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OPERATION PRAIRIE II: CITEP 145, 000400H-000600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 2/26 COS E, G, AND H. YD 387574

12. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS:

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

4/5/3 COMPLETED AMBUSH (YD 971561) AT 090400H

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED EXTRACTATIONS AND THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS:

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3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY CITEP 144.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY:

31 KIA

105 MIA

13 DEC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

389 KIA CONF

340 KIA PROB

274 RETAINEES

500 INN CIVIL

21 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/VA

2 PW/VC

110 WEAPONS CAPTURED

24 CREW SERVED

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 145, 082400H-090600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 2/26 CO'S E, G, AND H YD 087574

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

M/3/3 COMPLETED AMBUSH (XD971561) AT 090400H

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: REF SITREP 143, CONTACT 3C, ADJ 3 VC KIA(P).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT VENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD TWO PLANNED INSERTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR & 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 144.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 426 WIA, 16 NBC, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 589 KIA CONF, 349 KIA PROB,

274 DETAINEES, 220 INN CIVIL, 21 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

114 WPNS CPTD

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 146, 090600H - 091200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

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|--|--------------------|
| (1) 3/4 (-), COS L, M, ANYICMD GRP/3/4 | YD 215655 (MOVING) |
| (2) M/3/3 (-) | XD 982583 (MOVING) |
| (3) K/3/4 | YD 242598 |
| (4) 3/9 (-) CMD GRP, COS L & M | YD 066544 |

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

3RD MARINES: M/3/3 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD BLOCKING POSITION AT XD 988586. I/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (XD 982543) AT 090630H FROM XD 970540. L3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (XD 982543) AT 090700H FROM VICINITY XD 993560. 1-5 090930H K/3/4

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CHOPPED QFROM 3RD MARINES AND RETURNED TO DONG HA. AT 091100H, 3/9 (-) RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL FROM OPERATION NORTH OF CAM LO.

3/4: COMMAND GROUP, COS M AND I/3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEPPIAW SITREP 144.

1/9: CONTINUED ASSIGNED MISSION A/1/9 MAINTAINED MISSION AS RESERVE COMPANY. C/1/9 MAINTAINED SECURITY OF POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. D/1/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE SECTOR ON PERIMETER OF DONG HA BASE. 1/9 ASSUMED OPCON OF K/3/4 AT 090930H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 090930H REC ON TEAM 2C2 FOUND NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES (YD 088618), AND A WELL-USED TRAIL (USED WITHIN LAST 24 HOURS) AT YD 094617.

B. AT 091026H I/3/9 (YD 048545) DISCOVERED 1 ENEMY AIMING STAKE OF UNKNOWN TYPE. STAKE WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS CP.

C. AT 091105H RECON PATROL (2C2) OBSERVED 3 VC MOVING SOUTH AOG TRAIL R(Y) 077614). VC WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS, HELMENTS, WITH RIFLES AND PACKS, FIRE MISSION WAS NOT CLEARED BECAUSE OF AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

D. AT 091150H RECON TEAM 1D2 (YD 088626) DISCOVERED A CAVE AND BUNKER COMPLEX LAEGTE ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE A COMPANY TO BATTALION

TMPLX WAS USED LAST NIGHT (FRESH RICE PACKED INTO BALLS WAS FOUND).

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VC COULD POSSIBLE BE IN CAVES. COMPLEX INCLUDES SPIDER TRAPS,
AND SNIPER PITS. PATROL REQUESTED ENGINEERS WITH INFANTRY SUPPORT
TO DESTROY SITE. A RAIL USED IN LAST 3 OR 4 DAYS WAS FOUND YD 88962
RUNNING SOUTH.

ILANS 3RE RECON BN FWD: HAS NO EXTRACTIONS AND 2 INSERTIONS
PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INSERTIONS 3C1 ASAP LL 8860 UR 9262

2D1 ASAP LL 8650 UR 8952

3RD MARINES, 5/4, AND 1/9: CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, MAINTAIN
DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, AND CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW MY SITREP 144, AS
OF 082400H MAR 67.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 71 KIA

426 WIA

15 NBC

MIA

ENEMY: 585 KIA CONF

345 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES

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20 UNN CIVIL

21 CIVIL DEF

12 POW/NVA

6 POW/VC

114 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

91 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP NR 146, 090601H-091200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- (1) 3/4 (-), COS L, M, AND CMD GRP 3/4 YD 215655 (MOVING)
 (2) M/3/3 (-) XD 982583 (MOVING)
 (3) K/3/4 YD 242598
 (4) 3/9 (-), CMD GRP, COS L & M YD 066544

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERT

EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

3RD MARINES: M/3/3 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD BLOCKING POSITION AT

XD 988586. I/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (XD 982543) AT

090630H FROM XD 970540. L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP

(XD 982543) AT 090700H FROM VICINITY XD 998563. AT 090930H, K/3/4

CHOPPED FROM 3RD MARINES AND RETURNED TO DONG HA. AT 091100H, 3/3 (-)

RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL FROM NORTH OF CAM LO.

3/4: CMD GRP, COS M AND I/3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEP IAW

SITREP NR 144.

I/9: CONTINUED ASSIGNED MISSION A/I/9 MAINTAINED MISSION AS

RESERVE COMPANY. C/I/9 MAINTAINED SECURITY OF POL FACILITY AT

MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. D/I/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE SECTOR ON

PERIMETER OF DONG HA BASE. I/9 ASSUMED OPCON OF K/3/4 AT 090930H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 090930H, REC ON TEAM 2C2

FOUND NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES VIC YD 088618, AND A WELL USED TRAIL
(USED WITHIN LAST 24 HRS) AT YD 094617.

B. AT 091026H, I/3/9 (YD 048545) DISCOVERED 1 ENEMY

AIMING STAKE OF UNKNOWN TYPE. STAKE WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS CP.

C. AT 091105, RECON PATROL 2C2 OBSERVED 3 VC MOVING SOUTH

ON TRAIL AT (YF 077614). VC WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS, HELMETS,

WITH RIFLES AND PACKS. FIRE MISSION WAS NOT CLEARED BECAUSE OF

SIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

D. AT 091150H, RECON TEAM 1D2 (YD 088626) DISCOVERED A CAVE

AND BUNKER COMPLEX LARGE ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE A COMPANY TO BATTALION

COMPLEX WAS USED LAST NIGHT (FRESH RICE PACKED IN BAGS WAS FOUND).

VC COULD POSSIBLY BE IN CAVES, COMPLEX INCLUDES SPIDER TRAPES,

AND SNIPER PITS. PATROL REQUESTED ENGINEERS WITH INFANTRY SUPPORT

TO DESTROY SITE. A TRAIL USED IN LAST 3 OR 4 DAYS WAS FOUND YD 088623

RUNNING SOUTH.

5. PLANS:

3RD MARINES: 3/4, AND I/9: CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, MAINTAIN

DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, AND CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW MY SITREP 144, AS

OF 082400H MAR 67.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA 426 WIA 1 MIA

ENEMY: 589 KIA(C) 349 KIA(P) 274 DETAINEES 220 INN CIV

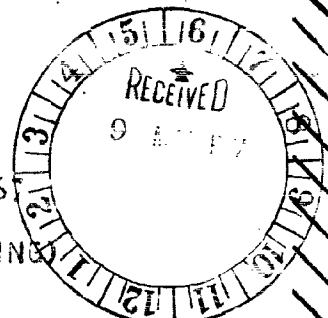
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114 WPNS CAPT 23 CREW SRVED 91 INDIVIDUAL

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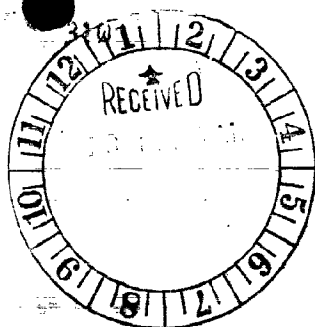
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP NR 147, 091201H-091800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

E/2/2# YD 087593

M/3/3 XD 993567

3/4 CMD GRP YD 166637

M/3/4 YD 166637

L/3/4 YD 156644

K/3/4(-) YD 010458

3/9 CMD GRP YD 067543

M/3/9 YD 067543

L/3/9 YD 091515

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD THE FOLLOWING

INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS:

INSERTIONS 2D1 (HELO/FOOT) 091530H XD 3354

EXTRACTATIONS: 1C1 (FOOT/HELO) 091530H YD 0262

1D1 (FOOT/HELO) 091530H XD 8964

3RD MARINES: M/3/3 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD BLOCKING POSITION

AT XD 988586. ALL OTHER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

IN THEIR AO.

2/26: REMAINED IN DEFENSIVE POSITION VIC YD 087593.

3/9: 3/9 CMD GRP, M & L/3/9 RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL

AT 091100H. AT 091400H, L/3/9 MOVED TO J-5 VIC YD 091515.

3/4: CMD GRP, M & L/3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEP

WEST TOWARD DEJ BRAVO VIC YD 160640. AT 091800H,

ABOVE UNITS OCCUPIED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

AT 091300H K/3/4 CHOPPED OPCON FROM

1/9 TO 3/4. AT 091600H, K/3/4 MOVED TO CAM LO BRIDGE AND SET

UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE

POSITIONS AT GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE OF DONG HA COMBAT

BASE. AT 091730H, D/1/9 RETURNED FROM SWEEP VIC YD 210540

AT YD 164573.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS RETURNED:

UNIT SIZE TOR GS COVERED

A/1/9 SQD 091530H YD 1560, 1451

1/44 SQD 091230H YD 1858, 1837, 1953, 1957, 2059, 2057.

2TH MAR SQD 091700H YD 2157, 2153, 2159, 2257, 2258, 2259.

1TH ENGR SQD 091200H YD 257, 2457, 2557, 2558, 2653.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 091140H, 3/9 PIT PTI OBS'D

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2 VC VIC YD 054521. ONE WITH RIFLE AND CART BELT, OTHER WITH PACK. VC FLED WHEN SPOTTED. PATROL FIRED SA AND 1 M-79 RD. RES: 1 ENEMY KIA(C). 1 PACK, MESS GEAR AND 1 HAMMOCK. CAPT.

B. AT 091440H, D/1/9 VIC YD 268555 REC 50-60 RDS SA FIRE FROM 4-6 VC. RETURNED FIRE WITH SA. 60MM, M-79, AND CALLED ARTY MSN. RES: 1 ENEMY CAPT, 1 ENEMY KIA(C), 1 FRIENDLY WIA(NON-MEDEVAC), 2 CHICOM RIFLES, 1 HELMET, AND 1 PACK CAPT.

C. AT 091555H, D/1/9 REC APPROX 15-20 RDS SA FIRE. RETURNED FIRE WITH SA AND M-79. AREA WAS SEARCHED YD 189561 RESULTING IN ONE DETAINEE CAPT. ENEMY WAS WEARING CAMO UNIFORM AND BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN USING SPIDER TRAP FOR CONCEALMENT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 091150H, RECON TEAM 102 FOUND BUNKERS AND SPIDER TRAPS VIC YD 088627. ALSO A RICE BOWL USED WITHIN LAST 24 HRS. WIL CONTINUE TO OBS AREA.

B. AT 091200H, M/3/3, MOVING EAST ON RIDGELINE VIC XD 985594, TRIPPED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WOUNDING 1 MAN. EMERGENCY MEDEVAC COMPLETED AT 091245H, M/3/3 CONTINUED ON MSN.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: M/3/3 WILL ESTABLISH A COMPANY PATROL BASE VIC XD 987585. ALL OTHER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3/9: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC CAMP CARROLL.

2/26: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC YD 083505. AT FIRST LIGHT 2/26 BEGINS SWEEP NORTH TO MAKE CONTACT WITH RECON TEAM 102. 2/26 PROCEED TO DESTROY ENEMY POSITIONS VIC YD 033626.

1/9- CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT DONG HA CAMBAT BASE AND MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

3/4: ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC YD 160545.

12TH MARINES: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WITH 1/3/4 AT GIO

INH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSE:

FRIENDLY: 31 KIA	426 WIA	1 MIA
ENEMY: 591 KIA(C)	349 KIA(P)	276 DETAINEES
226 INH CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 POW/NVA
6 POW/VC	116 WPNS CAPT	
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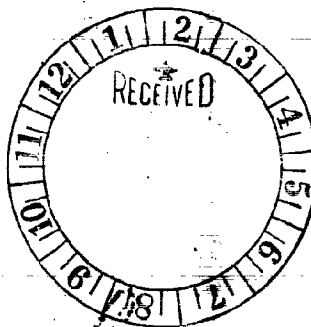
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FROM 081800H TO 091800H MAR 67

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS AT 091800H

A. 1D2 YD 098647 &

B. 2C2 YD 075624 &

C. 2D1 XD 965537 &

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

A. INSERTIONS

(1) 2D1 091530H BY HELG/FOOT FOR UR XD 8952

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B. EXTRACTIONS

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(1) 1C1 091530H BY FOOT/HELO FM YD 0262

(2) 1D1 091530H BY FOOT/HELO FM YD 9864

3. SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS

. 2C2 - 090930H - YD 088618

PATROL FOUND NUMEROUS FILTHING HOLES

AND WELL USED TRAIL AT YD 094617

TRAIL USED IN LAST 24 HRS.

B. 2C2 - 091105H - YD 077614

PATROL HEARD A/W S/A FIRE VIC YD 0960

OBS A/O BEING FIRED ON. THEN OBS

3/ VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL AT ABOVE

COORD. MEN WITH RIFLES & PACKS. MEN

DISAPPEARED BEFORE ARTY COULD BE

CLEARED.

C. 1D2 - 091105H - YD 088626

PATROL FOUND BUNKER//:-;3:9.0)3/

LARGE ENOUGH FOR CO/BN. USED

IN LAST 24 HRS. (FRESH RICE

PACKED IN BALLS) COMPLEX INCLUDED

SNIPER PITS AND SPIDER TRAPS. PATROL

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 FOUND MORE BUNKERS AND INFILTRATION
 ROUTE 100M FROM ORIGINAL. ALSO
 RICE BOWL USED IN LAST 24 HRS
 AT 091223 PATROL HEARD VOICES
 IN VIC BUNKERS. CALLED ARTY
 GOOD COVERAGE. UNABLE TO OBS.
 D. 1D2 - 091445 - YD 087626
 PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT AND VOICES
 OF UNKNOWN NUMBER VC. SOUNDED LIKE
 10-15. ARTY CALLED. GOOD COVERAGE
 UNABLE TO OBS.
 E. 2C2 - 071700H - YD 075625
 PATROL FOUND WELL USED TRAIL. HEAVY
 OBJECTS HAVE BEEN DRAGGED OVER TRAIL
 IN LAST 24 HRS. PATROL SET IN NIGHT AMBUSH
 ON TRAIL.
 4 OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS
 A. 3C1 CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER
 B. 1D1 EXTRACTED DUE TO INJURED MAN
 5. PLANS FOR 091800H TO 101800H MAR 67.

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1. INSERTIONS
- (1) 3C1 BY TRUCK/FOOT TO UL XD 8862
LR XD 9260
- (2) 3C2 BY TRUCK/FOOT TO XD 9364
- (3) 1D1 BY TRUCK/FOOT TO XD 9864
- (4) PRU BY HELO TO XD 9930
- (5) PRU BY HELO TO YD 0235
9. EXTRACTATIONS - NONE
- 6.. REMARKS - NONE

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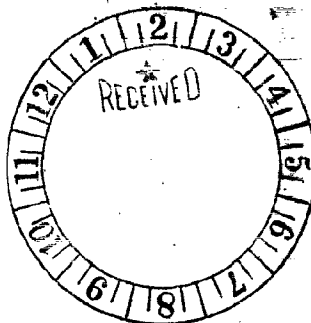
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 147, 091200-091200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. E/2/26	YD 087593
B. M/3/3	XD 993567
C. 3/4 COMMAND GROUP	YD 166637
D. M/3/4	YD 166637
E. L/3/4	YD 156644
F. K/3/4(-)	YD 010458
G. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP	YD 067543
H. M/3/9	YD 067543
I. L/3/69	YD 091515

12. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 2314\$ 43:9, 7, 12\$: HAD THE FOLLOWING

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INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS

INSERTIONS: 2D1 (HELO/FOOT) 091530H XD 8650

EXTRACTATIONS: 1C1 (FOOT/HELO) 091530H YD 0262

ID1 (FOOT/HELO) 091530H XD 8984

3RD MARINES: M/3/3 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD BLOCKING POSITION
AT XD 988586. ALL OTHER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
IN THEIR AO.

026: REMAINED IN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY

YD 088574. E/2/26 MOVED TO DEFENSIVE POSITION VICINITY YD 087593.

3/9: 3/9 COMMAND GROUP, M AND L/3/9 RETURNED TO IAMP CARROLL

AT 091100H. AT 091400H L/3/9 MOVED TO D-5 VICINITY YD 091515.

3/4: COMMAND GROUP, M AND L/3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEP

WEST TOWARD OBJECTIVE BRAVO VICINITY YD 160640. AT 091800H

ABOVE UNITS OCCUPIED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT LOCATIONS

GIVEN IN THIS SITREP. AT 091300H K/3/4 CHOPPED OPCON FROM

7/9 TO 3/4. AT 091600H K/3/4 MOVED TO CAM LO BRIDGE AND SET

UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

PROV ARTY BN WITH I/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE

POSITIONS AT GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE OF DONG HA COMBAT

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BASE. AT 091730H D/1/9 RETURNED FROM SWEEP VICINITY YD 210540
TO YD 284573.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS RETURNED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	GRID SQUARES COVERED
A/1/9	SQUAD	091530H	1560, 1461
1/44	SQUAD	091230H	1858, 857, 1958, 1957, 2050, 2057.
12TH MAR	SQUAD	091700H	2157, 2158, 2159, 2257, 2258, 2259.
11TH ENGR	SQUAD	091200H	2357, 2457, 2557, 2558, 2658.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 091140H 3/9 PLATOON PATROL OBSERVED
2 VC VICINITY YD 054521: ONE WITH RIFLE AND CARTRIDGE BELT, OTHER
WITH PACK. VC FLED WHEN SPOTTED. PATROL FIRED SMALL ARMS AND
1 M-79 ROUND. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, 1 PACK, MESS
GEAR AND 1 HAMMOCK. CAPTURED.

B. AT 091440H D/1/9 VICINITY YD 268555 RECEIVED 50-601 497, \$
SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM 4-6 VC. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS,
60MM MORTAR, M-79, AND CALLED ARTY MISSION. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY
CAPTURED, 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, 1 FRIENDLY WIA (NON-MEDEVAC),

2 CHICOM RIFLES, 1 HELMET, AND 1 PACK CAPTURED.

C. AT 091555H D/1/9 RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 15-20

ROUNDS SMALL ARMS FIRE. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND M-79.

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AREA WAS SEARCHED (YD 289561) RESULTING IN ONE DETAINEE CAPTURED.
ENEMY WAS WEARING COMOUFLAGE UNIFORM AND BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN
USING SPIDER TRAP FOR CONCEALMENT.

1. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 091150H RECON TEAM ID2
FOUND BUNKERS AND SPIDER TRAPS VICINITY YD 088627: ALSO A RICE
BOWL USED WITHIN LAST 24 HOURS. WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE
REA.

AT 091223H RECON PATROL ID2 VICINITY YD 041636 HEARD
VOICES VICINITY YD 090631. CALLED ARTY MISSION: UNABLE TO
OBSERVE RESULTS.

AT 091200H M/3/3, MOVING EAST ON RIDGELINE VICINITY
XD 985594, TRAPPED AN EXPLODE DEVICE WOUNDING 1 MAN. EMERGENCY
MEDEVAC COMPLETED AT 091245H, M/3/4 CONTINUED ON MISSION.

B. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO EXTRACTIONS OR

INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: M/3/3H ESTABLISH A COMPANY PATROL BASE VICINITY

987585. ALL OTHER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3/9: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY CAMP CARROLL.

2/26: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC YD 083605. AT FIRST LIGHT

2/26 BEGINS SWEEP NORTH. MAKE CONTACT WITH RECON TEAM ID2. 2/26

PROCEED TO DESTROY ENEMY POSITIONS VICINITY YD 088626.

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1/9: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT DONG HA
COMB BASE AND MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

2/4: ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 160645.

2TH MARINES: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
WITH 1/3/4 AT GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA

26 WIA

6 NBC

MIA

ENEMY: 591 KIA CONF

149 KIA PROB

176 DETAINEES

220 INN CIVIL

1 CIVIL DEF

12 POW/NVA

POW/VC

16 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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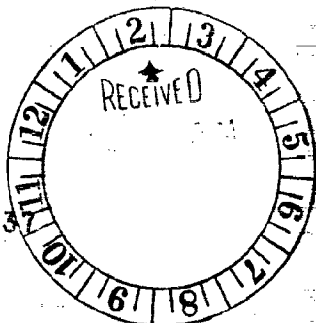
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II: SITREP 148, 091800H - 092400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: M/3/3

XD 998597

K/3/4(-)

YD 149604

M/3/9

YD 063551

L/3/9

YD 094514

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAQD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

13D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 12TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 091445H RECON TEAM ID2 HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING AND TALKING, ESTIMATE 10 TO 15. PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION VIC YD 087626

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 091700H RECON PATROL 2C2VIC YD 075625 FOUND WELL USED TRAIL WHICH HEAVY OBJECTS HAVE BEEN DRAGGED OVER IN THE LAST 24 HOURS. PATROL IN AMBUSH POSITION ON TRAIL.

B. AT 091540H VIC YD 103577 3 VIETNAMESE CHILDREN WERE OBSERVED BY 2/94TH ARTY CONVOY TO HAVE HAD A SILVER COLORED MORTAR ROUND 12 INCHES TO 14 INCHES IN LENGTH. CHILDREN DID NOT ATTEMPT TO HIDE ROUND. CONVOY FAILED TO STOP FOR THE ROUND. NO ACTION TAKEN.

C. LATE ENTRY: AT 090300H TO 090500H A TOTAL OF 5 81MM MORTAR ROUNDS HIT 2 FRIENDLY VILLAGES, HA TAY AND TUONG VAN VIC YD 334677. ONE COW WAS KILLED. JUNK FLEET ADVISOR OBSVED DAMAGE. RECOMMEND H&I FIRES TO SOUTH OF MOUTH OF RIVER BE HALTED.

D. AT 092035H 1/3/4 AMBUSH HEARD MOVEMENT. UNKNOWN OBJECT LANDED IN THEIR POSITION. AMBUSH OPENED FE W/S/A AND 60MM ILLUM, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AMBUSH RETURNED TO 1/3/4 CP.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS. 3D MAR: 2/26TH COS E, G. AND H SWEEP NORTH FROM VIC (YD 085585) AND LINK UP WITH RECON TEAM ID2 VIC (YD 089641). MISSION TO DESTROY CAVE AND BUNKER COMPLEX (REFER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS D, MY SITREP 146).

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ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3/4: CMD GRP, L AND M/3/4 CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH FROM VIC (YD 158644) TO OBJECTIVE AT (YD 150680). ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

1/9: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

12TH MAR: 12TH MAR WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AT GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA

428 WIA

16 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 591 KIA CONF

349 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 NVA/PW

6 VC/PW

116 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 149, 092400H - 100600H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

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Y OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR
EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MARINES AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSE POSITION

AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES:

1/3/3 COMPLETED AMBUSHES (YD 037542) AND (YD 044542) AT 100400H

K/3/31 COMPLETED AMBUSH (YD W103514) AT 100100HWH

03. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EP TS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN HAS NO PLANNED EXTRACTIONS AND THE

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FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS: INS 3C2 XD 9364

100800H

100800H

ID1 XD W9864

031:1 UL 8852 LR 9260 100800H

NOTE ALL PAT

OLS WALK IN.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUT LEE IN MY
SITREP W 143.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIE DLY W: 81 KIA ENEMY 597 KIA CONF

426 WIA

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16 NBC

1 MIA

9 KIA PROB

274 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

W6 PW/VC

116 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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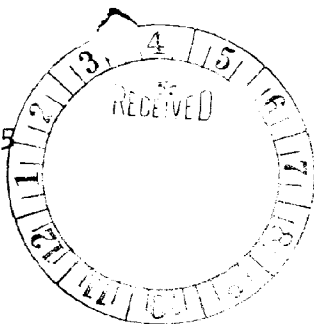
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 148, 091801H-092400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: M/3/3 XD998597; K/3/4(-) YD149604

M/3/9 YD 063551; L/3/9 YD 094514

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 12TH MAR & 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 091445H RECON TEAM 1D2 HEARD UNK NR OF VC MOVING AND TALKING, ESTIMATE 10-15. PATROL CALLED ARTY MSN VIC YD 087626 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 091700H RECON PTL 2C2 VIC YD 075625 FOUND WELL USED TRAIL WHICH HEAVY OBJECTS HAVE BEEN DRAGGED OVER IN THE LAST 24 HOURS. PTL IN AMBUSH POSITION ON TRAIL.

B. AT 092035H 1/3/4 AMBUSH HEARD MOVEMENT. UNKNOWN OBJECT LANDED IN THEIR POSITION. AMBUSH OPENED FIRE W/S/A AND 60MM ILLUM, NEGATIVE RESULTS. AMBUSH RETURNED TO 1/3/4 CP.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR: 2/26TH COS E, G, AND H SWEEP NORTH FROM VIC (YD085535) AND LINK UP WITH RECON TEAM 1D2 VIC (YD089641). MISSION TO DESTROY CAVE AND BUNKER COMPLEX (REFER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS SITREP 146).

ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3/4: CMD GRP, L AND M/3/4 CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH FROM VIC (YD 158644) TO OBJECTIVE AT (YD150680). ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

1/9: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

12TH MAR: 12TH MAR WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AT GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 428 MIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 591 KIA (CONF), 349 KIA (PROJ)

276 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL (5 DETAINEES RECLASSIFIED AS INN CIV).

22 CIVIL DEF, 12 NVA/PW, 6 VC/PW

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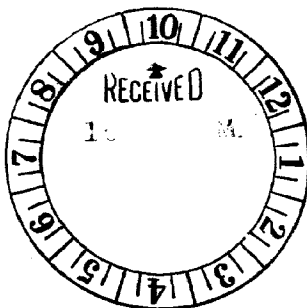
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP NR 149, 100001H-100500H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO IN SECTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MARINES AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

1/3/3 COMPLETED AMBUSHES AT YD 037542 AND YD 044542 AT 100400H

K/3/3 COMPLETED AMBUSH AT YD 103514 AT 103100H

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN HAS NO PLANNED EXTRACTATIONS AND THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS: INS 3C2 XD 9364 100800H

1D1 XD 9864 100000H

3C1 UL XD 8862 LR XD 9260 AT 100800H

NOTE ALL PATROLS WALK IN.

3RD MAR, 3/4TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 148.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA 428 WIA

ENEMY 591 KIA(C) 349 KIA(P) 276 DETAINEES

231 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 12 PW/NVA 6 PW/VC 116 WPNS CAPT

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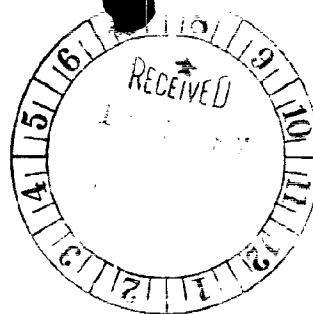
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II SITREP 150, 100630-101200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. L/3/4 & BN CMD GRP YD 157645

B. M/3/4 YD 148605

C. K/3/4 YD 157645

D. 3/9(-) CMD GRP, COS I & M YD J65585

E. 2/26(-) CMD GRP, COS E, G, & H YD 095603

F. M/3/3 YD 998596

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS HAD NO EXTRACTATIONS AND 2 INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS:

INS: 301 101030H FOOT/TRUCK XD9061; 302 101030H FOOT/TRUCK XD9364

3D MAR: CONDUCT S&D OPN VIC DONG HA MOUNTAIN AND SURROUNDING AREAS. 2/26(-) MOVING NORTH FROM NIGHT PSNS TO VIC OBJECTIVE AT YD 093620

3/9(-) DEPARTED DEF PSNS AT 100830H AND BEGAN SWEEPING TO OBJECTIVE (YD068592). M/3/3 CONTINUED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES IN VIC OF NIGHT PSN. AT 100630H K/3/3 SQD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD09552) FROM YD 099505. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED DEF PSNS.

3/4: 3/4(-) CONTINUED WITH OPERATION NORTH OF CAM LO. AT 100930H K/3/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4(-). AT 100945H M/3/4 DEPARTED 3/4(-) COMMENCED MOVEMENT TO CAM LO. AT 101100H M/3/4 ARRIVED AT CAM LO AND IS AWAITING TRANSPORTATION TO MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. AT 101135H

3/4(-) (CMD GRP, COS L & K) COMMENCED MOVEMENT TO OBJECTIVE VIC YD 150680. I/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SECURITY FOR GIO LINH OUTPOST.

1/9: CONTINUED ASSIGNED MISSION. A/1/9 MAINTAINED MISSION AS RESERVE COMPANY. C/1/9 MAINTAINED SECURITY OF POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. D/1/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE SECTOR ON

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PERIMETER OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 101040H RECON TEAM 102 (YD085654) HEARD UNK NR OF ENEMY MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH IN A TREELINE (YD073633). TEAM CALLED ARTY. ARTY COMPLETELY DESTROYED TREELINE. ENEMY CASUALTIES, UNKNOWN. PATROL WILL SEARCH AREA.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 100745H M/3/4 (YD010596) FOUND AN ENEMY BODY DRESSED IN SANDALS. ENEMY WAS ESTIMATED TO BE DEAD 3 TO 5 MONTHS. THIS KIA CONF SHOULD BE SUBTRACTED FROM KIA PROB ON PRAIRIE 1, AND ADDED TO KIA CONF ON OPN PRAIRIE 1.

B. AT 100900H ELEMENTS OF E/2/26 (YD082603) DISCOVERED ONE (1) 120MM MORTAR ROUND. ROUND WAS DESTROYED.

C. AT 101055H RECON TEAM 202 DISCOVERED A WELL-USED TRAIL (YD057627) ABOUT 3 FEET WIDE, RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH. TEAM SAID THE TRAIL HAD BEEN USED IN LAST 12 HOURS.

5. PLANS: 30 MAR: CONTINUE TO CONDUCT S&D OPN VIC DONG HA MOUNTAIN AREA.

2/26(-) SWEEP FROM PRESENT PSN TO VIC OF OBJECTIVE YD 090523 TO OBJECTIVE

VIC YD 110675. 3/9(-) SWEEP WEST FROM VIC YD 030595 TO VIC DONG HA MOUNTAIN (YD017595), NORTHEAST TO VIC YD 040618.

M/3/3 CONDUCT PATROL BASE/BLOCKING PSN WEST SIDE OF DONG HA MOUNTAIN (XD998595). F/2/12 MOVE TO VIC YD 145592.

3/4: 3/4(-) (CMD GRP, COS L & K) CONTINUE S&D OPN. MOVE FROM PRESENT POSITION TO OBJECTIVE AT YD 150688.

1/9: C/1/9 TO MOVE TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE. M/3/4 TO CHOP OPN CON TO 1/9 AND MOVE TO MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. ALL UNITS TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 428 WIA, 1 MIA
ENEMY: 591 KIA CONF, 349 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

116 WPNS CPTRD, 23 CREW SERVED, 93 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II SITREP 150. 100600-101200H MAR67.
SUBJECT AS FOLLOWS:

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT BN COMMAND GROUP YD 157645
A. L/3/4 AND BN COMMAND GROUP YD 157645

B. M/3/4

C. K/3/4

D. 3/9 (..) COMMAND GRP, COS I. AND M. YD 065585

D. 3/9 (-) COMMAND GRP, COS 2, G, AND H YD 095608
E. 2/26 (-) COMMAND GRP, COS E, G, AND H YD 095608

E. 2/28/77
F. 4/3/77

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS HAD NO EXTRACTIONS AND 2 INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

2 INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS
INSERTIONS: SCI 101050H (FOOT/TRUCK) XD 9061

3C2 101030H (FOOT/TRUCK) XD 9364

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3RD MARINES: CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION VICINITY
DONG HA MOUNTAIN AND SURROUNDING AREAS. 2/20 (-) MOVING NORTH FROM NIGHT
POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AT YD 494620.

POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AT 10 0500Z.
3/9 (-) DEPARTED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT 100830H AND BEGAN SWEEPING
TO OBJECTIVE 1 (YD 068592). M/3/3 CONTINUED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES
IN VICINITY OF 100830H. M/3/3 SMALL SIZE AMBUSH

TO OBJECTIVE 1 (YD 068592). M/3/3 CONTINUED PATROLLING ROUTE
IN VICINITY OF NIGHT POSITION. AT 120030H K/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSHNNNNNNNNNN
NNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN NNNNNRETURNED TO CP (YD 095512) FROM YD 095505. ALL
OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED

DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3/4: 3/4 (-) CONTINUED WITH OPERATION NORTH OF CAM LO. AT 100930H K/3/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4 (-). AT 100945H M/3/4 DEPARTED 3/4 (-) COMMENCED MOVEMENT TO CAM LO. AT 101100H M/3/4 ARRIVED AT CAM LO AND IS AWAITING TRANSPORTATION TO MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. AT 101135H 3/4 (-) (COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES L AND K) COMMENCED MOVEMENT TO OBJECTIVE VICINITY YD 150680. I/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SECURITY FOR GIO LINH OUTPOST.

1/9: CONTINUED ASSIGNED MISSION. A/1/9 MAINTAINED MISSION AS RESERVE COMPANY. C/1/9 MAINTAINED SECURITY OF POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. D/1/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE SECTOR ON PERIMETER OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 101040H RECON TEAM 1D2 (YD 085654)

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HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH IN A TREELINE (YD 010555). TEAM CALLED ARTY. ARTY COMPLETELY DESTROYED TREELINE. ENEMY CASUALTIES, UNKNOWN. PATROL WILL SEARCH AREA.

1. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 100745H M/3/4 (YD 010596) FOUND AN ENEMY BODY DRESSED IN SANDALS. ENEMY WAS ESTIMATED TO BE DEAD 3 TO 5 MONTHS. THIS KIA CONF SHOULD BE SUBTRACTED FROM KIA PROB ON PRAIRIE 1, AND ADDED TO KIA CONF ON OPERATION PRAIRIE 1.

B. AT 100900H ELEMENTS OF E/2/26 (YD 032603) DISCOVERED ONE (1) PPM MORTAR ROUND. ROUND WAS DESTROYED.

C. AT 101055H RECON TEAM 202 DISCOVERED A WELL-USED TRAIL (YD 057627) ABOUT 3 FEET WIDE, RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH. TEAM SAID THE TRAIL HAD BEEN USED IN LAST 12 HOURS.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO EXTRACTIONS AND 1 INSERTION PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INSERTIONS 101 (FOOT/TRUCK) XD 9864

3RD MARINES: CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERAMUATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN AREA. 2/26 (-) SWEEP FROM PRESENT POSITION TO VICINITY OF OBJECTIVE (YD 090624) TO OBJECTIVE VICINITY (YD 110675). 3/9 (-) SWEEP WEST FROM VICINITY YD 030595 TO VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN (YD 017595). NORTHEAST TO VICINITY YD 040618.

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M/3/3 - CONDUCT PATROL BASE/ BLOCKING POSITION WEST S OF DONG HA MOUNTAIN (XD 998595). F/2/12 MOVE TO VICINITY YD 145592.
 3/4: 3/4 (-) (COMMAND GROUP, COS B AND K) CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION. MOVE FROM PRESENT POSITION TO OBJECTIVE AT YD 150638.

1/9: C/1/9 TO MOVE TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE. M/3/4 TO CHOP
 OPCON TO 1/9 AND MOVE TO MOUTH OF QUA VIET RIVER. ALL UNITS
 TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

c. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 31 KIA

426 WIA

16 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 591 KIA CONF

349 KIA PROB

274 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/1234

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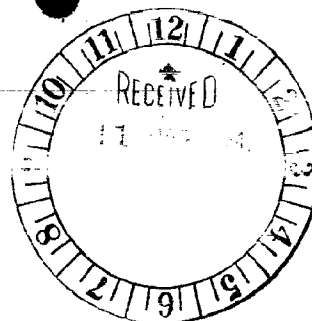
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 151, 101200-101800H MLC67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. M/3/3	XD 989563
B. 2/26 COMMAND GROUP	YD 082604
C. L/2/26	YD 083605
UD. G/2/26	YD 112636
E. H/2/26 ;7	YD 082628
F. H/2/26	YD 066592
G. I/3/9	YD 066592
H. M/3/94	YD 053587
I. 3/4 COMMAND GROUP	YD 145665
J. K/3/4	YD 145665
K. L/3/4	YD 145665

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L. M/3/4 YD 243598

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD, HAD THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PAST SIX HOURS:

INSERTIONS: 1D1 (TRUCK/FOOT) XD 9864- 101400H

EXTRACTATIONS: 2C2 (FOOT/HELO) YD 0563 101530H

3RD MARINES: K/3/3 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT CA

LU. AT 101700H M/3/3 MOVED ITS PATROL BASE TO VICINITY XD 989563.

ALL OZQER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS OF OPERATION.

2/26(-) CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH.

3/9 CONTINUED TO SWEEP WEST. M/3/9 REACHED OBJECTIVE 2 VICINITY YD 053587. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP AND I/3/9 PROCEEDED TO

OBJECTIVE 2 FROM YD 066592. ALL OTHER THIRD MARINE UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE

AREAS OF

OPERATION.

3/4: 3/4(-) WITH L AND K/3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH

TOWARD OBJECTIVE VICINITY YD 150684. AT 101500

IM/3/4 RETURNED

TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

PROV ARTY BN: I/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN COPIES

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 DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT GIO LINH
 1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.
 C/1/9(-) MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITION AT MOUTH OF CUA MIET R VER.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 101213H RECON TEAM

M 202 (YD 054628)
 OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 20 ENEMY MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL
 (YD 059627). ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORM, CARTRIDGE BELTS,
 AND WERE CARRYING RIFLE. ARTY MISSILES WERE FIRED. RESULTS: 2
 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

B. AT 101311H RECON TEAM 202 (YD 054628) HARD MOVEMENT AND
 SET UP HASTY AMBUSH. PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA. PATROL CALLED
 ARTY MISSION AND BEGAN TO MOVE. AT 101355H PATROL MOVED TO LZ AND
 WAS EXTRACTED. RESULT 2 KIA (CONF)

C. AT 101335H AN 11TH ENGINEER VEHICLE ON HIGHWAY 1
 (YD 222670) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY
 ON WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY. AN

O CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 101645H RECON PATROL 201 VICINITY YD 043548 HEAR

MACHINE GUN MOUND & BALL ARM FIRE FROM VICINITY YD 9553. NEGATIVE
 ACTION TAKEN.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 011400H A PATROL FROM
 1/44 FOUND AN EMPTY CARDBOARD BOX USED FOR PACKING 7.62MM SHORT

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 ROUNDS (CHICOM). BOX FAIRLY DRY. ESTIMATED DROPPED IN LAST HOUR
 BOX FOUND VICINITY YD 231572.

B. AT 101430H A PATROL FROM M/3/3 VICINITY YD 00.795
 FOUND ELEPHANT TRACKS AND DROPPINGS ON PATH LEADING TO DONG HA
 MOUNTAIN. PATROL SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ESTIMATE
 TRACKS ONE WEEK OLD.

C. AT 101547H 1/3/9 FOUND ONE 155MM DUD VICINITY
 YD 058585. DUD WAS BLOWN IN PLACE.

D. AT 100930H E/2/26 VICINITY YD 084607 FOUND A METAL
 BOX (11" X 11" X 4"). POSSIBLE 120MM FUZE BOX OR AP MINE
 FUZE BOX. BOX HAS TWO WOODEN INSERTS; ONE WITH 10 HOLES 1 3/4"
 IN DIAMETER; THE OTHER 5 HOLES (2" DIAMETER). ALSO FOUND A
 HOME MADE SIGHT AND ROUND CAN 8" HIGH, 4" IN DIAMETER WITH HANDLE
 ATTACHED WITH CHINESE AND ARABIC NUMERALS 120 ON IT. BOTH METAL
 CONTAINERS PAINTED GREEN.

. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS OR
 EXTRACTATIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 MAINTAIN

J NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN

ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION M/3/3 SET UP PATROL BASE VICINITY
 YD 001589. COPY OF COMES

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3/9: SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY OBJECTIVE 2 (YD 055586).

2/26: CONTINUE SWEEP TO NORTH. AT APPROXIMATELY 101900H SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. AT FIRST LIGHT PROCEED TO VICINITY YD 088626 AND DESTROY CAVES AND BUNUR COMPLEX REPORTED BY RECON TEAM.

PROV ARTY BN: WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIO LINH.

3/4: CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH AND SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 146672 AT APPROXIMATELY 101930H.

1/9: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE. C/1/9 CONTINUE TO DEFEND POSITION AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY- 81 KIA

428 WMF

16 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 595 KIA CONF

349 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

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22 CIVIL DEF

12 POW/NVA

6 POW/VC

116 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

93 INDIVIDUAL

7. SCOUT/SNIPERS: NO CHANGE.

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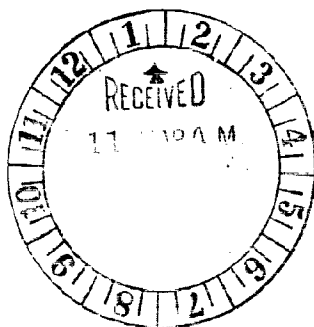
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 151, 101201H-101301H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

- A. M/3/3 XD 989563
- B. 2/26 CMD GRP YD 082604
- C. E/2/26 YD 083635
- D. G/2/26 YD 112636
- E. H/2/26 YD 082628
- F. 3/9 CMD GRP YD 066592
- G. I/3/9 YD 066592
- H. M/3/94 YD 053587
- I. 3/4 CMD GRP YD 145665
- J. K/3/4 YD 145665
- K. L/3/4 YD 145665
- L. M/3/4 YD 243598

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAD THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PAST SIX HOURS:

INSERTIONS: 101 (TRUCK/FOOT) XD 9354 101400H

EXTRACTATIONS: 202 (FOOT/HLO) YD 0563 101530H

BOEMARINES: K/3/3 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT CA

LU. AT 101700H M/3/3 MOVED ITS PATROL BASE TO VICINITY XD989563.

ALL OTHER 3/3 UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS OF OPERATION.

2/26(-) CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH.

3/9 CONTINUED TO SWEEP WEST. M/3/9 REACHED OBJECTIVE 2

VICINITY YD 053587. 3/9 CMD GRP AND I/3/9 PROCEEDED TO

OBJECTIVE 2 FROM YD 066592. ALL OTHER THIRD MARINE UNITS

MAINTAINED DEF PSNS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS OF OPN.

3/4: 3/4(-) WILL L AND K. 3/4 CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH

TOWARD OBJECTIVE VICINITY YD 150687. AT 101500 M/3/4 RETURNED

TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

PROV ARMY BNS: I/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEF PSNS AT GIO LINH.

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1. 29: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.
 C/179(-) MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITION AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 101213H RECON TM 2C2 (YD054628)
 OBSD APPROX 20 ENEMY MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL
 (YD059627). ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORM, CARTRIDGE BELTS,
 AND WERE CARRYING RIFLES. ARTY MISSION WAS FIRED. RESULTS: 2
 ENEMY KIA CONF.
 B. AT 101311H RECON TEAM 2C2 (YD054628) HEARD MOVEMENT AND
 SET UP HASTY AMBUSH. PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA. PATROL CALLED
 ARTY MISSION AND BEGAN TO MOVE. AT 101355H PATROL MOVED TO LZ
 AND WAS EXTRACTED. RESULT 2 KIA(CONF) 1 KIA(PROB)
 C. AT 101335H AN 11TH ENGINEER VEHICLE ON HWY 1 (YD222670)
 RECD SA FIRE FROM UNK NR OF ENEMY ON WEST SIDE OF HWY.
 AN AO CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 101547H 1/3/9 FOUND ONE 155MM DUD, VIC

YD 058585. DUD WAS BLOWN IN PLACE.

B. AT 100930H E/2.26 VIC YD 084607 FOUND A METAL
 BOX (11" X 11" X 4"). POSSIBLE 120MM FUZE BOX OR AP MINE
 FUZE BOX. BOX HAS TWO WOODEN INSERTS; ONE WITH 10 HOLES 1 3/4"
 IN DIAMETER; THE OTHER 5 HOLES (2" DIAMETER). ALSO FOUND A
 HOMEMADE SIGHT AND ROUND CAN 8" HIGH, 4" IN DIAMETER WITH HANDLE
 ATTACHED WITH CHINESE AND ARABIC NUMERALS "120" ON IT. BOTH METAL
 CONTAINERS PAINTED GREEN. ITEMS BROUGHT TO CP.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS
 PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: 3/3 MAINTAIN NIGHT DEF PSNS IN ASSIGNED AO.

M/3/3 SET UP PTL BASE VIC YD 001589.

3/9: SET UP NIGHT DEF PSNS VIC OBJECTIVE 2 (YD055586).

2/26: CONTINUE SWEEP TO NORTH. AT APPROX 101900H SET UP
 NIGHT DEF PSNS. AT FIRST LIGHT PROCEED TO VIC YD 088626 AND
 DESTROY CAVES AND BUNKER COMPLEX REPORTED BY RECON TEAM.

PROV ARTY BN: WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIO LINH.

3/4(-) CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH AND SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE PSNS
 VIC YD 146672 AT APPROX 101930H.

1/9: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE. C/1/9

CONTINUE TO DEFEND PSN AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 428 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 595 KIA CONF, 350 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES, 21 INN CIVIL, 22 CIVIL V

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ENEMY: 595 KIA CONF, 350 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES, 21 INN CIVIL, 22 CIVIL DEF

12 POW-NVA, 6 POW/VC

116 WPNS CPTD

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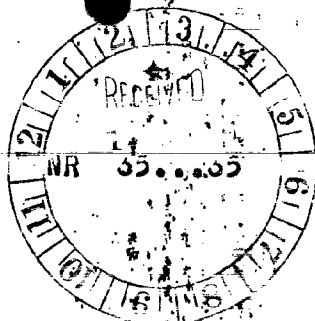
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II: SITREP 152, 101600H-102400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: --3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 12TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMSASHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS KN

A. REFER NENTACT A MY SITREP 151. ADD 10 KIA PROB

B. AT 102005H 3/9 OP ON HILL 250 (YD 068557) HEARD SOUNDS IN FRONT OF PSN. FIRED 6 RDS 7.62, THREW 1 FRAG GRENADE AND CALLED 81MM MISSILE. FIRED 7 RDS 81MM. MOVEMENT CONTINUED TOWARDS FRONT. CLAYMORE MINE ACTIVATED. MOVEMENT STOPPED. AT 102045H MOVEMENT RESUMED. THREW

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2. M-27 GRENADES. MOVEMENT STOPPED. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 102042H CJYXRR OBSERVED LIGHTS AT YD 069546. FIRING TWIN 40'S.

D. AT 102015H 2/94TH VIC YD W

4560 REPORTED FLASHING WV

LIGHTS IN FRONT

OF THEIR PSN. FIRED 81MM MORTAR MISSILE WITH UZQKVN RESULTS.

2. AT 101545H L/3/4 VIC YD 153664 OBSERVED 4 NVA WITH WEAPONS AT CIX 153663. FIRED S/A AND SWEEP AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 101550H L/3/4 LOCATED HARBORING SITE APPROXIMATELY 20 HOLE VIC YD 154654. ALSO FOUND 1 K-50 SUB MACHINE GUN 45 CAL. SUB MACHINE GUN FOUR RB-40 ROCKETS, FIVE RB CHARGERS AND 41 CHICORY GRENADES.

HARBORING SITE DESTROYED. GEAR BROUGHT TO REAR.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED

IN MY SITREP 151.

12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AT GI LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA

428 WIA

16 NBC

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ENEMY: 595 KIA CONF

360 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES

251 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

118 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

95 INDIVIDUALS

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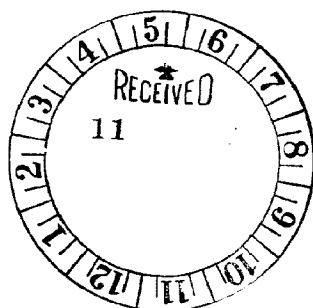
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP NR 152, 141801H-102400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH, 12TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. REFER CONTACT A MY SITREP 151. ADD 10 KIA PROB

B. AT 102005H, 3/9 OP ON HILL 250 (YD 063557) HEARD SOUNDS IN FRONT OF PSN. FIRED 6 RDS 7.62MM, THREW 1 FRAG GRENADE AND CALLED 81MM MSN. FIRED 7 RDS 81MM. MOVEMENT TOWARDS FRONT. CLAYMORE MINE

ACTIVATED MOVEMENT STOPPED. AT 102045H, MOVEMENT RESUMED. THREW 2 M-26 GRENADES. MOVEMENT STOPPED. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 102042H, C/1/44TH OBS'D LIGHTS AT YD 069546. FIRED TWIN 40'S. RES UNK.

D. AT 102015H, 2/9TH VIC YD 4560 REPORTED FLASHING LIGHTS IN FRONT OF THEIR PSN. FIRED 81MM MORTAR MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

E. AT 101545H, L/3/4 VIC YD 153664 OBS'D 4 NVA WITH WEAPONS AT YD 153663. FIRED S/A AND SWEEP AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 101530H, L/3/4 LOCATED HARBORING SITE OF APPROX 20 HOLES VIC YD 154664. ALSO FOUND 1 K-50 SUB MACHINE GUN, 1 45 CAL. SUB MACHINE GUN, FOUR RPG-2 ROCKETS, FIVE CHARGERS AND 41 CHCOM GRENADES. HARBORING SITE DESTROYED. GEAR BROUGHT TO REAR.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH, 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 151.

12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION AT GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA 428 WIA 1 MIA (USA)

ENEMY: 595 KIA (C) 360 KIA (P) 276 DETAINEES

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 153, 102400H - 110600H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. 87--46 OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS T

EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHTU
DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.L/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP YD 062551 TO YD 067572 TO YD
072550 AT 110500H.L/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM PPB YD 032530 TO YD 040520 WITH AMBUSH
AT YD 040520 AT 110230H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

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5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS:

INS: 201 110800H YD 0962

EXT: 102 110830H YD 0962

1/3/4 TO RELIEVE C/1/3 AT MOUTH OF CHA VIET RIVER.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR, 12TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS
OUTLINED IN MY SITREP 151 TO COMMENCE AT FIRST LIGHT.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA	ENEMY: 595 KIA	CONF: 118 WEAPONS CAPTURED
428 WIA	360 KIA PROB	23 CREW SERVED
16 NEC	276 DETAINEES	95 INDIVIDUAL
1 MIA	231 INN CIVIL	
	22 CIVIL DEF	
	12 PW/NVA	
	6 PW/VC	

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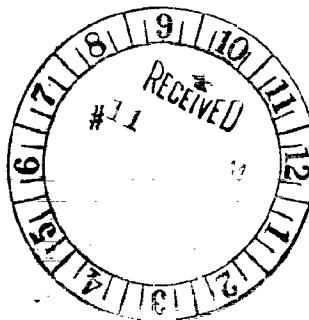
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 153 110001H-110600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

L/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP YD 002551 TO YD 067572 TO YD 072550 AT 110500H.

L/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM PPB YD 032530 TO YD 040520 WITH AMBUSH AT YD 040520 AT 110230H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS:

INS: 2C1 110800H YD 0962

EXT: 1D2 110830H YD 0962

M/3/4 TO RELIEVE C/1/9 AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR, 12TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS

OUTLINED IN SITREP 151 TO COMMENCE AT FIRST LIGHT.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 428 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 595 KIA CONF, 360 KIAPROB,

276 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA, 5 PW/VC

118 WPNS CAPTURED, 23 CREW SERVED, 95 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 154, 110600H - 111200H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

(1) 2/26 CMD GRP & 3	YD 092513 (MOVING)
(2) H/2/26	YD 092537 (MOVING)
(3) C/2/26	YD 107537 (MOVING)
(4) H/3/9	YD 035550 (MOVING)
(5) 1/3/9 AND CMD GRP	YD 046594 (MOVING)
(6) K/3/3	YD 007580 (MOVING)
(7) K/3/4	YD 135567 (MOVING)
(8) L/3/4 AND CMD GRP	YD 133565 (MOVING)
(9) C/1/9	YD 242538

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(10) M/3/4 YD 343592

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD REGT BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS, DUE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

3RD MARINES: CONTINUED SEARCH-AND-DESTROY OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA. AT 110300H 3RD MARINES ASSUMED OPCON OF 3/4 (-). 3/4 (-) MOVED FROM VICINITY YD 145665 INTO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 135665). 2/26 (-) MOVED FROM NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 100540).

AT 110800H 3/9 (-) CONTINUED WITH SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION EAST OF DONG HA. THEY MOVED FROM NIGHT POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE 4 (YD 037583). M/3/4 CONTINUED WITH PATROL BASE/LOCKING POSITION VICINITY (YD 007530).

AT 110630H L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 031548) FROM VICINITY XD 930535. AT 110645H A SECOND L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP FROM VICINITY XD 992558.

AT 110700H K/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 098520) FROM YD 095499. AT 110700H L/3/9 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 062552) FROM YD 055555. AT 110900H A SECOND L/3/9 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP FROM YD 042530.

3/4: 1/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SECURITY FOR GIO LINH

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1731 AT 110000H M/3/4 ARRIVED AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER AND WILL PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE POL FACILITY AT THAT LOCATION. C/1/3 DEPARTED POL FACILITY AND RETURNED TO DONG HA. ALL UNITS TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: AL AT 110855H LEADING ELEMENT OF E/2/26 DETONATED A CHICOM GRENADE, (YD 09261244) RESULT: 1 FRIENDLY WIA (REDEVAC).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. (LATE HTRY) AT 101700H M/2/26 FOUND 4 SQUAD SIZED ENCAMPMENTS (YD 090622). A SEARCH OF THE AREA SHOWED NO SIGN OF RECENT ACTIVITY.

B. AT 110800H M/3/3 (YD 004535) DISCOVERED A BASE CAMP 3-4 MONTHS OLD. CAMP HAD 10 FIGHTING HOLES 3'X1'X2'. PATROL DESTROYED THE HOLES AND A RUSTY AMMO CAN FOUND IN THE CAMP. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 110830H M/2/26 (YD 088623) FOUND A BN SIZED BIVOUAC AREA. FOUND FOOD AND CHINESE RATION CANS IN THE CAMP, WHICH WAS 1 WEEK OLD OR LESS. THE CAMP ITSELF HAD NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES WITH OVERHEAD BUNKERS. SQUAD SIZED BIVOUACS WERE OUT ABOUT 500 METERS IN ALL DIRECTIONS. RECON PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

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CAVES IN THAT COMPLEX, BUT WHEN EXAMINED, THEY WERE ONLY HOLES.

3. AT 051350H RECON TEAM 202, WHILE ENGAGED WITH 3 ENEMY, HAD REPORTED 2 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 3 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. THIS FIGURE SHOULD BE 3 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 3 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. RESULT: ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED (NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED).

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS 1 INSERTION AND 1 EXTRACTION PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

INSERTION: 201 ASAP (FO TRUCK) YD 0567

EXTRACTION: 102 ASAP (HELCO) YD 0563

3RD MARINES: CONTINUE OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN COM THIN IAW MY SITREP 150 AS OF 101200H MAR67. ALL OTHER UNITS CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3/4TH MAR: 11/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA
429 WIA
16 NBC
1 MIA

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 300 100 2 96 KIA CONF
 368 KIA PROB
 276 DETAINEES
 231 INN CIVIL
 22 CIVIL DEF
 12 POW:;:-
 6 POW:VC

118 WEAPONS CAPTURED
 23 CREW SERVED
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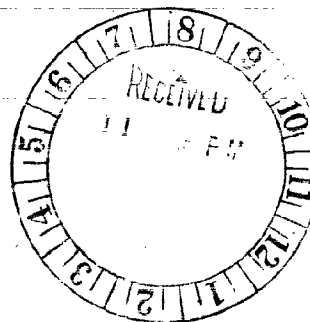
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OPERATION PRAIRI II, SITREP 154, 110600H-111200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

- (1) 2/26 CMD GRP & 3 YD 092613 (MOV'ING)
- (2) H/2/5 YD 092637 (MOVING)
- (3) G/2/26 YD 107637 (MOVING)
- (4) M/3/9 YD 035583 (MOVING)
- (5) I/3/9 CMD GRP YD 043594 (MOVING)
- (6) M/3/3 YD 007536 (MOVING)
- (7) K/3/4 YD 135674 (MOVING)
- (8) L/3/4 AND CMD GRP YD 133655 (MOVING)
- (9) C/1/9 YD 242598
- (10) M/3/4 YD 343693

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACT IONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS. DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS. 3RD MARINES: CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA. AT 110800H, 3RD MARINES ASSUMED OPCON OF 3/4(-). 3/4(-) MOVED FROM VICINITY YD 145665 INTO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 133655). 2/26(-) MOVED FROM NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 103540). JAT 110800H, 3/9(-) CONTINUED WITH SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION EAST OF DONG HA. THEY MOVED FROM NIGHT POSITIONS TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE 4 (YD 037583). M/3/3 CONTINUED WITH PATROL BASE/ BLOCKING POSITION VICINITY (YD 007586).

AT 110630H, L/3/3 SQD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 981548) FROM VICINITY XD 980535. AT 110645H, A SECOND L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP FROM VICINITY XD 992553. AT 110700H, K/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 098520) FROM YD 095499. AT 110700H, L/3/9 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 062552) FROM YD 062552. OF 10 COPIES SECOND L/3/3 SQUAD

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SITE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP FROM YD 042530.

3/4: 1/3/4 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SECURITY FOR GIO LINH OUTPOST

1/9: AT 111000H, M/3/4 ARRIVED AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER AND WILL PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE POL FACILITY AT THAT LOCATION.

EVACUATED POL FACILITY AND RETURNED TO DONG HA. ALL UNITS TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

E. ENEMY CONTACTS: AT 110855H, LEADING ELEMENT OF E/2/26 DETONATED A CHICOM GRENADE, (YD 0956612) RESULTS: 4 FRIENDLY MIA (1 MED EVAC).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 101700H, H/2/26 FOUND 4 SQUAD SIZED ENCAMPMENTS (YD 090622). A SEARCH OF THE AREA SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT ACTIVITY.

B. AT 110800H, M/3/3 (YD 004535) DISCOVERED A BAS CAMP

3-4 MONTHS OLD. CAMP HAD 10 FIGHTING HOLES 3'X1'X2'.

PATROL DESTROYED THE HOLES AND A RUSTY AMMO CAN FOUND IN THE CAMP. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 110830H, H/2/26 (YD 088623) FOUND A BN SIZED BIVOUAC AREA. FOUND FOOD AND CHINESE RATION CANS IN THE CAMP, WHICH WAS 1 WEEK OLD OR LESS, THE CAMP ITSELF HAD NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES WITH OVERHEAD BUNKERS. SQUAD SIZED BIVOUACS WERE OUT ABOUT 500 METERS IN ALL DIRECTIONS. RECON PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CAVES IN THAT COMPLEX, BUT WHEN EXAMINED, THEY WERE ONLY HOLES.

B. AT 081350H, RECON TEAM 2C2, WHILE ENGAGED WITH 3 ENEMY, HAD REPORTED 2 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 3 ENEMY KIA PROB. THIS FIGURE SHOULD BE 3 ENEMY KIA CONF AND 3 ENEMY KIA PROB. RESULTS: ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONF (NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED).

3RD MARINES: CONTINUE OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN CON THIN IAW MY SITREP 150 A OF 101200H MAR 67. ALL OTHER UNITS CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3/4TH MAR: 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 8 KIA	432 WIA	1 MIA
ENEMY: 596 KIA(C)	360 KIA(P)	276 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
118 WPNS CAPT	23 CREW SERVED	95 INDIVIDUAL

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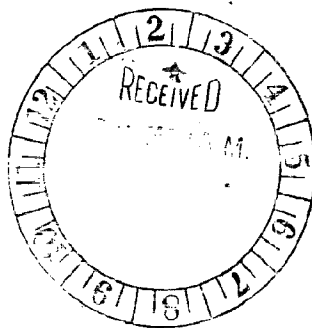
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SUBJ: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) SITREP FROM 111323Z MAR 67

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS AT 111323Z

A. 201 XD 941541

B. 301 XD 955564

C. 302 XD 945565

D. 101 XD 975566

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

A. INSERTIONS

(1) 201 BY HELICOPTER AT YD 2961 FOR RE AT YD 0567 111430H

B. EXTRACTIONS

(1) 102 BY HELICOPTER FM YD 0961 111430H

C. SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS

A. 301 - XD 949568

A. 301 PATROL OBSERVED ENEMY ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT DAY FROM
OF LOCATED VIC (XD 949568).(1) 11000H. PTL OBSERVED ST 10 VC/NVA IN HARBOR SITE AT XD 957599.
ENEMY WORE PONCHO/SGN PACKS AND CANTEENS. CARRIED RIFLES. UNABLE TO
OBSERVED UNIFORMS. ARTY MSN CALLED WITH GOOD EFFECT. SHORTLY
AFTER HAN BEVSD 2 EN (ONE OF WHOM WAS
WOUNDED) MOVING NE AND 1 ENEMY IN KHAKI UNIF MOVING ABOUT SITE
OF ARTY MSN. ALL THREE APPARENTLY UNARMED. 7 VC/NVA KIA (P).2. 111500H. PTL OBS 4 NVA WEARING KHAKI UNIF MOVING
S THROUGH AREA OF PREVIOUS ARTY MSN. ARTY MSN CALLED RES
IN 3 NVA KIA (P)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

PRU INSERTIONS CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER IN ZONES

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5. PL

MS FOR 111600H TO 120300H MAR 67

A. PLANS FOR 111800H TO 121800H MAR 67

A. INSERTIONS

(1) 102 BY HELICOPTER TO YD 056

(2) 202 BY HELICOPTER TO LL YD 1544 - UR YD 0145

(3) PRU BY HELICOPTER TO XD 9939

(4) PRU BY HELICOPTER TO YD 00235

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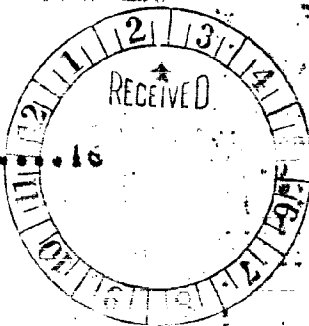
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 OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 155, 111200-111300H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP	YD 026533
B. H/3/9	YD 026533
C. I/3/9	YD 040532
D. 2/26 COMMAND GRP	YD 09263
E. H/2/26	YD 0090642
F. 2/2.26	YD 106626
G. 3/2/26	YD 102650
H. 3/4 COMMAND GROUP	YD 102632
I. L/3/4	YD 162633
J. K/3/4	YD 162630

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K. H/3/3	YD 013572
L. H/3/4	YD 343937
M. C/1/3	YD 243333

2. SUMMARY: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS:

INSERTIONS: 201 (HELO) AT XD 0961 FOR XD 0557 AT 111500H

EXTRACTATIONS: 101 (HELO) FROM XD 0961 AT 111500H

3RD MARINES: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN THEIR AREA OF OPERATION. H/3/3 CONTINUED TO OPERATE A COMPANY PATROL BASE VICINITY YD 013572.

L/26(-) CONTINUED TO MOVE NORTH TOWARD OBJECTIVE VICINITY YD 118775.

3/4(-) ARRIVED AT OBJECTIVE AREA VICINITY YD 156630.

3/9 COMD GROUP REACHED OBJECTIVE S VICINITY

YD 029532, ALONG WITH H/3/9. L/3/9 IS ENROUTE TO COMMAND GROUP POSITION FROM VICINITY YD 040532.

I/9 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT

BASE. AT 111500H C/1/9 COMPLETED MOVE TO DONG HA FROM MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER H/3/4 ASSUMED SECURITY MISSION AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

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PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSES OF GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: (C)-53 3,546) A. AT 111130H A SQUAD OF R/6/3, PROVIDING SECURITY FOR ENGINEERS ON BRIDGE (XD 976445), SENT A PATROL TO HIGH GROUND TO OBSERVE THE AREA. PATROL OBSERVED AND FIRED ON 3 ENEMY DRESSED IN BLACK. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

B. AT 111030H R/3/9 FOUND 1 CASE OF .50 CALIBER AMMO IN CANS BESIDE A TANK TRAIL VICINITY YD 085557. ALSO FOUND A GRENADE FUSE VICINITY YD 056560. BOTH WILL BE FORWARDED TO 3RD MAR CP.

C. AT 111315H RECON TEAM 3C1 OBSERVED 10 ENEMY MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSITION (XD 945563). ENEMY WORE PONCHOS, PACKS, CANTENS AND RIFLES. PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION. RESULTS UNKNOWN. AREA WILL BE SEARCHED ASAP.

D. AT 111250H MAG-16 REPORTED THAT AIRCRAFT RECEIVED 4 ROUNDS SNIPER FIRE FROM VILLAGE VICINITY YD 315505. NO ACTION TAKEN.

E. AT 110300H 0 110500H AT LEAST 5 ROUNDS 81MM K10 VILLAGE VICINITY YD 33663. JUNK FLEET ADVISOR RECD MENDS THAT K10 FIRE TO SOUTH OF MOUTH OF RIVER BE STOPPED. QUANG TRI LNO BELIEVES THAT MORTARS WERE ENEMY AND NOT FRIENDLY.

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F. AT 110900H AO OBSERVED 5 NVA ON TRAIL VICINITY YD 897765. CALLED ARTY MISSION. RESULTS: 2 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

G. AT 111200H TO 111300H AO OBSERVED 2 MEN IN GREEN IN FOXHOLES VICINITY YD 168724, THEN 1 NVA IN GREEN UNIFORM HEADING NORTH VICINITY YD 179740. CALLED ARTY ON BOTH POSITIONS. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

H. AT 111315H RECON TEAM 3C1 (XD 956564) OBSERVED 2 VC (ONE KIA) MOVING NORTHEAST (XD 957559) FROM AN AREA IN WHICH AN ARTY MISSION HAD BEEN CALLED. TEAM DID NOT OBSERVE ANY EQUIPMENT OR TYPE OF UNIFORM. AT 111430H TEAM OBSERVED 1 ADDITIONAL VC IN A KHAKI UNIFORM LOOKING AROUND AREA. RECON CALLED AN ARTY MISSION ON THE AREA.

I. AT 111515H L/3/4 (YD 159685) OBSERVED AND TOOK UNDER FIRE 4 ARMED ENEMY IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

J. RECON TEAM 3C1 SIGHTED A TOTAL OF 17 ENEMY FROM 110900 UNTIL 111700H. ONLY ONE UNIFORM OBSERVED, TAN KHAKI RIFLES AND PACKS OBSERVED ON ALL ENEMY. PATROL CALLED 2 ARTY MISSIONS RESULTING IN 10 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS. AM AT 111245 H M/2/26 VICINITY

YD 038627 FOUND 2 NVA HELMETS ON TRAIL. TO BE FORWARDED.

E. AT 111135H I/3/4 FOUND WILL CAMOUFLAGED FIGHTING HOLES

NOT RECENTLY USED FROM VICINITY YD 226743 TO YD 232736.

HUMS WERE

HEARD WHEN PATROL APPROACHED AND AGAIN WHEN PATROL LEFT. HOLES DESTROYED.

C. AT 111245H M/2/26 FOUND 1 FRESH VIETNAMESE GRAVE WITH HEAD STONE INSCRIBED WITH DEAD SOLDIER'S NAME, KILLED 28 FEB 67 ON IT. SUBTRACTED PROBABLE AND ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

D. AT 111305H I/3/9 VICINITY YD 046532 FOUND AND DESTROYED A GRASS SHACK (12' X 12'). SHACK WAS ESTIMATED TO BE AT LEAST ONE MONTH OLD.

E. AT 111235H K/3/4 VICINITY YD 147678 FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A HARBOR SITE. CAMP HAD APPROXIMATELY 20 FIGHTING HOLES (2' X 2' X 4') AND HOOCHES (2' X 2' X 4') WHICH HAD BEEN TORN DOWN. THE HOLES WERE FRESHLY DUG. THERE APPEARED TO BE MORE HOLES IN THE VILLAGE. INTERROGATION OF VILLAGERS ESTABLISHED THAT HOLES MAY HAVE BEEN DUG BY VIETNAMESE MARINES WHO HAD BEEN THERE 4 DAYS AGO.

F. AT 111430H M/2/26 FOUND 6 GRAVES VICINITY YD 096633.

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GRAVES APPROXIMATELY 2 WEEKS OLD. EACH GRAVE CONTAINED 1 BODY. 2 GRAVES HAD HEADSTONES MARKED 31643 KIA ALSO FOUND 1 E-TOOL. RESULTS 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

J. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

3RD MARINE: 3/3 CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION. M/3/30 CONTINUES PATROL ACTIVITIES VICINITY YD 013572.

2/26 COMMAND GROUP LINK UP WITH M/2/26. BOTH UNITS THEN PROCEED TO 3/2/26 LOCATION AND SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION.

2/2/26 MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 106626.

3/4(-) SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 162600.

3/9(-) SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 026583.

1/3 CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN SECURITY OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE

AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIEP RIVER.

PROV ARMY BNS CONTINUE DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 31 KIA

452 MIA

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1 KIA

ENEMY: 616 KIA CONF

303 KIA PROB

176 DETAINEES

301 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

0 PW/VC

116 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

30 INDIVIDUAL

7. SNIPERS: NO CHANGE

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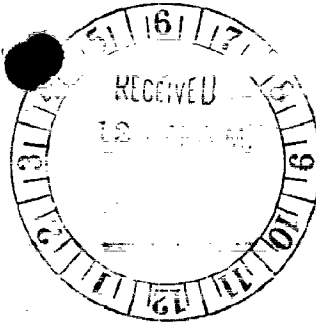
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 155, 111201-111800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 3/9 CMD GRP YD 026583

B. M/3/9 YD 026583

C. 1/3/9 YD 049592

D. 2/26 CMD GRP YD 092633

E. H/2/26 YD 090642

F. E/2/26 YD 106626

G. G/2/26 YD 100650

H. 3/4 CMD GRP YD 162680

I. L/3/4 YD 162680

J. K/3/4 YD 162680

K. M/3/3 YD 013572

L. M/3/4 YD 343697

M. C/1/9 YD 243599

2. SUMMARY: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAD THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS:

INSERTIONS: 2C1 (HELO) AT YD 0961 FOR MOVE TO YD 0567 AT 111500H

EXTRACTION: 1D1 (HELO) FROM YD 0961 AT 111500H

3RD MAR: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEF PSNS IN THEIR AO. M/3/3 CONTINUED

TO OPERATE AT COMPANY PTL BA E VIC YD 013572.

2/26(-) CONTINUED TO MOVE NORTH TOWARD OBJECTIVE VIC YD 118775.

3/4(-) ARRIVED AT OBJECTIVE AREA VIC YD 156680.

3/9 CMD GRP REACHED OBJECTIVE 5 VIC YD 029582, ALONG WITH M/3/9.

2/3/9 IS ENROUTE TO CMD GRP PSN FROM VIC YD 040592.

1/9 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

AT 111500H C/1/9 COMPLETED MOVE TO DONG HA FROM MOUTH OF CUA VIEI

RIVER M/3/4 ASSUMED SECURITY MISSION AT MOUTH OF CUA VIEI RIVER.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 111300H A SQD OF K/3/3, PROVIDING SECURITY FOR ENGINEERS ON BRIDGE (XD976445), SENT A PTL TO HIGH GROUND TO OBSERVE THE AREA. PTL OBSD AND FIRED ON 3 ENEMY DRESSED IN BLACK. RES UNK

B. AT 111315H RECON TM 3C1 OBSD 10 ENEMY MOVING TOWARD THEIR PSN (XD949568). ENEMY WORE PONCHOS, PACKS, CANTEENS AND RIFLES.

PTL CALLED ARTY MSN. RES UNK. AREA WILL BE SEARCHED ASAP.

C. AT 110900H AO OBSD 5 NVA ON TRAIL VIC YD 097765. CALLED ARTY MSN.

RESULTS: 2 ENEMY KIA CONF, AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROB.

D. AT 111200H TO 111300H AO OBSD 2 MEN IN GREEN UNIFORMS IN FOXHOLES VIC YD 168724, THEN 1 NVA IN GREEN UNIFORM HEADING NORTH

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VIC YD 119700. CALLED ARTY ON BOTH PSNS. RES: 1 ENEMY KIA CONF AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROB.
E. AT 111315H RECON TEAM 301 (X0956564) OBSD 2 VC (ONE W/A) MOV'NG NORTHEAST (X095559) FROM AN AREA IN WHICH AN ARTY MSN HAD BEEN CALLED.

TEAM DID NOT OBSERVE ANY EQUIPMENT OR TYPE OF UNIFORM. AT 111435H TM OBSD

ADDITIONAL VC IN A KHAKI UNIFORM LOOK'NG AROUND AREA.

RECON CALLED AN ARTY MSN ON THE AREA. RES UNK. *F. AT 111515H 2/3/4 (YD159685) OBSD + TOOK UNDER FIRE 4 ARMED ENEMY*

IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES.

G. RECON TEAM 301 SIGHTED A TOTAL OF 17 ENEMY FROM 110900 UNTL

111700H VIC (X0957659) ONLY ONE UNIFORM OBSD, TAN

KHAKI RIFLES AND PACKS OBSD ON ALL ENEMY. PTL CALLED 2 ARTY

MSNS RESULTING IN 10 ENEMY KIA PROB.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: AT 111210H M/2/26 VIC YD088627

FOUND 2 NVA HELMETS ON TRAIL. TO BE FORWARDED.

B. AT 111130H 1/3/4 FOUND WELL CAMOUFLAGED FIGHTING HOLES NOT RECENTLY USED FROM VIC YD226743 TO YD232736. HOLES DESTROYED.

C. AT 111245H H/2/26 FOUND 1 FRESH VIETNAMESE GRAVE WITH HEAD STONE INSCRIBED WITH DEAD SOLDIER'S NAME, KILLED 28 FEB 67 ON IT.

SUBTRACT 1 PROB AND ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONF.

D. AT 111305H 1/3/9 VIC YD046592 FOUND AND DESTROYED A GRASS

SHACK (2° X 12°). SHACK WAS ESTIMATED TO BE AT LEA 1 MONTH OLD.

E. AT 111235H K/3/4 VIC YD147673 FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A HARBOR SITE. CAMP HAD APPROX 20 FIGHTING HOLES (2° X 2° X 4°) AND HOOCHES (2° X 2° X 4°) WHICH HAD BEEN TORN DOWN. THE HOLES WERE FRESHLY DUG, THERE APPEARED TO BE MORE HOLES IN THE VILLAGE.

INTERROGATION OF VILLAGERS ESTABLISHED THAT HOLES MAY HAVE BEEN DUG BY ARVN TROOPS WHO HAD BEEN THERE 4 DAYS AGO.

F. AT 111430H H/2/26 FOUND 6 GRAVES VIC YD 096633. GRAVES APPROX 2 WEEKS OLD. EACH GRAVE CONTAINED 1 BODY. 2 GRAVES HAD HEADSTONES MARKED 31623 ALSO FOUND 1 E-TOOL. RES: 6 ENEMY KIA CONF.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: 3/3 CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN DEF PSN IN ASSIGNED AO. *M/3/3 CONTINUES PTL*
ACTIVITIES VIC YD 013572.

2/26 CMD GRP LINKS UP WITH H/2/26. BOTH UNITS THEN PROCEED TO G/2/26 LOCATION AND SET UP NIGHT DEF PSN. 2/26 MAINTAIN NIGHT DEF PSNS

VIC YD 106626. 3/4(-) SET UP NIGHT DEF PSNS VIC YD162680.

3/9(-) SET UP NIGHT DEF PSNS VIC YD 026583.

1/9 CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN SECURITY OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FAC LITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

PROV ARTY BN: CONTINUE DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 81 KIA, 432 W/A, 1 M/A

ENEMY: 606 KIA CONF, 373 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VL

108 WFNs CTRD

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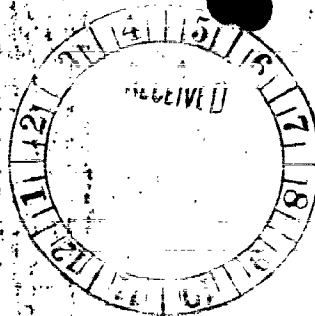
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 15 . 111800H - 112400H MAR 7

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3. MAR: 3/4TH, 12TH MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

4. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 111725H SUPERCHIEF A/C SPOTTED 7 NVA IN STATIONARY POSITION ON TRAIL AT YD 162650. ARTH MISSION CALLED. NO OBSERVED 1 EN KIA CONF AND 5 EN KIA PROB.

B. AT 111802H C/1/44 TWIN 40'S AT THE MAIN GATE YD 035575 HEARD S/A FIRE ACROSS VALLEY AND OBSERVE
SE EN CLIMBING HILL 103. TWINPAGE TWO 137L(FWD) **SECRET**

40' FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. AT 111530H VIC YD 163678 K/3/4 WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY 6 EN IN CIVILIAN AND NVAKIE CLOTHES WITH WHITE JUNGLE HELMETS AND CARRYING VCARDINES. K/3.4 RETURNED FIRE EN BROKE CONTACT AND ESCAPED IN UNK DIRECTION.

D. AT 111845H RECON PATROL 201 NEAR

MOVEMENT AROUND THEIR POSITION

XD 941541. RECEIVED 1 INCOMING HAND GRENADE. PATROL CALLED ARTY AND THREW GRENADE ON MOONMENT STOPPED. RESULTS: 2 EN KIA PROB.

E. AT 112200H VIC YD 051533 3/9 OP TOOK 1 INCOMING GRENADE ON RETURNED S/A FIRE AND GRENADES. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG CAS.

F. AT 112128H 3/9 OP VIC YD 062547; 3/34VED 2 FLASH LIGHTS VIC YD 065531. FIRED 4 RDS 31MM AND 4 RDS 40MM. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 111805H RECON TEAM 101 FOUND TRAIL RUNNING EAST AND WEST. TRAIL NOT USED IN LAST MONTH. TRAIL LOCATED

63 FIGHTING HOLES AND SOME PUNJI PILTS IN AREA OF XD 978602. ALSO FOUND SMALL YPE 8000 WITH NO MARKINGS. PATROL WILL BRING BACK DRAWINGS OF BOMB.

B. AT 111835H K/3/3 FOUND OLD B

SE CAMP. TIMATO COMPANY SIZE. LOG CUTTING EVIDENT IN AREA, VIC XD 961530. ALSO FOUND TRAIL 000

METERS TO THE NORTH NUMEROUS NIGHTING HOLES GX2;1/2. NO FRESH SIGN OF

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AT 111730H C/1/9 FOUND MEDICAL SUPPLIE AND BOOKS, AND 1) - -
LIGHT IN TREN. LINE VIC YD 266544. GEAR TO BE SENT TO REAR.

3. AT 112015H 1/10 F

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A PREMATURE BIRTH OF ILLUM

ROUND FIRED AT 111950H VIC YD 128589 LOT NUMBER LAS-1-36. ROUND LANDED 50M METERS IN FRONT OF POSITION IN TREES. NO CASUALTIES. LOT HAS BEEN EXPANDED. REPORTED INCIDENT TO 12TH MAR ORDNANCE OFFICER.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON AN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

03 MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN
NIGHT TIME POSITIONS AND CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP
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C. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: KIA 80 ENEMY: 607 KIA CONF 112 WEAPONS CAPTURED

WIA 432

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ENEMY: 607 KIA CONF

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231 INN CHINA

22 CIVIL

112 WEAPONS CAPTURED

24 CRF4 SERVO

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 157, 120001H-120600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCAT

NS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3 RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. L/3/3 COMPLETED THREE PATROLS FROM IP YD 061550. FIRST TO YD 054558 TO YD 056548 AT 120200H. SECOND TO YD 078530 WITH AMBUSH AT YD 068544 AT 120500H. THIRD TO YD 062532 WITH AMBUSH AT YD 067540. K/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP YD 018454 TO YD 052442 AT 120300H. 1/9 COMPLETED AMBUSH YD 253586 AT 120430H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED EXTRACTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS:

1NS: 1C2 ASAP YD 0563

2D2 ASAP YD 1945

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA 432 WIA 1 MIA (USA)

ENEMY: 607 KIA(C) 380 KIA(P) 276 DETAINEES

231 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 12 PW/NVA

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 156, 111801H-112400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH, 12TH MAR & 1/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 111725H HMM 163 A/C SPOTTED 7 NVA IN STATIONARY

PSN ON TRAIL AT YD 160650. ARTY MSN CALLED. AO OBSD 1 EN KIA CONF & 5 EN K

APROB.

B. AT 111802H C/1/44 TWIN 40'S AT YD 035575 HEARD SA FIRE ACROSS VALLEY AND OBSD THREE EN CLIMBING HILL 108. TWIN 40'S FIRED WITH UNK RES.

C. AT 111530H VIC YD 168678 K/3/4 WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY 6 EN IN CIVILIAN AND KHAKI CLOTHING WITH WHITE JUNGLE HELMENTS AND CARRYING CARBINES. K/3/4 RETD FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT AND ESCAPED IN UNK DIRECTION

D. AT 111845H RECON PTL 2DI HEARD MOVEMENT AROUND THEIR PSN VIC XD 941541. RECD 1 INCOMING HAND GRENADE. PTL CALLED ARTY. MOVEMENT STOPPED. RESULTS: 2 EN KIA PROB.

E. AT 112200H VIV YD 051530 3/9 OP TOOK 1 INCOMING GRENADE. RETU SA FIRE AND GRENADES. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG CAS.

F. AT 112128H 3/9 OP VIC YD 062547; OBSD 2 FLASH LIGHTS VIC YD 065531. FIRED 4 RDS 81MM AND 4 RDS 40MM. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 111805H RECON TEAM 1DI FOUND TRAIL RUNNING EAST AND WEST. TRAIL NOT USED IN LAST MONTH. TRAIL LOC AT XD 978598. ALSO FOUND FIGHTINGS HOLES AND SOME PUNJI PITS IN AREA OF XD 978600. ALSO FOUND SMALL BOMB WITH NO MARKINGS. PATROL WILL BRING BACK DRAWINGS OF BOMB.

B. AT 111835H K/3/3 FOUND OLD BASE CAMP ESTIMATED COMPANY SIZE. LOG CUTTING EVIDENT IN AREA, VIC XD 961500. ALSO FOUND TRAIL 100 METERS TO THE NORTH WITH NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES 2X2X2. NO FRESH SIGN OF RECENT USE OR OCCUPANCY. FOLLOWED ANOTHER TRAIL SOUTH TO PRESENT LOCATION XD 962578. COMPLETED SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 111730H C/1/9 FOUND MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND BOOKS, AND (1) FLASH LIGHT IN TREE LINE VIC YD 266544. GEAR TO BE SENT TO REAR.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN NIGHT TIME PSNS AND CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: KIA 81, WIA 432, MIA 1 USA ENEMY: 607 KIA CONF, 380 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIVIL DEF

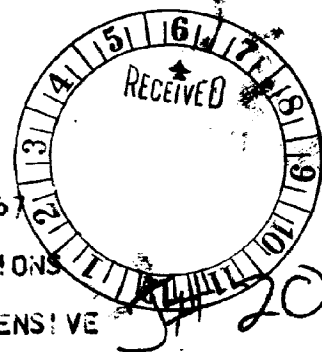
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 157, 112200H - 120600H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 8/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

L/3/3 COMPLETED THREE PATROLS FROM IP YD 061550. FIRST TO YD 054550 TO YD 056548 AT 120200H. SECOND TO YD 078530 WITH AMBUSH AT YD 068544 AT 120500H. THIRD TO YD 062532 WITH AMBUSH AT YD 067540.

K/3/3 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP YD 018454 TO YD 052442 AT 120300H.

1/9 COMPLETED AMBUSH YD 053586 AT 120400H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE



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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 120315H A C-47 A/C MOUNTING MINE GUNS CALLED IN BY ARVN FORCES FIRED ON 3/4 NIGHT TIME PSN (YD 162680). A/C WAS CALLED OFF. NO CAS.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED EXTRACTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS:

INS: 102 ASAP YD 0503

202 ASAP YD 1945

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 81 KIA

432 MIA

16 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 607 KIA CONF

380 KIA PROB

276 DETAINEES

2301 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

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12 PW/NVA

5 PW/VC

110 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 158, 120600H-121200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

(1) M/3/3 YD 020573

(2) 3/9(-) YD 019591

(3) H/2/26 YD 093642

(4) G/2/26 YD 114655

(5) 2/26 CMD GRP YD 098638

(6) E/2/26 YD 104624

(7) 3/4(-) CMD GRP YD 162680

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO EXTRACTIONS

AND 2 INSERTIONS IN THE PAST 6 HOURS.

INS: 1C2 AT 121012H VIC YD 0566; 2D2 AT 120910H VIC YD 1947

3D MAR: 3D MAR OPN DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEU AREA CONTINUED 1AW SITREP

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3/4(-) CONDUCTED S&D OPN VIC OF OBJECTIVE AREA (YD1668).

2/26(-) CONTINUED MOVEMENT TOWARD OBJECTIVE AREA (YD1167).

3/9(-) COMMENCED MOVEMENT AT 120800H FOR OBJECTIVE 6 (YD0259). #118

M/3/3 PATROL BASE MOVED TO YD 033577.

AT 120600H L/3/3 SQD SIZE AMBUSH RETD TO CP (XD938548), FROM XD 030557.

AT 120630H L/3/3 SQD SIZE AMBUSH RETD TO CP (XD977565) FROM XD938564.

AT 120700H L/3/3 SQD AMBUSH RETD TO CP (XD988542) FROM XD 992528.

AT 120730H A SECOND L/3/3 AMBUSH RETD TO CP FROM YD 030564.

AT 120700H L/3/9 SQD AMBUSH RETD TO CP (YD080518) FROM YD074510.

AT 120700H K/3/9 SQD AMBUSH RETD TO CP (YD164402) FROM YD152402.

AT 121000H L/3/9 SQD RETD TO CP (YD080518) AFTER

CONDUCTING A SECURITY PATROL TO YD036510.

3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR, & 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED DEF PSNS AND CONDUCTED

SECURITY PTLs. AT 121200H 9TH MOTORS SQD RETD TO CP (YD22572)

AFTER CONDUCTING A SECURITY PATROL TO YD 218557.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111630H A PLT OF C/1/9

(YD 214543) SPOTTED 2 ENEMY (1 CARRYING A BAR, OTHER CARRIED

A RUSSIAN CARBINE) HEADING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION. 1/C/1/9 FIRED

SA, M-79 RDS, AND GRENADES. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES.

B. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111815H A 1/9 SQD PTL (YD267543) APPREHENDED

DETAINEE. MAN WAS SITTING IN A HOOCH COMPLAINING ABOUT AN

INJURED LEG WHEN PTL APPROACHED. HE HAD NO ID CARD. RES: 1 DETAINEE.

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C. AT 120530H A K/3/4 PLT AMBUSH OBSD 3 FIGURES MOVING TOWARD THER PSN (YD165684) FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. PTL OPENED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS. RES UNK AT THIS TIME.
D. AT 120700H, WHILE CONDUCTING SEARCH OF AREA AFTER AMBUSH, (SEE SPOT RPT

120530) K/3/4 (YD165689) FOUND 1 BODY. RECD SA FROM ESTIMATED 3-6 ENEMY. PTL RETD FIRE AND ASSAULTED ENEMY PSN. RESULTS: 1 FR KIA, 1 FR WIA (MED EVAC), 5 EN KIA CONF, 1 EN KIA PROB, ENEMY GEAR CPTRD: 2 GAS MASKS,

1 PAIR OF FIELD GLASSES, 1 COMPASS, 1 FLASHLIGHT

, 2 CARTRIDGE BELTS, 3 AK-47'S (WITH 7 LOADED MAGAZINES), 2 CHICOM GRENADES, 1 KNIFE, AND ASSORTED PERSONAL GEAR.

E. AT 120700H AN AO FROM 3D MAR SPOTTED 15-20 ENEMY (YD056648).

AN ARTY MSN WAS CALLED RESULTING IN 5 ENEMY KIA CONF AND

3 ENEMY KIA PROB. AT 120810H THE AO SIGHTED UNK NR

OF NEMY (YD054656). ANOTHER ARTY MSN WAS CALLED RESULTING IN

3 ENEMY KIA CONF AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROB.

TOTAL CASUALTY FIGURE: 8 ENEMY KIA CONF, 5 KIA PROB.

F. AT 120830H RECON TEAM 3C1 (XD958563) OBSD 2 NVA (XD952568)

MOVING WEST INTO A TREELINE, WEARING LIGHT GREEN UNIFORMS, SOFT COVERS, PACKS, AND CARRYING RIFLES. PTL CALLED ARTY MSN.

RESULTS: 2 ENEMY KIA PROB.

G. AT 121035H G/2/26 (YD19649) OBSD 1 ENEMY (YD101637) DRESSED IN KHAKI UNIFORM, CARRYING A RIFLE. ARTY MSN WAS CALLED. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES.

H. AT 121045H G/2/26 CMD GRP FOUND 1 ENEMY BODY (YD101637) DRESSED IN GREEN UNIFORM. BODY WAS ABOUT 1 WEEK OLD. ALSO FOUND 1 CARBINE, AND 1 SUB MACHINEGUN. RES: ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONF.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111900H ELEMENTS OF 1/9 FOUND A FRESHLY DUG FIGHTINGS HOLE, AND AN AREA WHICH WAS CLEARED FOR ANOTHER ONE AT YD266545. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES.

B. AT 130940H, RECON TM 2C1 (YD088624) DISCOVERED AN ENEMY HARBOR SITE.

1 SKS, TORN UP SHOES AND DEBRIS WAS FOUND IN THE AREA. SITES WOULD ACCOMMODATE A COMPANY SIZE UNIT, AND LOOKED TO HAVE BEEN USED IN PAST WEEK.

5. PLANS: 3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: C/1/9 MOVE FROM DONG HA TO ASSUME TEMPORARY SECURITY OF 4/2 ARVN TAOR NORTH OF DONG HA.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AS OUTLINED

IN SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 82 KIA, 433 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 62 KIA CONF, 388 KIA PROB

277 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

124 WPNS CPTRD, 23 CREW SERVED, 101 INDIVIDUAL

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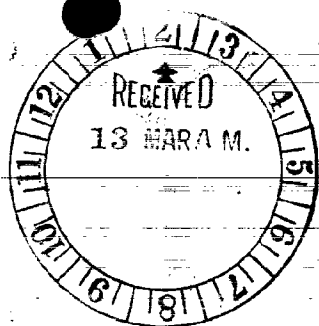
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 158, 120600H - 121200H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGES EXCEPT:

(1) M/3/3 YD 020573

(2) 3/3 (-) YD 013591

(3) M/2/26 YD 036642

(4) K/2/26 AGYD 114655

(5) 2/26 CMO GRP

(6) 2/2/26H YD 098636

(7) YD 104624

(8) 3/4 (-) YD 102680

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD REGT BN FWD HAD NO EXTRACTIONS

AND 2 INSERTIONS IN THE PAST 6 HOURS.

INSERTIONS: 1C2 AT 121012H VICINITY YD 0566

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2D2 AT 120912H VICINITY YD 1947

3RD MARINES: 3RD MARINE OPERATION DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA CONTINUED IAW SITREP 151. 3/4 (-) CONDUCTED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION VICINITY OF OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 1668). 2/26 (-) CONTINUED MOVEMENT TOWARD OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 1167). 3/9 (-) COMMENCED MOVEMENT AT 120800H FOR OBJECTIVE 6 (YD 02530). M/3/3 PATROL BASE MOVED TO YD 035577.

AT 120000H L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED

TO CP (XD 986540),

FROM XD 000557. IN 120630H L/3/3 SQUAD SIZE AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP

(XD 97565), FROM XD 986564. AT 120700H L/3/3 SQUAD AMBUSH RETURNED

TO CP (XD 988512), FROM XD 992528. AT 120730H A SECOND L/3/3

AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP FROM YD 030584. AT 120700H L/3/9 SQUAD AMBUSH

RETURNED TO CP (YD 080510), FROM YD 074510. AT 120700H K/3/9

SQUAD AMBUSH RETURNED TO CP (YD 18402) FROM YD 192402. AT

121000H L/3/3 SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD 080510) AFTER CONDUCTING

A SECURITY PATROL TO YD 036510.

34TH MA, 17TH MA, AND 12TH MARINES: MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE

POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS. AT 121200H 9TH MOTORS

RETURNED TO CP (YD 22072) AFTER CONDUCTING A SECURITY PATROL

TO YD 218557.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111630H A PLATOON OF C/1/9 (YD 274543) SPOTTED 2 ENEMY (1 CARRYING A BAR, OTHER CARRIED A RUSSIAN CARBINE) HEADING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION. 1/C/1/9 FIRED SMALL ARMS, 179 ROUNDS, AND GRENADES. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111815H A 1/9 SQUAD PATROL (YD 267543) APPREHENDED 1 DETAINEE. MAN WAS SITTING IN A HOOD COMPLAINING ABOUT AN INJURED LEG WHEN PATROL APPROACHED. HE HAD NO ID CARD. RESULTS 1 DETAINEE.

C. AT 120530H A K/3/4 PLATOON AMBUSH SITE OBSERVED 3 FIGURES MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSITION (YD 165684) FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS. RESULTS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

D. AT 120700H, WHILE CONDUCTING SEARCH OF AREA AFTER AMBUSH, (SEE SPOT REPORT 120530) K/3/4 (YD 165689) FOUND 1 BODY. RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FROM ESTIMATED 3-6 ENEMY. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND ASSAULTED ENEMY POSITION. RESULTS: 1 FRIENDLY KIA, 1 FRIENDLY WIA (MED EVAC), 5 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, 1 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE, ENEMY GEAR CAPTURED: 2 GAS MASKS, 1 PAIR OF FIELD GLASSES, 1 COMPASS, 1 FLASHLIGHT, 2 CARTRIDGE, 3 AK-47'S (WITH 7 LOADED MAGAZINES), 2 CHICOM GRENADES, 1 KNIFE, AND ASSORTED PERSONAL GEAR.

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E. AT 120730H AN AO FROM 3RD MARINES SPOTTED 15-20 ENEMY (YD 056648). AN ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN 5 ENEMY KIA

CONFIRMED AND 5 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. AT 120810H THE AO SIGHTED UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 054656). ANOTHER ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN 3 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. TOTAL CASUALTY FIGURE: 8 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, 5 KIA PROBABLE.

F. AT 120830H RECON TEAM 3C1 (XD 958563) OBSERVED 2 NVA (XD 952568) MOVING WEST INTO A TREELINE, WEARING LIGHT GREEN UNIFORMS, SOFT COVERS, PACKS, AND CARRYING RIFLES. PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION. RESULTS: 2 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

G. AT 121035H G/2/26 (YD 119649) OBSERVED 1 ENEMY (YD 101637) DRESSED IN KHAKI UNIFORM, CARRYING A RIFLE. ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

H. AT 121045H G/2/26 COMMAND GROUP FOUND 1 ENEMY BODY (YD 101637) DRESSED IN GREEN UNIFORM. BODY WAS ABOUT 1 WEEK OLD. ALSO FOUND 1 CARBINE, AND 1 SUB MACHINE GUN. RESULTS: ADD 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 111900H ELEMENTS OF 1/9 FOUND A FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLE, AND IN AREA WHICH WAS CLEARED FOR ANOTHER ONE AT YD 266543. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH

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NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 130940H, RECON TEAM 201 (YD 088624) DISCOVERED AN ENEMY HARBOR SITE. 1 SKS-43, TORN UP SHOES AND DEBRIS WAS FOUND IN THE AREA. SITE WOULD ACCOMMODATE A COMPANY SIZE UNIT, AND LOOKED TO HAVE BEEN USED IN PAST WEEK.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE NEXT 6 HOURS.

3RD MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR:

C/1/9 MOVE FROM DONG HA TO ASSUME TEMPORARY SECURITY OF 4/2 ARVN TRO NORTH OF DONG HA. ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 82 KIA

433 WIA

16 N&C

1 MIA

ENEMY: 621 KIA CONF

386 KIA PROB

277 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

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22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

124 WPNS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

101 INDIVIDUAL

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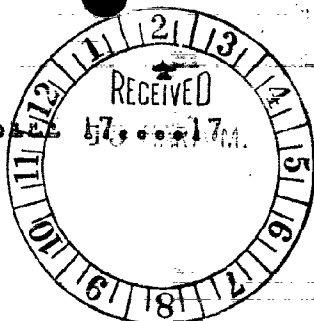
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 159, 121200H-121800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES I AND M YD 035600

B. 2/26 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANY E YD 112655

C. 6/2/26 YD 122660

D. H.2/26 YD 112659

E. 3/4 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES K AND L YD 162680

F. M/3/3 YD 033577

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD:V HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

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IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION. M/3/3 CONTINUED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES VICINITY YD 233577.

2/26: CONTINUED TO MOVE NORTH TOWARD OBJECTIVE VICINITY YD 112673.

3/3(-) CONTINUED SWEEPING IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION.

AT 121700H 3/9(-) HAD MOVED TO OBJECTIVE 7 VICINITY YD 035605.

3/4: REMAINED IN DEFENSIVE POSITION VICINITY YD 162680.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIQ LINH.

1/3: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND THE POL. FACILITY AT MOUTH OF THE CUA VIET RIVER

2/1/9 MOVED INTO 022/D12 TAOR OF 4/2 ARVN BN AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS WHILE 4/2 ARVN BN IS PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION NORTH OF CON THLEN. 022/D12 TAOR IS AREA NORTH OF SONG CAM LO BOUNDED BY QL 17, ROUTE 88 AND STREAM RUNNING FROM YD 234622 TO YD 256623

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A, AT 121610H RECON TEAM 301 VICINITY YD 035603 OBSERVED 10-15 ENEMY VICINITY YD 033576. PATROL WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT. PATROL REQUESTED GC REACTIONARY FORCE. REACTIONARY FORCE UNAVAILABLE. PATROL ADVISED TO USE SUPPORTING WEAPONS.

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B. AT 121210H VICINITY YD 105641 2/2/26 SQUAD PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH 2 NVA WITH SMALL ARMS. PATROL FIRED SMALL ARMS. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED. OTHER NVA FLED IN NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION.

C. AT 121225H 2/26 COMMAND GROUP VICINITY YD 102640 RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VICINITY YD 142640. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND 81MM AND CALLED ARTY MISSION. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 121245H 3/2/26 VICINITY YD 105652 RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM UNOBSERVED NUMBER OF ENEMY VICINITY YD 107651. ARTY MISSION CALLED. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

E. AT 121345H RECON TEAM 102 OBSERVED 2 NVA IN GRASS VICINITY YD 064665 WEARING GREEN HARD HELMETS. ARTY MISSION CALLED. NVA MOVED VITO TREELINE. NEGATIVE RESULTS ON ARTY MISSION.

F. AT 121230H 1/9 SQUAD PATROL FOUND 15 FIGHTING HOLES VICINITY YD 268555, WHILE CHECKING HOLES PF SPOTTED 5 VC AT YD268600 PATROL PURSUED TO YD 275567 WHERE CONTACT WAS LOST. PATROL RETURNED TO PATROL ROUTE AND FOUND MORE FIGHTING HOLES. A TOTAL OF 120 FRESH FIGHTING HOLES WERE FOUND ON WEST SIDE OF PATH WITH SIGNS INDICATING MINE FIELD. AREA CHECKED OUT FOR MINES WITH

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NEGATIVE RESULTS.

G. AT 121330H RECON TEAM 301 OBSERVED 10-15 NVA (UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED) IN A POSSIBLE AMBUSH POSITION (XD 956566). PATROL FIRED M-79 ROUNDS INTO THE AREA, BUT RECEIVED NO RETURN FIRE. AN ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED ON THE AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

H. AT 121550H A PLATOON OF A/1/9, PROVIDING SECURITY FOR A SURVEY TEAM (YD 234555), RECEIVED 15-20 ROUNDS SNIPER FIRE (SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS). SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RETURNED, AND AN ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A, AT 121230H VICINITY YD 018592 1/3/9 PATROL FOUND 12 FIGHTING HOLES/DUNKERS. AVERAGE SIZE 2' X 3'. HOLES DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY OCCUPIED. DESTROYED HOLES AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 121015H 1/9 PATROL VICINITY YD 275566 PICKED UP 2 DETAINEES (ONE SIX YEARS OLD AND ONE NINE YEARS OLD) ALSO ONE FEMALE 30 YEARS OLD. THEY HAD TWO SIGNS WARNING LOCAL PEOPLE OF MINES; ALSO FOUND 7 NEW FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES DESTROYED. DETAINEES TURNED OVER TO ITT. PATROL SEARCHED AREA FOR MINES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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AT 121115H RECON TEAM 10Z VICINITY YD 0566 AND YD 0566 FOUND A HARBORING SITE. THE COMPLEX AND TRAILS WERE USED RECENTLY (WITHIN LAST WEEK). ESTIMATE REINFORCED COMPANY HAS BEEN USING AREA. AREA SHOWED SIGNS OF ELEPHANTS; ALSO FOUND FLAG POLE MADE FROM A LONG SLENDED TYPE TREE.

D. AT 121000H AO SPOTTED 3 NVA BODIES ON TRAIL VICINITY YD 172684. RESULTS: 3 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

E. AT 121330H RECON TEAM 201 FOUND A MAJOR TRAIL COMPLEX 1 1/2 TO 2 METERS WIDE (XD 928543). PATROL NOTED THAT TRAIL WAS LINED WITH FIGHTING HOLES. THE TRAIL WAS BUILT UP AND CAPABLE OF LARGE TROOP MOVEMENTS. THE TRAIL HAS BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST MONTH.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION. M/3/3 CONTINUES ASSIGNED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES.

2/26: ESTABLISH NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT APPROXIMATELY 121900H.

3/4: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY YD 162680.

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3/9: ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT APPROXIMATELY 121900H VICINITY OBJECTIVE 7.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUES TO DEFEND DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 CONTINUES SECURITY OF 4/2VV ARVN TAOR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 82KIA

455 WIA

15 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY 625 KIA CONF

368 KIA PROB

250 DETAINEES

201 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

5 PW/VC

124 WEAPONS CAPTURED

25 CREW SERVED

101 INDIVIDUAL AM

7. SCOUT/SNIHERS: NO CHANGE

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OPERATION PRAIRIE SITREP 159, 12101H-121800HHHHH MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 3/9 CMD GRP, COMPANIES I AND M YD 035606

B. 2/26 CMD GRP, COMPANY E YD 125655

C. G/2/26 YD 122660

D. H/2/26 YD 112659

E. 3/4 CMD GRP, COMPANIES K AND L YD 162680

F. M/3/3 YD 033577

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION. M/3/3 CONTINUED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES VIC YD 033577.

2/26: CONTINUED TO MOVE NORTH TOWARD OBJECTIVE

VIC YD 110673.

3/9(-) CONTINUED SWEEPING IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION.

AT 121730H, 3/9(-) HAD MOVED TO OBJECTIVE 7 VIC YD 035605.

3/4: REMAINED IN DEFENSIVE POSITION VIC YD 162680.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT

BASE AND THE POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF THE CUA VIET RIVER

C/1/9 MOVED INTO D22/D12 TAOR OF 4/2 ARVN BN AND CONDUCTED

SECURITY PATROLS WHILE 4/2 ARVN BN IS PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION

NORTH OF CON THIEN. D22/D12 TAOR IS AREA NORTH OF SONG CAM LO

BOUNDED BY GD 17, ROUTE 88 AND STREAM RUNNING FROM YD 234632

TO YD 256623.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

AT 121210H, VIC YD 105641 G/2/26 SQUAD PATROL

MADE CONTACT WITH 2 NVA WITH SA. PATROL FIRED SA.

RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONF. OTHER NVA FLED IN NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION.

B. AT 121225H, 2/26 CMD GP VIC YD 102640 RECEIVED

SA FIRE FROM VIC YD 142640. RETURNED FIRE WITH SA

AND 81MM. CALLED ARTY MISSION. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 121245H, G/2/26 VIC YD 105652 RECEIVED SA

AND AUTOMATIC WPNS FIRE FROM UNOBSERVED NUMBER OF ENEMY

VIC YD 107651. ARTY MISSION CALLED. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

D. AT 121345H, RECON TEAM 1C2 OBSERVED 2 NVA IN GRASS

VIC YD 064665 WEARING GREEN HARD HELMETS. ARTY MISSION CALLED.

NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE. NEGATIVE RESULTS ON ARTY MISSION.

E. AT 121230H, 1/9 SQUAD PATROL FOUND 15 FIGHTING HOLES

VIC YD 268555, WHILE CHECKING HOLES PF SPOTTED 5 VC AT YD 269560.

PATROL PURSUED TO YD 275567 WHERE CONTACT WAS LOST. PATROL

RETURNED TO PATROL ROUTE AND FOUND MORE FIGHTING HOLES. A TOTAL

OF 100 FRESH FIGHTING HOLES WERE FOUND ON WEST SIDE OF PATH WITH SIGNS

INDICATING MINE FIELD. AREA CHECKED OUT FOR MINES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

F. AT 121330H, RECON TEAM 3C1 OBSERVED 10-15 NVA (UNIFORMS

OR EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED) IN A POSSIBLE AMBUSH POSITION

(YD 956566). PATROL FIRED M-79 RDS INTO THE AREA, BUT RECEIVED

NO RETURN FIRE. AN ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED ON THE AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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G. AT 121550H, A PLATOON OF A/1/9, PROVIDING SECURITY FOR A SURVEY TEAM (YD 234555), RECEIVED 15-20 RDS SNIPER FIRE (SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WPNS). SA FIRE WAS RETURNED, AND AN ARTY MISSION WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 121230H, VIC YD 018592 1/3/9 PATROL FOUND 12 FIGHTING HOLES/BUNKERS. AVERAGE SIZE 2'X3'. HOLES DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY OCCUPIED. DESTROYED HOLES AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 121015H, 1/9 PATROL VIC YD 275566 PICKED UP 3 DETAINEES. THEY HAD TWO SIGNS WARNING LOCAL PEOPLE OF MINES; ALSO FOUND 7 NEW FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES DESTROYED. DETAINEES TURNED OVER TO 11T. PATROL SEARCHED AREA FOR MINES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 121115H, RECON TEAM 1C2 VIC YD 0566 AND YD 0666 FOUND A HARBORING SITE. THE COMPLEX AND TRAILS WERE USED RECENTLY (WITHIN LAST WEEK). ESTIMATE REINFORCED COMPANY HAS MAXXMBEEN USING AREA. AREA SHOWED SIGNS OF ELEPHANTS; ALSO FOUND FLAG POLE MADE FROM A LONG SLENDER TYPE TREE.

D. AT 121000H, AO SPOTTED 3 NVA BODIES ON TRAIL VIC YD 172684. RESULTS: 3 ENEMY KIA(C).

E. AR 121330H, RECON TEAM 2D1 FOUND A MAJOR TRAIL COMPLEX 1 1/2 TO 2 METERS WIDE (XD 928543). PATROL NOTED THAT TRAIL WAS LINED WITH FIGHTING HOLES. THE TRAIL WAS BUILT UP AND CAPABLE OF LARGE TROUP MOVEMENTS. THE TRAIL HAS BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST MONTH.

5. PLANS: 3 RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS OF EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN A SIGNED AREA OF OPERATION. M/3/3 CONTINUES ASSIGNED PATROLLING ACTIVITIES.

2/26: ESTABLISH NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT APPROX 121900H.

3/4: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC YD 162680.

3/9: ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT APPROX 121900H VIC OBJECTIVE 7.

PROX ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUES TO DEFEND DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 CONTINUES SECURITY OF 4/2 ARVN TAOR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 82 KIA	433 MIA	1 MIA USA
ENEMY: 625 KIA (C)	388 KIA(P)	280 DETAINEES
21 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
6 PW/VC	124 WPNS CAPT	

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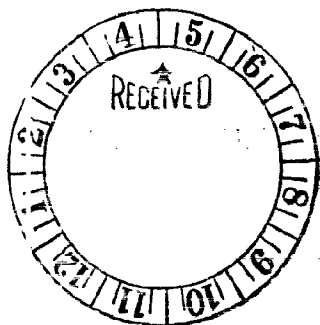
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THIRD MARINES

THIRD BN FOURTH MARINES

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12th MARINES

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SUBJECT: THIRD RECON BN FWD SITREP FROM 111800H TO 121800H

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS

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3. 202 - 201451

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

A. INSERTIONS

(1) 202 - 120910H - YD 1947

(2) 102 - 121012H - YD 0600

(3) EXTRACTIONS: NONE

3. SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS:

A. 111805H 101 PAT DISCOVERED A TRAIL VIC (XD 978598)

RUNNING E TO W. NOT USED IN LAST MONTH,

PAT ALSO FOUND 30 FOXHOLES

AND SOME PUNJI PITS IN AREA OF (XD 978600)

PAT ALSO FOUND BOMBS W/NO MARKINGS

PAT WILL BRING BACK DRAWINGS OF BOMBS.

(B) AT 111845H 201 PAT HEARD MOVEMENT

AROUND THEIR POS. WHICH INITIALLY

SOUNDED LIKE 15-20 MEN. PAT RECD

INCOMING HAND GRENADE. NEG CAS. RETURNED ONE GREN.

PAT CALLED ARTY MSN MOVEMENT CEASED. RESULTS

2VC/NVA KIA (P) BY HAND GRENADE.

(C) AT 120600 301 PAT (XD 958563)

OBS 2 NVA (952566) MOVING WEST INTO

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HARBOR WEARING LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES,

LEFT COVERS. PAT OBS. 1 PACK 2 RIFLE.

ARTY FIRED W/EXCELLENT TGT COV.

RESULTS 2 NVA KIA (PROB)

D. AT 120942H 201 PAT FOUND AN ENEMY

HARBOR SITE CAPTURED ONE ENEMY RIFLE(SKS43) AND MUCH

DEBRIS IN AREA. SIGHT WOULD ACCOMMODATE ESTIMATED

COMPANY. HARBOR SITE APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED

IN PAST WEEK.E. AT 121010H 301 PAT OBS 10-15 NVA/VC

AT (XD 953576) MOVING NORTH THROUGH

VALLEY. COULD NOT OBS. FORM OR

EQUIP. PAT REQUESTED ARTY, BUT NVA/VC WERE

OUT OF AREA WHEN IT WAS FIRED.

F. AT 121115H 102 PAT FOUND HARBOR

SIGHT OF APPROX COMPANY SIZE EXTENDING OVER 2 GRID SQUARES

(YD 0566-YD0606). AREA REVEALED TRAIL COMPLEX

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WHICH HAD BEEN USED EXTENSIVELY WITHIN
PAST WEEK. AREA REVEALED SIGNS OF ELEPHANTS
PATROL ALSO FOUND A FLAGPOLE
MADE FROM A TALL SLENDER TREE
(YD 068670)

G. AT 121345H 1C2 PAT OBS 2 NVA (YD 064665)
IN GRASS, WEARING GREEN HARD HELMETS
PAT COULD NOT OBS. ANY WPNS. ARTY MSN OF (1) RD FIRED
NVA MOVED OUT OF AREA. NEGATIVE RESULTS
ON FIRE MISSION.

H. AT 121350H 2D1 PAT FOUND A MAJOR TRAIL
COMPLEX 1 1/2 METERS WIDE AT (XD 928543)
TRAIL LINED WITH FIGHTING HOLES
TRAIL HAS BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST MONTH.

I. AT 121330H 3C1 (XD 960567) OBS

10-15 NVA IN WHAT SEEMED TO BE
AN AMBUSH POSITION. PAT COULD NOT
DETERMINE UNIFORM OR EQUIP.
PAT FIRED M-79 RDS IN AREA
BUT RECD NO RETURN FIRE. PAT LATER FIRED ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS

J. AT 121645H 2C1 (070624)
OBS 10 NVA SET IN ON A HILL
DRESSED IN LIGHT TAN UNIFORMS,
HELMETS, CANT BELTS, & RIFLES (AK-47'S)
PAT CALLED ARTY AND AIR STRIKES.
ARTY FIRED 164 RRS OF 105MM H.E.
W/EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE. PAT WAS UNABLE
TO OBS RESULTS OF AIR STRIKES BUT NOTED
IT WAS ON TGT. RESULTS 2 NVA KIA (CONF)
8 NVA KIA (PROB) ALL BY ARTY

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

A. 2C1 AREA WAS CHANGED FROM
(YD 0567 CENTER COORD TO YD 0563 CENTER COORD.

B 1C2 AREA WAS CHANGED FROM
YD 0565 CENTER COORD TO 0567 CENTER COORD.

C. ONE P.R.U. TEAM WALKED IN TO
RZ (2548 CENTER COORD) ON 11 MAR (LATE RPT)

D. PLANS FOR 121800H TO 131800H

A. INSERTS - 302 - LL 8859 - 130800
OR 9161 - 130800

B. EXTRACTS - 301 - 3650 - 130830

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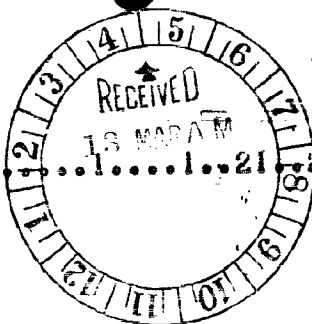
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 160, 121800H-122400H MAR 67

UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR

EXTRACTIONS:

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT TIME

DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

ENEMY CONTACTS:

AT 121645H RECON TEAM 201 VIC YD 075624 OBSERVED 10 NVA SET IN

HILL AT YD 069657. NVA WERE DRESSED IN LIGHT TAN KHAKIES, HELMETS

BRIDGE BELTS AND RIFLE(AK-47). PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION AND AIR

STRIKES RESULTING IN 2 EN KIA CONF AND 3 EN KIA PROB.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

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AT 121710H A ARTY ROUND FROM F/2/12 LANDED IN G/2/26 POSITION

RESULTING IN 1 FRIENDLY KIA AND 2 MEN MED EVACED IN A STATE OF

SHOCK. ALL FIRE WAS LIFTED IN IMMEDIATE AREA. A FOLLOW UP REPORT

STATED ARTY PREP FIRES WERE CALLED 500 METERS ON EACH SIDE OF LINE

FROM YD 100665 TO YD 122665. PREP FIRES WERE CALLED FOR AT 121635H

COMMENCED AT APPROXIMATELY 121700H. AT 121710H APPROXIMATELY 12

ROUNDS IMPACTED IN AREA THAT G/2/26 WAS PASSING THROUGH. 1 ROUND

IMPACTED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY, REMAINDER LANDED TO NORTH IN DIRECTION

OF TARGET. INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED.

AT 121710H 1 NBC WAS MED EVACED FROM G/2/26 VIC YD 115659. MAN WAS

MED EVACED FOR BLOOD POISONING. HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ARTY

INCIDENT.

DATE ENTRY: ENEMY CONTACTS: AT 120600H AO CALLED 2 AIR STRIKES ON EN

POSITIONS VIC YD 069653 RESULTING IN 1 KIA CONF AND 2 KIA PROB.

3. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

2/26TH MAR: AT 130600H COMMENCE SWEEP NORTH THRU VILL AT YD

120665 AND YD 110665.

3/9TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO

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OBJECTIVES 6 (YD 018593), 7 (YD 035605) AND 8 (YD 043613) ON ORDER.

14TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN NIGHT TIME POSITIONS
AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

3. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 83 MIA

103 WIA

17 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 628 KIA CONF

136 KIA PROB

250 DETAINEES

1 INN CIVIL

1 CIVIL DEF

1 PW/NVA

PW/VC

24 WEAPONS CAPTURED

5 CREW SERVED

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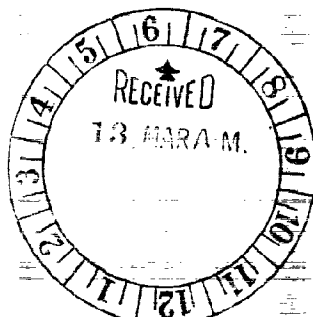
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 160, 121800H-122400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS:

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT TIME DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 121645H, RECON TEAM 2C1 VIC YD 076624 OBS 10 NVA SET IN ON HILL AT YD 069637. NVA WERE DRESSED IN LIGHT TAN KHAKIS, HELMETS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION AND AIR STRIKES RESULTING IN 2 EN KIA (C) AND 8 EN KIA (P).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 121710H, AN ARTY RD FROM F/2/12 LANDED IN G/2/26 POSITION RESULTING IN 1 FRIENDLY KIA AND 2 MED-EVAC IN A STATE OF SHOCK. ALL FIRE WAS LIFTED IN IMMEDIATE AREA.

(LATE ENTRY): ENEMY CONTACTS: AT 120800H, AO CALLED 2 AIR STRIKES ON EN POSITIONS VIC YD 063653 RESULTING IN 1 KIA(C) AND 2 KIA(P).

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

2/26-5# -4: AT 130800H COMMENCE SWEEP NORTH THRU VILLE AT YD 126655 AND YD 110680.

3/9TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO OBJECTIVES 6 (YD 018593), 7 (YD 035605) AND 8 (YD 043613) ON ORDER.

3/4TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN NIGHT TIME POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 83 KIA 433 WIA 1 MIAUSA

ENEMY: 628 KIA(C) 398 KIA(P) 283 DETAINEES

231 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 12 W/NVA

6 PW/VC 124 WPNS CAPT 23 CREW SERVED 101 INDIVIDUAL

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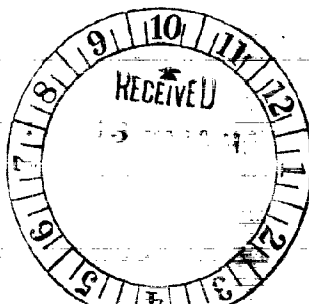
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 161, 130001H-130600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT TIME POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 130045H RECON TEAM 2 CI (YD076623) OBSJ 4 FLASHLIGHTS VIC (YD069637).

LIGHTS WERE MOVING W TO E. ARTY FIRED 27 RDS HE 105MM WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS: INS: 3DZ ASAP XD 9060; EXT: 3CI ASAP XD 9656

CORRECTIONS TO MY SITREP 160. DELETE 3/9TH MAR PLANS: INSTEAD

3/4TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO OBJECTIVES

6 (YD155700), 7 (YD169700) AND 8 (YD180700).

3D MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 160.

3/9TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 151.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 83 KIA, 433 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 628 KIA(CONF), 398 KIA(PROB)

280 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

124 WPNS CAPT.

LATE ENTRY: LOCATION CHANGES:

1/3/12 XD 851415

A/1/40 YD 061545

C/1/40 XD 985540

F/2/12 YD 138592

B/1/40 YD 229598

K/4/12(-) YD 214597

C/2/94 YD 058543

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 161, 122400H, 130600H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAINED NIGHT TIME POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 130045H RECON TEAM 2C1 (YD 076623) OBSERVED 4 FLASHLIGHTS VIC (YD 069637). LIGHTS WERE MOVING W TO E. ARTY FIRED 27 RDS HE 105MM WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS AND

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EXTRACTATIONS: INS: 3D2 ASAP XD 9060

EXT: 3C1 ASAP XD 9656

CORRECTIONS TO MY SITREP 160: DELETE 3/9TH MAR PLANS: INSTEAD 3/4TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO OBJECTIVES 6 (YD 155700), 7 (YD 169700) AND 8 (YD 180700).

3D MAR AND 1/9TH MAR: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN BY SITREP 160.

3/9TH MAR: CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION AS OUTLINE IN MY SITREP 151,

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY:	83 KIA	ENEMY:	628 KIA CONF	124 WEAPONS CAPT.
	433 WIA		398 KIA PROB	23 CREW SERVED
N	17 NAC		280 DETAINEES	101 INDIVIDUAL
	1 MIA		231 INN CIVIL	
			22 CIVIL DEF	
			12 PW/NVA	
			6 PW/VC	

LATE ENTRY:

LOCATION CHANGES:

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YD 061545

XD 983540



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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SIT REP 162, 130600H-131200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 2/26 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANY E

B. H/2/26

C. G/2/26

D. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP AND COMPANY I

E. M/3/9

F. 3/4 (-) COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES L AND M

G. M/3/3

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YD 119674

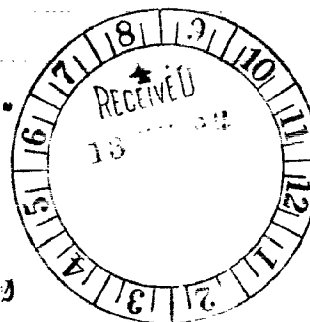
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YD 162600

YD 065570



2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

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3RD MARINES: CONTINUED WITH OPERATIONS VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA (AW SITREP 151).

3/4 (-) CONTINUED COMBAT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES

IN VIC OF THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 163600).

2/26 (-) CONTINUED MOVEMENT THROUGH THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA.

3/9 (-) COMMENCED MOVEMENT AT 130830H AND CONDUCTED SEARCH OF GRID SQUARES YD 0560 AND YD 0561.

M/3/3 CONTINUED TO CONDUCT PATROLLING ACTIVITIES, MOVING FROM YD 055500 TO YD 065570.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	PATROL ROUTES OR AMBUSH SITES
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1/3/3	SQUAD	130630H	XD 975548
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L/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	XD 998544
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M/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	YD 004475
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1/3/9	SQUAD	130700H	YD 060544
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L/3/9	SQUAD	130700H	YD 047500
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K/3/9	SQUAD	130700H	YD 175402
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L/3/9	PLATOON	131200H	YD 082508 TO YD 044534
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3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR, AND 12TH MAR: AT 130730H, M/3/4

SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD 344698) FROM AMBSUH SITE AT YD 350674.

AT 131130H, 12TH MARINES SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD 178581) FROM

SECURITY PATROL AT YD 168560 TO YD 174554 TO YD 188584. ALL OTHER

UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AN AO DEBRIEF REPORT FROM 3RD MAR DIV 121810H, AO OBSERVED 40 ENEMY IN TRENCHES (YD 131724). AO CALLED ARTY MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO RETURN TO TARGET AREA BECAUSE OF CLOSING DARKNESS AND VOLUME OF ARTY FIRE IN THE AREA. RESULTS: 20 ENEMY KIA (P).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 131020H, A WORKING PARTY AT 3/3 CP (XD982544) WAS BURING TRASH IN A DRUM WHEN AN EXPLOSION OCCURED WITH THE DRUM, WOUNDING 2 MEN, EXPLOSION WAS ESTIMATED TO HAVE BEEN AN M26. AN INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY. RESULTS: 2 FRIENDLY NBC (ONE MEDEVAC)

B. AT 131000H, M/3/9 DISCOVERED 12-15 FIGHTING HOLES (YD 017593) AND COOKING SITES IN THE AREA, APPEARED TO BE A HARBOR SITE FOR 20-40 PEOPLE, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY (ABOUT ONE MONTH OLD), 6 MORE HOLES (2' X 2' X 4') VIC YD 028614 WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED RECENTLY. HOLES WERE NOT DESTROYED OR GEAR COLLECTED BECAUSE OF OPERATIONAL COMMITMENTS.

3RD MARINES: 2/26(-) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AND BE PREPARED TO MOVE NORTH ON ORDER.

3/4(-) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION, BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO OBJECTIVE 6 (YD 155700), 7 (YD 155700), AND 8 (YD 179700) ON ORDER.

3/9(-) CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN VICINITY OF PRESENT POSITION.

M/3/3 COMPLETE PATROLLING ACTIVITIES AND RETURN TO THEIR CP AREA (X) 975567).

3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 33 KIA	433 WIA	1 MIA
ENEMY 628 KIA (C)	418 KIA (P)	280 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
124 WPNS CAPT	23 CREW CERVED	101 INDIVIDUAL
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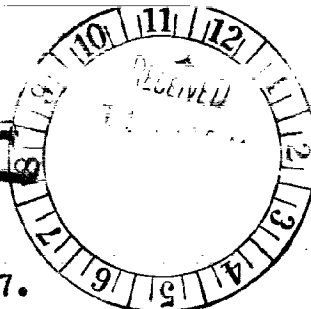
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 162, 130600H - 131200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 2/26 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANY E	YD 119666
B. H/2/26	YD 119674
C. G/2/26	YD 116674
D. 3/9 COMMAND GROUP AND COMPANY I	YD 042608
E. M/3/9	YD 047620
F. 3/4 (-) COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES L AND M	YD 162680
G. M/3/3	YD 065570

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

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3RD MARINES: CONTINUED WITH OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA IAW SITREP 151.

3/4 (-) CONTINUED TO CONDUCT COMBAT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN VICINITY OF THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 165680).

2/26 (-) CONTINUED MOVEMENT THROUGH THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA.

3/9 (-) COMMENCED NO MOVEMENT AT 130330H AND CONDUCTED SEARCH OF GRID SQUARES YD 0560 AND YD 0561.

M/3/3 CONTINUED TO CONDUCT PATROLLING ACTIVITIES, MOVING FROM YD 065570 TO YD 065570.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	FOR	PATROL ROUTES OR AMBUSH SITES
1/3/3	SQUAD	130630H	XD 975548
L/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	XD 998544
M/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	YD 004475
I/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	YD 060544
L/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	YD 047500
K/3/3	SQUAD	130700H	YD 179402
L/3/3	PLATOON	131200H	YD 082508 TO YD 044534

3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR, AND 12TH MAR: AT 130700H M/3/4 SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD 344698) FROM AMBUSH SITE AT YD 350674.

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AT 1300H 1ST MARINES 3RD RETURNED TO CP (YD 1785) FROM SECURITY PATROL AT YD 168500 TO YD 174554 TO YD 188584. ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. (LATE ENTRY) AN AO DEBRIEF REPORT FROM 3RD MAR DIV. AO OBSERVED 40 ENEMY IN TRENCHES (YD 131724). AO CALLED ARTY MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO RETURN TO TARGET AREA BECAUSE OF CLOSING DARKNESS AND VOLUME OF ARTY FIRE IN THE AREA. RESULTS:

20 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 131000H A WORKING PARTY AT 3/3 CP (XD 982544) WAS BURNING TRASH IN A DRUM WHEN AN EXPLOSION OCCURRED WITHIN THE DRUM, WOUNDING 2 MEN. EXPLOSION WAS ESTIMATED TO HAVE BEEN AN M-20. AN INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY. RESULTS: 2 FRIENDLY WIA (ONE MEDVAC) NWC.

B. AT 131000H M/3/9 DISCOVERED 12-15 FIGHTING HOLES (YD 017593) AND COOKING SITES IN THE AREA. APPEARS TO BE A HARBOR SITE FOR 20-40 PEOPLE, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY (ABOUT ONE MONTH OLD). 6 MORE HOLES (2' X 2' X 4') VICINITY YD 028614 WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. HOLES WERE NOT DESTROYED OR GEAR COLLECTED BECAUSE OF OPERATIONAL COMMITMENTS.

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5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAS ONE INSERTION AND TWO EXTRACTATIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INSERTIONS: 3D! ASAP LL XD 8859 UR XD 9161

EXTRACTION: 3C! ASAP XD 9756

2D! ASAP XD 9254

3RD MARINES: 1/26 (-) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION AND BE PREPARED TO MOVE NORTH ON ORDER.

3/4 (-) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION, BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO OBJECTIVES 6 (YD 155700), 7 (YD 155700), AND 8 (YD 179700) ON ORDER.

3/9 (-) CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN VICINITY OF PRESENT POSITIONS.

M/3/3 COMPLETE PATROLLING ACTIVITIES AND RETURN TO THEIR CP AREA (XD 15567).

3/4TH MP, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 83 KIA
435 WIA
19 NWC

ENEMY: 628 KIA CONF
418 KIA PROB
280 DETAINEES

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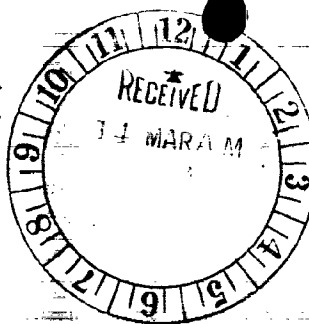
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 163 131200H-131800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. M/3/9 YD 044624
B. I/3/9 AND COMMAND GROUP YD 066544
C. 2/26(-) YD 114685
D. K/3/4 YD 155701
E. L/3/4 AND COMMAND GROUP YD 155693
F. M/3/3 XD 975566

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD THE
FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS:

INSERTIONS: 502 VICINITY XD 9257 BY HELO AT 131700H

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EXTRACTIONS: 201 VICINITY XD 9253 BY HELO AT 131205H.

301 VICINITY YD 042622 BY HELO AT 131205H.

3RD MARINES: CONTINUED WITH OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN / CON THIEN AREA IAW MY SITREP 151.

3/3: MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3/9: AT 131445H 3/9 COMMAND GROUP AND I/3/9 RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL. M/3/9 CONTINUED TO SWEEP TO NORTHEAST.

2/26(-) CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH TO VICINITY YD 113685.

3/4(-): SWEEP TO VICINITY YD 155693. K/3/4 OCCUPIED POSITION AT OBJECTIVE 6 VICINITY YD 155701.

PROV ARMY BN AND I/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT

BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF 4TH BN 2ND REGIMENT (ARVN) TAOR AS DEFINED IN MY SITREP 159.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 131300H 1/9 RECEIVED 20-30

ROUNDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM YD 278551. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 131300H H/2/26 VICINITY YD 117674 RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM 2 ENEMY VICINITY YD 118678 WEARING GREEN UNIFORMS.

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AT 131415H 11/2/26 FOUND 15 60MM CHICOM MORTAR ROUNDS. 1 EMPTY
HAVERSACK IN FIGHTING HOLE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLED
WEST. HOLE AND ROUNDS BLOWN. RESULTS OF CONTACT. 1 FRIENDLY KIA.

C. AT 131300H RECON TEAM 101 FOUND A SUSPECTED HARBORING
SITE LARGE ENOUGH TO HOLD A COMPANY. TEAM RECEIVED SPORADIC
FIRE WHILE SCOUTING AREA. THEY ARE LOW ON AMMO. ATTEMPTS
ARE BEING MADE TO EXTRACT TEAM.

D. AT 131615H A UH-34 WAS SHOT DOWN VICINITY XD 985630.
A FLARE WAS SIGHTED

E. AT 131620H K/3/4 VICINITY YD 157701, WHILE CHECKING
OUT UNMARKED TRAIL, MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA. OPENED FIRE
KILLING ONE. OTHERS ESCAPED. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.
2 CHICOM GRENADES AND MISCELLANEOUS 782 GEAR. CAPTURED

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A, 131140H A MARINE WITH
K/3/3 HAD TO BE MEDEVACED BECAUSE OF AN INJURY SUSTAINED WHILE
CUTTING AWAY BRUSH WITH A MACHETE. RESULT: 1 FRIENDLY WIA (NBT)

B. AT 131130H K/3/4 (YD 164686) FOUND 1 NVA WIA ON A
TRAIL. NVA APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN WOUNDED IN YESTERDAY'S
ACTION. WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP. RESULT: 1 NVA/PW, 1 AK-47,
MISCELLANEOUS 782 GEAR CAPTURED.

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C. AT 131150H RECON TEAM 102 (YD 262674) DISCOVERED A
2 FOOT WIDE TRAIL RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH THAT HAD BEEN HEAVILY
USED WITHIN LAST 3 DAYS. PATROL IS NOW OBSERVING
THE TRAIL.

D. AT 131140H 1/40 PATROL VICINITY YD 187573 FOUND
POSSIBLE MORTAR EMPLACEMENT AND BRUSH SHELTER ALONG THE LOWER
END OF CREEK IN GRID SQUARE YD 1756. APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN
USED 2 DAYS AGO AS CAMP. BROUGHT IN 2 DETAINEES WHO WERE
CUTTING WOOD. DETAINEES TURNED OVER TO MP'S.

E. AT 131200H VICINITY YD 178589 CAC P-3 WAS
ACHIVATED.

F. AT 131640H VICINITY XD 979559 A MARINE FROM RADIO
RELAY HAD HIS FINGERS ON RIGHT HAND CRUSHED BY WATER CAN AS
CHOPPER WAS RESUPPLYING UNIT. RESULT: 1 NAC (MEDEVACED).

G. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS
OR EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: CONTINUE OPERATION VICINITY DONG HA MOUNTAIN/
CON THIEN IAW MY SITREP 151.

5/3: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26: AT APPROXIMATELY 131900H SET UP DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

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 VICINITY YD 115685.
 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY CAMP
 ROLL. M/3/9 ESTABLISH PATROL BASE VICINITY YD 046615.
 COMMAND GROUP AND L/3/4 ESTABLISH NIGHT DEFENSIVE
 POSITION VICINITY YD 155695. K/3/4 ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITION
 OBJECTIVE 6 VICINITY YD 155700.
 NOV ARTY GROUP WITH I/3/4 DEFEND GIO LINH.
 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL
 FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 CONTINUES SECURITY
 MISSION OF 4TH BN 2ND REGIMENT (ARVN) TAOR. SET UP NIGHT POSITIONS
 VICINITY YD 195625.
 CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 DEADLY: 84 KIA
 MIA
 NBC
 MIA
 MIA
 MIA: 629 KIA CONF
 KIA PROB
 DETAINEES
 INN CIVIL

SIX T87L(FWD) S E C R E T
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 CREW SERVED
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 SCOUT/SNIPERS: NM CHUNG.

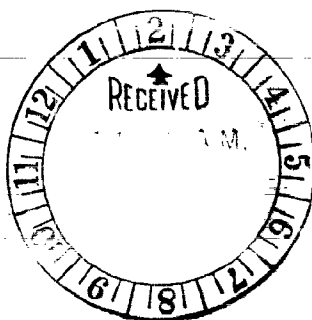
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 163 131201H-131800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. M/3/9 YD 044624

B. 1/3/9 AND CMD GRP YD 066544

C. 2/26(-) YD 114685

D. K/3/4 YD 155701

E. L/3/4 & CMD GRP YD 155695

F. M/3/3 XD 975566

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS:

INSERTION: 3D1 VIC XD 9257 BY HELO AT 131700H

EXTRACTATIONS: 2D1 VIC XD 9253 BY HELO AT 131205H.

3C1 VIC YD 042622 BY HELO AT 131205H

3D MAR: CONTINUED WITH OPERATION VIC DONG HA MOUNTAIN/ CON THIEN AREA.

3/3: MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3/9: AT 131445H 3/9 CMD GRP AND 1/3/9 RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL. M/3/9 CONTINUED TO SWEEP TO NORTHEAST.

2/26(-) CONTINUED TO SWEEP NORTH TO VIC YD 113685.

3/4(-): SWEEP TO VIC YD 155695. K/3/4 OCCUPIED POSITION AT OBJECTIVE 6 VIC YD 155701.

PROV ARTY BN AND 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GION LINH.

1/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9

MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF 4TH BN 2ND REGIMENT (ARVN) TAOR AS DEFINED IN SITREP 159.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 131300H 1/9 RECEIVED 20-30 RDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM YD 278551. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS

B. AT 131330H H/2/26 VIC YD 117674 RECD SA FIRE FROM 2 ENEMY VIC YD 118678 WEARING GREEN UNIFORMS.

AT 131415H H/2/26 FOUND 15 60MM CHICOM MORTAR RDS. 1 EMPTY HAVERSACK IN FIGHTING HOLE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLED WEST. HOLE AND RDS BLOWN. RESULTS OF CONTACT. 1 FRIENDLY KIA.

C. AT 131300H RECON TM 1D1 FOUND A SUSPECTED HARBORING SITE LARGE ENOUGH TO HOLD A COMPANY. TEAM RECD SPORADIC FIRE WHILE SCOUTING AREA. ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO EXTRACT TEAM.

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D. AT 131615H A UH-34 WAS SHOT DOWN VIC XD 985630. A FLARE WAS SIGHTED INDICATING SURVIVORS. EXTR WILL BE ATTEMPTED FIRST LIGHT.

E. AT 131620H K/3/4 VIC YD157701, WHILE CHECKING OUT UNMARKED TRAIL, MADE CONTACT WITH 4 NVA. OPENED FIRE KILLING ONE. OTHERS ESCAPED. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONF. 2 CHICOM GRENADES AND MISCELLANEOUS 782 GEAR CAPTURED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 131130H K/3/4 (YD154686) FOUND 1 NVA WIA ON A TRAIL. NVA APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN WOUNDED IN YESTERDAY'S ACTION. WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP. RESULT: 1 DET, 1 AK-47, MISCELLANEOUS 782 GEAR CAPTURED.

B. AT 131145H 1/40 PATROL VIC YD 187573 FOUND POSSIBLE MORTAR EMPLACEMENT AND BRUSH SHELTER ALONG THE LOWER END OF CREEK IN GRID SQUARE YD 1756. APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED 2 DAYS AGO AS CAMP. BROUGHT IN 2 DETAINEES WHO WERE CUTTING WOOD.

C. AT 131200H VIC YD 178589 CAC P-3 WAS ACTIVATED.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS DURING THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: CONTINUE OPN VIC DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN.

3/3: MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26: AT APPROX 131900H SET UP DEF PSNS VIC YD 113685.

3/9(-) MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VIC CAMP CARROLL.

M/3/9 ESTABLISH PATROL BASE VIC YD 046615.

3/4 CMC GRP AND L/3/4 ESTABLISH NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION VIC YD 155695. K/3/4 ESTABLISH DEFENSIVE POSITION AT OBJECTIVE 6 VIC YD 155700.

PROV ARTY GROUP WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIO LINH.

1/9 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 CONTINUES SECURITY MISSION OF 4TH BN 2ND REGIMENT (ARVN) TAOR. SET UP NIGHT PSNS VIC YD193623.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 433 WIA, 1 MIA(USA)

ENEMY: 629 KIA CONF, 418 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIVIL, 22 CIV DEF,

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CPTRD

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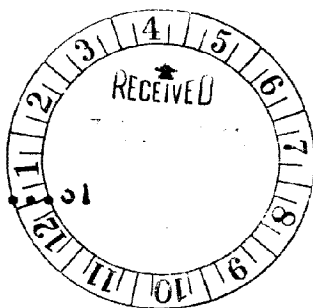
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SUBJ: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) SITREP.

FROM 121800H - 131800H

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS AT 131800H

A. 302 - XD 932582

B. 102 - YD 053073

C. 202 - YD 204445

D. 302 - XD 930629

E. 101 - XD 975615

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F. 201 - YD 060627

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

A. INSERTIONS

(1) 302 - 9257 - 131333H

B. EXTRACTIONS

(1) 301 - 0656 - 131205H

(2) 201 - 9253 - 131205H

(EXTRACTED DUE TO LOSS OF COMM)

3. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS

A. AT 130045H 201 PATROL OBS 4 FLASH LIGHTS (YD 069637) NEAR AREA OF ENEMY ACTIVITY 12 MAR 67. LIGHTS WERE MOVING FROM W TO E. THE PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY (27 RDS H.E. 105MM FIRED WITH GOOD TGT COVER) THE LIGHTS WERE EXTINGUISHED.

B. AT 131105H 102 PATROL OBSERVED A TRAIL COMPLEX RUNNING N TO S AT (064674). PATROL NOTED THAT TRAIL HAD BEEN HEAVILY USED IN PAST 3 DAYS. THE TRAIL WAS APPROXIMATELY 2' WIDE.

C. AT 131418H, 30 RECON BN 101 PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE IN AN ESTIMATED COMPANY SIZE BASE CAMP LOCATION (XD 965630). ENEMY WAS ENGAGED AT 30 AND GRENADE RANGE

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CALLED AIR STRIKES FOLLOWED BY ARTILLERY. PATROL WITHDREW S, BROKE
 CONTACT AND MOVED TO LZ LOCATION (XD 988625). EXTRACTION WAS ATTEMPTED.
 DURING ATTEMPTED EXTRACTION, UH-34 HELICOPTER RECEIVED SA/AV FIRE,
 CAUGHT FIRE AND CRASHED VICINITY (XD 988619). PATROL AGAIN CAME UNDER
 SA/AV FIRE SUSTAINING 1 WIA (MINOR). PATROL BROKE CONTACT BY MOVING S.
 ADD'L AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED. PATROL CONTINUED S TO VICINITY
 (XD 975615) WITHOUT FURTHER CONTACT AND ESTABLISHED NIGHT
 POSITION. EXTRACTION NOT ATTEMPTED DUE TO ENEMY SITUATION
 AND GATHERING DARKNESS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

PRO'S WILL NOT BE INSERTED DUE TO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT
 DIFFICULTIES

5. PLANS FOR 131800H - 141800H

A. INSERTIONS - (NONE)

B. EXTRACTIONS - 1D1 - 9863 - ASAP

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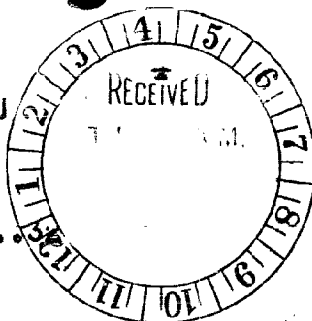
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II: SITREP 164, 151800H-152400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

4. REFER ENEMY CONTACT MY SITREP 163. AT 132210H A CH-46 WAS SHOT DOWN VIC XD 985630 WHILE TRYING TO EXTRACT CREW OF DOWNED UH-34. ONE CREW MEMBER WAS EXTRACTED WITH A BROKEN LEG. CREW MEMBER STATED THAT 5 OF THE 8 CREW MEMBERS ABOARD THE TWO CHOPPERS ARE IN ONE GROUP AND HEADED FOR SECURE POSITION. OTHER TWO MEMBERS ARE UNLOCATED AT THIS TIME. RESCUE ATTEMPTS WILL RESUME AT FIRST LIGHT.

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1. WIA (WING CAS)

2. AT 151900H 3/9 OP ON HILL 250 VIC YD 069555 RECEIVED 3 RDS S/A FIRE FROM TREE-LINE FROM YD 079542. RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

3. AT 151910H M/3/9 VIC YD 053619 RECEIVED 1 RD SNIPER FIRE WHILE ON THE MOVE. RETURNED FIRE WITH 20 RDS 7.62 CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. RESULTS: 1 FRIENDLY WIA (NOW MEDEVACED).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 151800H RECON TEAM 302 VIC XD 940630 FOUND 4 GRAVES. PATROL DUG ONE UP AND CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS A GRAVE AND NOT A WEAPONS CACHE.

B. AT 151400H WHILE CONDUCTING OPERATIONS VIC CAU VIET AREA M/3/4 RADIO OPERATOR LOST NOTEBOOK CONTAINING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION (3RD MAR REG TAC'S FREQ AND MIKE NUMBERS, AIR TEAM FREQ, COLOR AND MIKE NUMBERS, 3/4 AND 1/9 FREQ NUMBERS. ALL 3/4 COMPANY WHISKY FREQ AND MIKE NUMBERS, ALL ALTERNATE FREQ AND MIKE NUMBERS AND ALSO FORMAT FOR ALL REPORTS SENT TO S-3). CONDUCTED SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS APPROPRIATE ADMINISTRATION ACTION ORIGINATED.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3D MAR, 1/9TH MAR AND 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

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5/4TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE TO SWEEP NORTH AT FIRST LIGHT.

11/3/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTHEAST AT FIRST LIGHT.

2/26TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH AT FIRST LIGHT.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA	ENEMY: 629 KIA CONF
494 WIA	418 KIA PROB
21 WBC	283 DETAINEES
1 MIA	241 INN CIVIL
	22 CIVIL DEF
	12 PW/NVA
	6 PW/VC
	125 WEAPONS CAPTURED
	25 CREW SERVED
	102 INDIVIDUAL

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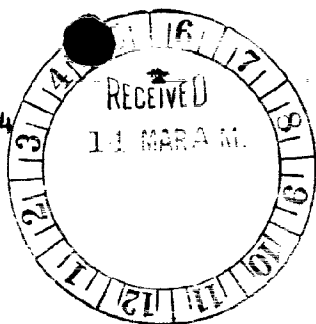
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II: SITREP 164, 131800H-132400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 3/4TH MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONDUCT SECURITY PTLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. REF ENEMY CONTACT SITREP 163. AT 132210H A CH-46 WAS SHOT DOWN VIC XD 985630 WHILE TRYING TO EXTRACT CREW OF DOWNED UH-34. ONE CREW MEMBER WAS EXTRACTED WITH A BROKEN LEG. CREW MEMBER STATED THAT 5 OF THE 8 CREW MEMBERS ABOARD THE TWO CHIPPERS ARE IN ONE GROUP AND HEADED FOR SECURE POSITION. OTHER TWO MEMBERS ARE UNLOCATED AT THIS TIME. RESCUE ATTEMPTS WILL RESUME AT FIRST LIGHT.

B. AT 131930H 3/9 OP ON HILL 250 VIC YD 069555 RECD 3 RDS SA FIRE FROM TREE-LINE FROM YD 079542. RETD FIRE WITH SA. RES UNK.

C. AT 131910H M/3/9 VIC YD 053619 RECD 1 RD SNIPER FIRE WHILE ON THE MOVE. RETD FIRE WITH 20 RDS 7.62 CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RES. RES: 1 FRIENDLY WIA (NON MEDEVACED).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 131800H RECON TEAM 3C2 VIC XD 943630 FOUND 4 GRAVES. PATROL DUG ONE UP AND CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS A GRAVE AND NOT A WPNS CACHE.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

3D MAR, 1/9TH MAR & 12TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THEIR ASSIGNED AO.

3/4TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE TO SWEEP NORTH AT FIRST LIGHT.

M/3/9TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTHEAST AT FIRST LIGHT.

2/26TH MAR: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND CONTINUE SWEEPING NORTH AT FIRST LIGHT.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 434 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 629 KIA CONF, 418 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CPTD

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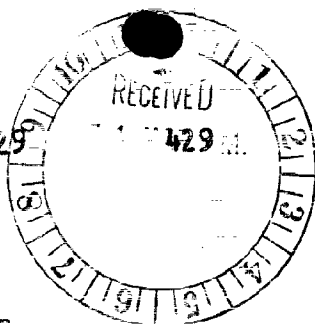
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OPERATION FRAIRIE II, SITREP NR 165, 142400H-140600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEF PSN AND CONDUCTED
SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. NO RECON INSERTIONS OR
EXTRACTIONS.

(LATE ENTRY) : ADDITION TO SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

L/3/3 COMPLETED AMBUSH (XD 979536) AT 140600H.

3/9 COMPLETED THREE PATROLS FROM IP (YD 068550). FIRST TO
YD 069570 AT 140200H, SECOND TO YD 083544 AT 140600H, THIRD
TO YD 068530 AT 140300H.

3/9 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP (YD 100523) TO YD 090530 AT 140200H.

1/9 COMPLETED AMBUSH (YD 285568) AT 140200H.

3 CONTACTS:

A. AT 131400H, RECON TEAM 101 MADE CONTACT WITH 15 TO 20
NVA VIC XD 985639. NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES, SOME IN BLUE SWEET-
SHIRTS. NVA CARRIED AK-47'S, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND CHI COM GRENADES.
PATROL ENGAGED NVA W/SA AND GRENADES.

PATROL MOVED TO XD 988625 FOR EXTRACTION.

ARTY AND AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED. EXTRACTION WAS UNSUCCESSFUL
(REFER CONTACT A MY SITREP 164). PATROL AGAIN REC'D S/A AND A/W FIRE.

PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ADDITIONAL ARTY AND AIR STRIKES.

PATROL THEN MOVED TO XD 975615 FOR NIGHT. ARTY CONTINUED TO FIRE
H&I. PATROL WILL TRY AND LINK UP WITH DOWN HELO CREW (REFER MY

SITREP 164) AT FIRST LIGHT. RESULTS OF ACTION: 1 FRIENDLY WIA
(NON MEDEVAC), 7 EN KIA (C) AND 12 EN KIA (P).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP NR 164 EXCEPT

3/4 WILL MOVE EAST TO OBJ 7 AND 8 INSTEAD OF NORTH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA	435 WIA	1 MIA
ENEMY: 636 KIA (C)	430 KIA (P)	283 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
125 WPNS (APT)	23 CREW SERVED	6 PW/VC
		102 INDIVIDUAL

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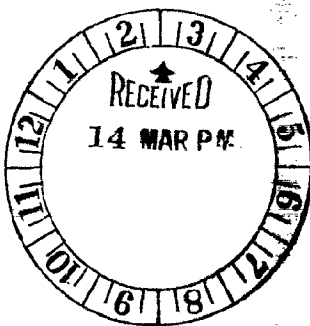
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: MAINTAINED NIGHT DEF PSN AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. NO RECON INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 13415H RECON TEAM 101 MADE CONTACT W/E T 15 TO 20 NVA VIC KD985630. NVA WORE GREN UTILITIES, SOME IN BLUE SWEAT-SHIRTS. NVA CARRIED AK-47'S 4 CARTRIDGE BELTS AND CHICOM GRENADES. PATROL ENGAGED NVA W/S&AV AND GRNADES. PATROL MOVED TO KD 986625 FOR EXTRACTION. ARTY AND AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED. EXTRACTION WAS UNSUCCESSFUL (REFER CONTACT A MY SITREP 164). PATROL AGAIN REC'D S/A AND A/W FIRE.



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PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ADDITIONAL ARTY AND AIR STRIKES.
 PATROL THEN MOVED TO XD 975615 FOR NIGHT. ARTY CONTINUED TO FIRE
 H&I. PATROL WILL TRY AND LINK UP WITH DOWN HELO CREW (REFR MY
 SITREP 164) AT FIRST LIGHT. RESULTS OF ACTION: 1 FRIENDLY WIA
 (NON-MEDEVAC)

GGL 7 EN KIA CONF AND 12 EN KIA PROB.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD H

THE FOLLOWING PLANNED INSERTIONS

V AND EXTRACTIONS: INS: 5D1 140800H YD 0062

EXT: 2C1 ASAP YD 0662

1C2 ASAP YD 0567

CARRY OUT PLANS AS OUTLINED IN MY SITREP NR 164 EXCEPT
 3/4 WILL MOVE EAST TO OBJ 7 AND 8 INSTEAD OF NORTH.

LATE ENTRY: ADDITION TO SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

1/5/3 COMPLETED AMBUSH (XD 979536) AT 140600H

3/9 COMPLETED THREE PATROLS FROM IP (YD 068550). FIRST TO
 (YD 069570) AT 140200H, SECOND TO (YD 083544) AT 140600H, THIRD
 TO (YD 066530) AT 140300H.

3/9 COMPLETED PATROL FROM IP (YD 100523) TO YD 090530 AT 140200H.

1/9 COMPLETED AMBUSH (YD 285568) AT 140200H.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

435 WIA

21 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

600 KIA CONF

430 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES

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SUBJ: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) SITREP

FROM 131800H TO 141800H MAR 67

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS AT 141800H

A. 502 XD 898588

B. 102 YD 052674

C. 202 YD 182460

D. 302 XD 931613

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

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A. INSERTIONS:

NONE

B. EXTRACTIONS:

(1) 101 141515H XD 9761

(2) 201 141335H YD 0660

C. SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS:

A. AT 141315H 202 PATROL (YD 185468) FOUND E-W TRAIL THAT SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT HEAVY USE. PATROL OBSERVED SIGNS OF WATER BUFFALO AND CATTLE TRACKS,

ARE FEET TRACKS, AND MANY TENNIS SHOES.

TRACKS. PATROL HAS MAINTAINED OBSERVATION OF TRAIL FOR 2 DAYS AND HAS SEEN NO MOVEMENT. PATROL BELIEVES MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA IS CONDUCTED AT NIGHT.

B. AT 141200H 102 PATROL AT (YD

048677) OBSERVED A TOTAL OF 82

NVA IN SEVERAL GROUPS MOVING S VICINITY (YD 049670) WEARING GREEN

UTIL AND HELMETS. NVA HAD PACKS, ARMED WITH AK-47'S. 3 GROUPS

APPEARED TO BE CARRYING MORTARS. ARTILLERY MISSIONS OF 41 RDS 155MM

FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

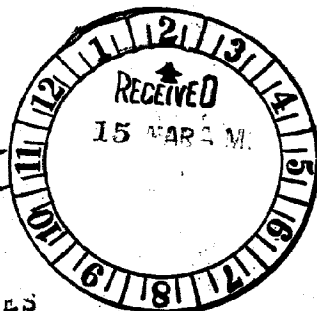
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS FOR 141800H-151800H

A. INSERTIONS:

(1) 102 - U.R. 8951 - 150300H

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(2) 101 U.R. 9158

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B. EXTRACTIONS:

(1) 102 - 0567 - 151600H

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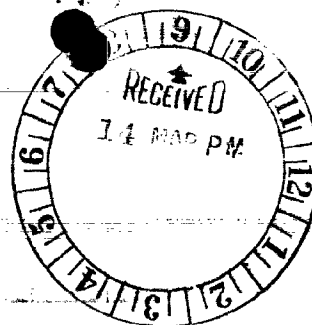
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 166, 140600H-141200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

(1) M/3/9 YD 060606

(2) 2/26(-) YD 107683

(3) L/3/4 & CMD GRP YD 178700

(5) C/1/9 YD 242598

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: OPERATION DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA CONTINUED.

3/4(-) MOVED FROM NIGHT POSITIONS IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TOWARD RTE 1. AS OF 141200H THEIR FORWARD ELEMENTS WERE LOCATED

IN VIC YD 182700. 2/26(-) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPN

IN VIC OF THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA (YD107683). M/3/9 MOVED

FROM NIGHT POSITION IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TOWARD RTE 9.

AS OF 141200H THEY WERE LOCATED VIC YD 060606. THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT SIZE TOR AMBUSH SITES OR PATROL ROUTES

M/3/3 SQUAD 140700H XD 978558

1/3/3 SQUAD 140700H XD 993556

L/3/9 SQUAD 140700H YD 649533

L/3/3 SQUAD 141200H XD 987565

C/1/9 RETURNED TO DONG HA AT 141100H FROM 4/2-ARVN TAOR. AT 141200H AN 11TH

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ENGINEER SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD224587) FROM SECURITY PATROL TO YD 206568 AND TO YD 208580. ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 141015H A PLATOON OF K/3/4 OBSD AN ENEMY ARMED WITH AN AK-47, WEARING GREEN UNIFORM. HE JUMPED ONTO TRAIL (YD170697) AND UPON OBSERVING PLATOON MADE A HASTY RETREAT BACK INTO THE BUSH. PLATOON FIRED S/A AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 140915H A PATROL FROM G/2/26 (YD112687) FOUND A TUNNEL (ABOUT 10' DEEP) OPENING TO THE NORTHWEST. TUNNEL WAS NOT CAMOUFLAGED AND WAS DUG WITHIN PAST 2 DAYS (EST). TUNNEL WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES AND DESTROYED. B. AT 141000H, WHILE DIGGING IN DEFENSIVE PSN (YD213737), ELEMENTS OF 1/3/4 60MM SECTION FOUND 40 RDS 60MM MORTARS (US TYPE). HE AND WP RDS WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PACKING AND WERE WRAPPED IN SAND BAGS. PROJECTILE CHARGES WERE BADLY DAMAGED BY WEATHER. EOD WAS CALLED TO DESTROY IN PLACE.

C. AT 141100H 5 MEMBERS OF THE CH-46 AND UH-34 THAT WERE DOWNED ON 13 MAR

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VIC MUTTERS RIDGE(XD985630) WERE EXTRACTED BY A USAF CH-3-C. 2 CREW MEMBERS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE DIED IN THE INCIDENT. RECON TEAM 301 WILL BE INSERTED ASAP IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE THE 2 MISSING CREW MEMBERS.

5. PLANS: 30 MAR: OPERATION DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA TO BE COMPLETED, AND UNITS RETURN TO THEIR RESPECTIVE CP AREAS. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 435 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 636 KIA CONF, 430 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CPTD, 23 CREW SERVED, 102 INDIVIDUAL

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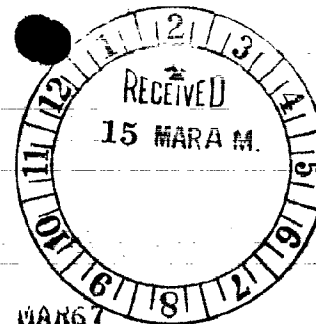
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 166, 140600H - 141200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

(1) M/3/9	YD 060606
(2) 2/26 (-)	YD 107683
(3) L/3/4 & CMD GRP	YD 178700
(4) K/3/4	YD 182700
(5) C/1/9	YD 242538

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: OPERATION DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA CONTINUED. 3/4 (-) MOVED FROM NIGHT POSITIONS IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TOWARD ROUTE 1. AS OF 141200H THEIR FORWARD ELEMENTS WERE

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LOCATED IN VICINITY YD 182700. 2/26 (-) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN VICINITY OF THEIR OBJECTIVE AREA (YD 107683). M/3/9 MOVED FROM NIGHT POSITION IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TOWARD ROUTE 9. AS OF 141200H THEY WERE LOCATED VICINITY YD 060606. THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	AMBUSH SITES OR PATROL ROUTES
M/3/9	SQUAD	140700H	XD 978558
L/3/9	SQUAD	140700H	XD 993556
L/3/9	SQUAD	140700H	YD 649533
M/3/9	SQUAD	141200H	XD 987565

C/1/9 Returned to

DONG HA AT 141100H FROM 4/2 ARVN TAOR. AT 141200H AN 11TH ENGINEER SQUAD RETURNED TO CP (YD 224387) FROM SECURITY PATROL TO YD 208568 AND TO YD 208530. ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 141015H A PLATOON OF K/3/4 OBSERVED AN ENEMY (ARVN) WITH AN AK-47. WEARING GREEN UNIFORM. HE JUMPED ONTO TRAIL (YD 170097) AND UPON OBSERVING PLATOON MADE A HASTY RETREAT BACK INTO THE BUSH. PLATOON FIRED S/A AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 140015H A PATROL FROM

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5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS 1 INSERTION AND 1 EXTRACTION PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INSERTION: SDI ASAP XD 9761

EXTRACTION: 201 ASAP YD 0562

3RD MARINES: OPERATION DONG HA MOUNTAIN/CON THIEN AREA

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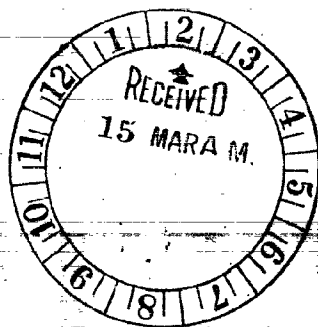
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SUBJ: FINAL REPORT OF PATROL 1

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(1) 131345 (XD 985633) PATROL CAME UPON
ENEMY HUT-COMPLEX/BASE CAMP, AT LEAST
COMPANY SIZED. PATROL INVESTIGATED (7) HUTS
WITH THE FOLLOWING REPORT: HUTS WERE 10' X
10', NEWLY CONSTRUCTED, WITH LARGE BUNKER
IN EACH HUT. PERHAPS 50 HUTS WERE

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OBSERVED. TRENCHLINES RAN FROM HUT TO
HUT, AND LARGE, WELL USED TRAIL FROM
EAST TO WEST RAN THROUGH COMPLEX. TRAIL
INTERSECTED WITH SMALLER NORTH-SOUTH TRAIL,
AND ALL HUTS WERE TIED INTO TRAIL BY
FOOT PATHS. COMPLEX WAS ON NORTH
SIDE OF RIDGELINE UNDER CANOPY, IN
DEFILADE FROM ARTILLERY. NO EVIDENCE
OBSERVED OF BOMBING OR ARTILLERY.
CLOTHES AND PONCHOS WERE ON CLOTHES
LINE, HOT RICE STEAMING ON TABLES
NEXT TO EACH HUT. RATIONS INCLUDED
AMERICAN C - RATION AND ONE AMERICAN
CANTEEN CUP WAS OBSERVED.
GAME SNARE HAD LIVE SQUIRREL
PINND BY LEG. AMMUNITION CANS WERE
OBSERVED INCLUDING NUMEROUS AMERICAN
30 CALIBER CANS. CUT HAIR WAS
ON GROUND AS IF A HAIRCUT HAD JUST BEEN
GIVEN. STOVES WERE OBSERVED INSIDE HUT.

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(2) ENEMY WAS SEEN DURING INSPECTION OF AREA. PATROL SAW (4) NVA, UNARMED, WEARING BLUE BUTTON-UP SWEATSHIRT AND KHAKI TROUSERS WITH SANDALS.

ENEMY FROZE WITH SURPRISE AND PATROL OPENED FIRE, RESULTING IN (4) NVA KIA (C).

PATROL BEGAN TO WITHDRAW SOUTH AND

CAME UNDER SA/AF FROM ESTIMATED

(20) NVA, RESULTING IN (3) NVA KIA (C).

ENEMY WAS ARMED WITH

AK-47, DRESSED IN KHAKI'S, UNCOVERED.

(3) PATROL WITHDREW 500 METERS SOUTH,

AND CALLED FOR EXTRACTION. PATROL OBSERVED

(2) A/C SHOT DOWN BY UNDETERMINED

SA/AF. AT THIS TIME PATROL CAME

UNDER SA/AF THEMSELVES AND RETURNED

SAME. AIR STRIKE WAS DIRECTED. PATROL'S

SA/AF RESULTED IN (5) NVA KIA (C) AND

(12) NVA KIA (P). PATROL SUSTAINED (1) USMC WIA (MINOR) DURING THE

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LATTER ACTION. EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

UNTIL NEXT MORNING, AND PATROL

REPORTS INTENSE SA/AF TAKEN DURING

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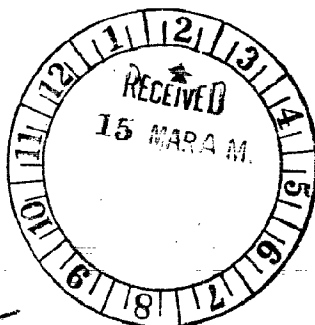
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 167, 041200H-141800H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

a. 2/26(-) COMMAND GROUP, COS E, G, AND H XO 973537

b. 3/4(-) COMMAND GROUP, COS K AND L YD 242538

c. C/1/9 YD 242538

d. M/3/9 YD 110580

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTATIONS:

EXTRACTATIONS: 201 FROM YD 0660 BY HELO AT 141355H.

101 FROM YD 9751 BY HELO AT 141515H.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION.

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2/26: AT 141330H COMMENCED HELILIFT FROM YD 112687 TO

XO 973537. AT 141725H HELILIFT WAS COMPLETED.

3/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AT

CAMP CARROLL. M/3/9 SWEEP SOUTHEAST TO YD 110580. AT 141730H

3/9 COMMENCED MOTOR MOVEMENT FROM YD 110580 TO CAMP CARROLL.

3/4: SWEEP EAST TO ROUTE 1 FROM YD 178700. AT

141430H 3/4 BOARDED TRUCKS FOR RETURN TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

MOV COMPLETED AT 141530H. AT 141430H 3RD MARDIV FWD ASSUMED POSN OF 3/4(-).

3RD ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIO LINH.

1/9: MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND PCL

FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER. C/1/9 RETURNED TO DONG HA

AT 141800H FROM 4/2 ARVN TAOR SECURITY DUTY.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS RETURNED:

UNIT	SIZE	TON	GRID SQUARES COVERED
C/1/9	SQUAD	141600H	2459, 2757, 2656, 2459.
1/44	SQUAD	141600H	2457, 2557, 2456, 2356, 2357, 2256.
12TH MAR	SQUAD	141700H	2259, 2158.
K/3/4	SQUAD	141600H	1640, 1539, 1340, 1240.
L/3/9	SQUAD	141600H	0951, 0950, 0949, 0947, 1048, 1049.

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2. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 140945H RESUPPLY CONVOY, WHILE GOING EAST TO DONG HA VICINITY YD 0857, RECEIVED 1 ROUND 81MM MORTAR 100 METERS SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 9. NO ACTION TAKEN. CONVOY CONTINUED ON MISSION.

3. AT 140945H AO OBSERVED 3 ENEMY IN OPEN. CALLED ARTY MISSION RESULTING IN 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 1 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

4. AT 141400H A MARINE AO OBSERVED 4 NVA (YD 062667) CARRYING TWO 12-14 FOOT LONG POLES. THERE WERE 2 MEN CARRYING EACH POLE WITH POSSIBLE MORTAR ATTACHED. AO CALLED AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 2 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED AND 2 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. AO STATED THAT THERE ARE NUMEROUS ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT SCATTERED AROUND AREA.

5. AT 141200H RECON TEAM 1C2 (YD 048667) OBSERVED 24 NVA DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES, HARD HATS, HEAVY PACKS, AND CARRYING AK-47'S MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL (YD 049673). PATROL NOTED MOVE NVA IN WOODLINE (YD 048672). A TOTAL OF 82 NVA WERE OBSERVED IN ALL. PATROL NOTED THAT 3 GROUPS APPEARED TO BE CARRYING MORTARS. PATROL REQUESTED ARTY MISSION. ARTY MISSION DELAYED BECAUSE OF FIXED WING A/C IN AREA. MISSION COMMENCED AT 1600H. ARTY FIRED A TOTAL OF 41 ROUNDS IN SUPPORT OF THE TEAM. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE THE

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RESULTS, BUT STATED THAT ARTY GAVE EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF THE TARGET AREA.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. (LATE ENTRY)

013 MARCH ELEMENTS OF 2/26 FOUND THE TANK (NO. 201995) WHICH WAS DESTROYED AS A RESULT OF ENEMY CONTACT OF 3 MARCH. THE .50 AND .30 CALIBER MACHINEGUNS WERE INTACT ON THE TANK BUT HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY FIRE. THEY ALSO FOUND 1 GREASE GUN (M-3), 1 PISTOL (45 CALIBER), AND 1 M-14 RIFLE. ALL WEAPONS WERE COLLECTED AND DESTROYED.

5. AT 141000H VICINITY YD 219636 A M-52 TRACTOR FROM 11TH ENGINEERS HIT A MINE WITH RIGHT FRONT WHEEL. TRACTOR IS TOTAL LOSS. CRATER MEASURED 10 FEET ACROSS AND 40 INCHES DEEP. ROAD HAD BEEN SWEEPED BY 11TH ENGINEERS THIS MORNING. 2 FRIENDLY WIA (MEDEVAC) RESULTED. SHOVE 2 ADVISED REFERENCE HQH REPORT OF VC USING MINES IN PLASTIC CASES TO AVOID DETECTION.

6. AT 141145H E/2/26, WHILE SWEEPING OBJECTIVE 2 VICINITY YD 112685, DETONATED 2 EXPLOSIVE DEVICES 100 METERS APART. RESULTS: 3 USMC WIA'S AND 1 ARVN. ALL MEDEVACED. DEVICES WERE OF UNKNOWN TYPE BURIED AT LEAST 6 INCHES DEEP AND RIGGED WITH TWINE ABOUT 4 FEET OFF THE GROUND.

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D. AT 141315H RECON TEAM 202 VICINITY YD 185468 FOUND TRAIL. TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF HEAVY USE. PATROL FOUND WATER BUFFALO AND AND CATTLE TRACKS, BARE FEET AND TENIS BOOT TRACKS. PATROL HAS OBSERVED TRAIL FOR 2 DAYS AND SEEN NO MOVEMENT: SUSPECTS NIGHT MOVEMENT. NIGHTTIME ARTY FIRES PLANNED.

E. AT 141628H L/3/9 FOUND A 155MM DUD AT YD 141414. ALSO FOUND AN 8 INCH SHELL DUD AT YD 120462. BOTH ROUNDS WERE MARKED AND EOD WAS REQUESTED TO DESTROY THEM.

F. AT 141530H K/3/3 FOUND NUMEROUS TRAILS RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH, EAST AND WEST AT YD 041476 AND YD 045477. TRAILS HAVE NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY; APPEAR TO BE QUITE OLD BUT IN GOOD SHAPE. CONDUCTED SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

G. AT 141650H VICINITY XD 985630 (REFERENCE SPOT REPORT 35) 2 CREW MEMBERS OF DOWNED HELO'S ARE PRESUMED TO BE DEAD AS RESULT OF CRASH AND BURNING OF BOTH HELOS IN SPOT REPORT 39 (13MAR67). ALL CASUALTY REPORTING CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT WILL BE HANDLED BY MAG-16. THIS REPORT IS FOR INFO ONLY.

H. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: S NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: 3/3 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26 ESTABLISH NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY

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6/3 CP.

6/9 MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS VICINITY OF CAMP CARROLL

1/9: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

PROB ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

6/4 WILL SPEND THE NIGHT AT DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 64 KIA

940 WIA

21 ABC

1 MIA

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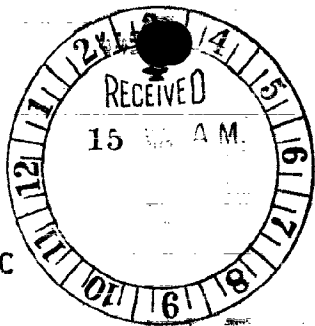
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 167, 141201H-141800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 2/26(-) CMD GRP, COS E, G, AND H XD 973537

B. 3/4(-) CMD GRP, COS K & L YD 242598

C. C1/9 YD 242598

D. M/3/9 YD 110580

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTIONS:

EXTRACTIONS: 2C1 FM YD 0660 BY HELO AT 141355H.

1D1 FM XD 9761 BY HELO AT 141515H.

3RD MAR: 3/3 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE PSNS IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION.

2/26: AT 141330H, COMMENCED HELILIFT FM YD 112687 TO XD 973537. AT 141725H, HELILIFT WAS COMPLETED.

3/9: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE PSNS AT

CAMP CARROLL. M/3/9 SWEEP SE TO YD 110580. AT 141730H,

M/3/9 COMMENCED NOTOR MOVEMENT FM YD 110580 TO CAMP CARROLL.

3/4: SWEEP E TO ROUTE 1 FM YD 178700. AT

141430H, 3/4 BOARDED TRUCKS FOR RETURN TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

MOVE COMPLETED AT 141530H. AT 141430H, 3RD MARDIV FWD ASSUMED OPCON OF 3/4(-).

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIO LINH.

1/9: MAINTAINED DEF OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL

FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUAVIET RIVER. C1/9 RETURNED TO DONG HA

AT 141800H FM 4/2 ARVN TAOR SECURITY DUTY.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS RETURNED:

UNIT SIZE TOR GS COVERED

D/1/9 SQD 141300H YD 2459, 2757, 2656, 2459.

1/44 SQD 141300H YD 2457, 2557, 2456, 2356, 2357, 2258.

12TH MAR SQD 141700H YD 2259, 2158.

K/3/4 SQD 141600H YD 1640, 1539, 1340, 1244.

L/3/9 SQD 141600H YD 0951, 0950, 0949, 0947, 1048, 1049.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 140945H, RESUPPLY CONVOY, WHILE GOING EAST TO DONG HA VIC YD 0857, REC 1 RD 81MM/82MM 100 METERS SOUTH. HWY 9. NO ACTION TAKEN. CONTINUED ON MSN.

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B. AT 141945H, AO OBS'D 3 EN IN OPEN. CALLED ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 1 EN KIA(C) & 1 EN KIA(PLM). C. AT 141400H, A MARINEAO OBS'D 4 NVA YD 062667 CARRYING 2 12-14 FOOT LONG POLES. THERE WERE 2 MEN CARRYING EACH POLE WITH POSSIBLE MORT ATTACHED. AO CALLED AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 2 EN KIA (C) & 2 EN KIA (P). AO STATED THAT THERE ARE NUMEROUS ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT SCATTERED AROUND AREA. D. AT 141200H, RECON TM 1C2 YD 048667 OBS'D 24 NVA DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES, HARD HATS, HEAVY PACKS, AND CARRYING AK-47'S MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL YD 049670. PATROL NOTED MORE NVA IN WOODLINE YD 048072. A TOTAL OF 82 NVA WERE OBS'D IN ALL. PPPAT NOTED THAT 3 GRPS APPEARED TO BE CARRYING MORTS. PAT REQUESTED ARTY MSN. ARTY FIRED A TOTAL OF 41 RDS IN SUPPORT OF THE TM. PAT COULD NOT OBS THE RES, BUT STATED THAT ARTY GAVE EXC COV OF THE TGT AREA.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 141000H, VIC YD 219636 AN M-52 TRACTOR FM 11TH ENGRS HIT A MINE WITH RIGHT FRONT WHEEL. TRACTOR IS TOTAL LOSS. CRATER MEASURED 10 FT ACROSS & 43 IN DEEP. ROAD HAD BEEN SWEEPED BY 11TH ENGRS THIS MORNING. 2 FR WIA (MED-EVAC) RES'D. SHOVE 2 ADVISED REFERENCE OF REPORT OF VC USING M

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IN PLASTIC CASES TO AVOID DETECTION.

B. AT 141145H, E/2/26, WHILE SWEEPING OBJ 2 VIC YD 112685, DETONATED 2 EXPLOSIVE DEVICES 100 METERS APART. RES: 3 USMC WIA'S & 1 ARVN. ALL MEDEVACED. DEVICES WERE OF UNK TYPE BURIED AT LEAST 6 IN DEEP AND RIGGED WITH TWINE ABOUT 4 FT OF THE GROUND.

C. AT 141328H, L/3/9 FOUND A 155MM DUD AT YD 141414. ALSO FOUND AN 81N SHELL DUD AT YD 120460. BOTH RDS WERE MARKED AND EOD WAS REQUESTED TO DESTROY THEM.

D. VIC XD 985639, 2 CREW MEMBERS OF DOWNED HELO'S ARE PRESUMED TO BE DEAD

AS RES

OF CRASH AND BURNING OF TWO HELO'S ON 13 MAR. ALL CAS REPORTING CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT WILL BE HANDLED BY MAG-16.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HRS.

3RD MAR: 3/3 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE PSNS IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26 ESTABLISH NIGHT DEF PSNS VIC 3/3 CP.

3/9: MAINTAIN NIGHT DEF PSNS VIC OF CAMP CARROLL.

1/9: MAINTAIN DEF OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FAC AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEF OF GIO LINH.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA 440 WIA 1 MIA(USA)

ENEMY: 639 KIA(C) 433 KIA(P) 283 DETAINEES

231 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 6 PW/NVA

12 PW/NVA 125 WPNS CAPT

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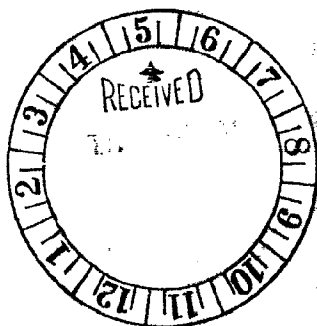
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 168, 141800H - 142400H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: M/3/9

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060543

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

1/3 RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR
EXTRACTIONS.M/3/9 RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL FROM OPERATION DONG HA MIN AREA AT
141845H. THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	AMBUSH SITE
L/3/9	SQUAD	142400H	YD 040560
L/3/9	SQUAD	142400H	YD 033544
I/3/9	SQUAD	142400H	YD 080540
K/3/9	SQUAD	142400H	YD 162334

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE
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3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 141950 H M/3/ OBSERVED 9-10 LIGHT VIC XD 831545. LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE CAMP FIRES. ARTY MISSION FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. AT 142025H 1/3/4 VIC YD 212754 ON DEFENSIVE PERIMETER DETECTED MOVEMENT AT WESTERN EDGE OF PERIMETER. FIRED THREE M-79 RDS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS: AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 141840H AO OBSERVED 2 NVA IN KHAKIS AT YD 156726. NVA WERE CAMOUFLAGING MORTAR POSITION. CALLED ARTY. RESULTS: 1 SN KIA PROB.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 141847H VIC YD 206383 A MAN FROM K/3/. PATROL SLIPPED ON TRAIL CAUSING ACCIDENTAL FIRING OF M-79 HITTING HIM IN THE HEAD. ROUND DID NOT EXPLODE. HAND BROKEN AND BLEEDING. MAN WILL BE MEDEVACED AT FIRST LIGHT. RESULTS 1 NON BATTLE CASUALTY.

5. PLANS: SRD RECON BN FWF HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRactions PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

ALL UNIT CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSH ACTIVITIES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA
440 WIA

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22 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

639 KIA CONF

434 KIA PROB

28 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

5 PW/VC

125 WEAPONS CAPTURED

2 CREW SERVED

102 INDIVIDUAL

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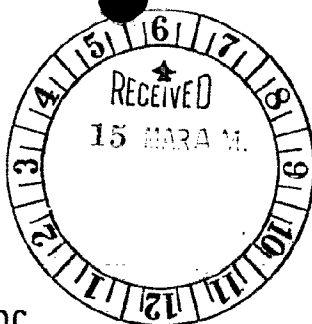
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 68, 141801H-142400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: M-79 YD 366543

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: RECON BIFWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS.

< 1/3/9 RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL FROM LONG HA MTN AREA AT 141845H. THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND A BUSHES WERE CONDUCTED.

UNIT SIZE TOR A-BUSH SITE

1/3/9 SQD 142400H YD 040560

L/3/9 SQD 142400H YD 033544

1/3/9 SQD 142400H YD 080540

K/3/9 SQD 142400H YD 162394

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEF PSN.

3. ECKY CONTACTS:

A. AT 141950H, M-3/9 OBS'D 9-10 LIGHT VIC XD 931545. LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE CAMP FIRES. ARTY MSH FIR 8 WITH UNK RES.

B. AT 142025H, 1/3/4 VIC YD 212734V **ON DEF PERIMETER**
~~DETECTED 910VEMENT AT WESTERN EDGE OF DEF~~ FIRES THREE M-79 RDS WITH UNK RES: AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 141840H, A< OBS'D 2 NVA I-KHAKIS AT YD 156726.. NVA WERE CAMOUFLAGED MORTAR PSN. CALLED ARTY. RES: 1 NVA KIA(P).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS: NONE

5. PLA 9: 3RD REG ON BIFWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HRS.

ALL UNITS CONTINUE A-BUSH ACTIVITIES AND MAINTAIN DEF PSN.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA 440 WIA 1 MIA(USA)

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 169, 142400H-150600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT SIZE TOR AMBUSH SITES AND PATROL ROUTES

C/1/9 SQUAD 150100H YD 264586

L/3/9 SQUAD 150100H YD 08532

I/3/9 SQUAD 150100H YD 064540, YD 059541

YD 061534, YD 057538

1/3/9 SQUAD 150600H YD 059554, YD 056552, YD 055548

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3/4 TO ASSUME SECURITY OF DUNG HA COMBAT BASE FROM

1/9 AT 151000H ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN THE R RESPECTIVE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 440 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 639 KIA CONF, 434 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CAPTURED, 23 CREW SERVED, 102 INDIVIDUAL

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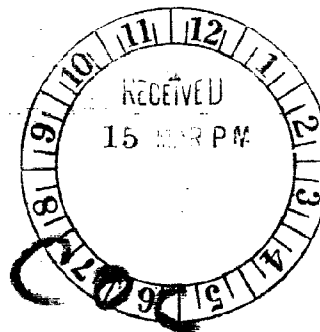
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR
EXTRACTION IN THE PAST SIX HOURS

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	AMBUSH SITES AND PATROL ROUTES
G/1/9	SQUAD	150100H	YD 264536
L/3/9	SQUAD	150100H	YD 08532
L/3/9	SQUAD	150100H	YD 064540 YD 059541 YD 061534 YD 057538
L/3/9	SQUAD	150600H	YD 059554 YD 056552 YD 055548



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ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS 2 INSERTIONS AND 1 EXTRACTION PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOUR:

INSERTIONS: 102 ASAP LL XD 8649 UR XD 8951

101 ASAP LL XD 8856 UR XD 9158

EXTRACTIONS: 402 ASAP YD 0567

3/4 TO ASSUME SECURITY OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE FROM 1/9 AT 151000H
ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN THEIR RESPECTIVE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 34 KIA

440 WIA

22 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 639 KIA CONF

454 KIA PROB

203 DETAINEES

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201 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DLF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

125 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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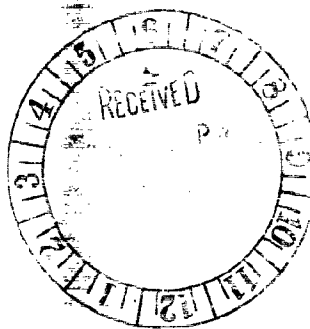
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP NK 170, 150600H-151200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED.

UNIT SIZE TOR AMBUSH SITES AND PATROLS ROUTE

M/3/3 SQD 150630H YU 978570

L/3/3 SQD 150700H YU 000578

L/3/3 SQD 150645H XU 978542

L/3/3 SQD 150700H YU 028538

K/3/3 SQD 150800H XU 964424

M/3/4 SQD 150700H YU 268660 YU 379658

12TH MAR SQD 151130 YU 201550, YU 190564, YU 103503.

D/1/9 SQD 151200H YU 268580, YU 260574

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

AT 151000H, 1/9 CHOPPED OPCON TO 3RD MARINES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 150800H, RECON TEAM 102 HEARD VOICES THAT SEEMED TO BE MOVING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION (YU 040670). NUMBER OF ENEMY, EQUIPMENT, OR UNIFORM COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. PATROL CALLED AN ARMY MISSION. ARTY HAD GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. VOICES CEASED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

3RD MARINES: 1/9(-) WILL DEPART DUNG HA COMBAT BASE BY VEHICLE APPROX 15300H, AND MOVE TO VICINITY YU 050505.

ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA 440 WIA 1 MIA

ENEMY: 639 KIA(C) 434 KIA(P) 203 DETAINEES

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125 WPNS CAPT 23 CREW SERVED 102 INDIVIDUAL

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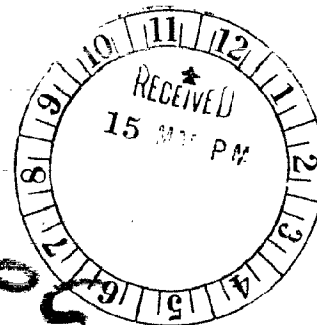
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 170, 150600H-151200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRactions IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED.

UNIT	SIZE	FOR	AMBUSH SITES AND PATROL ROUTES
M/3/3	SQUAD	150630H	YD 978570
L/3/3	SQUAD	150700H	YD 000578
L/3/3	SQUAD	150645H	XD 975542
L/3/3	SQUAD	150700H	YD 028538
K/3/3	SQUAD	150800H	XD 964424
M/3/4	SQUAD	150700H	YD 368560

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12TH MAR	SQUAD	151130H	YD 379658
			YD 201590
			YD 190564
			YD 183583
D/1/9	SQUAD	151200H	YD 268530
			260574

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

AT 151000H, 1/9 CHOPPED OPCON TO 3RD MARINES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 150800H, RECON TEAM 102 HEARD VOICES THAT SEEMED TO BE MOVING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION (YD 048670). NUMBER OF ENEMY, EQUIPMENT, OR UNIFORM COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. PATROL CALLED AN ARTY MISSION. ARTY HAD GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. VOICES CEASED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRactions PLANNED FOR THE NEXT 6 HOURS.

INSERTIONS: 102 ASAP VICINITY XD 8649

101 ASAP VICINITY XD 8856

EXTRactions: 102 ASAP YD 0665 (VICINITY)

302 ASAP VICINITY XD 9361

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0800 MAR 1967 179(-) WILL DEPART DONG HA COMBAT BASE BY VEHICLE
 AT APPROXIMATELY 151300H, AND MOVE TO VICINITY YD 090585.
 ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN
 DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

440 WIA

22 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 639 KIA CONF

404 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES

201 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

123 WEAPONS CAPTURED

26 CREW SERVED

192 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 171, 151201H-151800H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 1/9 CMD GRP, CO'S A & D YD 086590

B. C/1/9 YD 075590

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD THE FOLLOWING

INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIIONS:

INSERTIONS: 1D2 VIC XD 8748 AT 151345H

EXTRACTIIONS: 3C2 VIC XD 9361 AT 151640H

1C2 VIC YD 0567 AT 151425H

3D MAR: MAINTAINED DEF PSNS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3/3 MAINTAINED DEF PSNS IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26 MAINTAINED DEF PSNS IN 3/3 CP AREA.

3/9 MAINTAIN DEF PSNS AT CAMP CARROLL.

1/9 BEGAN MOVE INTO ASSEMBLY AREA VIC YD 0958 AT 151100H.

AT 151320H 1/9 CMD GRP AND A/1/9 DEPARTED DONG HA FOR ASSEMBLY AREA VIC YD 0958. MOVE WAS COMPLETED AT 151400H.

AT 151615H D/1/9 DEPARTED DONG HA FOR ASSEMBLY AREA.

3/4: AT 151000H ASSUMED DEFENSE MISSION DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

AT 151310H ONE SPARROW HAWK PLATOON WAS LAUNCHED TO AID A CAC PLATOON IN CONTACT WITH ESTIMATED VC PLATOON VIC YD 277552. CAC PLATOON

AND SPARROW HAWK PLATOON ARE PRESENTLY SWEEPING EAST TO RTE 1.

NO CONTACT WAS MADE AFTER SPARROW HAWK WAS LAUNCHED.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 151030H RECON TM 2D2 VIC YD 186463 MADE

CONTACT WITH 6 VC IN MULTI-COLORED PJ'S AND COOL'E HATS,

CARRYING AUTOMATIC WPNS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND PACKS.

PTL FIRED SMALL ARMS; VC BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TO EAST IN TREELINE.

PATROL FOUND 1 PACK, KNIFE AND BLOOD. PTL CALLED ARTY ON

MOVEMENT IN TREELINE AND SUSPECTED VC IN VALLEY; ALSO CALLED

AIR STRIKES IN AREA. RES: 3 EN KIA PROB. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW WHEN AVAILAB

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B. AT 151405H 2 UH1E'S AND 1 CH-46 AIRCRAFT RECD .30 CAL AND .50 CAL
FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 6 TO 8 VC VIC (YD058668). THE CH-46 TOOK
6 HITS, ONE UH1E TOOK 1 HIT; THE OTHER UH1E ALSO TOOK ONE HIT IN FRONT
OF COCKPIT RESULTING IN 1 FRIENDLY WIA (WING PERSONNEL). FIRE
WAS RETD AND FIXED WING CALLED WITH UNK RES.

C. AT 151225H CAC P-2 PTL VIC YD 277552 RECD 150 RJS A/W FIRE
FROM YD 277550. (UNK NR OF ENEMY). AREA SWEEP BY PTL

WITH NEG RES. A GUNSHIP WAS DISPATCHED BUT DID NOT FIRE.

A SQD WAS DISPATCHED FROM CAC-2P CP AND LINKED UP WITH

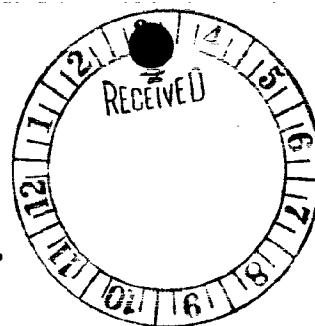
CAC PTL BUT MADE NO CONTACT.

D. AT 151640H RECON TM 2D2 VIC YD 184459 MADE CONTACT WITH UNK
NR 9! 3/3.6. FIXED WING A/C WERE CALLED. SPARROW HAWK PLATTON

ALERTED BUT NOT LAUNCHED. PTL WAS EXTRACTED AT

151805H. RESULTS OF AIRSTRIKE UNK.

E. AT 151600H 1ST PLATOON OF K/3/4 VIC YD 285556 RECD 25 RJS OF



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SNIPER FIRE FROM SOUTHEAST. RETD FIRE WITH SA WITH UNK RES.
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 151130H 11TH ENGRS VIC YD 073572 FOUND
 7 CHICOM MORTAR RDS THAT WERE POSSIBLY BOOBY
 TRAPPED (CALIBER UNK). NOTIFIED EOD.
 B. AT 151420H VIC YD 075568, EOD WHO WENT TO DESTROY 155MM DUD,
 FOUND 12 82MM MORTAR RDS, 5 MORTAR POSITIONS AND
 PROTECTIVE COUNTER-MORTAR POSITIONS WITH MISCELLANEOUS
 GEAR. MORTAR RDS BLOWN. BROUGHT GEAR TO REAR.
 C. AT 151055H CAC PTL 2 B FOLLOWED 1 WOMAN AND 2 BOYS (PF SAYS THESE
 PEOPLE HELP VC CARRY RICE AT NIGHT) TO CAVE VIC (YD277552).
 INSIDE THE CAVE CAC UNIT FOUND A SUITCASE FULL OF CLOTHES.
 ALL 3 WERE APPREHENDED AND WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP. RES: 3 DETAINEES.
 D. AT 150900H ELEMENTS OF 11TH ENGINEERS LOCATED 2 CHICOM FRAG-
 MENTATION MINES IN A ROAD BLOCK ON RTE 1 (YD221647). MINES WERE DESTROYED

ALSO FOUND 2 SIGNS ON STAKES ABOUT 4 FEET LONG, WILL BE FORWARDED TO CP.

E. AT 151700H 3/9 ASSUMED SECURITY FOR ARTY BTRY AT CAM LO.
 F. AT 151000H K/3/9 PTL VIC YD 209387 FOUND A BASE CAMP WITH
 12 LEAN-TO'S. CAMP WAS 50 METERS IN DIAMETER AND LOOKS AS THOUGH
 IT HAD BEEN RECENTLY OCCUPIED. IT WAS EQUIPPED WITH WELL-DISPersed
 FIGHTING HOLES AND MORTAR HOLES. POSITION OFFERS GOOD OBSERVATION
 OF VALLEY. THERE ARE FEW TRAILS IN AREA. EVIDENCE IN AREA INDICATES
 THAT ENEMY TRAVELS IN DRAWS. LEAN-TO'S DESTROYED.
 G. AT 151100H VIC YD 078570 11TH ENGRS, WHILE WORKING ON BY PASS,
 FOUND 12 ENEMY POSITIONS FRESHLY DUG. DIRT WAS STILL WET. HOLES
 (24 X 2" X 2"). FOUND CHICOM FOOD CANS, 1 CHICOM E-TOOL. FUSE
 WELL PLUGS, AND 12 MORTAR RDS. GEAR TO BE BROUGHT TO REAR.
 H. AT 151345H 1/3/9 VIC YD 075568 FOUND COOKING AND MISCELLANEOUS
 GEAR. CAMP LARGE ENOUGH FOR 10-15 MEN. FOUND PRINT OF ESTIMATED
 60MM MORTAR BASE PLATE ALSO FOUND 10 ONE-MAN FIGHTING HOLES, 3 COUNTER-
 MORTAR POSITIONS. AREA WAS 50 FEET IN DIAMETER.
 FOUND BOOT PRINTS IN AREA. CAMP DESTROYED.
 I. AT 151530H K/3/9 SENT ONE PLATOON TO RELIEVE D/1/9 OF
 SECURITY MISSION AROUND ARTY POSITION AT CAM LO.
 J. AT 151500H L/3/4 SENT ONE PLATOON TO RELIEVE D/1/9 OF SECURITY
 MISSION AT THE CAM LO BRIDGE.
 5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS AND ONE
 EXTRACTION PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS:
 EXTRACTION: 2D2 FROM YD 1846
 3D WAR: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE PSNS AND CONDUCT SECURITY & AMBUSH P

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PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIO LINH.

3/45 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA AND THE POL FACILITY
 AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 440 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 639 KIA CONF, 437 KIA PROB

286 DETAINEES, 23 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CAPTD

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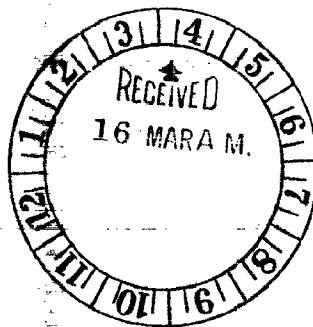
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 171, 151200H - 151800H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

A. 1/9 COMMAND GROUP, COMPANIES A AND D - YD 086500

B. C/1/9 - YD 075500

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD THE

FOLLOWING INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTATIONS:

INSERTIONS: 102 VICINITY XD 8748 AT 151345H

EXTRACTATIONS: 302 VICINITY XD 9361 AT 151642H

102 VICINITY YD 0567 AT 151425H

3RD MARINES: MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AREA OF OPERATION.

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3/3 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

2/26 MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN 3/3 CP AREA.

3/9 MAINTAINED DEFENSEIVE POSITIONS AT CAMP CARROLL.

1/9 BEGAN MOVE INTO ASSEMBLY AREA VICINITY YD 0958 AT 151100H.

AT 151300H 1/9 COMMAND GROUP AND A/1/9 DEPARTED DONG HA

FOR ASSEMBLY AREA VICINITY YD 0958. MOVE WAS COMPLETED AT 151400H.

AT 151615H D/1/9 DEPARTED DONG HA FOR ASSEMBLY AREA.

3/4: AT 151000H ASSUMED DEFENSE MISSION DONG HA

COMBAT BASE. AT 151310H ONE SPARROW HAWK PLATOON WAS LAUNCHED

TO AID A CAC PLATOON IN CONTACT WITH ESTIMATED VC PLATOON

VICINITY YD 277552. CAC PLATOON AND SPARROW HAWK PLATOON ARE

PRESENTLY SLEEPING EAST TO ROUTE 1. NO CONTACT WAS MADE AFTER

SPARROW HAWK WAS LANDED.

PROV ARTY VBN WITH 1/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 151030H RECON TEAM 202 VICINITY

YD 186463 MADE CONTACT WITH 6 VC IN MULTI-COLORED PJ'S AND

COOLIE HATS; CARRYING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND PACKS.

PATROL FIRED SMALL ARMS; VC BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TO EAST IN

TREELINE. PATROL FOUND 1 PACK, KNIFE AND BLOOD. PATROL

CALLED ARTY ON MOVEMENT IN TREELINE AND SUSPECTED VC IN VALLEY.

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ALSO CALLED AIR VVVSTICES IN AREA. RESULTS: 3 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW WHEN AVAILABLE.

B. AT 151425H 2 UNIC'S AND 1 CH-46 AIRCRAFT RECEIVED 75 CALIBER AND .50 CALIBER FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 6 TO 8 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS (YD 258668). THE CH-46 TOOK 6 HITS, ONE UNIC TOOK 1 HIT; THE OTHER UNIC ALSO TOOK ONE HIT IN FRONT OF COCKPIT RESULTING IN 1 FRIENDLY WIA (WING PERSONNEL). FIRE WAS RETURNED AND FIXED WING CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. AT 151310H CAC PLATOON P-2 MADE CONTACT WITH ESTIMATED VC PLATOON. SPARROW HAWK WAS ALERTED AND FLOWN TO LZ AT YD V272558. NO CONTACT WAS MADE.

D. AT 151215H CAC P-2 PATROL VICINITY YD 277552 RECEIVED 150 ROUNDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM YD 277550. (UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY). AREA SWEEP BY PATROL WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. A GUNSHIP WAS DISPATCHED BUT DID NOT LAUNCH. SPARROW HAWK WAS DISPATCHED FROM CAC-2P CP AND LINKED UP WITH CAC PATROL BUT MADE NO CONTACT.

E. AT 151640H RECON TEAM 202 VICINITY YD 184453 MADE CONTACT WITH UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. FIXED WING A/C WERE CALLED. SPARROW HAWK PLATOON ALERTED BUT NOT LAUNCHED. PATROL WAS

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EXTRACTED AT 151805H. RESULTS OF AIRSTRIKE UNKNOWN.

F. AT 151600H 1ST PLATOON OF K/3/4 VICINITY YD 285556 RECEIVED 25 ROUNDS OF SNIPER FIRE FROM SOUTHEAST. RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 151130H 11TH ENGINEERS VICINITY YD 073572 FOUND 7 CHICOM MORTAR ROUNDS; THAT WERE POSSIBLY BOOBY TRAPPED (CALIBER UNKNOWN). NOTIFIED EOD.

B. AT 151420H VICINITY YD 075568, EOD WHO WENT TO DESTROY 155MM DUD, FOUND 12 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 5 MORTAR POSITIONS AND PROTECTIVE COUNTER-MORTAR POSITIONS WITH MISCELLANEOUS GEAR. MORTAR ROUNDS BLOWN. BROUGHT GEAR TO REAR.

C. AT 151055H CAC PATROL 2B FOLLOWED 1 WOMAN AND 2 BOYS (PF SAYS THESE PEOPLE HELP VC CARRY RICE AT NIGHT) TO CA CAVE (YD 277552). INSIDE THE CAVE VCAC UNIT FOUND A SUITCASE FULL OF CLOTHES. ALL 3 WERE APPREHENDED AND WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP. RESULT: 3 DETAINEES.

D. AT 151000H ELEMENTS OF 11TH ENGINEERS LOCATED 2 CHICOM FRAGMENTATION MINES IN A ROAD LOOKING MAD OF SW AND BARBED WIRE ON ROUTE 1 (YD 221647). MINES WERE DESTROYED. ALSO FOUND 2 SIGNS ON STAKEOUT ROUTE 40 FEET LONG WILL BE FORWARDED

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E. AT 151700H 3/9 ASSUMED SECURITY FOR ARTY BATTERY
AT CAM LO.

F. AT 151000H K/3/9 PATROL VICINITY YD 209387 FOUND A
BASE CAMP WITH 12 LEAN-TOO. SVGN CAMP WAS 50 METERS IN DIAMETERS
AND LOOKS AS THOUGH IT HAD BEEN RECENTLY OCCUPIED. IT WAS EQUIPPED
WITH WELL-DISPERSED FIGHTING HOLES AND MORTAR HOLES. POSITION
OFFERS GOOD OBSERVATION OF VALLEY. THERE ARE FEW TRAILS IN
AREA. EVIDENCE IN AREA INDICATES THAT ENEMY TRAVELS IN
DRAWS. LEAN-TOO'S DESTROYED, EMBLACEMENTS WERE NOT (LACK OF C-4).

G. AT 151100H VICINITY YD 078570 WITH ENGINEERS,
WHILE WORKING ON BY PASS, FOUND 12 ENEMY POSITIONS FRESHLY DUG.
DIRT WAS STILL WET. HOLES (24 X 2' X 2'). FOUND CHICOM FOO

CANS, 1 CHICOM E-TOOLN FUSE WELL PLUGS, AND 12 MORTAR ROUNDS.
(PREVIOUSLY REPORTED). GEAR TO BE BROUGHT TO REAR.

H. AT 151345H 1/3/9 VICINITY YD 075568 FOUND COOKING
AND MISCELLANEOUS GEAR. CAMP LARGE ENOUGH FOR 10-15 MEN. FOUND
PRINT OF ESTIMATED 60MM MORTAR BASE PLATE ALSO FOUND 10 ONE-MAN
FIGHTING HOLES, 3 COUNTER-MORTAR POSITIONS. AREA
WAS 50 FEET IN DIAMETER. FOUND BOOT PRINTS IN AREA. AREA DESTROYED.

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I. AT 151530H K/3/9 SENT ONE PLATOON TO RELIEVE D/1/9
OF SECURITY MISSION AROUND ARTY POSITION AT CAM LO.

J. AT 151500H L/3/4 SENT ONE PLATOON TO RELIEVE D/1/9
OF SECURITY MISSION AT THE CAM LO BRIDGE.

K. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO INSERTIONS AND ONE
EXTRACTION PLANNED FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

EXTRACTION: 2DZ FROM YD 1846 ASAP

3RD MARINES: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS
AND CONDUCT SECURITY AND AMBUSH PATROLS.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GLO LINH.

5/4: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA AND THE POL FACILITY
AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

L. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

440 WIA

22 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

639 KIA CONF

437 KIA PROB

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31 INN CIVIL
 22 CIVIL DEF
 12 PW/NVA
 6 PW/VC
 125 WEAPONS CAPTURED
 25 CREW SERVED
 102 INDIVIDUAL

7. SCOUT/SNIPERS: NO CHANGE

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II SITREP NR 172, 151800H-152400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROL WAS CONDUCTED IN THE LAST SIX HOURS:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	PATROL ROUTE
M/3/9	PLT	152400H	YD 217370 TO 210379

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT

MANEUVERS AND MAINTAIN

DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 151600H RECON TEAM 101 VIC KD 690558 ATTEMPTED AN INSERTION
HELO SET DOWN AND 5 MEN DISEMBARKED. FROM HELO AT THIS TIME HELO BEGAN

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TO RECEIVE HEAVY VOLUME OF S/A AND A/W FIRE. ANOTHER HELO RETURNED
TO EXTRACT TEAM. AO CALLED FIXED WING AIR STRIKES ON AREA.

RESULTS

UNKNOWN. RESULTS OF FIRE 1 FRIENDLY WIA (MINOR INJURY).

B. AT 151320H AO SIGHTED 10 NVA AT YD 054672 IN KHAKI UNIFORMS.

CALLED ARTY RESULTING IN 6 EN KIA PROB.

C. SUMMARY OF RECON TEAM 202 FROM 151000H TO 151800H. AFTER
INITIAL CONTACT WITH 6 VC CALLED ARTY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS AT 151615H
PATROL RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM 2 VC AT YD 181458. RETURNED FIRE
WITH S/A CALLED AIR STRIKES RESULTING IN 2 EN KIA CONF. 16 KIA EN
PROB (3 PREVIOUSLY RPT.) AND 1 MINOR FRIENDLY WIA. PATROL EXTRACTED AT
151600H.

D. AT 151613H RECON TEAM 102 YD 207493 HEARD MOVEMENT ABOUT 30
TO 50 METERS FROM THEIR POSITION. CALLED ARTY. ARTY BOXED PATROL IN
MOVEMENT STOPPED RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. A CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON M/3/4 AT YD 314722. M/3/4 FOUND 2
CYLINDERS 25" LONG WHICH APPEARED TO BE TORPEDO CHARGES FOUND 3
SPIDER HOLES AT YD 320700, 320716, 320714 ALL APPEARED TO BE OLD.
FOUND TUNNEL NEXT TO ABANDONED HOUSE CONSTRUCTED OF BRICK AND
CORRUGATED METAL.

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5. AT 151820 H RADIO WIRE MAN FROM 3/3 FOUND WIRE ON SOUTHERN SLOPE OF ROC (PILE) THAT HAD BEEN CUT IN TWO PLACES. WIRE WILL BE REPLACED TOMORROW.

CG. AT 1510315H MEMBERS OF L/3/3 CP GROUP XD 981544 FOUND AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE IN A CANDLE. DEVICE WAS 1 1/2 INCHES LONG AND 5/4 INCHES IN DIAMETER. CANDLE HAD BEEN BOUGHT ON OR

ABOUT 1 MARCH AT THE VN STORE IN THE FOURTH MARINES REAR AREA AT DONG HA.
 7. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

8. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

ENEMY: 641 KIA CONF

442 WIA

456 KIA PROB

22 NBC

286 DETAINEES

1 MIA

201 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

123 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

102 INDIVIDUAL

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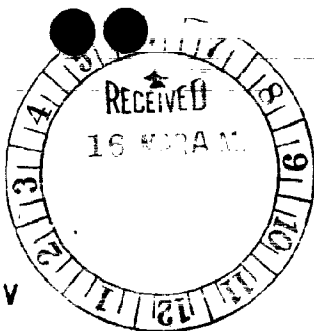
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II SITREP NR 172 , 151801H-152400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS AND

(1) EXTRACTION: 2DZ EXTRACTED 151805H FROM YU 1845.

THE FOLLOWING PATROL WAS CONDUCTED IN THE LAST SIX HOURS:

UNIT SIZE TOR PATROL ROUTE

K/3/9 PLT 152400H YU 217370 TO 210379

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEF PSNS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 151630H RECON TM 1C1 VIC XD 890558 ATTEMPTED AN

INSERTION. HELO SET DOWN AND 3 MEN DISEMBARKED FROM HELO AT THIS TIME
 HELO BEGAN TO RECEIVE HEAVY VOLUME OF SA AND AW FIRE. ANOTHER HELO
 RETURNED TO EXTRACT TEAM. AO CALLED FIXED WING AIR STRIKES ON AREA. RES U

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RESULTS OF FIRE 1 FRIENDLY WIA (MINOR).

B. AT 151320H AO SIGHTED 10 NVA AT YU 054670 IN KHAKI UNIFORMS.
 CALLED ARTY RESULTING IN 6 EN KIA PROB.

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C. SUMMARY OF RECON TEAM 202 FROM 151030H TO 151805H. AFTER INITIAL
SECRET WITH 6 VC CALLED ARTY WITH UNK RES. AT 151055H PTL
 RECD SA F RE FROM 2 VC AT YD 184458. RECD FIRE #178. CALLED
 AIR STRIKES RESULTING IN 2 EN KIA CONF. 16 EN KIA PROB
 (3 PREVIOUSLY RPT.) AND 1 MINOR FR WIA. PTL EXTRACTED AT 151805H.
 D. AT 151610H RECON TEAM 102 YD 807493 HEARD MOVEMENT ABOUT 30 TO 50
 METERS FROM THEIR PSN. CALLED ARTY. ARTY BOXED PATROL IN. MOVEMENT
 STOPPED. RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. A CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON M/3/4 AT YD 3147

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 M/3/4 FOUND 2 CYLINDERS 25" LONG WHICH APPEARED TO BE TORPEDO CHARGES.
 FOUND 3 SPIDER HOLES AT YD 303730, 320716, 320714 ALL APPEARED TO BE OLD

FOUND TUNNEL NEXT TO ABANDONED HOUSE CONSTRUCTED OF BRICK AND
 CORRUGATED METAL.

B. AT 151820H WIRE MAN FROM 3/3 FOUND WIRE ON SOUTHERN
 SLOPE OF ROCKPILE THAT HAD BEEN CUT IN TWO PLACES. WIRE
 WILL BE REPLACED TOMORROW.

C. AT 151015H MEMBERS OF L/3/3 CP GROUP XD 981544 FOUND AN
 EXPLSIVE DEVICE IN A CANDLE. DEVICE WAS 1 1/2 INCHES LONG AND 3/4
 THEIR SMOKEAMETERS WHICH HAS BEEN BOOSHATONONG ABOUT 1 MARCH AT

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS
 PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE PSNS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 442 WIA, 1 MIA USA
 ENEMY: 641 KIA CONF, 456 KIA PROB

286 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CFTRD

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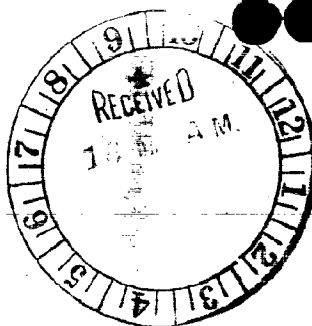
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 175, 160000H-160000H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TUR	AMBUSH SITE OR PATROL ROUTE
M/3/3	SQD	160200H	XD 913562
M/3/9	SQD	160200H	YD 056558, YD 051561, YD 064566, YD 068566.
M/3/9	SQD	160400H	YD 055542, YD 064534, YD 068540
M/3/9	SQD	160600H	YD 074552, YD 066540, YD 065538, YD 075539, YD 071544.

L/3/9 SQD 160030H YD 099502

CAC=P-3 SQD 160200H YD 170594

ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 160445H, M/3/4 YD 329705 OBS AND FIRED S/A ON 2 VC.

BOTH VC KNOCKED DOWN AS RESULT OF FIRE. ONE VC ASSISTED THE OTHER AND DISAPPEARED INTO THE BUSH. AREA THOROUGHLY SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

RESULTS: 1 EN KIA(P).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

3 RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO EXTRACTATIONS PLANNED AND 2

INSERTIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INS: 2CZ 160800H LL XD 8944 UR XD 9247

3D: 160830H LL XD 9461 UR XD 9763

M/3/9 TO CONDUCT S&D OPERATION IN AREA BOUNDED BY GL 13 ON THE WEST 20 ON THE EAST, 51 ON THE NORTH, AND EAST-WEST ROAD VIC GL 46 ON THE SOUTH.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES, SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA RRW KIA 1 MIA(USA)

ENEMY: 641 KIA(C) 457 KIA(P) 286 DETAINEES

231 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC 125 WPNS CAPT

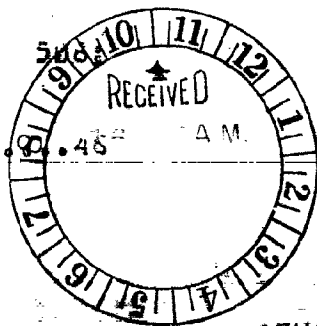
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 173, 152400H-160600H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	FOR	AMBUSH SITE OR PATROL ROUTE
M/3/3	SQUAD	160200H	XD 973562
M/3/9	SQUAD	160200H	YD 056358, YD 051561, YD 064566, YD 068566
M/3/9	SQUAD	160400H	YD 055542, YD 064534, YD 068540
M/3/9	SQUAD	160600H	YD 074552, YD 0865484, YD 085538, YD 075539, YD 071544
L/3/9	SQUAD	160030H	YD 099502

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CAC-P-3 SQUAD 160200H YD 170534

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 160445H M/3/4 (YD 329705) OBSERVED AND FIRED S/A ON 2 VC. BOTH VC KNOCKED DOWN AS RESULT OF FIRE. ONE VC ASSISTED THE OTHER TO DISAPPEAR INTO THE BRUSH. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

RESULTS: 1 EN KIA PROB.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO EXTRACTATIONS PLANNED AND 2 INSERTIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INS: 202 160000H LL XD 8944 UR XD 9247

501 160830H LL XD 9467 UR XD 9763

M/3/9 TO CONDUCT S&D OPERATION IN AREA BOUNDED BY GL 13 ON

THE WEST 20 ON THE EAST, 51 ON THE NORTH, AND EAST-WEST ROAD VIC GL 46 ON THE SOUTH.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES, SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6 CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

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REMY: 641 KIA CONF

107 KIA PROB

100 DETAINEES

101 INN CIVIL

12 CIVIL DEF

12 PH/NVA

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10 WEAPONS CAPTURED

13 CREW SERVED

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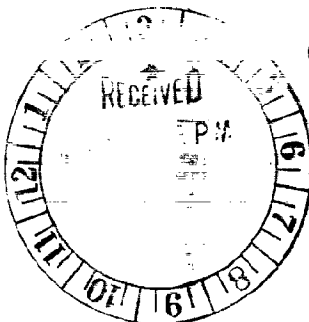
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 PLANED OPNS

1. 3D MARDIV COMMENCES PHASE II OF CURRENT OPNS. PHASE II BY S&D OPNS NORTH OF CAM LO 170800Z MAR 67.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT S&D OPNS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROV TO LOCATE AND DESTROY EN FORCES IN ORDER TO SECURE DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND CAMP CARROLL FROM EN MORT AND ROCKET ATK.
3. CONCEPT OF OPNS: 3D MARINES CONDUCTS S&D OPNS, WITH MULTIPLE COMPANY PATROLS ALONG AXIS OF VALLEYS NORTH OF DONG HA MTN COMPLEX, IN AO BOUNDED BY SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF DMZ FROM GL 94 EAST TO (YD 088688) TO (YD 100688), SOUTH ALONG GL 10 TO (YD 100620), EAST ALONG GL 62 TO (YD 160620), SOUTH ALONG GL 16 TO CAM LO RIVER, WEST ALONG RIVER TO G

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- 57,
 WEST ALONG GL57 TO GL94, NORTH ALONG GL 94 TO SOUTH BOUNDARY OF DMZ.
 A. 1ST BN(-), 9TH MAR MOVES ALONG GENERAL AXIS FROM VIC CAM LOWEST TO OBJ 1 (YD 075622), OBJ 2 (YD 064633), AND OBJ 3 (YD 049633).
 B. ON ORDER 3D BN(-), 3RD MAR MOVES ALONG AXIS FROM WEST OF CAM LO TO OBJ A (YD 068594), NORTH TO OBJ B (YD 068606), AND WEST TO OBJ C (YD 035605).
 C. 1ST ARVN DIV CONTINUES OPNS NORTH OF NW OF DONG HA.
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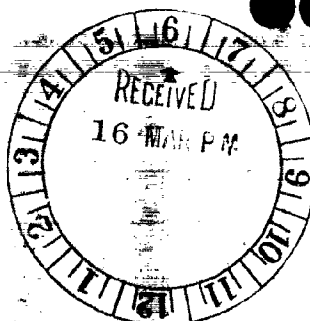
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TO: CG THIRD MARDIV

INFO: THIRD MARINES

THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

TWELFTH MARINES

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OPERATION PEARL II, S TRAP 174, 160500H-161200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

a. 1/3/9 YD 101491

b. 2/20 XD 972536

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: M/3/9 WAS SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION THIS MORNING HOWEVER I-3-9 WAS SUBSTITUTED AND AT 161000H COMMENCED MOVE TO OPERATING AREA. AT 161100H 2/20 COMMENCED MOVEMENT DOWN THE KHE GIA RIVER TO SEARCH GRID SQUARES XD 9153, 9253, AND 9353. ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED SECURITY

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PATROLS AND MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

1. ENEMY CONTACTS: a. AT 160940H A K/3/4 PLATOON PATROL (YD 273562) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 15 TO 20 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM APPROXIMATELY 6 ENEMY (YD 276560). PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

b. AT 161000H, WHILE ATTEMPTING TO INSERT RECON TEAM (XD 908408) HELOS RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM (XD 910404, XD 895475, AND XD 906476. PATROL OBSERVED 12 NVA DRESSED IN KHAKIS, HEAVY PACKS, HELMETS, AND CARRYING WEAPONS. HELOS FIRED ROCKETS AND .50 CALIBER AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. FIRED WING MADE BOMB AND ROCKET RUNS ON THE AREA. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED.

2. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: a. AT 160930H A 3RD MARDIV HQ FOUND A BUNKER 8 TO 10 FEET SQUARE (YD 052662). HQ COULD SEE NO ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA. b. OBSERVED THAT THE BUNKER WAS NEW AND STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. c. POSITION OF BUNKER GIVEN TO 3RD MARINES.

d. AT 161100H RECON TEAM 102 PAIR FOUND A TRAIL APPROXIMATELY 4 FEET WIDE, RUNNING EAST TO WEST (XD 887498). TRAIL APPEARED TO BE USED BY APPROXIMATELY 30 PEOPLE WITHIN THE LAST

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CONTINUE TO OBSERVE TRAIL.AT 161115H 1 MAN FROM 3/1/9 WAS WOUNDED BY AN
ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE AS PATROL WAS MOVING THROUGH HEAVY BRUSH.

RESULT: 1 WIA (MEDEVAC) NEC. MAN NOT SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: PLANS NO INSERTIONS OR
EXTRACTIONS FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE PATROLS, OPERATIONS, AND
MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY:

4 KIA

12 WIA

10 NEC

MIA

ENEMY

642 KIA CONF 125 WEAPONS CAPTURED

457 KIA PROB 3 CREW SERVED

285 DETAINEES 102 INDIVIDUAL

251 INN CIVIL

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12 PW/NVA

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 174, 160600H-161200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 1/3/9 YD 101491; B. 2/26 XU 972536

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: M/3/9 WAS SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE S&U UPN THIS MORNING HOWEVER 1/3/9 WAS SUBSTITUTED AND AT 161030H COMMENCED MOVE TO OPERATING AREA. AT 161100H 2/26 COMMENCED MOVEMENT DOWN THE KHE GIA RIVER

TO SEARCH GRID SQUARES XU 9153, 9253, AND 9353.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED SECURITY PTLS AND MAINTAINED DEF PSNS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 160940H A K/3/4 PLAT PTL (YD273562) RECD APPROX 15 TO 20 RDS OF SA FIRE FROM APPROX 6 ENEMY (YD276560).

PTL RETD FIRE WITH SA AND SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEG RES.

B. AT 161000H, WHILE ATTEMPTING TO INSERT RECON TM 2C2 (XU908468)

HELOS RECD SA AND AW FIRE FROM XU 910464, XU 895475,

AND XU 906476. PTL OBSD 12 NVA DRESSED IN KHAKIS, HEAVY PACKS, HELMETS, AND CARRYING WPNS. HELOS FIRED RKTS AND 50 CAL AW. FIXED WING MADE BOMB

AND RKT RUNS ON THE AREA. RES: 1 EN KIA CONF.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 160930H A 3D MARDIV AD OBSD A BUNKER 8 TO 10 FEET SQUARE (YD052662). AD COULD SEE NO ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA, BUT OBSD THAT THE BUNKER WAS NEW AND STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. PSN OF BUNKER GIVEN TO 3RD MAR.

B. AT 161100H RECON TM 1D2 PTL FOUND A TRAIL APPROX 4 FEET WIDE, RUNNING EAST TO WEST (XD887498). TRAIL APPEARED TO BE USED BY APPROX 30 PEOPLE WITHIN THE LAST 2 DAYS. MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE TO THE EAST. PTL WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE TRAIL.

C. AT 161115H 1 MAN FROM D/1/9 WAS WOUNDED BY AN ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE AS PTL WAS MOVING THROUGH HEAVY BRUSH.

RESULT: 1 WIA (MEDEVAC) N3C. MAN NOT SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

5. PLANS: UN TS WILL CONTINUE PATROLS, OPERATIONS, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 84 KIA, 442 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 642 KIA CONF, 457 KIA PROB

286 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

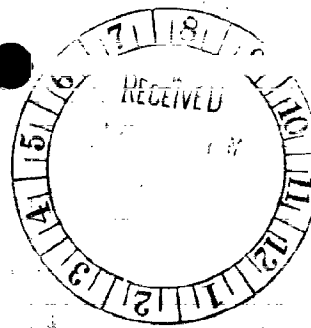
12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

125 WPNS CPTD, 23 CREW SERVED, 102 INDIV

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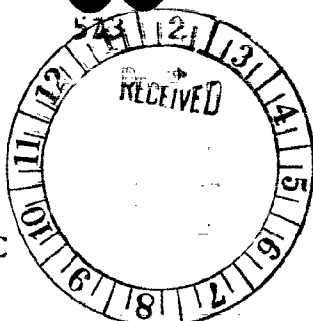
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 175, 161201H-161800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 2/26 CMD GRP, COS E AND H XO 960554

B. G/2/26 XO 960558

C. 1/9 CMD GRP AND CU A YD 035589

D. C/1/9 YD 083607

E. D/1/9 YD 087583

F. 1/3/9 YD 140494

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD ONE INSERTION AND NO EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PAST SIX HOURS.

INSERTIONS: 3C1 AT 161700H VIC YD 0862

3RD MAR: 1/3/9 CONTINUED WITH S&D MISSION

SOUTHEAST OF CAMP CARROLL. 2/26 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD

ITS ASSIGNED POSN VIC XO 9758. 1/9 CONDUCTED

EXTENSIVE SECURITY PATROLS NORTH OF ITS ASSEMBLY AREA IN

PREPARATION FOR MOVE NORTH AT 170800H. ALL OTHER UNITS

MAINTAINED DEF POSN AND CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE SECURITY PATROLLING.

3/4: MAINTAINED DEF OF JONG HA COMBAT BASE AND

POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 CONTINUED TO DEFEND GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 161255H, K/3/4 SQD PATROL

VIC YD 279546 REC'D EST 25 RJS SA FIRE

FROM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY VIC YD 176541. RETURNED FIRE

WITH SA AND PURSUED ENEMY. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND

ESCAPED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 161015H, K/3/9 SQD PATROL

VIC YD 162379 FOUND ENEMY CAMP SITE APPROX 2 WEEKS

OLD. CAMP HAD BEEN DESTROYED. PATROL CHECKED AREA WITH

NEG RES.

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B. AT 161245H, ELEMENT OF C/1/9 YD 075591 FOUND 22 FIGHTING HOLES (2 1/2" X 4" X 5"), 3 MORTAR PITS (4" X 5"), EMPTY MORTAR RD CANS WITH CHINESE WRITING ON THEM, AND 1 PITH HELMET. THE MORTAR PIT APPEARED TO BE ABOUT ONE WEEK OLD, HOWEVER, THERE SEEMED TO BE NO RECENT ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. ALL MATERIAL WAS DESTROYED.

C. AT 161414H, 1/3/9 FOUND A HOOCH YD 125504 WITH ROOM FOR 3 MEN TO SLEEP. OUTSIDE OF HOOCH WAS TRENCH APPROX 3 WKS OLD. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEG RES, AND THE HUT WAS DESTROYED.

D. AT 161325H, K/3/9 DISCOVERED A BASE CAMP YD 170370 3-5 WKS OLD. THE CAMP HAD 40-50 FIGHTING HOLES, 30 CAMP FIRE SITES, HUTS AND ASSORTED GEAR. A TRAIL LEADING INTO CAMP AND OUT NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST WAS ALSO FOUND. A THOROUGH SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE WITH NEG RES. ALL GEAR WILL BE FORWARDED TO CP.

E. AT 161415H, RECON TM 302 FOUND A TRAIL APPROX 2 METERS WIDE, RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH XJ 882583. PATROL EST THAT APPROX A BATTALION HAD MOVED ON THE TRAIL ON 15 OR 16 MARCH. PATROL IS CONTINUING TO OBS THE AREA.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3RD MAR: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEF POSN.

1/3/9, 2/26, 1/9 ESTABLISH NIGHT DEF POSNS IN RESPECTIVE AREA OF OPERATION.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEF OF GIO LINH.

3/4: MAINTAIN DEF OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA	442 WIA	1 MIA(USA)
ENEMY: 642 KIA(C)	457 KIA(P)	287 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
6 PW/VC	125 WPNS CAPT	

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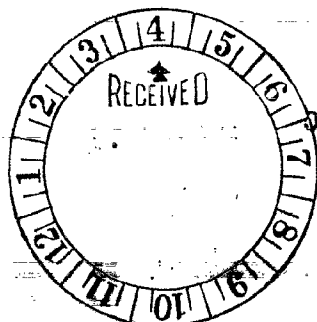
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1. 3RD MARINES: PASS OPCON 1/3/3 TO THIRD BN FOURTH MARINES
AT 170600H.

2. THIRD BN FOURTH MARINES:

A. CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION

B. ASSUME OPCON FOR 1/3/3 AT 170600H.

C. PROCEED TO HKHE SANH BY AIR WITH LIGHT COMMAND GROUP
AND 1/3/3 FOR OPERATIONS AS DIRECTED.

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 175, 161200H - 161800H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 2/26 COMMAN

GROUP, COMPANIES E AND H XD 960554

B. 3/2/26

C. 1/9 COMMAND GROUP AND COMPANY A

D. C/1/9

E. D/1/9

F. I/3/9

XD 960558

YD 086589

YD 086607

YD 087586

YD 140494

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD ONE
INSERTION AND NO EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PAST SIX HOURS.
INSERTION: SCI AT 161700H VICINITY YD 0862

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3RD MARINES: LOXKO CONTINUED WITH SEARCH AND DESTROY
MISSION SOUTHEAST OF CAMP CARROLL. 2/26 CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD
ITS ASSIGNED POSITION IAW MY FRAG ORDER 8-67. 1/9 CONDUCTED
EXTENSIVE SECURITY PATROLS NORTH OF ITS ASSEMBLY AREA IN
PREPARATION FOR MOVE TO NORTH AT 170000H. ALL OTHER UNITS
MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE SECURITY
PATROLING.

3/4: MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND
POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 CONTINUED TO DEFEND GIO LINH.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 161255H K/3/4 SQUAD PATROL
VICINITY YD 279546 RECEIVED ESTIMATED 25 ROUNDS SMALL ARMS FIRE
FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY VICINITY YD 276541. RETURNED FIRE
WITH SMALL ARMS AND PURSUED ENEMY. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND
ESCAPED.

B. (LATE ENEMY) AT 161400H A PLATOON FROM E/2/9 (XD 802444)
WAS AMBUSHED BY AN ESTIMATED VC PLATOON (REIN). SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS
RETURNED AND AN ARTY MISSION CALLED. AFTER APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES
CONTACT WAS BROKEN BY THE ENEMY. ABOUT 15-30 MINUTES LATER,
WHILE ATTEMPTING TO MOVE CASUALTIES TO A SUITABLE LZ, THE

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PLATOON WAS HIT AGAIN BY HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. THIS CONTACT LASTED

ABOUT 10 MINUTES. AT 1600H

A PLATOON OF B/1.9 MARRIED WITH THE PLATOON OF E/279 (VIA FOOT). BOTH UNITS (COMBINED) HAVE BEEN RECEIVING SMALL

ALL ARMS AND POSSIBLE MORTAR FIRE. AT 161600H CASUALTIES WERE BEING EVACUATED AND FIMED WING AND ARTY MISSIONS WERE IN PROGRESS. THE CASUALTY FIGURES ARE: 7 FRIENDLY KIA, 9 FRIENDLY WIA, 1 MIA (ATTEMPTS TO FIND WIA ARE IN PROGRESS). MORE INFO WILL FOLLOW AS AVAILABLE.

C. AT 161540H VICINITY YD 92543 11TH ENGINEER PATROL RECEIVED 5 ROUNDS SNIPER FIRE. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE ENEMY. PATROL SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 1 VIETNAMESE. WILL BRING HIM IN FOR INTERROGATION.

D. AT 161820H (FOLLOW ON CONTACT V) SPORADIC MORTARING AND SMALL ARMS FIRING CONTINUED. ANOTHER PLATOON FROM B/1.9 COMMITTED AS REACTION FORCE BY CHOPPER, AT 161705H ON LANDING ON CH-46 WAS SHOT DOWN; ANOTHER WAS DAMAGED BUT MADE IT BACK TO KHE SANH. AT THIS TIME CASUALTY TOTALS ARE 12 FRIENDLY KIA AND 40 FRIENDLY WIA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A.

T 161015H K/3/9 SQUAD PATROL VICINITY YD 162379 FOUND ENEMY CAMP SITE APPROXIMATELY 2 WEEKS

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OLD. CAMP HAD BEEN DESTROYED. PATROL CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 161245H ELEMENT OF CQXQXO (YD 075591) FOUND 22 FIGHTING HOLES (2 1/2" X 4" X 6", 3 MORTAR PITS (4" X 5"), EMPTY MORTAR ROUND CANS WITH CHINESE WRITING ON THEM, AND 1 PITH HELMET. THE MORTAR PIT SEEMED TO BE ABOUT ONE WEEK OLD, HOWEVER THERE SEEMED TO BE NO RECENT ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. ALL MATERIAL WAS DESTROYED

FIR SAMPLES WERE TAKEN.

C. AT 161414H 1/5/9 FOUND A HOOGH (YD 125504) WITH ROOM FOR 3 MEN TO SLEEP. OUT OF HOOGH WAS A TRENCH APPROXIMATELY 3 WEEKS OLD. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS, AND THE HUT WAS DESTROYED.

D. AT 161305H K/7/9 DISCOVERED A BASE CAMP (YD 170370) 3 TO 5 WEEKS OLD. THE CAMP HAD 40 TO 50 FIGHTING HOLES, 30 CAMPFIRE SITES, HUTS AND ASSORTED GEAR (PERSONAL GEAR AND ASSORTED GEAR, ETC). A TRAIL LEADING INTO CAMP AND OUT OF IT (NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST) WAS ALSO FOUND. A THOROUGH SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ALL GEAR WILL BE FORWARDED.

E. AT 161445H RECON TEAM 3D2 FOUND A TRAIL APPROXIMATELY

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2 METERS WIDE, RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH (KD 882583). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT APPROXIMATELY A BATTALION HAD MOVED ON THE TRAIL ON 15 OR 16 MARCH. PATROL IS CONTINUING TO OBSERVE THE AREA.
 5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS.

3RD MARINES: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

1/3/9, 2.26, 1/9 EST

MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

IN RESPECTIVE AREA OF OPERATION.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

3/4: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF JONG HA COMBAT BASE AND

POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER.

CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 84 KIA

442 WIA

25 NEC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 642 KIA CONF

457 KIA PROB

287 DETAINEES

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231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PWGXNVA

6 PW/VC

125 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

102 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 176, 161800H - 162400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE COMPLETED IN THE PAST SIX HOURS:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	AMBUSH SITE OR PATROL ROUTE
1/3/9	SQD	162400H	YD 085570
L/3/4	SQD	16233 H	YD 105510
K/3/4	PLT	162400H	YD 200361

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 161355H AO CALLED ARTY AND AIR STRIKES ON 3 NVA AT YD 094666 AND 6 NVA AT YD 094659. RESULTS: 2 EN KIA CONF AND 5 EN KIA PROB

B. AT 160720H AO FIRED ARTY MISSION ON 9 NVA AT YD 052662. RESULTS 4 EN KIA PROB

C. AT 160900H AO CALLED ARTY ON 4 NVA
RESSEIN UTILITIES W/
CAMOUFLAGED HELMETS AND PACKS AT YD 090665. RESULTS: 1 EN KIA CONF AND 1 EN KIA PROB.

D. AT 161700H AO OBSERVED AND CALLED AIR STRIKE ON UNKNOWN NUMBER OF EN AT YD 176455. RESULTS: 1 EN KIA CONF.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER CONTACT 3 MY SITREP 175. B/1/9 HELO LIFTED AT 161705H. HAD NO PROBLEMS ALL THREE PLATOONS HAVE LINKED UP. SECURITY FOR DOWN HELO IS WITH HELO. 13 MIA WILL BE MED EVACED ASAP. (NOT IN OUR CASUALTIES FIGURES).

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTION PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MARINES: COMMENCE PHASE II OF OPERATION IN DONG HA MTN AREA. SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WITH MULTIPLE COMPANY PATROLS ALONG AXIS OF VALLEYS NORTH OF DONG HA MTN COMPLEX, IN AO BOUNDED BY SOUTHERN



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BOUNDARY OF DMZ FROM GL 94, EAST TO YD 088688 TO YD 100688. SOUTH ALONG GL 10 TO YD 100620; EAST ALONG GL 62 TO YD 160620; SOUTH ALONG GL 16 TO RIVER; WEST ALONG RIVER TO GL 57, WEST ALONG GL 57 TO GL 94, NORTH ON GL 94 TO SOUTH BOUNDARY OF DMZ. 1/9 (-) SWEEP NORTH WEST FROM VIC YD 100615 TO VIC YD 040640.

3/3 (-) MOVE ON ORDER TO ASSEMBLY AREA (YD 090650) AND SWEEP NORTH WEST TO VIC YD 040620, KEEPING TO THE SOUTH OF 1/9 (-) AND THEN SOUTHWEST INTO BLOCKING POSITION ESTABLISHED BY 2/26. 2/26 MOVE TO ASSEMBLY AREA (XD 985570) AND SWEEP NORTH TO VIC XD 975595 ESTABLISHING A BLOCKING FORCE FOR 1/9 AND 3/3 SWEEPING UP FROM THE EAST.

1/3/3 CHOP OPCON TO 3/4 AT 170600H AND PROCEED TO KHE SANH BY AIR WITH LIGHT COMMAND GROUP FROM OPERATIONS AS DIRECTED.

ALL OTHER UNITS TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES, SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.
LATE ENTRIES:

AT 162010H SQD/M/3/4 (XD 322718) WHILE MOVING TO AMBUSH SITE, REC'D HEAVY S/A AND A/W FIRE FROM EST 8-10 EN. RETURNED FIRE W/S/A AND A/W AND CALLED IN ARTY. PLT IN AMTRACS REINFORCED THE SQD. RESULTS: 1 FRIENDLY KIA, 5 FRIENDLY WIA (3 MEDEVACED) 5 EN KIA CONF 2 EN KIA PROB. AT 162055H 3RD RECON BN FWD PERMITER YD 242537 REC'D 1 INCOMING

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GRENADE. MAINE GRABBED GRENADE AND THREW IT OUTSIDE LINES. CASE DEFENSES ALERTED. 1 FRIENDLY WIA (MINOR).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA

448 WIA

23 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

651 KIA CONF

469 KIA PROB

287 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

125 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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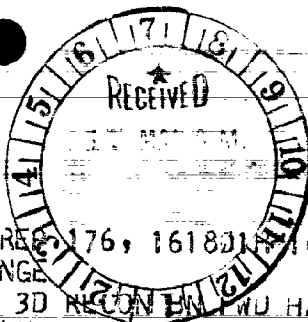
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OPERATION PFAIRIE II, SITREP 176, 161801H 162400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.
 THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE COMPLETED IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	AMBUSH SITE OR PATROL ROUTE
1/3/9	SQU	162400H	YD 083570
L/3/4	SQU	162300H	YD 105510
K/3/4	PLT	162400H	YD 200361

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 161355H, AO CALLED ARTY AND AIR STRIKES ON 3 NVA AT YD 094666 AND 6 NVA AT YD 094659. **RESULTS:**

2 EN KIA(C) AND 5 EN KIA(P).

B. AT 160720H, AO FIRED ARTY MISSION ON 9 NVA AT YD 052652. **RESULTS:**

4 EN KIA(P).

C. AT 160900H, AO CALLED ARTY ON 4 NVA DRESSED IN UTILITIES W/CAMOUFLAGED

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AND PACKS AT YD 090665. **RES:** 1 EN KIA(C) AND 1 EN KIA(P).

D. AT 161700H, AO OBS'D AND CALLED AIR STRIKE ON UNKNOWN NUMBER OF EN AT YD 176455. **RESULTS:** 1 EN KIA(C).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MARINES: COMMENCE PHASE II OF OPERATION IN DONGHA MIN AREA.

SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WITH MULTIPLE COMPANY PATROLS ALONG AXIS

OF VALLEYS NORTH OF DONG HA MIN COMPLEX, IN AO BOUNDED BY SOUTHERN

BOUNDARY OF DMZ FROM GL XD 94, EAST TO YD 088638 TO YD 100638. SOUTH

ALONG GL XD 10 TO YD 100620; EAST ALONG GL YD 62 TO YD 160620 & SOUTH ALONG

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YD 16 TO RIVER WEST ALONG RIVER TO GL YD 57, WEST ALONG GL 57 TO GL XD 94

NORTH ON GL XD 94 TO SOUTH BOUNDARY OF DMZ. 1/9(-) SWEEP NORTH WEST FROM

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YD 100615 TO VIC YD 040640.

3/3(-) MOVE ON ORDER TO ASSEMBLY AREA YD 090590 AND SWEEP NORTH WEST TO VIC YD 040620, KEEPING TO THE SOUTH OF 1/9(-) AND THEN SOUTHWEST

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INTO BLOCKING POSITION ESTABLISHED BY 2/26. 2/26 MOVE TO ASSEMBLY AREA XD 985577 AND SWEEP NORTH TO VIC XD 975595 ESTABLISHING A BLOCKING FORCE FOR 1/9 AND 3/3 SWEEPING UP FROM THE EAST. 1/3/3 CHOP OPCON TO 3/4 AT 170600H, AND PROCEED TO KHE SANH BY AIR WITH 3/4 CMU GRP FOR OPERATIONS AS DIRECTED. ALL OTHER UNITS TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES, SECURITY PATROLS AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

LATE ENTRIES:

AT 162010H, SQU/M/3/4 XD 322718 WHILE MOVING TO AMBUSH SITE, REC'D HEAVY S/A AND A/W FIRE FROM EST 8-10 EN. RETURNED FIRE W/SA AND AW AND CALLED IN ARTY. PLT IN AMTRACS REINFORCED THE SQU. RES: 1 FRIENDLY KIA, 5 FRIENDLY WIA (3 MED EVACED) 5 EN KIA (C) 2 EN KIA (P). AT 162055H, 3RD RECON BN FWD PERIMETER YD 242597 REC'D 1 INCOMING GRENADE. MARINES GRABBED GRENADE AND THREW IT OUTSIDE LINES. BASE DEFENSES ALERTED. 1 FRIENDLY WIA (MINOR).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA	448 WIA	1 MIA (USA)
ENEMY: 651 KIA (C)	469 KIA (P)	287 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
6 PW/VC	129 WPNS CAPT	

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SIIRAP 177, 162400H-170600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: SD RECON BM FWD HAS HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	TOR	PATROL ROUTE OR AMBUSH SITE
M/3/9	3QD	170450H	YD 057556 TO 052561 TO 047564 TO 052551
M/3/9	3QD	170200H	YD 076540 TO 077540 TO 084533 TO 088541
			TO 078546 TO 073549
M/3/9	3QD	170600H	YD 068535 TO 065529 TO 063534 TO 061543
CAC-P-1	3QD	170145H	YD 104586 TO 097589 TO 095576 TO 104594
L/3/9	3QD	170030H	YD 115514

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CAC-P-1 3ND 170200H YD 183602 TO 173606 TO 174575

SAC-P-2 300 170000H YD 6281575.

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

c. ENERGY CONTACTS:

A. AT 161700H POINT ELEMENT OF 1/3/9 OBSERVED 1 VC OUTSIDE OF HUT VIC XD 978598.. VC TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND KILLED. ALSO FIRED S/A AT ANOTHER VC WHO ESCAPED. HUT WITH BUNKER BLOWN. AREA USED BY 4-5 MEN. RESULTS: 1 EN KIA CONF, 2 RIFLES (TYPE UNKNOWN), TEXT BOOKS, GREY UTILITIES, LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES, 1 USMC JUNGLE BOOT, 6 CANTEENS, C-4 EXPLOSIVES, 4 CARTRIDGE BELTS W/MEDICAL GEAR AND AMMO AND 1 GREEN FIELD JACKET. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

A. REFER LATE ENTRY 1 MY SITREP & 176. FOLLOWING GEAR WAS FOUND: 4 CHICOM GRENADES, 9 AK-47 MAGAZINES, 5 NVA PANKS, 25-82MM BOUNDS, 6 HAMMOCKS, 6 E-TOOLS, 4 PITH HELMETS, 11; 0-(-&3 91 INCREMENTS, 16-82MM FUSES, ASSORTED CLOTHING (1 NVA LT CLOTH INSIGNIA TAKEN OFF UNIFORM OF DEAD BODY) 5 AIMING STAKES, 4 MAGAZINE POUCHES, AND 1 FLASHLIGHT. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.

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PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

INSERTIONS: 2CZ 170800H FOOT/TRUCK LL XD 8544 UR XD 9247
 1C1 170800H LL XD 9061 UR XD 9363
 2D1 170900H LL XD 8656 UR XD 9158

ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND CARRY OUT OPERATIONS IAW MY SITREP 176.

8. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA

448 WIA

25 MDC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 652 KIA CONF

122 KIA PROB

267 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

12 PW/NVA

5 PW/VC

131 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

108 INDIVIDUAL

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 177, 162400H-170600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT SIZE TOR PATROL ROUTE OR AMBUSH SITE

M/3/9 SQD 170450H YD057556 TO 052561 TO 047564 TO 052553

M/3/9 SQD 170200H YD073540 TO 077540 TO 084535 TO 088541

TO 978546 TO 073549

M/3/9 SQD 170600H YD 068535 TO 065529 TO 063534 TO 061543

CAC-P-1 SQD 170145H YD 104586 TO 097539 TO 095576 TO 104534

L/3/9 SQD 170030H YD115514

CAC-P-1 SQD 170200H YD 183602 TO 173606 TO 174575

CAC-P-2 SQD 170000H YD 281575.

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 161709H POINT ELEMENT OF 1/3/9 UBSO 1 VC OUTSIDE

OF HUT (VIC XD978593). VC TAKEN UNDER FIRE AND KILLED. ALSO FIRED SA AT ANOTHER VC WHO ESCAPED. HUT WITH BUNKER BLOWN. AREA USED BY 4-6 MEN. RESULTS: 1 EN KIA CONF, 2 RIFLES (TYPE UNK), TEXT BOOKS, GREY UTILITIES, LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES, 1 USMC JUNGLE BOOT, 6 CANTEENS, C-4 EXPLOSIVES, 4 CARTRIDGE BELTS W/MEDICAL GEAR AND AMMO AND 1 GREEN FIELD JACKET. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER LATE ENTRY NR 1 MY SITREP NR 176. FOLLOWING GEAR WAS FOUND:

4 Q1 COM GRENADES, 9 AK-47 MAGAZINES, 5 NVA PACKS, 25-82MM

RDS, 6 HAMMOCKS, 6 E-TOOLS, 4 PITH HELMETS, 11 PACKAGES

INCREMENTS, 16-82MM FUSES, ASSORTED CLOTHING (1 NVA LT CLOTH INSIGNIA TAKEN OFF UNIFORM OF DEAD BODY) 5 AIMING STAKES, 4 MAGAZINE POUCHES, AND 1 FLASHLIGHT. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND CARRY OUT OPERATIONS (AW MY SITREP NR 176).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 85 KIA, 448 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 652 KIA CONF, 469 KIA PROB,

287 DETAINEES, 231 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

12 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

131 MPNS CPTD, 23 CREW SERVED, 108 INDIVIDUAL

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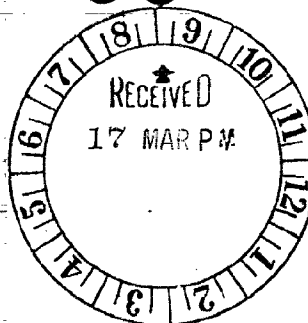
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 178, 170600H-171200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 1/9 COMMAND GROUP AND COMPANY A	YD 071607
B. D/1/9	YD 087590
C. C/1/9	YD 060634
D. H/2/26	XD 952540
E. G/2/26	XD 945530
F. E/2/26	XD 952540
G. CP 2/26	XD 952540
H. I/3/9	YD 186455

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO EXTRACTIONS

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AND THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS FOR THE NEXT 6 HOURS.

201 AT 170100H VICINITY XD 9756 (FOOT/TRUCK)

202 AT 170930H VICINITY KHE SANH (MOVE TO RZ ON 18 MAR)

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED PLANNED OPERATIONS AND SECURITY.

PATROLS LAW MY SITREP 176, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF I/3/3. I/3/3

DID NOT HALO LIFT TO KHE SANH.

THE FOLLOWING NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE COMPLETED

UNIT	SIZE	AMBUSH SITE
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M/3/3	0700	XD 972566
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I/3/3	0700	XD 985570
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M/3/3	0700	XD 988562
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I/3/9	0700	YD 040552
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L/3/3	0700	XD 994556
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L/3/3	0700	XD 994556
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L/3/3	0700	XD 980536
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I/3/3	0700	XD 984520
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K/3/3	0800	YD 022455, 040421
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L/3/9	0630	YD 080490
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K/3/9	0800	YD 175580
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I/3/9	0700	YD 078562
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K/3/4	0730	YD 261577
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3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 170705H, A MARINE AO OBSERVED 20 ENEMY IN THE OPEN (YD 005081), CALLED AN ARTY MISSION. RESULTS: 7 KIA CONF.

B. AT 170820H, A M/3/4 SQUAD PATROL (YD 320718) CONDUCTING A SWEEP OF AREA WHERE ACTION TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT (REF SITREP 176, PARA 3, ITEM) FOUND 2 ADDITIONAL ENEMY KIA CONFIRMED, 1 AK47, AND ASSORTED ENEMY GEAR AND AMMUNITIONS. ALL BODIES WERE BURIED IN AREA. PATROL FOUND BLOOD SPOTS IN THE AREA AND WILL SEARCH THE AREA. RESULTS: DELETE 2 ENEMY KIA PROB; ADD 2 ENEMY KIA CONF.

C. AT 171025H, POINT ELEMENT OF K/3/3 (XD 975447) FIRED ON 2 ENEMY DRESSED IN BLACK CLOTHING, CARRYING RIFLES. PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA AND FOUND 1 WEAPON, CHI-COM SEMI AUTOMATIC, TYPE UNKNOWN AT PRESENT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 173845H, THE POINT ELEMENT OF C/1/9 FOUND 1 AK47 ROUND, AND FRESH FOOTPRINTS LEADING NW ALONG A TRAIL (YD 3170845) THAT WERE NOT THERE WHEN THE AREA WAS PATROLLED ON 16 MARCH.

B. AT 170010H, RECON TEAM 302 (XD 883584) FOUND A HARBOR SITE. SITE WAS APPROXIMATELY BN SIZED AND HAD FIRES 24 TO 48 HOUR BEFORE.

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THE AREA CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY 100 2 MAN F5FFKKKKKIGHTING HOLES. PATROL COULD NOT DETERMINE DIRECTION THE UNIT MOVED FROM THE HARBOR SITE. BUT BELIEVED IT TO BE EAST OR NORTH. THE PATROL IS CONTINUING TO OBSERVE IN AREA.

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD PLANS THE SECTIONS AND

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EXTRACTIONS THE PAST 6 HOURS:

INSERTIONS: 101 ASAP LL XD 9061 UR 9563

EXTRACTIONS: 302 AT 171500H VICINITY XD 8657

ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND SECURITY PATROLS SAW MY SITREP 176 AS OF 162400H.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA

448 WIA

25 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 661 KIA CONF

467 KIA PROB

287 DETAINEES

231 INN CIVIL

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12 PW/NVA 22 CIVIL DEF

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103 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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OPERATION FAIRIE II, SITREP 178, 170601H-171200H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 1/9 CMD GRP AND CO A YD 071507
 B. D1/9 YD 087590
 C. C1/9 YD 060634
 D. H/2/26 XD 952540
 E. G/2/26 XD MCHTEP
 F. E/2/26 XD 952540
 G. CP 2/26 XD 952540
 H. 1/3/9 YD 186455

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO EXTRACTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS FOR THE PAST SIX HOURS.

2D1 AT 171000H, VIC XD 9756 (FOOT/TRUCK)

2C2 AT 170930H, VIC KHE SANH (MOVE TO RZ ON 18 MAR)

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED PLANNED OPERATIONS AND SECURITY

PATROLS IAW SITREP 176, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 1/3/3. 1/3/3

DID NOT HELO LIFT TO KHE SANH.

THE FOLLOWING NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED.

UNIT SIZE TOR = AMBUSH SITE

M/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 972566
M/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 985570
M/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 988562
1/3/9	SQD	0700	YD 040552
L/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 994556
L/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 982536
1/3/3	SQD	0700	XD 984520
K/3/3	SQD	0800	XD 022455, XD 948421
L/3/9	SQD	0630	YD 080490
K/3/9	SQD	0800	YD 173380
1/3/9	SQD	0700	YD 078562
K/3/4	SQD	0730	YD 261577

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 170700H, A MARINE SO OBS'D 20 EN IN THE OPEN

YD 065691, CALLED AN ARTY MSN. RES: 7 KIA(C).

B. AT 170820H, A M/3/4 SQD PAT YD 320718 CONDUCTING

A SWEEP OF AREA WHERE ACTION TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT (REF SITREP

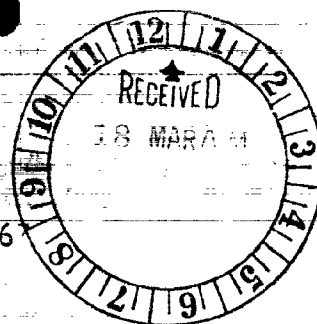
176, PARA 3 ITEM) FOUND 2 ADDITIONAL EN KIA(C).

AK-47, AND ASSORTED GEAR AND AMMUNITION. ALL BODIES WERE

BURIED IN AREA. PAT FOUND BLOOD SPOTS IN THE AREA AND WILL

SEARCH THE AREA. RES: DELETE 2 EN KIA(P) ADD 2 EN

KIA(C).



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C. AT 171225H, POINT ELEMENT OF K/3/3 XD 975447 FIRED ON 2 EN DRESSED IN BLK CLOTHING, CARRYING RIFLES. PAT SEARCHED THE AREA AND FOUND 1 WPN, CHICOM SEMI AUTOMATIC, TYPE UNK AT PRESENT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 170845H, THE POINT ELEMENT OF C/1/9 FOUND 1 AK-47 CARBINE AND FRESH FOOT PRINTS LEADING NW ALONG A TRAIL YD 170845 THAT WERE NOT THERE WHEN THE AREA WAS PATROLLED ON 16 MARCH.

B. AT 170910H, RECON TM 302 XD 883584 FOUND A HARBOR SITE. SITE WAS APPROX BN SIZED AND HAD FIRES 24 HRS 48 HRS BEFORE. THE AREA CONSIDERED OF APPROX 100 2 MAN FIGHTING HOLES. PATL COULD NOT DETERMINE DIRECTION THE UNIT MOVED FM THE HARBOR SITE. BUT BELIEVED IT TO BE EAST TO NORTH. THE PATROL IS CONTINUING TO OBS THE AREA.

5. PLANS:

ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND SECURITY PATROLS IAW MY SITREP 176 AS OF 162400H.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA	448 WIA	1 MIA
ENEMY: 661 KIA(C)	467 KIA(P)	287 DETAINEES
231 INN CIV	22 CIV DEF	12 PW/NVA
6 PW/VC	133 WPNS CAPT	23 CREW SERVED
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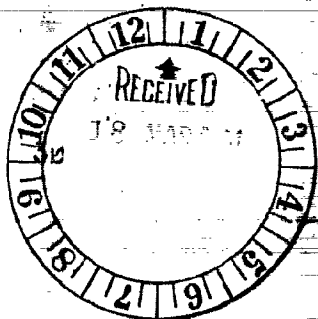
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SUBJ: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) SITREP

FROM 161800H TO 171800H MAR67

1. LOCATION OF PATROLS AT 171800

A. 5D2 XD 838573 8 MEN

B. 1D2 XD 833495 7MEN

C. 3D1 XD 956611 8 MEN

D. 3C1 YD 892618 12 MEN

E. 2D1 XD 956546 8 MEN

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

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A. INSERTIONS:

2D1 0000PQH TRUCK/FOOT XD V9855

B. EXTRACTIONS: (NONE)

3. SIGHTINGS/CONTACTS:

A. AT 170910H, 3D2 (XD 883584) FOUND APP

XIMATELY BN SIZE

HARBOR SITE, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 120 TWO MAN FIGHTING HOLES AND SEVERAL FIRES APPROXIMATELY GWR TO 48 HOURS OLD. PATROL COULD NOT CONFIRM DIRECTION UNIT MOVED FROM HARBOR SITE, BELIEVED EITHER EAST OR NORTH.

B. AT 171305H D1 PATROL (XD 985805) FOUND 4 HOUSES MADE OF BAMBOO APPROXIMATELY 15 X 12 FEET. PATROL NOTED THAT THE HOUSES DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN UTILIZED WITHIN THE PAST 4 MONTHS.

C. AT 171600H, 3C1 (YD 092618) HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY VOICES, AND VOICES COMING FROM LOUD SPEAKER (YD 094021). PATROL CALLED ARTY MISSION 113 WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, VOICES CEASED ON

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

202 PATROL WAS HELICOPTER LIFTED TO KHE SANH AND WILL INSERT TO RZ. BY FOOT AT FIRST LIGHT 18 MARCH. 2D1 PATROL WAS SLOWED DOWN BY TWO HEAT CASUALTIES NON-EVAC, WILL CONTINUE TO RZ AT FIRST LIGHT. 1D2 IS BEING EXTRACTED EARLY DUE TO 3 NON-BATTLE CASUALTIES. (1 HEAT

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5. PLANS FOR 161800H TO 171800H MARCH 1967

A. INSERTIONS:

1. 1C1 XD 9261 180800H HELO/FOOT

2. 2C2 WALK FROM KHE SANH TO LL XD 8944 UR XD 8149

B. EXTRACTIONS:

1. 3D2 XD 8657 180830H HELO

2. 1D2 XD 8849 180930H HELO

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1. 3RD MARINES: PASS OPCON M/3/9 TO THIRD BN FOURTH MARINES AT 180700H.

2. THIRD BN FOURTH MARINES:

A. CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

B. ASSUM OPCON M/3/9 AT 180700H

C. PROCEED TO VIC GIA DO (YD 276636) WITH COMMAND GROUP AND M/3/9 FOR SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATIONS AS DIRECTED.

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 179, 171201 - 171800H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 1/9 CMD GRP	(YD 058633)
B. A/1/9	(YD 058633)
C. C/1/9	(YD 045637)
D. D/1/9	(YD 058633)
E. 3/3 (-) CMD GRP	(YD 088578)
F. 1/3/3	(XD 850415)
G. K/3/3	(YD 092585)
H. L/3/3	(YD 098578)
I. M/3/3	(XD 975567)

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J. 1/3/9	(YD 170475)
K. 2/26 (-) CMD GRP	(XD 981542)
L. E/2/26	(XD 981542)
M. G/2/26	(XD 981542)
N. K/3/4 (-)	(YD 276639)
O. 1/3/3/4	(YD 276635)

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PASH SIX HOURS.

THIRD MARINES: 1/9 CONTINUED SWEEPING NORTH TOWARD POSITIONS FOR OPN IAW MY FRAG ORDER 8-67.

2/26 CONDUCTED PLT SIZE PATROLS WEST OF THEIR CP. AT 171800H

ALL UNITS WERE BACK AT CP. AT 171115H H/2/26 RELIEVED K/3/3

AT CA LU. KXSXS RETURNED TO 3/3 CP. 3/3 MAINTAINED DEFS OF

CAMP CARROLL. 1/3/9 CONTINUED PATROLLING SOUTHEAST OF CAMP

CARROLL.

3/3 AT 171445H 1/3/3 CHOPPED OPCON TO KHE SANH. AT 171 00H 3/3 CMD

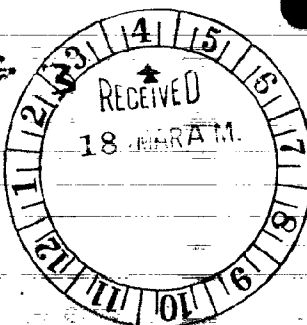
GRP AND CO'S F&L COMMENCED MOTOR MOVEMENT TO ASSEMBLY AREA IN

PREPARATION OF OPN IAW WITH MY FRAG ORDER 8-67. MOVE COMPLETED

AT 171645H.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIU LINH.

2/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE. AT 171415H.



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A SPARROW HAWK PLT WAS COMMITTED TO VIC (YD 0601W00M AT 171716H A SECOND SPARROW HAWK WAS COMMITTED TO VIC (YD 275639).

3. ENEMY CONTACT

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 171000H, AN AO AND A/C RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM APPROX 20 VC VIC (YD 0667). AO CALLED FIXED WING ON APPROX 20 ENEMY AND AN OBSERVED GUN POSITION. RESULTS: ONE (1) FR WIA (PILOT, WING PERSONNEL. ENEMY CASUALTIES: UNKNOWN.

B. AT 171100H, POINT ELEMENT OF K/3/3 (XD 975457) FIRED ON 2 ENEMY (DRESSED IN DARK CLOTHING AND CARRYING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS). ENEMY RETURNED FIRE AND FLED TO THE EAST. THE PATROL PURSUED THE ENEMY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 171215H, I/K/3/4 REC APPROX 0 RDS OF A/W FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 252567). THE PLT RETURNED S/A FIRE AND CALLED AN ARMY MSN. RESULTS: ONE (1) FR WIA (NON-MEDEVAC).

D. AT 171535H I/L/3/4 KSPARROW HAWK PLT WAS REPORTED IN CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 10-15 ENEMY (YD 275635). THE PLT WAS RETURNING FIRE WITH S/A AND M-79. UNL GUNSHIPS WERE ON STATION IF NEEDED.

E. AT 171720H I/L/3/4 WA STILL RECEIVING FIRE FM AN UNK

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NUMBER OF ENEMY AND 2 PLTS OF K/3/4 WERE ACTIVATED AS A REACTION FORCE TO AID I/L/3/4. UPON LANDING SOUTH OF CONTACT (VICINITY (YD 274638)) K(-) COMPANY (-) RECEIVED S/A FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY. K(-) HAS AS UNED OPCON OF L-1 AND IS AT THIS TIME MOVING TO LINK-UP WITH THEM. AND AIR IS ON STATION. FRONT LINES OF BOTH UNITS HAVE BEEN MARKED BY SMOKE IN PREPARATION FOR AIR STRIKES. AT TIME OF THIS REPORT THE TOTAL CASUALTY FIGURE IS UNK BUT IS ESTIMATED AT 4 OR 5 FR KIA AND AN UNK NUMBER FRIENDLY WIA. ENEMY LOSSES ARE ALSO UNCONFIRMED. A FOLLOW UP REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED AS SOON AS ALL INFO IS RECEIVED. THE CASUALTY FIGURE WILL BE REPORTED ASAP.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 171115H, A K/3/3 SQUAD PATROL FOUND 2 SETS OF SANDAL PRINTS (ONE AT (YD 120429)), AND (ONE AT (YD 117428)). PRINTS WERE FROM ABOUT 10 TO 16 PEOPLE AND WERE LESS

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NUMBER OF ENEMY AND 2 PLTS OF K/3/4 WERE ACTIVATED AS A REACTION FORCE TO AID I/L/3/4. UPON LANDING SOUTH OF CONTACT (VICINITY (YD 274638)) K(-) COMPANY (-) RECEIVED S/A FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY. K(-) HAS AS UNED OPCON OF L-1 AND IS AT THIS TIME MOVING TO LINK-UP WITH THEM. AND AIR IS ON STATION. FRONT LINES OF BOTH UNITS HAVE BEEN MARKED BY SMOKE IN PREPARATION FOR AIR STRIKES. AT THIS OF THIS REPORT THE TOTAL CASUALTY FIGURE IS UNK BUT IS ESTIMATED AT 4 OR 5 FR FIA AND AN UNK NUMBER FRIENDLY WIA. ENEMY LOSSES ARE ALSO UNCONFIRMED. A FOLLOW UP REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED AS SOON AS ALL INFO IS RECEIVED. THE CASUALTY FIGURE WILL BE REPORTED ASAP.

A. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 171115H, A K/3/9 SQUAD PATROL FOUND 2 SETS OF SANDAL PRINTS (ONE AT (YD 120429)), AND (ONE AT (YD 117428)). PRINTS WERE FROM ABOUT 10 TO 16 PEOPLE AND WERE LESS THAN 3 DAYS OLD. THE PATROL WILL SET UP AN AMBUSH VICINITY (YD 117428).

B. AT 171220H, ELEMENTS OF C/1/9 (YD 055637) FOUND APPROX 15 FIGHTING HOLES (SOME COVERED). HOLES MEASURED 3' X 3' X 1 1/2

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AND SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT OCCUPANCY. AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

3. PLANS: THIRD RECON BN (FWD) HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS.

THIRD MARINES: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSNS IN ASSIGNED AO PROV ARTY BN: WITH I/3/4 DEFEND GIU LINH. 3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CAU VIET RIVER. K/3/4 (-) AND I/L/3/4 WILL CONSOLIDATE AND SET UP PERIMETER DEFENSE VICINITY (YD 273636).

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA

449 WIA

23 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 661 KIA CONF

467 KIA PROB

288 DETAINEES

242 IN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

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WEAPONS: 155 CAPTURED
25 CREW SERVED
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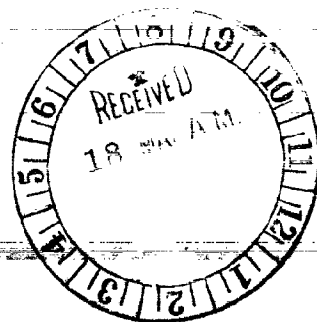
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 179, 171201-171800H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/9 CMD GRP YD 058633

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C/1/9 YD 045637

D/1/9 YD 058633

3/3(-) CMD GRP, L,K CO'S YD 083578

1/3/3 XD 850415

K/3/3 YD 092585

L/3/3 YD 098578

M/3/3 XD 975567

1/3/9 YD 170475

2/26(-) CMD GRP XD 981542

E/2/26 XD 981542

G/2/26 XD 981542

K/3/4(-) YD 276639

1/L/3/4 YD 276635

H/2/26 YD 010456

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: THIRD RECON BN(FWD) HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS DURING THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: 1/9 CONTINUED SWEEPING NORTH.

2/26 CONDUCTED PLT SIZE PTLS WEST OF THEIR CP. AT 171300H

ALL UNITS WERE BACK AT CP. AT 171115H H/2/26 RELIEVED K/3/3

AT CA LU. K CO RETURNED TO 3/3 CP. 3/9 MAINTAINED DEFS OF

CAMP CARROLL. 1/3/9 CONTINUED PATROLLING SOUTHEAST OF CAMP CARROLL.

3/3 AT 171445H 1/3/3 CHOPPED OPCON TO KHE SANH. AT 171500H 3/3 CMD

GRP AND CO'S K&L COMMENCED MOTOR MOVEMENT TO ASSEMBLY AREA VIC

YD 0958 MOVE COMPLETED AT 171645H.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF GIO LINH.

3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE. AT 171415H.

A SPARROW HAWK PLT WAS COMMITTED TO VIC (YD275527) AT

171716H A SECOND SPARROW HAWK WAS COMMITTED VIC (YD275639).

3. ENEMY CONTACT

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 171000H, AN AO AND A/C RECD SA FIRE

FROM APPROX 20 VC VIC (YD0667). AO CALLED FIXED WING ON APPROX

20 ENEMY AND AV OBSD GUN PSN. RESULTS: ONE (1) FR WIA

PILOT, WING PERSONNEL. ENEMY CASUALTIES: UNKNOWN.

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B. AT 171130H, POINT ELEMENT OF K/3/3 (XJ975457) FIRED ON 2 ENEMY (DRESSED IN DARK CLOTHING AND CARRYING AUTOMATIC WPNS). ENEMY RETURNED FIRE AND FLED TO THE EAST. THE PATROL PURSUED THE ENEMY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. AT 171215H, 1/K/3/4 REC APPROX 30 RDS OF AW FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD252567). THE PLT RETURNED SA FIRE AND CALLED AN ARTY MSN. RESULTS: ONE (1) FR WIA (NON-MEDEVAC).

D. AT 171535H 1/L/3/4 (SPARRON HAWK PLT) WAS REPORTED IN CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 5 ENEMY (YD275635). THE PLT WAS RETURNING FIRE WITH SA AND M-79. GUNSHIPS ON STATION.

E. AT 171720H 1/L/3/4 WAS STILL RECEIVING FIRE FM AN UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY AND 2 PLTS OF K/3/4 WERE ACTIVATED AS A REACTION FORCE TO AID 1/L/3/4. UPON LANDING SOUTH OF CONTACT (VIC (YD274638)) K(-) REC'D SA FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF ENEMY. K(-) HAS ASSUMED OPCON OF L-1

AND IS AT THIS TIME MOVING TO LINK-UP WITH THEM. AIR IS ON STATION. FRONT LINES OF BOTH UNITS HAVE BEEN MARKED BY SMOKE IN PREPARATION FOR AIR STRIKES. AT TIME OF THIS REPORT THE TOTAL CASUALTY FIGURE IS UNK.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 171115H, A K/3/3 SQUAD PTL FOUND 2 SETS OF SANDAL PRINTS (ONE AT (YD120429)), AND (ONE AT (YD117428)). PRINTS WERE FROM ABOUT 10-16 PEOPLE AND WERE LESS THAN 3 DAYS OLD. THE PTL WILL SET UP AN AMBUSH VIC (YD117428).

B. AT 171220H, ELEMENTS OF C/1/79 (YD055637) FOUND APPROX 15 FIGHTING HOLES (SOME COVERED). HOLES MEASURED 3' X 3' X 1 1/2 AND SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT OCCUPANCY. AREA SEARCHED W/NEG RES.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS. 3D MAR: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE PSNS IN ASSIGNED AO. PROV ARTY BN: WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIU LINH. 3/4 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CAU VIET RIVER. K/3/4(-) AND 1/L/3/4 WILL CONSOLIDATE AND SET UP PERIMETER DEFENSE VIC (YD273636).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 85 KIA, 449 WIA, 1 MIA USA
ENEMY: 661 KIA CONF, 467 KIA PROB

281 DETAINEES-1 DETAINEE ADDED FROM PREVIOUS CONTACT ON 9 MAR 67.

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14 PW/NVA-2 DETAINEES RECLASSIFIED AS PW'S.

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 180, 181000H - 172400H MAR67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTION IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3RD MAR: AT 171645H 3/3 (-) (CMD GRP, COS L AND K) MOVED TO ASSEMBLY AREA VIC YD 088578. AT 171615H 3/2/26 WAS HELOLIFTED TO 2/26 CP (XD 982546) AND WILL MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION THERE. AT 172030H AL/3/9 SQUAD RETURNED TO CP FROM AMBUSH SITRE (YD 084483). 3/4: ENEMY CONTACT WITH K/3/4 REACTION FORCE AND 1/L/3/4 SPARROWHAWK CEASED AT APPROX. 171900H. BOTH UNITS LINKED UP WITH EACH OTHER AT 171900H. A DEFENSIVE PERIMETER WAS ESTABLISHED VIC YD 275635. AT 172300H ALL SERIOUS MEDEVACS HAVE BEEN LIFTED OUT.

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ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

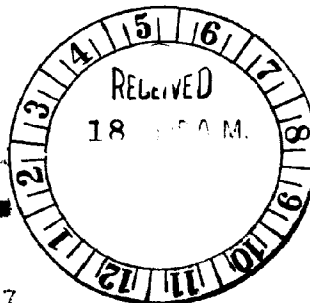
A. AT 171600H RECON TEAM 301 (YD 092618) HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF EN VOICES, AND VOICES COMING FROM LOUD SPEAKERS VIC (YD 094621). PATROL CALLED ARTY WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. VOICES CEASED.

B. AT 171740H A/1/9 (YD 058636) REC'D 50-100 RDS S/A FIRE VIC YD 063639 AS HELO LIFTED FROM LZ. RETURN FIRE WITH 75-100 RDS S/A, 2 M-79 RDS, 2 60MM MORTARS RDS AND FIRED ARTY MISSION. NO CASUALTIES TAKEN.

RESULTS OF RETURNED FIRE UNKNOWN.

C. AT 171745H C/1/9 (YD 047636) AS RESUPPLY HELO HOVERED OVER LZ IT REC'D 50 ROUNDS SNIPER FIRE INCLUDING A/W FIRE FROM RIDGE TO NORTH. RETURNED S/A AND A/W FIRE AND WAVED HELO OFF. NO CASUALTIES.

D. AT 171320H C/1/9 (YD 049636) OBSERVED 2 VC ON TRAIL VIC (YD 048636). EN FIRED 15 RDS S/A FIRE. RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79. VC DUCKED INTO BUNKERS. CALLED ARTY ON BUNKERS. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND ASSORTED DEMOLITION: 5-25 LB SATCHEL CHARGES, 10 CHICOM GRENADES, 2 EXPLOSIVE BLOCKS, 4 CLAYMORE MINES, 54 BLASTING CAPPS AND ASSORTED 762 GEAR. 762 AND SAMPLE OF EXPLOSIVES RETURN TO REAR. REST OF EXPLOSIVE BLOWN IN PLACE.



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 171915H RECON TEAM 301 HEARD VC TALKING AROUND THE PATROL
 POSITION. PATROL EST 40-50 VC. ARTY CALLED. PATROL HEARD MOANING
 SOUNDS AFTER ARTY MISSION. PATROL TO CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 A. AT 171505H RECON TEAM 301 FOUND 4 HOUSES (XD 965623) MADE
 OF BAMBOO, APPROX 15X12 FEET. HOUSES NOT USED IN LAST 4 MONTHS.
 B. AT 171500H R/2/26 FOUND 3 AREAS OF PUNJI PITS VIC XD 975448,
 975449 AND 971451. EACH AREA HAD TWO OR THREE PITS 4 TO 12 INCHES OFF
 THE TRAIL. PITS WERE 1'X1'X1'. ALSO FOUND 2 MALAYSIAN WHIPS ALONG
 TRAIL VIC XD 975449 WITH SPEARS 7 FEET LONG. PUNJI PITS AND MALAYSIAN
 WHIPS APPEAR TO BE FRESHLY CONSTRUCTED. PITS AND WHIPS DESTROYED.
 C. AT 171830H C/1/9 FOUND UNOCCUPIED PLT SIZE POSITION VIC
 YD 055637. AREA USED LAST 24 HOURS. ITEMS FOUND: 6 PLASTIC CAPS,
 ONE 25 POUND DEMOLITION PACK, 5-10 POUND ROLLS OF RICE, 1 GAS MASK,
 1 E-TOOL, 1 GREEN UNIFORM, 5 PACKS, 4 PITH HELMETS, AND 1 PONCHO.
 EQUIPMENT TO BE FORWARDED. RICE DESTROYED.
 5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED
 IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.
 3RD MARINE: OPERATION PHASE II TO CONTINUE LAW MY SITREP 176.
 2/26 MOVE ON ORDER TO ASSEMBLY AREA. 3/3 (-) COMMENCE SWEEP ON ORDER.

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 LIFT CND GRP 3/4 WITH M/3/9 TO VIC YD 278644 CONDUCT S&D OPERATION
 TO SOUTH. K/3/4(-) (RAIN) BLOCKS SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST OF GIA DO VILLAGE
 (YD 2763).

6 CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 85 KIA

449 WIA

25 MDC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

561 KIA CONF

467 KIA PROB

268 DETAINEES

242 IN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

14 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

133 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

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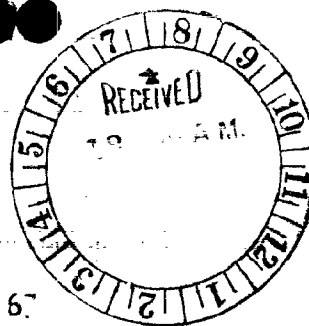
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 180, 181801H-172400H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

3D MAR: AT 171645H 3/3(-) (CMD GRP, COS L & K) MOVED TO ASSEMBLY AREA VIC YD 088578. AT 171615H G/2/26 WAS HELOLIFTED TO 2/26 CP (XD982543) AND WILL MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION THERE. AT 172030H A L/3/9 SQD RETURNED TO CP FROM AMBUSH SITE (YD034483).

3/4: ENEMY CONTACT WITH K/3/4(-) REACTION FORCE AND 1/L/3/4 SPARKUWHANK CEASED AT APPROX 171900H. BOTH UNITS LINKED UP AT 171930H.

A DEFENSIVE PERIMETER WAS ESTABLISHED VIC YD 275635.

AT 172300H ALL SERIOUS MEDEVACS HAVE BEEN EVACED.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 171600H RECON TM 301 (YD092618) HEARD UNK NR OF

EN VOICES, AND VOICES COMING FROM LOUD SPEAKERS VIC (YD094621).

PATROL CALLED ARTY WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. VOICES CEASED.

B. AT 171740H A/1/9 (YD058636) RECD 50-100 RDS SA FIRE VIC YD063630 AS HELO LIFTED FROM LZ. RETURNED FIRE WITH 75-100 RDS SA, 2 M-79 RDS, 2 60MM MORTARS RDS AND FIRED ARTY MISSION.

RESULTS OF RETURNED FIRE UNKNOWN.

C. AT 171745H C/1/9 (YD047636) RESUPPLY HELO HOVERING OVER LZ

RECD 50 RDS SA FIRE INCLUDING AW FIRE FROM RIDGE TO NORTH.

RETURNED SA AND AW FIRE AND WAVED HELO OFF. NO CASUALTIES.

D. AT 171320H C/1/9 (YD049636) OBSD 2 VC ON TRAIL VIC (YD048636)

EN FIRED 15 RDS SA FIRE. RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79. VC DUCKED INTO BUNKERS. CALLED ARTY ON BUNKERS. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND ASSORTED DEMOLITIONS: 5-25LB SATCHEL CHARGES, 15 CHICOM GRENADES, 2 TNT

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BLOCKS, 4 CLAYMORE MINES, 54 BLASTING CAPS AND ASSORTED 732 GEAR. 732 AND SAMPLE OF EXPLSIVES RETURN TO REAR. REST OF EXPLOSIVES BLOWN IN PLACE.

E. AT 172025H RECON TEAM 3C1 HEARD VC TALKING AROUND THE PATROLS POSITION. PATROL EST 40-50 VC, ARTY CALLED. PATROL HEARD MOANING SOUNDS AFTER ARTY MISSION. PATROL TO CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

4. OTEHR SIGNIFICANT-EVENTS:

A. AT 171500H H/2/26 FOUND 3 AREAS OF PUNJI PITS VIX XD 975448, 973449 AND 971451. EACH AREA HAD TWO OR THREE PITS 4 TO 12 INCHES OFF THE TRAIL. PITS WERE 1'X1'X1'. ALSO FOUND 2 MALAYAN WHIPS ALONG TRAIL. V.C XD 973449 WITH SPEARS 7 FEET LONG. PUNJI PITS AND MALAY WHIPS APPEAR TO BE FRESHLY CONSTRUCTED. PITS AND WHIPS DESTROYED.

B. AT 171830H C/1/9 FOUND UNOCCUPIED PLT SIZE POSITION VIC YD 055637. AREA USED LAST 24 HRS. ITEMS FOUND: 6 BLASTING CAPS, ONE 25 POUND DEMOLITION PACK, 5-10 POUND ROLLS OF RICE, 1 GAS MASK, 1 E-TOCOL, 1 GREEN UNIFORM, 3 PACKS, 4 PITH HELMENTS, AND 1 PONCHO. EQUIPMENT TO BE FORWARDED.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3D MARINES OPERATION PHASE II TO CONTINUE.

3/3(-) COMMENCE SWEEP ON ORDER.

LIFT CMD GRP 3/4 WITH M/3/4 TO VIC YD 278644 CONDUCT S&D OPN TO SOUTH. K/3/4(-)(REIN) BLOCKS SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST OF GIA DO VILLAGE (YD2763).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 85 KIA, 449 WIA, 1 MIA USA

ENEMY: 661 KIA CONF, 467 KIA PROB

283 DETAINEES, 242 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

14 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

133 WENS CAPTURED

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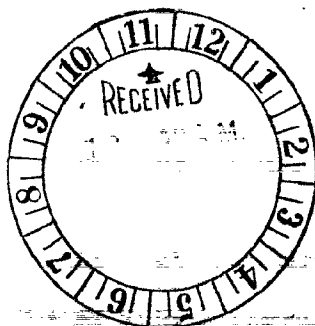
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 181, 172400H-180600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: D RECON BN FWD HAS HAD NO INSERTIONS

OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	SIZE	FOR	PATROL ROUTE OR AMBUSH SITE
M/3/9	SQUAD	180100H	YD 052552 TO 044556 TO 044554 TO 050550
M/3/9	SQUAD	180500H	YD 075556 TO 075560 TO 069559
M/3/9	SQUAD	180600H	YD 056544 TO 053538 TO 057535 TO 05833
CAC-P-1	SQUAD	180200H	YD 105537 TO 087509 (AMBUSH SITE) TO 093579 TO 110578
CAC-P-3	SQUAD	180200H	YD 170529 (AMBUSH SITE) TO 177535

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CAC-P-2 SQUAD 180400H YD 280568

L/3/9 SQUAD 180030H YD 117504

L/3/9 SQUAD 180100H YD 124514

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. SUMMARY OF S/A CONTACT FROM 171535H TO 172530H:

L 1 COMMITTED AS SPARROWHAWK LANDED SOUTH OF AN BIA VILLAGE PROCEEDED NORTH AND CAME UNDER S/A FIRE FROM ORIGINALLY ESTIMATE OF 3-5 VC. RETURNED S/A, A/W FIRE AND M-79: CALLED FOR GUNSHIPS. CONTACT

CONTINUED TO GAIN INTENSITY. FINAL ESTIMATE OF EN STRENGTH 100. EN WEAPONS USED WERE S/A, A/W AND M-79 AND SPORADIC MORTARS. VOLUME

OF EN FIRE INTENSE. AT 1655. K.3/4(-) LIFTED INTO AREA TO REINFORCE L 1. THEY IMMEDIATELY CAME UNDER S/A AND A/W FIRE IN LZ. K CONTINUED

MOVEMENT NORTH AND LINKED WITH L 1 AT YD 273627 AT 1930H. AN ELEMENT OF M/3/4 WAS IMMEDIATELY DISPATCHED TO ATTEMPT TO RELOCATE L 1 ACTUAL

AND RADIO OPERATOR WHO WERE TEMPORARILY MIA. BOTH WERE RECOVERED. AT THIS TIME MEDEVAC CHOPPERS CAME IN AND 2 WIA WERE MEDEVACED BEFORE

CHOPPERS WERE FORCED OUT OF THE LZ BY A/W FIRE. L 1 AND K/3/4 ORGANIZED INTO A DEFENSIVE PERIMETER AND CALLED FOR A FLAESHIP.

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 AMMO RESUPPLY WAS CRITICAL. AT 2300H 11 WIA WERE EVACUATED AND AMMO
 RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED BY MEDEVAC CHOPPERS. SINCE 2330H ONLY LIGHT
 SNIPER FIRE HAS BEEN RECEIVED. K/S/4 TO DISPATCH PATROLS TO SWEEP
 AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. RESULTS OF CONTACT: 8 FRIENDLY KIA, 23 FRIENDLY
 WIA, 6 EN KIA CONF, 1 AK-47, AND 1 M-1 CARBINE CAPTURED.
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

INS: 101 180000H XD 9761
 8 202 ASAP FOOT FROM KHE SANH LL XD 8944 UR XD 8649
 EXT: 302 180000H XD 8657
 102 180000H XD 8849

6. WAR AND S/4 OPERATIONS TO CONTINUE IAW SITREP 180. ALL
 OTHER UNITS TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND
 MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

7. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 96 KIA
 472 WIA
 23 NBC
 1 MIA

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 ENEMY: 67 KIA CONF
 467 KIA PROP
 233 DETAINEES
 242 INN CIVIL
 22 CIVIL DEF
 14 PW/NVA
 6 PW/VC
 165 WEAPONS CAPTURED
 20 CREW SERVED
 112 INDIVIDUAL
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OPERATION PRAIRIE III SITREP 181, 1724014-180600H MAR 67

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3 D RECON BN FWD HAS HAD NO INSERTIONS
OR EXTRACTATIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED.

UNIT SIZE FOR PATROL ROUTE OR AMBUSH SITE

M/3/9 SQD 180100H YD 052552 TO 044556 TO 044554 TO 050550

M/3/9 SQD 180500H YD 075556 TO 075560 TO 069559

M/3/9 SQD 180600H YD 056544 TO 053538 TO 057535 TO 058539

CAC-P-1 SQD 180230H YD 105587 TO 087589 AMBUSH SITED TO

003579 TO 110578

CAC-P-3 SQD 180200H YD 170589 AMBUSH SITE TO 177596

CAC-P-2 SQD 180400H YD 200568

L/3/9 SQD 180030H YD 117504

L/3/9 SQD 180100H YD 124514

ALL UNITS CONTINUED SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND
MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS

A. SUMMARY OF 3/4 CONTACT FM 171535H TO 172330H:

1ST PLT, L CO, N COMBATED AS SPARRUHAWK TAANDED SOUTH OF AN GIA VILLAGE

PROCEED NORTH AND CAME UNDER SA. FROM WHAT WAS ORIGINALLY EST TO BE

3-5 VC.

RETURNED SA, AW FIRE AND M-79: CALLED FOR GUNSHIPS. CONTACT

CONTINUED TO GAIN INTENSITY. FINAL EST OF EN STRENGTH 100.

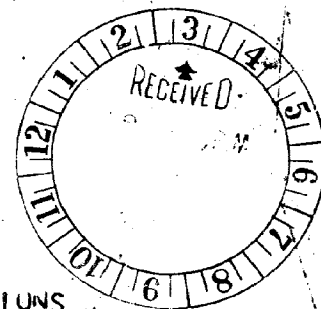
EN WPNS USED WERE SA, AW AND M-79 AND SPURADIC MORTARS. VOLUME

OF EN FIRE WAS INTENSE. AT 1655, K/3/4 (-) LIFTED INTO AREA TO REIN-

FORCE 1ST PLT, L CO. THEY IMMEDIATELY CAME UNDER SA AND AW FIRE IN LZ. K CO

CONTINUED MOVEMENT NORTH AND LINKED WITH 1ST PLT, L CO AT YD 273627 AT

1930H. AN ELEMENT OF K/3/3 WAS IMMEDIATELY DISPATCHED TO ATTEMPT AT RELOCATE



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BOTH WERE RECOVERED. AT THIS TIME MED EVAC CHOPPERS CAME IN AND 2 WIA
WERE MED EVACD BEFORE CHOPPERS WERE FORCED OUT OF THE LZ BY AW FIRE. 1ST PLT

LCU, AND K/3/4 ORGIZED INTO A PERIMETER AND CALLED FOR
A FLARESHIP.

AMMO SUPPLY WAS CRITICAL. AT 2330H. 11 WIA WERE EVACUATED AND AMMO
RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED BY MED EVAC CHOPPERS. SINCE ONLY LIGHT
SNIPER FIRE HAS BEEN REC. K/3/4 TO DISPATCH PATROLS TO SWEEP
AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. RES OF CONTACT: 8 FR KIA, 23 FR
WIA, 5 EN KIA(C), 1 AK-47, AND 1 M-1 CARBINE CAPT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICAT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

3D MAR AND 3/4 OPERATIONS TO CONTINUE TRANSIT REF 180. ALL
OTHER UNITS TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES,
AND MAINTAIN DEF POSN'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 3 KIA 72 WIA 1 MIA

ENEMY: 667 KIA(C) 467 KIA(P) 288 DETAINEES

242 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 14 PW/MVA 6 PW/VC

135 WPNS CAPT 23 CREW SERVED 112 INDIVIDUAL

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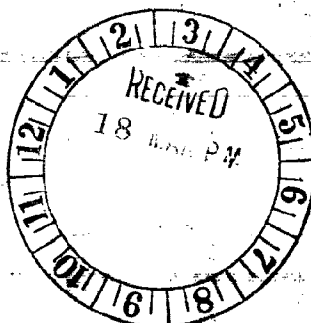
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 182, 180500H - 181200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

a. 2/26(-)

XD 984544

b. 2/26 (RAIN)

XD 976586

c. 3/5 COMMAND GROUP

YD 095585

d. 1/1/3/3

YD 089609

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO EXTRACTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

INSERTIONS: 2C2 - 182835H - FOOT FROM KHA SANH TO

UR 9247 LL 8944

1C1 - 181017H - TRUCK/FOOT TO UR 9363

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ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND SECURITY PATROLS

AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 180.

AT 181100H ONE PLATOON OF M/3/9 WAS TRANSPORTED BY VEHICLE

TO DONG HA TO BECOME REACTION FORCE. PLATOON CHOPPED UP ON TO

3/4 AT 180730H.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT	FOR	GRID SQUARES COVERED
M/3/3	1200H	978565, 978569
M/3/3	1015H	984583, 010587
12TH MAR	1100H	226596, 210582
K/3/4	1200H	250589, 263584, 244580
AMBUSHES		
K/3/4	0730H	285580
L/3/9	0600H	122510
L/3/9	0615H	064487
L/3/9	0645H	070480
M/3/3	0700H	984550
M/3/3	0700H	982562
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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. 180705H: AN OLD AIRCRAFT RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM LARGE CALIBER AUTOMATIC WEAPONS IN SEVEN POSITIONS LOCATED TO THE SOUTH OF VILLAGE VICINITY YD 1573. UNOBSERVED ARTILLERY WAS FIRED IN THE AREA AND TPQ DROPS WERE CONDUCTED.

C. AT 180915H AN UNKNOWN TYPE OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED BY ELEMENTS OF D/1/9 (YD 070636) RESULTING IN 3 FRIENDLY WIA (ALL 3 MEDEVACS)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 181045H RECON TEAM 301 (YD 050618) OBSERVED 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION AS A RESULT OF A FIRE MISSION BEING CALLED ON A SUSPECTED ENEMY H

RBOR SITE (YD 090631)

5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: PLANS NO INSERTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTATIONS IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS:

EXTRACTATIONS: 302 ASAP XD 866578

102 ASAP XD 866495

ALL OTHER UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND PATROLS

1AW SITREP 176, WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT 373(-) WILL CONDUCT PATROLS NORTH AND EAST OF THE ASSEMBLY AREA RATHER THAN NORTH AND WEST AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

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FRIENDLY: 30 KIA

475 WIA

25 WEC

1 MIA

ENEMY: 667 KIA CONF

467 KIA PROB

268 DETAINEES

242 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

14 PW/NVA

5 PW/VC

105 WEAPONS CAPTURED

20 CREW SERVED

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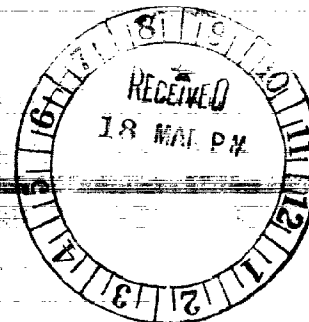
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II. SITREP 162. 100600H-101200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: A. 2/26(-) AD 084544

B. 6/2/25(KEIV) AD 076586

C. 3/3 CMD GRP YD 005585

D. 1/L/3/3 YD 080640

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO EXTRACTIIONS AND THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS:

INS: 202-180835H-FOOT FROM KHE SANH TO OPERATIONAREA.

UPPER RIGHT PORTION OF GS XD 0247 & LOWER PORTION GS XD 8044

101-181017H-TRUCK/FOOT TO OPERATING AREA UPPER RIGHT PORTION

GS XD 0363 AND LOWER LEFT PORTION GS XD 0961

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND SECURITY PATROLS

AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 160.

AT 181130 ONE PLATOON OF M/3/0 WAS TRANSPORTED BY VEHICLE

TO DUNG HA TO BECOME REACTIONFORCE. PLATOON CHOPPED UPON TO

3/4 AT 180730H.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT SIZE TON GRID SQUARES COVERED

PATROLS

M/3/3 SQD 1200H 070565, 970560

M/3/3 SQU 1015H 084583, 010567

12TH MAR SQD 1100H 226596, 210582

K/3/4 SQD 1200H 250589, 203584, 244580

AMBUSHES

K/3/4 SQD 0730H 205580

L/3/0 SQD 0630H 122510

L/3/0 SQD 0615H 084487

L/3/0 SQD 0645H 070480

M/3/3 SQD 0700H 084556

M/3/3 SQD 0700H 082562

M/3/3 SQD 0730H 099568

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. 180705H: AN OLD AIRCRAFT RECD HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM LARGE CALIBER AUTOMATIC WPNS IN SEVEN PSNS

LOCATED TO THE SOUTH OF VILLAGE VIC YD 1573. UNOBSD ARTY

WAS FIRED IN THE AREA AND TPQ DRIPS WERE CONDUCTED.

B. AT 180010H AN UNK TYPE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED

BY ELEMENTS OF D/1/0 (YD070636) RESULTING IN 3 FRIENDLY

WIA(ALL 3 MEDEVACS)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 181045H RECON TM 301

(YD059618) OESD 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION AS A RESULT OF A FIRE MSN

BEING CALLED ON A SUSPECTED ENEMY HARBOR SITE (YD00631)

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND PATROLS TAW SITREP 1767

WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT 3/3(-) WILL CONDUCT PATROLS NORTH AND EAST OF THE ASSEMBLY AREA RATHER THAN NORTH AND WEST AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 93 KIA. 475 WIA. 1 MIA

ENEMY: 667 KIA CONF. 467 KIA PROB

208 DETAINEES. 246 INN CIV. 22 CIV DEF

14 PW/NVA. 6 PW/VC

135 WPNS OPTRD. 23 CREW SEVED. 112 UNIDVULNABLES

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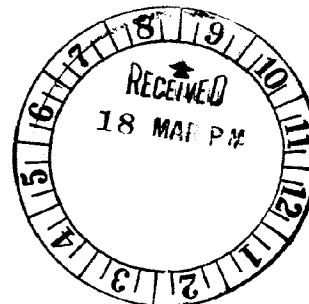
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II. SITREP 162. 100600H-101200H MAR 67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: A. 2/26(-) AD 084544

B. 6/2/25(KEIN) AD 076586

C. 3/3 CMD GRP YD 005505

D. 1/L/3/3 YD 080600

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BIN FWD HAD NO EXTRACTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING INSERTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS:

INS: 202-180835H-FOOT FROM KHE SANH TO OPERATION AREA.

UPPER RIGHT PORTION OF GS XD 0247 & LOWER PORTION GS XD 8044

101-181017H-TRUCK/FOOT TO OPERATING AREA UPPER RIGHT PORTION

GS XD 0363 AND LOWER LEFT PORTION GS XD 0061

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND SECURITY PATROLS AS OUTLINED IN SITREP 160.

AT 181130 ONE PLATOON OF M/3/0 WAS TRANSPORTED BY VEHICLE TO DUNG HA TO BECOME REACTION FORCE. PLATOON CHOPPED UP ON TO 3/4 AT 180730H.

THE FOLLOWING PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WERE CONDUCTED:

UNIT SIZE TWR GRID SQUARES COVERED

PATROLS

M/3/3	SQD	1200H	070565, 970569
M/3/3	SQD	1015H	084583, 010567
12TH MAR	SQD	1100H	226596, 210582
K/3/4	SQD	1200H	250589, 203584, 244580

AMBUSHES

K/3/4	SQD	0730H	205580
L/3/0	SQD	0630H	122510
L/3/0	SQD	0615H	084487
L/3/0	SQD	0645H	070480
M/3/3	SQD	0700H	084556
M/3/3	SQD	0700H	082562
M/3/3	SQD	0730H	099560

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. 180705H: AN OLD AIRCRAFT RECD HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM LARGE CALIBER AUTOMATIC WPNS IN SEVEN PSNS LOCATED TO THE SOUTH OF VILLAGE VIC YD 1573. UNOBSD ARMY WAS FIRED IN THE AREA AND TPQ DRUPS WERE CONDUCTED.

B. AT 180015H AN UNK IYPE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED BY ELEMENTS OF D/1/0 (YD070636) RESULTING IN 3 FRIENDLY WIA (ALL 3 MEDEVACS)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 181045H RECON TM 301 (YD059618) OBSD 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION AS A RESULT OF A FIRE MSN BEING CALLED ON A SUSPECTED ENEMY HARBOR SITE (YD090631)

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND PATROLS IAW SITREP 176.

WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT 3/3(-) WILL CONDUCT PATROLS NORTH AND EAST OF THE ASSEMBLY AREA RATHER THAN NORTH AND WEST AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 93 KIA, 475 WIA, 1 MIA

ENEMY: 667 KIA CONF, 467 KIA PROB

288 DETAINEES, 246 INN CIV, 22 CIV DEF

14 PW/NVA, 6 PW/VC

13R WPNS OPTD, 23 CREW SERVED, 112 INDIVIDUALS

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OPERATION PRAIRIE II, SITREP 123, 181200H - 181800H MAR67.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. G/2/26 (REIN) (XD 977586)
- B. 1/9 COMMAND GROUP (YD 046658)
- C. A/1/9 (YD 043633)
- D. G/1/9 (YD 049634)
- E. D/1/9 (YD 046632)
- F. 3/3 COMMAND GROUP (YD 094564)
- G. K/3/3 (-) (YD 086587)
- H. L/3/3 (-) (YD 085598)
- I. M/3/3 (YD 086543)

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J. K/3/4 (YD 243598)

K. 1/3/9 (YD 066543)

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAD NO INSERTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTIONS IN THE LAST SIX HOURS:

EXTRACTIONS: 3D1 BY HELO FROM XD 9661 AT 181515H

3D2 BY HELO FROM XD 8657 AT 181600H

1D2 BY HELO FROM XD 8849 AT 181610H

3RD MARINES: 1/3/9 COMPLETED HELOLIFT FROM YD 160481

TO CAMP CARROLL AT 181320H. AT 180700H M/3/9 CHOPPED OPCON TO

3/4. 1/M/3/9 COMPLETED MOTOR MOVEMENT TO DONG HA AT 181500H.

1/9 (-) CONTINUED SWEEPING NORTH OF CAM LO IAW FRAG

ORDER 8-67.

3/3 CONDUCTED PLATOON SIZE PATROLS NORTH OF ASSEMBLY AREA VICINITY YD 0860, 0861 IAW FRAG ORDER 8-67.

G/2/26 (REIN) CONDUCTED PATROLS VICINITY XD 9758, 9759, AND 9760.

ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AREAS OF OPERATION AND CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE SECURITY PATROLLING.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIO LINH.

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374 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DONG HA CONTACT BASE. K/3/4 (-) CONDUCTED SWEEP OF YESTERDAY'S CONTACT AREA VICINITY YD 272627. AT 181745H HELICOPT OF K/3/4 (-) FROM YD 272627 TO DONG HA WAS COMPLETED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 181000H CAP-2 OBSERVED 20 VC DIGGING VICINITY YD 276551. PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY AND S2305 THE AREA. VILLAGERS REPORTED THAT AN ARTILLERY ROUND LANDED BETWEEN 2 VC. VC KIA WILL NOT BE COUNTED BY THIS COMMAND DUE TO NOT BEING CONFIRMED BY US. FORCES.

B. FROM 180927H TO 181154H AO FIRED ON LONE NVA IN SHELL HOLE VICINITY YD 180665. RESULTS: 1 ENEMY KIA PROBABLE.

C. AT 181750H RECON TEAM 301 VICINITY YD 009618 OBSERVED 5 ENEMY IN BLUE-GREEN UTILITIES. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE WEAPONS. ENEMY WERE WALKING AROUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BUNKER. PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY MISSION. RESULTS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. AT 181030H PATROL FROM A/1/9 FOUND 2 MORTAR PITS APPROXIMATELY 7' X 5' X 5' WITH ADJACENT BUNKER WHICH MEASURED 15' X 2' X 2 1/2'. APPEARED TO BE UNUSED. DESTROYED PITS AND BUNKER. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 181030H A MARINE ON PATROL WITH CAP M-2 TRIPPED

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TWO EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. ONE WAS PRESSURE DETONATED; THE OTHER RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE. BOTH WERE M-26 FRAG GRENADES. RESULTS: 3 FRIENDLY KIA (ALL USMC PERSONNEL AND WERE MEDEVACED). PATROL CONTINUED ON MISSION.

C. AT 181128H A C/1/9 PATROL FOUND 5 LARGE BUNKERS (6' X 6' X 4') ATTACHED TO FIRING PIT. TWO FIRING PITS WERE 8 FEET IN DIAMETER AND 6 FEET DEEP. ALSO FOUND 3 PACKS, 550 ROUNDS .50 CALIBER LINKED AMMUNITION IN CART, 150 POUNDS OF RICE, AND ASSORTED TOOLS. GEAR TO BE SENT TO RAMP. BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 181445H K/3/4 REPORTED THAT A SWEEP OF THE AREA OF LAST NIGHT'S CONTACTS VICINITY YD 272627 REVEALED 12 NVA BODIES AND 4 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS. 6 BODIES AND 2 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

E. AT 181410H L/3/9 FOUND AN UNDERGROUND BUNKER VICINITY YD 009618. OUTSIDE OF THE BUNKER THE PATROL FOUND 1 M-26 FRAG GRENADE, 20 CARBINE ROUNDS, VARIOUS TYPES OF BRASS IN MACHINE GUN BELTS, 1 FUSE FOR 60MM MORTAR AND M-79 BRASS. BUNKER WAS DESTROYED. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.

F. AT 181500H 2 MARINES FROM RECON HQ OBSERVED A

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VIETNAMESE TRUCK HIT A MINE (VICINITY YD 827554) AND OVERTURN. THE DRIVER AND TWO PASSENGERS WERE UNHURT. 15TH CIT CHECKED AREA. CRATER WAS 3 FEET WIDE AND 2 1/2 FEET DEEP. THE TRUCK HAD ITS DUAL WHEELS AND DRIVESHAFT BLOWN COMPLETELY OFF.

6. AT 181410H A MARINE FROM 3/2/26 TRIPPED A FRAG GRENADE THAT WAS LAYING ON THE TRAIL. ALL PARTS OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WERE COMPLETELY DESTROYED. RESULTS: 1 FRIENDLY KIA. KIA WAS REDECOVERED.

7. AT 181440H 3RD PLATOON K/3/3 HEARD 3 GUNSHOTS VICINITY YD 896525. IMPACT OF ROUNDS WAS NOT OBSERVED. K/3/3 CONTINUES TO OBSERVE AREA WHERE GUNSHOTS ORIGINATED.

8. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTATIONS FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MARINES: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN ASSIGNED AREAS OF OPERATION AND CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PATROLLING AND SURVEILLANCE.

9/4: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF JONG HA COMBAT PASS AND POL FACILITY AT MOUTH OF THE VIET RIVER.

PROX ARTY BN DATA 1817:00 REPORT NO HMM.

9. CUMULATIVE LOGS:

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FRIENDLY: 93 KIA

479 MIA

23 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

673 KIA CONF

468 KIA PROB

288 DETAINEES

246 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

14 PW/MVA

6 PW/VC

137 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

116 INDIVIDUAL

7. SCOUT/SNIPERS: NO CHANGE.

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UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. G/2/26 (RIEN) (XD 977586)
- B. 1/9 CMD GRP (YD 046638)
- C. A/1/9 (YD 043635)
- D. C/1/9 (YD 049634)
- E. D/1/9 (YD 046632)
- F. 3/3 CMD GRP (YD 094584)
- G. K/3/3 (-) (YD 086587)
- H. L/3/3 (-) (YD 085598)
- I. M/3/9 (YD 086543)
- K. 1/3/9 (YD 066543)

2. SUMMARE OF OPERATIONS: 3RD RECON B FWD: HAD NO
INSERTIONS AND THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

EXTRATIONS: 3D1 BY HELO FROM XD 9661 AT 181515H

3D2 BY HELO FROM XD 8657 AT 181600H

1D2 BY HELO FROM XD 8849 AT 181610H

3RD MAJ: 1/3/39 COMPLETED HELOLIFT FM YD 180481

TO CAMP CARROLL AT 181320H. AT 180700H. M/3/9 CROPPED OPCON TO

3/4. 1/M/3/9 COMPLETED MOTOR MOVEMENT TO DUNG HA AT 181600H.

1/9 (-) CONTINUED SWEEPING NORTH OF CAM LU.

3/3 CONDUCTED PLAT SIZE PATROLS NORTH OF ASSEMBLY
AREA VIC YD 0860. 0861.G/2/26 (RIEN) CONDUCTED PATROLS VIC XD 9758. 9759, AND
0760.

ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN
ASSIGNED AREAS OF OPERATION AND CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE SECURITY
PATROLLING.

PROV ARTY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFENDED GIU LINH.

3/4 MAINTAINED DEFENSE OF DUNG HA COMBAT BASE. K/3/4 (-)

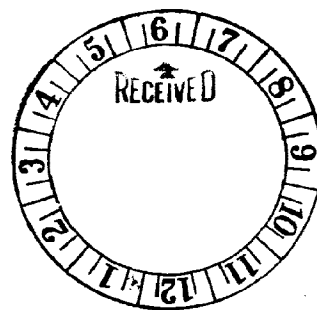
CONDUCTED SWEEP OF YESTERDAY'S CONTACT AREA VIC YD 272627.

AT 181745H. HELOLIFT OF K/3/4 (-) FM YD 272627 TO DUNG HA
WAS COMPLETED.

3. 3NEMY CONTACTS: A. AT 181000H. CAC-2 OBS'D 20 VC
DIGGING VIC YD 276551. PATROL CALLED ARTY AND SWEEP
THE AREA. VILLAGERS REPORTED THAT AN ARTY RD LANDED
BETWEEN 2 VC. VC KIA WILL NOTE COUNTED BY THIS CMD DUE
TO NOT BEING CONF BY US. ORCES.

B. FM 180927H. TO 181154H. AU FIRED ON LUNE NVA IN
SHELL HOLE VIC YD 100665. RES: 1 EN KIA(P).

C. AT 181730H. RECON TM 3C1 VIC YD 080610 OBS'D
5 EN IN BLuish-GREEN UTILITIES. PATROL COULD NOT OBS WPNS.
EN WERE WALKING AROUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BUNKER. PATROL
CALLED ARTY MSN. RES: UNK AT THIS TIME.



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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 181030H PATROL FROM A. FOUND
 FIRING PITS APPROXIMATELY 7'X5'X5' IN WITH ADJACENT
 TRENCH MEASURED 15'X2'X2 1/2'. APPEARED TO BE UNUSED.
 DESTROYED PIT AND BUNKER. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
 B. AT 181030H A MARINE ON PATROL WITH CAP P-2 AT (YD 275553)
 TIPPED TWO EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. ONE WAS PRESSURE DETONATED
 THE OTHER RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE. BOTH WERE MAWY FRAG GRENADES.
 RESULTS: 3 FRIENDLY WIA (ALL USMC PERSONNEL AND WERE MEDEVACED).
 PATROL CONTINUED ON MISSION.
 C. -5 181112H C/1/9 PATROL FOUND 5 LARGE BUNKERS
 6'X6'X4' ATTACHED TO FIRING PIT. TWO FIRING PITS WERE 8
 FEET IN DIAMETER AND 6 FEET DEEP. ALSO FOUND 3 PACKS, 650
 ROUNDS .50 CALIBER LINKED AMMUNITION IN CANS. 150 POUNDS OF RICE
 AND ASSORTED TOOLS. GEAR TO BE SENT TO REARM BUNKERS WERE
 DESTROYED. AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
 D. AT 181445H K/3/4 REPORTED THAT A SWEEP OF THE AREA
 OF LAST NIGHT'S CONTACTS VICINITY YD 273627 REVEALED 12 NVA
 BODIES AND 4 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS. 6 BODIES AND 2 INDIVIDUAL
 WEAPONS WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. 6 ADDITIONAL KIA (C) -5 2
 ADDITIONAL WEAPONS CAPTURED.
 E. AT 181410H L/3/9 FOUND AN UNDERGROUND BUNKER VICINITY
 YD 092498. OUTSIDE OF THE BUNKER THE PATROL FOUND 1 M-26 FRAG
 GRENADE. 20 CARBINE ROUNDS IN VARIOUS TYPES OF BRASS IN MACHINEGUN
 BELTS. 1 FUSE FOR 60MM MORTAR AND M-79 BRASS. BUNKER WAS DESTROYED.
 AREA SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. GEAR TO BE FORWARDED.
 F. AT 181500H 2 MARINES FROM RECON HQ OBSERVED A VIETNAMESE
 TRUCK HIT A MINE (VICINITY YD 307554) AND OVERTURN.
 THE DRIVER AND TWO PASSENGERS WERE UNHURT. 15TH CIT CHECKED AREA.
 CRATER WAS 3 FEET WIDE AND 2 1/2 FEET DEEP. THE TRUCK HAD ITS
 DUAL WHEELS AND DRIVESHFT BLOWN COMPLETELY OFF.
 G. AT 181410H 3RD PLATOON K/3/3 HEARD 3 GUNSHOTS
 VICINITY YD 096585. IMPACT OF ROUNDS WAS NOT OBSERVED. K/3/3
 CONTINUES TO OBSERVE AREA WHERE GUNSHOTS ORIGINATED.
 5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD: HAS NO PLANNED INSERTIONS
 OR EXTRACTATIONS FOR THE NEXT SIX HOURS.
 3RD MARINES: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
 IN ASSIGNED AREAS OF OPERATION AND CONDUCT EXTENSIVE
 PATROLLING AND AMBUSHES.
 3/4: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF DUNG HA CONDUIT PASE AND POL
 FACILITY AT MOUTH OF CUA VIEI RIVER.
 PROV ARMY BN WITH 1/3/4 DEFEND GIU LINH.
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FRIENDLY: 93 KIA
 470 WIA
 1 MIA

ENEMY:

673 KIA CONF
 463 KIA PROB
 208 DETAINEES
 246 INN CIVIL
 22 CIVIL DEF

14 PW/NVA
 6 PW/VC
 137 WEAPONS CAPTURED

7. SCOUT/SNIPERS: NO CHANGE.

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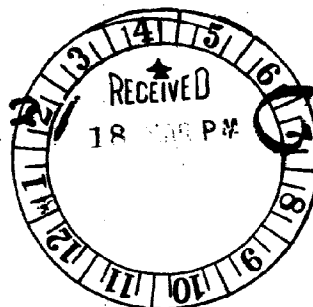
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II; SITREP 184, 181800H - 182400H MAR67

1. UNIT LOC

TIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS HAD NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

AT 182330H A L/3/9 SQUAD RETURNED TO CP FROM AN AMBUSH VIC YD 110511. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. REFER CONTACT C, MY SITREP 183. ARTY FIRED WITH EXCELLENT TARGET COVERAGE. RESULTS 3 EN KIA PROB.

B. REFER CONTACT A, MY SITREP 181. ADD 4 FRIENDLY WIA.

C. AT 181830H AO OBSERVED 40 TO 50 EN AT YD 109660 IN GREEN

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UTILITIES AND PACKS. THEY WERE NOT WEARING HELMETS. AO CALLED ARTY MISSION WHICH RESULTED IN 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 20 EN KIA CONF AND 10 EN KIA PROB.

D. AT 181730H RECON TEAM 1C1 VIC XD 957567 OBSERVED 10-15 VC WEARING BLACK PJ'S AT XD 964568. PATROL UNABLE TO OBSERVE WEAPONS OR EQUIPMENT. ARTY MISSION FIRED, DURING ARTY MISSION PATROL HEARD VOICES SAYING IN AMERICAN "THEY'RE DEAD GODDAMMIT, THEY'RE DEAD". PATROL CEASED ARTY. AT THIS TIME 3RD RECON BN S-3, G-3 FWD AND CROWD 3 ALONG WITH FSCC CHECKED FOR FRIENDLYS IN AREA. AFTER A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION REVEALED NEG FRIENDLYS IN AREA. PATROL WAS CLEARED TO BEGIN FIRING ARTY AGAIN.

E. AT 182105H 1/3/4 (YD 214739) REPORTED 2 TRIP FLARES WERE SET OFF AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. ONE PERSON WAS OBSERVED AT EACH LOCATION. FIRED M-79 ROUNDS. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

F. AT 182150H 3/3 (YD 092585) HEARD DRUMS AND CHANTING EAST OF PERIMETER (YD 105587) FROM UNK NUMBER OF PEOPLE. NOISE CONTINUED FOR 20 MINUTES. PERIMETER DEFENSE ALERTED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 181800H A/1/9 (YD 053635) FOUND A COMPANY SIZE HARBOR SITE WITH SIX BUNKERS (8'X5'X3'). BUNKERS HAD REINFORCED ROOFS 2-3 FEET

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THICK AND CONTAINED BOMBED FLOORS AND BUNKERS. EACH BUNKER SLEPT 4-5 PEOPLE. ALSO FOUND TRENCHES AND TUNNELS BETWEEN BUNKERS (3' DEEP AND 1 1/2' WIDE). 4 BUNKERS (3'X3'X3') WITH REINFORCED ROOFS 1 1/2' THICK WERE ALSO FOUND. OBSERVATION POST WAS LOCATED IN TREE. SITE NOT USED IN ASI 4-5 DAYS. FOUND PACK WITH 10-12 LBS RICE. DESTROYED BUNKERS AND TRENCHWORK AND FORWARDED PACK AND RICE.

3. REFER SIGNIFICANT EVENT: C, MY SITREP 185. C/1/9 ALSO FOUND FIRING POSITIONS LOCATED ON HIGH GROUND AFFORDING 360 FIELD OF FIRE. NO EVIDENCE OF CAMOUFLAGE AS POSITIONS WERE FRESHLY DUG. SELECTIVE CUTTING OF TREES WERE FOR FIELD OF FIRE.

5. PLANS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

5D MAR: PHASE II OF 3D MAR OPERATION TO CONTINUE. 1/9 (-) TO CONDUCT S&D OPERATION VICINITY OF PRESENT POSITION. 3/3 (-) CONDUCT S&D OPERATION VIC YD 1403 ON ORDER. G/2/26 (REIN) CONTINUE TO CONDUCT S&D OPERATIONS VIC XD 975600.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, A AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 93 KIA

483 MIA

23 NBC

1 MIA

ENEMY:

696 KIA CONF

481 KIA PROB

288 DETAINEES

246 INN CIVIL

22 CIVIL DEF

14 PW/NVA

6 PW/VC

137 WEAPONS CAPTURED

23 CREW SERVED

114 INDIVIDUAL

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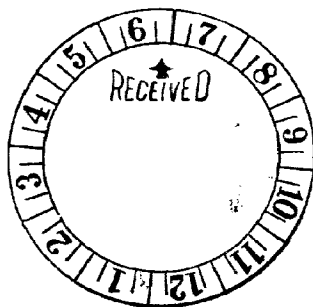
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OPERATION PRAIRIE II. SITREP NR 104. 181001H-182400H MAR 67

UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 3D RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIIONS IN THE PAST SIX HOURS.

AT 182330H, A L/3/0 SQU RETURNED TO CP FROM AN AMBU H VIC YD 114511.

ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN DEF POSN.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. REFER CONTACT C. SITREP 83. ARTY FIRED WITH EXC

161 CV. RES: 3 EN KIA(P).

B. REFER CONTACT A. SITREP 103. ADD 4 FRIENDLY WIA.

C. AT 181830H, SU OBS'D 40-50 EN AT YD 109660 IN GREEN

UTILITIES AND PACKS. THEY WERE NOT WEARING HELMETS AND CALLED ARTY MSN WHICH RES'D IN 3 SECONDARY EXPL. 20 EN KIA(C) AND

10 EN KIA(P).

D. AT 181730H, RECON IM 101 VIC AD 957567 OBS'D 10-15 VC

WEARING BLK PJ'S AT AD 964560. PATROL UNABLE TO OBS WPNS

OR EQUIP. ARTY MSN FIRED. DURING ARTY MSN PAT HEARD

VOICES SAYING IN ENGLISH "THEY'RE DEAD GUDDAMMIT. THEY'RE DEAD".

PAT CEASED ART. AT THIS TIME 3RD RECON BN S-3, G-3 FWD AND

3D MAR

3 ALONG WITH FSCC CHECKED FOR FRIENDLYS IN AREA. PAT WAS CLEARED TO BEGIN FIRING ARTY AGAIN. RES INK.

E. AT 182105, 1/3/4 YD 214730 REPORTED 2 TRIP FLARES WERE SET OFF AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. ONE PERSON WAS OBS'D AT EACH LOCATION. FIRED M-79 RDS. AREA TO BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 181600H, A/1/9 YD 053635 FOUND A CU SIZE HARBORING SITE WITH SIX BUNKERS (8'X5'X3'). BUNKERS HAD REIN ROOFS 2-3 FEET THICK AND CONTAINED AMBU DECKS AND UNKS. EACH BUNKER SLEPT 4-5 PEOPLE. ALSO FOUND TRENCHES AND TUNNELS BETWEEN BUNKERS (3' DEEP AND 1 1/2' WIDE). 4 BUNKERS (3'X3'X3') WITH REIN ROOFS 1 1/2' THICK WERE ALSO FOUND. OBSERVATION POST WAS LOCATED IN TREE. SITE

NOT USED IN LAST 4-5 DAYS. FOUND PACK WITH 12-12 LBS RICE. DEST BUNKERS

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AND TRENCHWORK AND FORWARDED PACK AND RICE.
 B. REFER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: C. STIRER 183. C/1/9 ALSO FOUND
 FIRING POSN LOCATED ON HIGH GROUND AFFORDING 360 FIELD OF FIRE.
 NO EVIDENCE OF CAMO AS POSN WERE FRESHLY DUG.
 SELECTIVE CUTTING OF TREES WERE FOR FIELD OF FIRE.

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5. PLANS: 3RD RECON BN FWD HAS NO INSERTIONS OR EXTRACTIONS
 PLANNED IN THE NEXT SIX HOURS.

3RD MAR: HASE II OF 3D MAR OPERATION TO CONTINUE. 1/9(-) TO
 CONDUCT S&D OPERATION VIC OF PRESENT POSN. 3/3(-) CONDUCT
 S&D OPERATION VIC YD 1063 ON ORDER. 6/2/26 (RIEN) CONTINU TO CONDUCT
 S&D OPERATIONS VIC XD 973600.

ALL OTHER UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AMBUSHES,
 AND MAINTAIN DEF POSN.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FRIENDLY: 93 KIA 483 WIA 1 MIA(USA)
 ENEMY: 693 KIA(C) 481 KIA(P) 288 DETAINEES
 246 INN CIV 22 CIV DEF 14 PW/NVA
 6 PW/VC 137 W/NS CAPT
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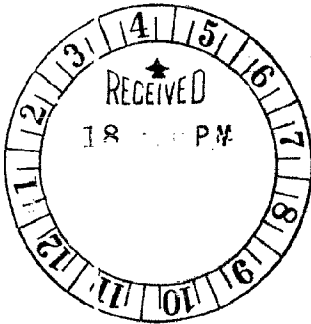
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