

AT 151845H THE 3D PLT KILLED ONE VC AT (BT 069623) WHO HAD BEEN DELIVERING SA FIRE INTO THEIR POSITION. AT 152200H AN AMBUSH LOCATED AT (BT 065628) RECEIVED SIX RDS OF SA FIRE FROM AT LEAST FOUR SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND TWO A/W LOCATED AT (BT 065629). FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED SINCE THE PATROL LEADER FELT IT WAS ONLY AN ATTEMPT TO PINPOINT THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE AMBUSH. SEVERAL MINUTES LATER TWO VC WERE OBS ABOUT 30 METERS AWAY CRAWLING UP THE <sup>HILL</sup> AND THE PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH S/A AND GRENADES AND THEN WITHDREW 300 METERS IN ORDER TO FIRE 81MM MORTARS INTO THE AREA. A LATER SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED NUMEROUS BLOOD STAINS AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT AT LEAST ONE VC WAS KILLED.

AT 161210H SQD PATROL (BT 041658) REC'D APPROX 30-40 RDS S/A FROM VC POSITION (BT 041659). PATROL RETURNED APPROX 200 RDS SA, TWO 3.5 RDS (HEAVY) AND TEN 40MM M-79'S RESULTING IN ONE POSSIBLE VC KIA, OBS BEING DRAGGED AWAY.

BATTERY D, 2/12, TWELVE RDS OF SA FIRE WERE REC'D AT 152030H FROM (BT 063678) FRIENDLY COORD WERE (BT 063680).

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(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 161210H REC'D ONE PUNJI FOOT WOUND AT (AT 976583) AND AT 161220H REC'D ONE S/A ROUND AT (AT 973578). ONE MARINE WIA.

AT 151930H FT PATROL VIC (AT 94510) OBS ONE VC AND KILLED HIM WITH SA FIRE.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 151840H A TANK WITH CO L RAN OVER MINE (APPROX 40 LBS) (AT 934628) WHICH BLEW THE RIGHT TRACK HALF OFF, PUNCTURED OIL PAN, AND BENT WHEELS. THE TANK AND CO L ELEMENTS RETURNED TO HILL 22 (AT 954667) AT 161331H.

AT 151915H A PLT PERIMETER (AT 963660) REC'D APPROX 50 RDS SA FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC (AT 959657). RETURNED FIRE WITH 220 RDS SA AND ~~FOUR~~ COMM MORTAR RDS. A FIRETEAM LP WAS DIVERTED TO CHECK AREA. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO FIND TRACES TO CASUALTIES INFLICTED ON THE VC. NO USMC CASUALTIES. AT 152100H REC'D APPROX 10 RDS CAN INE FIRE FROM (AT 973659) INTO THE CO PERIMETER (AT 972662). RETURNED FIRE WITH APPROX 15 RDS SA FIRE. NO USMC CASUALTIES. NO KNOWN VC CASUALTIES INFLICTED.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONS

| <u>ORG.</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| 6           | 370            | 376          |

SUPPORTING

| <u>MAF</u> | <u>RVN</u> |
|------------|------------|
| 373        | 3          |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|        | <u>22</u> | <u>105</u> | <u>41</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155 G  | 22        |            | 4         | 26           |
| 155 H  | 65        |            |           | 65           |
| 105 H  | 411       | 13         |           | 424          |
| 107 HT | 10        | 18         |           | 28           |
| 8" H   | 26        |            |           | 26           |

D. THIRD RECON BN.

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                  |          | 6            | 4        | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2                |          | 6            | 8        | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL -      | 20               |          |              |          |                |          |

3. GRU IAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 20       |              | 14       |                |          |
| PATROL           | 7                | 4        | 12           | 6        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 9                | 31       | 12           | 20       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL            | 73               |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 152015H CO G OBSERVED MOVEMENT VIC (BT 515056).  
ILLUMINATION AND SA WAS FIRED. FIRE WAS RETURNED BY THE VC AND A PATROL WAS SENT INTO  
THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152030H THE 81MM MORTAR PSN REC APPROXIMATELY 50 RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (BT 519058).  
ILLUMINATION AND SA FIRE WAS RETURNED. TWO MEN WERE OBSERVED VIC (BT 519052) AND SMALL  
ARMS FIRE WAS RECEIVED. FIRE WAS RETURNED AND A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE AT FIRST  
LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152050H THE 81MM MORTAR PSN AGAIN RECEIVED 15-20 RDS SA FIRE VIC (BT 518054).  
FIRE WAS RETURNED AND A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152105H CO H ON OUT POST HILL (9 VIC (BT 468068) RECEIVED 50 RDS AUTOMATIC WPNS  
FIRE VIC (BT 472069). FIRE WAS RETURNED, AND THE AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH  
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152106H CO E VIC (BT 463072) RECEIVED 30 RDS AUTOMATIC WPNS FIRE VIC (BT 499073).

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FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152112H CO H OUTPOST ON HILL 69 VIC (BT 468068) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING GRENADE VIC (BT 466070). NO FIRE WAS RETURNED AREA ILLUMINATED.

AT 152115H CO H VIC (BT 468068) WHILE ILLUMINATED AREA OBSERVED ONE MAN VIC (BT 469069) VC FIRED ON WITH SMALL ARMS. AREA WAS CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT AND NO EVIDENCE OF VC WAS FOUND.

B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D.</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| A SQUAD SNIPER |                  | 1        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 17       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 4        |                |          |                |          |
| PATROLS        | 7                | 4        | 3            | 2        | 2              |          |                |          |
| CLEARING       |                  |          |              |          |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 8                | 21       | 7            | 2        | 2              |          | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL          |                  | 42       |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 160115H CO C DETECTED MOVEMENT FORWARD OF THEIR PSNS VIC (BS 625988). ILLUMINATION FIRED AND ONE VC WAS OBSERVED RUNNING INTO THE BUSHES. SA FIRE WAS PLACED ON THE INDIVIDUAL AND A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 152040H AN OP FROM CO F OBSERVED TWO VC VIC (BT 30015). THE OP FIRED ILLUMINATION AND SA FIRE. ONE VC WAS OBSERVED TO FALL, WHILE THE OTHER RAN TO THE SOUTH. A PATROL WAS SENT INTO THE AREA, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 152050H A PLATOON FROM CO B OBSERVED THREE VC NORTH OF THE RMC CONTRACTOR AREA VIC (BT 528055). A PATROL WAS SENT INTO THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.



C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP(1) BOX SOURCESARTILLERY BATTAL

| <u>CODE</u> | <u>CBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| 6           | 19         | 56             | 61           |

SUPPORTING

MAF - 72, RVN - 4

ARTILLERY EXTENDED

|        | <u>155</u> | <u>105</u> | <u>107</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| 155 G  | 18         |            |            | 18           |
| 155 H  | 180        | 7          | 5          | 192          |
| 105 H  | 234        | 11         |            | 245          |
| 107 BT | 20         | 21         |            | 41           |
| 8" H   | 1          |            |            | 1            |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          | 1            |          |                | 3        |
| PATROL       |                  |          | 1            | 1        | 4              | 3        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 1                |          | 1            | 2        | 4              | 6        |
| TOTAL        | 13               |          |              |          |                |          |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BTL 1ST BATTAL(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FLIGHTS</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    |
|----------------|----------------|----|--------------|----|
|                | D              | N  | D            | N  |
| LISTENING POST |                | 16 |              |    |
| AMBUSH         |                |    |              | 2  |
| PATROL         |                |    | 7            | 14 |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                | 16 | 7            | 16 |
| TOTAL          | 39             |    |              |    |

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B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) FOI SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>MAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 15SH |                        |              | 30         | 30           | 30                |
| 10SH |                        |              | 66         | 66           | 66                |
| 10SH | 1                      | 1            |            | 2            | 2                 |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 15SH | 87                     |            | 14        | 101          |
| 10SH | 143                    |            |           | 143          |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT DETACHMENT | 4                | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| ENGINEERING PL   | 2                | 89  |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| ARTILLERY        | 2                | 30  | 1            | 87  |                | 4  |                |   |                  |   |
| PATROL           | 16               | 29  | 34           | 51  | 7              | 6  |                |   |                  |   |
| COMMUNICATIONS   |                  |     | 19           | 27  | 6              | 1  | 3              |   | 2                | 2 |
| CHIEF OF STAFF   |                  |     |              |     | 1              | 1  | 1              | 1 |                  |   |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 24               | 140 | 54           | 165 | 14             | 12 | 4              | 1 | 2                | 2 |
| TOTALS           | 408              |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 134 PATROLS AND 124 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

C. 2ND BN 1ST MAR (-) WILL CONDUCT A ONE DAY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION WITH ARVN FORCES.

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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV  
 TO: CG III MAF  
 INFO: CG FMAM  
 THIRD MARDIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 256 AS OF 171000Z JAN 1966

A. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 5               | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 89  |              |     |                |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 28  | 1            | 86  |                | 4  |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 8   | 7            | 12  | 4              | 4  |                |   |                  |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 31              | 10  | 29           | 40  | 2              | 2  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 17           | 25  | 10             | 2  |                |   | 4                | 3 |
| CLEARING         |                 |     |              |     | 1              | 1  | 1              | 1 |                  |   |
| SUB TOTALS       | 25              | 136 | 54           | 163 | 17             | 13 | 1              | 1 | 4                | 3 |

TOTAL - 417

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>(AT 891770)         | 162029H               | SQD                    | SEC         | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 863834)                      | 162047H               | SQD                    | SEC         | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 887769)                      | 162145H               | CO                     | S&D         | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 861833)                      | 162130H               | SQD                    | SEC         | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/2 WIA                     |
| (AT 888706)                      | 161941H               | PLT                    | SEC         | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 913592)                      | 162040H               | SQD                    | SEC         | F/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 935719)                      | 162230H               | PT                     | LP          | D/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 943659)                      | 170445H               | SQD                    | S&D         | F/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 973705)                      | 170730H               | PLT                    | SEC         | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 075675)                      | 161940H               | SQD                    | S&D         | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| (BT 075673)                      | 161955H               | SQD                    | S&D         | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 VC KIA                  |
| (BT 093669)                      | 162330H               | PT                     | LP          | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 000634)                      | 170925H               | PLT                    | S&D         | A/1/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 101638)                      | 171000H               | PLT                    | S&D         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| (BT 091643)                      | 170000H               | PLT                    | S&D         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| (BT 102630)                      | 171400H               | PLT                    | S&D         | C/1/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 009633)                      | 171800H               | PLT                    | S&D         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 VC KIA                  |
| (AT 977595)                      | 161830H               | PLT                    | SEC         | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 978610)                      | 162305H               | PLT                    | SEC         | I/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 991640)                      | 162100H               | PLT                    | SEC         | G/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 992627                        | 171620H               | PLT                    | SEC         | H/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| (AT 956672)                      | 162005H               | PT                     | LP          | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 968686)                      | 162030H               | SQD                    | S&D         | K/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| (AT 967657)                      | 170030H               | SQD                    | AMB         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (AT 993638)                      | 162105H               | PLT                    | SEC         | B/3D TK BN/NONE                  | UNK/UNK                       |

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| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u>  | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>(BT 505105)         | 170945H               | SQD                    | S&D          | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 514113)                      | 171110H               | SQD                    | SEC          | MAQ-36/NONE                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 521058)                      | 162020H               | PLT                    | SEC          | H&S/2/4/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 522059)                      | 162245H               | PLT                    | SEC          | H&S/2/4/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 517065)                      | 162245H               | PLT                    | SEC          | G/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI<br>(BS 630983)        | 161857H               | PLT                    | SEC          | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| (BT 628000)                      | 161908H               | PLT                    | S&D          | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| (BT 537017)                      | 162115H               | PLT                    | SEC          | F/2/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| THUE THIEN<br>(YD 902044)        | 170835H               | AC/AIR<br>STRIKE       | H&S/2/1/NONE |                                  | UNK/6 VC KIA                  |
| QUANG NAM<br>(AT 913592)         | 170125H               | SQD                    | SEC          | F/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONTINUED THE SEARCH FOR VIET CONG ELEMENTS UNDER WARM AND SUNNY SKIES, AND OVER INCREASINGLY MANEUVERABLE TERRAIN. 417 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS WERE INITIATED IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES AND <sup>5</sup>34 CONTACTS WERE ESTABLISHED. OPERATION MALLARD SECURED AT 171800H (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS). OPERATION BIG LODGE <sup>SECURED</sup>~~CONTACTS~~ (SEE SPECIAL SITREPS). SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITHOUT CONTACT.

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2. DA NAMO OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
|                  | D N             | D N          | D N              |
| LISTENING POST   | 21              |              |                  |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 24           |                  |
| RECON PATROL     | 6               | 9            |                  |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 | 2            | 2                |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. CO C AT 161941H RECEIVED TWENTY RDE SA FIRE FROM ESTIMATED THREE VC AT (AT 880766). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH ESTIMATED 15 VC AT 162040H AT (AT 913992). PATROL MANEUVERED TO MORE FAVORABLE POSITION BUT VC WITHDREW. AT 162230H LP FROM CO D HEARD DIGGING FORWARD OF ITS POSITION AT (AT 935719); FIRED SA AND THREW HAND GRENADE AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 170125H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F SPOTTED TEN VC AT (AT 913992) AND FIRED SA AT THEM; AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ANOTHER SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F EXCHANGED FIRE WITH THREE VC AT (AT 943659) AT 170445H. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. CO C RECEIVED SA FIRE AT 170730H AT (AT 973705). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. AT 162029H SQUAD FROM CO D MOVING INTO AMBUSH SITE EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (AT 891770). AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 162047H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (AT 863834). UNKNOWN VC CASUALTIES. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D EXCHANGED FIRE AT 162130H WITH FOUR VC AT (AT 861833). TWO VC SEEM TO FALL DOWN AND WERE DRAGGED OFF BY OTHER VC. SEARCH OF AREA UNCOVERED A RIFLE AND A LARGE MINE. AT 162145H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D FIRED AT MAN AT (AT 887769);

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FOLLOWING SHOTS DRUMS WERE HEARD AND CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF MOVEMENT. 81MM MORTAR  
FIRE PLACED ON AREA AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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**B. NINTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 1  |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 22 |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 10 | 1            | 32 |                |   |                  |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 8  |              | 6  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 17           | 24 | 6              | 1 | 1                | 1 |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 161940H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (BT 075675) AND AT 161955H THE PATROL WAS FIRED ON AT (BT 075675) BY FOUR VC. THE VCS WAS KILLED IN THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE. PATROL PURSUED VC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 162330H LP FROM CO A AT (BT 093663) HEARD NOISE IN PADDY AT (BT 092664) AND WITH 81MM ILLUM LP OBSERVED ONE MAN AT (BT 093664) AND FIRED SA AND RECEIVED FIRE IN RETURN. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONE MIA SUSTAINED WHEN CO A FLT PATROL RECEIVED ONE RD SA FIRE FROM (BT 099663) AT 170925H. FLT PURSUED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. CO A S&D PATROL RECEIVED FIRE AT (BT 087694) AT 171000H FROM SEVENTEEN VC. SQUAD CALLED IN 81MM HE AND VC FIRED SA WHEN FLT OBSERVED THEM AND CALLED IN ARTY FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 171145H TANK DETONATED MINE AT (BT 091643) WITH NO DAMAGE AND NO CASUALTIES.

AT 171400H CO C SUSTAINED ONE MIA AT (BT 102630) FROM SNIPER FIRE; FIRE RETURNED AND 60MM WP RD PRODUCED SECONDARY EXPLOSION OF UNDETERMINED CAUSE. AT 171800H CO A FLT PATROL AT (BT 009633) FIRED AT TWO VC; ONE WITH WEAPON. ONE VC KIA.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. SEE SPECIAL SITREPS OPERATION BIG LODGE. AT 161830H CO H RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE FROM ESTIMATED TWO VC IN HOUSE AT (AT 974997). SA FIRE ALSO DIRECTED AT RESUPPLY HELO. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 162100H SA FIRE RECEIVED BY CO G AT (AT 991640). FIRE

RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 162305H CO H RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA. FIRE RETURNED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 171620H AT (AT 992627) FLT FROM CO H SPOTTED FRESH BLOOD TRAIL AND FOLLOWED IT TO TREE LINE AND FIRED 15RDS SA AT MOVEMENT IN TREE LINE. SEARCH OF TREE LINE DISCLOSED ONE DEAD VC.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 162030H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO K CAPTURED ONE VC AT (AT 968686). VC WAS VERY COOPERATIVE AND PROVIDED MUCH INFORMATION. AT 162005H CO L LP (AT 955670) OBSERVED SA MUZZLE FLASHES. ILLUM FIRED BUT COULD SEE NO MOVEMENT; FIRE NOT RETURNED TO PRESERVE SECURITY OF LP LOCATION. AT 170030H SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO H GOING TO POSITION SPOTTED ONE VC VIC (AT 967657) AND WHEN THEY FIRED AT HIM OBSERVED THREE OTHERS RUNNING AWAY. SQUAD PURSUED VC BUT COULD NOT MAINTAIN CONTACT.

C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G  |                        | 2          | 2            | 2                 |
| 155H  | 2                      | 113        | 115          | 115               |
| 105H  | 4                      | 260        | 264          | 264               |
| 107HT |                        | 3          | 3            | 3                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> |
| 155G  | 2                      |            |           |
| 155H  | 113                    | 13         |           |
| 105H  | 509                    |            | 12        |
| 107HT | 6                      |            |           |

D. 3D RECON BN.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 3               |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 5            |   |                | 1 |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 5            | 5 | 1              | 1 |

E. 3D ENGR BN. 74 ENGRS CONDUCTED 11 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DA NANG TAOR. ADDITIONALLY SWEEPS CONDUCTED ON CONTINUOUS BASIS BETWEEN HILL 41 (AT 9366) AND AN MY (1) (AT 9260) IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATION MALLARD.

F. 3D TANK BN. AT 162105H TWO TANKS FROM CO B RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE AT (AT 993638). RETURNED APPROX 100 RDS 30 CAL WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.



3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FOURTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                 | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                   |          | 3            | 16       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7                 | 6        | 12           | 11       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |          |              |          | 1              |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 170945H A SQUAD FROM CO A OBSERVED A SMALL BOY WITH A HOMEBREW BOOBY TRAP IN HIS POSSESSION VIC (BT 505105). THE BOY ESCAPED WHILE THE PATROL WAS INSPECTING THE BOOBY TRAP TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THE DEVICE WAS ACTIVATED. THE BOOBY TRAP CONSISTED OF A 12 INCH BAMBPOO ROD WITH A NAIL AND 7.62 RD INSIDE THE ROD. A 12 INCH FLINGER MADE OF WOOD WAS FITTED AGAINST THE RD AND EXTENDED BEYOND THE END OF THE BAMBPOO. WHEN THE FLINGER IS COMPRESSED THE RD WILL FIRE.

→ AT 174100H A PATROL FROM MAG-36 RECEIVED ONE RD IN FIRE VIC (BT 514113). ONE MAN WAS OBSERVED FIRING THE AREA WITH A RIFLE. THE PATROL IMMEDIATELY PURSUED BUT WERE UNABLE TO APPREHEND.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 162020H THE 81MM MORTAR PLT FROM MAG CO RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE WHICH WAS A DUD VIC (BT 521056). TWO HAND GRENADES AND ONE HAND ILLUMINATION GRENADE WERE THROWN TOWARDS THE AREA. ONE MAN WAS OBSERVED RUNNING NEAR THEIR TON AND THE MAN WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE. THE AREA WAS CHECKED AT <sup>LIGHT</sup> FIRST WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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AT 162245H THE 81MM MORTAR PLT TROOP HAS CO OBSERVED ONE MAN NE OF THEIR PSN VIC (BT 522059). MAN WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND THE AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 162245H G OBSERVED TWO MEN VIC (BT 517065). MEN WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D              | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 1              |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                | 23 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                | 1  |              | 4 |                |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 2              |    | 1            |   |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 4              | 4  | 4            |   | 2              | 2 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                |    |              |   |                | 1 |                |   |
| CLEARING         |                |    |              |   | 1              | 1 | 1              | 1 |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 161857H CO C OBSERVED ONE MAN DRESSED IN BLACK OBSERVING THEIR POSN WITH FIELD GLASSES VIC (BS 630983). ONE 90MM RD WAS FIRED KILLING THE INDIVIDUAL.

AT 161908H A PLT PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE VIC (BT 628000). MARINES RETURNED FIRE AND ASSAULTED THE VC POSN. THE VC WITHDREW WITH UNKNOWN CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 162115H CO F HEARD NOISES VIC (BT 537017) AREA WAS ILLUMINATED. A SHORT TIME LATER THE CO RECEIVED THREE INCOMING HAND GRENADES. MARINES RETURNED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|       | <u>QES</u>             | <u>UNORS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 1550  | 1                      |              | 6          | 7            | 6                 | 1          |
| 155H  | 7                      | 1            | 11         | 19           | 18                | 1          |
| 105H  | 3                      |              | 30         | 33           | 33                |            |
| 107HT | 12                     |              |            | 12           | 12                |            |
| 8"H   | 1                      |              |            | 1            | 1                 |            |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> |              |
| 1550  | 12                     | 12         | 7         | 31           |
| 155H  | 86                     | 14         | 4         | 104          |
| 105H  | 252                    | 3          | 45        | 300          |
| 107HT | 48                     |            |           | 48           |
| 8"H   | 17                     |            |           | 17           |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N |                |   |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 1            |   | 3              |   |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 1            | 1 | 3              | 3 |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORING

|                 | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
|                 | D      N         | D      N     |
| LISTENING POST  | 16               |              |
| AMBUSH          |                  | 4            |
| SECURITY PATROL | 9                | 16           |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. ~~OPERATION LONG LIFE~~. BN CMD GRP AND BN (-) PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ~~LONG LIFE~~ COMBINED WITH HOC BOA OF 1ST ARVN DIV. HOC BOA CO KILLED THREE VC AT (YD 893987) UPON LANDING BY HELICOPTER AT 170650H. ONE VC WAS CAPTURED. ONE ARVN KIA. AT 170835H AG SPOTTED TWO BOATS AT (YD 902044) AND COORDINATED AIR STRIKE ON BOAT DESTROYING TWO BOATS AND KILLING SIX VC. TWO OTHER BOATS WERE SPOTTED AT (YD 903056) AND ARTILLERY MISSION FIRED ON THEM AT 170935H WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. TEN VC WERE SPOTTED BY AG AT (YD 906995). ARTY FIRED AND VC WERE DISPERSED. ONE VCC APPREHENDED BY CO E AT (YD 895005) AT 170700H. FIVE VCS APPREHENDED DURING OPERATION. BN RETURNED TO ELR AT 171145L.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  |                        | 1            | 4          | 5            | 5                 |
| 105H  |                        | 1            | 96         | 97           | 97                |
| 107HT | 3                      |              |            | 3            | 3                 |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 13                     | 13           |
| 105H  | 112                    | 112          |
| 107HT | 15                     | 15           |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 4               | 1  |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 94 |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 26 | 2            | 86 |                | 6 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 3  | 7            | 9  | 4              | 4 |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 11              | 15 | 28           | 33 | 2              | 2 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 28           | 33 | 11             | 2 |                |   |
| CLEARING         |                 |    |              |    |                |   | 1              | 1 |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 123 PATROLS AND 122 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.



COMMAND POST LOCATIONSA. DA NANG TAOR

|                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 3D MAR DIV      | AT 954752   |
| Hq BN           | AT 954752   |
| 3D MARINES      | AT 944862   |
| 1ST BN, 1ST MAR | (AT 953723) |
| CO D            | AT 953723   |
| CO B            | AT 927104   |
| CO C            | AT 923732   |
| CO A            | AT 942718   |
| CO F 2/1        | (AT 938663) |
| 1ST BN, 3D MAR  | AT 943783   |
| CO A            | AT 943783   |
| CO B            | AT 895801   |
| CO C            | AT 908776   |
| CO D            | AT 898821   |

## 9TH MARINES

CO C, AT, 3D MAR

2D BN, 12TH MAR

3D TANK BN

3D AT BN

3D ANTI-TK BN

## 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES

A CO

B CO

C CO

D CO

B CO, 3D TK BN

D BTRY, 2/12

L CO 3/3

## 2D BN, 9TH MARINES

G CO

E CO

F CO

H CO

E BTRY 2/12

## 3D BN, 9TH MARINES

K CO

M CO

I CO

L CO

AT 996725

AT 996725

AT 996725

AT 984713

AT 984713

AT 984713

BT 068715

BT 096658

BT 082696

BT 063645

3/3 CP

BT 067716

BT 062680

BT 056740

AT 992677

AT 983661

AT 024699

ON OPN

ON OPN

AT 988772

BT 974707

BT 992687

BT 973663

ON OPN

ON OPN

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HQ 1ST BTRY, 3D BN, 11TH MARINES

BT 547049

1ST PLT, 1ST 8" HOW BTRY

BT 550044

1ST BN, 11TH MARINES

BT 553045

B. CHU LAI TAOR.

|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| (1) 4TH MARINES              | BT <del>533089</del> |
| CO B, 3D AT BN               | BT 533089            |
| CO C, 3D TANK BN             | BT 523088            |
| CO A, 1ST ANTRAC BN          | BT 555052            |
| CO B, 3D ENGR BN             | BT 566062            |
| 3D BN, 12TH MARINES          | BT 551048            |
| (2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES      | BT <del>529110</del> |
| CO A                         | BT 529110            |
| CO B                         | BT 511125            |
| CO C                         | BT 525090            |
| CO D                         | BT 487102            |
| (3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES       | BT 534078            |
| CO E                         | BT 462072            |
| CO F                         | BT <del>515065</del> |
| CO G                         | BT 515065            |
| CO H                         | BT 468068            |
| (4) RECON GROUP ALPHA        | BT 533089            |
| CO B                         | BT 560049            |
| CO C, 1ST RECON BN           | BT 560049            |
| 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REAR)    | BT 073729            |
| 1ST FORCE RECON CO (FORWARD) | BT 567322            |
| (5) 7TH MARINES              | BT 560048            |
| CO C, 1ST AT BN              | BT 560048            |
| CO B, 1ST TANK BN            | BT 560048            |
| CO, A, 3D ANTRAC BN          | BT 569040            |
| CO C, 1ST ENGR BN            | BT 560048            |

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|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| (6) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES                | BT 565044 |
| CO A                                   | BT 572029 |
| CO B                                   | BT 566020 |
| CO C                                   | BS 624991 |
| CO D                                   | BT 558019 |
| BTRY G, 3D BN, 11TH MARINES            | BT 566042 |
| (7) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES                 | BT 518041 |
| CO E                                   | BT 652888 |
| CO F                                   | BT 531024 |
| CO G                                   | BT 515047 |
| CO H                                   | BT 521040 |
| CO K (3/7)                             | BT 545017 |
| AIRFIELD DEFENSE UNIT                  | BT 530078 |
| PROV CO, 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES           | BT 532078 |
| (8) 3d BN, 7TH MARINES (-)             |           |
| OPCON 3D MARINES FOR OPERATION MALLARD |           |
| (9) ARTY BN GRP                        | BT 554043 |
| 3D BN, 11TH MARINES                    | BT 554043 |
| BTRY G                                 | BT 567046 |
| BTRY H                                 | BT 548044 |
| BTRY I                                 | BT 552043 |
| 3D BN, 12TH MARINES                    | BT 549046 |
| BTRY G                                 | BT 527070 |
| BTRY H                                 | BT 546098 |
| GENERAL SUPPORT                        |           |
| BTRY M, 4TH BN, 11TH MARINES           | BT 554041 |
| 3D 155 GUNS                            | BT 529067 |

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C. PHU BAI TAOR

2D BN, 1ST MAR

YD 885139

CO E

YD 854139

CO G

YD 854139

CO H

YD 892146

4TH BN, 12TH MAR

YD 883142

H BTRY

YD 883142

W BTRY 1/11

YD 890144

2D PLT, CO A, 1ST TA BN

YD 889143

2D PLT, CO A, 1ST AT BN

YD 889143

2D PLT, CO A, 1ST ENGR BN

YD 887138

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 TO: C3 III MAF  
 INFO: C3 PMAG  
 THIRD MAR DIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MAR DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 257 AS OF 181000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. LOCATIONS

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D                | N |
| SQUAD SHIFTS     | 4                | 1   |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 97  |              |     |                |    |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 30  | 6            | 85  |                | 6  |                  |   |
| PATROLS          | 16               | 20  | 34           | 45  | 5              | 6  |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |     | 25           | 33  | 10             | 2  | 1                |   |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 24               | 148 | 65           | 161 | 15             | 14 | 1                |   |
| TOTAL            | 428              |     |              |     |                |    |                  |   |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATED</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u>             | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>AT 945635          | 172125H               | RETURNING TO<br>HLR FROM OPN<br>HALLARD | 3D ENGR BN/ 1MIA, 1KIA           | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 069690                        | 171900H               | TRUCK SEC                               | D/2/12/1MIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 099687                        | 180430H               | PLT SEC                                 | B/1/9/1MIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 066634                        | 181105H               | SQD S/D                                 | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 987637                        | 171935H               | VSH AMTRAC                              | 1ST AMTRACBN/NONE                | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 008644                        | 180900H               | SQD S/D                                 | E/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 979729                        | 171830H               | PLT SEC                                 | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 950664                        | 171900H               | SQD S/D                                 | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/2VCS                      |
| AT 967686                        | 181130H               | SQD S/D                                 | K/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 969618                        | 181450H               | CO SEC                                  | I/3/3/1MIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 517117          | 172220H               | PLT SEC                                 | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 511125                        | 172328H               | CO SEC                                  | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 482112                        | 180403H               | SQD SEC                                 | D/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BT 631003         | 171955H               | SQD SEC                                 | C/1/4/1KIA, 3MIA                 | UNK/1KIA, 4KIA(POSS)          |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 557045          | 180025H               | CO SEC                                  | HAS/1/7/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 559043                        | 180025H               | CO SEC                                  | HAS/1/7/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BT 627005         | 180850H               | SQD S/D                                 | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1MIA                      |



C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THIRD MARINE DIVISION UNITS CONDUCTED 428 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD UNDER EXCELLENT WEATHER CONDITIONS. 17 CONTACTS WERE GAINED WITH VC ELEMENTS. AT 171100H RLT ONE COMMENCED LANDING IN THE CHU LAI ENCLAVE. BY 181800H 6590 (584 PERS) WERE ABOARD.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                   | 18       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                   |          |              | 23       |                |          |
| PATROL           |                   |          | 9            | 9        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                   |          | 5            |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTALS       |                   | 18       | 14           | 32       | 1              | 1        |
| TOTALS           | 66                |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 172125H, A M-60 CAME FROM 3D BNOR BN, RETURNING TO THE BLC FROM PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION FALLGARD, DETONATED A MINE VIC (AT 945665). AN INVESTIGATION OF THE AREA INDICATED THAT THE MINE WAS ELECTRICALLY DETONATED AND WAS EQUIVALENT TO APPROXIMATELY 40 POUNDS OF TNT. ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND ANOTHER MIA.

B. NINTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>BATTALION</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|----|----------------|---|------------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N  | D              | N | D                | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                  | 1   |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 28  |              |    |                |   |                  |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 9   | 2            | 32 |                |   |                  |   |
| PATROL           | 3                | 12  | 1            | 3  |                |   |                  |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  | 17  | 30           | 5  |                |   | 1                |   |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 5                | 50  | 20           | 66 | 5              |   | 1                |   |
| TOTALS           |                  | 146 |              |    |                |   |                  |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT APPROXIMATELY 171900H, A 6X6 TRUCK ENROUTE TO BATTERY D IN THE BATTALION AREA RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AND TWO GRENADES VIC (BT 069690), WOUNDING THE DRIVER AND SETTING THE TRUCK'S GAS TANK ON FIRE. A SQUAD AND TWO LVTs FROM BRIDGE SECURITY AT (BT 071701) IMMEDIATELY PROCEEDED TO THE SCENE. AREA SEARCH. NEGATIVE RESULTS. TRUCKED SALVAGED FROM FURTHER DAMAGE.

AT 180430H, ONE M-26 GRENADE THROWN INTO THE 2D FLT, COMPANY B (BT 049687) SLIGHTLY WOUNDING ONE MARINE. FIRE WAS RETURNED IMMEDIATELY AT SUSPECTED VC POSITION. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 181105H, A SQUAD FROM COMPANY C RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VIC (BT 066634). FIRE RETURNED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. ONE LVT ENROUTE TO COMPANY G WAS STUCK IN RIVER VIC

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VIC (AT 987637). AT 171935H, APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 30 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WERE DIRECTED AT THE VEHICLE AND ITS CREW. NO CASUALTIES. AREA ILLUMINATED AND FIRE WAS RETURNED. HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. ■

AT 180900H, A COMPANY E SQUAD PATROL RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE VIC (BT 008644). FIRE RETURNED. NO CASUALTIES.

(3) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 171900H, A COMPANY L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED TWO VCS VIC (AT 950664). THE TWO MALE SUSPECTS HAD NOT BEEN SEEN IN THE AREA BEFORE. DELIVERED TO 1TT. AT 181130H, A COMPANY R SQUAD PATROL OBSERVED A MALE VIETNAMESE ATTEMPTING TO EVADE THE PATROL VIC (AT 967686). THE PATROL APPREHENDED HIM AS A VCS. EVACUATED TO 1TT.

AT 181450H, A MEMBER OF COMPANY I STEPPED ON A MINE (TYPE UNKNOWN) VIC (AT 969618) AND WAS WOUNDED.

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C. 12TH MARINES

(1) BOX SCORE

NUMBER MISSIONS

SUPPORT

ORG      UNORG      HAI      TOTAL

MAF

7            6            276          289

289

BOUNDS EXTENDED

HE      RE

155 G            8

155 H            61

105 H            346          2

107 HT            5

8" H            24

D. THIRD RECON BN

(1) B.K. SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | LS | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |   |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 4            |    |                | 3 |
| PATROL       |                 |   | 7            | 4  | 2              | 3 |
| SUB-TOTALS   | 2               |   | 7            | 8  | 2              | 6 |
| TOTALS       | 25              |   |              |    |                |   |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FOURTH MARINES(1) ROA SCORES

|                  | <u>PLATOON TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|---------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>            | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                   | 7        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUCH           |                     | 21       |              | 19       |                |          |
| PATROL           | 7                   | 4        | 8            | 10       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                     |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 9                   | 32       | 8            | 29       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL            | 79                  |          |              |          |                |          |

(3) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 172220H CO A RECEIVED ONE HAND GRENADE IN THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITION VIC (BT 517117). SA FIRE WAS DIRECTED AT A FIGURE FLEEING IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION. A SQUAD PATROL WAS SENT INTO THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 172328H A TRIP MINE WAS SET OFF INSIDE CO B'S PERIMETER VIC (BT 511135) WHICH REVEALED AN INDIVIDUAL. THIS PERSON IMMEDIATELY FLED THE AREA. FOUR MM SA FIRE WERE DIRECTED AT THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 180403H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D APPREHENDED TEN CURFEW VIOLATORS VIC (BT 482112). NINE OF THE VIOLATORS HAD IDENTIFICATION AND WERE TURNED OVER TO THE VILLAGE CHIEF AND THE ONE WITHOUT IDENTIFICATION WAS SENT TO THE CHU LAI COLLECTION POINT.

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B. SEVENTH PLATOON(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT UNIT       | 1                |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 23 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  |    | 5            |    | 2              |   |
| PATROL           | 6                | 4  | 1            | 2  | 2              | 2 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    | 2            | 3  | 4              | 1 |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 7                | 27 | 3            | 10 | 6              | 5 |
| TOTAL            | 8                |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 171955H A SQUAD PATROL FROM COMPANY C ENCOUNTERED AN ENEMY UNIT OF APPROXIMATELY 10 VC ARMED WITH 1-2 CASSINETS AND M-1 RIFLES AT (BT 631003). BOTH UNITS OPENED FIRE SIMULTANEOUSLY. THROUGHOUT THE ENGAGING PERIOD THE VC EXPENDED APPROXIMATELY 200 ROUNDS OF FIRE AND 2 FRAGMENTARY GRENADES. THE MARINES RETURNED 700 ROUNDS M-14, 200 ROUNDS 1-60 FIRE, 5 M-72 ROUNDS AND 15 M-79 ROUNDS. AFTER A BRIEF EXCHANGE OF FIRE THE VC WERE ROUTED FROM THEIR POSITIONS FIRING SPORADICALLY AS THEY WITHDREW. AFTER SEARCHING OUT THE AREA THE MARINE SQUAD RETURNED TO THE COMPANY COMBAT BASE. THE MARINES SUSTAINED 1 KIA AND 5 MIA WHILE INFLECTING 1 KILLED AND 4 POSSIBLE KILLS UPON THE VC. ONE M-1 RIFLE WAS CAPTURED BY THE MARINES ALONG WITH ONE VCS.

AT 180025H THE SENTRY ON POST #6 OF THE AN C LUMP SECURITY HEARD NOISES FORWARD OF HIS POSITION AT BT 557045. HE FIRED A HAND ILLUMINATION FLARE AND OBSERVED ONE MAN RUNNING INTO THE BUSHES. THE ENTIRE SECURITY UNIT WAS ALERTED BUT THERE WERE NO FURTHER CONTACT.



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AT 180029H THE GENTRY ON POST #4 OF THE AMMO DUMP SECURITY DETECTED MOVEMENT FORWARD OF HIS POSITION AT BT 559043. HE FIRED A HAND ILLUMINATION FLARE AND OBSERVED A MAN RUNNING INTO THE BUSHES. THE ENTIRE SECURITY UNIT WAS ALERTED BUT NOTHING FURTHER MATERIALIZED.

AT 180850H A SQUAD PATROL FROM COMPANY C APPREHENDED A VCS AT BT 627005. THE VCS ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE AND WARNING SHOTS WERE FIRED IN ORDER TO GET HIM TO HALT. WHEN HE REFUSED TO STOP THE MARINES FIRED AND WOUNDED THE VCS. HOWEVER THE SOUND DID NOT PREVENT THE SUBJECT FROM MAKING GOOD HIS ESCAPE. TWO DOCUMENTS WERE TAKEN FROM THE VCS PRIOR TO HIS ESCAPE. THEY ARE BEING FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

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C. ARTY BR GRP

(1) BOA SCORES

NUMBER MISSIONS

GRS      H&I      TOTAL

18          81          99

SUPPORTING

PAF      HVN      OTHER

93          2          14

ROUNDS ENGAGED

RG      ML      MF      TOTAL

|        |     |   |            |     |
|--------|-----|---|------------|-----|
| 155 G  | 11  |   | 11         | 22  |
| 155 H  | 153 |   | 10         | 163 |
| 105 H  | 330 | 4 | 1(HC)<br>1 | 339 |
| 107 HT | 223 |   | 29         | 252 |
| 8" H   | 3   |   |            | 3   |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOA SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          | 1            |          |                | 1        |
| PATROL       |                  |          | 1            | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 1                |          | 1            | 2        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 7                |          |              |          |                |          |

4. HUE-PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOA SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 21       |              |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 3        |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 7            | 16       |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                  | 21       | 7            | 19       |
| TOTAL          | 47               |          |              |          |

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B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>RAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 8                      | 8            | 65         | 81           | 81                |

ROUNDS EXTENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>GF</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| 155 H | 36        | 24        |              | 60           |
| 105 H | 185       | 12        |              | 197          |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 6               | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 12              | 84  |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2               | 28  | 2            | 87  |                | 5  |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 5               | 11  | 10           | 9   | 3              | 4  |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 9               | 10  | 22           | 30  | 3              | 3  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |     | 26           | 30  | 7              | 3  | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL 414        | 34              | 134 | 60           | 156 | 13             | 15 | 1              | 1 |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 119 PATROLS AND 124 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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 INFO: CG PHAN  
 THIRD MAR DIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 258 AS OF 191000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. SEA BATTLES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 9                | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 89  |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 36  | 2            | 86  |                | 4  |                |   |
| PATROLS          | 13               | 30  | 31           | 36  | 5              | 5  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |     | 27           | 30  | 9              | 3  | 2              |   |
| SUB TOTALS:      | 26               | 156 | 60           | 154 | 14             | 12 | 2              |   |
| TOTALS:          | 424              |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |

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**B. DIVISION CONTACTS.**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>AT 897704          | 191050H               | SQD                    | S/D         | B/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 885655                        | 191000H               | SQD                    | S/D         | F/1/1/5 KIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 072643                        | 181900H               | PLT                    | CP          | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 093637                        | 190815H               | PLT                    | S/D         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 101536                        | 191315H               | PLT                    | S/D         | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 077664                        | 191437H               | SQD                    | S/D         | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/3VCS                      |
| BT 015637                        | 191515H               | SQD                    | S/D         | E/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 969621                        | 181958H               | CO                     | CP          | B/3D TKS/NONE                    | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 962652                        | 182020H               | SQD                    | S/D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| AT 955658                        | 190820H               | SQD                    | S/D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 962649                        | 190915H               | SQD                    | AMB         | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 943663                        | 191150H               | SQD                    | S/D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 956664                        | 191410H               | SQD                    | S/D         | L/3/3/2 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 465077          | 190320H               | CO                     | SEC         | F/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 465077                        | 190325H               | CO                     | SEC         | F/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BT 611017         | 190100H               | CO                     | PLTSEC      | A/1/7/NONE/1 KIA                 | UNK/UNK                       |
| THUKY TIN/<br>YD 882082          | 182150H               | SQD                    | SEC         | H/2/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 828166                        | 191310H               | TRUCK                  | HIT MINE    | A/3D TKS/NONE                    | UNK/UNK                       |



3. 30 MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS. THE 30 MAR DIV CONDUCTED 424 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS AND GAINED CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY ON 18 SEPARATE OCCASIONS.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 20 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                 |    |              | 29 |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |    | 1            | 4  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 5            |    | 2              | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 20 | 6            | 33 |                | 2 |
| TOTAL - 63       |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 191000H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F DETONATED A MINE AT (AT 885655) RESULTING IN FIVE USMC KIA. PATROL IN COLUMN WITH APPROX 10 METERS BETWEEN MARINES. EXAMINATION OF AREA REVEALED THAT MINE WAS OF DIRECTIONAL TYPE SINCE GROUND WAS BURST OFF FIFTEEN METERS IN FRONT OF SMALL CRATER AND ONLY THREE METERS BEHIND. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED A MALE VCS VIC (AT 191650 H).

B. 9TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | H   | D            | H  | D              | H |
| SCOUT UNIT       | 2                | 1   |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 23  |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 19  | 2            | 29 |                |   |
| PATROL           | 3                | 17  | 1            | 1  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |     | 21           | 29 | 14             |   |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 7                | 60  | 24           | 59 | 4              |   |
| TOTAL            |                  | 154 |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 181900H CO C VIC (BT 072643) RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE FROM ONE VC LOCATED 100 METERS SOUTH. FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 190815H PLT PATROL FROM CO A (AT BT 101636) RECEIVED FOUR RDS SA FROM APPROX FOUR VC. SEVEN RDS 81MM FIRED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 191315 H PLT PATROL FROM CO A RECEIVED FIVE OR SIX RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 101636). RETURNED APPROX 400 RDS SA AND THREE RDS 81MM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 191437H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED THREE VCS. AT (BT 77664)

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 191515H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO E (BT 015637) RECEIVED APPROX 80 RDS SA FIRE FROM ESTIMATED SIX VC. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 182020H A CO L SQUAD PATROL SHOT AND KILLED ONE VC VIC (AT 962662). VC ARMED WITH CHICOM CARBINE, CARTRIDGE BELT, PONCHO AND FIVE SA RDS. SEARCH AT DAWN ADDED ONE CHICOM GRENADE AND ONE M-26 GRENADE

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AND TWO RDS CARBINE AMMO. AT 190820H CO L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE MALE VCS VIC (AT 955658) WITH IMPROPER ID. AT 190915H CO M SQUAD RETURNING FROM AMBUSH ATTEMPTED TO CHECK VCS IN FIELD VIC (AT 962649). VCS RAN AND PATROL PURSUED FIRING ONE M-79 RD AND CHASE LED INTO CANE FIELD (VIC (AT 964647). PATROL RECEIVED APPROX 25 RDS SA FIRE FROM TWO TO FOUR POSITIONS IN CANE AND PURSUED BY FIRE UNTIL VC FIRE CEASED. VC CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. AT 191350H CO L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE MALE VCS VIC (AT 943663). AT 191410H MEMBER OF SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP VIC (AT 954664) RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA. BOOBY TRAP CONSISTED OF APPROX ONE LB TNT.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER OF MISSIONSSUPPORTING

| <u>OPS</u> | <u>REL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------------|------------|--------------|
|------------|------------|--------------|

| <u>MAF</u> | <u>RVN</u> |
|------------|------------|
|------------|------------|

|   |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|
| 8 | 382 | 390 |
|---|-----|-----|

|     |    |
|-----|----|
| 370 | 20 |
|-----|----|

ARMED EXPENDED

| <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WE</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|

|       |    |  |    |
|-------|----|--|----|
| 155 G | 15 |  | 15 |
|-------|----|--|----|

|       |    |  |    |
|-------|----|--|----|
| 155 H | 90 |  | 90 |
|-------|----|--|----|

|       |     |   |   |     |
|-------|-----|---|---|-----|
| 105 H | 479 | 5 | 3 | 487 |
|-------|-----|---|---|-----|

|        |    |   |    |    |
|--------|----|---|----|----|
| 107 HT | 36 | 5 | 12 | 53 |
|--------|----|---|----|----|

|      |    |  |  |    |
|------|----|--|--|----|
| 8" H | 24 |  |  | 24 |
|------|----|--|--|----|

|       |  |  |  |     |
|-------|--|--|--|-----|
| TOTAL |  |  |  | 669 |
|-------|--|--|--|-----|

D. THIRD RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |    |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|----|
|              | D               | N | D            | N  |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 3               |   |              |    |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 6            |    |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 6            | 6  |
| SUB TOTAL    | 3               |   | 6            | 12 |
| TOTAL - 21   |                 |   |              |    |

E. THIRD ENGR BN. 78 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 14 SWEEPS FOR FOUR INFANTRY BNS IN THE DA NANG TAOR.

F. 3D TANK BN. AT 181958H CO B RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE VIC (AT 969621). EXPENDED 300 RDS 30 CAL AND 100 RDS 50 CAL. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

G. HEADQUARTERS BN. 3RD MAR DIV. A SEVEN VEHICLE CONVOY LEFT DA NANG FOR HOI AN (AT 145575) AT 190830H TO DELIVER 102 VCS/VCC TO THE DISTRICT HQS. MPS FROM THE MILITARY POLICE CO PROVIDED THE SECURITY PERSONNEL; COMM CO, HQBN PROVIDED ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT; PHAN PROVIDED A GUNSHIP; 3D MARINES WAS ALERTED TO BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A PLATOON SIZE MOBILE RESERVE. THE CONVOY PROCEEDED ON SCHEDULE, REPORTING PERIODICALLY UPON REACHING ESTABLISHED CHECKPOINTS. IT RETURNED TO THE MP COMPOUND WITHOUT INCIDENT AT 191147H.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. ACTIVITIES(1) BOI SOURCES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |           | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|----|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N         | D            | N  | D              | N | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 3         |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 16        |              | 11 |                |   |                |   |
| PATROL           | 6                | 7         | 11           | 10 |                |   |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |           |              |    | 1              |   | 1              |   |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 8                | <b>26</b> | 11           | 21 | 1              |   | 1              |   |
| TOTAL            | 69               |           |              |    |                |   |                |   |

(2) 21 BN, 4TH BATTAL. At 190320H CO F VIC (BT 465073) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 15 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 465077). AGAIN AT 190325H TEN MORE RDS OF SA FIRE WAS RECEIVED FROM VIC (BT 465077). NO MUZZLE FLASHES WERE OBSERVED TO ENABLE LOCATION OF THE TARGET, THEREFORE NO FIRE WAS RETURNED.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) NOT SOUNDED

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| COAST GUARD      | 3                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 26       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 1        |              | 5        |                |          | 1              |          |
| PATROL           | 4                | 6        | 2            | 2        | 3              |          | 2              |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 1            | 1        | 2              |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 7                | 33       | 3            | 8        | 5              |          | 4              | 1        |
| TOTAL            |                  | 61       |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 190100 A SECURITY ELEMENT FROM CO A WORKING WITH CO C, 1ST ENGR BN RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE VIC (BT 611017). FIRE WAS RETURNED AND THE AREA WAS CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.



C. ARTY BN GRP(1) HOW SOURCES

| <u>NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u> |               |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
| <u>REDA</u>               | <u>UNREDA</u> | <u>RAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>RAF</u>        | <u>EYN</u> |
| 13                        | 1             | 55         | 69           | 57                | 16         |

HOW HAS DATA BEEN

|        | <u>RE</u> | <u>RAI</u> | <u>RF</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155 G  | 29        | 25         |           | 54           |
| 155 F  | 176       | 24         | 39        | 239          |
| 105 H  | 325       | 1          |           | 326          |
| 107 BT | 91        |            |           | 91           |
| TOTAL  |           |            |           | 690          |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D N             | D N          | D N            |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 1            | 3              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 1 1          | 2 3            |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               | 1 2          | 2 6            |
| TOTAL - 12   |                 |              |                |

4. THE BAI OPERATIONSA. 2d BN, 1st MARINES(1) BOX SOURCES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 22       |              |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 4        |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 9            | 14       |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                  | 22       | 9            | 18       |
| TOTAL          |                  | 49       |              |          |

(2) 2d BN, 1st MARINES. AT 182150H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO H EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH FOUR VC AT (YD 828166). AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ~~TRUCK~~ <sup>TANK</sup> FROM CO A, THIRD TANK BN AT 191310H DETONATED MINE AT (YD 882082) RESULTING IN SEVERE DAMAGE TO VEHICLE, BUT NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES.

B. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|        | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u>  |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|--------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|        | <u>OPS</u>              | <u>UNOPS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>RAF</u>        |
|        | 17                      | 1            | 88             | 106          | 106               |
|        | <u>REPTAL DELIVERED</u> |              |                |              |                   |
|        | <u>BT</u>               | <u>ILL</u>   | <u>WP</u>      | <u>TOTAL</u> |                   |
| 1554   | 105                     | 11           | 1              | 117          |                   |
| 105 R  | 96                      |              |                | 96           |                   |
| 107 BT | 130                     |              | 20             | 150          |                   |
| TOTAL  |                         |              |                | 363          |                   |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|
|                              | D                | N   | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER                 | 5                | 1   |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST               | 2                | 100 |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH                       | 2                | 42  | 2            | 79  |                | 2  |                |   |
| PATROL                       | 15               | 13  | 26           | 46  | 11             | 7  |                |   |
| <del>SECTION</del> & DESTROY |                  |     | 35           | 28  | 6              | 2  | 1              | 1 |
| SUB-TOTAL                    | 24               | 156 | 63           | 153 | 17             | 11 | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL                        | 426              |     |              |     |                |    |                |   |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 127 ambushes AND 118 PATROLS DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIODS.

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THIRD MAR DIV LITREP NUMBER 259 AS OF 201000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTSA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 11               | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 99       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 43       | 2            | 64       | 3              | 4        |
| PATROLS          | 17               | 23       | 31           | 48       | 9              | 9        |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 28           | 32       | 6              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 32               | 156      | 61           | 144      | 18             | 15       |
| TOTAL            | 435              |          |              |          |                |          |

**B. DIVISION CONTACTS**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>ACTION TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 871710           | 191645H               | PLT S&D                       | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/1 WIA                     |
| AT 922661                        | 192327H               | S&D SEC                       | E/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 883708                        | 201010H               | PLT S&D                       | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| AT 917783                        | 200930H               | FT BN OF SEC                  | H&S/1/3/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 097661                        | 191931H               | FT SEC                        | A/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 029743                        | 191940H               | CONVOY SEC                    | H&S/1/9/NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 991641                        | 191942H               | PLT PERM                      | F/2/9/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 046723                        | 191955H               | FT LP                         | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 018618                        | 192340H               | S&D SEC                       | E/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 972662                        | 191915H               | PLT PER                       | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 963659                        | 191925H               | PLT PER                       | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 963659                        | 191930H               | PLT PER                       | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/ 1 KIA (POSS)             |
| AT 965620                        | 192020H               | CO PER                        | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 972621                        | 192050H               | S&D SEC                       | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 972621                        | 192135H               | CO PER                        | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/ 1 KIA (POSS)             |
| AT 979624                        | 201335H               | S&D SEC                       | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 442038           | 201403H               | PLT SEC                       | H/2/4/NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA, 1 WIA              |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BT 624007          | 191800H               | S&D S&D                       | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/5 WIA(POSS)<br>6 VCS      |
| BT 624003)                       | 191820H               | S&D S&D                       | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| THUA THIEN<br>YD 872135          | 200515H               | S&D SEC                       | H&S/2/1/NONE                     | UNK/2 VCS                     |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONTINUED ITS AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS UNTIL 201200H WHEN THE "TET" STAND DOWN WAS EFFECTED. INCREASED SURVEILLANCE AND ALERTNESS WERE THE KEY WORDS IN THE DA BANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES AS THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY COMMENCED. THE MIXED WEATHER HAD LITTLE OR NO EFFECT ON THE CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS EXCEPT AERIAL RECON DURING SCATTERED SHOWERS. THE FIRST MARINES ASSUMED THE MISSION OF THE FOURTH MARINES IN CHU LAI AT 201600H. THE FOURTH MARINES HQ'S IS NOW ASSIGNED TO THE ADC CMD GRP CHU LAI FOR PLANNING AND OPERATIONS ON ORDER. BUD'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT WITHOUT BENEFIT OF PROFITABLE GAIN.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. 3D MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 25       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  |          |              | 12       |                |          |
| PATROL           |                  |          | 1            | 13       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 6            |          | 2              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTAL        |                  | 25       | 7            | 25       | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL            | 61               |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. LATE ENTRY: AT 191645H A SQUAD FROM 1ST FLT, COMPANY C WOUNDED ONE VC VIC (AT 871710). THE VC WAS ARMED WITH A RIFLE AND WAS HIT WITH SA FIRE. AREA SEARCHED. FRESH BLOOD FOUND INDICATING VC WAS WIA.

AT 192327H, A SQUAD SIZE PATROL FROM CO F EXCHANGED SA ROUNDS WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC VIC (AT 922661). THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE LASTED ABOUT 5 MINUTES BEFORE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 201010H, THE 3D FLT, CO C SHOT AND KILLED A VCS VIC (AT 883708) WHO FAILED TO HALT AFTER BEING CHALLENGED REPEATEDLY.

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. AT 200930H AN HAS CO FIRSTTEAM OBSERVATION POST VIC (AT 917700) REPORTED RECEIVING ONE 60MM MORTAR ROUND. NO CASUALTIES.

**B. 9TH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>H</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3                | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 20       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 11       | 2            | 29       |                |          |
| PATROL           | 3                | 9        |              |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 20           | 32       | 3              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL        | 8                | 41       | 22           | 61       | 3              |          |
| TOTAL            | 135              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 191931H, A CO A LISTENING POST (BT 097661) RECEIVED ONE GRENADE. NO CASUALTIES. SA FIRE IMMEDIATELY DIRECTED AT SUSPECTED VC PSN. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 191940H, TWO VEHICLES FROM HAS CO WERE TRAVELING NORTHEAST VIC (BT 029743) WHEN THEY RECEIVED EIGHT ROUNDS OF SA FIRE. NO DAMAGE TO VEHICLES AND CASUALTIES. THE VEHICLES CONTINUED ON THEIR JOURNEY WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 191942H A CO F PLT PENINSULAR POSITION VIC (AT 991641) REC'D 25 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 987638). ONE USMC KIA. INTENSE FIRE WAS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 100 RDS OF SA FIRE AND LIGHT MACHINE GUN FIRE AND TWO 90MM RDS. HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES.

AT 191955H, A CO H FIRSTTEAM LISTENING POST VIC (BT 046723) OBSERVED THREE BOATS APPROACHING ITS POSITION. THE BOATS WERE CHALLENGED. CHALLENGE DISREGARDED. FOUR M479 RDS FIRED: BOATS DISAPPEARED IN DARKNESS.

AT, 192340H, A CO E SQUAD PATROL VIC (AT 018443) RECEIVED ONE GRENADE. NO

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CASUALTIES. SA FIRED AT SUSPECTED VC POSITION. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 191915H, A COMPANY M PLT PERIMETER VIC (AT 972662) RECEIVED APPROX 15 ROUNDS FROM AN ESTIMATED FOUR VC WITH SEMI-AUTO CARBINES. NO CASUALTIES. AT 191925H, THE 1ST PLT, CO M CP (AT 963659) RECEIVED SIX SA RDS FROM ~~THE~~ VIC (AT 960656). NO CASUALTIES. 60MM MORTARS FIRED AT SUSPECTED POSITION. HOSTILE SA FIRE REQUESTED. EIGHT ADDITIONAL 60MM MORTARS ROUNDS FIRED. VC FIRE CEASED. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES. E

AT 191930H, THE SAME PLT RECEIVED FIVE RDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 962657). AREA SATURATED AS SA FIRE RETURNED, ONE 106MM ROUND, AND ONE ROUND OF 3.5" WP. A VC WAS SILHOUETTED BY WHITE PHOSPHOROUS ROUND. 106MM ROUND FIRED AT VC WHICH WAS DIRECT HIT. AREA NOT SEARCHED DUE TO DARKNESS. ONE VC KIA (PROBABLE).

AT 192020H, THE CO I COMMAND POST RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 965620). APPROX 100 ROUNDS OF SA RND FIRED IN RETURN. VC FIRE CEASED. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 192050H A CO I SQUAD SIZE OUTPOST (AT 972621) RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF SA FIRE FROM (AT 963624). FOUR RDS OF 81MM MORTAR FIRE DIRECTED AT TARGET. HOSTILE FIRE CEASED. AREA SEARCHED FOLLOWING MORNING. FOUND ONE KHAKI WOOL UNIFORM.

AT 192135H, A TANK WITH CO I SPOTTED ONE UNIFORMED VC WITH IT SEARCHLIGHT. THE TANK FIRED ONE WP ROUND. VC KIA.

AT 201335H, A COMPANY I SQUAD ESCORTING TWO ONTOS AND ONE BULLDOZER TO BIN FORCE HILL #55 LOCATED AND DESTROYED ONE BOGEY TRAP VIC (AT 979624). NO CASUALTIES.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOI SCORES

| <u>NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>OBS</u>                | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>HAI</u>        |
| 8                         | 0            | 344        | 352          | 352               |

ROUND EXPENDED

|        | <u>HE</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| 155 G  | 9         |           | 9            |
| 155 H  | 90        |           | 90           |
| 105 H  | 392       | 10        | 402          |
| 107 HT | 24        |           | 24           |
| 8* H   | 27        |           | 27           |
| TOTAL  |           |           | 552          |

D. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 3              |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST |                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                |          | 3            | 1        | 1              |          |
| PATROL         |                |          | 10           | 10       | 2              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 3              |          | 10           | 13       | 3              | 3        |
| TOTAL          | 32             |          |              |          |                |          |

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. 1ST MARINES(1) BOI SCOUTS

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST | 2                | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 31       |              | 13       |                |          |
| PATROL         | 6                | 2        | 11           | 7        | 1              |          |
| IN NON-ACTIVE  |                  |          |              |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTALS     | 8                | 36       | 11           | 20       | 1              |          |
| TOTALS         | 76               |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 201500H A MARINE PLATOON FROM CO H ACCOMPANIED BY PF'S OBSERVED TEN VC VIC (BT 440000). PF'S FIRED THREE WARNING SHOTS AT THE VC WHO IN TURN BEGAN FIRING AT THE PATROL. FIRE WAS RETURNED BY THE PATROL KILLING ONE VC AND OBSERVING ANOTHER TO FALL. UPON SEARCH THE AREA ONE VC BODY AND A BLOOD TRAIL WAS OBSERVED, ALONG WITH ONE CARBINE AND ONE BAG OF RICE.

**B. 7TH MARINES****(1) DOI SCORES**

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3                |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 28 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 1  |              | 4 |                |   |                |   |
| PATROLS          | 4                | 8  | 2            | 2 | 4              | 4 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    | 2            |   |                |   | 1              | 1 |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 7                | 37 | 4            | 6 | 4              | 4 | 1              | 1 |
| TOTALS           | 63               |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 191800H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C SURPRISED 20 VC WEARING GREY AND BLACK UNIFORMS VIC (BT 624007). VC COMMENCED FIRE WITH CARTRIDGES. FIRE RETURNED AND VC DISPERSED, WITH ONE GROUP GOING TO THE VILLAGES OF SON TRA (4) VIC (BT 642012) AND THE OTHER TO THE VILLAGE OF TAN HY (1) VIC (BT 626007). THE PATROL OBSERVED FIVE OF THE VC TO BE WOUNDED, PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA BUT WERE UNABLE TO APPREHEND ANY OF THE WOUNDED. SIX VCS (WOMEN) WERE APPREHENDED HIDING IN THE AREA OF ACTION.

AT 191820H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C ENROUTE TO REINFORCE THE SQUAD IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED FIRE FIGHT RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM APPROXIMATELY THREE VC WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS VIC (AT 624003). AIRSTRIKES WERE PLACED ON VC POSITION AND AREA WAS SEARCHED AFTER THE STRIKE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. FIVE PERSONS WERE OBSERVED GETTING INTO A FISHING BOAT (BT 616012). A PLATOON ~~FROM~~ CO A WITH A SNIPER TEAM LOCATED ACROSS THE RIVER VIC (BT 615009) WAS ALERTED TO INTERCEPT THE BOAT. CO C DESPATCHED A ~~SMALL~~ BOAT TO INTERCEPT THE FISHING BOAT. FIRE WAS PLACED ACROSS THE BOW OF THE BOAT IN AN ATTEMPT TO HALT THE BOAT. AT THIS TIME THE MARINES RECEIVED 100 RDS FROM VIC (BT 618020) ON SHORE. DURING THE FIRE FROM SHORE THE SNIPER TEAM OPENED FIRE ON THE FISHING BOAT

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KILLING ONE VC. THE BOAT RETURNED TO TRUNG PHAM PENINSULA AND THE OCCUPANTS FLED THE AREA LEAVING THE DEAD VC.

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C. ARTY BN ORP(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER OF MISSIONS

| <u>OBS</u> | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>RAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 11         | 1            | 28         | 40           |

SUPPORTING

| <u>RAF</u> | <u>RVA</u> |
|------------|------------|
| 39         | 1          |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|              | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155 G        | 14        | 4          | 2         | 20           |
| 155 H        | 50        | 9          | 13        | 72           |
| 105 H        | 109       | 13         | 28        | 150          |
| 107 HT       | 21        |            | 11        | 32           |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |           |            |           | <b>274</b>   |

**D. RECON GROUP ALPHA****(1) BOX SCORES**

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          |              |          |                | 1        |
| PATROL       | 4                | 4        |              |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 6                | 4        |              |          | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL        | 13               |          |              |          |                |          |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                  | 22       |              |          |
| AMBUSH          |                  |          |              | 3        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                  | 7        | 16           |          |
| SUB-TOTAL       |                  | 22       | 7            | 19       |
| TOTAL           | 48               |          |              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 200515H, A SQUAD SIZE PATROL FROM HAS  
CO APPREHENDED TWO VCS VIC (YD 872135) FOR BEING IN AREA DURING CURFEW HOURS.

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|---------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>                | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>HAI</u>        |
|       | 8                         | 8            | 118        | 134          | 134               |
|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u>    |              |            |              |                   |
|       | <u>HE</u>                 | <u>ILL</u>   | <u>WP</u>  | <u>TOTAL</u> |                   |
| 155 G | 122                       |              | 10         | 132          |                   |
| 155H  | 107                       | 8            |            | 115          |                   |
| TOTAL |                           |              |            | 247          |                   |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>R</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>R</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>R</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                  | 10       |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 105      |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           | 2                | 38       | 2            | 65       |                | 4        |
| PATROLS          | 17               | 16       | 49           | 72       | 11             | 11       |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 11           | 16       | 4              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 31               | 159      | 62           | 153      | 15             | 17       |
| TOTAL            | 437              |          |              |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 176 PATROLS AND 111 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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THIRD MAR DIV SITREP NUMBER 260 AS OF 211000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MAR DIV HIGHLIGHTS

A. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                  | FIRE TEAM |     | SQUAD |     | PLATOON |    |
|------------------|-----------|-----|-------|-----|---------|----|
|                  | D         | N   | D     | N   | D       | N  |
| SCOUT SKIPPER    | 11        |     |       |     |         |    |
| LISTENING POST   | 2         | 104 |       |     |         |    |
| AMBUSH           | 2         | 44  | 3     | 64  | 4       | 4  |
| RECON PATROL     | 9         | 13  | 33    | 47  | 5       | 4  |
| SECURITY P. TROL | 8         | 5   | 23    | 24  | 5       | 4  |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |           |     |       | 1   | 1       | 1  |
| SUB TOTAL        | 32        | 166 | 59    | 136 | 11      | 13 |
| TOTAL - 417      |           |     |       |     |         |    |

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**B. DIVISION CONTACTS.**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM/<br>BT 044558          | 211025H               | SQB SEC                     | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 012641                        | 211150H               | PLT SEC                     | E/2/9/1KIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 012632                        | 211430H               | PLT SEC                     | E/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 971662                        | 201845H               | CO CP                       | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VC SURRENDER             |
| AT 975673                        | 210730H               | SQB CLR                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 020643                        | 211620H               | PLT SEC                     | E/2/9/1KIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 627992          | 202040H               | CO SEC                      | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 521369                        | 211730H               | PLT PATROL                  | FOR/RECON/1KIA                   | UNK/1MIA(POSS)                |

**C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS.**

CLOUDY SKIES AND SCATTERED SHOWERS PREVAILED THROUGHOUT THE ENCLAVES DURING THE SECOND DAY OF TET. VC ELEMENTS VIOLATED THE CONDITIONS OF THE TET CEASEFIRE BY INITIATING SIX SMALL UNIT ACTIONS AGAINST MARINE UNITS. FIVE OF THE VIOLATIONS OCCURRED IN THE SOUTHEASTERN PORTION OF THE DA NANG TAOR. ONE VC SURRENDERED TO M CO, 3D BN, 3D MARINES, DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

**2. DA NANG OPERATIONS****A. 3D MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 27       |              |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 14       |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 11           | 21       |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                  | 27       | 11           | 35       |
| TOTAL          |                  |          |              | 73       |



**B. NINTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                | <u>COMPANY</u><br>D | <u>SQUAD</u><br>B | <u>PLATOON</u><br>D |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 1                   |                   |                     |
| LISTENING POST | 25                  |                   |                     |
| AMBUSH         | 2                   | 9                 | 2 15                |
| RECON PATROL   | 3                   | 7                 | 11 15 1             |
| SUB TOTAL      | 6                   | 41                | 13 30 1             |
| TOTAL - 91     |                     |                   |                     |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 211025H CO D TWO SQUAD SECURITY PATROL VIC (BT 044658) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY TEN RDS SA FIRE FROM SNIPER. RETURNED FIRE AND PURSUED VC BUT VC ESCAPED.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 211155H CO E PLT SECURITY PATROL VIC (BT 012641) RECEIVED FIFTY RDS SA FIRE FROM NINE VC SUSTAINING ONE US KIA. RETURNED APPROX THIRTY RDS SA AND PURSUED. ONE VC WIA CAPTURED. PATROL REINFORCED AND FURTHER PURSUIT MADE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT. AT 211430H CO E RECON PATROL VIC (BT 012628) RECEIVED ABOUT FIFTY RDS SA FIRE. PATROL RETURNED SA FIRE AND 80MM. ONE VCS APPREHENDED. AT 211620H PLT PATROL FROM CO E RECEIVED SA FIRE AT (BT 020643) RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. ARTY FIRE MISSION FIRED, VC PURSUED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT APPROX 201800H 23 YEAR OLD VC SURRENDERED AT CO H CP VIC (AT 971662). DID NOT HAVE WPN OR CHINESE PASS, BUT DID HAVE SURRENDER LEAFLET.

C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER OF MISSION      SUPPORTINGCBS      TOTAL      MAP

1      1      1

BOUNDS EXPENDEDHE      TOTAL

105 H      2      2

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**D. THIRD RECON BN.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 5               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 8            |          | 2              |          |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 8            | 8        | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 5               |          | 8            | 16       | 2              | 4        |
| TOTAL - 35   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 3D RECON BN. OPERATION BIRDWATCHER. AT 211730H A FORCE RECON PATROL ENCOUNTERED 4-6 VC AND ENGAGED THEM WITH FIRE. AT (BS 521369). THE PATROL (16 MEN) TOOK EVASIVE ACTION. WHEN THEY REGROUPED, THEY DISCOVERED THAT THE ARTILLERY FORWARD OBSERVER WAS MISSING. THE SEARCH FOR THE MISSION OFFICER HAD PROVEN UNPRODUCTIVE AS OF THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD. THERE WERE NO FURTHER FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. 1 VC KIA (POSSIBLE). THE SEARCH WILL CONTINUE.

2. 3D ENGR BN. 80 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 15 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DA NANG TRAIL. ONE TEAM USING NEW TRANSISTORIZED MINE DETECTOR P-153 FOUND ONE AT MINE (US M1A1) WHILE ACCOMPANYING PATROL ON HILL 55 (AT 979624).

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3. CELL & OPERATIONS.

A. FIRST MARINES.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| WATCHING POST   | 2              | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| ARMED           |                | 32       |              | 10       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 6              | 1        | 12           | 3        | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL       | 8              | 35       | 12           | 13       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL - 49      |                |          |              |          |                |          |

WATCHING POST

2 3

ARMED

32 10

SECURITY PATROL

6 1 12 3 1

SUB TOTAL

8 35 12 13 1

TOTAL - 49

**B. SEVENTH MARINES.****(1) ROL SCORES.**

|                   | <b>PLATOON</b> | <b>SQUAD</b> | <b>PLATOON</b> |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER      | 2              |              |                |
| LISTENING POST    |                | 28           |                |
| AMBUUSH           |                | 5            |                |
| RECON PATROL      | 2              | 2            | 3 1 2 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL   | 2              | 4            | 2 4 4          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY  |                |              | 1 1 1          |
| <b>TOTAL - 65</b> | 6              | 34           | 3 9 7 6        |

**(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES.** AT 2020-00, CO C RECEIVED ONE INCOMING GRENADE FROM (BS 627992). THE EXPLOSION WAS PRECEDED BY A RIFLE SHOT, WHICH LEAD THE MARINES TO BELIEVE THE EXPLOSION WAS A RIFLE GRENADE. THERE WAS NO FURTHER ACTION OR CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

C. ARTY BR GROUP.

(1) ARTY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>ORG</u>             | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>NAF</u>        |
| 102H | 1                      | 1            | 1                 |

|      | <u>LES EXPANDED</u> |              |
|------|---------------------|--------------|
|      | <u>ILL</u>          | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 102H | 4                   | 4            |

4. FIL BAI OPERATIONSA. 2D BN. 1ST MARINESBOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 21       |              |          |
| AMEUSE         |                  |          |              | 22       |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 11           | 19       |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                  | 21       | 11           | 31       |
| TOTAL          | 63               |          |              |          |

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**5. PLANS SUMMARY****A. DIVISION BOX SCORES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                    | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |     | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    |
|--------------------|------------------|-----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|
|                    | D                | H   | D            | H   | D              | H  |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 11               | 3   |              |     |                |    |
| LISTENING POST     | 2                | 86  |              |     |                |    |
| AMBUSH             | 2                | 45  | 2            | 69  |                | 4  |
| PATROL             | 17               | 20  | 65           | 75  | 9              | 5  |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                  |     | 9            | 14  | 3              | 3  |
| SUB-TOTALS         | 32               | 154 | 76           | 158 | 12             | 12 |
| TOTALS             | 454              |     |              |     |                |    |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 193 PATROLS AND 122 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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 THIRD MAR DIV (COLLECTIVE)

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 261AS OF 221000Z JAN 66

1. THIRD MARINE DIVISION HIGHLIGHTSA. BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 10               |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST | 2                | 94       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 35       | 32           |          | 4              |          |
| PATROL         | 14               | 12       | 56           | 53       | 13             | 8        |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 26               | 141      | 56           | 85       | 13             | 12       |
| TOTAL          | 333              |          |              |          |                |          |

**B. DIVISION CONTACTS**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 902756           | 212020H               | SQD                    | AMB         | C/1/3/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 925730                        | 212140H               | PT                     | LP          | C/1/1/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 068644                        | 220845H               | SQD                    | REC         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 065698                        | 220920H               | SQD                    | REC         | C/1/9/2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 044654                        | 221525H               | PLT                    | REC         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 031648                        | 212220H               | NSQD                   | LP          | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 048708                        | 221125H               | SQD                    | REC         | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI                       |                       |                        |             |                                  |                               |
| BT 690004                        | 211900H               | NSQD                   | SEC         | A/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 524371                        | 221045H               |                        |             | 1ST FORCE RECON/<br>2 MIA        | UNK/UNK                       |

**C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS.** CLOUDY SKIES AND SCATTERED SHOWERS PREVAILED AGAIN TODAY AT ALL THREE ENCLAVES. 333 RECONNAISSANCE/SECURITY PATROLS AND OTHER DEFENSIVE ACTIONS WERE CONDUCTED WITH VC FORCES VIOLATING THE CEASE FIRE ON 9 OCCASIONS.

2. REPORTING OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
|                | D    N           | D    N       | D    N         |
| LISTENING POST | 24               |              |                |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 15           |                |
| PATROL         |                  | 9   19   1   | 1              |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 24               | 9   34   1   | 1              |
| TOTAL          | 69               |              |                |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 212140H A CO C FIRE TEAM LP RECEIVED ONE IN-COMING HAND GRENADE VIC (AT 925730). ONE MARINE KIA. AREA SEARCHED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. AT 212020H CO C SQD REC'D SA <sup>FIRE</sup> FROM ESTIMATED 3 VC WHILE MOVING INTO AMBUSH POSITION AT (REF 902756). ONE MARINE KIA. FIRE RETURNED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

**B. NINTH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 40       |              |          |                |          |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 33           | 16       |                |          |
| SUB-TOTAL      |                  | 40       | 33           | 16       |                |          |
| TOTAL          | 89               |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 220845H CO D SQD PATROL (BT 068644) REC'D 10 RDS SA FROM VIC (BT 068642). FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 220920H CO C SQD PATROL SUSTAINED TWO MINOR WIA'S AND ONE CIVILIAN SERIOUSLY WOUNDED WHEN BOOBY TRAPPED FLAG POLE INTONATED (BT 065698). POLE WAS BEARING A VC BANNER. POLE WAS TORN DOWN BY THE CIVILIAN ON ORDERS OF VN NATIONAL POLICEMAN.

AT 221525H CO D PLATOON PATROL AT (BT 044654) REC'D SIX RDS SA FROM VIC (BT 038653) AND (BT 035656). PATROL ASSAULTED SUSPECTED VC PSN (BT 035656) FIRING 60 RDS SA AND 3 M 79 RDS. NEG RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 212220H CO E SQD LP (BT 031648) OBS TWO VC TAMPERING WITH RIVER BLOCK CABLE 100 METERS ACROSS VINH DIEN RIVER (BT 032648). SQD FIRED THREE RDS SA FIRE, FIVE RDS M79 AND ONE RD 106 MM. NO PURSUIT DUE TO RIVER OBSTACLE.

AT 221125H CO H PATROL AT (BT 048708) REC'D FIVE RDS SA FROM (BT 041715). FIRE RETURNED 10 RDS 7.62, FOUR RDS M79. NEGATIVE RESULTS. VC FLAGS ON SMALL STAFFS OBS (BT 037707), (BT 048701) AND (BT 053706). ~~FLAGS WERE NOT TOUCHED DUE TO POSSIBLE BOOBY TRAPS.~~

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORESNUMBER OF MISSIONS

OBS      TOTAL

1          1

SUPPORTING

NAF

1

ROUNDS EXPENDED

HE      WP      TOTAL

105 H      14      12      26

D. 3D RECON BN(1) POW SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 5                |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                  |          | 6            |          | 2              |          |
| PATROL       |                  |          | 6            | 6        | 2              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 5                |          | 6            | 12       | 2              | 4        |
| TOTAL        | 29               |          |              |          |                |          |

E. 3D KNOR BN. SEVENTY FIVE MEN CONDUCTED SIXTEEN SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR BATTALION IN DANANG TAOR.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FIRST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST | 2                | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 31       |              | 6        |                |          |
| PATROL         | 6                | 2        | 6            | 7        | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 8                | 36       | 6            | 13       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL          | 64               |          |              |          |                |          |

**B. SEVENTH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|----------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                | D                | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 2                |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 27 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH         |                  |    |              | 5  |                |   |
| PATROL         | 4                | 6  | 2            | 5  | 7              | 3 |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 6                | 33 | 2            | 10 | 7              | 3 |
| TOTAL          | 61               |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 211900H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO A OBSERVED MOVEMENT VIC (BT 610003). ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED AND THREE VIETNAMESE IN BLACK UNIFORMS WERE SIGHTED MOVING ALONG A TRAIL IN A EASTERLY DIRECTION. SQUAD VIC PURSUED BUT UNABLE TO APPREHEND. AT SAME TIME/(BT 610003) A BOOBY TRAP WAS DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED IN PLACE.



D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|------------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 3                |          |                |          |
| AMHUSH       |                  | 4        |                | 2        |
| PATROL       | 4                | 4        | 2              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 7                | 8        | 2              | 4        |
| TOTAL        | 21               |          |                |          |

E. 1ST FORCE RECON CO PATROL VIC BA-TO. ON MORNING OF 22 JAN PATROL MOVED OUT TO CONTINUE PATROL MISSION. AT 221045H HIT FROM NEAR BY VC FORCE ESTIMATED AT 50. IN BROWN/GRAY UNIFORMS, UNIFORM HATS, LEGGINGS, ARMED W/ RIFLES, AM AND GRENADES. PATROL SEPARATED. POINT MAN (LUMP-SHEDDIT) LAST SEEN MOVING DOWNHILL FROM MAIN PATROL, RECKONING OTHER MEMBERS FORWARD. HE WAS LATER DECLARED MIA. ONE PFC-10 AND RECON GRP ALPHA'S BREVITY CODE BOOK LOST. TWO MEN AND MEDIC SEPARATED FROM MAIN PATROL PICKED UP BY HELICOPTER. 200 MRS 105MM HOWITZER FROM BA-TO FIRED IN SUPPORT. HULE GUNSHIP ON STATION FOR COVER. REMAINDER OF PATROL WAS PICKED UP BY HELICOPTER AND ALL EVACUATED BY 1355H. RIFLE PLATOON LAUNCHED FROM QUANG NGAI ALERT STATION TO BA-TO. WAS NOT COMMITTED AND WAS WITHDRAWN TO CHU LAI PRIOR TO DARK. GUNSHIP'S A0 AND ARMY L-19 WILL CONDUCT AIR SEARCH FOR THE TWO MIA'S COMMENCING ON MORNING OF 23 JAN. H34 WITH LONG CABLE LIFT CAPABILITY WILL STAND BY AT BA-TO MORNING OF 23 JAN FOR USE IF REQUIRED FOR EVACUATION OF MIA'S IF LOCATED. GRAND FORCES (C.I.D.G. PMS) IN BA-TO TO COVER OPERATION.

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4. FIELD BATTAL OPERATIONSA. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST | 23               |          |              |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 11       |
| PATROL         |                  |          | 11           | 20       |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 23               |          | 11           | 31       |
| TOTAL          | 65               |          |              |          |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>       | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>H</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>H</u> |
| SCOUT SKIPPER   | 7              | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST  | 2              | 104      |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                | 35       | 50           |          | 4              |          |
| RECON PATROL    | 9              | 14       | 36           | 35       | 5              | 4        |
| SECURITY PATROL | 8              | 6        | 26           | 43       | 4              | 4        |
| SUB TOTAL       | 26             | 162      | 62           | 128      | 9              | 12       |
| TOTAL           | 399            |          |              |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 194 PATROLS AND 89 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOUR PERIOD.

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 262 AS OF 231000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARINE HIGHLIGHTS

A. BOX SCORES.

|                | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 7              | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST | 3              | 89       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                | 35       | 59           |          | 4              |          |
| PATROLS        | 17             | 12       | 61           | 100      | 13             | 8        |
| SUB-TOTALS     | 27             | 134      | 61           | 153      | 13             | 12       |
| TOTAL - 404    |                |          |              |          |                |          |

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**B. DIVISION CONTACTS**

| PROVINCE/<br>COORDINATES | DATE/<br>TIME | ACTION<br>SIZE | TYPE              | FRIENDLY UNIT/<br>LOSSES | ENEMY UNIT/<br>LOSSES |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>QUANG NAM</b>         |               |                |                   |                          |                       |
| BT 038653                | 221823H       | PLT            | PATROL<br>(RECON) | B/1/9/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| BT 048689                | 231230H       | PT             | PATROL<br>(RECON) | B/1/9/NONE               | UNK/1 WIA (POSS)      |
| BT 049677                | 231255H       | PLT            | LP                | B/1/9/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| BT 024646                | 222305H       | PLT            | PATROL<br>(RECON) | E/2/9/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| BT 001662                | 230730H       | PLT            | CP                | F/2/9/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| BT 032638                | 231400H       | PLT            | PATROL<br>(RECON) | E/2/9/NONE               | UNK/UNK               |
| <b>THUA THIEN</b>        |               |                |                   |                          |                       |
| ID 790108                | 231205H       | SQB            | SEC               | H/2/1/1 WIA              | UNK/UNK               |

**C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS**

THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONDUCTED 404 ACTIONS TO ASSURE SURVEILLANCE OF VC ELEMENTS WAS MAINTAINED DURING THE FINAL PHASES OF THE NEW YEAR STAND-DOWN. SEVEN CONTACTS WERE INITIATED BY THE VC. CONTINUED OVERCAST SKIES WITH INTER-MINGLED SHOWERS REDUCED SOMEWHAT THE CAPABILITY OF RECON UNITS OF THE DIVISION. SIDS AND SCOUT-SNIPEER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONSA. 3D MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                  | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                  |          |              | 21       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL |                  |          | 12           | 21       |                |          |
|                 |                  |          |              |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL       | 2                |          | 12           | 42       | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 86      |                  |          |              |          |                |          |

**B. NINTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|                | <u>FLY TEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>FLATCOON</u> |   |
|----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|-----------------|---|
|                | D               | H  | D            | H  | D               | H |
| LISTENING POST | 1               | 34 |              |    |                 |   |
| PATROL         | 3               |    | 24           | 43 | 2               | 1 |
| SUB-TOTAL      | 4               | 34 | 24           | 43 | 2               | 1 |

TOTAL - 108

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. BETWEEN 221823H AND 221900H CO D FLT PATROL BASE (BT 038653) RECEIVED ABOUT TEN RDS SPORADIC SA FIRE FROM VC POSITION ABOUT 300 METERS WEST. NO FIRE RETURNED SINCE EXACT ORIGIN OF FIRE COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. AT 231230H COMPANY TEAM (REIN) SENT TO INVESTIGATE OF (BT 049677) SIGHTINGS OF TWO VC SNIPERS FIRING AT EIGHT YEAR OLD BOY TAKING DOWN VC FLAG VIC (BT 048609). TEAM RECEIVED SIX RDS CARBINE FIRE FROM ABOUT 400 METERS TO NW AND NE. FIRE RETURNED AND VC SEEN FALLING INTO PADDY. AT 231255H CO B OF (BT 049677) RECEIVED FOUR RDS SA FIRE FROM NORTH. SEARCH CONDUCTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 222303H CO E FLT SECURITY (BT 024646) REPORTED RECEIVING SA AND AN FIRE OF MEDIUM INTENSITY FROM ABOUT 600 METERS EAST. FLT RETURNED SA AND GRN. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 230730H CO E (BT 001662) RECEIVED ONE RD CARBINE FIRE. AT 231400H CO E (BT 032638) RECEIVED SIX RDS SA FIRE. FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. 3D RECON BN(1) BOX SCOUTS

|              | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMP</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|----------------|---|-------------|----|----------------|---|
|              | D              | H | D           | H  | D              | H |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 5              |   |             |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                |   | 6           |    |                | 2 |
| PATROL       |                |   | 6           | 6  | 2              | 2 |
| SUB-TOTAL    | 5              |   | 6           | 12 | 2              | 4 |
| TOTAL        | 29             |   |             |    |                |   |

D. 3D RECON BN. 82 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED SIXTEEN SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DA NANG TADR.



3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   |                  | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST | 2                | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  | 18       |              | 8        |                |          |
| PATROLS        | 6                | 2        | 6            | 8        |                |          |
| SUB-TOTALS     | 8                | 25       | 6            | 16       |                |          |
| TOTAL          | 55               |          |              |          |                |          |

B. 7TH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | 2                |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST |                  | 27       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH         |                  |          |              | 6        |                |          |
| PATROLS        | 4                | 6        | 2            | 6        | 5              | 3        |
| SUB-TOTALS     | 6                | 33       | 2            | 12       | 5              | 3        |
| TOTALS         | 61               |          |              |          |                |          |

C. ARTILLERY BN GND(1) BOX SCORES

|        | <u>NUMBER OF MISSIONS</u> |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
|        | <u>OBS</u>                | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>RAF</u>        |
|        | 7                         | 7            | 7                 |
|        | <u>AMMO EXPENDED</u>      |              |                   |
|        | <u>HE IL WP</u>           | <u>TOTAL</u> |                   |
| 105H   | 163 1                     | 164          |                   |
| 107 HT | 2                         | 2            |                   |

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**B. RECON GROUP ALPHA****(1) BOX SCORES**

|           | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|           | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH    |                  | 4        |              |          |                | 2        |
| PATROL    | 4                | 4        |              |          | 4              | 2        |
| SUB-TOTAL | 4                | 8        |              |          | 4              | 4        |
| TOTAL     | 20               |          |              |          |                |          |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONSA. 20 BM. 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRE TEAM</u>  | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                 | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 23                |                   |                   |
| AMUSE           |                   |                   | 12                |
| SECURITY PATROL |                   | 11                | 15                |
| SUB TOTAL       | 23                | 11                | 27                |
| TOTAL - 61      |                   |                   |                   |

(2) 20 BM. 1ST MARINES. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO W RECEIVED SA FIRE AT (YD 790108) FROM ESTIMATED TEN VC AT 231200H. FIRE RETURNED AND VC BROKE CONTACT.

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5. PLANS SUMMARYA. BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRE TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SHIPER     | 10               | 2        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 34       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 43       | 122          |          | 6              |          |                |          |
| PATROLS          | 15               | 16       | 30           | 66       | 12             | 10       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 21           | 28       |                |          | 1              |          |
| SUB-TOTALS       | 27               | 95       | 51           | 236      | 12             | 16       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL            |                  | 418      |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 149 PATROLS AND 171 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 263 AS OF 241000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRSTTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 11               | 2        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2                | 42       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 44       |              | 87       |                | 6        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 9                | 12       | 17           | 42       | 7              | 6        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5                | 3        | 21           | 44       | 5              | 4        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 12           | 31       |                |          | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 27               | 103      | 50           | 204      | 12             | 16       | 2              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 415      |                  |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

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**B. DIVISION CONTACTS.**

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 918713           | 232240H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 888804                        | 232010H               | CO CP                       | B/1/3 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 038653                        | 231823H               | PLT PPB                     | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 086618                        | 240845H               | CO S&D                      | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 073627                        | 240900H               | CO S&D                      | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 098653                        | 241345H               | SQD OP OP                   | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/ 2 VCS                    |
| BT 107630                        | 241520H               | PLT S&D                     | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 031648                        | 231850H               | SQD AMB                     | E/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 001662                        | 231925H               | PLT PERIM                   | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA, 1 WIA<br>(POSS)    |
| BT 001663                        | 232130H               | PLT LP                      | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 995678                        | 232250H               | FT SEC                      | H&S/2/9 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 033628                        | 241230H               | PLT S&D                     | E/2/9 1 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 033628                        | 241300H               | PLT S&D                     | E/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 996676                        | 241430H               | CO CP                       | H&S/2/9 NONE                     | UNK/ 1 VCS                    |
| BT 020630                        | 241505H               | SQD S&D                     | E/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 971699                        | 232230H               | SQD RIVER<br>BLOCK          | H&S/3/3 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 436157           | 240745H               | SQD RECON                   | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/2 WIA                     |
| BT 436157                        | 240817H               | SQD RECON                   | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 461154                        | 240845H               | SQD RECON                   | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 425157                        | 240940H               | PLT S&D                     | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| BT 434153                        | 241255H               | SQD S&D                     | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 442076                        | 240255H               | CO SEC                      | E/2/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 655015          | 240915H               | SQD S&D                     | C/1/7 NONE                       | UNK/ 3 WIA,<br>3 WIA, 4 VCC   |
| BS 586923                        | 240930H               | CO S&D                      | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 579929                        | 241040H               | CO S&D                      | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| BS 552942                        | 241300H               | PLT SEC                     | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 429025           | 241130H               | SQD RECON                   | RECON GRP A 1 KIA                | UNK/UNK                       |
| THUA THIEN<br>YD 799104          | 240710H               | CO S&D                      | E/2/1 2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 823295                        | 240900H               | RESUPPLY<br>RUN SEC         | 2/B/3 MT BN<br>NONE              | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 788112                        | 240905H               | CO S&D                      | E/2/1 NONE                       | UNK/1 WIA                     |
| YD 795116                        | 241045H               | CO S&D                      | E/2/1 NONE                       | UNK/7 VCS                     |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS INCREASED TO 31 AS  
THIRD MARINE DIVISION UNITS CONDUCTED 415 OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IN THE  
TWENTY-FOUR HOUR PERIOD FOLLOWING THE END OF THE TET CEASE FIRE. 4 VC  
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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                |          |              | 14       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL |                |          | 8            | 19       |                |          |
| SUB TOTAL       |                |          | 8            | 33       |                |          |
| TOTAL - 41      |                |          |              |          |                |          |

(A) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 232240H CO B SQD PTL REC'D 20 RDS

SA AT (AT 918713). FIRE WAS RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NEG RESULTS.

(B) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. AT 232010H CO B CP LOCATED AT (AT 888804)

REC'D 20 RDS SA. FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NEG RESULTS.

B. 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 12       |              |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 6        | 45           |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 6        | 11           | 30       |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 12           | 31       |
| SUB TOTAL        | 3               | 24       | 23           | 106      |
| TOTAL - 156      |                 |          |              |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 231823H TO 231900H CO D PLT (BT 038653) RECEIVED SPORADIC SA FIRE IN PATROL BASE.. VC LOCATION COULD NOT BE PIN POINTED. NO FIRE RETURNED. AT 240845H CO D AT (BT 086618) RECEIVED SPORADIC SA FIRE FROM FRONT AND RIGHT FLANK AS MOVED SOUTH. EST FOUR VC FIRED 80 RDS. RETURNED FIRE. TWO VC WIA POSSIBLE. AT 240900H CO D RECEIVED SA FROM ROOF OF BUILDING AT (BT 073627). USMC TANK RETURNED FIRE. BUILDING DESTROYED. AT 241520H CO A PLT REPORTED 25 VC AT (BT 107630). BLOCKS WERE ESTABLISHED AT (BT 097628) AND (BT 107627). SWEEP WAS MADE. RECEIVED ONE RD SA FIRE. AT 241245H APPREHENDED TWO VCS AT (BT 098653).

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 231850H A CO E SQUAD AMBUSH (BT 031648) RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FROM (BT 032647). FIRE RETURNED. AREA CHECKED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 231906H CO F PLT OBSERVED THREE ARMED VC AT (BT 002664 ). VE TAKEN UNDER FIRE. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 231925H CO F PLT FIRED M-79 RD AT VC AT (BT 002644). OBSERVED RD HITTING ONE VC DIRECTLY IN CHEST. ONE VC KIA, ONE WIA POSSIBLE. AT 232130H CO F PLT SPOTTED ESTIMATE VC PLT VIC (AT 990663). ARTY CALLED. 36 RDS FIRED. GOOD COVERAGE WITH SCREAMS AND YELLING HEARD FROM TARGET AREA. SQUAD PATROL DISPATCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. FIRE TEAM DISPATCHED TO AREA

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AT FIRST LIGHT FOUND NEWLY PREPARED POSITIONS. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 232250H H&S CO FIRE TEAM PATROL (AT 995678) EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH FIVE VC AT (AT 995678) PATROL OBSERVED ONE VC DOWN WITH SECOND VC ATTEMPTING TO DRAG HIM AWAY. SECOND VC FIRED ON AND OBSERVED TO FALL. AREA SEARCHED. INDICATIONS TWO VC DRAGGED AWAY. AT 241230H CO E PLT PATROL (BT 033628) RECEIVED 10 RDS SA FROM 800 METERS SOUTHWEST. RETURNED FIRE. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONE USMC KIA. AT 241300H CO E PLT (BT 033628) RECEIVED SA FIRE 600 METERS WEST. ARTY FIRED, GOOD EFFECT ON TARGET. AT 241505H CO E SQUAD PATROL (BT 020630) RECEIVED SA FROM 400 METERS NORTH. FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 241430H ONE MALE VCS APPREHENDED AT (BT 996676).

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 232230H H&S CO SQUAD (AT 971669) RECEIVED ONE RD SA. OBSERVED MOVEMENT VIC (AT 968700) OF THREE PERSONS. RETURNED FIRE. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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C. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G |                        | 3            | 10             | 13           | 13                |
| 155H |                        | 3            | 99             | 102          | 102               |
| 105H | 4                      | 5            | 236            | 245          | 245               |
| 8 "H |                        | 3            | 8              | 11           | 11                |

RDS EXPENDED

|      | <u>HE</u> | <u>WP</u> |
|------|-----------|-----------|
| 155G | 13        |           |
| 155H | 100       | 2         |
| 105H | 381       | 23        |
| 8"H  | 11        |           |

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**D. THIRD RECON BN****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 4               |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 4            |   |                | 2 |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 4            | 4 | 2              | 2 |
| SUB TOTAL    | 4               |   | 4            | 8 | 2              | 4 |
| TOTAL - 22   |                 |   |              |   |                |   |

**E. 3D TANK BN.** AT 231330H A 5-TON TRUCK FROM TK BN REC'D TWO RDS SA AT (AT 972770). RETURNED FIRE. NEG RESULTS. AT 232218H BN CP (AT 989708) REC'D 1 RD SA FROM (AT 990704). AT 240900H TWO TANKS CO B REC'D ONE RD SA FROM HOUSE (BT 069637). FIRE RETURNED. HOUSE DESTROYED.

**F. THIRD ENGINEER BN.** EIGHTY-FOUR MEN CONDUCTED EIGHTEEN SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF NINTH MARINES.

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3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FIRST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>B</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>B</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>B</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER    |                 | 2        |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST  | 2               | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 31       |              | 5        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL    |                 |          |              | 6        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 5               | 2        | 6            | 7        |                |          |
| SUB TOTAL       | 7               | 36       | 6            | 12       |                |          |
| TOTAL - 69      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 240745H THE SCOUT/SNIPER TEAM WITH A SQUAD FROM CO B OBSERVED TWO VC VIC (BT 436157). THE TWO VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND BOTH WERE OBSERVED BEING HIT. THE PATROL THEN MOVED TO A NEW POSITION.

AT 240817H THREE ARMED VC WERE OBSERVED PICKING UP THE WOUNDED VC. THE SNIPER TEAM FIRED AT THE VC BUT NO HITS WERE OBSERVED.

AT 240845H THE PATROL SCOUT/SNIPER TEAM FROM CO B RECEIVED APPROX SIX SA RDS FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION. CAREFUL SCANNING BY THE SNIPER TEAM PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 240940H A PLT FROM CO B APPREHENDED TWO VCS VIC (BT 425159).

AT 241445H A SQUAD FROM CO B RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE VIC (BT 434153). AREA WAS IMMEDIATELY SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 240255H CO IN THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITION RECEIVED TEN RDS SA FIRE. AREA WAS ILLUMINATED AND ONE MALE WAS OBSERVED RUNNING AWAY FROM FIRING AREA. MALE WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRSTTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 27       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 3        |              | 6        |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 2                | 2        | 2            | 2        | 1              |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                  | 1        |              | 3        | 4              | 4        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          | 1            | 1        |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 4                | 33       | 3            | 12       | 5              | 4        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 63       |                  |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 240915H AN AO WORKING WITH CO C REPORTED 10-12 VCS MOVING NORTH VIC (BT 655016). A SQUAD WAS DISPATCHED TO THE AREA BY HELICOPTER. AS MARINES APPROACHED AREA THE VCS SCATTERED AND RAN TOWARDS THE HAMLET OF TUYET DIEM (4) VIC (BT 653016). WHEN AN ATTEMPT TO HALT THEM FAILED THEY WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE, KILLING THREE AND CAPTURING FOUR OF WHOM THREE WERE WOUNDED. MISC DOCUMENTS FOUND ON THE DEAD AND CAPTURED INDIVIDUALS INDICATED THEY WERE VC. PATROL WAS RETRACTED BY HELICOPTER BACK TO THEIR COMBAT BASE.

(3) 3D BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 240930H A PATROL FROM CO K RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM TWO VC VIC (BT 586923). PATROL PURSUED BUT LOST CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 241030H A PATROL FROM CO K APPREHENDED TWO VCS VIC (BS 579929).

AT 241300H A PLT PATROL FROM CO K LOCATED VIC (BS 952942) RECEIVED ONE RD 60MM MORTAR FIRE FROM VIC (BS 568938). AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO CASUALTIES.



C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
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| 155G |                        | 3          | 3            | 3                 |            |
| 155H | 3                      | 12         | 15           | 14                | 1          |
| 105H | 8                      | 30         | 38           | 38                |            |
| 8"H  | 1                      |            | 1            | 1                 |            |

|      | <u>RDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |
|------|---------------------|------------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>           | <u>ILL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G | 15                  |            | 15           |
| 155H | 58                  | 32         | 90           |
| 105H | 331                 | 3          | 337*         |
| 8"H  | 13                  |            | 13           |

\* 3 H.C. SMOKE

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 5               |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 4        |                | 4        |
| RECON PATROL | 4               | 4        | 4              | 4        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 9               | 8        | 4              | 8        |
| TOTAL - 29   |                 |          |                |          |

(2) RECON GROUP ALPHA. 1ST PLT CO B AT 241130H SUSTAINED ONE MARINE KIA WHEN HE STEPPED ON A LAND MINE VIC BT 419025.

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
|                  | D N             | D N          | D N            | D N            |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 13           |                |                |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 | 7 15         |                |                |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |              |                | 1              |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 | 7 28         |                | 1              |
| TOTAL - 36       |                 |              |                |                |

(2) 2D BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 240710H A TANK SUPPORTING CO E HIT A MINE AT (YD 799104). MODERATE DAMAGE TO TANK. TWO MARINES RIDING ON THE TANK WIA. AT 240900H A TRUCK HIT A MINE AT (YD 823195). VEHICLE BADLY DAMAGED. NO CASUALTIES. AT 240905H CO E WOUNDED ONE VC AT (YD 788112). VC WAS ON OPPOSITE SIDE OF SONG TA TRACH RIVER AND ESCAPED DUE TO RIVER BEING UNFORDABLE. AT 232125H COMBINED ACTION CO PTL REC'D 20 RDS SA AT (YD 909150) FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 241045 CO E APPREHENDED 7 VCS AT (YD 795116).

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5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 10              | 3        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 57       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 31       |              | 118      |                | 4        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               |          | 9            | 46       | 5              | 5        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 5               | 6        | 7            | 25       | 8              | 7        |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 19           | 21       | 3              | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTALS         | 18              | 97       | 35           | 210      | 16             | 17       | 1              | 1        |

TOTAL - 395

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT \_\_\_\_\_ PATROLS AND \_\_\_\_\_ AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT  
 TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. 126 153

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3D MAR DIV

HQ BN

3D MARINES

1ST BN, 1ST MAR

CO D

CO B

CO C

CO A

1ST BN, 3D MAR

CO A

CO B

CO C

CO D

AT 954752

AT 954752

AT 944762

AT 953723

AT 953723

AT 935663

AT 923732

AT 924692

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2D BN, 12TH MAR

3D TANK BN

3D AT BN

3D ANTI-TK BN

## 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES

A CO

B CO

C CO

D CO

B CO, 3D TK BN

D BTRY, 2/12

L CO 3/3

## 2D BN, 9TH MARINES

G CO

E CO

F CO

H CO

E BTRY, 2/12

## 3D BN, 3D MARINES

K CO

M CO

I CO

L CO

AT 996725

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AT 984713

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BT 068715

BT 096658

BT 082696

BT 068715

BT 063645

BT 067716

BT 062680

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## (2) 1ST MARINES

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4TH MARINES

BT 533089

CO B, 3D AT BN

BT 533089

CO A, 1ST TK BN

BT 535077

CO C, 3D TK BN

BT 523088

CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN

BT 555052

CO A, 1ST ENOR BN

BT 535077

CO B, 3D ENOR BN

BT 566062

3D BN, 12TH MARINES

BT 551048

## (3) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES

BT 524091

CO A

BT 529110

CO B

BT 511125

CO C

BT 525090

CO D

BT 487102

## (4) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES

BT 462072

CO E

BT 462072

CO F

BT 462072

CO G

BT 497066

CO H

BT 468068

HAS CO

BT 462072

## (5) RECON GROUP ALPHA

BT 533089

CO B

BT 533089

CO C, 1ST RECON BN

BT 560049

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REAR)

BT 073729

1ST FORCE RECON CO (FORWARD)

BT 563333

## (6) 7TH MARINES

BT 560048

CO C, 1ST AT BN

BT 560048

CO B, 1ST TK BN

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CO A, 3D AMTRAC BN

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 264 AS OF 251000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARINE HIGHLIGHTS.

A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |     | <u>PLATOON</u> |    | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|-----|----------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D               | N  | D            | N   | D              | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 |    |              |     |                |    |                |   |
|                  | 11              |    |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 51 |              |     |                |    |                |   |
| AMBUUSH          |                 | 30 |              | 95  |                | 6  |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               |    | 5            | 28  | 10             | 8  |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 5               | 5  | 16           | 42  | 4              | 4  |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |    | 19           | 30  | 10             | 5  | 2              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL        | 21              | 86 | 40           | 195 | 24             | 23 | 2              | 1 |
| TOTAL - 392      |                 |    |              |     |                |    |                |   |

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| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM                        |                       |                             |                                  |                               |
| AT 893716                        | 251145H               | SQD SEC                     | C/1/1 2 KIA, 1 WIA               | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 887712                        | 251740H               | PLT S&D                     | C/1/1 3 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 885833                        | 241840H               | SQD SEC                     | D/1/3 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 890835                        | 241955H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/3 NONE                       | UNK/ 1 WIA                    |
| AT 876712                        | 251300H               | SQD SEC                     | C/1/3 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 075667                        | 242030H               | SQD S&D                     | B/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 063678                        | 242145H               | BTRY FIRING PSN             | D/2/12 NONE                      | UNK/ 1 KIA (POSS)             |
| BT 044688                        | 250320H               | PLT SEC                     | B/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 055645                        | 250415H               | SQD S&D                     | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 WIA, 1 KIA (POSS)       |
| BT 109635                        | 251100H               | PLT S&D                     | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 031650                        | 242035H               | SQD AMB                     | E/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 999657                        | 251600H               | SQD S&D                     | F/2/9 3 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 971669                        | 250300H               | SQD SEC                     | H&S/3/3 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 967625                        | 251330H               | CO SEC                      | M/3/3 NONE                       | UNK/ 1 VC BARRIER             |
| QUANG TIN                        |                       |                             |                                  |                               |
| BT 476100                        | 242125H               | FT RECON                    | H&S/1/4 NONE                     | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 461145                        | 251115H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG NGAI                       |                       |                             |                                  |                               |
| BT 533009                        | 241920H               | FT SEC                      | H&S/3/7 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 574941                        | 250900H               | SQD RECON                   | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 578935                        | 251230H               | SQD RECON                   | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/ 6 VCS                    |
| BS 547914                        | 251420H               | CO S&D                      | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONTINUED TO AGGRESSIVELY SEARCH FOR AND DESTROY VC ELEMENTS IN THE DANANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES BY CONDUCTING 392 ACTIONS. 20 CONTACTS WERE MADE WITH THE VIET CONG. SEE SPECIAL SITREP FOR THE VC <sup>BARAGING</sup> MORTAR ATTACK AND SUBSEQUENT MARINE RESPONSIVENESS IN THE DANANG TAOR. SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS AND SIDS WERE EMPLOYED WITH ONE SID IN THE 1/9 AREA MAKING CONTACT. CLEAR SKIES AND DRYING GROUND AIDED IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF RECON ACTIVITIES AND SMALL UNIT ACTIONS.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              | 24       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          | 5            | 17       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 4              | 4        |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 |          | 5            | 41       | 4              | 4        |
| TOTAL -          | 54              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 251145H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C DETONATED BOOBY TRAP, BELIEVED 81MM RD, AT (AT 893716). TWO USMC KIA AND ONE WIA. AT 251740H PLT PATROL FROM CO C SUSTAINED THREE WIA (ONE MED-EVAC) FROM ELECTRICALLY DETONATED MINE AT (AT 887712).

(3) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. AT 241840H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D FIRED ON THREE ARMED VC (AT 885833). VC EVADED CONTACT AND SEARCH HAD NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 241955H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B RECEIVED 30 RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 890835): FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 251300H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C FIRED THREE RDS M-79 AT MAN WHO DIDN'T HALT WHEN CHALLENGED AT (AT 876713). INDIVIDUAL EVADED PATROL AND COULDN'T BE LOCATED.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
|                  |                 | 25       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMHUSH           |                 |          |              |          |                | 48       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               |          |              |          | 19             |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 19             | 28       | 5              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 3               | 25       | 19           | 95       | 5              |          |                | 1        |
| TOTAL - 148      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 242030H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B MOVING THROUGH VILLAGE SOUTH OF TRA KHE (3) (BT 075667) RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA AND ONE GRENADE: FIRE RETURNED, AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BETWEEN 242145H AND 242240H SID. 150'S PICKED UP MOVEMENT VIC (BT 063678) AND BTRY D 12TH MARINES (BT 064680) RECEIVED TWENTY RDS SA. FIRE RETURNED AND ONE VC SEEN HIT AND DRAGGED OFF. AT 250320H CO B PATROL BASE (BT 044688) OBSERVED FOUR VC ARMED WITH RIFLES ABOUT 500 METERS EAST OF THEIR BASE. THREE 60MM RDS FIRED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 250415H CO D SQUAD PATROL ENGAGED EST SIX VC AT (BT 056644). PATROL FIRED WITH SA, M-79, AND SHOTGUNS AND VC FLED WITH POSSIBLE KIA AND WIA. AT 251100H CO A PLT (BT 109635) ON S&D OUT OF PATROL BASE RECEIVED ABOUT FIFTY RDS SA FROM VC POSITION 400 METERS SOUTHWEST. 150 RDS SA RETURNED AND VC PURSUED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 242035H CO E SQUAD BLOCK ON SONG VIN DIEN (BT 031650) RECEIVED ABOUT TWENTY RDS SA FROM POSITION ABOUT 200 METERS SOUTHWEST. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 251600H CO F SUSTAINED THREE WIA AT (AT 999637) WHEN BOOBY TRAP EXPLODED.

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(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 250300H H&S CO SQUAD CAU DO RIVER BLOCK  
(AT 971699) SANK BOAT WITH SA FIRE: VC CASUALTIES, IF ANY, UNKNOWN. AT 251330H  
CO M RECEIVED VC RALLIER IN AN TRACH (1) (AT 970664) .

C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G |                        |              | 5              | 5            | 5                 |
| 155H |                        |              | 89             | 89           | 89                |
| 105H | 4                      | 1            | 229            | 234          | 234               |
| 8"   |                        |              | 6              | 6            | 6                 |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|      | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> |
|------|-----------|------------|
| 155G | 5         |            |
| 155H | 101       |            |
| 105H | 319       | 75         |
| 8"H  | 6         |            |

D. THIRD RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 6               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |              |          |                | 4        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2            |          | 6              | 4        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 6               |          | 2            |          | 6              | 8        |
| TOTAL - 22   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

E. 3D ENGR BN. 67 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 15 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DANANG TAOR.



3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FIRST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  | 2               | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 28       |              | 5        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL    |                 |          |              | 6        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 3               | 2        | 2            | 9        | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL       | 5               | 33       | 2            | 20       | 1              |          |
| TOTAL -         | 61              |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 242125H, A FIRE TEAM PATROL FROM HAS CO APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (BT 476100) FOR LACK OF PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

AT 251115H, A SQUAD FROM CO B MANNING AN OUTPOST AT (BT 461145) RECEIVED ONE RD OF SA FIRE FROM (BT 457135). A FIRE TEAM WAS DISPATCHED TO CHECK THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRSTTEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>         | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 3                |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 23       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                  | 2        |              | 4        |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     |                  |          | 3            | 3        | 1              | 1        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2                | 3        | 2            | 1        | 3              | 4        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |          |              | 2        | 1              |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 5                | 28       | 5            | 10       | 5              | 5        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL 60         |                  |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 241920H, A TWO MAN WIRE TEAM FROM H&S CO, LAYING WIRE AT (BT 533009) RECEIVED 30-40 RDS SA FIRE FROM THREE-FOUR VC AT (BT 530010). THE WIRE TEAM RETURNED 60 RDS OF 7.62. A FIRE TEAM FROM CO K WAS DISPATCHED TO SEARCH THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 250900H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO K RECEIVED 20-30 RDS SA FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC AT (BS 576947). THE SQUAD AT (BS 574941) RETURNED FIRE AND ASSAULTED THE VC POSITION BUT THE VC BROKE CONTACT. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

AT 251230H, A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO K APPREHENDED SIX VCS VIC (BS 578935). THE VCS WERE PASING AS FARMERS BUT THEY HAD A VC FLAG AND SOME VC DOCUMENTS IN THEIR POSSESSION.

AT 251410H, CO K REPORTED SEEING SIX VC WITH WEAPONS RUNNING WEST ON A ROAD AT (BS 547914). THE VC WERE SEEN BY AN AO WHO CALLED IN AIR SUPPORT. THE VC WERE FIRED ON BY AN ARMED UH-1E WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTY BOX SCORES.

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155G                   | 5              | 5            | 5                 |
| 155H 2                 | 13             | 15           | 15                |
| 105H 1                 | 30             | 31           | 31                |

| <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |            |           |              |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|                        | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G                   | 15        |            | 4         | 19           |
| 155H                   | 56        | 12         |           | 68           |
| 105H                   | 254       | 5          | 6         | 265          |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          |                | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2               |          | 2              | 4        |
| TOTAL - 8    |                 |          |                |          |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH          |                 |          |              | 11       |                |          |
| RECON PATROL    |                 |          |              |          | 1              | 1        |
| SECURITY PATROL |                 |          |              | 15       |                |          |
| SUB TOTAL       |                 |          |              | 26       | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 28      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

B. 4TH BATTALION, 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H | 2                      | 3            | 41             | 46           | 46                |
| 105H | 4                      | 3            | 111            | 118          | 118               |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H | 146                    | 14         | 2         | 162          |
| 105H | 276                    | 1          | 2         | 279          |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |                 | 10       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   | 2               | 55       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 25       |              | 88       |                | 6        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 9               | 1        | 2            | 16       | 5              | 5        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7               | 9        | 21           | 41       | 2              | 2        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 18           | 28       | 5              | 2        | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 28              | 90       | 41           | 173      | 12             | 15       | 2              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 362      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 120 PATROLS AND 119 AMBUSHES DURING THE  
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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 265 AS OF 261000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES.

|                  | FIRETEAM |    | SQUAD |    | PLATOON |     | COMPANY |    |
|------------------|----------|----|-------|----|---------|-----|---------|----|
|                  | D        | N  | D     | N  | D       | N   | D       | N  |
| SCOUT SNIPER     |          | 10 |       |    |         |     |         |    |
| LISTENING POST   | 5        |    |       | 59 |         |     |         |    |
| AMBUSH           |          |    |       | 12 |         |     |         |    |
|                  |          |    |       |    |         | 91  |         | 4  |
| RECON PATROL     | 7        |    | 4     |    | 5       | 16  | 3       | 3  |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 7        |    | 4     |    | 21      | 41  | 3       | 2  |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |          |    |       |    | 23      | 34  | 5       | 2  |
|                  |          |    |       |    |         |     | 3       | 2  |
| SUB TOTAL        | 29       |    | 79    |    | 49      | 182 | 11      | 11 |
|                  |          |    |       |    |         |     | 3       | 2  |
| TOTAL - 326      |          |    |       |    |         |     |         |    |



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B. DIVISION CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| THUA THIEN<br>YD 901136          | 252350H               | CO MLR                      | H/2/1 NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 887712           | 251740H               | PLT S&D                     | C/1/1 3 WIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| AT 907687                        | 252015H               | PLT S&D                     | A/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| AT 912688                        | 252230H               | PLT S&D                     | A/1/1 5 WIA                      | UNK/1 KIA, 2 WIA              |
| AT 888704                        | 261230H               | PLT S&D                     | C/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| AT 908664                        | 261545H               | SQD S&D                     | B/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/ 2 VCS                    |
| AT 889709                        | 261635H               | SQD S&D                     | C/1/1 3 WIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| BT 034679                        | 252115H               | SQD S&D                     | C/1/9 4 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 048755                        | 260045H               | SQD AMB                     | L/3/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 052753                        | 260100H               | SQD AMB                     | L3/9 NONE                        | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 128635                        | 260830H               | PLT S&D                     | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 WIA, 2 KIA              |
| BT 050648                        | 260920H               | SQD S&D                     | D/1/9 2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 050648                        | 260930H               | SQD S&D                     | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/ 1 KIA                    |
| BT 050648                        | 260945H               | SQD S&D                     | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 048685                        | 261000H               | PLT S&D                     | C/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 036687                        | 260720H               | PLT S&D                     | C1/9 NONE                        | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 037687                        | 260940H               | PLT S&D                     | C/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| AT 991643                        | 251930H               | SQD AMB                     | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 995679                        | 260615H               | BN CP                       | H&S/2/9 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 045702                        | 251040H               | SQD S&D                     | G/2/9 1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 013634                        | 261207H               | SQD S&D                     | E/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 041704                        | 261125H               | PLT S&D                     | G/2/9 1 WIA                      | UNK/ 3 KIA                    |
| AT 951672                        | 251810H               | SQD S&D                     | L/3/3 NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |

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| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 514118           | 252245H               | SQD                    | REC         | H&S/1/4 NONE                     | UNK/1VCS                      |
| BT 505119                        | 252255H               | SQD                    | REC         | H&S/1/4 NONE                     | UNK/ 1 VCS                    |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 571921          | 251825H               | CO                     | S&D         | K/3/7 2 WIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 545911                        | 260615H               | CO                     | S&D         | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 555903                        | 260910H               | CO                     | S&D         | K/3/7 2 WIA                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 556904                        | 261120H               | CO                     | S&D         | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| BS 558915                        | 261633H               | CO                     | S&D         | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/ 1 VCS                    |

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C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. GOOD WEATHER PREVAILED THROUGHOUT THE ENCLAVES AS THIRD MARINE DIVISION UNITS MADE 30 CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS WHILE CONDUCTING 326 OFFENSIVE ACTIONS. DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD NINE VC WERE KILLED, THREE WIA AND CAPTURED AND TWELVE VCS APPREHENDED.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   | 5               | 1        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              |          | 33             |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          | 6            | 17       |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 5               | 1        | 6            | 50       | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 66       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 1st MARINES. AT 251740H CO C PLT DETONATED A BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 887712) THREE USMC WIA. AT 252015H CO A PLT RECEIVED SEVEN RDS 81MM MORTAR. SEARCH OF AREA BEING CONDUCTED FOR DUDS AND CRATERS. INCOMING RDS HIT IN VIC (AT 907687).

AT 252230H CO A SQUAD ENGAGED FIVE OR SIX VC AT (AT 912688) WHILE MOVING TO AMBUSH SITE. VC RETURNED FIRE AND BROKE CONTACT. 5 USMC WIA, 1 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA POSSIBLE. RECOVERED M14 RIFLE WITH TWO MAGAZINES, 1 CHICOM GRENADE AND TWO M-26 GRENADES. AT 261230H CO C PLT RECEIVED TWO RDS SA AT (AT 888704) FROM SOUTH BANK OF SONG TUY LOAN. FIRE RETURNED. AREA NOT SEARCHED DUE TO RIVER BEING UNFORDABLE.

AT 261545H CO B SQUAD APPREHENDED TWO VCS AT (AT 908664).

AT 261635H CO C PLT PATROL DETONATED BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 889709) THREE USMC WIA.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SHIPER     | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 29       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 4        |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 3               | 4        | 11           |          |                |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          |              |          | 1              |          |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 20           | 32       | 3              |          | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 5               | 37       | 20           | 86       | 4              |          | 2              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 155      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 252115H CO C SQUAD PATROL DETONATED A BOOBY TRAP AT (BT 034679). BOOBY TRAP SUSPECTED AS 81MM HE RD. FOUR USMC WIA. AT 260045H CO L SQUAD AMBUSH AT (BT 048755) FIRED ON SIX VC VIC (BT 041756) VC RETURNED SA FIRE AND FLED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. THE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP AND WHILE ENROUTE FIRED ON TWO VC VIC (BT 052753). AREA CHECKED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 260830H CO A PLT LOCATED FOUR VC IN BUNKER AT (BT 128635) VC REFUSED TO COME OUT OF BUNKER WHEN DIRECTED TO DO SO BY ARVN SOLDIER WITH PLT. BUNKER WAS BLOWN. TWO VC KIA, 1 VC WIA 1 VC CAPTURED. AT 260934H CO D SQUAD PATROL DETONATED BOOBY TRAP AT (BT 050648). TWO USMC WIA. ENGINEERS SENT TO CHECK AREA FOR OTHER POSSIBLE BOOBY TRAPS. UPON ARRIVAL 1 VC RAN FROM TREE LINE VIC (BT 050648) VC IGNORED ORDERS TO HALT AND WAS KIA. TREE LINE CHECKED. 4 M-26 BOOBY TRAP GRENADES FOUND AND DESTROYED. AT 261000H CO C PLT APPREHENDED 1 VCS AT (BT 048685). AT 260720H CO C PLT APPREHENDED 1 VCS AT (BT 036687). AT 260940H CO C PLT APPREHENDED 1 VCS AT (BT 037687).

AT 261410H CO D APPREHENDED 1 VCS AT (BT 042652).

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 251930H CO F SQUAD AMBUSH AT (AT 991643) RECEIVED 15 RDS SA FROM (AT 991637) FIRE RETURNED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 260615H BN CP (AT 995679) RECEIVED 5 RDS SA FROM UNKNOWN POSITION. AREA ILLUMINATED. NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 261040H SQUAD AT (BT 045702) DETONATED BOOBY TRAP. ONE USMC WIA. AT 261125H CO G PLT OBSERVED TUNNEL AT (BT 041704). SEALED WITH BRICKS. 1 MARINE CRAWLED INTO TUNNEL. VC THREW GRENADE. MARINE WIA RETURNED FIRE AND WITHDREW FROM TUNNEL. 2 CS GRENADES AND 1 FRAGMENTATION GRENADE THROWN INTO TUNNEL. NEGATIVE RESULTS. MARINES DUG INTO CAVE AND USED SA FIRE. THREE VC KIA WEARING GAUZE MASKS. RECOVERED THREE RUSSIAN CARBINES, ONE US CARBINE AND ONE M-1 RIFLE. AT 261207H CO E SQUAD AT (BT 013634) RECEIVED SIX RDS SA FIRE FROM (BT 010633). REPORTED VC LOCATION WAS IN VIC CO F SQUAD PATROL. NO FIRE RETURNED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. AT 251810H CO L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (AT 951472). AT 260955H CO L SQUAD FOUND BOOBY TRAP AT (AT 955664) CONSISTING OF TWO M-26 GRENADES. DESTROYED IN PLACE

C. 12TH MARINES.

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> |
| 155G |                        | 9              | 9            | 9                 |            |
| 155H | 1                      | 96             | 97           | 97                |            |
| 105H | 9                      | 224            | 233          | 224               | 9          |
| 8"H  |                        | 20             | 20           | 15                | 5          |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> |
| 155G | 9                      |            |
| 155H | 102                    |            |
| 105H | 468                    | 85         |
| 8"H  | 20                     |            |

D. THIRD RECON BN.

(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 4               |          |              |          |                |          |
| ARMED        |                 |          | 4            |          |                | 2        |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 4               |          | 4            | 8        | 2              | 4        |
| TOTAL -- 22  |                 |          |              |          |                |          |



3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FIRST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 6        |              | 1        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 5               | 1        | 6            | 8        |                |          |
| SUB TOTAL       | 5               | 10       | 6            | 9        |                |          |
| TOTAL - 30      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARIN B. AT 252245H THE H&S CO WATERBORNE PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS IN A BOAT WITH NO ID CARD.

AT 252255H THE H&S CO WATERBORNE PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS IN A BOAT WITH NO ID CARD.

B. SEVENTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 26       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 2        |              | 7        |                | 1        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 4               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2               | 3        | 1            | 2        | 2              | 2        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 3            | 2        |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 6               | 31       | 4            | 11       | 2              | 3        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 59       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 251825H A PATROL FROM CO K RECEIVED ONE INCOMING RIFLE GRENADE VIC (BS 57192). PATROL SUSTAINED TWO WIA. AREA WAS SEARCHED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 260615H CO K RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE VIC (BS 545911). ARTY MISSION CALLED AND AREA SEARCHED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 260910H PATROL FROM CO K RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NO. OF VIC (BS 555903). PATROL SUSTAINED TWO WIA, AREA SEARCHED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 261120H CO K RECEIVED SEVERAL RDS OF SA FIRE VIC (BS 556904). SEARCHED AREA APPREHENDING ONE VCS. PATROL OBSERVED BLOOD STAINS AND SEARCHED OUT THE HOUSES IN THE AREA APPREHENDING TWO MORE VCS.

AT 261633H CO K PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS DURING A SEARCH OF THE VILLAGE PHUOC THUAN (2) VIC (BS 558915).

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP.(1) ARTY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155H  | 2                      |              | 10             | 12           | 12                |
| 105H  | 8                      | 1            | 27             | 36           | 36                |
| 107HT | 4                      |              | 13             | 17           | 17                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 59                     | 6          | 65           |
| 105H  | 315                    |            | 315          |
| 107HT | 122                    |            | 122          |

**D. RECON GROUP ALPHA.****(1) BOX SCORES.**

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|              | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2                 |                   |                   |
| AMBUSH       |                   | 1                 | 1                 |
| RECON PATROL |                   | 1   1             | 1   1             |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2                 | 1   2             | 1   2             |
| TOTAL - 8    |                   |                   |                   |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                 | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH          |              | 12       |
| SECURITY PATROL | 8            | 14       |
| SUB TOTAL       | 8            | 26       |
| TOTAL - 34      |              |          |

(2) 2D BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 252350H CO H RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM TWO VC AT (YD 901136). FIRE RETURNED. AREA SEARCHED. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  | 1                      | 3            | 10             | 14                |
| 105H  |                        | 3            | 80             | 83                |
| 107HT | 13                     |              |                | 13                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> |
| 155H  | 83                     | 6         |
| 105H  | 27                     | 12        |
| 107HT | 108                    | 12        |

5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 7               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 63       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 10       |              | 91       |                | 2        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 7               |          | 5            | 20       | 2              | 2        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 6               | 12       | 22           | 41       | 4              | 3        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 16           | 25       | 7              | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 20              | 85       | 43           | 177      | 13             | 8        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL -          | 348             |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 88 PATROLS AND 103 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 266 AS OF 271000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.

A. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
|                  | D N             | D N          | D N            | D N            |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 8               |              |                |                |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 64           |                |                |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 12           | 93             | 2              |
| RECON PATROL     | 7               | 1            | 10 20          | 6 3            |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 9               | 12           | 28 5           | 4 3            |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |              | 18 7           | 6 2 1 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 24              | 89           | 56 171         | 16 10 1 1      |
| TOTAL - 368      |                 |              |                |                |



B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 872704           | 262030                | PLT S/D                     | A/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 895715                        | 262270H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 913683                        | 262225H               | SQD SEC                     | A/1/1/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 900824                        | 27040H                | SQD S/D                     | A/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| AT 894801                        | 262045H               | CO CP                       | B/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 888826                        | 262130H               | 2MEN UX PT/                 | D/1/3/2KIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 916827                        | 270810H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 900824                        | 270930H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/4 VCS                     |
| AT 883833                        | 271330H               | PLT S/D                     | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 961685                        | 270725H               | PLT S/D                     | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| BT 078667                        | 261800H               | SQD RECON                   | A/1/9/1WIA                       | UNK/5KIA                      |
| BT 981696                        | 261815H               | SQD CP                      | B/1/9/1WIA                       | UNK/2WIA                      |
| BT 052753                        | 262230H               | SQD S/D                     | L/3/9/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 037654                        | 262300H               | SQD S/D                     | D/1/9/6WIA                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| BT 068689                        | 270930H               | SQD RECON                   | D/2/12/NONE                      | UNK/1KIA                      |
| BT 067707                        | 271100H               | SQD S/D                     | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| BT 046674                        | 271315H               | SQD S/D                     | C/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 999699                        | 262120H               | SQD AMB                     | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK 1 WIA                 |
| AT 999699                        | 262125H               | SQD AMB                     | H/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 998637                        | 271015H               | SQD PAT                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 992640                        | 271225H               | SQD PAT                     | F/2/9/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK 3 KIA; 2 WIA<br>Poss  |
| AT 987663                        | 271530H               | SQD S/D                     | F/2/9/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |

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| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 459072           | 270210H               | SQD AMB                     | D/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 458143                        | 270220H               | SQD AMB                     | B/1/4/5KIA                       | UNK/UNK 6-10 PRB              |
| BT 443056                        | 270900H               | SQD RECON                   | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONDUCTED 366 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS IN THE CONTINUING SEARCH FOR THE VIET CONG. CLEAR AND WARM WEATHER IMPROVED THE MOBILITY OF THE WHEELED AND TRACKED VEHICLES AND THE INFANTRYMAN, AND ENABLED GROUND AND AIR SURVEILLANCE UNITS TO EXTEND THE SEARCH FOR THE VC. 25 CONTACTS WERE MADE IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT, BUT DID NOT MAKE CONTACT.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u><br>D N | <u>SQUAD</u><br>D N | <u>PLATOON</u><br>D N | <u>COMPANY</u><br>D N |
|------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| AMBUSH           |                        | 23                  |                       |                       |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                        | 6 17                |                       |                       |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                        |                     | 6 2                   |                       |
| SUB TOTAL        |                        | 6 50                | 6 2                   |                       |
| TOTAL 64         |                        |                     |                       |                       |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 262030H PLT PATROL FROM CO A RECEIVED 15 RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 872704) FROM THREE DIRECTIONS. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 262220H PLT PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED APPROX TWENTY RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 895715). FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 262225H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO A RECEIVED SA FIRE AND ONE HAND GRENADE AT (AT 913683) RESULTING IN TWO USMC WIA. FIRE RETURNED AND CONTACT BROKEN BY VC. SQUAD FROM CO A CONDUCTING SEARCH OF HOI VUC (AT 870708) SURPRISED TWO VC IN HUT: VC RAN AND MARINES SPOTTED ONE HIDING UNDERWATER IN SONG TUY LOAN AND SHOT AND KILLED HIM AT 270740H. OTHER VC ESCAPED.

(3) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. AT 262045H CO B CP (AT 894801) RECEIVED SA FIRE. FIRE RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. CO D DISPATCHED PATROL TO LOCATION ALONG SONG CA DE (AT 888826) WHEN TWO MAN CHECK POINT DID NOT RETURN. AT 262130H MARINES WERE FOUND KILLED BY GUNSHOT WOUNDS. ONE M-14 AND ONE CAL. .45 PISTOL MISSING. AT 270810H 30 YEAR OLD MALE WITHOUT PAPERS APPREHENDED AS VCS AT

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(AT 916827) BY PLT PATROL FROM CO C. AT 270930H SAME PATROL APPREHENDED FOUR VCS AT (AT 900824). PLT PATROL FROM CO D RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE AT 270930H AT (AT 883833).

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**B. NINTH MARINES.****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                  | <u>FIRSTTEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|------------------|------------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                  | D                | N  | DD           | N  | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST   |                  | 31 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH           |                  |    |              | 38 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL     | 3                | 1  | 1            | 15 |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                  |    | 5            | 10 | 3              | 1 |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                  |    | 17           | 5  |                |   |
| SUB TOTAL        | 3                | 32 | 23           | 68 | 3              | 1 |
| TOTAL - 128      |                  |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. REINFORCED SQUAD FROM CO B HELILIFTED AT 261741H FROM NMAE TO (BT 065692) TO EXPLOIT VC CONTACT MADE BY BTRY D 2D BN, 12TH MARINES. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS AND SQUAD PROCEEDED TO PREARRANGED PICK UP POINT AT (BT 067648) WHERE SQUAD EMBARKED IN HELOS AT 26184H FOR RETURN FLIGHT TO NMAE. AT THIS TIME SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B WAS ENGAGED IN FIRE FIGHT WITH APPROX 25 VC DIGGING TRENCHLINE VIC (BT 078667). SQUAD PATROL SUPPORTED BY 81'S AND TANKS. SQUAD (REIN) FROM CO B WAS DIVERTED IN THE AIR TO LAND AT (BT 078668) TO REINFORCE CO B PATROL BY PROVIDING BASE OF FIRE AND ALLOWING CO B PATROL TO ASSAULT THE VC POSITION. UH-1E'S WITH HELOS FLEW AIR STRIKE AT THIS TIME ON VC POSITION. RESULTS OF COMBINED ASSAULT WERE THREE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND SEARCH OF TRENCHLINE DISCLOSED THREE VC KIA BY GROUND FIRE AND TWO VC KBA. ONE USMC MIA.

SQUAD FROM CO B AT (BT 081696) AT 261815H RECEIVED APPROX 250 RDS SA FIRE INCL AT LEAST ONE AW FROM EST 8-10 VC CAUSING ONE MIA. HEAVY FIRE RETURNED INCLUDING 81M. TWO VC WERE SEEN TO BE

HIT AND FELL AND TWO ADDITIONAL WERE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN HIT BY M-79 RD THAT LANDED IN THEIR FIRING POSITION. AT 262230H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L, 3D BN, 9TH MARINES (OPCON 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES) AT (BT 052753) ENGAGED EST 15 VC. PATROL SUSTAINED ONE WIA: VC CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. <sup>A CO D</sup> SQUAD PATROL OBSERVED MAN ACTING SUSPICIOUSLY AROUND GATE AT 262230H AT (BT 037654). MAN RAN WHEN PATROL APPROACHED AND PATROL KILLED HIM. IN ENSUING ACTION PATROL TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP RESULTING IN SIX MINOR WIA. AT 270930H BTRY D, 2D BN 12TH MARINES PATROL DISCOVERED VC BOOBY AT (BT 068689) WHICH WAS BOOBY TRAPPED, WITH GRENADE. GRENADE BLOWN IN PLACE. AT 271100H CO C SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (BT 067707). AT 271315H CO C SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED ONE MALE VCS VIC KHAI TAY (2) AT (BT 046674).

(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 262120H SQUAD AMBUSH <sup>AT (AT 999699)</sup> FROM CO H OBSERVED TWO PERSONS IN RICE PADDY. FIRED TWO RDS HAND ILLUM AND FOUR RDS SA AND ONE MAN SEEN TO FALL. AREA SEARCHED AND BLOOD FOUND ON GROUND. AT 262125H THREE RDS SA RECEIVED BY CO H SQUAD AMBUSH AT (AT 999699). AT 271015H SQUAD FROM CO F RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 998637). AT 271225H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F AT (AT 992640) RECEIVED APPROX 11 RDS SA FIRE. EIGHT RDS 81MM FIRED. ESTIMATE TWO POSSIBLE VC WIA'S. THREE 90MM RDS FIRED AND DIRECT HIT ON GROUP OF THREE VC OBSERVED. ONE MARINE WIA. ESTIMATE THREE VC KIA AND TWO WIA. AT 271530H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO F APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (AT 987663).

(2) 3D BN, 3D MARINES. THREE PLATOON CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATION OF SONG YEENAREA (AT 957679) CONDUCTED FROM 270645H TO 271145H BY CO 1 WITH EMPHASIS ON UNDERWATER CAVES. NUMEROUS CAVES DESTROYED AND ONE SUNKEN BOAT DESTROYED AT (AT 958679). AT 270725H TWO VCS ATTEMPTED ESCAPE AND MARINES OPENED FIRE. ONE ESCAPED AND ONE VCS CAPTURED AT (AT 961685).

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |             |
|------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>NAF</u>        | <u>ARMY</u> |
| 1550 |                        |              | 8          | 8            | 8                 |             |
| 155H | 1                      |              | 20         | 21           | 19                | 2           |
| 105H | 5                      |              | 323        | 328          | 296               | 32          |
| 8" H |                        |              | 11         | 11           | 11                |             |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |
|------|------------------------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 1550 |                        |              |
| 1550 | 8                      | 8            |
| 155H | 31                     | 31           |
| 105H | 565                    | 565          |
| 8" H | 11                     | 11           |



D. THIRD RECON(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRST TEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-------------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>          | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 4                 |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                   |          | 4            |          |                | 1        |
| RECON PATROL |                   |          | 6            | 4        | 2              | 1        |
| SUB TOTALS   | 4                 |          | 6            | 8        | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 22   |                   |          |              |          |                |          |

E. 3D ENGR BN. 68 ENGRS CONDUCTED 16 SNEEPS IN SUPPORT OF 3 INFANTRY BNS IN THE DANANG TAOR. BOOBY TRAP FOUND VIC HILL 22 (AT 955664) CONSISTING OF 2 M26 GRENADES WITH PINS HULLED, PLACED UNDER HALF SECTION OF BAMBOO. SPOONS HELD IN PLACE BY WEIGHT OF GRENADES. ENGRS WITHHEW SAFE DISTANCE AND HULLED TRIP WIRE ATTACHED TO BAMBOO. AS BAMBOO MOVED GRENADES FLIPPED SEVERAL FEET IN AIR BY SPRING TENSION IN SPOON. BOTH EXPLODED. NO CASUALTIES.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FIRST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|-----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|                 | D               | N  | D            | N | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 3  |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 12 | 3            |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL    |                 |    |              |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL | 7               | 9  | 8            | 6 |                |   |
| SUB TOTAL       | 7               | 24 | 8            | 9 |                |   |
| TOTAL - 48      |                 |    |              |   |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 270210H, A SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO D AT (BT 459072) RECEIVED FOUR RDS SA FIRE FROM (BT 461078). NO FIRE RETURNED DUE TO DISTANCE AND UNCERTAINTY AS TO LOCATION OF ENEMY. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

AT 270220H, A SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO B AT (BT 458143) WAS ATTACKED BY 20-30 VC. THE VC INITIATED THE ATTACK WITH 4 OR 5 60MM MORTAR RDS AND AW FIRE, SUSPECTED TO BE FROM A .50 CAL. MG LOCATED VIC (BT 457147). THE INITIAL FIRING WAS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY APPROXIMATELY FIVE GRENADES THROWN INTO THE SQUAD'S POSITION, KILLING THE SQUAD LEADER AND THE RADIOMAN IMMEDIATELY. THE VC THEN THREW GRENADES AND FIRED SA AT THE MARINE MACHINE GUN AND 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER POSITIONS. AFTER THE ATTACK, THE REMAINDER OF THE SQUAD IMMEDIATELY REGROUPED AND SET UP HASTY DEFENSES AT (BT 458142) AND RETURNED FIRE, POSSIBLY KILLING SIX VC, WHO WERE OBSERVED BEING DRAGGED AWAY. ~~THE~~ <sup>THE</sup> STACK CAME FROM A SOUTHERLY

DIRECTION, THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION FROM THAT IN WHICH THE AMBUSH WAS ORIENTED. TWO SIGNIFICANT POINTS SHOULD BE NOTED: (1) THE VC APPEARED TO KNOW WHERE THE SQUAD CP AND THE MACHINE GUN WERE LOCATED AND (2) THE VC RAIDING PARTY TRAVERSED MORE THAN 200 METERS OF TERRITORY WELL COVERED BY TRIP FLARES WITHOUT TRIGGERING ANY OF THEM. IN THE COURSE OF ENGAGEMENT THE FOLLOWING FRIENDLY EQUIPMENT WAS LOST:

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 - M79 GRENADE LAUNCHER | 1 - PACK                 |
| 1 - M14 RIFLE            | 6 - CARTRIDGE BELTS      |
| 1 - 3.5" ROCKET LAUNCHER | 1 - MAGAZINE POUCH       |
| 1 - PRG-6 RADIO          | 5-6 RDS .45 AMMO         |
| 2 - .45 PISTOLS          | 17 RDS M79 AMMO          |
| 1 - BAYONET              | 360 RDS 7.62 RIFLE AMMO  |
| 2-MAGAZINES, M14         | 350 RDS 7.62 LINKED AMMO |

AT 270900H, A CO A SQUAD PATROL LOCATED AT (BT 443056) RECEIVED ONE RD OF SNIPER FIRE FROM AN UNDETERMINED ORIGIN. NO FIRE RETURNED, NO CASUALTIES.

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B. SEVENTH MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 2               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST   |                 | 30       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          | 2            |          |                |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL     | 4               |          | 2            |          |                |          |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 2               | 3        | 1            | 4        | 4              | 3        |                |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          | 1            | 2        |                |          | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL        | 8               | 33       | 4            | 8        | 4              | 3        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 62       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

(2) 3D BN. 7TH MARINES. AT 271400H, A CO K SEARCH AND DESTROY OPN DISCOVERED A CAVE VIC (BS 555911). INVESTIGATION REVEALED THAT THE CAVE CONTAINED THE BODY OF A DEAD VC, APPARENTLY KILLED BY A CAVEIN. THE CAVE WAS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY TEN FEET UNDERGROUND, WAS FIVE FEET HIGH, THREE FEET WIDE AND ABOUT 300 FEET LONG, WITH SIX ENTRANCES. THE CAVE WAS NOT FINISHED. INTERROGATION OF NEARBY VILLAGERS DISCLOSED THAT THE CAVE WAS DUB BY VC. THE CAVE WAS DESTROYED.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |             |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>ARVN</u> |
| 155H  | 1                      | 14             |              | 15           | 15                |             |
| 105H  | 5                      | 24             |              | 29           | 29                |             |
| 105HT | 4                      | 15             |              | 19           | 19                |             |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 150                    |            |           | 150          |
| 105H  | 276                    |            | 1         | 277          |
| 105HT | 116                    | 6          |           | 122          |

B. RECON GROUP ALPHA.(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D      N        | D      N     | D      N       |
| SCOUT SHIPER | 2               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 1            | 1              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 1   1        | 1   1          |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2               | 1   2        | 1   2          |
| TOTAL - 8    |                 |              |                |

4. FHU BAI OPERATIONS.A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u>   | <u>SQUAD</u>      | <u>PLATOON</u>    | <u>COMPANY</u>    |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                 | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> | <u>D</u> <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH          |                   |                   | 12                |                   |
| SECURITY PATROL |                   | 8                 | 14                |                   |
| SUB TOTAL       |                   | 8                 | 26                |                   |
| TOTAL - 34      |                   |                   |                   |                   |

B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;J</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H | 3                      | 4            | 61             | 68           | 68                |
| 105H | 1                      | 4            | 53             | 58           | 58                |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|      | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155H | 112       | 7          | 10        | 129          |
| 105H | 111       |            | 13        | 124          |

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5. PLANS SUMMARY.A. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>DD</u>      | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 8               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 32       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 49       | 5            | 94       | 1              | 3        |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               | 1        | 17           | 23       | 3              | 2        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 15              | 17       | 14           | 33       | 1              | 2        |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 24           | 29       | 5              | 2        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL          | 26              | 108      | 60           | 179      | 10             | 9        | 1              | 1        |
| TOTAL - 394        |                 |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 131 PATROLS AND 152 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 267 AS OF 281000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTSA. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES

|                  | FIRETEAM |     | SQUAD |     | PLATOON |   | COMPANY |     |
|------------------|----------|-----|-------|-----|---------|---|---------|-----|
|                  | D        | N   | D     | N   | D       | N | D       | N   |
| SCOUT SNIPER     | 6        |     |       |     |         |   |         |     |
| LISTENING POST   |          | 58  |       |     |         |   |         |     |
| AMBUSH           |          | 16  | 13    | 70  | 1       |   | 3       |     |
| RECON PATROL     | 6        | 1   | 6     | 17  | 2       |   | 2       |     |
| SECURITY PATROL  | 8        | 14  | 14    | 26  | 1       |   | 2       |     |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |          |     | 20    | 33  | 5       |   | 2       | 1 1 |
| CLEARING         |          |     |       | 1   |         |   | 1       |     |
| SUB TOTAL        | 20       | 89  | 53    | 146 | 10      |   | 9       | 2 1 |
| TOTAL -          |          | 330 |       |     |         |   |         |     |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 872806           | 272149H               | SQD SEC                     | B/1/3 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 896726                        | 272130H               | FLT SEC                     | C/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 910570                        | 281020H               | FLT SEC                     | B/1/1 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| AT 874713                        | 280945H               | SQD SEC                     | C/1/1 1 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 095653                        | 271830H               | FLT S&D                     | A/1/9 4 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 052640                        | 280640H               | FLT SEC                     | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 060636                        | 280800H               | SQD S&D                     | D/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 094643                        | 280855H               | FLT S&D                     | A/1/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 090690                        | 281230H               | SQD S&D                     | H&S/1/9 2 KIA                    | UNK/2 KIA                     |
| BT 032663                        | 272000H               | SQD SEC                     | L/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 995631                        | 272115H               | FT AFB                      | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/2-1A (1 KIA)              |
| AT 987682                        | 280125H               | CO PER                      | H&S/2/9 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 008639                        | 280900H               | SQD S&D                     | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| BT 008638                        | 281100H               | SQD S&D                     | F/2/9 1 KIA (USK)                | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| AT 996633                        | 281250H               | SQD S&D                     | F/2/9 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 972663                        | 271850H               | CO PER                      | N/3/3 1 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 968688                        | 281128H               | FLT S&D                     | K/3/3 1 KIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 954666                        | 281255H               | SQD AFB                     | L/3/3 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 440110           | 280935H               | CO CLR                      | D/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 428094                        | 281015H               | CO CLR                      | D/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/2 KIA (1 KIA)             |
| BT 425090                        | 281050H               | CO CLR                      | D/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/1 KIA                     |
| BT 513073                        | 281130H               | SQD SEC                     | C/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BT 444022                        | 281503H               | PLT CLR                     | A/1/4 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| QUANG TRI<br>BT 543995           | 272010H               | CO PER                      | L/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 531004                        | 280400H               | SQD DEC                     | L/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 522925                        | 280857H               | CO PER                      | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/1 VCS                     |
| BT 511939                        | 280955H               | CO PER                      | K/3/7 NONE                       | UNK/ 2 VCS                    |
| THUAN THUAN<br>YD 812169         | 272030H               | CO PER                      | H/2/1 NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 912118                        | 272035H               | PLT PER                     | CAC/2/1 NONE                     | UNK/UNK                       |
| YD 902143                        | 272225H               | CO PER                      | G/2/1 NONE                       | UNK/1 WIA (POSS)              |
| QUANG NAM<br>BT 903674           | 271730H               | PLT DEC                     | D/30 RECON                       | 1WIA UNK/1KIA                 |

2. DANANG OPERATIONSA. THIRD MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH             |              | 31       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 5            | 19       |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |              |          | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL          | 5            | 50       | 2              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 59         |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 272130H A PLATOON OF CO C REC'D APPROX 8 RDS SA FIRE AT (AT 896726). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 281020H PLATOON FROM CO B CHALLENGED MAN WHO RAN FROM PATROL AT (AT 910670). PATROL FIRED AND WOUNDED VC IN THIGH; VC DIED BEFORE EVAC ACCOMPLISHED.

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. AT 272149H SQUAD PATROL FR CO B FIRED AT FOUR VC AT (AT 879806) BUT VC ESCAPED.

C. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS.

(1) OPERATION DOUBLE EAGLE COMMENCED AT 280700H. SEE 3D MAR DIV SPECIAL SITHOPS.

(2) 4 VC WERE KILLED AND 16 VCS APPREHENDED AS MARINE UNITS CONDUCTED 330 ACTIONS AND GAINED 30 CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS IN THE DANANG, CHU LAI AND HUU BAI ENCLAVES. CLOUDY SKIES AND SCATTERED RAIN SHOWERS REDUCED VISIBILITY IN THE ENCLAVES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

B. NINTH MARINES(A) BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|
|                    | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N |
| SCOUT SHIPER       |                 |    |              |    |                |   |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 26 |              |    |                |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 1  | 13           | 27 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               | 1  |              | 12 |                |   |
| SEARCH & DESTROY   |                 |    | 18           | 33 | 2              |   |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | 3               | 28 | 31           | 72 | 2              |   |
| TOTAL - 136        |                 |    |              |    |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 271830H PLT FROM CO A MOVING TO PPB RECEIVED ABOUT TEN RDS SA FIRE AT (BT 095653) FROM POSSIBLE FOUR VC. PLT MOVED THROUGH VC PSN SUSTAINING TWO WIA'S. IN SECOND BRIEF STAND VC FIRED TEN MORE RDS RESULTING IN TWO MORE ~~WIA'S~~ WIA. CONTACT LOST AND SEARCH FOR VC CASUALTIES PROVED NEGATIVE. AT 280640H TWO BOATS OBSERVED AT (BT 052644) MOVING NORTH ON SONG VINH DIEN; BOATS WERE CHALLENGED, FIRED AT AND DESTROYED. SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS PROVED NEGATIVE. AT 280800H CO D SQUAD PATROL AT (BT 068636) FIRED AT THREE VC AND OBSERVED ONE VC FALL AS VC RAN INTO VILLAGE. AREA SEARCHED BUT NO CASUALTIES FOUND. AT 280855H AO REPORTED TWENTY VC VIC CAM SA (2) (BT 094643): ARTY MISSION FIRED AND AT 280945H REINFORCED SQUAD LANDED BY HELO AT (BT 090633). AREA SEARCHED AND NEGATIVE CONTACT UNTIL 281230H WHEN TWO VC LOCATED IN BUNKER. ONE VC CAME OUT TO SURRENDER AND SECOND THREW THREE GRENADES WOUNDING <sup>Two</sup> ~~THREE~~ MARINES. SURRENDERING VC RAN AND SQUAD

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FIRE KILLING HIM. OTHER VC ALSO KILLED.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 272000H CO E SQUAD AT SONG VINH DIEN BLOCK (BT 032663) FIRED TEN RDS SA AT VCS 400 METERS SOUTH OF SQUAD'S POSITION. AREA SEARCHED WITH ~~W~~NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 272115H CO F FT AMBUSH (AT 995631) FIRED ON VC SQUAD APPROACHING FROM TEN METERS SOUTH ALONG EAST BANK OF RAILROAD WITH A SECOND VC SQUAD ALMOST ABREAST ON WEST BANK. FT LDR DIRECTED FIRE ON TWO AUTO RIFLES AND TWO VC OUT DOWN BY INITIAL BURST. VC DID NOT RETURN FIRE BUT MOVED TO ENVELOP AND FT WITHDREW AND ARTY MISSION CALLED. AT 280125H H&S CO PERIMETER PSN RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE. AT 280900H CO F SQUAD PATROL AT (BT 008639) RECEIVED HEAVY SA FIRE FROM EST EIGHT VC NEAR BICH NAM (2) (BT 009639): PATROL RETURNED SA FIRE AND 81MM MISSION FIRED. ONE VC OBSERVED HIT BY FIRE BEFORE VC WITHDREW. AT 281100H CO F SQUAD PATROL AT (BT 008638) RECEIVED ONE RD SA FIRE THREE VC RUNNING AND ONE SHOT AND KILLED. ONE USN WIA. AT 281250H CO F SQUAD PATROL (AT 996633) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM THREE VC POSITIONS. SA AND 81MM RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 271850H CO M PLT CP (AT 972663) RECEIVED TWENTY RDS SA FROM EST THREE VC VIC (AT 973660) AN TRACH (1). FIRE RETURNED AND VC PURSUED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONE USMC WIA. AT 281128H PLT PATROL FROM CO K DETONATED BOOBY TRAP <sup>WHERE</sup> RESULTING IN ONE WIA. AT 281215H CO L SQUAD AMBUSH APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC LA CHAU (4) (AT 954666).



C. 12TH MARINES

(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |
|------|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|      | <u>CRS</u>             | <u>UNCRS</u> | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVE</u> |
| 155G |                        |              | 7          | 7            | 7                 |            |
| 155H |                        |              | 76         | 76           | 76                |            |
| 105H | 3                      | 3            | 232        | 238          | 226               | 12         |
| 8" H |                        |              | 8          | 8            | 8                 |            |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |
|------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>RE</u>              | <u>WE</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155G | 7                      |           | 7            |
| 155H | 76                     |           | 76           |
| 105H | 387                    | 17        | 404          |
| 8" H | 8                      |           | 8            |

D. THIRD RECON BN(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |   | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|
|              | D               | N | D            | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 3               |   |              |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH       |                 |   | 3            |   |                | 1 |
| RECON PATROL |                 |   | 4            | 4 | 1              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL    | 3               |   | 4            | 7 | 1              | 2 |
| TOTAL - 17   |                 |   |              |   |                |   |

- (2) 3D RECON BN. CO D FLT SIZE OPERATION REC'D THREE GRENADES  
THREE VC THREW GRENADES AT POSITION OF FLT PATROL AT (AT 903674)  
AT 271730H. PATROL FIRED AT VC KILLING ONE. ONE USMC KIA.  
E. 3D TANK BN. AT 271915H TANK FM CO B FIRED 100 MM 30 CAL AT UNK  
NUMBER VC AT (AT 987637). ONE VC SEEM TO FALL. AT 281335H TWO TANKS  
FM CO B FIRED 90MM AT UNK NUMBER VC (AT 960635) WHO WERE FIRING AT HELOS.  
RESULTS UNK.  
F. 3D ENGR BN. 84 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 20 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR  
INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DANANG TACH.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONS.A. FIRST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |    | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|-----------------|-----------------|----|--------------|----|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                 | D               | N  | D            | N  | D              | N | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 3  |              |    |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 15 |              | 5  |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL | 5               | 11 | 6            | 6  |                |   |                |   |
| CLEARING        |                 |    |              |    | 1              |   | 1              |   |
| SUB TOTAL       | 5               | 29 | 6            | 11 | 1              |   | 1              |   |
| TOTAL - 53      |                 |    |              |    |                |   |                |   |

(2) 1ST BN. 4TH MARINES. AT 280935H A PATROL FROM CO D RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE VIC (BT 440110). UNABLE TO OBSERVE EXACTLY WHERE THE FIRE WAS COMING FROM PATROL CONTINUED TO THE AREA BUT UNABLE TO MAKE FURTHER CONTACT.

AT 281015H A PATROL FROM CO D LOCATED VIC (BT 439098) RECEIVED SA AND AW FIRE FROM APPROX 15 VC VIC (BT 428094). FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH SA AND TWO RDS 3.5" ROCKET. TWO VC WERE OBSERVED TO FALL. AREA SEARCHED BUT NO BODIES WERE FOUND.

AT 281050H A PATROL FROM CO D APPREHENDED ONE VCS VIC (BT 425090) VCS WAS SEEN IN AREA FROM WHICH THE SA FIRE WAS RECEIVED. TURNED INTO TY TIN DISTRICT HQDRS.

AT 281130H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 513073). OBSERVED 6-8 VC. SQUAD ASSAULT PSN BUT VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED THE AREA.

AT 281503H A PLT FROM CO A RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 444022) FROM THREE VC. PLT ASSAULTED PSN BUT VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED THE AREA.

**B. SEVENTH MARINES****(1) BOX SCORES**

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                    | D               | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 2               |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 29 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 |    |              | 8 | 1              | 1 |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               |    | 1            |   |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 3               | 3  | 3            | 1 | 1              | 2 |                |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |    | 2            |   | 1              |   | 1              | 1 |
| SUB TOTAL          | 8               | 32 | 6            | 9 | 3              | 3 | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL - 63         |                 |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |

**(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES.** AT 272010H TWO RADIO MEN FROM CO L OBSERVED THREE VIETNAMESE WITHIN THEIR COMPANY PONS VIC (BS 543995). VIETNAMESE TAKEN UNDER FIRE. SQUAD WAS DISPATCHED TO SEARCH THE AREA, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 280400H ONE VIETNAMESE ATTEMPTED TO INFILTRATE OP 35 WHICH WAS OCCUPIED BY CO L, VIC (BT 531004) WHEN HE ACTIVATED A TRIP FLARE. VIETNAMESE ESCAPED.

AT 280857H A PATROL FROM CO K APPREHENDED ONE VCS WHO TURNED HIMSELF INTO THE PATROL DISPLAYING A SAFE CONDUCT PASS #47792B. VCS STATED THERE ARE 30-50 VC OPERATING IN THE AREA.

AT 280955H A PATROL FROM CO K OBSERVED SEVEN VCS RUNNING VIC (BS 511939). ARTY WAS CALLED FORCING THEM TO HALT. THEY CLAIMED THEY WERE FROM THE VILLAGE OF BINH THANH AND WORK IN THE RICE PADDIES NEARBY.

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP(1) ARTILLERY BN SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |            |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>HAI</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 1550  |                        | 2          | 2            | 2                 |
| 155H  | 1                      | 15         | 16           | 16                |
| 105H  | 8                      | 22         | 30           | 30                |
| 105HT | 1                      | 13         | 14           | 14                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>OTHER</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 1550  | 16                     |            |           |              | 16           |
| 155H  | 70                     | 1          | 1         |              | 72           |
| 105H  | 231                    | 24         | 6         | 16           | 277          |
| 105HT | 119                    |            |           |              | 119          |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>R</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>R</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>R</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 1               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 1            |          | 1              |          |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 1            | 1        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 1               |          | 1            | 2        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 7    |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

4. FBI BAL OPERATIONSA. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>     | <u>H</u> |
| AMBUSH          |              | 9        |
| SECURITY PATROL | 8            | 12       |
| SUB TOTAL       | 8            | 21       |
| TOTAL - 29      |              |          |

(2) 2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 272030H PLATOON OF COMBINED ACTION CO FIRED ON VC AT (YD 912118). AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 272030H CO H REC'D FIVE RIF SA AND ONE BUD RIFLE GRENADE AT (YD 812169). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS. FIVE VC FIRED APPROX 100 RIF SA INTO CO G POSITION AT (YD 902143). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS. ONE VC SEEN BEING DRAGGED AWAY.

B. 4TH BATTALION, 12TH MARINES(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|      | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|      | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>RAF</u>        |
| 155H | 1                      | 4            | 35             | 40           | 40                |
| 105H | 14                     | 4            | 73             | 91           | 91                |

|      | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |           |              |
|------|------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
|      | <u>HE</u>              | <u>105</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H | 51                     | 6          | 5         | 62           |
| 105H | 209                    |            | 20        | 229          |



5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          | <u>COMPANY</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 8               |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     |                 | 62       |              |          |                |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 17       | 105          |          | 2              |          |                |          |
| RECON PATROL       | 7               |          | 7            | 16       | 2              | 2        |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 7               | 13       | 25           | 40       | 6              | 1        |                |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 18           | 34       | 6              | 2        | 1              |          |
| SUB TOTAL          | 22              | 92       | 50           | 195      | 14             | 7        | 1              |          |
| TOTAL -            | 381             |          |              |          |                |          |                |          |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 126 PATROLS AND 124 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION SITREP NUMBER 268 AS OF 291000Z JAN 1966

1. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTS.A. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES.

|                    | FIRETEAM |    | SQUAD |     | PLATOON |    | COMPANY |   |   | BATTALION |
|--------------------|----------|----|-------|-----|---------|----|---------|---|---|-----------|
|                    | D        | N  | D     | N   | D       | N  | D       | N | D | N         |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 7        |    |       |     |         |    |         |   |   |           |
| LISTENING POST     | 2        | 53 |       |     |         |    |         |   |   |           |
| AMBUSH             |          | 14 |       | 90  |         | 2  |         |   |   |           |
| RECON PATROL       | 3        |    | 6     | 5   | 2       | 2  |         |   |   |           |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 8        | 12 | 20    | 41  | 6       | 2  |         |   |   |           |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |          |    | 26    | 27  | 4       | 2  | 1       | 1 | 1 |           |
| CLEARING           |          |    |       |     |         | 2  |         |   |   |           |
| SUB TOTALS         | 20       | 79 | 52    | 163 | 12      | 10 | 1       |   | 1 | 1         |
| TOTAL - 339        |          |    |       |     |         |    |         |   |   |           |

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2. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 906818           | 282105H               | SQD SEC                     | D/1/3/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |
| AT 946672                        | 282035H               | SQD S/D                     | L/3/3/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 967616                        | 282145H               | TK CP                       | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA(PROB)                |
| AT 997707                        | 290200H               | SQD BRIDGE                  | HQCO/9TH/NONE                    | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 967616                        | 290328H               | TK CP                       | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1KIA                      |
| AT 967695                        | 290839H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 955653                        | 290856H               | SQD S/D                     | L/3/3/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 955699                        | 290950H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/5VCS                      |
| AT 962696                        | 291004H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 953651                        | 291011H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 949699                        | 291025H               | CO S/D                      | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS                      |
| AT 953651                        | 291030H               | SQD S/D                     | L/3/3/1WIA                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 037643                        | 291205H               | SQD S/D                     | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 967642                        | 291355H               | PLT S/D                     | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 053713                        | 281900H               | PLT CP                      | L/3/9/2WIA<br>3D AT/1KIA         | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 130626                        | 291120H               | BN S/C                      | 1/9/NONE                         | UNK/2VOC                      |
| QUANG TIN<br>BT 460119           | 282200H               | FT REC                      | H&S/1/4/NONE                     | UNK/2VCS                      |
| BT 507123                        | 291005H               | CO DEF PSN                  | B /1/4/NONE                      | UNK/NONE                      |
| THUA THIEN/<br>YD 9014338        | 282158H               | SQD SEC                     | 0/2/1/NONE                       | UNK/NONE                      |

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C. OPERATION DOUBLE EAGLE. SEE SPECIAL SITREPS.

D. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION GENERATED 339 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS IN THE DANANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES AND MADE A TOTAL OF 19 CONTACTS WITH VC ELEMENTS. CLEAR WARM WEATHER ENABLED SURVEILLANCE AGENCIES TO CONDUCT AERIAL AND GROUND RECONNAISSANCE IN ALL TAOH'S. MOVEMENT OF FOOT TROOPS AND VEHICLES IMPROVES DAILY DESPITE OCCASIONAL GRACHIN PERIODS. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITHOUT CONTACT.

2. DA NANG OPERATIONS.A. THIRD MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                  | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH           |                 |          |              | 29       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 |          | 5            | 19       | 4              |          |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |          |              |          | 2              | 2        |
| SUB TOTAL        |                 |          | 5            | 48       | 6              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 51       |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN. 3D MARINES. SQUAD PATROL FROM CO D FIRED  
AT TWO VC AT 282105H AT (AT 906818). AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS.

B. NINTH MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES.

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|
|                  | D N             | D N          | D N            | D N              |
| LISTENING POST   | 19              |              |                |                  |
| AMBUSH           |                 | 27           |                |                  |
| SECURITY PATROL  |                 | 23           | 27             | 2                |
| SEARCH & DESTROY |                 |              |                | 1                |
| SUB TOTAL        | 19              | 23           | 54             | 2                |
| TOTAL - 99       |                 |              |                | 1                |

(2) 1ST BN. 9TH MARINES. AT 281900H CO B PATROL BASE VIC (BT 053713) RECEIVED TEN RDS SA AN MO FIRE FROM 600 METERS NW. ARMY MISSION OF 16 RDS 105MM HE AND 12 RDS WP FIRED. TWO USMC KIA'S AND ONE DOW. VC CASUALTIES UNK. AT 291120H BN (-) AO SUPPORTING BN S&D OPN SPOTTED FIVE VC AT (AT 130626) AND USING BETTER OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE IN AREA LAUNCHED A SQUAD IMMEDIATELY TO LAND VIC OF VC. FIRE FIGHT ENSUED AND TWO VCC APPREHENDED WITH TWO CHICOM GRENADES: NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(3) 2D BN. 9TH MARINES. CO G AND CO H STAGED TO QUANG NGAI A/P BY MARINE FIXED WING AIRLIFT FOR PARTICIPATION IN OPN DOUBLE EAGLE. LIFT COMPLETED AT 291515H.

(4) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 282035H A CO L SQUAD PATROL AT (AT 946672) ACTIVATED SHU TYPE MINE WHICH WOUNDED TWO MARINES. AT 282145H TANK WITH SPOTLIGHT ON HILL 55 (AT 967616) SPOTTED ONE VC IN TREE (AT 963604) TANK FIRED ONE RD 90MM AND OBSERVED DIRECT HIT AND NO FURTHER MOVEMENT IN AREA. ONE VC KIA PROBABLE. AT 290200H SQUAD OF HQ CO BRIDGE SECURITY

(AT 997707) RECEIVED ABOUT THIRTY RDS SA FIRE FROM ABOUT 400 METERS SE OF BRIDGE. ILLUM FIRED BUT COULD NOT DETERMINE LOCATION OF VC SO FIRE NOT RETURNED. AT 290328H TANK WITH CO I ON HILL 55 (AT 9676160) FIRED ONE 90MM RD OBSERVING DIRECT HIT. ONE VC KIA BODY COUNT. AT 290839H CO L ON S&D OPN APPREHENDED ONE VCS (AT 967695) WHO WAS RUNNING TOWARD SONG YEN TO AVOID CONTACT. AT 290856H CO L SQUAD PATROL VIC DUONG SON (3) (AT 955653) SUSTAINED ONE USMC WIA FROM BOOBY TRAP. AT 290950H CO L APPREHENDED FIVE VCS AT (AT 955699). AT 291004H CO L APPREHENDED ONE VCS AT (AT 962696). AT 291011H FOUND BOOBY TRAPPED PUNJI TRAP AT (AT 953651). DIAGRAMED AND BLOWN IN PLACE. ONE VCS WITH BLOOD STAINED SHIRT WATCHING MARINES WAS APPREHENDED. AT 291025H CO L APPREHENDED VCS VIC (AT 949699). AT 291030H CO L SQUAD PATROL TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP VIC PHU SON (1) (AT 953651) RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA. AT 291205H CO L SQUAD PATROL EXCHANGED FIRE WITH UNK NUMBER VC. NO USMC CASUALTIES AND UNKNOWN VC CASUALTIES. AT 291355H CO I PLT PATROL EXCHANGED FIRE (AT 967642) WITH UNKNOWN NUMBER VC. NO CASUALTIES.

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C. 12TH MARINES(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

| <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAP</u>        |
| 155G                   |              | 8              | 8            | 8                 |
| 155H                   |              | 51             | 51           | 51                |
| 105H                   | 8            | 1              | 321          | 330               |
| 8" H                   |              | 10             | 10           | 10                |

| <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |           |              |     |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----|
| <u>HE</u>              | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |     |
| 155G                   | 7         | 1            | 8   |
| 155H                   | 51        |              | 51  |
| 105H                   | 604       | 13           | 617 |
| 8" H                   | 10        |              | 10  |



D. THIRD RECON BN.(1) BOX SCORES.

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|              | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 3               |          |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH       |                 |          | 2            |          | 1              |          |
| RECON PATROL |                 |          | 4            | 4        | 1              | 1        |
| SUB TOTAL    | 3               |          | 4            | 6        | 1              | 2        |
| TOTAL - 16   |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

E. 3D ENGR BN. 90 ENGRS CONDUCTED 17 SWEEPS IN THE  
 DA NANG TAOR IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS.

3. CHU LAI OPERATIONSA. FIRST MARINES.(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| LISTENING POST  |                 | 3        |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH          |                 | 14       |              | 11       |                |          |
| SECURITY PATROL | 8               | 9        | 5            | 6        |                |          |
| CLEARING        |                 |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| SUB             |                 |          |              |          |                |          |
| TOTALS          | 8               | 26       | 5            | 17       | 2              |          |
| TOTAL - 58      |                 |          |              |          |                |          |

(2) 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 282200H A WATERBORNE PATROL

FROM H&amp;S CO APPREHENDED TWO VCS VIC BT 460119.

AT 291005H CO B RECEIVED ONE RD SA FIRE IN THEIR DEFENSIVE  
 PSN FROM VIC (BT 507123). PATROL SENT TO SEARCH THE AREA,  
 NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |    | <u>SQUAD</u> |   | <u>PLATOON</u> |   | <u>COMPANY</u> |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|----|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|
|                    | D               | N  | D            | N | D              | N | D              | N |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 31 |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| AMBUSH             |                 |    |              | 7 |                |   |                |   |
| RECON PATROL       | 3               |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |
| SECURITY PATROL    |                 | 3  | 1            | 2 | 2              | 2 |                |   |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |    | 3            |   |                |   | 1              | 1 |
| SUB TOTALS         | 5               | 34 | 4            | 9 | 2              | 2 | 1              | 1 |
| TOTAL - 58         |                 |    |              |   |                |   |                |   |

C. ARTILLERY BN GROUP(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |             |
|-------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>ARVN</u> |
| 155H  | 1                      | 17             | 18           | 17                | 1           |
| 105H  | 4                      | 23             | 27           | 27                |             |
| 105HT | 8                      | 13             | 21           | 21                |             |
| 8" H  | 1                      |                | 1            |                   | 1           |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILL</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
| 155H  | 93                     | 6          | 99           |
| 105H  | 247                    | 7          | 262          |
| 107HT | 143                    | 26         | 169          |
| 8" H  | 4                      |            | 4            |

D. RECON GROUP ALPHA(1) BOX SCORES

|              | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
|              | D N             | D N          | D H            |
| SCOUT SNIPER | 2               |              |                |
| AMBUSH       |                 | 2            | 1              |
| RECON PATROL |                 | 1 1          | 1 1            |
| SUB TOTAL    | 2               | 1 3          | 1 2            |
| TOTAL - 9    |                 |              |                |

4. PHU BAI OPERATIONS

A. 2D BN. 1ST MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

|                 | <u>SQUAD</u> |          |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|
|                 | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> |
| AMBUSH          |              | 12       |
| SECURITY PATROL | 9            | 14       |
| SUB TOTAL       | 9            | 26       |
| TOTAL - 35      |              |          |

(2) 2D BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 282158H A SQUAD FROM CO G  
 FIRED AT ONE VC AT (YD 901838). AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE  
 RESULTS.

B. 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES.(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES.

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS.</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |
|-------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>              | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        |
| 155H  | 1                       |              | 13             |              | 14                |
| 105H  | 2                       | 7            | 79             | 88           | 88                |
| 107HT | 18                      |              |                | 18           | 18                |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> |
| 155H  | 102                    | 5            | 52        |
| 105H  | 178                    | 10           | 37        |
| 107HT | 208                    |              | 30        |

5. PLANS SUMMARYA. DIVISION BOX SCORES

|                    | <u>FIRETEAM</u> |          | <u>SQUAD</u> |          | <u>PLATOON</u> |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
|                    | <u>D</u>        | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>     | <u>N</u> | <u>D</u>       | <u>N</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER       | 10              |          |              |          |                |          |
| LISTENING POST     | 2               | 62       |              |          |                |          |
| AMBUSH             |                 | 26       |              | 102      |                | 2        |
| RECON PATROL       | 4               | 4        | 3            | 3        | 2              | 2        |
| SECURITY PATROL    | 8               | 9        | 22           | 40       | 2              |          |
| SEARCH AND DESTROY |                 |          | 24           | 30       | 5              | 2        |
| CLEARING           |                 |          |              |          | 2              |          |
| SUB TOTAL          | 24              | 101      | 49           | 175      | 11             | 6        |

TOTAL - 366

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 923 PATROLS AND 1410 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| DAY (D)        |                 |              |                |                |                  |
| NIGHT (N)      |                 |              |                |                |                  |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D 10            |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 57            |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 25            | 99           | 1              |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D 18            | 47           | 6              | 1              |                  |
|                | N 22            | 67           | 7              |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D               | 2            | 2              |                |                  |
|                | N               |              | 3              |                |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D               | 1            |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | 132             | 216          | 19             | 1              |                  |

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B. DIVISION CONTACTS.

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u>                                |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| QUANG NAM/<br>AT 896706          | 292130H               | PLT AMB                     | C/1/1/NONE                       | UNK/2KIA   |
| AT 966623                        | 291958H               | SQD AMB                     | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| AT 965643                        | 300600H               | PLT S/D                     | M/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS   |
| AT 948682                        | 300800H               | PLT (-) S/D                 | L/3/3/1WIA (PF)                  | UNK/8VC KIA (BC)<br>1VCC, 23VC KIA (PROB)<br>23VC WIA (PROB) |
| AT 963663                        | 30118H                | SQD                         | L/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/3VCS   |
| AT 990640                        | 301140H               | PLT S/D                     | F/2/9/5KIA, 4WIA                 | UNK/8VC KIA  |
| AT 981623                        | 301520H               | SQD S/D                     | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BT 120634                        | 301100H               | PLT S/D                     | A/1/9/3WIA                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BT 079635                        | 301110H               | PLT PPB                     | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| QUANG TIN/<br>BT 441029          | 292227H               | SQD AMB                     | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BT 525114                        | 292329H               | FT SEC                      | MAG 36/NONE                      | UNK/UNK  |
| BT 517074                        | 300900H               | FT SEC                      | C/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BT 439046                        | 301280H               | PLT SEC                     | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| QUANG NGAI/<br>BS 630973         | 300700H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/1VCS   |
| BS 634974                        | 301200H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BS 634960                        | 301252H               | PLT S/D                     | C/1/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK  |
| BS 554994                        | 301315H               | CO SEC                      | L/3/7/2WIA                       | UNK/UNK  |

C. OPERATION DOUBLE EAGLE. SEE SPECIAL SITREPS.

D. DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONDUCTED 368 SMALL UNIT AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS IN THE CONTINUING SEARCH FOR THE VC IN AND ADJACENT TO THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI TACKS. 17 CONTACTS WERE MADE WITH THE VIET CONG. THE 15 MINUTE DEPLOYMENT OF THE REINFORCED RIFLE SQUAD AND SUBSEQUENT LIFTS IN THE 9TH MARINES AREA TO EXPLICIT CONTACT AND DESTROY THE VC IS INDICATIVE OF THE DIVISION'S EFFORTS TO CLOSE WITH AND DESTROY VIET CONG ELEMENTS. THE WEATHER WAS SUITABLE FOR A CONTINUATION OF ALL OPERATIONS. SID'S AND SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITHOUT CONTACT.

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| DISSEMING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D               | 31           |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D               | 7            |                |                |                  |
|                | N               | 19           |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D               |              | 2              |                |                  |
|                | N               |              | 2              |                |                  |
| GUARDING OPD   | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          |                 | 57           | 4              |                |                  |

(2) 1ST BN. 1ST MARINES. AT 292130H PLT AMBUSH FROM CO C FIRED AT TWO VC MOVING DOWN TRAIN AT (AT 896706). AMBUSH FIRED 15 LBS KILLING ONE VC AND CAPTURING OTHER. AS VCC WAS BEING TAKEN TO MLR, HE ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE AND WAS SHOT AND KILLED.

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                  | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER     | D 1             |              |                |                |                  |
|                  | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| ED STANDING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                  | N 22            |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH           | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                  | N 33            |              |                |                |                  |
| PATROL           | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                  | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY   | D               | 22           | 4              |                |                  |
|                  | N               | 24           |                |                |                  |
| CLEARING OP      | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                  | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL            | 23              | 79           | 4              |                |                  |

**(2) 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES.** AT 301100H MEMBER OF CO A PLT S&D PATROL AT (BT 120634) ACTUATED BOOBY TRAP WHILE CROSSING HEDBEROW. THREE USMC WIA'S SUSTAINED: BELIEVED BOOBY TRAP WAS 105MM RD. AT 201110H PLT PATROL BASE FROM CO D RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE FROM APPROX 1000 METERS. FIRE NOT RETURNED: FT SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. **WHERE?**

**(3) 2D BN, 9TH MARINES.** OPCON OF TF DELTA.

**(4) 3D BN, 3D MARINES.** AT 291958H CO I SQUAD MOVING TO AMBUSH SITE (AT 968623) WAS OBSERVED BY SMALL BOY AND BELIEVING SITE COMPROMISED, MOVED

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TO NEW SITE. ABOUT TEN MINUTES LATER AMBUSH RECEIVED SPORADIC SA FIRE FROM (AT 966623). AMBUSH RETURNED SA FIRE AND CALLED 81MM ILLUM AND HE MISSION, AND SEARCHLIGHT TANK IN AREA OBSERVED FOUR MEN MOVING IN AREA OF 81MM IMPACT, AND FIRED FIVE 90MM RDS. AREA SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 300600H PLT (-)(REIN) FROM CO L MOVING TO BLOCKING POSITION AT (AT 966644) APPREHENDED ONE VCS SUFFERING FROM GUNSHOT WOUNDS OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN AT (AT 965643). AT 300800H PLT (-) FROM CO L MOVED INTO BLOCKING POSITIONS AT (AT 948682) AND (AT 953682). CO K PLT BLOCKED AT (AT 970685) AS PF'S CROSSED LOD (AT 942689) TO (AT 945694) IN S&D EAST TO SONG YEN. COMBINED OPN RESULTED IN EIGHT VC KIA, ONE VCC, THREE K50'S ONE K-44, ONE UNKNOWN FLAG, MASK TO COVER ENTIRE HEAD WITH PLEXGLASS EYEPIECES, NUMEROUS DOCUMENTS AND INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT CAPTURED IN OS (AT 9568). ONE PF WIA. AT 301118H CO L SQUAD PATROL APPREHENDED TWO MALE AND ONE FEMALE VCS WHO ATTEMPTED TO RUN FROM PATROL AT (AT 963663).

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 AT 301140H PLT S&D FROM CO F, 2D BN, 9TH MARINES (OPCON 3D BN, 3D MARINES) ENGAGED IN FIREFIGHT WITH ESTIMATED 50-60 VC ARMED WITH MO'S AND 60MM MORTARS. THREE USMC KIA AND FOUR WIA IN INITIAL CONTACT. AT 301200H PLT FROM CO F WAS DISPATCHED TO HA DONG BRIDGE (AT 990640) TO SUPPORT THE ENGAGED PLT. REINFORCED SQUAD (SPARROW HAWK) FROM 1ST BN, 9TH MARINES ALERTED AT 301200H FOR HELILIFT; HELILIFT TO (AT 995620) COMPLETED AT 301215H. AT 301400H TWO F4B'S MADE NAPAIM STRIKE VIC (AT 985615). AT 301425H PLT FROM CO E, 2D BN, 9TH MARINES WAS HELILIFTED TO (AT 989617). RESULTS OF THIS COMBINED AIR/GROUND ASSAULT PRODUCED EIGHT VC KIA, ONE A/R (CHICOM AND MISCELLANEOUS PERSONAL EQUIPMENT CAPTURED. BY 301600H ELEMENTS EXTENDED FROM (AT 991617) TO (AT 995617) CONDUCTING S&D SOUTH TO (AT 993615) THEN CONDUCTED THOROUGH S&D OF AREA TO HA DONG BRIDGE SECURING AT 301700H. NUMEROUS LIMBS, FINGERS, AND PIECES OF FLESH DISCOVERED IN AREA SO THAT IN ADDITION TO THE EIGHT VC KIA BODY COUNT REPORTED ABOVE, 23 VC EST KIA AND

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25 VC EST WIA. TOTAL USMC CASUALTIES WERE FIVE KIA AND FOUR WIA. AT  
301520H CO I SQUAD (REIN) WITH LIGHT SECTION OF TANKS PATROLLING EAST OF  
HILL 55 (AT 981623) RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE FROM 600 METERS EAST.  
TANKS FIRED THREE RDS 90MM AND SQUAD SEARCHED FOR VC CASUALTIES WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS.

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|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAV</u>        | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 1550  | 2                      |              | 15             | 17           | 17                |            |              |
| 1550  | 2                      |              | 43             | 45           | 45                |            |              |
| 1050  | 24                     |              | 376            | 400          | 390               | 10         |              |
| 10700 |                        |              |                |              |                   |            |              |
| 8" B  |                        |              | 14             | 14           | 14                |            |              |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>RE</u> | <u>ALUM</u> | <u>WP</u> |
|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| 1550  | 28        |             | 1         |
| 1550  | 26        |             |           |
| 1050  | 657       | 11          | 4         |
| 10700 |           |             |           |
| 8" B  | 14        |             |           |

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(1) 3D RECON BN. AT 301135H FIRST PLT CO D ESTIMATED A POSSIBLE VC CO LOCATED AT (AT 813650). ARTY MISSION AND AIR STRIKE CALLED. 155MM GUNS FIRED 12 RDS HE FZ DELAY FIRED ON TARGET. EXCELLENT EFFECT ON TARGET WITH FZ DELAY ALLOWING RDS TO PASS THROUGH JUNGLE CANOPY AND MAXIMIZED EFFECT ON PERSONNEL ON GROUND.

(2) 3D RECON BN. 65 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 17 SWEEPS IN THE DA NANG TAOR IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS. WOODEN MINE WITH ABOUT 15 LBS <sup>HE</sup> FOUND VIC (BT 667680). MINE DETECTED WITH F-153 DETECTOR. ONLY METAL CONTAINED IN MINE WAS IN FIRING DEVICE. MINE DESTROYED IN PLACE. MINE RIGGED FOR ELECTRICAL DETONATION ACTIVATED BY AN IMPROVISED PRESSURE DEVICE.

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | H               |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | H               | 3            |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               | 20           | 11             |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D               | 5            |                |                |                  |
|                | N               | 6            |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| CLEANING UP    | D               | 1            |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          |                 | 23           | 23             |                |                  |

(2) 1ST BN, 14TH MARINES. AT 292227H, A SQUAD AMBUSH FROM CO A LOCATED AT (BT 441029) RECEIVED TWO RDS INCOMING 60MM MORTAR FIRE. THE MORTAR RDS IMPACTED ABOUT 100 METERS EAST OF THEIR POSITION. THE AMBUSH WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE THE ORIGIN OF THE MORTAR FIRE. NO CASUALTIES AT 292325H, A FIRETEAM IN THE MAG-36 PERIMETER AT (BT 525114) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING GRENADE AND TWO OR THREE RDS OF SA FIRE. ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED AND 20 RDS OF 7.62 WERE FIRED AT SUSPECTED ORIGIN OF HOSTILE FIRE.

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A FIRE TEAM PATROL WAS DISPATCHED TO CHECK THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 300900H, A FIRE TEAM FROM CO C, MANNING AN OP AT (BS 517074).  
RECEIVED TWO RDS SA FIRE FROM (BS 510074). SQUAD PATROLS FROM CO A AND  
C CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 301120H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO A LOCATED AT (BT 439046) RECEIVED  
TWO RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 443033). AT THE SAME TIME, THE PATROL  
DISCOVERED FOUR AP MINES IN THE TRAIL. THE MINES WERE BLOWN IN PLACE.  
THE SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED DUE TO THE EXTREME RANGE.

(3) 2D BN, 4TH MARINES. OPCOM TF DELTA.

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D <u>2</u>      |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N _____         |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>32</u>     |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>5</u>      | <u>11</u>    | <u>1</u>       |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D <u>6</u>      | <u>1</u>     | <u>5</u>       |                |                  |
|                | N <u>12</u>     | <u>1</u>     |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____         | <u>2</u>     | <u>1</u>       |                |                  |
|                | N _____         |              |                |                |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N _____         |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | <u>55</u>       | <u>15</u>    | <u>7</u>       |                |                  |

(2) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 300700H, A PLT FROM CO C, WHILE SEARCHING

A HUT, DISCOVERED A VCS WHO WAS APPREHENDED BECAUSE OF HIS SUSPICIOUS ACTIONS. INVESTIGATION REVEALED THAT HE LACKED PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

AT 301200H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM APPROX THREE VC AT (BS 634974). THE PATROL RETURNED THE FIRE AND CALLED IN AN 81MM MORTAR MISSION. A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 301252H, A PLT PATROL FROM CO C RECEIVED 20-30 RDS OF SA FIRE AT (BS 634960) FROM AN ESTIMATED FOUR VC ARMED WITH ONE RIFLE AND THREE CARBINES. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH M-14'S AND AN M-72 (LAW) AND CALLED AN 81MM MORTAR MISSION.

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THE AREA WAS THEN SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(3) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES. AT 301315H, CO L SUSTAINED TWO WIA VIC (BS 554994) WHEN AN UNKNOWN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE DETONATED IN FRONT OF THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. THE METHOD OF DETONATION IS ALSO UNKNOWN. A SEARCH OF THE AREA PRODUCED NO RESULTS. NEITHER WIA WAS SERIOUS.

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|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |               |                |               | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |               |               |
|-------|------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u>  | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u>  | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u>    | <u>OTHER</u>  |
| 155G  | <u>1</u>               | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u>  | <u>1</u>      | <u>      </u>     | <u>1</u>      | <u>      </u> |
| 155H  | <u>5</u>               | <u>      </u> | <u>19</u>      | <u>24</u>     | <u>24</u>         | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> |
| 105H  | <u>7</u>               | <u>      </u> | <u>27</u>      | <u>34</u>     | <u>34</u>         | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> |
| 107HT | <u>      </u>          | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u>  | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u>     | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> |
| 8" H  | <u>      </u>          | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u>  | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u>     | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u>     | <u>ILLUM</u>  | <u>WP</u>     | <u>TOTAL</u>  |
|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 155G  | <u>8</u>      | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | <u>8</u>      |
| 155H  | <u>174</u>    | <u>4</u>      | <u>2</u>      | <u>180</u>    |
| 105H  | <u>342</u>    | <u>4</u>      | <u>      </u> | <u>346</u>    |
| 107HT | <u>128</u>    | <u>3</u>      | <u>      </u> | <u>131</u>    |
| 8" H  | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> | <u>      </u> |

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|                | <u>TEAM</u>              | <u>SQUAD</u>         | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SENTRY   | D <u>2</u><br>N          |                      |                |                |                  |
| INSECTING POST | D<br>N                   |                      |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D<br>N                   |                      |                |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D <u>4</u><br>N <u>4</u> | <u>1</u><br><u>1</u> |                |                |                  |
| SEARCH/ABSTORY | D<br>N                   |                      |                |                |                  |
| CHASING OPT    | D<br>N                   |                      |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | <u>10</u>                | <u>2</u>             |                |                |                  |

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| LISTENING POST | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| AMBUSH         | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | 11           | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| PATROL         | D _____         | 9            | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | 14           | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| TOTAL          | _____           | 34           | _____          | _____          | _____            |

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(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 155G  | ---                    | ---          | ---            | ---          | ---               | ---        | ---          |
| 155H  | 11                     | ---          | 47             | 58           | 58                | ---        | ---          |
| 105H  | 17                     | ---          | 63             | 60           | 60                | ---        | ---          |
| 107HT | ---                    | ---          | ---            | ---          | ---               | ---        | ---          |
| 8" H  | ---                    | ---          | ---            | ---          | ---               | ---        | ---          |

|       | <u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u> |              |           |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|       | <u>HE</u>              | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> |
| 155G  | ---                    | ---          | ---       |
| 155H  | 95                     | 15           | ---       |
| 105H  | 269                    | 18           | ---       |
| 107HT | ---                    | ---          | ---       |
| 8" H  | ---                    | ---          | ---       |

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|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D <u>9</u>      |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N _____         |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>53</u>     |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>19</u>     | <u>85</u>    | <u>2</u>       | <u>1</u>       |                  |
| PATROL         | D <u>13</u>     | <u>26</u>    | <u>2</u>       | <u>1</u>       |                  |
|                | N <u>27</u>     | <u>42</u>    | <u>2</u>       | <u>1</u>       |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____         | <u>17</u>    | <u>12</u>      |                |                  |
|                | N _____         | <u>29</u>    | <u>4</u>       |                |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____         |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N _____         |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | <u>112</u>      | <u>189</u>   | <u>22</u>      | <u>3</u>       |                  |

D. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 114 PATROLS AND 107 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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THIRD MARDIV SITREP NUMBER 270 AS OF 31 1000Z JANUARY 19661. THIRD MARDIV HIGHLIGHTSA. THIRD MARDIV BOX SCORES

|                | <u>PIRTEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| DAY (D)        |                |              |                |                |                  |
| NIGHT (N)      |                |              |                |                |                  |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D <u>9</u>     |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N              |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D              |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>61</u>    |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D              |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N <u>22</u>    | <u>74</u>    | <u>5</u>       |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D <u>17</u>    | <u>16</u>    | <u>7</u>       |                |                  |
|                | N <u>25</u>    | <u>23</u>    | <u>6</u>       |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D              | <u>17</u>    | <u>10</u>      |                |                  |
|                | N              | <u>33</u>    | <u>2</u>       |                |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D              |              | <u>1</u>       |                |                  |
|                | N              |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL- 328     | <u>134</u>     | <u>163</u>   | <u>31</u>      |                |                  |

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## 6. CONTACTS

| <u>PROVINCE/<br/>COORDINATES</u> | <u>DATE/<br/>TIME</u> | <u>ACTION<br/>SIZE</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>FRIENDLY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> | <u>ENEMY UNIT/<br/>LOSSES</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| QUANG NAM<br>AT 899682           | 302145H               | SQD                    | SED         | A/1/1/0                          | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 922670                        | 310045H               | SQD                    | SEC         | B/1/1/3 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 922670                        | 310150H               | SQD                    | SEC         | B/1/1/2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 934672                        | 310245H               | SQD                    | SEC         | B/1/1/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 079631                        | 301800H               | SQD                    | S&D         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/3 VC WIA (POSS)           |
| BT 047647                        | 301830H               | BT                     | LP          | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/1 1 VC WIA (POSS)         |
| BT 076681                        | 310200H               | SQD                    | AMB         | B/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 078625                        | 311150H               | PLT                    | S&D         | D/1/9/1 KIA (USN)                | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 065642                        | 311320H               | SQD                    | S&D         | D/1/9/NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| AT 957664                        | 310835H               | FT                     | S&D         | L /3/3/NONE                      | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| AT 946614                        | 311140H               | SQD                    | S&D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 954606                        | 311805H               | PLT                    | S&D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 954653                        | 311310H               | SQD                    | S&D         | I/3/3/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| AT 832660                        | 311215H               | PLT                    | REC         | D/3D RECON/NONE                  | UNK/2 WIA (POSS)              |
| QUANG TIN                        |                       |                        |             |                                  |                               |
| BT 521105                        | 302145H               | FT                     | SEC         | M/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 468067                        | 302305H               | FT                     | AMB         | A/1/4/1 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 460074                        | 302355H               | FT                     | AMB         | D/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 462070                        | 310225H               | FT                     | AMB         | A/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |
| BT 498144                        | 310412H               | SQD                    | SEC         | B/1/4/NONE                       | UNK/2 VCS                     |
| QUANG NGAI<br>BS 553993          | 301945H               | FT                     | SED         | L/3/7/2 WIA                      | UNK/UNK                       |
| BS 554993                        | 302145H               | CO                     | SED         | L/3/7/NONE                       | UNK/UNK                       |

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D. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONDUCTED 328 AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS IN THE DA NANG, CHU LAI AND PHU BAI ENCLAVES IN THE CONTINUING SEARCH FOR THE VIET CONG. CONTACT WAS ESTABLISHED ON 23 OCCASIONS WITH THE VC AS MARINE ELEMENTS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF CONTINUED GOOD WEATHER. THE DIVISION WAS ALERTED AT 302300H TO BE PREPARED FOR INCREASED VC ACTIVITY [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] ONE SID CONTACT WAS MADE BY CO L, 3RD BN, 7TH MARINES. SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS WERE EMPLOYED WITHOUT CONTACT.

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2. DA NANG OPERATIONS

A. 3D MARINES

(1) BOX SCORES

DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | FIRETEAM | SQUAD | PLATOON | COMPANY | BATTALION |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|---------|-----------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| LISTENING POST | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| AMBUSH         | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        | 18    |         |         |           |
| PATROL         | D        | 8     |         |         |           |
|                | N        | 15    |         |         |           |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D        |       | 2       |         |           |
|                | N        |       | 2       |         |           |
| CLEARING OPN   | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| TOTAL          |          | 41    | 4       |         | TOTAL 45  |

(2) 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 302145H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO A TRIPPED BOOBY TRAP AT (AT899692) BUT BOOBY TRAP WAS LUD.  
BETWEEN 310045H AND 310050H SQUAD PATROL FROM CO B DETONATED TWO BOOBY TRAPS VIC (AT922670) RESULTING IN FIVE USMC WIA.  
AT 310245H SAME SQUAD DETONATED THIRD BOOBY TRAP AT (AT934672) RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA.

(3) 1ST BN, 3D MARINES. IN RESPONSE TO SIGHTING OF SEVERAL VC BY

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RECON BN 30 JAN (AT8165), CO C (REIN) MOVED OUT BY VEHICLE TO HILL 41 (AT9366) AND AT 302130H MOVED OUT ON FOOT FOR LINK UP WITH GUIDES FROM PLATOON OF CO D, RECON BN. LINK UP MADE AT 311330H AT (AT840652) AND PROCEEDED TO OBJECTIVE AREA. LINK UP OF CO C AND PLATOON OF CO D, RECON BN EFFECTED AT HILL 310 VIC (AT863665), WITH CO, CO C ASSUMING OPCON OF RECON PLATOON.

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## B. NINTH MARINES

|                | (1) BOX SCORES         | DAY (D), NIGHT (N) |          |         |           |
|----------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
|                | FIRETEAM               | SQUAD              | PLATOON  | COMPANY | BATTALION |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D _____<br>N <u>21</u> | _____              | _____    | _____   | _____     |
| LISTENING POST | D _____<br>N <u>21</u> | _____              | _____    | _____   | _____     |
| AMBUSH         | D _____<br>N <u>35</u> | _____              | _____    | _____   | _____     |
| PATROL         | D _____<br>N _____     | _____              | _____    | _____   | _____     |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____<br>N <u>33</u> | <u>16</u>          | <u>7</u> | _____   | _____     |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____<br>N _____     | _____              | _____    | _____   | _____     |
| TOTAL          | <u>21</u>              | <u>84</u>          | <u>7</u> | _____   | TOTAL 112 |

1ST BN, 9TH MARINES. AT 301800H SQD PATROL FM CO D ENGAGED IN FIRE FIGHT WITH EST FIVE VC (BT 079631). PATROL PURSUED VC BUT VC BROKE CONTACT. THREE VC WIA (PROB); NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

AT 301830H CO D LP VIC PLT PATROL BASE (BT 047647) RECEIVED EST 100 RDS SA FIRE FROM TWO VC. SA FIRE AND SIX M-79 RDS RETURNED RESULTING IN ONE VC WIA (PROB) SEEN BEING CARRIED INTO TIMELINE. SEARCH FOR CASUALTIES HAD NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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AT 310200H CO B SQD AMBUSH (BT 075601) HED VC GRENADE EXPLODE WITHIN 100 METERS

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OF ITS POSITION. SQUAD FIRED AT SUSPECTED VC POSITION WITH UNK RESULTS.

AT 311150H PLT OF CO D ON S&D PATROL AT (BT 078625 ) RECEIVED ABOUT TWENTY RDS SA FIRE FROM EST THREE VC ABOUT 500 METERS WEST VIC PHONG HO (2) (BT 073625). FIRE RETURNED AND PLT MANEUVERED THROUGH VC POSITION SUSTAINING ONE USN KIA. VC BROKE CONTACT AND VC CASUALTIES WERE UNKNOWN.

AT 311320H CO D SQUAD PATROL PURSUED ONE VCS VIC NGAN TRUNG (3) (BT 065642) INTO BOMB SHELTER. SEARCH OF SHELTER DISCLOSED ONE ADDITIONAL VCS WITH SLIGHT WOUND. BOTH VCS APPREHENDED.

(3) 3D BN. 3D MARINES. AT 310835H CO L FT PATROL TRIPPED BOOBY TRAPPED M26 GRENADE WHICH WAS DUD., AT (AT 957664). BOOBY TRAP DESTROYED IN PLACE AND TWO VCS IN AREA SUSPECTED OF RIGGING BOOBY TRAP APPREHENDED.

AT 311140H CO I SQD PATROL AT (AT 946614) RECEIVED FIVE RDS SA FIRE FROM VC NORTH OF CHAU SON (1) (AT 943614). SQD RETURNED FIRE AND CONDUCTED SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

AT 311305H CO I PLT PATROL (BT 954606) RECEIVED THIRTY RDS SA FIRE FROM VC PSN 1000 METERS SW. FIVE 106MM RDS AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. EXTENSIVE TUNNELING LOCATED DURING SEARCH AT (AT 945602) WHICH CO I WILL DESTROY 1 FEB.

AT 311131H CO L SQD S&D PATROL AT (AT 954653) VIC DUyen SON (3) RECEIVED FOUR RDS SA FIRE FROM ONE VC IN TREELINE ABOUT 300 METERS SOUTH. FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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C. 3D RECON BATTALION

(1) BOX SCORES

DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | FIRETEAM | SQUAD | PLATOON | COMPANY | BATTALION |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|---------|-----------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D 5      |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| LISTENING POST | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| AMBUSH         | D        |       | 4       |         |           |
|                | N        |       | 4       |         |           |
| PATROL         | D        | 2     | 4       |         |           |
|                | N        | 2     | 4       |         |           |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| CLEARING OPN   | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| TOTAL          |          |       |         |         |           |

(2)

(B) THIRD RECON BN. SEE THIRD MARINES. AT 311215H PRIOR TO LINKUP WITH CO C, 1ST BN, 3D MARINES; 1ST PLT, CO D RECEIVED AW AND RIFLE FIRE FROM VIC (AT #32660). FIRE RETURNED AND TWO VC WOUNDED WERE OBSERVED BEING DRAGGED AWAY. TWO USMC KIA BY PUNJI STAKES.

(E). 3D ENGR BN. 70 ENGINEERS CONDUCTED 16 SWEEPS IN SUPPORT OF FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE DA NANG TAO.

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(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

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|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                      |                      | <u>SUPPORTING</u>    |                    |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u>       | <u>TOTAL</u>         | <u>MAF</u>           | <u>RVN</u>         | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 155G  | -----                  | -----        | -----                | -----                | -----                | -----              | -----        |
| 155H  | <del>1</del> -----     | -----        | <del>73</del> -----  | <del>74</del> -----  | <del>68</del> -----  | <del>6</del> ----- | -----        |
| 105H  | <del>9</del> -----     | -----        | <del>280</del> ----- | <del>289</del> ----- | <del>285</del> ----- | <del>4</del> ----- | -----        |
| 107HT | -----                  | -----        | -----                | -----                | -----                | -----              | -----        |
| 8" H  | -----                  | -----        | <del>4</del> -----   | <del>4</del> -----   | <del>4</del> -----   | -----              | -----        |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u>            | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u>           |
|-------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 155G  | -----                | -----        | -----               |
| 155H  | <del>73</del> -----  | -----        | <del>1</del> -----  |
| 105H  | <del>476</del> ----- | -----        | <del>32</del> ----- |
| 107HT | -----                | -----        | -----               |
| 8" H  | <del>4</del> -----   | -----        | -----               |

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3. CHU LAI TAOR OPERATIONSA. 1ST MARINES

| (1) BOX SCORES | DAY (D), NIGHT (N) |              |                |                |                  |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u>    | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| LISTENING POST | D _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N <u>3</u>         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| AMBUSH         | D _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N <u>17</u>        | <u>6</u>     | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| PATROL         | D <u>7</u>         | <u>4</u>     | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N <u>9</u>         | <u>4</u>     | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____            | _____        | <u>1</u>       | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____            | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| TOTAL          | <u>36</u>          | <u>14</u>    | <u>1</u>       | _____          | TOTAL 51         |

(2)

1ST BN, 4TH MARINES. AT 302145H, A FIRE TEAM PATROL FROM CO M 3/7 UNDER OPCON 1/4, LOCATED AT (BT 521105) OBSERVED A VC. THE PATROL CHALLENGED THE VC AND WERE ANSWERED BY TWO RDS SA FIRE. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND ADVANCED ON THE VC POSITION. THE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

AT 302305H, A FIRE TEAM FROM CO A IN AN AMBUSH AT (BT 468067) RECEIVED ONE INCOMING GRENADE. AN M26 GRENADE WAS THROWN AT THE SUSPECTED POINT OF ORIGIN

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AND A VC WAS SEEN CRAWLING AWAY. THE VC WAS PURSUED PHYSICALLY AND BY FIRE, BUT MANAGED TO ESCAPE. THERE WAS 1 USMC WIA, NOT EVACU.

AT 302355H, A FIRE TEAM FROM CO D IN AN AMBUSH LOCATED AT (BT 460074) RECEIVED ONE RD SA FIRE FROM (BT 458077). THE AREA WAS ILLUMINATED BUT NOTHING UNUSAL OBSERVED.

AT 310225H A FIRE TEAM FROM CO D IN AN AMBUSH AT (BT 462070) RECEIVED THREE RDS SA FIRE FROM (BT 460070). THE FIRE TEAM RETURNED FIRE WITH 40-60 RDS 7.62. A PATROL WAS SENT TO CHECK THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 310412H, A SQD PATROL FROM CO B APPREHENDED TWO VIETNAMESE MALES AS CURFEW VIOLATORS AT (BT 498144). THEY WERE TURNED OVER TO THE LOCAL VILLAGE CHIEF FOR DISPOSITION.

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## B. SEVENTH MARINES

## (1) BOX SCORES

DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D 2             |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 37            |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 5             | 14           | 1              |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D 6             | 1            | 3              |                |                  |
|                | N 12            | 1            | 2              |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D               | 1            | 1              |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | 62              | 17           | 7              |                |                  |

(2) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES, AT 301945H A FIRE TEAM FROM CO L MOVING TO AN OP ENCOUNTERED APPROXIMATELY 6 VC AT (BS553993). THE VC OPENED FIRE, WHEREUPON THE FIRETEAM DEPLOYED AND RETURNED FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT. THE ACTION RESULTED IN 2 USMC WIA. VC CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. ONE WIA LATER DOW. THE OTHER IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

AT 302145H MOVEMENT WAS DETECTED ON THE SID PLACED IN FRONT OF THE CO L DEFENSIVE POSITION. ONE M79 ROUND AND TWO GRENADES WERE THROWN AT THE VIC

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OF THE SENSOR. AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC ANSWERED WITH FOUR ROUNDS SMALL  
ARMS FIRE FROM VIC (BS554993). THE AREA WAS SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT WITH  
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 302240H A TRIP FLARE IN FRONT OF THE CO L DEFENSIVE POSITION VICINITY  
(BS551992) WAS IGNITED. ELEMENTS OF THE 2D PLATOON FIRED SMALL ARMS INTO  
THE AREA OF THE FLARE AND RECEIVED RETURN FIRE FROM 6 TO 8 DIFFERENT POINTS.  
AFTER FURTHER FIRE FROM THE MARINES THE VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

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(1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

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|       | <u>NUMBER MISSIONS</u> |              |                |              | <u>SUPPORTING</u> |            |              |
|-------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
|       | <u>OBS</u>             | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u>        | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
| 155G  | —                      | —            | —              | —            | —                 | —          | —            |
| 155H  | 5                      | —            | 8              | 13           | 13                | —          | —            |
| 105H  | 13                     | —            | 23             | 36           | 36                | —          | —            |
| 107HT | 2                      | —            | 13             | 15           | 15                | —          | —            |
| 8" H  | —                      | —            | —              | —            | —                 | —          | —            |

ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>other</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| 155G  | —         | —            | —         | —            | —            |
| 155H  | 76        | 5            | —         | —            | 81           |
| 105H  | 306       | 116          | 3         | 2            | 427          |
| 107HT | 84        | —            | 15        | —            | 99           |
| 8" H  | —         | —            | —         | —            | —            |

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0. RECON GROUP ALPHA

RECON BOX SCORES

DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

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|                | WIRETEAM | SQUAD | PLATOON | COMPANY | BATTALION |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|---------|-----------|
| SCOUT SENTRY   | D 2      |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| DEFENDING POST | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| AMBIUSE        | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        | 1     |         |         |           |
| PATROL         | D 4      | 1     |         |         |           |
|                | N 4      | 1     |         |         |           |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| ORGANIC OPN    | D        |       |         |         |           |
|                | N        |       |         |         |           |
| TOTAL          |          |       |         |         |           |

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DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| LISTENING POST | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| AMBUSH         | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | <b>13</b>    | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| PATROL         | D _____         | <b>9</b>     | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | <b>15</b>    | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D _____         | _____        | <b>2</b>       | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | <b>2</b>       | _____          | _____            |
| CLEARING OPN   | D _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
|                | N _____         | _____        | _____          | _____          | _____            |
| TOTAL          | _____           | <b>37</b>    | <b>4</b>       | _____          | <b>TOTAL 41</b>  |

(2)

**2D BN, 1ST MARINES. AT 302310H ONE RD SA FIRE RECEIVED BY H&S**  
**CO ON HILL 180 (YD 854131). FIRE RETURNED AND AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.**

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## B. 4TH BN. 12TH MARINES

## (1) ARTILLERY BOX SCORES

## NUMBER MISSIONS

## SUPPORTING

|       | <u>OBS</u> | <u>UNOBS</u> | <u>H&amp;I</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>MAF</u> | <u>RVN</u> | <u>OTHER</u> |
|-------|------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| 155G  | ---        | ---          | ---            | ---          | ---        | ---        | ---          |
| 155H  | 4          | 2            | ---            | 2            | 2          | ---        | ---          |
| 105H  | 1          | 3            | ---            | 4            | 4          | ---        | ---          |
| 107HT | 6          | ---          | ---            | 6            | 6          | ---        | ---          |
| 8" H  | ---        | ---          | ---            | ---          | ---        | ---        | ---          |

## ROUNDS EXPENDED

|       | <u>HE</u> | <u>ILLUM</u> | <u>WP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 155G  | ---       | ---          | ---       | ---          |
| 155H  | 75        | 3            | 15        | 93           |
| 105H  | 101       | 2            | 9         | 112          |
| 107HT | 78        | ---          | 6         | 84           |
| 8" H  | ---       | ---          | ---       | ---          |

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PLANS SUMMARY

A DIVISION BOX SCORES DAY (D), NIGHT (N)

|                | <u>FIRETEAM</u> | <u>SQUAD</u> | <u>PLATOON</u> | <u>COMPANY</u> | <u>BATTALION</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| SCOUT SNIPER   | D 9             |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| LISTENING POST | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 51            |              |                |                |                  |
| AMBUSH         | D               |              |                |                |                  |
|                | N 19            | 96           | 4              |                |                  |
| PATROL         | D 17            | 26           | 7              |                |                  |
|                | N 17            | 40           | 7              |                |                  |
| SEARCH/DESTROY | D               | 17           | 7              | 1              |                  |
|                | N               | 31           | 3              | 1              |                  |
| CLEARING OPN   | D               |              | 1              | 1              |                  |
|                | N               |              |                |                |                  |
| TOTAL          | 113             | 210          | 29             | 3              |                  |

B. THE DIVISION WILL CONDUCT 114 PATROLS AND 119 AMBUSHES DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

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6. COMMAND POST LOCATIONSA. DA NANG TACK

3D MAR DIV AT 955751

HQBN AT 954752

3D MAR AT 944762

CO A, (-), 3D AT BN AT 944762

CO A, (-), 3D TR BN AT 944762

1ST BN, 1ST MAR AT 953723

CO A AT 923692

CO B AT 938663

CO C AT 923732

CO D AT 953723

1ST BN, 3D MARINES AT 939784

CO A AT 873761

CO B AT 897802

CO C AT 939784

CO D AT 898821

9TH MAR AT 9967251ST BN, 9TH MAR BT 068715

CO A BT 096658

CO B BT 082696

CO C BT 082696

CO D BT 063645

2D BN, 9TH MAR AT 993678

CO E AT 024657

CO F AT 983660

CO G &amp; H OMER

3D BN, 3D MARINES AT 975707

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| 00 I                    | AT 966676 |
| 00 K                    | AT 993678 |
| 00 L                    | AT 955666 |
| 00 M                    | AT 973663 |
| <u>12TH MARINES</u>     | AT 958757 |
| 1ST 8" HOWITRY          | AT 955775 |
| <u>1ST BN. 12TH MAR</u> | AT 955759 |
| BTRY A                  | AT 939722 |
| BTRY A 1/11             | AT 922791 |
| BTRY C                  | AT 921737 |
| MORT BTRY DEPLOY        | AT 934838 |
| BTRY K                  | AT 921799 |
| BTRY K (FWD)            | AT 939722 |
| BTRY K (X)              | AT 934663 |
| <u>2D BN. 12TH MAR</u>  | AT 996725 |
| D BTRY                  | AT 062680 |
| E BTRY                  | AT 988672 |
| F BTRY                  | AT 965712 |
| L BTRY, 4/12            | AT 965717 |
| <u>3D AT BN</u>         | AT 987711 |
| <u>3D ENGR BN</u>       | BT 949755 |
| <u>3D MED BN</u>        | AT 969754 |
| <u>3D RECON BN</u>      | AT 959750 |
| <u>3D MT BN</u>         | AT 988720 |
| <u>1ST AMTRAC BN</u>    | AT 990713 |
| <u>3D DENTAL CO</u>     | AT 969754 |
| <u>3D TK BN</u>         | AT 985713 |

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|------------------------------|-----------|
| (1) ADC COMMAND GROUP        | BT 533089 |
| (2) 1ST MARINES              | BT 534078 |
| 4TH MARINES                  | BT 533089 |
| CO B 3D AT BN                | BT 533089 |
| CO A, 1ST TK BN              | BT 535077 |
| CO C, 3D TK BN               | BT 523088 |
| CO A, 1ST ENGR BN            | BT 535077 |
| 3D BN, 12TH MARINES          | BT 551048 |
| (3) 1ST BN, 4TH, MARINES     | BT 465073 |
| CO A                         | BT 500066 |
| CO B                         | BT 511125 |
| CO C                         | BT 525090 |
| CO D                         | BT 465073 |
| CO H 3/7                     | BT 529110 |
| (4) RECON GROUP ALPHA        | BT 533089 |
| CO B                         | BT 533089 |
| CO C, 1ST RECON BN           | BT 560049 |
| 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REAR)    | BT 073729 |
| 1ST FORCE RECON CO (FORWARD) | BT 565333 |
| (5) 7TH MARINES              | BT 560048 |
| CO C, 1ST AT BN              | BT 560048 |
| CO B, 1ST TK BN              | BT 560048 |
| CO A, 3D AMTRAC BN           | BT 568039 |
| CO C, 1ST ENGR BN            | BT 560048 |
| (6) 1ST BN, 7TH MARINES      | BT 586016 |
| CO A                         | BT 565078 |

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CO B BS 603994

CO C BS 624992

CO D BS 572992

BTRY G, 3D BN, 11TH MAR BT 589027

(7) 2D BN, 7TH MARINES BT 504036

CO E BT 495036

CO F BT 530078

CO G BT 510025

CO H BT 518019

AIRFIELD DEFENSE UNIT BT 535078

1ST PLT, CO H BT 495038

(8) 3D BN, 7TH MARINES BS 538023

CO I BT 525002

CO K BT 538023

CO L BS 553995

(9) HQ 3D BN, 12TH MARINES ARTY BN GRP BT 549046

BTRY E 4/11 BT 555042

1ST PLT, 1ST 8" HOWITRY BT 551043

1ST BN, 11TH MARINES BT 552045

HQ BTRY 1/11 BT 552045

BTRY C 3/12 BT 527070

3D BN, 11TH MARINES BT 554043

HQ BTRY 3/11 BT 554043

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BTRY I 3/11 BT 552043

MORTAR BTRY 3/11 BT 545049

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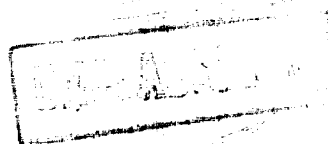
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|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| 2D BN, 1ST MARINES        | YD 885139 |
| CO E                      | YD 854139 |
| CO F                      | YD 885139 |
| CO G                      | YD 854139 |
| CO H                      | YD 854139 |
| 4TH BN, 12TH MARINES      | YD 885122 |
| BTRY B, 1st BN, 11TH MAR  | YD 889141 |
| BTRY N, 4TH BN, 12TH MAR  | YD 876146 |
| BTRY W, 1ST BN, 11TH MAR  | YD 879149 |
| 2D PLT, CO A, 3D TK BN    | YD 889143 |
| 2D PLT, CO A, 3D AT BN    | YD 889143 |
| 2D PLT, CO A, 3D RECON BN | YD 887138 |

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