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	2	Msg	060109 Z	Subj: Frag Order 52-67
	3	Msg	080307 Z	Subj: Frag Order 53-67
	4	Msg	090025 Z	Subj: Change 1 to Operation Plan 51-67, (Reinforcement of Khe Sanh)
	5	Msg	091804 Z	Subj: Frag Order #1, Operation Medina
	6	Msg	101427 Z	Subj: Change 1 to Frag Order 52-67
	7	Msg	110741 Z	Subj: Frag Order 54-67 (Operations Phu Bai TAOR)
	8	Msg	131103 Z	Subj: Operation Order 55-67 (Operation Liberty II)
	9	Msg	160512 Z	Subj: Operation Order 306-67
	10	Msg	201345 Z	Subj: Operation Order 57-67 (Operation Osceola)
	11	Msg	230900 Z	Subj: Operation Plan Lam Son 140
	12	Msg	240255 Z	Subj: Change 1 to Operation Order 57-67
	13	Msg	290825 Z	Subj: Operation Order 49-67 (Operation Scotland)
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	16	Msg	290837 Z	Subj: Operation Order 58-67 (Operation Lancaster)
	17	Msg	310855 Z	Subj: Changes to Operation Order 49-67 (Operation Scotland)
	18	Msg	311527 Z	Subj: Changes to Operation Order 57-67 (Operation Oselola)
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IMMEDIATE: OCT 67

FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV
TO: SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MAR
TWELFTH MAR
THIRD ENGINEER BN
THIRD MEDICAL BN (-)
THIRD MOTOR TRANSPORT BN (-)

INFO: CG III MAF
CG FIRST MARDIV
CG FIRST MAW
BIG PHU BAI
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OPERATION ORDER-56-67 (OPERATION BATH)

- A. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS SERIES 17014, SHEETS 6559I, 6560II, 6659IV.
- B. THIRD MARDIV FRAG O 55-67
- C. THIRD MARDIV FRAG O 54-67 ✓
- D. THIRD MARDIV 101 1-67
- E. CG FIRST MARDIV 1500 29 OCT 67 (NOTAL)
- F. III MAF AND JMC. NG-504TH PLAN 1-66
- G. DIV O 3100.D
- H. DIV O P2000.4C
- I. DIV O P02000.2F
- J. OPERATION OVERLAY (PABEP)?

TIME ZONE H

TAC ORG ORGANIZATION

3D MARDIV (-)(REIN)

HAUGEN HOCHMUTH

2D BN, 26TH MARINES (REIN)

LTCOL CHAPLIN

2D BN, 26TH MARINES

"L" CO (REIN), 3D BN, 26TH MARINES

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DET, SCOUT SNIPER PLAT, HQS CO, 26TH MAR	
2ND BN, 3D MARINES (-)(REIN)	LTCOL ENGLISH
12TH MARINES (-)(REIN)	COL SCHICK, JR.
3D RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION	MAJ KELL
3D ENGINEER BATTALION	LTCOL MCCUTHEON ^{SP?}

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES:

- (1) SPECIAL AREA STUDY TO BE ISSUED
- (2) CURRENT INSTRUMENTS AND PERIMETERS

B. FRIENDLY FORCES.

- (1) 1ST MAW PROVIDES CAS AND HELO SUPPORT
- (2) DONG DA NATIONAL TRAINING CENTER (YD 8715) MAINTAINS OWN INTERNAL DEFENSE, CONDUCT TRAINING AND NIGHT AMBUSHES WITHIN HUE-PHU BAI TAOR.
- (3) 12TH ARVN ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 883156) MAINTAINS OWN INTERNAL DEFENSE AND CONDUCTS OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST VC/NVA FORCES.
- (4) COMBINED ARVN CORPS HAS CONTROL OF PHU BAI TAOR'S.
- (5) PHU BAI BASE DEFENSE COMMAND COORDINATES SECURITY PHU BAI VITAL AREA.
- (6) FOURTH MARINES (-) CONDUCTS OPERATIONS IN BENTY BASE AREA 114 DURING PERIOD 24-31 OCTOBER 1967.

C. ATTACHMENTS/DETACHMENTS. ON ORDER;

- (1) BIT 2/3 CHOP TO 3D MAR DIV
- (2) 1ST PLT, CO. P, 26TH MAR, CHOP TO PARENT UNIT.

2. MISSION. 3RD MARINE DIVISION (-)(REIN) CONDUCTS DELIBERATE SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATIONS; LIMITED OBJECTIVE SPOILING ATTACKS; AND AGGRESSIVE COMBAT

PATROLS AND AMBUSHES UTILIZING TWO REINFORCED INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH RVN PROVINCIAL FORCES TO CLEAR THE AREA AROUND THE PHU BAI VITAL BASE AREA AND TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES AND CACHES, OBTAIN INTELLIGENCE AND SEEK OUT VC/NVA SYMPATHIZERS IN VICINITY OF THE PHU BAI BASE AREA, IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE THE ENEMY'S CAPABILITY TO ATTACK THE PHU BAI BASE BY OBSERVED INDIRECT FIRE OR HIT AND RUN RAIDS BY SIGNIFICANT SIZE RAIDING FORCES.

3. EXECUTION.

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

(1) WHEN DIRECTED, FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF LIBERTY II, REFERENCE (B) OPERATION BATH WILL COMMENCE IN ZONES OF ACTION I AND II. REFERENCE (J) (OPERATION OVERLAY).

(2) FORCES COMMITTED WILL INCLUDE THE 2ND BATTALION (REIN), 26TH MARINES, 2ND BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES AND RVN PROVINCIAL FORCES. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT 1ST ARVN FORCES WILL CONDUCT SIMILAR AND CONCURRENT OPERATIONS IN ADJACENT AREAS.

(3) INFANTRY BATTALIONS WILL CONDUCT INDEPENDENT OPERATIONS WITHIN ASSIGNED ZONES. COORDINATION AS REQUIRED WILL BE EFFECTED AT DIVISION LEVEL.

(4) RVN PROVINCIAL FORCES WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH U.S. FORCES.

(5) 2ND BATTALION, 26TH MARINES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH RVN PROVINCIAL FORCES WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE I.

(6) 2ND BATTALION (-), 3RD MARINES WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE II.

(7) COMBINED ACTION COMPANY CONTINUES NORMAL OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED TACH'S.

(8) PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS WILL AUGMENT TACTICAL OPERATIONS WHENEVER PRACTICAL.

B. 2ND BN, 26TH MARINES

(1) CONTINUE BASIC MISSION REFERENCE (C) SUBJECT TO MODIFICATIONS SHOWN THIS ORDER; MAINTAIN CONTINUOUS SECURITY FOR LOCs WITHIN ZONE I.

(2) CONDUCT SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATIONS IN ZONE I.

(3) COORDINATE SUPPORT AND EMPLOYMENT OF PROVINCIAL FORCES PARTICIPATING IN THIS OPERATION.

(4) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH ALL FRIENDLY FORCES OPERATING WITHIN ZONE I. ASSIST 2ND BN, 3D MARINES IN ESTABLISHING LIAISON WITH RVN FORCES AS REQUIRED.

(5) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE RAPID REACTION COMPANY TO ASSIST 2D BATTALION, 3D BN LOCs OF ZONE II IF REQUIRED.

C. 2ND BN, 3D MARINES

(1) CONTINUE LOC SECURITY, IN ZONE II; MAINTAIN CLOSE LIAISON WITH 1ST BN, 3D MARINES ON THE SOUTH AND 2ND BN, 26 MARINES ON THE NORTH APPROACHES.

(2) CONDUCT SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATIONS, DIRECTED OBJECTIVE SPOT LIT ATTACKS; COMBAT AND RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS; AND AMBUSHES THROUGHOUT ZONE II WITH FORCES NOT COMMITTED TO LOC SECURITY.

(3) CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN CANOPY AREA SHOWN OPERATION OVERLAY TO OBTAIN INTELLIGENCE, DISRUPT ENEMY HEADQUARTERS INSTALLATIONS AND INTERDICT ENEMY MOVEMENT. DIRECT PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO AVENUES OF APPROACH, EMERGENCIES, AND TRAIL SYSTEMS.

(4) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH RVN OPERATIONS IN ZONE II.

(5) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH 3D RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION IN RECONNAISSANCE ZONES ASTRIDE ZONE II.

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(6) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE TACTICAL SUPPORT TO COMBINED ACTION COMPANIES WITHIN ZONE II IF ATTACKED.

→ (7) SUBMIT CONCEPT AND SUPPORTING PLANS FOR LIMITED OBJECTIVE ATTACKS TO BE CONDUCTED WITHIN THE CANOPY TO THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR APPROVAL.

(8) SUBMIT AIR AND GENERAL SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS TO THIS HEADQUARTERS EARLIEST.

D. 12TH MARINES. GENERAL SUPPORT

E. 3D RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION

(1) GENERAL SUPPORT

(2) BE PREPARED FOR PLANK SECURITY, SCREENING OPERATIONS, ZONE II.

(3) COORDINATE PATROLS RZS IV, V, AND VI IN ZONE II WITH 2D BN.

3RD MARINES.

F. 3D ENGINEER BATTALION. GENERAL SUPPORT

G. 3D MEDICAL BATTALION (-). GENERAL SUPPORT

H. 3D MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION (-). GENERAL SUPPORT

I. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) D-DAY: 24 OCTOBER 1967

(2) H-HOUR: TBA

(3) UNCLASSIFIED CODE NAME - BATH

→ (4) RCA AUTHORIZED OUTSIDE OF CIVILIAN POPULATED AREA WITHOUT APPROVAL THIS HEADQUARTERS. USE RCA IN CIVILIAN POPULATED AREA MUST BE CLEARED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS PRIOR TO USE.

(5) FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION IAW REF D

(6) RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IAW REF D

(7) REPORTS IAW, REF C COMMENCE SUBMISSION SITUATION REPORTS AT 1200 H ON D-DAY; EVERY SIX HOURS THEREAFTER.

(8) SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR TPQ, HAI FIRES TO REACH THIS HEADQUARTERS NO LATER THAN 1600 H DAILY. TPQ'S REQUIRE 24-36 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE

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EXCEPT FOR HIGH PRIORITY TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

(9) EXPLOIT PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS OPPORTUNITIES WHEREVER PRACTICAL. EMPLOY ARMED PROPAGANDA TEAMS AS APPROPRIATE.

(10) MAINTAIN CONTINUOUS SECURITY OF ROUTE 1 THROUGHOUT ZONES I AND II.

(11) DISSEM ALCON

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

A. SUPPLY

(1) GENERAL - IAW REF D

(2) 1ST BAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

(3) RESUPPLY ~~4~~ ^{PLSC-A}

(4) LOADS/UNLOAD - AS DIRECTED BY UNIT COMMANDER.

(5) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES - AS DIRECTED BY UNIT COMMANDER.

(6) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION

() CONTROL - AERIAL DELIVERY TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

() DISTRIBUTION - SUPPLY POINT OF ALL CLASSES OF SUPPLIES.

(C) ESTABLISH HST AS REQUIRED.

(D) AERIAL DELIVERY IAW REF D AND F.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) ESTABLISH EVACUATION STATION AS REQUIRED.

(2) EVACUATE TO 3D MED BN, (-) PHU BAI.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK AND AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED UPON REQUEST TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

D. SERVICES

(1) IAW - REF D

- (2) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT: 3D ECHELON, FLSG-A
- (3) STORAGE: IAW REF D
- (4) SALVAGE: IAW REF D
- (5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES.
 - (A) 3D ENGINEER BN (-) GENERAL SUPPORT
 - (B) 3D MED BN (-) GENERAL SUPPORT
 - (C) 3D MT BN (-) GENERAL SUPPORT

E. PERSONNEL.

- (1) IAW REF D

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

A. COMMUNICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES H AND I.

(1) RADIO. 2D BN, 3D MARINES ACTIVATE STATION ON DIV TACTICAL NET #2, (P) (M-285) (S) (M-362). KY-8 OPERATIONS AS REQUIRED. KAK-3241 EFFECTIVE KEY LIST.

(2) RADIOTELEPHONE/WIRE. ON ORDER RECEIVE AND TERMINATE RADIO SET AN/MRC-62 TERMINAL FOR RADIOTELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS WITH THIS HEAD-QUARTERS. EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL TO BE PROVIDED BY COMMCO, HQBN. CHANNELIZATION AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCE I.

(3) COMMCO HQBN. PROVIDE PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AUGMENTATION AS DIRECTED.

(4) 2D BN, 26TH MARINES MAINTAIN EXISTING COMMUNICATIONS WITH THIS HEADQUARTERS.

B. COMMAND POSTS.

- (1) CG 3D MARDIV - PHU BAI
- (2) 2ND BN, 26TH MARINES. COC PHU BAI
- (3) 2ND BN (-), 3D MARINES. TO BE ANNOUNCED.

C. COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS.

- (1) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS; IAW REF (D)

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(2) COORDINATION BETWEEN MARINE BATTALIONS, AS REQUIRED, EFFECTED AT DIVISION LEVEL THROUGH 3D MARDIV COG.

(3) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN RVN AND MARINES WILL BE ONE OF COOPERATION AND COORDINATION.

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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV
 TO: FIRST MARINES (-) (REIN) ✓
 NINTH MARINES ✓
 FOURTH MARINES ✓
 TWELFTH MARINES ✓
 INFO: CG III MAF
 CG FIRST MARDIV
 CG FIRST MAW
 CG FLC

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PRAC ORDER 52-67 (U)

A. CG 1ST MARDIV 300037Z SEP67

B. 3D MARDIV LOI 1-67

C. 3D MARDIV OPLAN 48-67

D. 3D MARDIV 011345Z OCT67

E. 3D MARDIV ORDER 2000.2F

F. 3D MARDIV ORDER 2000.4C

1. THIS IS MY OP O FOR EMPLOYMENT FIRST MARINES (-) (REIN) AFTER CHOP FROM
 1ST MARDIV.

2. T/O: NO CHANGE EXCEPT TO INCLUDE 1ST MARDIV ELEMENTS SHOWN REFERENCE (A)
 OPCON 3D MARDIV.

3. SITUATION.

A. ENEMY FORCES. CURRENT INTSUMS, PERINTREPS, STAFF BRIEFINGS FOR ADVANCE
 PARTY COMMAND ELEMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED EARLIEST.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES.

(1) 3D MARDIV (REIN) IN CONJUNCTION AND COORDINATION WITH 1ST ARVN DIV,
 SUPPORTED BY 1ST MAW AND 7TH FLEET CAPABILITIES AS REQUIRED, CONTINUES OPERATIONS

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IAW BASIC MISSION. REFERENCE (B) AND (C).

(2) FOURTH MARINES (-) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR QUANG TRI AIR FACILITY AND LOGISTIC COMPLEX ADJACENT TO THE TAOR. ASSIGNED TO 1STMAR (-)(REIN) UPON CHOP TO 3D MARDIV.

4. MISSION. FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN), WHEN OPCON 3D MARDIV, OCCUPY, IMPROVE AND DEFEND REGIMENTAL (-) COMBAT BASE WITHIN ASSIGNED TAOR; EXPEDITE PREPARATIONS FOR EARLY COMMITMENT TO LIMITED OBJECTIVE COMBAT OPERATIONS WITHIN ASSIGNED TAOR, AS AUTHORIZED/DIRECTED; AND BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT COMBAT OPERATIONS ANYWHERE WITHIN 3D MARDIV TAOR, AS DIRECTED, IN ORDER TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES, MATERIAL, AND LOGISTIC CACHES; PREVENT INTERDICTION OF FRIENDLY LOGS AND BASE AREAS; RESTRICT ENEMY MOVEMENT VIA LAND OR INLAND WATERWAYS ROUTES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON MOVEMENT BETWEEN HIGHLAND BASE AREAS AND POPULATED COASTAL FOOD AND RECRUITMENT SOURCES; AND TO SUPPORT RD PROGRAMS AS PRACTICAL WITHIN ASSIGNED TAOR.

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS:

(1) O/A 3 OCTOBER 67 ELEMENTS FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN) COMMENCE MOVEMENT, AS DIRECTED, FROM 1ST MARDIV TAOR TO DESIGNATED REGIMENTAL (-) TAOR VICINITY QUANG TRI CITY.

(2) AT TIME OF CHOP FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN) UNITS REPORT OPCON 3D MARDIV, 1ST MARDIV RETAINS ADCON.

(3) MOVEMENT BY MULTI-COMPANY/BATTERY INCREMENTS VIA LAND, SEA AND AIR LIFTS IAW REF (A) AND AS COORDINATED BY 1ST MARDIV/3D MARDIV STAFF REPRESENTATIVES.

(4) UPON ARRIVAL DESIGNATED REGIMENTAL TAOR ALL FORCES WILL TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROVIDE PROTECTION AND SECURITY FOR PERSONNEL, MATERIAL AND SUPPLIES FROM ENEMY INDIRECT FIRE WEAPONS, SNIPER, AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, RAIDS, AND MINES.

(5) AS FORCE BUILD-UP PROGRESSES CO 1ST MARINES WILL EXTEND SECURITY PERIMETERS BY LIMITED OBJECTIVE RECONNAISSANCE/COMBAT PATROLS WITHIN ASSIGNED TAOR CONCURRENT WITH PREPARATIONS FOR MULTI-BATTALION COMBAT OPERATIONS, AS

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DIRECTED OR AUTHORIZED.

(6) AS BASE AREA SECURITY IS EXTENDED AND COMMANDERS BECOME FAMILIAR WITH ASSIGNED TAOR BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT RD PROGRAMS, TO CONDUCT WATERWAY CONTROL ACTIVITIES, AND TO CONDUCT COMBAT OPERATIONS INDEPENDENTLY OR IN CONJUNCTION/COORDINATION WITH 1ST ARVN DIVISION FORCES.

(7) ON ORDER, BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT COMBAT OPERATIONS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE 3D MAR DIV TAOR.

B. COORDINATION INSTRUCTIONS

(1) EFFECTIVE FOR EXECUTION UPON RECEIPT.

(2) SEQUENCE OF MOVEMENT AS PRESCRIBED BY CO FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN).

(3) FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION. REF (B). CO FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN) BE PREPARED TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION BETWEEN HIS UNIT AND 4TH MARINE SECURITY ELEMENTS VICINITY NEW QUANG TRI AIR FACILITY/LOGISTIC COMPLEX ADJACENT TO FIRST MARINE SAOR.

(4) ALL COMBAT OPERATIONS WILL BE HEAVILY REINFORCED BY ON-CALL, SCHEDULED AIR, ARTILLERY AND NAVAL GUNFIRE. ENEMY POSITION AREAS WILL BE ATTACKED BY OBSERVED FIRE PROCEDURES WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

(5) DIRLAUTH ALCON

(6) INITIAL TAOR FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN) IS ESTABLISHED AS AREA ENCLOSED BY BOUNDARY FROM BRIDGE AT YD 274577 SOUTHWEST ALONG SOUTH BANK OF SONG VINH PHUOC TO YD 180520 THENCE SOUTH ALONG STREAM TO YD 195497; THENCE SOUTH ALONG TRAIL TO YD 186459; THENCE EAST ALONG ROAD TO YD 210456; THENCE SOUTH ALONG NORTH SOUTH GRID LINE YD 21 TO YD 210320; THENCE EAST ALONG EAST-WEST GL YD 32 TO YD 340320; THENCE NORTHEAST ALONG NORTH BANK OF SONG THAC MA TO YD 380335; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH SOUTH GRID LINE YD 38 TO YD 380452; THENCE NORTHEAST ALONG NORTH BANK OF SONG NHUNG TO YD 396468; THENCE NORTHEAST ALONG A STRAIGHT LINE TO YD 410480; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GL YD 41 TO YD 410480; THENCE NORTHWEST ALONG A LINE 1000 METERS NORTH AND 300 WEST OF NATIONAL

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ROUTE 1 TO YD 33527; THENCE WEST ALONG SOUTH CITY LIMITS OF QUANG TRI TO YD 333527; THENCE NORTHWEST ACROSS SONG THACH MA TO YD 330530; THENCE SOUTHWEST ALONG THE WEST BANK OF SONG THACH MA TO YD 316499; THENCE NORTHWEST AND NORTHEAST ALONG AN ARC OF 1500 METERS DIAMETER CENTERED ON YD 314544 TO YD 307588; THENCE NORTHWEST ALONG THE WEST BANK OF SONG THACH MA TO YD 293589; THENCE SOUTHWEST ALONG THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG VINH PHUOC TO BRIDGE AT YD 274577. INITIAL TAOR MAY BE ADJUSTED AS MUTUALLY AGREEABLE BETWEEN 9TH, 4TH AND 1ST MARINES (-), AND AS APPROVED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

5. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

- (1) GENERAL - IAW REF B
- (2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.
- (3) RESUPPLY SUPPORT FLSU-1
- (4) PRESCRIBED LOADS - AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS.
- (5) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES.

(A) CLASS I

MCI - 30 DAYS

B - 15 DAYS

A - 1 DAY

TRIOXANE - 30 DAYS

(B) CLASS II

AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS NOT TO EXCEED 30 DAYS.

(C) CLASS III - 5 DAYS

(D) CLASS IV - AS REQUIRED

(E) CLASS V

1. INFANTRY - BASIC LOAD PLUS 10 DAYS

2. ARTILLERY - 30 DAYS

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SECRET**(3) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION**

(A) CONTROL = AERIAL DELIVERY PROVIDED ON REQUEST TO AND APPROVAL BY THIS HQ.

(B) DISTRIBUTION SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION FOR ALL UNITS.

(C) ESTABLISH HST AS REQUIRED.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) ESTABLISH EVACUATION STATION

(2) EVACUATE TO D MED, 3D MED BN.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK AND AIR = TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED UPON REQUEST TO THIS

HQ.

D. SERVICES

(1) IAW REF B

(2) CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS: TO BE DETERMINED

(3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT: 3D ECHELON, FLSU-1

(4) STORAGE: IAW REF B

(5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES.

(A) COMPANY (-) 1ST ENGR BN = DIRECT SUPPORT

(B) DET 1ST SP BN = PROVIDE HST AND LSA = SUPPORT AS REQUIRED

(C) "D" COMPANY, 3D MED BN, = GENERAL SUPPORT.

(D) COMPANY (-) 1ST MED BN = DIRECT SUPPORT

(E) COMPANY, 1ST MT BN = DIRECT SUPPORT.

E. PERSONNEL

(1) INITIAL CASUALTY REPORTING VIA CG 3D MARDIV. ALL OTHER PERSONNEL REPORTING RETAINED BY CG 1ST MARDIV.

F. REPORTS

(1) ADCON RETAINED BY CG 1ST MARDIV.

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SECRET**6. COM AND COMMUNICATIONS****A. COMM-ELEC**

- (1) FREQUENCIES AND COMM PROCEDURES IAW REF (D), (E) AND (F).
- (2) HOLD RADIO TRANSMISSIONS TO A MINIMUM DURING MOVEMENT AND AFTER ARRIVAL IN THE 3D MARDIV TAOR.
- (3) THE FOLLOWING RADIO AND TELEPHONE CALL SIGNS ARE ASSIGNED FOR USE IN LIEU OF CURRENTLY ASSIGNED CALL SIGNS AND SWITCHBOARD CODE NAMES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

MISTER ED

BIG ALICE

MIDNIGHT SUNTAN

LAUNDRY MAN

BALANCE

HASTING PUDDING

- (4) SUPPLEMENTAL COMM GUIDANCE BY SEPARATE MESSAGES AS REQUIRED.

B. COMMAND

- (1) IAW REF (B) AFTER CHOP 3D MARDIV.
- (2) 1ST MARINES REPORT UPON OPENING CP VICINITY QUANG TRI.

C. ACTION ADDRESS ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT.

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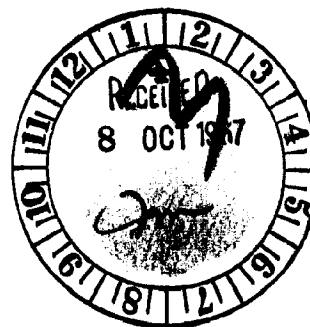
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IMMEDIATE 080307 OCT67

FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV
 TO: FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN)
 TWELFTH MARINES

THIRD RECON BN
 THIRD ENGINEER BN

INFO: CG III MAF *ADCTHIRD MARDIV (DHCB)*
 CG FIRST MAW *CTG 79.4*
 CG FIC
 NINTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 FLSG (A)



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FRAG ORDER 53-67

- A. DIV IOI 1-67
- B. III MAF AIR DROP RESUPPLY PLAN 1-66
- C. DIV O 3100.1C
- D. DIV O P1000.1D
- E. 1ST MAW O P4630.2
- F. DIV O P02000.2F
- G. DIV O P2000.1C
- H. 1ST MARDIV O P02000.2C
- I. CG 3D MARDIV 011345Z OCT67 (NOTAL)
- J. CG 1ST MAR (-)(REIN) 030730Z OCT67 (NOTAL)
- K. OPERATION OVERLAY (PAPER ON NEED TO HAVE BASIS)
- L. CG 3D MARDIV 060109Z OCT67 (NOTAL)

TASK ORGANIZATION

1ST MAR (-)(REIN)

COL INO

HQ CO, 1ST MAR

1ST BN, 1ST MAR

2ND BN, 1ST MAR

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1ST BN, 11TH MAR (-)

CO A (-)(REIN), 1ST INGR BN

CO B (-)(REIN), 1ST MT BN

CO B (-)(REIN), 1ST MMB BN

CO C (-), 1ST AT BN

CO A (-)(REIN) 1ST SP BN

DET, RADIO RELAY AND CONSTRUCTION CO, 7TH COMM BN

3D RECON BN (-)(REIN)

MAJ BEAL

12TH MAR (-)(REIN)

COL SCHICK JR.

3D ENGINEER BN

LT COL MCCUTCHAN

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES. CURRENT INTSUES, PERENTREPS.B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) 3D MAR DIV CONTINUES OPERATIONS IAW BASIC MISSION REF A.

(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES AIR SUPPORT AND AIRFIELD OPERATIONS FACILITIES AS REQUIRED AND AVAILABLE.

(3) ANTICIPATE 1ST ARVN DIVISION ELEMENTS WILL CONDUCT SIMILAR AND CONCURRENT OPERATIONS IN ADJACENT AREA.

C. ATTACHMENTS.

(1) S-E TASK ORGANIZATION.

(2) BLT 1/3 (MINUS ELEMENTS TO BE DESIGNATED) ON ORDER.

2. MISSION: 1ST MAR (-)(REIN) CONDUCTS MULTI-BATTALION ASSAULT OPERATIONS, IN COORDINATION/COOPERATION WITH ELEMENTS 1ST ARVN DIVISION, IN ORDER TO LOCATE, DESTROY AND CAPTURE ENEMY FORCES, INSTALLATIONS AND LOGISTIC SUPPLIES VICINITY BIEUY BASE AREA 101, HAI LANG FOREST RESERVE.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS (SEE OPERATIONAL OVERLAY) REF K.

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(1) CONCEPT ENVISIONS THE INSERTION BY HELICOPTER OF TWO MARINE BATTALIONS AND ONE ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALION INTO THE HAI LANG NATIONAL FOREST RESERVE. LZ'S SELECTED WILL BE IN THE REAR OF SUSPECTED OR KNOWN ENEMY INSTALLATIONS VICINITY ENEMY BASE AREA 101.

(2) TWO BATTALIONS, ONE MARINE AND ONE ARVN, WILL BE POSITIONED ALONG THE EDGE OF THE CANOPY IN BLOCKING POSITIONS AND AMBUSH SITES. BLOCKING/AMBUSH FORCES WILL BE INTRODUCED BY FOOT MARCH UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS WHENEVER POSSIBLE, PRIOR TO LANDING OF HELIBORNE ASSAULT FORCES. BLOCKING BATTALIONS WILL BE PREPARED TO ATTACK TO THE SOUTHWEST ON ORDER. RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENTS WILL PROVIDE FLANK SECURITY SCREEN.

(3) ANTICIPATED SEQUENCE FOR INTRODUCTION OF FORCES WILL BE POSITIONING OF BLOCKING/AMBUSH FORCES, RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENTS FOR FLANK SECURITY SCREEN, 1ST MARINE BATTALION, ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALION, AND SECOND MARINE BATTALION TENTATIVE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS ENVISIONED AS:

(A) D-2 COMMENCE AIR/ARTILLERY PREPARATION TO INCLUDE ACTUAL/FALSE LZ'S.

(B) D-1 (PM) BLOCKING/AMBUSH FORCES, RECONNAISSANCE FLANK SECURITY SCREEN ELEMENTS MOVE TO POSITIONS ALONG EDGE OF CANOPY AND FLANKS OF OBJECTIVE AREA.

(C) D DAY:

PRE-L-HOUR AIR/ARTILLERY PREPARATION ACTUAL/FALSE LZ, AND TO SEAL OFF LOC'S LEADING TO ACTUAL LZ'S.

L-HOUR 1ST MARINE BATTALION LANDS LZ DOVE, EXPANDS LE TO ACCOMMODATE LANDING 2D MARINE BATTALION ON ORDER, CONDUCTS S&D OPERATIONS IN AREA 1 SW OF PHASE LINE PLUM; UPON COMPLETION S&D IN AREA 1, BE PREPARED ON ORDER TO ATTACK IN 2 OF A NE OFFPHASE LINE PLUM.

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ON D DAY, FOLLOWING LANDING OF 1ST MARINE BATTALION

IN LZ DOVE, ONE ARVN ABN BATTALION LANDS IN LZ BUZZARD, CONDUCTS S&D OPERATIONS IN AREA II SW OF PHASE LINE PLUM; UPON COMPLETION S&D AREA II, BE PREPARED ON ORDER TO ATTACK IN Z/A NE OF PHASE LINE PLUM.

(D) ON ORDER, AND FOLLOWING LANDING OF ARVN ABN BATTALION IN LZ BUZZARD 2D MARINE BATTALION LANDS IN LZ DOVE, CONDUCTS S&D OPERATIONS IN AREA III SW OF PHASE LINE PLUM, UPON COMPLETION S&D AREA III, BE PREPARED ON ORDER TO ATTACK IN Z OF A NE OF PHASE LINE PLUM.

B. 1ST MAR (-)(REIN)

(1) PREPARE SUPPORTING PLAN FOR CONDUCT OF ASSAULT ENEMY BASE AREA 101, HAI LANG FOREST RESERVE. SUBMIT PROPOSED PLAN THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR REVIEW EARLIEST.

(2) ON ORDER, ASSUME OPCON FLT 1/3 (MINUS ELEMENTS TO BE DESIGNATED).

(3) EFFECT COORDINATION WITH ARVN FORCES COMMITTED TO SIMILAR/SIMULTANEOUS OPERATION IN ADJACENT AREA.

(4) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO EXECUTE APPROVED OPERATION PLAN.

C. 3D RECON BATTALION (-)(REIN)

(1) GENERAL SUPPORT WITH PRIORITY OF EFFORT TO 1ST MAR (-)(REIN) DURING PLANNING/EXECUTION OF OPERATION ENEMY BASE AREA 101.

(2) PROVIDE SECURITY SCREEN RIGHT (EAST) FLANK OBJECTIVE AREA.

D. 12TH MARINES (-)(REIN). GENERAL SUPPORT WITH PRIORITY OF EFFORT TO 1ST MAR (-)(REIN) FOR PLANNING, PREPARATION AND EXECUTION.

E. 3D ENGINEER BN. GENERAL SUPPORT. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE MEANS FOR EXTENSIVE DEMOLITION EFFORT ON ENEMY BUNKERS AND CAVES LOCATED DURING OPERATION.

F. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) D-DAY 11 OCTOBER; L-HOUR TBA 1ST MAR (-)(REIN)

(2) FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION - REF A

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(3) USE OF RCA AUTHORIZED

(4) UNCLASSIFIED CODE NAME MEDINA

(5) REPORTS IAW REFERENCES A AND C

(6) SUBMIT REQUIREMENTS EARLIEST; EMPHASIS TO HELICOPTER REQUIREMENTS

INITIAL WAVE ASSAULT FORCES D-DAY.

(7) ESTIMATE DURATION OF OPERATION MAY BE 10 TO 15 DAYS.

(8) DIRLAUTH ALCON.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

(1) GENERAL - 1ST LAR (-)(REIN) WILL ESTABLISH AN LSA IN THE VICINITY OF QUANG TRI. PLSU-1 WILL BE THE SOURCE OF SUPPLY. HELICOPTERS, OTTERS, AND WHEEL VEHICLES WILL BE USED FOR UNIT DISTRIBUTION.

(2) SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE.

(A) IAW REF (L).

(B) SPECIAL CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO DEMOLITIONS AND AREA CLEARING MATERIAL I.E. CHAIN SAWS, HAND SAWS, AXES ETC.

(C) 3D ENGR BN WILL ESTABLISH AN INITIAL WATER POINT IN THE QUANG TRI AREA.

(3) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION

(A) AS REQUESTED BY 1ST LAR (-)(REIN).

(B) AERIAL DELIVERY IAW REF'S (B), (D), AND (E).

(C) COORDINATE DIST TO ARVN TASK FORCE AS APPROVED BY THIS HQ.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) ESTABLISH TRIAGE STATION.

(2) EVACUATION TO D MED, 3D MED BN, DONG HA.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) AIR - SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED UPON REQUEST TO THIS HQ.

(2) LAND - AUGMENTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN SUPPLY

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POINT DISTRIBUTION FROM FLSU-1 TO LSA UPON REQUEST TO THIS HQ.

(3) OTTERS - AUGMENTATION OF SIX OTTERS WITH OPERATORS FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONNEL AND SUPPLIES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

(4) REFUELLERS - TWO 5000 GAL TRANSPORTERS FOR AVGAS AND JPL FUEL ARE AVAILABLE TO BE PRE-POSITIONED AT LSA ~~UPON REQUEST TO THIS HQ.~~

D. SERVICES

(1) LAW REF (A).

(2) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES.

(A) CO A (-), 1ST ENG BN - DIRECT SUPPORT.

(B) CO ~~A~~, 1ST INF BN - DIRECT SUPPORT.

(C) CO B, 1ST MED BN - DIRECT SUPPORT; ESTABLISH TRIAGE STATION.

(D) CO ~~A~~, 1ST SP BN - DIRECT SUPPORT; ESTABLISH AN LSA IN THE QUANG TRI AREA. REQUEST SUPPLY TECH PERSONNEL FROM THIS HQ WHEN REQUIRED.

E. PERSONNEL

(1) INITIAL CASUALTY REPORTING VIA THIS HQ. ALL OTHER PERSONNEL REPORTING RETAINED BY CG 1ST MARDIV.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

(1) REPORTS LAW REF (A).

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SECRET5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. IAW REFERENCES F, G, AND H
- B. FREQUENCIES IAW REFERENCE F AND I
- C. CALL SIGNS IAW REFERENCES F AND J
- D. RADIO TELEPHONE/TELETYPE

(1) 1ST MARINE REGIMENT(-) (REIN) ~~-----~~

(A) INSTALL AND OPERATE MRC-62 TERMINAL TO LINK WITH INCH.

(B) INSTALL AND OPERATE MRC-62 TERMINAL TO LINK WITH 3D MARDIV.

(2) COMMO, 3D MARDIV

(A) INSTALL AND OPERATE THE MRC-62 TERMINAL AT DHC8 TO LINK
 WITH 1ST MARINE REGIMENT, VICINITY QUANG TRI.

(B) INSTALL AND OPERATE MRC-62 TERMINAL AT 3D MARDIV CP, PHU RAT,
 TO LINK WITH 1ST MARINE REGIMENT, VICINITY QUANG TRI.

(3) CHANNELIZATION AS FOLLOWS:

(A) 1ST MARINES TO DHC8

- 1. CHANNEL 1, CU, SHOVSWITCH/BALANCE
- 2. CHANNEL 2, CU, SHOVSWITCH/BALANCE
- 3. CHANNEL 3, SU, CLICK FCC/BALANCE FSCG
- 4. CHANNEL 4, CU, SHOVSWITCH/BALANCE

(B) 1ST MARINES TO 3D MARDIV CP

- 1. CHANNEL 1, CU, SHOVE/BALANCE
- 2. CHANNEL 2, CU, SHOVE/BALANCE
- 3. CHANNEL 3, SU, SHOVE COG/BALANCE COG
- 4. CHANNEL 4, CU, SHOVE/BALANCE W/60WPM HDUX TELETYPE.

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E. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN USMC AND ARVN MANUEVER ELEMENTS
AS DETERMINED BY DIRECT LIAISON.

F. CRYPTO

(A) EXTERNAL AS SPECIFIED BY 3D MARDIV

(B) INTERNAL LAW REFERENCES F AND H.

G. COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE THROUGH CG, 3D MARDIV.

6. COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS WITH ARVN FORCES WILL BE ONE OF COOPERATION AND COORDINATION.

7. ACTION ADDRESSEES ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT.

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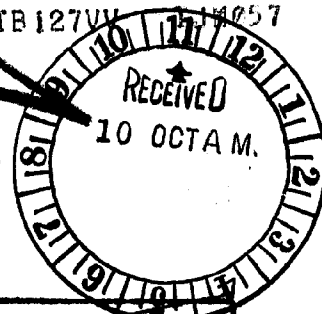
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RUMNHVD/CTF ONE ONE FIVE
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FRAG ORDER NR.1 FOR OPERATION MEDINA

A. MAP: VIETNAM AMS SERIES L7014, 1:50,000, SHEETS 6442 II AND III

B. CTG 79.4 OP PLAN 120A-67

C. COMSEVENTHFLT 091120Z OCT 67 (INITIATING DIRECTIVE)

D. CG III MAF 090002Z OCT 67

E. CTG 76.4 OP ORD 314-67

F. CG THIRD MARDIV OP ORD 080307Z OCT 67

TIME ZONE: HOTEL

SCOPE: THIS IS CTG 79.4 FRAG ORDER ONE SUPPLEMENTING REF B FOR
HELICOPTER-BORNE MOVEMENT ASHOREFOR OPERATION BASTION HILL/
MEDINA. IT IS DERIVED FROM REFS (C), (D), (E) AND (F).

TASK ORGANIZATION

CTG 79.4

BLT 1/3

HMM 163

DET UN71E, DET CH753

COL CONWAY

LTCOL THOMAS

MAJ RUECKEL

1. SITUATION

A. OPDY FORCES/CURRENT INYSUMS, PERINTREPS

B. DRAWDOWN FORCES

C. HELICOPTER LIFT FOR SELECTED ELEMENTS

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OF BLT 1/3 TO LANDING ZONE HAWK

(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES HELICOPTER HEAVY LIFT REQUIREMENTS,
AND UH-1E (ARMED)/(UNARMED) HELICOPTERS FOR FIRE SUPV
SSION/
OBSERVATION.

(3) 1ST MARINES PROVIDE SECURITY AND CONTROL AT LZ YAWK
AND TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT FOR BLT 1/3 ARTY BTRY AT LA VANG
AIRSTRIP.

(4) 1STERNVN REGIMENT PROVIDES AIRSTRIP SECURITY AT LA
VANGAIRSTRIP.

2. MISSION: COMMENCING O/A 10 OCT 67, CTG 79.4 CONDUCTS A
HELICOPTER-BORNE LANDING OF BLT 1/3 (-) SOUTHEAST OF QUANG TRI
IN PREPARATION FOR PARTICIPATING OPERATION BASTION HILL/MEDINA.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS. COMMENCING ON D71, SELECTED MANEUVER
ELEMENTS OF BLT 1/3 WILL BE TRANSPORTED BY HELICOPTER INTO LZ
HAWK (YD 93495) PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION BASTION HILL/
MEDINA. ARTILLERY AND COMMUNICATIONS ELEMENTS WILL BE HELICOPTER
LIFTED TO LA VANG AIRSTRIP (YD 339504) FOR SUBSEQUENT MOVEMENT
TO FIRING POSITIONS (VIC YD 33470).

B. FWT 1/3: BEGINNING O/A 100800H OCT SELECTED MANEUVER ELEMENTS

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ARE HELICOPTER-BORNE INTO LZ HAWK PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN
OPERATION BASTION HILL/MEDINA. A BTRY, 15 7,, 12TH MAR IS HELI-
COPTER-BORNE TO LA VANG AIRSTRIP FOR SUBSEQUENT MOVEMENT TO FIRING
POSITIONS. BLT 1/3 CHOPS OPCON CG III MAF, THEN TO CG 3D MARDIV
UPON LANDING.

C. HMM ONE SIX THREE: PROVIDE HELICOPTER SUPPORT FOR MOVEMENT
OF BLT 1/3 AND REQUIRED SLF ALFA COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT/
PERSONNEL.

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59") RUF B

(2) MAP GRID DESIGNATOR YANKEE DELTA

(3) AIR OPERATIONS NL M

NNEX G REF B AND MZHE FOLLOWING:

KUPLIMHELO ALLROAIBSANDREWREMENT LANES

GJEHL PRIMARY (ARIZOBUXFO FCPNHJCWABOHS POBUNXPYHOENIX
(S7535585) TO PENETRATION CONTROL PO VH TRSCBN (YD 495565) 159

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(YD

23438) TO LZ HAWK (YD 393495)

2)) ALTERNATE (NEW MLXICO) SE

DEFINITION CONTROL POINT

DEFINITION CONTROL POINT SANTA FE (YD 405544) TO

DEFINITION CONTROL POINT (YD 345517) TO LA VANG AIRSTRIP (YD 339504)

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3)) APPROACH 2000 FT, RETIREMENT 2500 FT.

4)) LZ HAWK WILL BE MARKED WITH PANELS, C NITROLLBF BY
BALLANCE 14 ON FREQ 47.4 MC.(4) SELF ALFBJLIAISON TEAMS WILL BE POSITIZED AT 1ST MAR CP
AND BLT 1/3 CP.

(5) L-HOUR TENTATIVE 100800H OCT 67.

A. ADMIN AND LOGISTICS

A. ADMIN AND LOGISTICS INSTRUCTIONS AS OUTLINED BY 1ST MAR
AND AS PROVIDED BELOW.

(1) SUPPLIES.

(A) PRESCRIBED LOAD AVAILABLE FROM OPERATING STOCK AND
LFORM SUPPLIES EMBARKED IN SHIPS OF ARG.(B) RESUPPLY AVAILABLE FROM 1ST MAR LSA COMMENCING D-1
AND DURATION OF OPERATION AS DIRECTED BYOQST MAR.

(2) EQUIP TO BES

EMBARKED. MINIMUM VEH AND EQUIP REQUIRED TO
ACCOMPLISH MISSION. SELECTED VEH AND EQUIP TO BE HELO-LIFTED D71.THIS HQ TO COORD DEBARKATION OF 1ST PLAT, CO B, 3D MTBN OVER DONG
HA RAMPK IMMEDIATE TO D-DAY AS SEA CONDITIONS PERMILMKEL TAC LOG. BLT 1/3 WILLEST AND MAINTAIN TAC LOG GROUPS
ABOARD EACH SHIP OF ARG FOUR HOURS PRIOR TOL-HOUR.. 59 73 -(-8)-2)30-83 8/ 47.15". 067 S E C R E T
AS ADMIN NET AFTER BLT ASHORE.

(4) EVACKTION AND HOPITALIZATION.

(A) CASUALTY EVAC TO LPH WHEN MEDEVAC HELOS BCSED ON
LPH; OTHERWISE EVACUATION TO D MED, 3D MED BN)7DONG HA AND AS
DIRECTED BY 1ST MAR.

(B) MEDEVAC HELO PAD TO BE LOCATED 1ST MAR LSA.

(C) CASUALTY REPORTING.

1)) TASK GROUP 79.4 (CRCC-A) WILL BE RESPONSIBLE
FOR CASUALTY REPORTING. IN THE EVENT CASRPT ABD LPH BECOMES
DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE CASRPT WILL BE SHIFTED TO "IN COUNTRY"
COMMANDER IAW FMFPAC P 040.2; PAR 403.2.2)) CASUALTY LIAISON REPS TO BE ESTABLISHED AT D MED,
DONG HA, A MED, PHU BAI, ASSIGNED HOSPITAL SHIP AND LSA TO COLLECT
INFORMATION ON MEDEVACS FOR FORWARDING TO TG 79.4 CRCC-A ON LPH FOR
REPORTING.

3)) CIVIC ACTION. AS DIRECTED BY 1ST MARINES.

4)) ISO. AS DIRECTED BY 1ST MARINES.

(5) MISCELLANEOUS

ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY STOWED ON SEABAGS,
FORWARDING TO D MED, ADVISORY SECURITY PRIOR TO DEBARKATION.**SECRET**

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(B) SUBMIT OPSTAT CHANGE MESSAGE TO 3RD MARDIV VIA 1ST MARINES WITHIN 24 HRS OF REPORTING FOR OPCON.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS.

A. COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE ESTABLISHED IAW ANNEX REF B AND THE FOLLOWING.

(1) COI (PASEP) (NOTAL)

(2) COMMUNICATION MESSAGE CENTER MAINTAINED AFLOAT IN CONJUNCTION WITH NAVY COMM CENTER. CTG 79.4 ASSUMES COMM GUARD FOR BLT 1/3 AND HMM7163.

(3) CTG 79.4 WILL ENTER III MAF TAC ON 15.15 M-282 (NESTOR)

(4) CTG 79.4 MAINTAINS AN ENTRY ON III MAF CMD NR. 2 (RATT, ORESTES 60 MPM)

(5) CTG 79.4 WILL ESTABLISH A NET FROM THE USS OKINAWA (LPH-3) TO THE BATTALION OPERATING AREA ON 36.35 MCS M-102(P) AND 44.05 MCS M 100 (S). A RELAY UTILIZING A AN/MRC 110 WILL BE LOCATED AT 1ST MARINES CP. A TG 79.4 MED REP LN TEAM LOCATED AT 9TH MARINES CP, DONG HA AND TG 79.4 LIAISON OFFICERS WILL USE THIS NET. RAFFIC WILL CONSIST OF CASUALTY HANDLING REPORTS, SITREPS, AND MEDEVAC.

(6) A TACLOG NET FOR LOGISTICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES WILL BE MAINTAINED ON 57. MCS M7332 INCLUDING ALL SHIPS OF THE

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B. COMMAND POSTS

(1) AFLOAT

CTG 76.4, CTG 79.4, BLT 1/3, HMM-163, USS OKINAWA (LPH-3).

(2) ASHORE

(A) REPORT BLT 1/3 CP VIA SLF LIAISON TEAM WHEN ESTABLISHED.

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 TO: FIRST MAR
 THIRD MAR
 FOURTH MAR
 NINTH MAR
 INFO: CG III MAF MACOM
 CG FIRST MARDIV MACOM
 CG FIRST MAF
 CG FLC
 ADC THIRD MARDIV DJCB
 TWELFTH MAR
 THIRD RECON BN

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CHANGE ONE TO FRAG ORDER 52-67 (U)

A. CG THIRD MARDIV 060109Z OCT 67

1. PAR 4 B(6) OF REF A ESTABLISHES FIRST MARINES (-) (REIN) TACR.
2. DELETE PAR 4B (6) OF REF A AND REPLACE WITH FOLLOWING NEW PAR:

" (6) TACR FIRST MARINES (-) (REIN) IS ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:

FROM YD 316499 NORTHWEST AND NORTHEAST ALONG AN ARC OF 1500

METERS RADIUS CENTERED ON YD 311514 TO YD 307588, THENCE

NORTHWEST ALONG THE WEST BANK OF THE SONG THACH ^{HAN} MA TO YD

293589; THENCE SOUTHWEST ALONG THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG

VINH PHUOC TO YD 180520; THENCE SOUTH ALONG STREAM TO YD

195497; THENCE SOUTH ALONG TRAIL TO YD 186459; THENCE EAST

ALONG ROAD TO YD 210456; THENCE SOUTH ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GRID LINE ^{YD 31}

TO YD 210320; THENCE EAST ALONG EAST-WEST GRID LINE YD 32 TO YD 340320;

THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GRID LINE YD 34 TO YD 340370; THENCE EAST

ALONG EAST-WEST GRID LINE YD 37 TO YD 370370; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH-

SOUTH GRID LINE YD 37 TO YD 370370; THENCE NORTHEAST ALONG A STREAM

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ZONE TO YD 380378; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GRID LINE YD 38 TO
YD 380452. THE REMAINDER OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE FIRST MARINES BETWEEN
THE SONG NHUNG AND THE SONG THACH HAN HAS NOT BEEN DEFINED AND WILL BE THE
SUBJECT OF CONTINUING COORDINATION BETWEEN THE FIRST MARINES AND LOCAL
ARVN FORCES,

(7) THIRD MARINES, FOURTH MARINES AND NINTH MARINES WILL ADJUST THEIR
BOUNDARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW FIRST MARINES' TACR.

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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV
 TO: SECOND BN TWENTY SIX MARINES
 INFO: CG III MAF
 CG FIRST MARDIV
 CG FIRST MAW
 THIRD MARDIV
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 BTRY D, ONE SLANT FOUR FOUR ARTY
 SA, FIRST INF DIV, ARVN
 COC ELEVENTH BRIG BN
 MAG-SIXTEEN, PHU BAI
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FRAG ORDER 5L-67 (OPERATIONS PHU BAI TAOR)

- A. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS SERIES L7011, SHEETS 65591, 656011, 66591V.
 - B. DIV FRAG ORDER 31-67
 - C. 3D MARDIV LOI 1-67
 - D. DIV O 002000.2E
 - E. DIV OP O 385-66
 - F. DIV OP O 416-66
 - G. DIV OP O 2-67
 - H. DIV OP O 19-67
 - I. THIRD MARDIV MSG 250401Z AUG 67
 - J. FORCE ORDER 3121.4A
- EDAS ZONE: B

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CANCELLATION: REF D

TASK ORGANIZATION:

2D BN (REIN), 26TH MARINES

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2D BN, 26TH MARINES

"L" CO (REIN), 3D BN, 26TH MARINES

DET, SCOUT SHIPER PLAT, HAS CO, 26TH MARINES

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES. CURRENT INTSUMS AND PERINTREPS.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES.

(1) FIRST MAW PROVIDES CAL AND HELO SUPPORT.

(2) FIRST ARVN DIV AND RF UNITS OPERATE IN THUA THIEN AND QUANG

TRI PROVINCES.

(3) DISTRICT PF UNITS LOCATED IN ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS.

(1) SEE TASK ORGANIZATION.

2. MISSION

2D BN 26TH MARINES SUPPORTS THE DEFENSE OF THE PHU BAI VITAL AREA, COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS, NATIONAL ROUTE #1 AND CONDUCTS OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IN THE PHU BAI TAOR AND ADJACENT AREAS.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT. ~~DEFENSE OF THE PHU BAI VITAL AREA~~ UPON ASSUMPTION OF THE DEFENSE OF PHU BAI VITAL AREA BY HQ, BASE DEFENSE COORDINATOR, PHU BAI, 2D BN 26TH MARINES ASSUMES THE MISSION OF SUPPORTING THE DEFENSE OF THE PHU BAI VITAL AREA, LOCAL COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS, AND NATIONAL ROUTE #1. EXTENSIVE PATROLS AND AMBUSHES WILL BE USED TO DENY THE ENEMY

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FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND ACCESS TO LOC'S. ON ORDER, CONDUCT BATTALION

(-) SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS.

B. 2D BN, 26TH LARINES

(1) AT 080800H OCTOBER 1967, UPON ASSUMPTION OF THE DEFENSE OF PHU BAI VITAL AREA BY HQ, BASE DEFENSE COORDINATOR, PHU BAI, SUPPORT THE DEFENSE OF THE PHU BAI VITAL AREA, COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS, AND NATIONAL ROUTE #1. CONDUCT SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS UP TO BATTALION (-) SIZE TO LOCATE AND DESTROY THE ENEMY IN ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA.

(2) MAINTAIN CLOSE OPERATION COORDINATION WITH CAG PHU BAI WITH EMPHASIS ON SECURITY AND SUPPORT OF RD ACTIVITIES.

(3) CONDUCT RICE DENIAL OPERATIONS IN COORDINATION WITH APPROPRIATE GVN OFFICIALS IAW REF E.

(4) ON ORDER PROVIDE SECURITY FORCES IAW REF F FOR SCHEDULED ROUGH RIDER OPERATIONS.

(5) MAINTAIN CLOSE OPERATION COORDINATION WITH BASE DEFENSE COORDINATOR, PHU BAI.

(6) DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS MAINTAIN SPARROW HAWK REACTION FORCE ON FIFTEEN MINUTE ALERT IAW REF G.

(7) ON ORDER CONDUCT PLANNED PROGRAM OF COUNTY FAIR OPERATIONS IAW REF H.

(8) MAINTAIN RAPID REACTION CAPABILITY TO COUNTER ENEMY ATTACKS AGAINST LOW-LEVEL GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES.

(9) CONDUCT SECURITY OPERATIONS ALONG ROUTE #1 (PHU BAI TO LAI VAN PASS) IN SUPPORT OF NCR UPGRADING PROJECT.

(10) ON ORDER PROVIDE SECURITY FOR HYDROGRAPHIC AND/OR TOPOGRAPHIC BEING CONDUCTED IN AREAS CONTIGUOUS TO PHU BAI TAOR.

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(12) SUPPORT AS REQUIRED COMBAT OPERATIONS BEING CONDUCTED IN AREAS CONTIGUOUS TO PHU HAI TAOR.

(13) MAINTAIN OPCON ONE ATTACHED RIFLE CO (REIN) AS SECURITY AND FOR NAM HOA ROCK CRUSHER BRIDGE VIC (YD 759139) IAW REF I.

(14) COORDINATE OPERATIONS VICINITY OF DAI CAI HAI TO INSURE MAXIMUM MUTUAL SUPPORT OF U.S. NAVY PATROL BOATS, RIVER (PBR) MIEN ON STATION.

C. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) DIRLAUTH ALCON.

(2) DURATION INDEFINITE

(3) DIRLAUTH WITH ARVN SECTOR AND DISTRICT HQ.

(4) RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IAW ANNEX J TO REF C.

(5) RCA AUTHORIZED.

(6) REPORTS IAW ANNEX KATO REF C

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. IAW ANNEX Q TO REF C.

B. EMERGENCY RESUPPLY/MEDEVAC BY HELICOPTER.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

A. IAW ANNEX R TO REF C.

B. REF D.

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OPERATION ORDER 55-67 (OPERATION LIBERTY II)

A. MAF: VIETNAM 1:50,000, SERIES 1701, SHEETS 6361, I II, III, IV;
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SHEET 6342 IX, III; 6442 III, IV

B. LOI 1-67

C. 3D MARDIV O P02000.2F

D. 3D MARDIV O P2000.4C

E. CG 3D MARDIV 011345Z OCT 67

F. CG 3D MARDIV 060539Z OCT 67

G. CG 3D MARDIV 060109Z OCT 67

H. 1ST MAR(-) 091525Z OCT 67 (NOTAL)

TASK ORGANIZATION

THIRD MARINE DIVISION (-) (REIN)

MORR MOGINTH

THIRD MARINES (-) (REIN)

COL JO PRETE

2D BN, 9TH MARINES

3D BN, 9TH MARINES

NINTH MARINES (-) (REIN)

COL SMITH

1ST BN, 9TH MARINES

2ND BN, 4TH MARINES

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SECRET2ND BN, 2D MARINES3D BN, 3D MARINES3D BN, 4TH MARINESFIRST MARINES (-) (REIN)1ST BN, 1ST MARINES2ND BN, 1ST MARINESFOURTH MARINES (-) (REIN)1ST BN, 4TH MARINES (-)3D BN, 26TH MARINES (-)1ST BN, 3D MARINES (CHOP COMPLETION OF MEDINA)TWENTY SIXTH MARINES (-) (REIN)1ST BN, 26TH MARINESSECOND BN, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES (REIN)SECOND BN, THIRD MARINES (CHOP 3D MAR DIVON ORDER)TWELFTH MARINES (-) (REIN)THIRD RECON BNTHIRD TANK BNTHIRD SP BNTHIRD AT BNTHIRD ENGR BNTHIRD MED BNTHIRD MT BNNINTH MT BNFIRST A TRAC BN

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COL LOWRDS

LTCOL CHAPLIN

MAJ BEARD LTCOL ENGLISH

COL SCHICK

MAJ BELL

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CDR BROWN

MAJ STEWART

MAJ STANLEY

LTCOL TONER

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SECRET**1. SITUATION****A. ENEMY FORCES**

(1) IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT ENEMY FORCES WILL ATTEMPT TO INFILTRATE POPULATED AREAS OF 11TH DTA TO DISRUPT ELECTION PROCEDURES THROUGH TERRORISM AND FORCE.

(2) ENEMY EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS ON 22 OCTOBER 1967 MAY CONSIST OF RIOTS AND DISTURBANCES IN POLLING PLACES, DETONATION OF EXPLOSIVE DEVICES, AND HARASSMENT OF POTENTIAL VOTERS BY THEFT OF ID CARDS; INTIMIDATION AND SNIPER FIRE. OPERATIONS/RIOTS DESIGNED TO DESTROY SECURE POLLING PLACES, STEAL BALLOT BOXES AND ASSASSINATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS MAY BE ATTEMPTED.

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(3) ROCKETING AND MORTARING OF USMC CAMPS AT PHU BAI, CAMP CARROLL, QUANG TRI, CAMP EVANS AND DONG HA COMBAT BASES COINCIDENT WITH ATTACKS ON ARVN FORCES MAY BE EMPLOYED TO PRECLUDE UTILIZATION OF REACTION FORCES AND SUPPORTING FIRES. LIAISON/ADMINISTRATIVE TRIPS TO POPULATED AREAS SHOULD BE CLOSELY MONITORED TO REDUCE THE POSSIBILITY OF ABUSING/KIDNAPING OF U.S. PERSONNEL. COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS ARE LOGICAL TARGETS FOR SUPERIOR SIZED GUERRILLA FORCES.

(4) CURRENT INTSUMS

(5) THIRD MARDIV PERIODIC INTELLIGENCE REPORT (PERINTREP) 2-67.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) III MAF FORCES RENDER ASSISTANCE TO RVNAF IN ICTZ BY CONDUCTING OPERATIONS AND OTHER SECURITY MEASURES; PROVIDES AIR SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AS REQUESTED AND APPROPRIATE TO ASSIST RVNAF AND OTHER GOV AGENCIES IN THE CONDUCT OF THE VIETNAMESE NATIONAL ELECTIONS.

(2) FIRST MAW PROVIDES HELICOPTER, CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND OTHER AIR SUPPORT AS REQUIRED FOR THIRD MARDIV OPERATIONS AND TO ASSIST RVNAF ELECTION PROCEDURES.

(3) 1ST ARVN DIVISION PROVIDES CLOSE SECURITY FOR POLLING PLACES AND BALLOTS AND PROTECTS POPULATION FROM ENEMY INTERFERENCE WITH ELECTIONS IN 11TH DTA.

(4) CAP UNITS WILL CONDUCT SCREENING AND SUPPORTING OPERATIONS IN THEIR AREAS.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. BLT 2/3 ATTACHED ON ORDER

(1) BLT 2/3 ATTACHED ON ORDER

2. MISSION

THIRD MARINE DIVISION CONTINUES PRESENT MISSION, CONDUCTS OPERATIONS IN TAOR, AND HAI LANG NATIONAL FOREST (OPERATION MADINA); PROVIDES REACTION FORCES TO RENDER ASSISTANCE TO DESIGNATED ARVN DISTRICT/PROVINCE HEADQUARTERS

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IN EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK; PROVIDES ARTILLERY SUPPORT TO RVNAF FORCES AS REQUIRED;
CONDUCTS RECONNAISSANCE TO DETECT ENEMY INFILTRATION INTO THE POPULATED
COASTAL AREA; PROVIDES OTHER ASSISTANCE AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE DEEP
SECURITY AND PREVENT ENEMY INTERFERENCE WITH RVN NATIONAL ELECTIONS.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

(1) COMMENCING O/A 11 OCTOBER 1967 (E-11):

(A) CONDUCT COMBAT OPERATIONS IN THE HAI LANG FOREST AREA
SOUTHWEST OF QUANG TRI WITH THREE U.S. REINFORCED INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN
CONJUNCTION WITH SIMILAR OPERATIONS IN ADJACENT AREA BY ARVN.

(B) CONDUCT SATURATION COMBAT PATROLS AND OPERATIONS IN AREAS
WEST OF NATIONAL ROUTE ONE, SOUTH OF THE DMZ TO DETECT AND DENY ENEMY
ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE POPULATED AREAS AND INTERFERE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS.

(C) EMPLOY MAXIMUM RECONNAISSANCE FORCE IN PIEDMONT AREA TO
DETECT ENEMY MOVEMENT INTO THE COASTAL AREA.

(2) COMMENCING 21 OCTOBER 1967 (E-1) MAINTAIN FORCES IN AN ALERT
STATUS TO RENDER ASSISTANCE TO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN HOANG HOA, CAM LO, PHU LOC,
GIO LINH, PHONG DIEN AND PHU THU DISTRICTS.

(3) UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED LIBERTY⁴ TERMINATES 232400H OCT 67. GP

B. THIRD MARINES

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) INCREASE RECONNAISSANCE IN FORCE OPERATIONS ALONG MAJOR
AVENUES OF APPROACH/INFILTRATION ROUTES THAT LEAD TOWARD CAM LO AREA.

(3) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN DEFENSE OF
CAM LO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AND CAM LO REFUGEE VILLAGE VICINITY YD 100575
IN THE EVENT THEY COME UNDER ENEMY ATTACK DURING ELECTION PERIOD.

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C. NINTH MARINES

- (1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.
- (2) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO PROVIDE FORCES TO ASSIST GIO LINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS (101 AN) AND DONG HA CITY IN THE EVENT THEY COME UNDER ENEMY ATTACK DURING THE ELECTION PERIOD.

D. FIRST MARINES (-)(REIN)

- (1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.
- (2) CONDUCT SATURATION COMBAT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN TACR WEST OF NATIONAL ROUTE #1 AND DENY ENEMY ACCESS TO POPULATED AREAS IN TACR EAST OF ROUTE #1.
- (3) BE PREPARED, ~~ON ORDER~~, TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN DEFENSE OF POPULATED AREA TO EAST OF ROUTE #1, WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AT HAI LANG (YD 415479) AND PROVINCE HEADQUARTERS AT QUANG TRI CITY.

- (4) COORDINATE BOUNDARIES ALONG ROUTE 1, TO THE NORTH WITH 9TH MARINES AND TO THE SOUTH WITH THE 4TH MARINES VICINITY ^{YD 421479} MY CHANH ALONG NORTHWEST BANK OF THE SONG TRAC MA (GL YD 4640).

E. FOURTH MARINES

- (1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.
- (2) CONDUCT SATURATION COMBAT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN AREA WEST OF NATIONAL ROUTE #1 IN PHONG DIEN DISTRICT. PARTICULAR ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO ROUTES OF APPROACH AND TRAILS LEADING INTO POPULATED AREAS TO EAST.
- (3) BE PREPARED, ~~ON ORDER~~, TO ASSIST PHONG DIEN DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK.

(4) Coordinate with 15th Marines on boundary line YD 421479

F. SECOND BN, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (REIN)

- (1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

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(2) CONDUCT SATURATION COMBAT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN TAOR TO INTERDICT ENEMY LOC'S AND DENY ENEMY ACCESS TO POPULATED AREAS EAST OF NATIONAL ROUTE #1.

(3) MAINTAIN RESERVE COMPANY ON ONE HOUR ALERT FOR DEPLOYMENT ANYWHERE IN 3D MARDIV AO.

(4) COORDINATE BOUNDARY COVERAGE ALONG ROUTE #1 WITH 4TH MARINES ON THE NORTH AND 1ST MARDIV UNITS (IF IN POSITION) ON THE SOUTH VICINITY PHU LOC. UPON ARRIVAL SLF "B" READJUST SOUTHERN BOUNDARY VICINITY GL 9211.

(5) BE PREPARED, ~~ON ORDER~~, TO ASSIST NAM HOA, AND HUONG THUY DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK.

(6) BE PREPARED TO ASSIST ^{IN DEFENSE OF} PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS UNTIL RELIEVED BY 2ND BN, THIRD MARINES.

G. TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES

(1) CONTINUE PRESENT MISSION.

(2) BE PREPARED, ~~ON ORDER~~, TO ASSIST HONG HOA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN THE EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK.

H. SECOND BN, THIRD MARINES

(1) CONDUCTS TWO DAY AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION VINH LOC AREA.

(2) ON ORDER, ~~WHEN ORDERED TO 3D MARDIV~~

(A) MOVE TO AO ALONG ROUTE 1 BETWEEN YD GL 9211 ON THE NORTH AND 1ST MARDIV BOUNDARY VICINITY OF ZD 042024 ON THE SOUTH AND RELIEVE 2ND BN, 26TH MARINES.

(2) CONDUCT SATURATION PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN AO TO INTERDICT ENEMY LOC'S AND DENY ENEMY ACCESS TO POPULATED AREAS EAST OF NATIONAL ROUTE 1.

(C) BE PREPARED, ~~ON ORDER~~, TO ASSIST PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK.

I. TWELFTH MARINES

(1) PROVIDE ARTILLERY SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

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J. THIRD RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION. CONDUCT MAXIMUM RECONNAISSANCE EFFORT TO DETECT ENEMY MOVEMENT OR INFILTRATION FROM PIEDMONT AREA INTO POPULATED AREAS EAST OF NATIONAL ROUTE 1.

K. FIRST AMIRAC BATTALION. CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN TAOR NORTH OF CUA VIET RIVER TO DENY ENEMY ENTRY INTO POPULATED AREAS.

L. ALL OTHERS. PROVIDE COMBAT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT AS REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT THIS ORDER.

M. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) ELECTION DAY - 22 OCTOBER 1967

(2) RESTRICT ARTILLERY AND CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS THAT WILL INTERFERE WITH VOTING. CONVERSELY INCREASE ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES AWAY FROM POLLS THAT ARE KNOWN VC/NVA AREAS.

(3) U.S. FORCES WILL NOT PROVIDE ANY ELECTION SUPPORT THAT GVN CAN PROVIDE FROM ITS OWN RESOURCES.

(4) UNCLASSIFIED CODE NAME - OPERATION LIBERTY II.

(5) SUBMIT SPECIAL SIX HOUR SITREPS COMMENCING 180001H OCTOBER 1967.

(6) MARINES AND VEHICLES WILL REMAIN AWAY FROM POPULATED AREAS ON ELECTION DAY. ALL PERSONNEL WILL BE OFF STREETS IN HUE AND QUANG TRI CITIES 1830-0600 FROM 18 OCTOBER TO 23 OCTOBER 1967.

(7) SUBMIT SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS ASAP TO PERMIT MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF AVAILABLE ASSETS.

(8) ALL UNITS CONCENTRATE ON SECURITY OF BRIDGES ALONG LOCS IN TAOR/AO.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

A. GENERAL

(1) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF A.

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(2) REDUCE ADMIN & LOGISTICS VEHICLE TRAFFIC TO ESSENTIAL MINIMUM.

B. SUPPLY AND RESUPPLY

(1) UNITS BUILD UP STOCK "ON POSITION" SUFFICIENT TO CONDUCT PLANNED OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD 18 OCTOBER - 23 OCTOBER WITHOUT ROUTINE RESUPPLY.

(2) REQUEST HELICOPTERS FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR EMERGENCY RESUPPLY LIFTS.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A. COMMUNICATIONS IAW REF (C), (D), (E), (F), (G) AND (H).

B. COMMAND

(1) COMMAND RELATIONSHIP WITH ARVN FORCES WILL BE ONE OF COOPERATION AND COORDINATION.

(2) REPORT OPS WHEN OPENED AND CLOSED.

(3) AFTER ACTION REPORTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR CONSOLIDATION AND FORWARDING.

(4) ACTION ADDRESSEES ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT SHOVE 203.

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1. The first step is to identify the problem.
 2. The second step is to analyze the problem.
 3. The third step is to develop a solution.
 4. The fourth step is to implement the solution.
 5. The fifth step is to evaluate the solution.

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G. SEC 10.5 PLAN (200) LAYU (OWK)

PAGE THREE RUMFING CAT E C R E T

P. 10.5 22CB

G. CONSEQUENTLY 190530Z OCT 67

H. THIS IS FOR 10.5 ORDER 303-68 FOR THE CONDUCT OF FORMATION
 LEADER DERIVED FROM REF C.

THE FOLLOWING ANNEXES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED SEPARATELY: DELTA
 DELTA, DELTA, DELTA AND NOVEMBER. TASK ORGANIZATION INQUIRY A.
 H. NOVEMBER. CONSEQUENTLY HAS DIRECTED AMPHIBIOUS READY
 GROUP PRIMO TO CONDUCT AN AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION IN THE VANK LOC
 AND INH LOC DISTRICTS INZ IN SUPPORT OF CG III MAT.

A. ENEMY FORCES: VC AND NVA FORCES IN AOA AND IOTZ.

B. ALLIED FORCES:

1. CT 10.5 PROVIDES NAVAL GUNFIR SUPPORT IN AOA.

2. MISSION. COMMENCING AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY AND L-HOUR ON D PLUS
 ONE. CONDUCT AN AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION AGAINST VC/NVA FORCES IN
 THE AMPHIBIOUS OBJECTIVE AREA (AOA) IN ORDER TO DESTROY ENEMY
 FORCES, LOCATE AND CAPTURE LOGISTIC CACHES, INTERDICT ENEMY RICE
 DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS AND TO DENY TO ENEMY FORCES ROUTES OF ENTRY
 INTO COASTAL AREAS IN VICINITY OF NATIONAL ROUTE ONE BETWEEN
 HOA NHAM AND BOUG BULU, AND TO PREVENT THEIR INTERFERING
 WITH THE VIETNAMESE NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE ELECTIONS, AND/OR

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THE FOUR RUNNING DAY S E O R E T
 WITH OTHER OPERATIONS AS AGREED WITH CG III MAF OR HIS DESIGNATED
 INTERDEPENDENT. FORMATION LEADER IS AN AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION
 INVOLVING A BALANCED NAVAL AND LANDING FORCE.

4. EXECUTION:

1. THIS OPERATION WILL BE AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT CONDUCTED IN
 ACCORDANCE WITH PRINCIPLES CONTAINED REFERENCE BY THE AMPHIBIOUS
 OPERATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN FOUR PHASES AS FOLLOWS:

PHASE ONE: BOMBING ASSAULT LVT BY ECHO COMPANY FROM WASHOE
 (BY ONE RED BEACH (CD 0681850) IN VINH LOC AREA ON D-DAY FOR
 BY SE LOTS IN BRIDAL SUPPORT CONCURRENT ARVN OPNS. EMPTY BOAT
 WAVED FOR LVT AS DECEITIVE MEASURE.

PHASE TWO: LAND REMAINDER: BLT TWO SLANT THREE SOUTHWEST ROUTE
 ONE TO VINH LOC AREA FOR SCREENING AND INTERDICTION OPNS AND
 TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE WITH NAT ELECTION. LANDING ACCOMPLISHED
 BY BONES AND IS SECURED BY ELEM TWO SLANT TWO SIX MARINES. THE
 SIXTH BOAT, ECHO COMPANY WILL BE LIFTED INTO SAME ZONES. ALTERNATIVE
 LANDING BY BONES OVER BEACHES IN POL PRIORITY-BLUE (ZD 220000),
 GREEN (ZD 030000) PHASE IS TERMINATES ON 23 OCT WHEN ELEMENTS
 ARE CHOP AT OBT.

PHASE THREE (OFF BATH) FROM 23-31 OCT BLT PARTICIPATE IN SO

THE FIVE RUNNING DAY S E O R E T
 OPS FOR THE AREA TO COUNTER AN AVA THREAT AGAINST PHU BAI
 COMPLEX.

PHASE IV. WITHDRAWAL BLT TWO SLANT THREE ABOUT 31 OCT.

B. TANGKAL AIR CONTROL ELEMENT (TG 76.5.0.5)

(1) TANGKAL IS ASSIGNED DUTIES AS SURFACE PATROL COORDINATOR
 IAW REF A DUE TO ARRIVAL OF HERMITAGE IN ASSAULT AREA LATER ON
 D-DAY. AT THAT TIME HERMITAGE RELIEVE TORTUGA AS SURFACE PATROL
 COORDINATOR.

D. COMBAT SUPPORT UNIT (TU 76.5.1)

(1) PROVIDE GUNFIRE SUPPORT IAW ANNEX GOLF.

E. ASSEMBLY UNIT (TU 76.5.2)

(1) TAKE POSITION IN AOA IAW ANNEX DELTA.

(2) TRIPOLI ACT AS GCS AND CRS.

(3) TORTUGA ACT AS PCS FOR D DAY OPNS.

(4) CONDUCT SHEP TO SHORE MOVEMENT IAW ANNEX INDIA.

F. SPECIAL LANDING FORCE (TG 799.5)

(1) WHEN FULLY ESTABLISHED ASHORE AND WHEN MUTUALLY AGREED
 BY CAPTAIN CG III MAF, SELECTED ELEMENTS OF SLF CHOP TO CG III
 MAF.

(2) POLAR USE OF POL IS AUTHORIZED FOR TACTICAL OPERATIONS

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NOTE: THE FOLLOWING CATF S E C R E T
WITHIN THE AOA, CONSISTENT WITH TACTICAL SITUATION.

A. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) THIS OPORD EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT FOR OPERATIONS. DISSE-
MINATED TO CONFIDENTIAL ON D-DAY.

(2) D-DAY IS 17 OCT 67. H-HOUR AT 0730H FOR RED BEACH AND
WILL BE CONFIRMED. L-HOUR IS 0800H OON D PLUS ONE AND WILL BE
CONFIRMED.

(3) LTLF WILL BE SIGNALLIED BY CATF ON D-DAY.

(4) ON D-DAY AT 0800H, THE AOA IS ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:

(a) THE LANDWARD AOA IS THAT LAND AREA ENCOMPASSED BY
A LINE COMMENCING AT POINT OF LAND AT ALFA TANGO 897951 THENCE
ALONG SOUTH BANK OF DAN LAP AN TO AT 558950 THENCE WESTWARD
ALONG GRID LINE 900 TO ZC 829050 THENCE ALONG STRAIGHT LINE TO
XD 900000 THENCE NORTHWARD ALONG EAST BANK OF SONG NONG TO YD
900115 THENCE ALONG STRAIGHT LINE TO ZD 005160 THENCE ALONG
CONSPICUOUS ROAD TO THE SEA AT ZD 027130.

(b) THE SEAWARD AOA IS THAT SEA AREA ENCOMPASSED BY
A LINE COMMENCING AT YD 970230 THENCE ALONG STRAIGHT LINE TO ZD
100000 THENCE ALONG STRAIGHT LINE TO BU 000200 THENCE ALONG
STRAIGHT LINE TO LAND AT ALFA TANGO 956952.

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(c) A CORRIDOR BETWEEN 4000 FT AND 11000 FT NSL ALONG
HEAVY OR ONE IS PROVIDED FOR AIR TRANSIT TRAFFIC.

(d) UPON DROP OF ELEMENTS OF SLF TO CG III MAF, CATF REMAINS
IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS ASHORE.

(e) CRUISING INSTRUCTIONS IAW REF A.

(f) MOPS IAW REF A AND ANNEX 30F.

(g) AIR OPERATIONS IAW ANNEX H.

(h) WITHDRAWAL IAW ANNEX I TO REF A.

(i) UNLESS ALL SHIPS REMAIN UNDERWAY AT ALL TIMES, EXCEPT
THAT MAY ANCHOR TEMPORARILY IF NECESSARY FOR OPSAKE

4. ADMIN, LOGISTICS AND

EDICAL IAW REF A. H

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

A. CATF IS SIG 76.5 (COMBINATION ELEVEN) INN TRIFOLY.

B. SECOND IN COMMAND IS CO TRIFOLY.

C. SLF IS SIG 70.5 IN TRIFOLY.

D. COMMUNICATIONS IAW ANNEX H.

E. UPON COMPLETION OF THIS OPERATION, CATF WILL SUBMIT TO
COMBINATION A RECOMMENDATION FOR TERMINATION IAW REF B AND C.

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- A. THIRD MAR DIV FRAG O 53-67
- B. DIV OP PLAN 35-67 (REACTION FORCE FOR RD PROTECTION)
- C. 3D MAR DIV LOI 1-67
- D. DIV FRAG O 2-67 (SPARROW HAWK)
- E. DIV O 3000.1C
- F. DIV O 4000.1D
- G. DIV O P02000.2F (COI)
- H. DIV O P2000.4C (COMM SOP)
- I. CG FIRST MAR DIV LTR 1/WRE/JHW OVER 5000 OF 12 OCTOBER 1967
- J. FIRST MAR DIV O P02000.2C
- K. CG THIRD MAR DIV MSG 011345Z OCT 67
- L. CG FIRST MAR DIV MSG 030730Z OCT 67

TASK ORGANIZATION

3D MAR DIV (-)(REIN)

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2D BN, 1ST MAR

MAJGEN HOCHMUTH

COL ING

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LTCOL VAN WINKLE

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12TH MARINES (-)(REIN)

3D RECON BN (-)(REIN)

3D ENGR BN (-)(REIN)

3D SHORE PARTY BN (-)(REIN)

3D MED BN (-)(REIN)

9TH MT BN (-)(REIN)

COL SCHICK JR

MAJ BELL

LTCOL MCCUTCHAN

LTCOL QUINN

CMDR BROWN

MAJ STANLEY

1. SITUATIONA. ENEMY FORCES. CURRENT INTENSB. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) III MAF IN COORDINATION WITH I CORPS CONDUCTS COMBINED GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS TO DESTROY NVA/VC MAIN AND GUERRILLA FORCES LOCATED IN ICT2.

(2) 1ST MAF PROVIDES FIXED AND ROTARY WING, ALL WEATHER AIR SUPPORT AND PROVIDES AIR CONTROL AND AIRFIELD OPERATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3D MARDIV FORCES.

(3) 1ST ARVN DIVISION CONDUCTS COMBINED/COORDINATED OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3D MARDIV FORCES.

(4) FORLOGED ^(FLSU-1) ~~(FLSU-1)~~ PROVIDE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR US FORCES.

~~AND ASSUMES CONTROL OF ICA IN FRONT AREA.~~

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. SEE TASK ORGANIZATIONPAGE **SECRET**

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2. MISSION

THIRD MARINE DIVISION (-)(REIN) UNITS IN OSCOLA OA CONDUCTS SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSIONS IN AREA 101 AND SOUTH OF QUANG TRI CITY AND IN BASE AREA 101; LOCATES AND DESTROYS NVA/VC FORCES; INTERDICTS ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATION; DENIES ENEMY ACCESS INTO POPULATED AND FOOD PRODUCING COASTAL AREAS; MAINTAINS AND DEFENDS COMBAT BASES IN OA; AND SUPPORTS GVN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT (RD) CAMPAIGN PLAN 1967.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATION. THIRD MARINE DIVISION (REIN) WILL CONDUCT MISSION (-)(REIN) OPERATION IN THE QUANG TRI CITY AND BASE AREA 101 TO LOCATE AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES, INTERDICT ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATION AND DENY ENEMY ACCESS INTO THE FOOD PRODUCING, POPULATED COASTAL AREA. INTENSIVE RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT OA.

B. 1ST MARINES (-)(REIN)

(1) COMMENCING 201800H OCT 67 CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN TAOR.

(2) PROVIDE FOR THE DEFENSE AND SECURITY OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS IN OA.

(3) ESTABLISH COMBAT BASE VICINITY LA VANG.

(4) MAINTAIN AN ACTIVE GROUND SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM AND CONDUCT SPOILING ATTACKS THROUGHOUT ASSIGNED OA TO DETECT AND DESTROY INFILTRATING NVA FORCES.

(5) MAINTAIN SECURITY NATIONAL ROUTE #1 AS INCLUDED IN OA, TO INCLUDE SECURITY FOR ENGINEER CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADING EFFORTS.

(6) CONTINUE COORDINATION WITH 1ST ARVN DIV AND LOCAL GVN FORCES IN ADJACENT AREAS. PROVIDE SUPPORT AS ~~REQUIRED~~ *APPROVED THIS HEADQUARTERS* TO 1ST DIVISION (ARVN) CONDUCTING UNILATERAL OR COMBINED OPERATIONS IN THE QUANG TRI AREA.

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(7) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE REACTION FORCES TO COUNTER ENEMY ATTACKS ON LOW-LEVEL GVN STRUCTURES IAW REF B.

(8) MAINTAIN ONE INFANTRY BN AND CMB GEP FOR RAPID MOVEMENT IN THIRD MAR DIV TAOR IAW REF C.

(9) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE NECESSARY SECURITY FOR ROUGH RIDER OPERATIONS.

(10) MAINTAIN ONE RIFLE PLATOON (REIN) AS CHARGO BAWK FOR RAPID EMPLOYMENT IN AO IAW REF C.

(11) CONTINUE RESPONSIBILITY FOR QUANG TRI AIRFIELD.

(12) BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT SUCH OTHER OPERATIONS AS MAY BE DIRECTED BY CG THIRD MAR DIV.

C. 3D RECON BN (-)(REIN)

(1) O/S; PROVIDE LIAISON PARTY WITH 1ST MAR REGT.

(2) COORDINATE ALL RECON ACTIVITIES (INSERTION/EXTRACT ON), FIRE SUPPORT FOR 3D RECON BN PATROLS, USE OF REACTION FORCES WITH APPROPRIATE INFANTRY COMMANDERS.

D. TWELFTH MARINES (-)(REIN)

(1) PROVIDE ONE BN (-)(REIN) D/S 1ST MARINES

(2) PROVIDE GENERAL SUPPORT.

E. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) R.T.A. TERMINATED 201800H OCT 67.

(2) THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE FOR EXECUTION 201800H OCT 67.

(3) OPERATION CODE NAME OSCOLA.

(4) AREA OF OPERATION - AS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED FIRST MARINES.

(5) REPORTS IAW REF E.

(6) D-DAY 20OCT67; H-HOUR 1800H.

(7) CONTACT ALCON.

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SECRET4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

- (1) GENERAL - IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF (C) AND (F).
- (2) 1ST FAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.
- (3) SUPPLY SOURCE - FORLOGCHD (FLSU-1).
- (4) PRESCRIBED LOADS - AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS.
- (5) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES - BY 1ST MARINES (*) (PLAIN)

(A) CLASS I

RCI - 5 DOS

B - AS REQUIRED BUT NOT MORE THAN 5 DOS

A - AS REQUIRED BUT NOT MORE THAN 1 DOS

TRIOXANE - 5 DOS

(B) CLASS II - AS REQUIRED

(C) CLASS III - 5 DOS

(D) CLASS IV - AS REQUIRED

(E) CLASS V - 5 DOS

B. AND DISTRIBUTION

FOR EMERGENCY ONLY ON APPROVAL OF THIS HQ.

AS REQUIRED.

(1) SUPPLY POINT

SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION.

1ST MARINES TBA - UNIT DISTRIBUTION FOR INFANTRY

DISTRIBUTION FOR OTHERS.

C. CAPITALIZATION

LOCATED TO CO D 3D AND 5D DONG HA.

LOCATED - LOCATED TO CO D 3D AND 5D DONG HA.

AS REQUIRED.

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(3) CIVILIAN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL AT QUANG TRI.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK - REQUIREMENTS BEYOND CAPABILITY OF TRUCK CO IN DIRECT SUPPORT TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.

(2) AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.

D. SERVICES

(1) LAW REF (C).

(2) CONSTRUCTION - REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

(3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT - CONTACT TEAMS AVAILABLE FROM FLSO ALPHA ON REQUEST.

(4) STORAGE - LAW REF (C).

(5) SALVAGE - LAW REF (C).

(6) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES

(A) THIRD SHORE PARTY BN - GENERAL SUPPORT.

(B) THIRD MEDICAL BN - GENERAL SUPPORT

(C) NINTH MOTOR TRANSPORT BN - GENERAL SUPPORT

(D) CO A (-)(REIN) FIRST ENGINE BN - DIRECT SUPPORT

(E) CO B (-)(REIN) FIRST MEDICAL BN - DIRECT SUPPORT

(F) CO B FIRST MOTOR TRANSPORT BN - DIRECT SUPPORT

(G) CO A (-) FIRST SHORE PARTY BN - DIRECT SUPPORT

E. PERSONNEL

(1) LAW REF (C) AND (1).

F. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. COMMUNICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES G, H, AND J.

B. FREQUENCIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES G AND J.

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C. CALL SIGNS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES G AND L.

D. RADIO TELEPHONE/TELETYPE SYSTEM REMAINS UNCHANGED.

E. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN USMC AND ARVN MANEUVER ELEMENTS AS REQUIRED.

DIRECT LIAISON WITH ARVN AUTHORIZED.

F. CRYPTO

(1) EXTERNAL AS SPECIFIED BY 3D MARDIV.

(2) INTERNAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES G AND J.

G. COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE THROUGH
CG THIRD MARDIV.

H. REPORT ANY CHANGE IN CF LOCATION.

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 TO: THIRD ARDIV

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CHANGE ONE OPERATION ORDER 57-67

A. OPERATION ORDER 57-67 USCSOLA

1. ADD ^{DW} PARA 4.2.2 (H) 3D ENG BN (-) (REIN) - GAN SUPPORT

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information or to render mutual support as needed.

a. The 1st Airborne Battalion

- (1) Will be attached with the 1st Recon Company and with 1 W Co Engineer Team.
- (2) Will operate in the designated area (Annex 1, over lay of this operation).
- (3) Will coordinate closely with the 3rd Infantry Regiment at blocking point and in proceeding to Line WAS 1500 and rally point 1500.
- (4) Will maintain parallel communication with the 4th USMC Regiment to exchange information and coordinate actions as needed.

d. The 1st Recon Company

Will be attached to the 1st Airborne Battalion as of 1400 hours until the termination of this operation.

e. Artillery

- (1) The Battery 1500 (L) and Battery 1000 (12th Arty Bn) will provide direct fire support for this operation.
- (2) Will allocate the fire and provide priority fire support for every unit in the cover range depending on each kind of gun.
- (3) Will coordinate with the USMC for fire reinforcement or mutual support as needed.
- (4) 1 Company of the 5th Airborne Battalion will protect the artillery at the gun emplacements, coordination will be made later.
- (5) Fire support plans Annex 5.

f. Air Forces

- (1) The USMC will provide helicopters for lifting the troops, be in charge of air cover and prep the LZs during the landing as well as before and after the landing. Official date and time and number of ships will be confirmed shortly.
- (2) The USMC will render direct support for all emergency flight missions tactically and logistically as well as for rescue on request.
- (3) A-1 and A-19 will cover the operation through the day.
- (4) 2 USAF H-34 will stand by in case to fly logistic and liaison missions for the units as needed.

g. Engineers

- (1) The 1st Engineer Battalion will be attached to the 3rd Infantry Regiment and to the 5th Airborne Battalion 1 Engineer Detachment ^{Company} for each unit. The ~~units~~ ^{units} will take along all substantial explosives and necessary tools to demolish defense complex of the enemy and to prep the helipads.
- (2) The 1st Engineer Battalion ~~1st~~ Squad attached to the 3rd Infantry Regiment will coordinate with the 1st Engineer Squad on LZ prep and demolitions.
- (3) The USMC will be attached to the 3rd Infantry Regiment 1 Detachment Team. The date and time of this Team will be confirmed shortly.

h. Reserve Forces

- (1) The 5th Airborne Battalion.
- (2) The Black Panther Company will be in place.
- (3) During the reserve period, the reserve units will maintain daily security for the positions, especially at night.

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- (4) Will be prepared in order to be ~~still~~ deployed for relief missions either by helicopter or by ground within 2 hours on order.

1. Coordination of directions:

- (1) The attached units will report to using units within the afternoon of May -1 to receive order.
- (2) The units will have full discretion to deploy the troops in the designated area depending on the situation in order to be suitable to the terrain conditions and tactics, but the detailed plan will have to be submitted to the 1st Division Headquarters prior to execution.
- (3) The troops will have to be checked for adequate necessary equipment items to setting up movement in halting, foot powder and socks for replacement, individual items such as cord and poncho for crossing the stream where the current of water may be rapid when it rains.
- (4) Dense creeks must be searched thoroughly for destroying secreted depots and shelters of the enemy.
- (5) It is reminded that precaution must be taken in ascending to occupy high terrain where mines may be laid, sniper fire or ambush may happen. At night, the positioning of troops must be covert, defense positions must be established to prevent from surprise mortar attack or mine of the enemy.
- (6) Air and artillery fire power will be used to prevent the enemy from staying close to the operational units in going out, and fire to destroy the enemy prior to occupying selected objectives so as to minimize the losses.
- (7) Units operate close to the USMC should exchange LHO to ensure the exchange of information and expedite the action as needed.
- (8) To prevent from misidentification, the boundary between operational units will be a similar as fire limited line. When using the fire control in the designated boundary, no-missile coordination must be taken before firing. Particular in 3rd Infantry Regiment and the 5th Airborne Battalion must be evident in approaching blocking positions OUCH and 111.
- (9) Prior the landing, the 3rd Infantry Regiment will be responsible the road clearance and securing the route from PK-17 to the North airstrip as well as the plan to move.
- (10) The Artillery will have to coordinate with the USMC to specify specify the fire support range for the units ~~landed~~ making the movement in landing so as to prevent the problems of flying line for the troops landing helicopters.
- (11) The detailed plan will be submitted to the 1st Division Headquarters (0.3 + 100).
- (12) In the event of bad weather LHO will be postponed hour by hour on ~~order~~ and there will be decision late for May if the weather is bad through the day.
- (13) May and LHO will be confirmed shortly.
- (14) Annexes: A- Intelligence (will be disseminated by the Division 0.2)
B- Working plan of operation (attached)
C- Fire support plan (the Division Artillery will disseminate)

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4. **APPROPRIATE AND EFFECTIVE:** Current logistical procedures are in effect.

5. **CURRENT AND FUTURE:**

a. **Current:**

- (1) The 1st Division HQ will be at the 4th USMC Regimental Headquarters (ID. 53522)
- (2) The units will report to the Division.

b. **Signal:**

- (1) The issued monthly vol is in effect.
- (2) 1 relay station will be set up on the hill 674 ID. 515219.

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CCN 3100INTERDATE 240255 OCT67

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 TO: THIRD ARDIV

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CHANGE ONE OF RATION ORDER 57-67

A. OPERATION ORDER 57-67 USCEOLA

1. ADD ^{D/W} PARA 1.1 (H) 3D ENG BN (-) (REIN) - GIN SUPPORT

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TO: THIRD MARDIV
SOP THIRD MARDIV/III MAF R&P, KHE SANH
DET A-ONE ZERO ONE, FIFTH SFGA, KHE SANH
FIRST BN, FOUR FOUR ARTY, USA
INFO: CG III MAF
CG I CORPS
CG FIRST MAW
CG FIRST MARDIV
CG FLC
CG FIRST DIV, ARVN
DSA I CORPS ADVISORY GROUP
DSA FIRST DIV, ARVN
DET C-ONE, FIFTH SSU-A NHA TRANG
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OPERATION ORDER 49-67 (SCOTLAND)

- A. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000, A-8 SERIES L7014
- B. USMACV TACTICAL SCALE STUDY, DMZ AREA
- C. THIRD MARDIV LOI 1-67
- D. MACV DIRECTIVE 10-4 OF 11 DEC 66
- E. CG III MAF 070826Z NOV 66 NOTAL
- F. COMUSMACV 290701Z SEP 66 NOTAL
- G. USMACV LTR PAC J3 SLA 00539 OF 12 APR 66 NOTAL
- H. CG III MAF 111344Z DEC 66 PASSEP NOTAL
- I. CG III MAF 22102Z DEC 66 PASSEP NOTAL
- J. MY OP PLAN 16-67
- K. IX 131313Z MAY 67 (OP PLAN 24-67)
- L. DIV O P02000.2D (COI)
- M. DIV O P2000.4C (COI SOP)
- N. DIV OP ORDER 2-67 (SPARROW HAWK)

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G-4	W
CEO	W
FSCC	W
AirO	W
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TASK ORGANIZATION

SOP 3D MARDIV/III MAF REP, KHE SANH

26TH MAR (-)(REIN)

DET, HQ CO, 26TH MAR

DET, HQ BN, 3D MARDIV

SUB UNIT #5, HQ BN, 3D MARDIV

SUB TH, 7TH ITT, HAF

1ST BN (REIN) 26TH MAR

DET, 3D SP BN

1ST PLT, CO C, 3D ANCR BN

1ST BN (-)(REIN) 13TH MARINES

CO A (-), 3D AT BN

3D PLT, CO B, 3D TK BN

CO B, 3D RECON BN

2D CLEARING PLT, CO C, 3D MED BN

DET A-101, 5TH SF GRP, USA

SEC, DTRY G, 65TH ARTY, USA

2D PLT (-), CO A, 3D SP BN

DET, CO A, 9TH MT BN

DET, CO B, 9TH MT BN

1. SITUATION

A. GENERAL

TACTICAL OPERATIONS AGAINST NVA FORCES VICINITY KHE SANH PREDICATE
 REGIMENTAL LEVEL CONTROL HEADQUARTERS IN THAT AREA. CO 26TH MARINES IS
 DESIGNATED SOP THIRD MARDIV/III MAF REP, KHE SANH AND WILL PROVIDE CONTROL
 HEADQUARTERS FOR OPERATION SCOTLAND.

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(1) CO 26TH MARINES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SANKH OPERATING AREA AND COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATION SCOTLAND AT 010000H NOV 67

(2) AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY

(A) MAPS. REFERENCE A

(B) AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. FROM THE DMZ SOUTH ALONG GL 85 TO GL 19 EAST TO GL 90 SOUTH TO GL 14 EAST ALONG GL 14 TO GL 95 SOUTH ON GL 95 TO DA KRO O RIVER SE ALONG DA KRO O RIVER TO YD 004354 THEN SOUTHWEST ALONG RIVER TO XD 994343 THEN SOUTH ALONG RIVER TO YD 004302 THEN SOUTH TO LAOTIAN BORDER AT YD 004234. BOUNDARY THEN FOLLOWS LAOTIAN BORDER ON THE SOUTH AND WEST TO THE DMZ AND EAST ALONG DMZ TO POINT OF ORIGIN.

B. ENEMY FORCES

(1) CURRENT INTSUNS, FEAINTREPS AND LIR'S AS ISSUED.

(2) SEE REFERENCE B FOR CHARACTERISTICS OF AREA AND TACTICAL ASPECTS OF TERRAIN.

C. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) SEE REFERENCE (C).

(2) III MAF, IN COORDINATION WITH I ARVN CORPS, CONDUCTS SUSTAINED, COORDINATED UNILATERAL OR COMBINED GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS TO DESTROY VC/VA MAIN AND SUBSIDIARY FORCES LOCATED IN IGTZ.

(3) 1ST MAF PROVIDES AIR CONTROL AND AIRFIELD OPERATIONS FACILITIES AND FIXED AND ROTARY WING, ALL WEATHER, AIRCRAFT SUPPORT.

(4) FORCE LOGISTIC COMAND (LSU XRE SANK) PROVIDES SUPPLY SUPPORT FOR ALL CLASSES OF SUPPLY.

(5) 7TH AF AND VNAF PROVIDE AIR SUPPORT FOR GROUND OPERATIONS AND AIR DEFENSE OF RVN.

(6) FIRST DIVISION, ARVN, CONDUCTS OPERATIONS AND SUPPORTS THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN 11TH D.A.

(7) QUANG TRI PROVINCE HQ PROVIDES RF SUPPORT AND DEFENDS GVN

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SECRET**VITAL AREAS.****D. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS****(1) SE. TASK ORGANIZATION****(2) EFFECTIVE UPON COMPLETION OF OPN.****2. MISSIONS**

3D MAR DIV CONDUCTS RECON AND COMBAT PATROLS TO DETECT AND DESTROY ENEMY PERSONNEL INFILTRATING INTO AND THROUGH THE SANN OA; PERFORMS COMMAND AND CONTROL FUNCTIONS AND COORDINATION, AS DIRECTED, IN THE KHE SANN AREA; PROVIDES SECURITY FOR AIRFIELD AND AUXILIARY FACILITIES AT KHE SANN AND OTHER VITAL INSTALLATIONS IN OA; OPERATES AND SECURES LINES OF COMMUNICATION WITHIN OA; MAINTAINS ACTIVE GROUND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN OA; PROVIDE ARTILLERY SUPPORT FOR RV 33 BN AND BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN RELIEF OR REINFORCEMENT CIDG CAMP AT LANG VEI.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS. COMMAND CONTROL AND COORDINATION WILL BE EXERCISED BY SOP 3D MAR DIV/III IAF REP. AIRFIELD AND BASE AREA FACILITIES WILL BE DEFENDED WITH MINIMUM FORCES AND MAXIMUM USE OF OBSTACLES AND SUPPORTING FIRES. DETECTION/DESTRUCTION ENEMY INFILTRATION WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY PATROLS FROM INFANTRY AND RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENTS. RELIEF/REINFORCEMENT OF CIDG CAMP LANG VEI WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY 26TH MARINES FORCES, WITHIN CAPABILITIES, AND BY RELIEF FORCES DIRECTED BY THIS HEAD-QUARTERS, AS REQUIRED.

B. SOP 3D MAR DIV/III IAF REP, KHE SANN

(1) EXERCISE COMMAND AND CONTROL OVER FORCES ASSIGNED. EXERCISE COORDINATION OF US ADVISORY ELEMENTS WITHIN ASSIGNED OA.

(2) DESIGNATED INSTALLATION COORDINATOR KHE SANN AND WILL EXECUTE PROVISIONS OF REF D WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITIES WITHIN KHE SANN OA.

(3) DESIGNATED OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE KHE SANN INTELLIGENCE CENTER

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IAW REF B WITH RESPONSIBILITY TO INSURE EXPEDITIOUS DETERMINATION OF ALL INTELLIGENCE PROCESSED BY THE SANH INTELLIGENCE CENTER TO ALL APPROPRIATE HEADQUARTERS AND AGENCIES AND TO CARRY OUT TERMS OF REFERENCE CONTAINED IN REF F.

(4) ASSUME AUTHORITY AS THE MAIN EXECUTIVE AGENT IN THE EXERCISE OF CO IIAW AUTHORITY RELATIVE TO SOG OPERATIONS DERIVATING FROM THE KUE SANH OA AS CONTAINED IN REF G; HOWEVER, PROVISIONS REF H AND I APPLY.

(5) DEFEND AIRFIELD AND AUXILIARY FACILITIES AT KUE SANH.

(6) PROVIDE ARTILLERY SUPPORT OF BV 33 BN LOCATED IN LAOS; EFFECT LIAISON WITH SUPPORTED UNIT THROUGH LIDS AT LANG VET.

(7) CONDUCT RECON AND COMBAT PATROLS THROUGHOUT ASSIGNED OA TO DETECT AND DESTROY INFILTRATING ENEMY PERSONNEL.

(8) BE PREPARED TO REINFORCE OR PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO CIDG CAMP, LANG VET, IN EVENT OF ENEMY ATTACK, IAW REF J.

(9) OPERATING AREA. DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 1.A(3) ABOVE.

(10) MAINTAIN SECURITY OF ROUTE 9 IN ASSIGNED OA, INCLUDING SECURITY FOR BROTHERHOOD CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADING EFFORT.

(11) MAINTAIN SPARROW HAWK PLATOON IAW REF K.

C. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) REF K CANCELLED AND SUPERSEDED BY THIS ORDER.

(2) THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE 010000H NOV 67.

(3) OPERATION CODE NAME - SCOTLAND.

(4) DECLASSIFY ALCON.

(5) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH RVNAF UNITS AND DISTRICT LEVEL OFFICIALS IN OA.

(6) SUBMIT REPORTS IAW REF C.

(7) COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS REF C APPLY.

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SECRET**1. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS****A. SUPPLY****(1) GENERAL - IAW REF (C).****(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.****(3) SUPPLY SOURCE - FISC-A LSU KHE SANH.****(4) OTHER SERVICES SUPPORT - LOGISTICS FOR U.S. ARMY, USAF AND ARVN FORCES IN AREA AS PROVIDED BY PARENT COMMAND.****(5) PRESCRIBED LOADS - AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS.****(6) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES (FISC-A LSU KHE SANH)****(A) CLASS I****MOI - 60 DAYS****B - 30 DAYS****A - 1 DAY****TRIOXANE - 60 DAYS****(B) CLASS II - 30 DAYS****(1) BATTERIES AS FOLLOWS:****(A) BA-30 30 DOS****(B) BA-200 30 DOS****(C) BA-270 30 DOS****(D) BA-279 30 DOS****(E) BA-386 45 DOS****(F) BA-414 30 DOS****(C) CLASS III - 15 DAYS****(D) CLASS IV - AS REQUIRED****(E) CLASS V - 30 DOA EXCEPT 155MM HE 20 DOA.****SECRET**

SECRET**(7) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION**

(A) UNIT DISTRIBUTION FOR INFANTRY BN'S SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION FOR OTHER UNITS.

(B) AERIAL DELIVERY PROVIDED ON APPROVAL OF COMMANDING GENERAL.

(C) HST WILL BE PROVIDED AS REQUIRED.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) EVACUATE TO 2D CIR FLT, CO C, 3D MEDICAL BN.

(2) OPERATE TRIAGE AND EVACUATION STATION.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK AND AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.

D. SERVICES

(1) IAW REF (C).

(2) CONSTRUCTION REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

(3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FLSO-A LIMITED TO 3D ECHELON.

(4) SALVAGE IAW REF (C).

(5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES

(A) 1ST FLT (REIN) CO C 3D ENGR BN - DIRECT SUPPORT.

(B) DET 3D SP BN - PROVIDE HBT - ISA SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

(C) 2D CIR FLT CO C 3D MEDICAL BN - GENERAL SUPPORT.

E. PERSONNEL

(1) IAW CURRENT DIRECTIVES.

(2) SUB UNIT #5 HQ BN, 3D MARDIV WILL PROVIDE ADMIN SUPPORT FOR ASSIGNED PERSONNEL FROM HQ BN. SUB UNIT #5 WILL BE MANNED IAW WITH CURRENT M/L (24 SEPT 1967).

(3) TACTICAL UNITS ASSIGNED OPCON TO SOP 3D MARDIV/III MAF REP (CO 26TH MARINES) REMAIN ADCON TO PARENT ORGANIZATIONS.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICS

- A. COMMUNICATIONS IAW REF L AND M.
- B. RADIO: MAINTAIN EXISTING RADIO COMM.
- C. RADIO TELEPHONE/TELETYPE: MAINTAIN EXISTING CHANNELIZATION ON KHE SANH TO CAMP CARROLL, DONG HA AND PHU BAI RADIO RELAY SYSTEMS.
- D. COMM EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL: EMERGENCY REQUESTS TO THIS HQ.
- E. COMMAND POST: REPORT ANY CHANGES OF CP LOCATIONS.

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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV
 TO: THIRD MARDIV
 INFO: CG III AF
 CONSERVATIVE
 CG I CORPS
 CG FIRST MAW
 CG FIRST MARDIV
 CG FLC
 CG FIRST ARVN D.V
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OPERATION ORDER 59-67 (KENTUCKY)

- A. DIV OF ORDER 2-67 (SPARROW LAKE)
- B. DIV OF ORDER 42-67 (KINGFISHER)
- C. DIV OF PLAN 35-67 (REACTION FORCE FOR RD PROTECTION)
- D. DIV LOI 1-67
- E. DIV O P4000.1D
- F. DIV O P4400.22C
- G. DIV O P2000.1C
- H. DIV O P02000.2F

TASK ORGANIZATION3D MARDIV (-)(REIN)

MAJOR HOCHMUTH

HQ BN (-)(REIN)9TH MAR (-)(REIN)

COL SMITH

(INFANTRY FORCE. ASSIGNED DTG OF EXECUTION)

3D REGT. 1B (-)(REIN)

LAC BELL

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1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES. SEE CURRENT INTSUMS, PERINTAFS AND SIR'S.B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) III MAP, IN COORDINATION WITH I ARVN CORPS CONDUCTS SUSTAINED, COORDINATED UNILATERAL OR COMBINED GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS TO DESTROY VC/EVA MAIN AND GUERRILLA FORCES LOCATED IN ICTZ.

(2) 1ST MARDIV CONDUCTS SUSTAINED, COORDINATED UNILATERAL OR COMBINED GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN ICTZ.

(3) 1ST MAW PROVIDES AIR CONTROL, AIRFIELD OPERATIONS FACILITIES, FIXED AND ROTAR WING ALL WEATHER AIRCRAFT SUPPORT.

(4) FORCE LOGISTIC COMMAND (FLSU-1) PROVIDES SUPPLY SUPPORT FOR ALL CLASSES OF SUPPLY.

(5) U.S. SEVENTH FLEET PROVIDES SHORE BOMBARDMENT AND GUNFIRE SUPPORT AND EMPLOYS THE AFG/SIF AS DIRECTED.

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(6) ... AVAIL FORCES, VN AND VNN, PROVIDE NAVAL SUPPORT IN COASTAL AND CONTIGUOUS WATERS.

(7) 7TH AF AND VNAF PROVIDE AIR SUPPORT FOR GROUND OPERATIONS AND AIR DEFENSE OF RVN.

(8) FIRST DIVISION, ARVN, CONDUCTS OPERATIONS AND SUPPORTS THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN 11TH DTA.

(9) QUANG TRI PROVINCE HQ PROVIDES RF SUPPORT AND DEFENDS VITAL AREAS.

(10) ELEVENTH ENGINEER B. (-) IN G/S, MAINTAINS AND UPGRADES ROUTE 561, CAN LD TO COM THIN.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. SEE TASK ORGANIZATION

2. MISSION

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(1) OPERATING AREA AND AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY IS AS FOLLOWS: START AT YD 085687 AND FOLLOW STREAM SOUTH TO YD 080660; THEN SOUTH ON CL 08 TO STREAM AT YD 080614. FOLLOW STREAM SOUTHEAST TO YD 100603, THEN SOUTH ON CL 10 TO YD 100588. DRAW A STRAIGHT LINE TO YD 116578 THEN SOUTH ON ROAD TO YD 120560, ALONG A STRAIGHT LINE TO STREAM AT YD 133545. FOLLOW STREAM TO SONG VINH PHUOC RIVER AT YD 165528 THEN ALONG SONG VINH PHUOC RIVER TO RAILROAD TRACKS AT YD 274577. FOLLOW RR TRACKS NORTHEAST TO INTERSECTION ROUTE 79 AT YD 233607. THEN ALONG ROUTE 79 EAST TO YD 194591. FOLLOW RIVER

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HAU GIANG TO YD 170606. DUE NORTH ON GL 17 TO YD 1771. THEN ALONG A STRAIGHT LINE DRAIN TO YD 213734; SOUTH ON ROUTE #1 TO YD 215725 THEN CONNECT A LINE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING COORDINATES CIRCUMVENTING GIO LINH OUTPOST, YD 220725, YD 228729, YD 230736, YD 230742, YD 220748 TO OBSTACLE STRONG POINT A-2. CONVERGE NORTH SIDE A-2 AND FOLLOW ROUTE #1 TO SOUTHERN BOUNDARY DAZ. THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY DAZ TO THE START POINT AT YD 085687, IS THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF KENTUCK TAOB.

(2) THIS DIVISION WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE COMMENCING 01000H ^{1/24} ~~0000H~~, WITH REGIMENTAL SIZED FORCE TO COUNTER NVA INFILTRATION AND VC ACTIVITIES AND TO SUPPORT RD ACTIVITIES IN THAT AREA.

(3) DONG HA COMBAT BASE, AIRFIELD AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES, WILL BE DEFENDED WITH MINIMUM INFANTRY FORCES AND FULL USE OF TENANT UNITS.

(4) GIO LINH ARTILLERY OUTPOST WILL BE MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED.

(5) THE MAINTENANCE OF NATIONAL ROUTE 1 AND 9 AND OTHER SURFACE LOG'S IN A USEABLE CONDITION WILL BE EMPHASIZED THROUGHOUT OA.

(6) SURVEILLANCE, SCREENING OPERATIONS AND SPOILING ATTACKS WILL BE CONDUCTED TO DETECT AND DESTROY ENEMY INFILTRATION AND PREVENT INCURSION BY NVA/VC MAIN FORCE UNITS INTO AREAS SELECTED FOR RD ACTIVITIES.

(7) INTENSIVE RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE OA, WITH EMPHASIS ON LONG RANGE PATROLS.

(8) MAXIMUM USE WILL BE MADE OF SUPPORTING ARMS, GROUND, NAVAL AND AIR TO ATTACK DETECTED AND SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS.

B. 9TH DIVISION (-)(REIN)

(1) BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE REINFORCEMENTS, COUNTER ATTACK AND RELIEF FORCES FOR GIO LINH ARTILLERY OUTPOST AND CUA VIET FACILITY.

(2) MAINTAIN AN ACTIVE GROUND SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM AND CONDUCT SPOILING ATTACKS THROUGHOUT ASSIGNED OA TO DETECT AND DESTROY INFILTRATING NVA PERSONNEL.

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(3) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ROUTE 9, ROUTE 561 AND ROUTE 1 IN
ASSIGNED CA.

(4) SUPPORT GVN RD PROGRAM WITHIN OA AN TAOR.

(5) MAINTAIN COMBAT BASE CON THIEN AND PROVIDE SECURITY CAM LO
BRIDGE SITE.

(6) MAINTAIN SPARROW HAWK PLATOON IAW REF A.

(7) COORDINATE AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ENGINEER FORTIFICATION
OPERATIONS BETWEEN GIO LINH AND CON THIEN.

(8) PROVIDE ONE RIFLE COMPANY (REIN) OPCON GIO LINH ARTILLERY
COMMANDER FOR DEFENSE AND SECURITY OF THAT POSITION.

(9) ASSIST UNITS LOCATED AT MOUTH OF CUA VIET RIVER WITH DEFENSE,
SECURITY MEASURES, AND FIRE SUPPORT.

(10) CONDUCT OPJAS DIRECTED IN DESIGNATED AOR; COORDINATE USE OF
AREAS WITH ARVN, AS REQUIRED.

C. 3D RECON BN (-)(REIN)

(1) G/S; PROVIDE LIAISON PARTY WITH NINTH MARINES.

(2) COORDINATE ALL RECON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS, FIRE SUPPORT AND
USE OF REACTION FORCES WITH APPROPRIATE INFANTRY COMMANDER.

D. 12TH MARINES (-)(REIN)

(1) PROVIDE D/S ARTILLERY AS REQUIRED.

(2) PROVIDE G/S AND G/S REINFORCING FIRES AS REQUIRED.

(3) MAINTAIN FSOC AT DONG HA, SUBORDINATE TO DIV FSOC, FOR COORDINATION
OF FIRE SUPPORT IN OPERATION KENTUCKY AND FOR LIAISON WITH DASC.

(4) CONTINUE CURRENT MISSION OF GIO LINH ARTILLERY OUTPOST IN AREA
ASSIGNED.

(5) PROVIDE ARTILLERY SUPPORT TO 3D RECON BN PATROLS; DISPLACE ARTIL-
LERY AS NECESSARY.

(6) PROVIDE SEARCHLIGHT SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

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SECRET**E. 1ST BN ADA AV (REIN), 14TH ARTY**

- (1) PROVIDE TWO BATTERIES (-) REINFORCED WITH THREE ADA
AG SEC D/S 9TH MAR
- (2) PROVIDE ONE ADA AV SEC D/S GIO LINH ARTILLERY OUTPOST.

F. 3D TANK BN -PROVIDE ONE COMPANY REINFORCED WITH ONE PLATOON AND ONE FLAME SEC D/S 9TH MARINES.**G. 3D AT BN -PROVIDE ONE COMPANY (REIN) D/S 9TH MARINES.****H. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS**

- (1) REF B CANCELLED EFFECTIVE 31240000767.
- (2) THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE FOR PLANNING ON RECEIPT AND FOR OPERATIONS 010001HNOV67.
- (3) OPERATION CODE NAME -KENTUCKY
- (4) DIRLAUTH ALCON.
- (5) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH RVNAF UNITS AND DISTRICT LEVEL OFFICIALS IN OA AND TAOR.
- (6) IF BOUNDARIES ARE ASSIGNED WITHIN DESIGNATED OA FOR OPERATIONS OF SUBORDINATE, SUPPORTING AND ADJACENT UNITS, COORDINATE OPERATING AREAS WITH RVNAF AND OTHER FIAF AS APPROPRIATE.
- (7) COORDINATE RECON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS AND FIRE SUPPORT AND PROVIDE REACTION FORCES FOR RECON EXTRACTION AND/OR EXPLOIATION OF RECON CONTACTS.
- (8) PROVIDE REACTION FORCES TO COUNTER ENEMY ATTACKS ON LOW LEVEL GVN STRUCTURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE C..

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICSPAGE 6 OF 9 PAGES**SECRET**

SECRET**A. SUPPLY**

- (1) GENERAL - IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF D, K AND F.
- (2) 1ST TAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.
- (3) SUPPLY SOURCE - FLSU 1 DONG HA
- (4) PRESCRIBED LOADS - AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS.
- (5) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES (FLSU-1)

(A) CLASS I

HQT - 30 DAYS

B - 15 DAYS

A - 7 DAYS

TRIOXANE - 30 DAYS

(E) CLASS II

30 DAYS

(C) CLASS III

30 DAYS

(D) CLASS IV

AS REQUIRED

(.) CLASS V

5 DOA FOR 60MM AND ABOVE

5 DOA FOR MINES

5 DOA FOR ANTI TANK MISSILE

30 DOA FOR ALL OTHERS

(6) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION

- (A) ~~GENERAL~~ SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION

FOR ~~GENERAL~~ ^{ALL} UNITS.

- (B) AERIAL DELIVERY FOR EMERGENCY ONLY ON APPROVAL OF COL. COMMANDING

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(C) HST-ISA WILL BE MAINTAINED VICINITY DONG HA AIRFIELD.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) EVACUATE TO CO D 3D MEDICAL BN DONG HA. FURTHER EVACUATION AS DIRECTED BY CO D 3D MEDICAL BN.

(2) ARVN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO CO D 3D MEDICAL BN DONG HA. FURTHER EVACUATION TO HUE CITADEL AS REQUIRED.

(3) CIVILIAN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL AT QUANG TRI OR HUE.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK AND AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.

(2) 9TH MOTOR TRANSPORT BN IN GENERAL SUPPORT WITH PRIORITIES ESTABLISHED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

D. SERVICES

(1) IAW REF D.

(2) CONSTRUCT ON REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

(3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FLSU-1 LIMITED TO 3D Echelon.

(4) SALVAGE IAW REF D.

(5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES

(A) 3D ENGR BN - PROVIDE ONE ENGR COMPANY IN GENERAL SUPPORT.

(B) 3D SP BN - GENERAL SUPPORT

1. OPERATE HST/ISA DONG HA

2. PROVIDE HST, AS REQUIRED.

3. PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AS DIRECTED FOR OPERATION

FLSU-1 DONG HA.

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4. PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO OPERATE DONG HA LCU
RAIP AS DIRECTED.

(C) 3D MED BN - PROVIDE ONE C&C COMPANY IN GENERAL
SUPPORT.

(D) 9TH MT BN - GENERAL SUPPORT.

E. PERSONNEL

(1) IAW CURRENT DIRECTIVES AND REF D.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. COMMUNICATIONS - IAW REF G AND H.

B. COMMAND POST. REPORT ANY CHANGE IN CP LOCATION.

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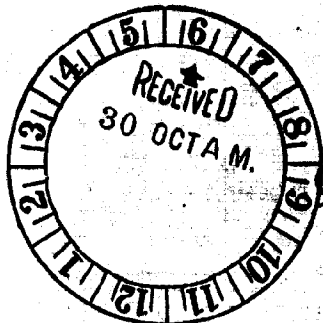
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 CG I CORPS
 CG FIRST MAW
 CG FLC
 CG FIRST INF DIV (ARVN)
 FLSG "A"



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OPERATION ORDER 50-67 (NEOSHO)

- A. DIV OP ORDER 2-67 (SPARROW HAWK)
- B. 3D MARDIV OPN O 41-67 (FIREMONT)
- C. DIV O 3000.1D
- D. 3D MARDIV LOI 1-67
- E. DIV O P4000.1D
- F. DIV O P4400.22C
- G. DIV O P2000.2E
- H. DIV O P2000.4C

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TASK ORGANIZATION:

C. 3D MARDIV (-)(REIN)

HQ BN (-)(REIN)

LTH BATTALIONS (-)(REIN)

HQ CO (-)

1ST BN (-), LTH MAB

3D BN (-), 26TH MAB

3D BN (-)(REIN), 12TH MAB

3D SP BN

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COL DICK

LTCOL DEPTOLA

LTCOL ALDERMAN

LTCOL BARKER

LTCOL QUINN

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1ST BN, 44TH ARTY (USA)

MAJ STEWART

LTCOL MCCAIN

LTCOL MCCUTCHAN

LTCOL CHAPMAN

CMDR BROWN

LTCOL MEROLLA

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES. CURRENT INTSUNS.B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) III MAF, IN COORDINATION WITH I CORPS CONDUCTS COMBINED GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS TO DESTROY NVA/VC MAIN AND GUERRILLA FORCES LOCATED IN ICTZ.

(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES FIXED AND ROTARY WING, ALL WEATHER AIR SUPPORT AND PROVIDES AIR CONTROL AND AIRFIELD OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3D MARDIV FORCES.

(3) 1ST ARVN DIVISION CONDUCTS UNILATERAL AND COMBINED/COORDINATED OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3D MARDIV FORCES.

(4) FORCE LOGISTIC COMMAND (FLSG"A") PROVIDES LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR US FORCES AND ASSUMES CONTROL OF LSA IN FREMONT AREA.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. SEE TASK ORGANIZATION.

2. MISSION

THIRD MARINE DIVISION (-)(REIN) CONDUCTS SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSIONS IN PHONG DIEN DISTRICT, LOCATES AND DESTROYS NVA/VC FORCES, INTERDICTS ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DENIES ENEMY ACCESS INTO POPULATED AND FOOD PRODUCING COASTAL AREAS.

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SECRET**3. EXECUTION****A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS. THIRD MARDIV (REIN) WILL CONDUCT REGT**

J. (-)(REIN) SIZED OPERATIONS IN PHONG DIEN DISTRICT TO LOCATE AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES INTERDICT ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DENY ENEMY ACCESS INTO THE FOOD PRODUCING, POPULATED COASTAL AREA.

B. FOURTH MARINES (-)(REIN)

(1) COMMENCING 010001H NOV 67 CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE PHONG DIEN DISTRICT.

(2) CONDUCT PATROL AND AMBUSH OPERATIONS TO INTERDICT ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS.

(3) CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

(4) MAINTAIN DIRECT LIAISON WITH PHONG DIEN DISTRICT CHIEF AND 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION (ARVN) FORCES IN ADJACENT AREAS.

(5) PROVIDE SUPPORT AS REQUESTED TO 1ST DIVISION (INFANTRY ARVN) CONDUCTING UNILATERAL OR COMBINED OPERATIONS IN PHONG DIEN DISTRICT WITHIN CAPABILITIES.

(6) MAINTAIN SPARROW HAWK PLATOON IAW REF A.

C. TWELFTH MARINES

(1) PROVIDE ONE BN (-)(REIN) D/S 4TH MARINES.

(2) PROVIDE G/S AND G/S REINFORCING FIRES AS REQUIRED.

(3) PROVIDE SUPPORTING FIRES IAW CURRENT DIRECTIVES.

D. 3D AT BN

(1) PROVIDE ONE COMPANY IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 4TH MARINES.

E. 3D TANK BN

(1) PROVIDE ONE COMPANY REINFORCED WITH ONE FLAME SECTION IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 4TH MARINES.

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F. 1ST BN, 4TH ARTY (USA)

(1) PROVIDE ONE PLT REINFORCED WITH 3 SQUADS M55'S IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 4TH MARINES.

G. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE 010001H NOV 67. OPERATION FREMONT TERMINATED AND REF B CANCELLED 312400H OCT 67.

(2) OPERATION CODE NAME - NEOSHO.

(3) AREAS OF OPERATION - SEE OPERATIONS OVERLAY (PASEP).

(4) REPORTS IAW REF C.

(5) DIRLAUTH ALCON.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

(1) GENERAL - IAW REF D, E, AND F.

(2) 1ST MAW PROVIDES FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

(3) SUPPLY SOURCE - FLSG ALPHA LSA CAMP EVANS ESTABLISHED IN

NEOSHO AREA.

(4) PRESCRIBED LOADS - AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS.

(5) STOCKAGE OBJECTIVES (FLSG-A LSA CAMP EVANS)

(A) CLASS I

MOI - 10 DOS

B - 10 DOS

A - 1 DOS

TRIOXANE - 10 DOS

(B) CLASS II - 10 DOS

(1) BATTERIES AS FOLLOWS:

(A) BA-30 10 DOS

(B) BA-200 10 DOS

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(C) BA-270 10 DOS

(D) BA-279 10 DOS

(E) BA-386 10 DOS

(F) BA-414 30 DOS

(C) CLASS III - 10 DOS

(D) CLASS IV - AS REQUIRED

(E) CLASS V - 10 DOA

(6) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION

(A) UNIT DISTRIBUTION FOR INFANTRY BNS. SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION FOR OTHER UNITS.

(B) AERIAL DELIVERY FOR EMERGENCY ONLY ON APPROVAL OF COMMANDING GENERAL.

(C) HST WILL BE PROVIDED AS REQUIRED.

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(2) ARVN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO HUE CITADEL.

(3) CIVILIAN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL AT QUANG TRI OR HUE.

C. TRANSPORTATION

(1) TRUCK AND AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.

D. SERVICES

(1) IAW REF D.

(2) CONSTRUCTION REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

(3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT - CONTACT TEAMS AVAILABLE FROM FLSG ALPHA ON REQUEST.

(4) SALVAGE - IAW REF D.

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(5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES

- (A) 3D SP BN - PROVIDE HST/LSA SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.
- (B) 3D ENGR BN - PROVIDE ONE ENGR COMPANY IN DIRECT SUPPORT.
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- (D) 3D MT BN - GENERAL SUPPORT.

E. PERSONNEL

- (1) IAW CURRENT DIRECTIVES AND REF D.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. COMMUNICATIONS IAW REF C, G, AND H.
- B. DIRLAUTH WITH 1ST ARVN DIV AND ARVN IN AND ADJACENT TO AO FOR COMMUNICATIONS.
- C. REPORT ANY CHANGES TO CP LOCATIONS.

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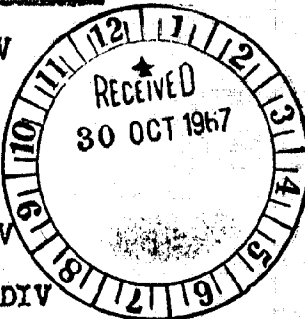
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OPERATION ORDER 56-67 (LANCASTER)

A. DIV OP ORDER 2-67 (SPARROW HAWK)

B. DIV OP ORDER 42-67 (KINGFISHER)

C. DIV OP ORDER 35-67 (REACTION FORCE FOR RD PROTECTION)

D. DIV LOI 1-67

E. DIV O P4000.1D

F. DIV O P4400.22C

G. DIV O P2000.4C

H. DIV O P02000.2F

TASK ORGANIZATION3D MARDIV (-)(REIN)

MAJ GEN HO CHU TH

HQ BN (-)(REIN)

3D MAR (-)(REIN)

COL LO PRETE

(INFANTRY FORCES ASSIGNED DTG OF EXECUTION)

3D RECON BN (-)(REIN)

MAJ HILL

12TH MAR (-)(REIN)

COL SCHICK

1ST BN, 12TH MAR (-)(REIN)

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1ST BN (-)(REIN), ADA AW (SP), 14TH ARTY (USA)3D TANK BN3D AT BN3D ENGR BN3D SP BN3D MED BN9TH MT BN

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(3) 1ST MAW PROVIDES AIR CONTROL AND AIRFIELD OPERATIONS FACILITIES AND FIXED AND ROTARY WING ALL WEATHER, AIRCRAFT SUPPORT.

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(4) FORCE LOGISTIC COMMAND (FLSU-1) PROVIDE SUPPLY SUPPORT FOR ALL CLASSES OF SUPPLY.

(5) 7TH AF AND VNAF PROVIDE AIR SUPPORT FOR GROUND OPERATIONS AND AIR DEFENSE OF RVN.

(6) FIRST DIVISION, ARVN, CONDUCTS OPERATIONS AND SUPPORTS THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN THE 11TH DTA.

(7) QUANG TRI PROVINCE HQ PROVIDES RF SUPPORT AND DEFENDS VITAL AREAS.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. S E TASK ORGANIZATION

2. MISSION

3D INF DIV (-) (REIN) UNITS IN LANCASTER OPERATING AREA CONDUCT REGIMENTAL SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS; DEFEND COMBAT BASE AREA, AND OTHER VITAL INSTALLATIONS IN OA; MAINTAIN COMBAT BASES IN CONJUNCTION WITH RF UNITS AT DESIGNATED LOCATIONS; OPEN AND SECURE LINES OF COMMUNICATION WITHIN OA; MAINTAIN ACTIVE GROUND SURVEILLANCE AND SCREENING OPERATIONS AND SPOILING ATTACKS AGAINST NVA/VC FORCES; AND SUPPORT GVN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT (RD) CAMPAIGN PLAN 1967.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATING AREA AND AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY IS AS FOLLOWS: LEFT BOUND BY STARTS AT ^{XD} ~~25~~ 8566 ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GL 85 TO EAST-WEST GL 48 TO NORTH-SOUTH GL 90 SOUTH TO XD GL 43 E ST TO NORTH-SOUTH GL 95 TO THE DA KRONG RIVER, FOLLOW DA KRONG RIVER SOUTHEAST TO YD 091333. FOLLOW

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TRAIL TO RIVER KHE TA LAOU AT YD 104329 THENCE ALONG RHE TA LAOU RIVE R TO YD 1532. FOLLOW EAST-WEST YD GL 32 TO NORTH-SOUTH GL 21 NORTH TO ROAD AT YD 210447; FOLLOW ROAD WEST TO YD 1946 THENCE ALONG GL 19 NORTH TO STREAM AT YD 190505. FOLLOW STREAM NORTH-NORTHWEST TO SONG VINH PHUOC RIVER AT YD 1852. THEN NORTH WEST ALONG RIVER TO YD 130544, THEN FOLLOW A STRAIGHT LINE DRAWN TO YD 118558. FOLLOW ROAD TO YD 115577. THEN ALONG A STRAIGHT LINE DRAWN TO YD 100585, THEN ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GL 10 TO YD 100604, FOLLOW STR AM NORTHWEST TO YD 080614 THEN ALONG NORTH-SOUTH GL 08 TO YD 080661. FOLLOW STREAM NORTH TO SOUTHERN BOUNDARY DMZ IS THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OPERATION LANCASTER TO START POINT AT ^{XD} ~~ED~~ 8566.

(2) THIS DIVISION WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN NORTH RN QUANG TRI PROVINCE COMMENCING 010001H NOV 67 WITH REGIMENTAL SIZED FORCES TO COUNTER NVA INFILTRATION AND VC ACTIVITIES AND TO SUPPORT RD ACTIVITIES IN THAT AREA.

(3) CAMP CARROLL WILL BE DEFENDED WITH MINIMUM INFANTRY FORCES AND FULL USE OF TENANT UNITS.

(4) A COMBAT OUTPOST WILL BE MAINTAINED IN THE VICINITY CA LU TO DETECT AND DESTROY NVA/VC FORCES IN THAT AREA.

(5) MAINTENANCE OF NATIONAL ROUTE #9 AND OTHER SURFACE LOC'S FOR USE WILL BE EMPHASIZED THROUGHOUT OA.

(6) SURVEILLANCE, SHERSHING OPERATIONS AND SPOILING ATTACKS WILL BE CONDUCTED TO DETECT AND DESTROY ENEMY INFILTRATION AND PREVENT INCURSION BY NVA/VC MAIN FORCE UNITS INTO AREAS SELECTED FOR RD ACTIVITIES.

(7) INTENSIVE RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE OA WITH EMPHASIS ON LONG RANGE PATROLS.

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(8) MAXIMUM USE WILL BE MADE OF SUPPORTING ARMS, BOTH GROUND AND AIR, TO ATTACK DETECTED AND SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS.

B. 3D MARINES (-) (REIN)

(1) PROVIDE FOR THE DEFENSE AND SECURITY OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS IN OA.

(2) MAINTAIN COMBAT BASE AT CA LU.

(3) MAINTAIN AN ACTIVE GROUND SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM AND CONDUCT SPOILING ATTACKS THROUGHOUT ASSIGNED OA TO DETECT AND DESTROY INFILTRATING NVA PERSONNEL.

(4) MAINTAIN SECURITY OF ROUTE#9 IN ASSIGNED OA, ENGINEER CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADING EFFORT.

(5) MAINTAIN SPARROW HAWK PLATOON IAW REF A.

C. 3D RECON BN (-) (REIN)

(1) G/S; PROVIDE LIAISON PARTY WITH 3D MARINES REGIMENT.

(2) COORDINATE ALL RECON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS, FIRE SUPPORT AND USE OF REACTION FORCES WITH APPROPRIATE INFANTRY CO COMMANDER.

D. 12TH MARINES (-) (REIN)

(1) PROVIDE D/S ARTILLERY AS REQUIRED

(2) PROVIDE G/S REINFORCING FIRES AS REQUIRED

(3) PROVIDE ARTILLERY SUPPORT TO 3D RECON BN PATROLS; DISPLACE ARTILLERY AS NECESSARY.

(4) PROVIDE SEARCH LIGHT SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

E. 1ST BN ADA AW (REIN), 44TH ARTY. PROVIDE ONE ADA AW BATTERY REINFORCED WITH ONE ADA HQ SEC D/S 3D MAR.

F. 3D TANK BN. PROVIDE ONE COMPANY (-) REINFORCED WITH PLANE SEC D/S 3D MARINES

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4. 3D AT BN. PROVIDE PLT (REIN) D/S 3D MARINES.

H. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) REF B CANCELLED EFFECTIVE 31240000CT67.

(2) THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE FOR PLANNING ON RECEIPT AND FOR
Y OPERATIONS, 010001 H NOV 67.

(3) OPERATION CODE NAME- LANCASIER.

(4) DIRLAUTH ALCON

Y (5) COORDINATE OPERATIONS WITH RVNAF UNITS AND DISTRICT
LEVEL OFFICIALS IN OA AND AOR.

(6) IF BOUNDARIES ARE ASSIGNED WITHIN DESIGNATED OA FOR
OPERATIONS OF SUBORDINATES, SUPPORTING AND ADJACENT UNITS, COORDINATE
OPERATING AREA WITH RVNAF AND OTHER FIAP AS APPROPRIATE.

(7) COORDINATE RECON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS AND FIRE SUPPORT
AND PROVIDE REACTION FORCES FOR RECON EXTRACTION AND/OR EXPLOITATION
OF RECON CONTACTS.

(8) PROVIDE REACTION FORCES TO COUNTER ENEMY ATTACKS ON LOW-
LEVEL GVN STRUCTURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE C.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

(1) GENERAL-IAW REF D, E, AND F.

(2) 1ST IAW PROVIDE FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT AS
REQUIRED.

(3) SUPPLY SOURCE -FLSU-1 CONG HA

(4) PRESCRIBED LOADS- AS PRESCRIBED BY UNIT COMMANDERS,

(5) STORAGE OBJECTIVES (FLSU-1)

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(A) CLASS I

NCI- 30 DAYS

B - 15 DAYS

A - 7 DAYS

TRIOXANE - 30 DAYS

(B) CLASS II

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(C) CLASS III

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(D) CLASS IV

AS REQUIRED

(E) CLASS V

5 DOA FOR 60MM AND ABOVE

5 DOA FOR MINES

5 DOA FOR ANTI TANK AMMO

39 DOA FOR ALL OTHERS

(6) CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION

(A) SUPPLY POINT DISTRIBUTION FOR ALL UNITS.

(B) AERIAL DELIVERY FOR EMERGENCY ONLY ON APPROVAL OF
COMMANDING GENERAL.Y (C) HST-^LEST WILL BE MAINTAINED VICINITY DONG HA AIRFIELD.

3. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) EVACUATE TO CO D 3D MEDICAL BN DONG HA. FURTHER
EVACUATION AS DIRECTED BY CO D 3D MEDICAL BN.(2) ARVN CASUALTIES - EVACUATE TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL
AT QUANG TRI OR HUE.PAGE 7 OF 8 PAGES**SECRET**

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C. TRANSPORTATION

- (1) TRUCK AND AIR - TO BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED.
- (2) 9TH MOTOR TRANSPORT BN IN GENERAL SUPPORT WITH PRIORITIES ESTABLISHED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

D. SERVICES

- (1) IAW REF D.
- (2) CONSTRUCTION REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HQ.
- (3) MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FLSU-1 LIMITED TO 3D SCIDELON.
- (4) SALVAGE IAW REF D.
- (5) COMBAT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES
 - (A) 3D ENGR BN - PROVIDE ONE ENGR COMPANY IN GENERAL SUPPORT
 - (B) 3D SP BN - GENERAL SUPPORT
 - (C) 3D MED BN - PROVIDE ONE C&C COMPANY IN GENERAL SUPPORT.
 - (D) 9TH MT BN - GENERAL SUPPORT

E. PERSONNEL

- (1) IAW CURRENT DIRECTIVES AND REF D.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. COMMUNICATIONS - IAW REF G AND H.
- B. COMMAND POST. REPORT ANY CHANGE IN CP LOCATION

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RUMHLA/CG FIRST MARDIV

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A. CG THIRD MARDIV 290825Z OCT 67

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A. PARA 1.A(2) (B) LINE TWO, CHANGE TO READ "GL 48 EAST
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B. PARA 4.A(4) ADD "EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED BY HIGHER HQ'S."

C. PARA 3.B(12) ADD "CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS."

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 A. CG THIRD MARDIV 201345Z OCT 67
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 A. CG THIRD MARDIV 298297 OCT 67
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A. CG THIRD MARDIV 290837Z OCT 67

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5	Msg	080427 Z	Subj: OPCON 1st Battalion/11th Marines
6	Msg	081345 Z	Subj: Support for Operation Medina
7	Msg	090002 Z	Subj: Employment ARGS/SLF Alpha in Operation Medina
8	Msg	090905 Z	Subj: Chop & OPCON Troops for Operation Medina
9	Msg	091012 Z	Subj: Employment of ARF/SLF Alpha
10	Msg	091120 Z	Subj: Bastion Hill Initiating Directive
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16	Msg	091800 Z	Subj: Plan of Operations Lam Son 135, w/ Overlay & Plan In Vietnamese
17	Msg	092216 Z	Subj: Bastion Hill Execute 10 Oct
18	Msg	092305 H	Subj: Lam Son 135 Gold Report
19	Rpt	10 Oct	Subj: Quarterly Review & Written Summary of Activities in Support of III MAF Campaign Plan 1-67, w/1 Encl; Subj: III MAF Campaign Plan 1-67 Summary, 3rd Quarter, CY 67
20	Msg	100056 Z	Subj: 1st Wave of BLT 1/3 (A) Touched Down LZ Hawk
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22	Mem	12 Oct	Subj: Memorandum from ACS/G-2, Subj: The Threat to Phu Bai Combat Base, w/1 Encl Subject Memorandum
23	Msg	120026 Z	Subj: Operation Green Wave
24	Msg	120059 Z	Subj: PBR Operations
25	Msg	121259 Z	Subj: Operation Granite Update/Warning Order
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27	EOB	15 Oct	Subj: Letter From CG, Subj: Quarterly Enemy Order of Battle Summary, w/1 Encl, Order of Battle Chart
28	Msg	150916 Z	Subj: Air Delivery Resupply for Operation Medina
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31	Msg	170103 Z	Subj: Operation Order 55-67, Changes to
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36	Mem	201445 H	Subj: Memorandum for the Record, Operation Granite, ARVN Participation & Forces Assigned, Handwritten
37	Msg	201451 Z	Subj: Termination of Operation Medina
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48 Msg 291512 Z Subj: PBR Operations in ICTZ
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53 Msg 310824 Z Subj: Planned Major Operations, November 1967
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

F CO. CP YD 997038 B/1/12 YD 995045 F CO. CP ZD 108023

2/3 CP YD 997038 G CO. CP YD 928084 H CO. CP ZD 017025

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 2/3 DAY PATROLS ALONG NAT'L ROUTE 1
ESTABLISHED AMBUSHES AND STRONG POINTS

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A) 3RD MAF DIV ASSUMED OPCON BLT 2/3 EFFECTIVE 180900H OCT. 67

5. PLANS: 2/3 WILL CONDUCT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN ASSIGNED A.O.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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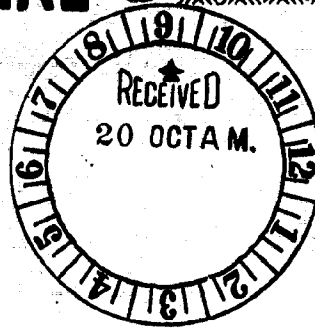
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1. NO CHANGE

2. SET LOCAL DEFENSES AND COMMENCE NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

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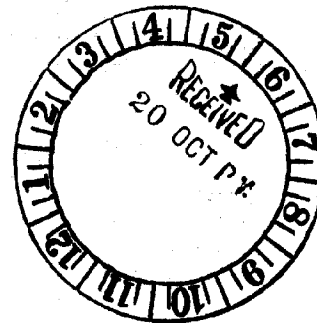
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1. LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: CONDUCTED NIGHT ACTIVITIES IN OA.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES: NONE

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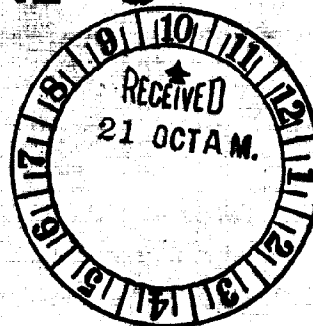
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1. NO CHANGE
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5. CONDUCT DAY ACTIVITIES.
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2PN FORMATION LEADER SITREP NR 3 FM: 201200V TO 201200H OCT. 67

1. LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: CONDUCTED DAY ACTIVITIES

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. EVENTS: RED DANCER FOXTROT FOUND A WELL KEPT TRAK IN
3C-1198 AND ESTOYED A MORTAR PIT FOUND AT 113988.

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES: NONE

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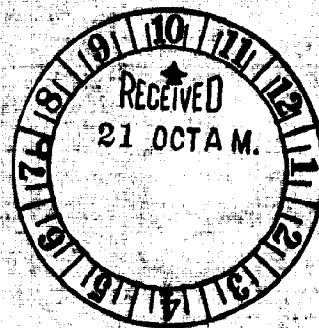
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SIT REP 6 FORMATION LEADER 201800H TO 202400H

1. NO CHANGE

2. COMMENCE NIGHT ACTIVITIES

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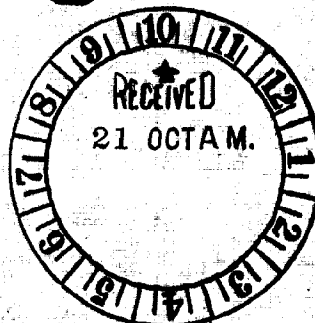
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5. CONDUCTED DAY ACTIVITIES.
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2. SUM: CONDUCTING DAY OPNS IN OA.
3. CONTACTS: NCNE
4. EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: CONTINUED DAY ACTIVITIES, PREPARE FOR NIGHT ACTIVITIES.
6. CUM LOSSES: NONE

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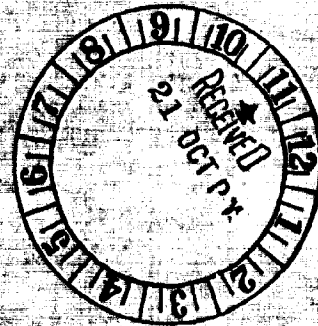
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SITEP NR 10 FORMATION SEADER 211800Z OCT 67 12400H

1. UNIT LOCATION NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: COMMENCE NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

3. CONTACTS: DETECTED ENEMY ATTEMPT TO VOCE POCKET LAUNCHER OR 57 MM IN TOPOSITION. S/A PIPE EXCHANGED AND 81MM DELIVERED ON ENEMY.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NEGATIVE

5. PLANS. CONTINUE NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCT DTAILED SEARCH OF CONTACT AREA.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES. NO CHANGE

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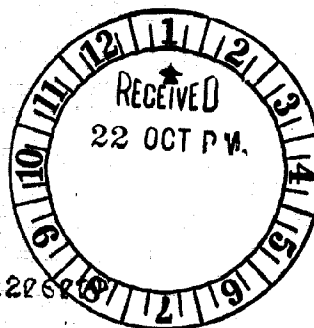
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3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: CONDUCT SWEEPS AND PTLS IN CA.
6. CUM LOSSES: NONE

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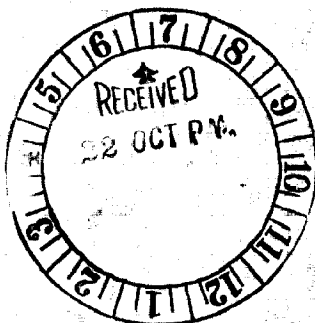
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SITREP NF 12 FORMATION LEADER 220600Z TO 221000Z OCT 67.

1. LOC: NO CHANGES
2. SUM: COMMENCED DAY ACTIVITIES.
3. CONTACTS: AT 211910Z E/2/3 AT YDS99038 DISCOVERED ENEMY ATTEMPTING
 PROB FROM WEST. FIRED ILLUM AND REC'D AWF AND 5 PDS 57 PF FIRE FM
 YD983043. RETURNED 81MM, 105MM AND 155MM ILLUM, 81MM HE FIRE ON
 TARGET. 1 VC KIA PROB
4. EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: NO CHANGE
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 FR: NONE
 EN: 1 VC KIA PROB

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OPN FORMATION LEADER SIT P/P NR 13 221200-221800H OCT 67

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: CONDUCT DAY ACTIVITIES IN OA.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONDUCTED NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: ~~NONE~~ 1 VC/KIA (P)

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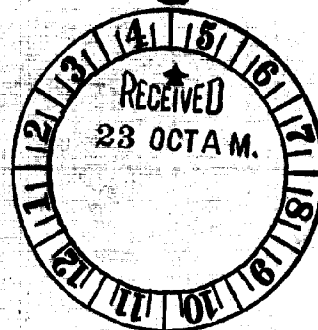
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FORMATION LEADER SITREP NR 14 221801H- 222400H OCT 67.

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES IN OA.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICAT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: CONDUCT PATROLS AND AMBUSH IN OA
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: 1 VC KIA (P)

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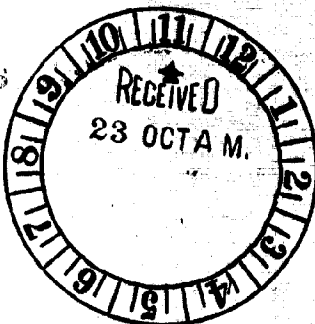
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FORMATION LEADER SIT REP 15 2300011-2306001 OCT67

- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY: CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES IN OA.
- ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
- PLANS: CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN OA.
- CUMULATIVE LOSSES: 1 VC/KIA (P)

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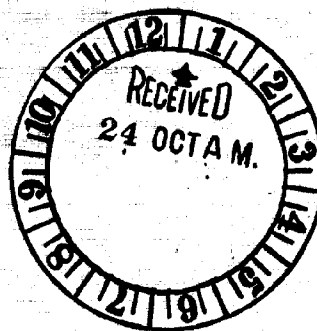
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SITREP NR 16 FORMATION LEADER 230600H TO 231200H

1. LOC: NO CHANGE

2. SUM: SECURED NIGHT ACTIVITIES, COMMENCED DAY ACTIVITIES.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONTINUE DAY ACTIVITIES.

6. CUM LOSSES:

USMC: NONE

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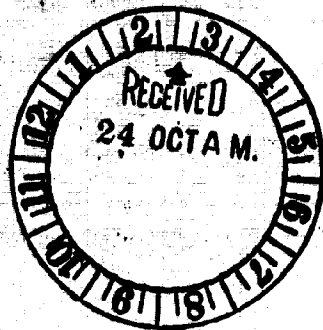
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TERMINATED LEADER SITREP NR 17, 231200H TO 231000Z OCT 67

1. LOSS OF SIGHT

HUGE CONDUCTED PTLS AND SWEEPS IN OA.

2. CONTACTS: NONE

3. EVENING: NONE

4. PLANS: CONDUCT PTLS AND AMBUSHES IN OA.

5. SUN LOSSES:

FR: NONE

EN: NO KIA PROD 1.

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OPERATION FORMATION LEADER SITREP NR 16 231800H TO 232400H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

SUMMARY: CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

2. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

3. PLANS CONTINUING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

4. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES: 1 VC/KIA (P)

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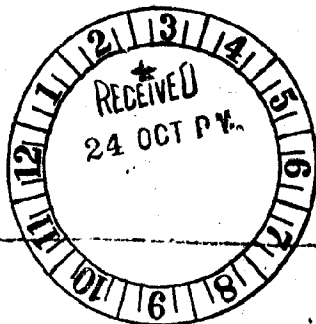
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SIT REP NR 19 (FINAL) OPN FORMATION LEADER 240000H TO 240800H OCT 67

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: CONDUCTED NIGHT ACTIVITIES

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. EVENTS: OPN FORMATION LEADER TERMINATED 240800H OCT 67 3RD MARDIV PASSED OPCON 2/3 TO 1ST MARDIV 240800H OCT 67

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

FR: NONE

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TO: THIRD MARDIV

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VIETNAMESE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTIONS

1. THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WILL HOLD NATIONWIDE ELECTIONS ON 22 OCTOBER 1967 TO ELECT NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REPUBLIC.
2. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE ENEMY FORCES IN THE THIRD MARDIV AO WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO DISRUPT AND DISCREDIT THIS ELECTION IN THE EYES OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE. THE ENEMY WILL EMPLOY BOTH TERROR AND PROPAGANDA IN INCREASING INTENSITY DURING THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE ELECTION. IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE A CONTINUING EFFORT TO DISCREDIT THE ELECTIONS AS RIGGED OR U.S. DOMINATED.
3. THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THE ELECTIONS DEPENDS TO A LARGE EXTENT ON THE SECURITY PROVIDED BY THE RVNAF DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD AND THE SPIRIT WITH WHICH THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE ACCEPT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ELECTING THEIR GOVERNMENT.
4. ACTIONS BY U.S. FORCES IN THIRD MARDIV AO DURING THIS ELECTION PERIOD MUST ASSIST THE RVNAF FORCES IN MAINTAINING SECURITY IN THE POPULATED AREAS IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE THE PEOPLE TO VOTE FREELY WITHOUT FEAR OF ENEMY REPRISAL. AT THE SAME TIME IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OPERATIONS AND ACTIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO CHANNEL FULL CREDIT TO THE GVN/RVNAF WHILE PRECLUDING ANY INFERENCE OF U.S. INFLUENCE IN THE ELECTION PROCEEDINGS. U.S. SUPPORT, THEREFORE, MUST BE RESTRICTED TO OPERATIONS

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AGAINST ENEMY BASE AREAS AND INTERDICTION AND DENIAL OF ROUTES OF ENTRY INTO POPULATED AREAS.

5. IN ORDER TO PRECLUDE A FEELING OF U.S. INFLUENCE, THE PRESENCE OF UNIFORMED U.S. FORCES AND VEHICLES IN OR NEAR POLLING AREAS WILL BE PROHIBITED ON 22 OCTOBER 1967 AND WILL BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM DURING THE PERIOD 18 OCTOBER TO 23 OCTOBER 1967.

6. OPERATION ORDER 55-67 (OPERATION LIBERTY II) ASSIGNED MISSIONS AND TASKS TO UNITS OF THE 3D MARDIV IN SUPPORT OF THIS POLICY.

7. COMMANDERS AT ALL LEVELS WILL ENSURE THAT ALL HANDS ARE INFORMED OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE ELECTIONS TO THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE. IT WILL BE STRESSED THAT THE CONDUCT OF INDIVIDUAL MARINES MUST REFLECT THE POSITION AS STATED ABOVE, AND ALL U.S. ACTIVITY (PATROLS, VEHICLE RUNS) SHOULD AVOID POPULATED AREAS DURING THE ELECTION PERIOD. IN ADDITION, COMMANDERS WILL COORDINATE WITH LOCAL RVNAF COMMANDERS AND GVN OFFICERS TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL RESTRICTIONS SUCH AS CURFEW, ETC., ARE STRICTLY ADHERED TO DURING THIS PERIOD.

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REQUEST FOR AREA CLEARANCE

1. REQUEST FOLLOWING AREA BE CLEARED ASAP FROM 40CT67 FOR PERIOD OF 60 DAYS; AREA ENCLOSED WITHIN COORD (YD 215578), THENCE NE ALONG SOUTH BANK SONG VINK PHUOC TO SONG THACH HAN, THENCE ALONG WEST BANK SONG THACH HAN TO (YD 263450). THENCE WEST ALONG EW GL 45 TO PRESENT BDRY VIC (YD 208450), THENCE NORTH ALONG BDRY TO START POINT.
2. AREA REQUIRED FOR CONDUCT OPS TO SECURE QUANG TRI AFELD FROM ENEMY ROCKET/MORTAR AND GROUND ATTACK.
3. COORDINATION HAS BEEN EFFECTED BETWEEN APPROPRIATE USMC AND ARVN COMW DERS.

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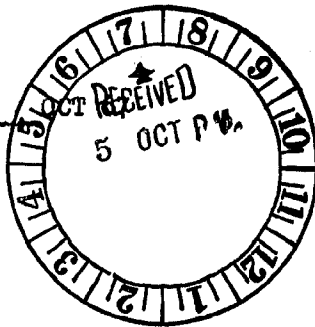
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B. CG THIRD MARDIV 060811Z SEP 67

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CO C (16-M48A3)(1-M51VTR) PHUNG DIEN

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CAMP CARROLL

BTRY B 2D BN 94TH ARTY (USA)(4-175MM GUN (SP))

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MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
To: Distribution List

Subj: Effect of Northeast Monsoon on Friendly and Enemy Operations

Ref: (a) ACS/G-2 memo 2/LCS/lcw dtd 4Jul67

Encl: (1) Summary of weather for months of Sep67-Feb68
(2) Comments of Captain FARRELL (3/26)
(3) Comments of Captain KIEIN (3/26)
(4) Comments of Major KELLEY (1/4)

1. Enemy activity during the Northeast Monsoon is expected to decline. NVA units along the DMZ are pulling back in several places. NVA/VC in the coastal areas and base areas are expected to avoid any major contacts and make maximum use of this period to resupply, reorganize and retrain in established base areas. However, NVA/VC harassment of small units, particularly CAP's will continue with an accompanying heavy reliance on mining, sabotage and mortar attacks. Enclosure (1) is a summary of the forecasted weather conditions during the northeast monsoon. Major points to be noted are:

- a. The Hue-Phu Bai area historically records the heaviest 24 hour downfall of rain of all of south Vietnam during the period. (Oct 15", Nov 15", Dec 12")
- b. October, November, and December are the months credited with the maximum precipitation amounts for this monsoon season. (Oct 50", Nov 50", Dec 41")
- c. Surplus rainfall which results in excessive flooding of lowlands is greatest during October and November. (10"-25" spread)
- d. January is month of lowest recorded temperatures in Vietnam. The mean daily temperatures range from less than 60 degrees over the mountains to 75 degrees in the Hue area.

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- e. Flash flooding is commonplace in both intermittent streams and perennial waterways. Coastal lowlands normally possessing limited access routes over dikes become completely inundated and trafficable only by boat.
 - f. The "Crachin", periods of wide spread fog and drizzle or light rain affects the coastal regions. Visibility is severely limited, restricting air support to minimum standards.
 - g. Typhoon activity is recorded at maximum levels in October. From 1947 to 1965, 17 typhoons were close enough to Southeast Asia to adversely affect the weather with strong winds, torrential rains and flooding. Six of these storms moved inland over South Vietnam with the force of tropical storm intensity.
2. Three officers of this section were members of infantry battalions during the 1966 monsoon season. Their individual observations have been included in this memorandum for information purposes as enclosures (2), (3) and (4).


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WEATHER AND CLIMATE

Ref: (a) USAF 1st Weather Wing Special Studies 105-11/___ "
(month) Climate of Southeast Asia"
(b) USAF 1st Weather Wing Special Studies 105-9/___ "
(month) Climate of the Republic of Vietnam"

1. September. Vietnam continues under the influence of the southwest monsoon during September; however, late in the month the northern provinces may be affected by weather conditions associated with the Intertropical Convergence Zone. The ICTZ brings an increase in cloudiness with cumulus clouds normally forming by midmorning, lowering and increasing in amount to become broken overcast by midafternoon. At night these clouds break up. There are a great deal of middle and high clouds in September. Temperature decreases along the eastern coastal plain by 4 to 6 degrees F. Variations resulting from forest cover may be strong. Maximum temperature below vegetation canopies is lower while the minimum temperature is higher than those observed in open area. In open areas, on still nights, cool air collects in sinkholes and narrow ravines and ground fog forms earlier there than over surrounding ground.

2. October. Most of the Republic of Vietnam is in the autumn transition season between the southwest and northeast monsoon. During the last half of October the northern portion of the country comes completely under the influence of the northeast monsoon. As the Intertropical Convergence Zone passes through the Republic of Vietnam there are several days of scattered heavy precipitation, but monthly totals remain low at most locations. In the northern portions of the east coast, rainfall amounts increase. The majority of precipitation falls from afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms, but when signs of the northeast monsoon appear, drizzle falls from stratus along the east coast. Showers are generally intense, but are of short duration. There is considerable variation in October rainfall from one year to another and from one location to another. October is a wet season month. The biggest rainfall increases are observed around Hue. October and November are the wettest months of the year along the east coast. Maximum typhoon activity in the South China Sea occurs during October. The storms tend to move farther inland before dissipating. During the period from 1947 to 1965, ten storms, of which six maintained typhoon winds (65 knots or more), moved inland over the Republic of Vietnam. Torrential rains may occur over wide areas, particularly in the mountains, resulting in flooding along river channels and in delta and coastal regions. The poorest tractionability occurs this month along the northern coast. Abnormal tides associated with high seas and swells contribute to flooding in coastal regions.

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3. November. All of the Republic of Vietnam is under the influence of the northeast monsoon. Most cloudiness and precipitation occur along the east coast of the Republic of Vietnam. The east coast has generally poor overall weather. "Crachin" spells, with their low stratified overcast, are responsible for most of the cloud increase. These "crachins" cause long periods of overcast skies, drizzle or rain, and poor visibility over the coastal plain. Afternoon visibilities are good except when restricted by precipitation. The east coast receives the majority of the total monthly rainfall. A cooling trend continues to take place. Almost half of the total typhoon activity of the Western Pacific occurs in the South China Sea; therefore, storm activity is only slightly less in November than October. The probability of a typhoon forming and moving into the South China Sea is once every two years, while the incidence of tropical storms is one per year.

4. December. The northeast monsoon has complete influence over the weather. The east coast of the Republic of Vietnam has typically poor overall weather. There are many days of light rain or drizzle, low cloudiness and poor visibility, generally referred to as "crachin" weather. Fog reduces morning visibility in the northern valleys. The cooling trend continues with some areas showing a 4 to 5 degree F. reduction from November values. Typhoon activity is greatly diminished in December, but an occasional tropical storm or typhoon may occur.

5. January. This is the coldest month of the year in North Vietnam and along the east coast of the Republic. In general, January is a month of decreasing humidity. However, the eastern coastlands retain the generally poor overall weather as in December.

6. February. "Crachin" spells which began occurring in December, reach a maximum occurrence in late February. Long periods of low overcast skies with drizzle and light rain and poor visibility prevail over the coastal plains and penetrate the river valleys far into the interior. Temperatures begin to increase toward the spring maximum in late February although the increase is slight due to high frequency of clouds.

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WEATHER STATISTICS

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>Mean Max Temp</u>	<u>Mean Min Temp</u>	<u>Rpt High Temp</u>	<u>Humidity</u>
SEP	90	75	103	81%
OCT	80	50-70	99	91%
NOV	74-80	50-70	96	92%
DEC	74-80	50-70	89	92%
JAN	75-80	60-71	98	92%
FEB	75-90	55-70	102	90%

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>Mean Monthly Precipitation</u>	<u>Max Precipitation</u>	<u>Min Precipitation</u>
SEP	15-21 inches	40 inches	3 inches
OCT	15-20 inches	40 inches	1-3 inches
NOV	20-30 inches	50 inches	3 inches
DEC	6-15 inches	30 inches	1 inch
JAN	1-6 inches	15 inches	1 inch
FEB	1-3 inches	10 inches	1 inch

TAB A

Enclosure (1)

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Monsoon Notes

Captain FARRELL
Co B1 Than Tan Valley
19 December-10 March

1. Movement restricted due to swollen streams; audial and visual observation of area both day and night restricted due to heavy rains, high winds, and reduced visibility (ground fog). Troops constantly wet, temperature in low 40's with winds up to 35-40 knots.
2. Recommended Helpful Hints in the Field
 - a. Carry 1-2 pair dry socks in plastic bag.
 - b. Carry 100' length of rope per squad for stream crossings.
 - c. Carry light set of gloves for trench digging as wet and puffed hands will get extremely raw when moving and digging almost every day.
 - d. Force troops to air feet at least 1 hour per day.
 - e. Carry 2-3 candles to keep dryness in poncho hooch and also for Company Staff to read maps, draft and send messages, and plot defensive fires.
 - f. Do not break seals of mortar rounds until actually ready for use (wet increments and short rounds result).
 - g. Carry machine gun ammo in cans with straps.
 - h. Carry leech repellent.
3. Enemy Activity
 - a. In first 4 days very heavy mortar ~~contact and assembled~~ around 0430 each morning by Company size units.
 - b. During monsoon very little activity except mines and booby traps and occasional ambush. Mines and booby traps to include: Chicom grenades and mines, homemade mines, M-26, M-14, M-16, 60 and 81mm mortars, 105 and 155 arty rounds, punji pits and stakes, and 250 lb bombs. Sniper activity was light to moderate. One VC tactic of note - immediate action following their walking into an ambush would be to throw grenades, maneuver, and then return fire and withdraw. Evaluation of grenade and maneuver immediate action - EXCELLENT.
4. Friendly Activity and Tactics
 - a. Squad size ambush within 60mm mortar range of platoon headquarters gave best results. Move into and from ambush points during hours of darkness. Split up into small, mutually supporting groups, and move at night - VC know where you are night and day if you move in company or platoon size units.

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- b. During monsoon, activity limited mainly to squad ambushes and occasionally a platoon patrol. Company sweeps produced nothing, but many booby traps and occasional snipers.

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Effects of Monsoon Rains

Captain KLIEN

1. Rains will flood entire rice fields. Streams that were 2 feet deep may be 6-7 feet deep 2 hours later.
2. Use of vehicles is difficult. A large depression in a road will flood, blocking a returning vehicles passage.
3. In areas ground will not absorb rains. Fox-holes and dug-in positions fill and remained full for weeks.
4. Drownings are a threat to personnel working in paddies.
5. Immersion foot is common; it cuts combat effectiveness tremendously.
6. Enemy Tactics - Co Bi Than Tan

Enemy mortared battalion CP for 3 consecutive nights between hours of 2300 and 0600.
1 Battalion (-) attacked a company strong point the second night in position.
Both mortar and ground attacks took place in heavy rain.
After initial large contact enemy employed squads in most exercises.
Enemy planted a large number of booby traps after we operated in the area. (traps planted the night after a sweep)
7. Ontos were used on sweeps and to blaze trails.

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Effects of Monsoon

Major R. D. KELLEY

1. Rains will flood stream beds and creeks normally completely dry during the summer season. Flash flooding is frequent, even when rains are light in the area, if the headwaters are located in mountainous terrain.
2. Weapons must be heavily oiled, ammunition carried in waterproof metal containers until last possible time. Mortar tubes should be capped in defensive positions. Ammo magazines must be frequently emptied, oiled, and ammo dried.
3. Patrols should carry 50-100' lengths of rope to use as life lines in stream crossings. Also long bamboo poles can be used. First elements across stream must set up security to cover water crossing, personnel on near bank provide automatic and SA fires to men in water.
4. Fighting positions must be erected above ground in many locations. Empty 60 and 81 mortar ammo boxes, 105 artillery shell casings and standard 7.62 metal ammo boxes can all be used for flooring. Care must be exercised that hand grenades, hand illumination flares, and individual rounds of small arms ammunition are not accidentally lost in mud in and around fighting holes. Close supervision must be provided to LPs, OPs, and line defense positions to assure desired observation is available from shelters erected to provide protection from the weather.
5. Dry socks are mandatory to prevent immersion foot. When carried next to the body under outer clothing, they soon dry to a satisfactory degree.
6. The erection of drying tents in platoon and company size patrol bases is an excellent accommodation when the tactical situation permits. Gasoline poured into buckets of sand put out ample heat when ignited. However, supervision and ventilation are mandatory to preclude accidental burning of clothing and individuals.
7. Company size patrol bases should contain some excess supplies of water, rations, ammo, and medical supplies in the event weather hampers resupply/evacuation. In a static situation, 24 to forty eight hours excess is desired.
8. For morale purposes, troops should be fed hot chow frequently. Also rotation to rear base areas for at least hot showers increases fighting efficiency.

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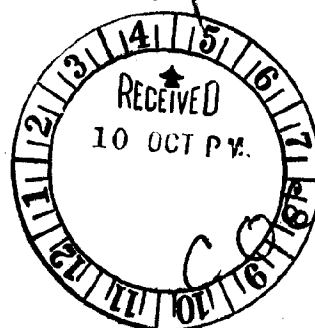
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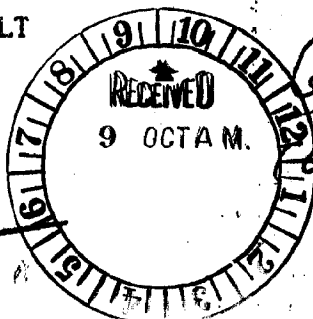
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2. DUE TO DISTANCE PROPOSED OPN AREA FROM COAST, DO NOT CONSIDER AMPHIB OPN AND ENSUING CROSS COUNTRY TROOP MOVEMENT DESIRABLE / WARRANTED.

3. THEREFORE, REQ BLT 1/3 LAND ADMINISTRATIVELY VIC DONG HA VIA CUA VIE RIVER O/A 10 OCT, WEATHER PERMITTING. UPON COMPLETION OF MOVEMENT TO DONG HA DESIRE CTG 76.4 BE AUTH TO PASS OPCON BLT 1/3 TO CG III MAF.

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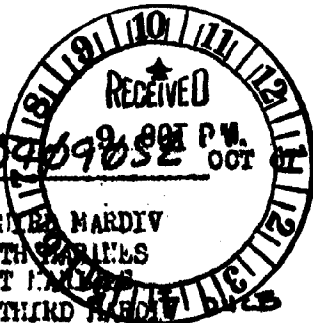
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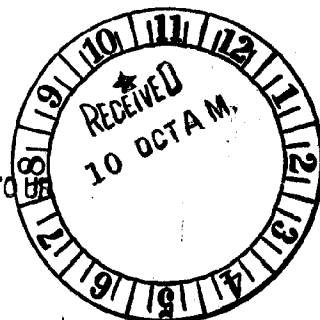
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2. IN INTEREST FULLY SUPPORTING CG III MAF OPERATIONAL NEEDS IN MOST EXPEDIENT MANNER, COMSEVENTHFLT RELUCTANTLY CONCURS WITH PROCEDURE OUTLINED REF A, SUBJECT TO SUCH MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY WEATHER CONDITIONS OR DEEMED NECESSARY BY CTG 76.4/79.4 TO ENSURE SAFETY DURING THE EVOLUTION. IF TACTICAL SITUATION OR TIME RESTRAINTS CHANGE SUFFICIENTLY TO PERMIT RE-EVALUATION LANDING CONCEPT, STRO
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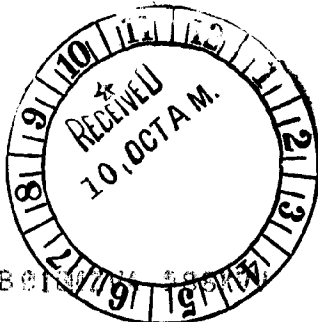
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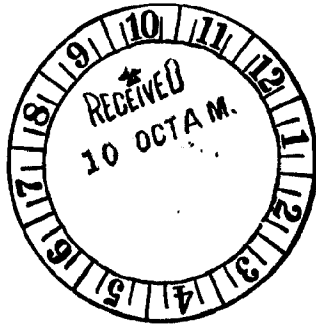
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 AUGMENTATION HELOS FOR CUA VIET RIVER OPS (U)
 1. CG III MAF MSG 094002Z OCT 67
 1. REQUEST 4 RPT 4 ARMED UH1E PLUS 1 UNARMED UH1E AND ORDNANCE
 PERSONNEL IN SUPPORT OF TG 76.4/79.4 DURING CUA VIET RIVER
 TRANSIT AND/OR HELO ESCORT TO LZ. 10-OCT 67.
 2. HELO'S REPORT TO USS OKINAWA LPH-3 FOR BRIEFING NLT 100630H
 OCT RPT 100630H. CONTACT FAIRMONT "A" ON 277.0 RPT 277.0 FOR
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 3. REQUEST 4 SETS OF WHEELS TO EASE DECK HANDLING. NO SUPPLE-
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HEAVY LIFT HELOS

1. CG III MAF 290002Z OCT 67.

2. REQUEST 2 C 53'S WITH YALNBS FOR HEAVY LIFT OF 110 TROOPS PLUS

40 TONS CARGO 16 OCT 67.

3. HELO'S REPORT TO FAIRMONT ALFA ON 277.2HFOR VSECTOR AND LANDING

ON FOURVIND'S, HOWER L/L 313. SHNLT 100730H.

4. LZ YD 339503 IS SECURE AND IS ESTABLISHED AIRFIELD.

CONTACT BALANCE 14HON 47.4 AND OBTAIN CALL SIGN AND FREQ OF

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ARG/SLF (CTG 76.4/79.4) EMPLOYMENT SCHEDULE (U)
 A. YOUR 090334Z OCT 67

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RETURN TO
MAJOR YOUNG
091700
Oct 67

From: G3/1st Div
To : 3rd Mar Div
2598/A33

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DIV Aiko

The 1st ARVN Inf. Division outlined to conduct
Operation "LAM SON 135", that will coordinate
with your Division, at SE of QUANG TRI.

Period: 5 days, from "D Day".
It is requested that the following air facilities
be provided:

1. Heliborn our 9th Airborn Bn, Black Panther Co,
Total strength: abt. ~~900~~ 700 men, on D-Day,
H-Hour, from an area that will ~~be~~ be fixed
by you, to LZ Buzzard, vic. YD.265395.
2. From D-Day to until the operation is secured,
~~the~~ your helicopters be provided to heliborn
500 men of our 7th Airborn Bn, from
KM-17 to operational area. 150 men
at a time, is requested.

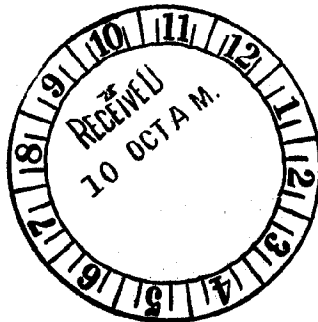
3. We will request, thru 1st Marine Regiment, for
~~the~~ helicopters required for medevac and
resupply.

4. It is requested that, the location and
time, when you plan to load our 9th Airborn Bn
and Black Panther Co, be replied ASAP. Encl 1/4

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A. CONSEQUENTLY 091120Z OCT 67

1. READY FOR EXECUTION OPERATION WITH D-DAY 10 OCT AND L-HOUR 100300H9 OCT RPT 100800H9 OCT.

2. HELO AUGMENTATION FOR ESCORT DUE 100630H0 OCT.

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091800 Oct 67Plan of Operation
LAM SON 135ITEMS ON OVERLAY
HAVE BEEN ADDED
TO OUR MAP.
y1. Situation:

a. Enemy: Annex A. Intelligence Info.

b. Friendly:

(1) 1st USMC Regiment - coordinated with
1st ARVN Inf. Div.(2) 3rd US Mar Div will support operational
Units

c. Attached: None

2. Mission:To conduct a combined operation (with USMC)
to eliminate enemy at a jungle-mountain area
of SW of LAVANG. Operational period
is planned: 5 days, effective D-Day.3. Execution

a. Operational Concept.

(1) From D-Day to D+2

- D-Day, at H-Hour, heliborn the 9th Airborne
Bn and Black Panther Co. from
LAVANG to LZ. Buzzard, send
troops to sweep Zone II, and 1 Bn
of 1st Regiment, depart from LAVANG
Sweep from LAVANG to PLUM Line

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b. 1st Inf. Regt:

- (1) The 9th Airborn Bn and Black Panther Co is attached, to eliminate enemy in Zone II
- (2) To Coordinate closely with 1st USMC Regt, to exchange information and support.
- (3) To Coordinate with US Arty to protect VN Arty -
- (4) To Coordinate with QUANG TRI Sector to avoid the misidentification of RD at West of LAUANG.

c. 9th Airborn Bn

- Attached to 1st Inf. Regt during operational period.

d. Black Panther Co.

- Attached to 1st Inf. Regt. during operational period.

e. Artillery

- (1) - Battery 105/11th Arty Bn, direct support operation
- (2) - Battery 155/34th
- (3) - Contact with US Arty to reinforce fire power, whenever needed.

f. Air Force

- (1) - L.19 Air Reconnaissance - all day long
- (2) - US Air force, be requested by 3rd Mar Div, direct support the operation, as required by 1st Inf. Regt.

- (3) - USMC armed choppers support operation as required.
- (4) - 3rd Mar Div is responsible for heliborn, medevac, resupply for operational units, as required by 1st Inf Regt

g. Engineer:

The 63rd Construction Bn send 1 Platoon to attach to 11th Arty Bn. ~~it~~ during operational period, to support Arty in moving to ^{setup} gun positions.

h. Reserved Force

- (1) - 7th Airborn Bn at KM.17
- (2) - Stand by for moving to operational area, as ordered by 1st Div.
- (3) - Besides the normal daily activities within the perimeter, all troops have to stand by for moving out, after 30 minutes the word is passed.

i. SOI:

- (1) - LZ at LAVANG will possible change, it will be fixed after 3rd Mar Div announced.
- (2) - In case of the weather is bad, the H-Hour will postpone to the next one, and D-Day will postpone to the next day, we will confirm later.

- (3) - To facilitate the coordination, the 1st Inf. Regt. ~~exchange~~^{send} Officers + to Operation CP and operational units of USMC ~~boundaries~~^{TACK}.
- (4) - To coordinate and support, the 1st Inf. Regt. ^{should} be located closely with 1st US Mar Regt.
- (5) - To search carefully the streams to find out storage and caves.
- (6) - To be carefully, avoid enemy ambush, sniper and mortar.
- (7) - To use maximumly air and arty strikes on * enemy positions and suspected areas.
- (8) - Individual gear for stream crossing, be carried with.
- (9) - Shovel and pick be ready for bunker building, when halted.
- (10) - Units can maneuver as required by the terrain, plan should be submitted in advance.
- (11) - Movement ~~and~~ orders will be announced later.
- (12) - D-Day and H-Hour will confirm by message.

A.- Logistic

Apply the normal logistical procedures

5. Command, Communication

a. Command

(1) - 1st Inf. Division, HUE

(2) 1st Inf. Regt. LAVANG

b. Communication

Apply the current ~~SEC~~ Orders.

/S/ Gen NGO QUANG TRUONG