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September 1965

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), enclosure (1)
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COMBAT CHRONOLOGY

1 September through 30 September 1965

Part I - Organizational Data Sheet

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1. Reporting Unit. 3d Marines (-) (Rein)
2. Command Post. DA HANG, RVN, coordinates AT943763
3. Period Covered. 1 September - 30 September 1965
4. Date of Submission. 7 October 1965
5. Average Monthly Strength

	USMC	USN
Officers	131	10
Enlisted	3131	152

6. Commanding Officer. Colonel M. R. HICKERSON
7. Regimental Staff

S-1	Captain J. O. MARSH
S-2	Captain W. A. COOMES
S-3	Major H. J. CONLIN
S-4	Major F. P. TURNER

8. Subordinate Units

Hq Co, 3d Marines	Captain D. J. NICHOLS
2d Bn, 3d Marines	LtColonel D. A. CLEMENT
1st Bn, 1st Marines	LtColonel D. V. MCCLOSKEY (1-26Sep65) Major H. A. HATCH (27-30Sep65)
3d Bn, (Rein), 4th Marines	LtColonel W. W. TAYLOR
*Co A (-), 3d AT Bn	Captain K. B. SHARPE
*Co A (-), 3d Tank Bn	Captain F. W. JARROT
*Co A (-), 3d HF Bn	1stLieutenant C. S. LAUBERT
*3d Plat, Co B, 1st Amphib Bn	1stLieutenant D. M. HENDEY
*Direct Support under operational control of 3d Marines	

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9. Mission. 3d Marines defends in assigned TAORs; conducts unilateral search and destroy operations in assigned TAORs; maintains one company in a one hour alert posture for employment anywhere in Division's Areas of Responsibility; conducts aggressive combat/reconnaissance patrolling throughout assigned TAORs; is prepared to conduct counter-attack to restore integrity of assigned TAORs; and is prepared to conduct combined operations with RVNF beyond the boundaries of assigned TAORs.

10. Background. In order to accomplish the assigned mission, the Regiment has employed the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines on line in the DA NANG TAOR. At HUE PHU BAI, the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines defends the airfield and the 8th Radio Relay Unit with a perimeter defense. An active defense continues through extensive patrolling, search and clear operations, and ambush operations to provide early warning, surveillance, prevent infiltration and to deny the enemy access into our forward area.

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1. Personnel. During the period forty-six (46) replacements were received by the Regiment and eighty-seven (87) men were rotated to CONUS. The Regiment suffered 64 WIA and nine (9) KIAs. There were ten (10) non battle casualties and one non battle death. Nine (9) WIAs and eleven (11) non battle injured or sick were returned to duty.

a. Wounded and injured personnel evacuated from the Republic of Vietnam are now being dropped from the rolls of their respective units. This change in procedure has caused a significant drop in unit on roll strength.

b. The Second Battalion, Third Marines transferred four (4) officers and one hundred seventy-five (175) enlisted men to other battalions within the Division and joined a like number. The purpose of these transfers was to dilute rotation tour dates among the battalions.

c. Out-of-country R&R trips were afforded to two hundred sixty-three (263) members of the Regiment.

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SECRET2. Administrationa. Personnel Accounting.

(1) All units were scheduled to start employing the embossed plates in their personnel administrative systems on 1 October 1965. The employment date has been postponed because some units have not received adequate material and supplies. 1st Battalion, 1st Marines is the only unit currently employing the new system.

b. Awards.

(1) During the period covered this Headquarters processed and forwarded recommendations for one (1) Navy Cross, two (2) Silver Stars, eleven (11) Bronze Stars and thirty-three (33) Navy Commendation Medals.

c. Promotions.

(1) Meritorious combat promotions to Lance Corporal and Corporal became authorized. Quotas were distributed by Division Headquarters.

d. Postal.

(1) Free mail service became available. Free stationery kits were distributed by Special Services.

e. Pay.

(1) Hostile fire pay was increased from \$55.00 to \$65.00 per month. An increase in basic pay for all ranks became effective.

f. Post Exchange.

(1) A mobile exchange canteen became available to front line units on a regular basis.

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SECRET3. Intelligencea. Enemy Situation at the end of the period

(1) The Viet Cong situation has become worse during the month of September. Marine patrols and ambushes have curtailed their freedom of movement and access to the rice producing piedmont areas in both TAORs of the 3d Marine Regiment. The Viet Cong were able to get only about ten percent of the rice harvest they had planned on. The morale is getting low, particularly among the guerrillas. Artillery and air strikes have contributed to this morale drop and most Viet Cong instigated demonstrations have carried the theme of stopping air strikes and artillery fires. These observations are based primarily on reports from prisoner interrogations and rallier reports. To further substantiate these observations recent reports of the Viet Cong stealing food and sometimes begging for food have been received through ARVN channels.

b. Viet Cong initiated incidents during the period

(1) The Viet Cong initiated fifty-six (56) incidents in the 3d Marines TAOR. Twenty-two (22) of these were during the daylight hours; the remainder were during the hours of darkness. The majority being of a light harassing nature. They were characterized by short range and accurate small arms fire.

(2) The effectiveness of mines in conjunction with small arms fire increased. In two (2) instances, the Viet Cong used mines to initiate ambushes. On 27 September 2d Platoon, Company D, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines suffered seven (7) casualties as a result of the detonation of a command, directional type mine. After the explosion they were taken under sniper fire from the immediate vicinity. An M-274 with three (3) Marines aboard drove over an explosive device on 19 September. After the detonation four (4) VC opened fire from both sides of the road.

(3) A total of twenty-six (26) booby trap incidents were reported in the month of September. Most of these being in the southern and southwestern sections of the TAOR, with a small number occurring to the northwest.

c. Viet Cong casualties and equipment captured during the period(1) Viet Cong losses

(a) 11 KIA

(b) 19 WIA

(c) 7 VCC

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SECRET(2) Weapons

- (a) Two (2) CHI-COM 7.62mm Modified Sub-machine Gun K-50
- (b) One (1) CHI-COM Mossia-Nagant Model 53
- (c) Two (2) U.S. Carbine, M-1
- (d) One (1) French SMG, MAT-49

(3) Equipment

(a) No equipment of significance captured during this period.

d. Significant trends noted during the period

(1) During the month of September, booby trap and mining incidents increased to a significant degree. The techniques of employment and difference in type showed a great deal of improvement over the past. Booby traps and mines for the most part were either of the grenade or the command directional type. The use of mines in conjunction with small arms fires increased. Basically the VC would employ one of two techniques. In one instance, the VC would use snipers to harass Marine units causing them to deploy and move into areas previously mined or booby trapped. In the other instance the Viet Cong would booby trap and mine routes used by Marines and after a detonation would use snipers to further inflict casualties. In the former case, booby trapped grenades were used primarily, in the latter case, command directional type mines were used.

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4. Training. The primary objective of training within the Regiment is to maintain a readiness that will allow successful execution of all assigned missions. Allocation of training time is based on tactical commitments and varies greatly from unit to unit. During the month of September, emphasis was placed on small unit tactics, Viet Cong tactics and technique of small arms fire. Highlights of training during the month were as follows:

a. Viet Cong Fortifications/Obstacles and Demolition School. Due to the need to be able to detect and remove or destroy VC mines, booby traps, caves and tunnels, it was requested that the 3d Engineer Battalion provide a special school for personnel of the 3d Marines. A two day special school was established to provide this command with the requisite schools. The 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines each sent a total of 120 men in four increments of 30 each to the school. The initial class commenced on 3 September and the course terminated on 21 September. The 3d Battalion, 4th Marines at HUE PHU BAI received similar training by engineers attached to the Battalion. Generally, the syllabus for the school consisted of lectures on VC mines, booby traps, tunnels, punji pits, VC markings, locations, detection and removal of and the use of demolitions (non-electric) followed by practical application.

b. Mortar, Infantry, 60MM M19. The 60MM mortar was introduced to the Regiment at the end of the month. However, in anticipation of its arrival, formal instruction was commenced early during the month. Each Battalion provided personnel for 60MM mortar section based on one 8 man section per rifle company. During September, a Regimental instructional team was formed and plans completed for a 96 hour syllabus to be provided each Battalion during the month of October.

c. .50 Caliber Machine Guns. Due to the current emphasis on the .50 caliber machine gun in the anti-aircraft defense roll, extensive training was accomplished during the month. This particular training was not presented to all hands, but to special gun crews. These crews received instructions on mechanical training, mounts, and organizational maintenance. Mounting and placing the gun into action and live fire at ground targets has been accomplished. Training will continue throughout the coming months to enhance those skills being developed.

d. Training Summary. A total of 264 separate hours of training were completed during the month. All units conducted weekly FIREX's with crew served and individual T/O weapons.

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5. Special Operations. No special operations were conducted during the reporting period.

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6. Nuclear, Biological, Chemical and Other Special Types of Warfare. On 25 September the Regiment received a portable commercial spray machine. The machine was a portable, gasoline operated, spray device and was equipped with a lightweight metal harness which enabled it to be back packed by one man. After testing, the device was forwarded to the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines for field testing. During field testing, the machine was employed as a means of forcing smoke into caves and tunnels and proved to be extremely effective. There were no other significant NBC events.

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SECRET7. Command and Control

a. During the month of September, the 3d Marine Regiment was Task Organized as follows:

3d Marines (-) (Rein)Hq Co, 3d Marines

Det, Hq Bn

1st Bn, 1st Marines2d Bn, 3d Marines3d Bn, (Rein), 4th Marines

3d Bn, 4th Marines

4th Bn (-) (Rein), 12th Marines

Hq Btry, 4/12

Btry M, 4/12

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Btry I, 2/12

CMR Tm, Hq Btry, 11th Marines

3d Plat, Co C, 3d Recon Bn

3d Plat (Rein), Co C, 3d Tank Bn

3d Plat (Rein), Co C, 3d AT Bn

3d Plat (Rein), Co B, 3d Engr Bn

*Co A, (-) 3d Tank Bn

*Co A, (-) 3d AT Bn

*Co A (-), 3d MT Bn

*3d Plat (Rein), Co B, 1st AmTrac Bn

* Direct Support Under Operational Control of 3d Marines.

b. Command Posts

(1) 3d Marines

AT955749

(2) 1st Bn, 1st Marines

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(3) 2d Bn, 3d Marines

AT942783

(4) 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Marines

YD957758

c. Attachments and Detachments

(1) There were no attachments added to the Task Organization of the 3d Marines during this reporting period.

(2) On 11 September 1965, Co. M, 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Marines was assigned OPCON 9th Marines for a period of four (4) days.

(3) On 14 September 1965, Co. M, 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Marines was assigned OPCON 1st Bn, 1st Marines in support of a major readjustment of front line positions in which Co M, 3d Bn (Rein) secured Hill 41 (AT9366). The company remains at that position at the end of this reporting period.

(4) The 1st Bn, 12th Marines, previously assigned Direct Support, OPCON 3d Marines reverted to Direct Support during September 1965.

d. Control. Control of the Regiment was exercised exclusively from the Regimental Command Post during this reporting period. There were no forward Command Posts or Command Groups established. Wire communications continues to be the primary source of control while in defensive posture with few failures. Radio communications are used exclusively during all Battalion operations.

e. Problem Areas. No significant problem areas were encountered during the reporting period.

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SECRET8. Communications-Electronics

a. Wire. Within this regiment, wire has assumed the role of the primary means of communications. Lines have been installed and maintained from the regimental command post to the command posts of the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines. Lines have been installed to the 3d Engineers, 7th Engineers and the 12th Marines in order to provide alternate circuits for all concerned. Although maintenance of these lines has been a problem, it has been well within the capability of the organizations concerned and less than expected in this type of war fare. The major problem encountered is the relatively small size of the wire section when considered in relation to the large amount of wire which must be installed. Trunks for voice and teletype between organizations widely separated, locals, lines to radio relay terminals, and radio remote control lines all must be laid and maintained in difficult terrain and climatic conditions. At present, the Regimental Wire Section, consisting of 15 men, is responsible for the installation and maintenance of 100 plus miles of metallic lines, while constantly improving the system and operating a switching central.

b. Radio Relay. Three radio relay links have been in continuous use during this period. One link, employing Radio Relay Sets, AN/MRC-62, provides voice and teletype circuits between Regimental Headquarters and the headquarters of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines, located in the HUE PHU BAI enclave. One link, employing Radio Relay Sets AN/MRC-62, and one employing Radio Relay Sets AN/TRC-27, provide voice and teletype circuits to 3d Marine Division Headquarters. One link employing the AN/TRC-27 is maintained as a standby as a back-up for the wire lines to the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines. In general, the Radio Relay Set AN/TRC-27 has proven to be an extremely unreliable piece of equipment.

c. Radion. At the regimental level, radio has been employed primarily as a back-up for wire communications, except for those functional nets which absolutely require it; i.e. TAR, TAD, LZ Control.

(1) The infantry battalions and rifle companies have placed great reliance upon radio, as well as wire. In general, the AN/PRC-6 has proven unsatisfactory. The AN/PRC-10 has proven satisfactory for use in the rifle company, but only barely satisfactory at the battalion level. In addition, the allowance of 40 per infantry battalion has proven to be insufficient. MHF, SSB and UHF equipment, both portable and vehicular, has proven to be very adequate except for the Storage Battery, BB-45. This item is difficult to maintain, does not stand up to field usage nor deliver the necessary current over the expected period of operation.

d. Message Center/Teletype. This headquarters has no Teletype Sets AN/TGC-14 and is still using the AN/TGC-6 and AN/TGC-3. A maximum maintenance effort has enabled regimental headquarters to keep 2 of each operational, which meets current requirements.

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(1) The KW-7 has proven to be an extremely reliable item, with a minimum of maintenance necessary. Tape relay employing the KW-7 over metallic wire lines and radio relay has carried the vast majority of written message traffic.

e. Maintenance/Supply. Unsatisfactory. Operating at near T/O for electronics technicians, the major problems exist in obtaining spare parts of all types. Expendable supplies such as Tool Sets TE-33 and components to kits and chests are unobtainable. The same is true for expendable-consumable supplies such as dry cell batteries and electrical tape, to cite two of the most troublesom. The Maintenance Float concept appears to be well founded, although a revision of the allowance upward at third echelon might be in order since a number of "float" items have had to be evacuated without immediate replacement.

SECRET9. Close Combat

a. The following operations were conducted during the month of September:

(1) Platoon Sized	142
(2) Company Sized	7
(3) Battalion Sized	2
(4) Regimental Sized	0

b. The month of September was highlighted by the efforts of numerous saturation patrols of squad to platoon size and ambushes established throughout the assigned AORS. Efforts were directed towards the protection of displaced villagers in harvesting rice crops beyond the area of positive GVN control and the major relocation of front line positions from a line generally North of the TUY LOAN river (AT967702) - (AT928711) to the Hill complex of Hill 22 (AT953668) and Hill 41 (AT934663).

c. Unit Operationsa. 1st Bn, 1st Marines

(1) On 2 September 1965 the 1st Platoon (Rein) of Company D was on a combat patrol in the vicinity of AT8969. At 080800H, the platoon was located in an ambush position (AT899698) from which they opened fire on a group of VC with an estimated strength of 30 to 35 men. A fire fight ensued and lasted throughout the night. During the fire fight, which involved the entire platoon firing from 3 squad positions, the platoon commander estimated the enemy casualties to be 23 WIA and 3 KIA. A flare plane supported the platoon for four hours, dropping 190 flares. The plane arrived on station one hour after contact was made. During that one hour period, although the area was covered by fire, it is believed that the VC bodies were removed. At first light the next morning, the platoon was still receiving sniper fire. They returned fire and observed one sniper falling out of a tree into dense vegetation. They were unable to retrieve the body due to hostile fire and the dense vegetation. There were no friendly casualties as a result of this entire action.

In retrospect, the platoon commander feels if they had waited longer before opening fire, more enemy casualties would have been sustained. The VC were able to take cover in a nearby tree line and to retrieve their casualties. Had illumination been preplanned and executed when required, the platoon would have been able to deliver fire more effectively, thereby assuring more enemy casualties.

(2) At 120115H, September a squad outpost from Company C received heavy small arms fire in the vicinity of La Chau (3) (AT956677). The fire fight lasted approximately one hour. During the action about ten hand grenades were thrown by the VC, wounding two Marines. A medical evacuation by helicopter was requested and both men were evacuated. The Company Commander of Company C dispatched a squad to reinforce the engaged unit. In the fire fight two (2) U.S. rifles M14's and one 3.5 rocket launcher were damaged by grenades. There were no confirmed enemy casualties.

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(3) At 181030H, September, the 1st Platoon (Rein), Company C, while on a patrol in the vicinity of (AT858662), began receiving heavy sniper fire. One USMC was immediately WIA. As a fire fight ensued, Lt. John GUTTER maneuvered to aid the wounded man. After reaching the man, GUTTER carried him from an open area into a covered area and began to administer first aid. While working over the man, Lt. GUTTER was wounded. Both men were helicopter evacuated. PFC PETERSON, the first WIA later died of wounds. The platoon aggressively maneuvered on the VC causing them to withdraw. There were no enemy confirmed casualties.

From this incident, it is evident that the VC will not stand and fight unless they are cornered. Therefore, aggressive action should always be the first action taken when fired upon by the VC.

(4) On 18 September a platoon from Company G, 2/9 was engaged in fire fight at (AT964678) with an estimated VC platoon. At 181630H September they contacted this Battalion and requested reinforcements. Company C was ordered to provide a reinforcing element of two squads (Rein) to aid Company G. At 1700, the reinforcing element came under intense fire when they approached La Chau (3) (AT957678). They began to fire and maneuver against the VC who appeared to be firing from the east and west side of the Song Yen River. Movement under fire was slow due to mines and booby traps in the area. Lt. Walter LEVY tripped a booby trap and sustained a severe leg wound. HN Harold BIRD moved to aid him and was wounded himself enroute. Once arriving at LEVY's side BIRD fell, LEVY attempted to aid him, and was himself, again wounded. Helicopter evacuation was requested and air support was required to secure the LZ. UH-1E's made strafing and rocket runs. Fixed wing aircraft did not fire due to the nearness of friendly troops but did make simulated strafing and bombing runs. Both men were evacuated. Lt. LEVY and HN BIRD died of wounds sustained in this action. The unit persisted in their advance to the river bank and held the ground in that area. Enemy casualties were not confirmed.

(5) At 211845H September, Company C reported a wireman, Pfc D. W. MANN assigned to their company, was missing in action. Patrols were sent to search the area in which he was last seen, with negative results. On 22 September a patrol from Company C searching the west bank of the Song Yen River at (AT968665) spotted a body in the water. Further investigation indicated that it was the body of PFC MANN. A member of the platoon retrieved the body from the water. The body was clothed with boots, trousers and the utility shirt on one arm. The feet were bound with heavy twine and drawn up behind the back. The right arm was bound to the body. The eyes were open and intact. There were bullet holes in the back, lower chest, left arm, right hand, lower leg and testicles. The body was evacuated to C&C where doctors estimated that it had been in the water for over 24 hours.

An investigation was conducted and it was apparent that MANN had disobeyed a directive from the C Company Commander, and existing battalion directives by going out alone to repair the wire line.

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An intelligence report from native informers reported that MANN was taken under fire by 4 or 5 VC. He was wounded as he returned fire. The report also stated that PFC MANN killed one VC and wounded another VC before he was taken prisoner.

(6) At 192020H September the 3d Platoon (Rein) Company D was in a PFB (AT902671). The perimeter security observed 6 or 8 VC and opened fire. Artillery illumination was fired and this enabled the patrol to retrieve two (2) bodies, one (1) rifle belt, ammunition, grenades and various other items of personal gear.

The patrol then continued its combat mission. A search of the area disclosed that other VC had been wounded or killed.

(7) On 25 September the 2d Platoon (Rein), Company D was operating in the Binh Thy/Giao Tri area conducting a sweep and clear mission. At (AT900705) they discovered approximately 600 lbs of rice. A fire team and the Platoon Sergeant were left as security with the rice until ARVN forces arrived to take custody of it. The remainder of the platoon continued its mission. At 1705, the 2d Platoon (Rein) encountered an electrically detonated mine of the directional Claymore type (AT898704). Seven men were WIA by this explosion, two later died of wounds. As the mine exploded, an estimated VC platoon opened fire from a position north of the river (AT897707). The remainder of the platoon, under the command of the Right Guide deployed and returned fire against the VC. At the same time the 2d Platoon (Rein) (-) Company M was alerted to be helicopter lifted to the area from which the fire was being received. Artillery was fired (188 rounds) at the VC and to clear the LZ. Upon completion of these fires, the 2d Platoon of Company M was landed in the secured area and commenced to search and clear the village of Giao Tri (2). During the search of the village four (4) Marines became casualties, one KIA and three (3) WIA. These casualties were inflicted by UH-1E's while providing close air support. The search and clear of the village continued during the hours of darkness until 2300H, by utilizing a flare plane. This enabled a limited search of the village to be completed. At first light, the village was reswept and thoroughly searched. There were no confirmed enemy casualties. Numerous caves and tunnels were found in the village area and destroyed. A total of 52 villagers were apprehended and evacuated as VCS's for screening.

b. 2d Bn, 3d Marines

(1) 1-11 Sept - Defense of the NAM O Bridge (AT928842), from waterline to waterline, became a permanent responsibility during the 1st part of September. Numerous drills were held at night to ensure that reaction forces at the Battalion CP would be well prepared to assist the reinforced platoon stationed at the bridge in the event of attack. The north and south ends of the bridge remain the responsibility of ARVN forces.

(2) 11-15 Sept - 12 September found one platoon from each of three companies sweeping the sand flats north of the Battalion CP. 1st Platoon, Company E cleared the northern portion from AT906815-AT940820. 1st Platoon, Company G swept from AT910805-AT938808, while 3d Platoon, Company F searched the southern most portion from AT915795-AT943802. No Viet Cong or indications of Viet Cong activity in the area were found by any units.

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(3) 15-16 Sept - 2d Battalion, 3d Marines assisted in the rice harvest in the HOA NINH (AT869776), THON PHUOC SON (AT867760) and THON HOA TRUNG (AT847777) area by providing security for the harvesters and assisting in moving rice east to HOA THAN (AT900778). Three (3) platoons of F Company and one (1) of G Company provided security. No enemy contacts were made at this time.

(4) 18-23 Sept - Operation 343-65. Elements of Company F (2 Platoons), Company G (1 Platoon), Company E (1 Platoon) were formed into a task force and moved to the PHO NAM/NAM YEN area to secure the area and allow villagers from HOA THANH and HOA LOC to harvest rice. As the operation progressed many Vietnamese harvesters who had formerly lived in these two villages took this opportunity to gather up much personal property which they had been forced to leave behind earlier in the year, as Viet Cong pushed in. They brought this personal property back to HOA NOC on the LVT's with the rice harvest. As the harvest began to secure, the task force was given the mission of pushing west from PHO NAM in an attempt to contact Viet Cong units whose presence had been indicated by previous intelligence reports. The net results of the extended operation which ended at 232300H September were 2 Viet Cong KIA, in separate incidents, and 4 Marine casualties caused by booby traps. Also a Viet Cong nurse was captured and later released to ITT units.

(5) 29-30 Sept - Company F provided security for rice harvesters again in HOA TRUNG area.

Continuous patrolling of Red Beach (area from AT936832 to AT 980795) by the reserve Company (4 times weekly) provided no enemy contact.

c. 3d Bn, 4th Marines

(1) 1 Sept - Company L conducted a security patrol to Bn CP. At 1500, the 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to (YD841155) and conducted a recon patrol to (YD831119) and set up a patrol base. After dark the 1st Platoon of Company K footmarched to (YD915095) and set in a night ambush. The 1st Platoon of C Recon Company trucked to (YD885080) and conducted a recon patrol to (YD894049) and set up a patrol base. At 1830, the 2d Platoon of C Recon Company trucked to (YD912118) and patrolled to (YD929120) for a night ambush. The Joint Action Company continued daylight patrols and night ambushes in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(2) 2 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. After dark moved to (YD902094) and set in a night ambush. The 2d Platoon of Company K remained at their patrol base during the day and set in a night ambush after dark in same vicinity. The 1st Platoon of C Recon Company trucked to Base Camp at first light. The 2d Platoon of C Recon Company returned to Base Camp by truck at first light. The 2d Platoon of the Joint Action Company apprehended 3 VCS's while conducting a sweep of the village of THOU HOA PHOY. The Joint Action Company continued daylight patrols and night ambushes in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

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(3) 3 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light and returned to same vicinity after dark to set up a night ambush. The 2d Platoon of Company K continued operations from patrol base. The Joint Action Company continued daylight patrols and night ambushes in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(4) 4 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. The 2d Platoon of Company K conducted a security patrol from night position to Base Camp at first light. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company set up squad sized OP's located at (YD821066) and (YD825060). After dark they moved to (YD839069) for night position. The 2d Platoon of C Recon Company trucked to (YD839151) and patrolled south to set in an OP at (YD809076). At 1800, the 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to (YD841155) and commenced a patrol to (YD807158) to set in a night ambush. While on the patrol they were fired upon by a force of 7 VC at (YD812158). Received 2 WIA's. Returned fire with unobserved results. The WIA's were helilifted to A-Med and the patrol continued their mission. The Joint Action Company continued daylight patrols and night ambushes in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(5) 5 Sept - 2d and 3d Platoon of C Recon Company helilifted to Base Camp. 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to Base Camp. The 1st Platoon of Company K moved to vicinity (YD897071) and set in a night ambush. Company I, H&S Company and the 1st and 2d Platoons from the Joint Action Company with a section of Tanks and a section of AT's set in a blocking position at (YD852168) to (YD862160) for the 1st ARVN Division. They apprehended a total of 43 VCS's. After completion of operation, Company I airlifted to CHU LAI under OPCON of 4th Marines. 1st Platoon of C Recon Company trucked to (YD841155) and conducted a patrol to (YD823109). After dark they set in a night ambush at (YD805110). At 1800, the 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to (YD841155) and set in a night ambush at (YD818156). The 3d and 4th Platoons continued operations in the villages of THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(6) 6 Sept - At 0515, Company M with the Joint Action Company (-) set in a blocking position at (YD850194) to (YD895183) for 1st ARVN Division. 1st Platoon of C Recon Company set in an OP located at (YD792108) until 1700 and then helilifted to Base Camp. The 1st Platoon of Company K moved to (YD908073) and set in a night ambush that location. The 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to (YD841155), moved to (YD811155) for a night ambush. After dark the Joint Action Company continued night security of the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(7) 7/Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company K conducted a security patrol from their night position to Base Camp. After dark they trucked to (YD 865105) and set in a night ambush that vicinity. The 2d Platoon of Company K trucked to Base Camp in the morning. After dark they trucked to vicinity of (YD 841155), where they moved by foot to

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(YD 830150) and set in a night ambush. Company C Recon trucked to (YD 900097) and set in a night ambush at (YD 904045). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(8) 8 Sept - The 1st and 2d Platoon of Company K and C Recon Company returned to Base Camp by truck. The 1st Platoon of Company K trucked to (YD 891077) and established a patrol base at (YD 891078). The 2d Platoon of Company L trucked to (YD 835144) and established a patrol base at (YD 804152). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies L, M and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(9) 9 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company M and the 2d Platoon of Company L maintained respective patrol bases. C Recon Company trucked to (YD 841155) then moved by foot to (YD 816105) and set up a night ambush. The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(10) 10 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company M trucked back to Base Camp. The 2d Platoon of Company L set in a blocking position at (YD 797098). C Recon Company conducted a sweep from their night position to the blocking position of the 2d Platoon of Company L. After operation C Recon Company and the 2d Platoon of Company L helilifted back to Base Camp. The 1st Platoon of Company L helilifted to (YD 848085) and set in a night ambush located (YD 848082). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(11) 11 Sept - Company I returned from CHU LAI. Company M airlifted to DA NANG under OPCON, 3d Marines. The 1st Platoon of Company L helilifted from (YD 848082) to Base Camp. The 3d Platoon of Company L trucked to (YD 835144) and established a patrol base at (YD 810099). The 2d Platoon helilifted to (YD 907050) and set in a night ambush located at (YD 902064). The 1st Platoon of Company I moved to (YD 904104) after dark and set in a night ambush. The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(12) 12 Sept - The 3d Platoon of Company L returned to Base Camp by truck. The 2d Platoon of C Recon Company helilifted to Base Camp. The 1st Platoon of Company I returned to Base Camp on foot. The 3d Platoon of Company K set up a patrol base at (YD 931064). The 2d Platoon of Company L set in a night ambush at (YD 820143). The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company Helilifted to (YD 828088) and set in OP's

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located at (YD805075) and (YD808080). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(13) 13 Sept - The 3d Platoon of Company K had night position compromised and moved to (YD891094) during the day then moved into a night ambush at (YD906096). The 2d Platoon of Company L returned to Base Camp by truck. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company maintained daylight OP's and helilifted to base camp at 1900. The 1st Platoon of Company L moved by truck and foot and set in a night ambush at (YD808102). The 1st and 2d Platoons of C Recon Company departed by air for DA NANG. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(14) 14 Sept - The 3d Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp by truck. The 2d Platoon of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD891102). The 1st Platoon of Company L set in a night ambush at (YD803114). The Joint Action Company conducted operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(15) 15 Sept - The 2d Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. The 1st Platoon of Company L returned to Base Camp at first light. After dark the 2d Platoon of Company K moved into a night ambush at (YD882117) and the 3d Platoon of Company K moved into a night ambush at (YD839160). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(16) 16 Sept - The 1st squad of the 3d Platoon of Company L conducted a patrol to (YD839085) and returned. The 1st Platoon of Company K, while moving into a night ambush lost one man crossing a river at (YD909069). They moved to a secure night position in that vicinity and awaited daylight to continue search. The 2d Platoon of Company L moved by truck and foot to (YD803124) for night ambush. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company established an OP at (YD800099). The 2d Platoon of Company L set in a night ambush at (YD803124). A nine man team from S-2 Scouts set in an OP at (YD839134). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(17) 17 Sept - At first light the 1st Platoon of Company K continued the search for the missing man. They found his body at (YD912070). The body was helilifted to A Med and the platoon returned to Base Camp until dark and then moved to (YD895082) for a night ambush. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company sighted 5 VC and fired on them. A search of the area yielded fresh blood stains and a VC poncho. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company then helilifted back to Base Camp. The 2d Platoon of Company L set in a night ambush at (YD815122). The S-2 Scouts moved to (YD870058) and set in an OP that location. The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

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(18) 18 Sept - The 1st Platoon of Company K and the 2d Platoon of Company L returned to Base Camp at first light. The S-2 Scouts maintained an OP at (YD870058). The 3d Platoon of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD903044). The 1st Platoon of Company L, while moving to a night ambush site made contact with an estimated 50 VC and fired upon them. One VC KIA and his weapon captured. There were no friendly casualties. The Platoon then maintained a night ambush at the location of contact. The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(19) 19 Sept - The S-2 Scouts, the 3d Platoon of Company K and the 1st Platoon of Company L returned to Base Camp at first light. The 2d squad of the 2d Platoon of Company K conducted a daylight patrol to grid square (YD 8208), then helilifted back to Base Camp. The 2d Platoon (-) of Company K established at night ambush at (YD829147). The 1st Platoon of Company I set in a night ambush at (YD905055). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(20) 20 Sept - The 2d Platoon of Company K and the 1st Platoon of Company I returned to Base Camp at first light. The 1st Squad of the 2d Platoon of Company I helilifted to (YD869053) and conducted a security patrol back to Base Camp. The S-2 Scouts set up a daylight OP at (YD839134) and returned to Base Camp at darkness. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company established an OP at (YD795119). The 2d Platoon (-) of Company I set in a night ambush at (YD898095) and the 1st Platoon of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD808153). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(21) 21 Sept - The 2d Platoon of Company I and the 1st Platoon of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. The 1st Squad of the 3d Platoon of Company K conducted a daylight security patrol to grid square (YD8211) and returned to Base Camp. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company returned to Base Camp at 1415. The 3d Platoon (-) of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD 833133) and the 1st Platoon of Company I set in a night ambush at (YD904081). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(22) 22 Sept - The 3d Platoon of Company K and the 1st Platoon of Company I returned to Base Camp at first light. The 2d Squad of 3d Platoon, C Recon Company helilifted out and set in a daylight OP at (YD839134). They returned to Base Camp at darkness. The 2d Platoon of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD814165) and the 2d Platoon of Company I set in a night ambush at (YD813167). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

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(23) 23 Sept - The 2d Platoon of Company K and the 2d Platoon of Company I returned to Base Camp at first light. The 1st Squad of 1st Platoon, Company K helilifted to (YD830110) and patrolled to (YD841155) where they trucked back to Base Camp. The S-2 Scouts set in a daylight OP at (YD913057) and set in a night defensive position at (YD912075). After dark the 3d Platoon of C Recon Company moved to (YD812079) and set in an OP that location. The 1st Platoon (-) of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD830130). The 3d Platoon of Company L set in a night ambush at (YD903034). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(24) 24 Sept - The 3d Platoon of Company K and the 1st Platoon (-) of Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. The 3d Platoon of C Recon Company remained at OP until 1900 and then helilifted back to Base Camp. The S-2 Scouts maintained their OP until 1500 and then trucked to Base Camp. The 3d Squad of the 1st Platoon, Company I helilifted to vicinity grid square (YD8607) and conducted a daylight security patrol to Base Camp. The 3d Platoon of Company K set in a night ambush at (YD813147). The 1st Platoon (-) of Company I set in a night ambush at (YD875103). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

(25) 25 Sept - The 1st Platoon (-) Company I and the 3d Platoon Company K returned to Base Camp at first light. The 2d Platoon Company K set in a night ambush at (YD809153). The 1st Squad, 2d Platoon, Company I conducted a daylight security patrol from Base Camp to grid square (YD8907). The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

(26) 26 Sept - The 2d Platoon of Company K returned to CP area. The 3d squad of 3d Platoon Company I held daylight patrol to area of (YD814125). The 1st and 2d squads of 3d Platoon, Company I set in a night ambush in (YD827136). The 1st Platoon, Company L set in ambush at (YD906088). The 3d Platoon, Recon Company established Platoon size OP at (YD825059). S-2 Scout Section trucked to Hill 36 (YD841155), held daylight security patrol in grid squares (8014), (8015), (8016). Joint Action Company continued operations in villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

(27) 27 Sept - The 1st and 3d Platoons, Company L returned to BN CP. The 1st Platoon, Company I patrolled to Hill 107 (YD815092) established a night ambush to provide security for Howtar position at (YD821082). Patrol back to Base Camp after Howtar's helilift back at 280800. The 1st Squad, 3d Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol to area of (YD891079). Returned by alternate route. The 2d and 3d Squads, 3d Platoon, Company L set in a night ambush in area of (YD891102). The 3d Platoon, Recon Company continued operations of day before. The Joint Action Company, 4th squad of LOC BON made contact with estimated twenty Viet Cong at coord. (YD917096). Friendly casualties were 1 KIA and 2 WIA's. Known enemy casualties were 2 KIA's. We captured two automatic weapons along with 782 gear. H&S Company reserve force was called out in support, along with tanks. The 81 Platoon fired defensive concentrations for Company I. Whiskey Battery displaced five guns to base of Hill 163 (YD820082) by helilift. Remained in position until 280800 for support

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of 3d Platoon, Recon Company located at coord (YD820063) and 3 FO Teams at (YD810080) from I Battery. Recon and Whiskey Battery stayed in position until 280800. I Battery displaced two Platoons to firing point 3 (YD883092) to support Recon and I Battery FO Teams during daylight hours. They returned prior to dark. Joint Action Companies continued operations in villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

(28) 28 Sept - The 3d Platoon, Company I and 1st Platoon, Company L returned to CP. Company I furnished two squads to Tank Platoon Commander for security for route reconnaissance patrol. Company I with two squads established a night ambush in the area of (YD837152). The 2d Platoon of Company L established night ambush in area of (YD903060). C Company, 3d Tanks with one squad from I Company, Engineer Team, Ontos personnel, and artillery personnel, conduct a route recon to (YD797108). Returned prior to dark. Scouts conducted a daylight security patrol in grid squares (8114), (8115), (8116). Company L made contact with the enemy at coord (YD907065). Friendly casualties none. Known casualties two KIA's. Captured 2 weapons (M-1 Carbine) and 782 gear. The Joint Action Company continued operations in the villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

(29) 29 Sept - The 2d Platoon, Company I and 2d Platoon Company L returned to CP. The 3d Platoon Company I established a night ambush at (YD 825156). The 3d Squad, 1st Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol to Hill (YD868058). Helilifted back to Base Camp. The 1st and 2d squads, 1st Platoon, Company L trucked to LOC BON Headquarters. At twilight moved into ambush position at (YD913046). The 3d Platoon, Recon Company established a night ambush at coord (YD809135). Joint Action Company continued operations in villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

(30) 30 Sept - The 1st and 2d Squad of the 1st Platoon, Company L returned to Base Camp at first light. The 2d Squad, 1st Platoon of Company I helilifted to Hill 225. Accompanied a communications wire team. Patrolled back to Base Camp during daylight hours. The 1st and 3d Squads, 1st Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at (YD863145). The 3d Platoon, Company L trucked to Hill 46 (YD889087), then established a night ambush in area of (YD872077). Scouts conduct sketching patrol in grid squares: (YD8214), (YD 8215), (YD8216). Joint Action Company continued operations in villages of THUY LUONG, THUY TAN, THUY PHU, and LOC BON. Companies I, K, L and H&S Company with LSU and 4/12, maintained airfield and CP security.

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10. Fire Support And Fire Support Coordination.

a. There were no significant events in the area of Fire Support Coordination. No difficulties were encountered in providing sufficient Fire Support for the operational requirements of the Regiment.

b. The following events and statistics are of interest:

(1) A defensive Fire Plan for the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines sector of the TAOR was completed.

(2) A similar plan for the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines has been completed and is awaiting final approval.

(3) An extensive Harassing and Interdiction Program was continued throughout the month as indicated by the Artillery and Naval Gunfire Support in the following paragraphs. Two reports were received as a result of this program.

(a) The Viet Cong nurse captured by 2/3 on 22 September stated that the Political Advisor (Viet Cong) in her area had been killed the night before by artillery fire. The area where he was killed checked out as an H&I coordinate fired by "B" Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines.

(b) The Viet Cong are forced to move more often because of H&I fires resulting in food shortages and lower morale.

(4) The 1st Battalion, 12th Marines(-) in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines fired missions and expended ammunition as indicated:

	<u>Harassing</u>	<u>Interdiction</u>	<u>Neutralization</u>
Missions:	1382	1488	92
<u>AMMUNITION:</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>
105 MM	7073	246	152
			<u>SMOKE</u>
107 MM	489	14	2
			0

(5) The 4th Battalion, 12th Marines(-)(+) attached to the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines fired missions and expended ammunition as indicated:

	<u>Observed</u>	<u>Unobserved</u>	<u>H&I</u>
Missions:	212	166	474
<u>AMMUNITION:</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>ILLUM</u>
105 MM	1199	217	45
			<u>SMOKE</u>
107 MM	541	77	18
			0
155 MM	1133	28	119
			0

(6) Naval Gunfire supported the Third Marine Regiment with seventy-two (72) fire missions during September 1965. Thirty (30) Harassing missions and forty-two (42) Interdiction missions were fired.

The following ships provided support:

USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5)

USS Henry W. Tucker (DD-875)

USS Cogswall (DD-651)

USS Henry B. Wilson (DDG-7)

AMMUNITION expended was as follows:

<u>CALIBER</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>
6"/47	15	
5"/54	76	28
5"/38	630	18
3"/50	42	

SECRET11. LOGISTICSa. Supply

(1) On 1 Sep the Monthly Clothing Allowance for enlisted personnel was terminated and the In-Kind Clothing Issue system instituted. Limited clothing stocks could not satisfy all requirements.

(2) On 15 Sep CG, 3d MarDiv directed that units turn in all assets of riot control agents to ASP's and that permission to draw and use subject items must be obtained from Div Hq.

(3) During period 18 - 22 Sep combat tropical boots with spike resistant insoles were issued to units of 3d Marines as indicated:

HqCo	52 prs.
1stBn, 1stMar	270 prs.
2ndBn, 3rdMar	573 prs.
3rdBn, 4thMar	878 prs.

(4) On 24 Sep CG, 3dMarDiv directed that all M9-7 Flamethrowers (FSN 1040-893-0268) be withdrawn from service and turned in to FLSG/FLSU because they are not acceptable for use. The 1stBn, 1stMar is the only unit in this command which has any.

(5) On 26 Sep the 60mm Mortars, M19 were issued to 3d Marines units (8 per bn) and will be ready for employment upon completion of training of crews. 60mm target practice ammunition is available and HE ammunition will be available in early October.

(6) In anticipation of decreased trafficability of roads during the coming monsoon season and the resultant resupply problems, CG, 3d Mar Div authorized companies/batteries to maintain 2 days MCI's and 2 days Class III and battalion's 3 days of each. The combined totals of Class V for company/battery and battalion to maintain is a basic allowance of all items rated per T/E and T/O except as follows:

105mm Illum	10 DOA
81mm Mortar	5 DOA
3.5" RL	4 DOA
106mm RR	4 DOA

In addition, units were directed to examine existing Class V storage facilities to ensure that they will provide adequate protection during the monsoons.

(7) Critical shortages during the month included field fortification materials, batteries (BA-270 and BA-279), repair parts for communication-electronics and motor transport equipment, and certain items of individual equipment. Redistribution of regimental assets was necessary on occasion for temporary alleviation of shortages.

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(8) Helicopters have proven invaluable as a means of resupplying isolated outposts, observation posts, radio relay sites, etc.

b. Maintenance. The average daily rate of vehicles on deadline was:

(1) M-274 (Mechanical Mules) - 31% (29 out of 93)

(2) M-422 (Mighty Mites) - 23% (19 out of 81)

c. Food Service

(1) All units are improving their galleys and mess tents by screening them in and by replacing torn screening.

(2) "B" and "A" rations are normally fed, except when tactical operations require that MCI's be provided.

d. Cantonment and Camp Facilities

(1) The problem of camp power was solved for the below units when FLSG issued one Generator Set, DE, PU-482 to each of them:

HqCo, 3dMar
2ndBn, 3dMar
3rdBn, 4thMar

The 1stBn, 1stMar still has a requirement for a generator.

(2) The program to strongback the GP tents and construct other facilities within each camp site got underway, concentrating first on messing, medical, and sanitation. All units are utilizing their own personnel (under technical supervision of MCB or Engr personnel) in this "Self-Help" program.

e. Transportation and Roads

(1) Engineers have been working on the road networks at both DA NANG and PHU BAI. They have improved the roads, emplaced culverts, and built bridges. Even so, during heavy rains, the roads become impassable in certain areas.

(2) An LCU Landing Site was completed south of HUE at coordinates (827316) which will enable LCU's and LCM's to be off-loaded at times when they could not reach HUE via the Hue River because of the low water level.

f. Fiscal. The new Division Financial Management SOP (DivO P7000.2D) which published the new concept whereby the Division quarterly operating budget would not be subdivided and allocated in the form of unit ceilings was of particular significance in that it relieved Unit Commanders of the burden of maintaining detailed financial administrative records in the current operating situation and cancelled four monthly reports.

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(1) There are 6 water points within this command's TAOR's at DA NANG and PHU BAI.

(a) Regt'l Hq. Produces 20,000 gals per day from a dammed-up stream and has four 3,000 gal and one 5,000 gallon storage tanks.

(b) 1stBn, 1stMar. Produces 5,000 gals per day from a hole in the ground and has two 3,000 gal storage tanks.

(c) 2ndBn, 3rdMar. The one at the Bn CP produces 18,000 - 22,000 gals per day from a dammed-up stream and has five 3,000 gal storage tanks. The one at LE MY produces 12,000 gals per day from a stream and has two 3,000 gal storage tanks.

(d) 3rdBn, 4thMar. A pipeline from the 8th RRU water supply carries water direct to the Bn mess area. The other one in the Bn CP produces 30,000 gals per day from a well and has five 3,000 gal storage tanks.

(2) Two M-50 water trucks are utilized on a daily basis to deliver water to widely dispersed units within the DA NANG TAOR. They fill up the M-107 water trailers, 5-gallon cans and showers.

(3) Eight M-107 water trailers are used by companies to keep an adequate supply of water on hand.

h. Motor Transport

(1) Units of this command receive the below vehicles for normal logistical runs on a daily basis

HqCo, 3dMar	2 - M-35's
1stBn, 1stMar	8 - M-35's
2ndBn, 3rdMar	8 - M-35's
3rdBn, 4thMar	17 - M-35's (which are shared with other units at PHU BAI)

(2) Tactical troop lifts and other special requirements are provided on an "as required" basis.

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12. Air Defense. Significant within the 3d Marines Air Defense System was the emplacement of 11 .50 caliber machineguns into an anti-aircraft defense roll. One of the weapons is employed at the 3d Marines CP, DA NANG, while the other ten are employed at HUE PHU BAI. Gun crews have received instruction on mechanical training, mounts, and organizational maintenance. Mounting and placing the gun into action and live fire at ground targets has been accomplished. The problems of a suitable range for engaging aerial targets remains unsolved.

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13. Combat Air Support. During September Marine aviation provided air power on numerous occasions. Medical evacuation, logistical resupply, liaison, and aerial reconnaissance and observation missions were successfully completed. Requirements for vertical assault lifts by elements of the Regiment were met, thus permitting the battalions to employ combat units rapidly and in depth. In all cases, the response time for tactical air requests have been satisfactory. Medical evacuation request response times have been outstanding and night evacuations have been accomplished within the same time frame as day evacuations. The following is a resume of tactical air utilization by the 3d Marines.

9 Sept - UH-1E flight covered medical evacuation with suppression fire. Same day another UH-1E silenced sniper fire in 1/1 TAOR.

12 Sept - UH-1E aircraft utilized to suppress fire on 1/1 patrol.

13 Sept - A Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion patrol required UH-1E to suppress sniper fire.

15 Sept - A Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion ambush. Required UH-1E and A-4 close air support to cover withdrawal of unit by 4 UH-34 helicopters.

17 Sept - A Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion patrol used UH-1E to suppress sniper fire.

18 Sept - 1/1 medical evacuation required UH-1E and F-4 cover to evacuate wounded from firefight.

19 Sept - 2/3 conducted F-4 airstrike on VC campsite. Damage assessed as good results.

21 Sept - 2/3 conducted air strike of 4 F-4 and 3 A-4 against VC company. Fixed wing air escorted commitment of helo reaction platoon.

25 Sept - 1/1 medical evacuation from unsecure zone covered by UH-1E helos.

SECRET14. MEDICAL AND DENTAL SUPPORT

a. On 24 Sep Lt R. C. MILSOVIC (MC) USNR assumed duties as Regimental Surgeon, 3d Marines, a billet which has been vacant since this unit's arrival in RVN.

b. The Regimental Surgeon made liaison with all Battalion Surgeons and discussed the following topics:

(1) Receiving and Evacuation of Casualties. The great majority of WIA's are being evacuated by helicopter to C&C Co's but all BAS's must be prepared to detach a section to support their unit in the respective TAOR's.

(2) Sick Call. The facilities at all BAS's are considered adequate. The support by C&C Co's was reported to be outstanding.

(3) Supply. Although some difficulty has been encountered in obtaining certain items of medical supplies, the situation is improving.

(4) Preventive Medicine and Sanitation. It was determined that a check-off system was necessary to ensure that each man takes his malaria chemo-prophylaxis each week. Periodic inspections can keep the sanitation measures adequate.

(5) Civil Affairs. Each BAS will continue to conduct an active program of medical aid in conjunction with the respective unit Civil Affairs Officers.

c. There has been no significant increase in the number of cases of incapacitating illnesses in the Regiment. However, dermatological problems appear to be increasing.

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15. Chaplain Support. During the period this Regiment received adequate chaplain support. Each Battalion has an assigned chaplain. An additional chaplain will be assigned to Regimental Headquarters during the month of October. Each battalion has a minimum of one opportunity each week to attend services. The Battalion Chaplains travel throughout the battalion's area of responsibility and provide religious opportunities to each man who is not committed forward of the M.R. During the month of September, Chaplains were provided by both Division and the Battalion on a weekly basis for personnel of the Regimental Headquarters.

SECRET16. CIVIL AFFAIRSa. Major Activities

(1) During September the 3d Marines civil affairs program established a reserve of medical supplies and foodstuffs in anticipation of increased demand and transportation-communication difficulties during the ensuing monsoon season. Additional stores of medical supplies and foodstuffs were distributed to each of the Battalions.

(2) The Regiment initiated a program of assistance and participation with the Vietnamese within the Battalion TAOR's during the Children's Tet, a national holiday celebrated on 10 September. Headquarters Company distributed 40 pounds of candy and confections, as well as 300 pounds of school writing paper, to over 220 school children.

(3) A census, completed on 16 September, shows the 3d Marines civil affairs program administers to fifteen villages in 5 districts; Hoa Vang, and Hieu Duc, in the Da Nang enclave, and Huong Van, Nam Hoa, and Phu Loc in the Hue-Phu Bai enclave.

(4) On 5 September, Headquarters Company assumed responsibility for civil affairs support of the hamlet of Khanh Son, Hoa Khanh village (AT 950765). Liaison was established, and maintained weekly, with the hamlet and village chiefs. A medical team was scheduled to hold sick call within the hamlet twice a week.

b. Battalion Activities

(1) 1/1 relieved 1/3 early in September and spent the first two weeks orienting themselves to civil affairs policies of the regiment, and the specific problems of civil affairs within their TAOR. In the final two weeks the civil affairs program experienced a major expansion as it broadened its scope to include all villages within the recently enlarged Battalion TAOR. In their first month of operations, the Battalion CA medical team treated 4,000 people and evacuated 14 to C&C Co. 3,500 pounds of USOM foodstuffs were distributed to destitute families in areas cleared of VC influence. 1300 man hours were spent repairing the MSR, and the Battalion was assisted by a detachment from 3rd Engineer Battalion in repairing 29 bridges within the Battalion TAOR.

(2) 2/3 initiated a cooperative rice harvest program, in which they provided security and transportation for 230 refugees from Nam Yen (AT8585), who were relocated in Hoa Loc (AT9082), to return to the paddies adjacent to Nam Yen and harvest 15,000 pounds of rice. Helicopters flew 14 sorties and LVT's logged over 800 miles in transporting the harvesters and the harvest from Nam Yen to Hoa Loc. On 10 September the Battalion CO and his staff participated in five village celebrations of the Children's Tet. The Battalion supplied 3,000 doughnuts baked in the Battalion mess, 100 pounds of candy, and 200 pounds of cake to over 2,200 children during the festivities. The Le My nurse trainee program graduated four students who received certification from the National Bureau of Health.

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(3) 3/4 provided each squad of the Joint Action Company with two corpsmen thus establishing an independent CA medical facility within each of the Battalion's four CA supported villages. The JAC squad medical teams perform 1st echelon treatment daily, and are supplemented by weekly 2nd echelon treatment from the Battalion medical team. 3/4 also assisted the local villagers in celebrating the Children's Tet, distributing 75 dolls, 600 masks, and 150 pounds of candy to 1800 school children.

c. Materials Distributed

(1) Foodstuffs

(a) Bulgar wheat	8,000 pounds
(b) Corn meal	4,000 pounds
(c) Cooking oil	1,200 pounds

(2) Medicine 45 days supply

(3) Soap 1,450 pounds

(4) Vitamins 1,400 pounds

(5) Dolls 200

(6) Worm pills 240 pounds

(7) Laxatives 155 pounds

(8) Bacteriacide 84 pounds

(9) Clothing 220 pounds

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- filed separately*
- ✓1. Daily Situation Reports, 1 - 30 September 1965
 - ✓2. Weekly Operations Overlay Reports, 281600 Aug - 251600H Sept 1965
 - ✓3. Journal, 1 - 30 September 1965
 - ✓4. Maps, AMS Series ³⁸¹ L665 1:50,000 Sheets ⁶⁶⁵⁹ 6560III, 6559IV, AMS Series L701 1:50,000 Sheets 6560III, 6559IV → *f/w 1 & 2 above*
 - ✓5. Deadlined Item Listing
 - ✓6. Traffic Diagram, 3d Marines
 - ✓7. Circuit Diagram, 3d Marines
 - ✓8. CO, 3d Marines msg 021004Z (Frag Order 21-65)
 - ✓9. CO, 3d Marines msg 040745Z (Execute Div OpO 330-65 w/ch 1&2)
 - ✓10. CO, 3d Marines msg 060220Z (Frag Order 22-65)
 - ✓11. CO, 3d Marines msg 060625Z (Frag Order 23-65)
 - ✓12. CO, 3d Marines msg 100921Z (Unclass) (Counter Insurgency Lesson Learned)
 - ✓13. CO, 3d Marines msg 140750Z (Frag Order 24-65)
 - ✓14. CO, 3d Marines msg 150745Z (Unclass) (Carrying M-14 Rifle with Modified Sling)
 - ✓15. CO, 3d Marines msg 171436Z (Frag Order 25-65)
 - ✓16. CO, 3d Marines msg 181055Z (Unclass) (Request 3d Mar Div Initiate Necessary Request for Helilift Capability to Support 3d Marines Frag Order 25-65)
 - ✓17. CO, 3d Marines msg 200125Z (Execute Div OpO 343-65)
 - ✓18. CO, 3d Marines msg 210217Z (Unclass) (VC Contact Reporting)
 - ✓19. CO, 3d Marines msg 211235Z (Readdressal of CG 3dMarDiv msg 210550Z)
 - ✓20. CO, 3d Marines msg 220655Z (REDOPS)
 - ✓21. CO, 3d Marines msg 230258Z (Unclass) (Physical Security of Wiremen)
 - ✓22. CO, 3d Marines msg 230535Z (Modify Frag Order 25-65)

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- ✓23. CO, 3d Marines msg 230840Z (Elements of Readiness Report)
- ✓24. CO 3d Marines msg 241040Z (Division Reserve/Reaction Force)
- ✓25. CO 3d Marines msg 260721Z (Principles and Techniques)
- ✓26. CO, 3d Marines msg 270301Z (Request Employ Claymore Mines)
- ✓27. CO, 3d Marines msg 271210Z (Training Program for ~~PP~~)
- ✓28. CO, 3d Marines msg 280342Z (Readdressal of CG, 3dMarDiv msg 270806Z)
- ✓29. RegtBul 1500 of 1 Sep 1965 (Viet Cong Mine and Booby Trap and Demo School)
- ✓30. CO, 3d Marines ltr 4/FPT/was over 3710 of 2 Sep 1965
- ✓31. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3/HJC/jwp over 1700 of 3 Sep 1965
- ✓32. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3:REA:jwp over 1500 of 6 Sep 1965
- ✓33. CO, 3d Marines ~~msg~~ (Readdressal of CG III MAF msg 011012Z Sep 1965)
- NIF/dw/26th Aug 66* → 34. 1st Endorsement of CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 1965
- ✓35. 2d Endorsement on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 1965
- ✓36. 3d Endorsement on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 1965
- ✓37. 4th Endorsement on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 1965
- ✓38. 5th Endorsement of CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 1965
- ✓39. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3/REA/jdw over 1500 of 19 Sep 1965 (.50 Cal FAM Firing)
- ✓40. 1st Endorsement on CO, 3d EngrBn ltr 3/CM/cm over 1500 of 16 Sep 1965
- ✓41. 1st Endorsement on CO, 3d EngrBn ltr 3/CM/^{ewe}~~lwe~~ over 1500 of 16 Sep 1965
- ✓42. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3:HJC:jwp over 3000 of 1 Sep 1965
- ✓43. CO, 3d Marines ltr c/HJC/jdw over 3000 of 4 Sep 1965
- ✓44. 1st Endorsement on CO, 1stBn, 12thMar ltr 3/EAC/thn of 31 Aug 1965
- ✓45. CO, 1stBn, 12thMar ltr 3/EAC/thn over 31 Aug 1965
- ✓46. RegtBul 1500 of 28 Sep 1965

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- ✓47. 1st Endorsement on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 1/bja over 1300 of 22 Sep 1965
- ✓48. CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 1/bja over 1300 of 22 Sep 1965
- ✓49. 1st Endorsement on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/JJJ/dm of 27 Sep 1965
- ✓50. CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/JJJ/dm of 27 Sep 1965
- ✓51. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3/HJC/jdw over 3000 of 30 Sep 1965
- ✓52. 1st Endorsement on CG, 3dMarDiv ltr 3/CRK:jrd over 1551 of 4 Sep 1965
- ✓53. CO, 3d Marines ltr 3/WLH/jwp over 3000 of 21 Sep 1965
- ✓54. Command Chronologies from 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines *3d* → *filed separately*

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OUT	NO		
0125	1	Fr 1/1: D-6 reports sporadic firing in D-1 & 3 areas at 1 or 2 men armed w/carbines. Suspected VC moved E to SW around D-1 position. D-3 reported 3 men in vicinity of their protective wire, but did not fire. D-1 reports all clear.	Div
0245	2	Fr 1/1: "C" Co reports a trip flare was set off at 967736. 5 or more men were observed. Fire Fight ensued. "C" Co thinks they hit some of them. Patrol will check area 1st light. Illumination has been requested.	Div
0347	3	Fr 1/1: "D" Co reports that D-3 encountered 3 people, opened fire & think they hit one because 2 coming back to pick up the 3d one. No more firing.	Div
0700	4	Fr 2/3: Negative contact - all quiet.	S
0915	5	Fr 2/3: G-3 replaces G-2 on patrol base this morning at approximately 1100. Fam firing M79 at 1300 today. G-3 Patrol base at 882808, night patrol base at 874808, night ambush at 877807. Patrol tomorrow to 862798 checkpoint at 1. 870805, 2. 866800. Local ambush at 895796, 895804, 8988-2, squad size from dark until first light.	Div
1620	6	Fr 1/1: Companies will man defensive positions w/50%. "A" Co has platoon (rein) patrol as previously reported. Dis placing from patrol base at 890718. Recon patrols will be conducted in the zone of action during the hours of darkness. Also, local ambushes will be established after dark. ETR to Co area - 041100H. "D" Co has platoon (rein) patrol displacing from patrol base at 898701. Recon patrols in zone of action will establish local ambushes after darkness. ETR to CP - 021100H. "C" Co (rein) platoon to remain in present location. Recon patrols continue in ZOA. Ambushes will be established after darkness. ETR to CO area - 021100H.	S
1840	7	Fr 1/1: At 1815, "D" Co patrol sighted 4 suspected VC, up in a tree, who appeared to be reconning the position of the patrol. When it was obvious they had been seen, they fled South toward the village of An Nonh #1. Have had no other contact.	Div
2005	8	Fr 1/1: C-5 will set ambush at 962738.	Div
2010	9	Fr 2/3: "J" reaction platoon has just left Le My Fort.	S
2050	10	Fr 2/3: "G" negative contact. All "G" ambushes out.	Div
2100	11	Fr 2/3: All "F" Co ambushes, LP's and OP's are activated. No contact, nothing unusual to report.	S
2125	12	Fr 1/1: Reference: "G" Co 9th Mar. Activity today as follows: "G" Co patrol went to La Chau 3. VC contact made in form of snipers inflicting 5 KIA's and some casualties. B-1 is sending a patrol to La Chau 3 tonight. B-1 received 4 rounds sniper fire 2100 at 952688. Rounds appeared to come from 955688.	S
2225	13	Fr 1/1: Have spotted 9 men at AT 935710 moving along tree line. Saw 3 weapons, probably rifles.	S
2240	14	Fr 2/3: Mr. Mien, N. W. Sector National Policeman reports: 1 VC MF Bn will be located along the river line from At 872724 South to 870716 from 3-10 Sep. Mission is to move to a position where they will be able to mortar "E" Co, 2/3 position. Armed w/one	

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2240		81mm mortar and three 60 mm motars.	S-2
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2302	15	Fr 1/1: "C" Co reports 2 men set off trip flare at 967741 then took cover before any rounds could be fired. Approximately 2230, about 200 meters out. Did not illuminate because of ambush in that vicinity.	Div
2315	16	Fr 2/3: "G" Co situation same, no contact.	Div
2359	17	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
		All units maintaing patrols and ambushes in their assigned area of responsibility. Enemy snipers firing on 1/1 speroidically. Light enemy contact reported by all units.	

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	OUT	NO		
0040		1	Fr 1/1: D-1 Ambush engaged in firefight at 0013. Number of enemy is unknown. Illuminating area with 105's. 2 VC sighted coordinates AT 932714. The rest of D patrol is linking up with ambush.	Div/S
0050		2	Fr 1/1: "D" Co made contact with approximately 45 VC in vicinity of AT 932714. No USMC casualties as yet and no report on VC casualties. Firing has ceased.	Div
0140		3	Fr 2/3: "G", "H", "F" & "H" Co. situation same, negative contact.	S
0200		4	Fr 1/1: Artillery fired H&I and illumination. Flare plane on station 0227.	Div
0420		5	Fr 1/1: Occasional sniper round being received by "D" Co ambush position vicinity 932714.	Div
0725		6	Fr 1/1: At 0705, medical evac was requested for man w/appendicitis. At 0712, a sniper fired on the platoon ("D" Co) and fled to the village of AN NONH #2. The med evac is on the way but is receiving sniper fire from two positions in vicinity of the ambush.	S
0755		7	Fr 1/1: Sniper was in a tree vicinity 899699. Fired on him w/3.5" rocket launcher and are presently searching for body. Terrain is difficult, elephant grass 10 feet high. Squad is moving through D-1 ambush location in search of body.	Div
0845		8	Fr 2/3: E-2 patrol base at 913821. Patrol from E-2 to 917803. Departure time 0800 today. G-3 patrol base at 874808 w/patrol to 862798. Heavy section tanks fired today as previously reported. And H&S will FAM fire M-60's in old CP site.	S
1155		9	Fr 2/3: G-3 daylight patrol base at coordinates 877804. G-3 night patrol base at coordinates 864803. G-3 ambush tonight at coordinates 871800. G-3 patrol tomorrow 866784. Checkpoint 1. 863793. Checkpoint 2. 867788. Local ambush for "G" Co. squad size at coordinates 887777 887777 887777 887777 892798, and 896804. "G" Co. FAM fires 3.5 at 1300H today, also instruction on rules of engagement. will also work on defensive positions. E-2 morning patrol has returned to E-2 patrol base and 2nd patrol departed at 1100.	S
1355		10	Fr 2/3: E-2 present base camp at 913821. 2d patrol returned to base camp at 1300, (left 1100). No contact. 3d patrol left at 1330 for patrol limit at "F" Co. will FAM fire M-14's, M-60's & M-79's approximately 1400.	S
1429	1505	11	Fr 2/3: "F" Co. has completed FAM firing.	S
1505		12	Fr 2/3: "E" Co tonight will have one LP/OP at each platoon position (fire team size). No ambushes tonight. Tomorrow, F-3 (Rein) will run a patrol to following check points: 1. 887777 2. 874778 3. 869775, 4. 863771, 5. 862764, 6. 866759, 7. 874751, 8. 874762, 9. 882769, 10. 889770, 11. 887777, 12. 900775. (0500 - 1700 tomorrow)	S
1607		13	Fr Div: New boundary between 3d Marines and 9th Marines is west bank of the river.	S
2300		14	Fr 2/3: "G" and E-2 reported negative contact at 2205. At 2300 E-2 reported no contact.	S
2359		15	JOURNAL CLOSE.	

All units maintained patrols and ambushed in their assigned area of responsibility. Enemy contact was light.

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0200		1	Fr 2/3: All quiet.	S
0230		2	Fr 1/1: At 0215H "D" ambush saw 5 VC who tripped a flare approaching their position. Ambush fired with unknown results. VC were coming from 910700. Ambush now changing position.	Div
0400		3	Fr 2/3: E-4 moving from present position. Negative contact reported by "F" Co.	S
0405		4	Fr 2/3: "E" forward and "G" report negative contact. Situation remains the same.	S
0800		5	Fr 1/1: Be advised we have not been able to coordinate move with Hien Duc yet will probably jump off as scheduled. Also, the ambush last night killed one VC (not recovered) and wounded several other (not recovered). VC fled to KNOUNG MY (2).	Div
0900		6	Fr 2/3: E-2 to move base camp to 0830 at coordinates 913813.	S
1010		7	Fr 1/1: "B" Co just entered LA CHAU village and BO BAN village, negative contact so far.	Div S
1105		8	Fr 2/3: "F" patrol at checkpoint 6. E-2 patrol (0830) at (913804) "E" base camp at 915805. G-3 night base camp at 861782 ambush at 865783 tomorrow patrol to 882782 local ambush at 889703, 895804, 890801. FAM fire 3.5 and M-79 at 1300.	S
1300		9	Fr 2/3: F-3 has reached objective, blown booby traps and is returning to "F" CP.	Div
1345		10	Fr 2/3: "E" ambushes tonight at 896825 & 895818. 1 Fire team on river patrol.	S
1415		11	Fr 3/4: Last night: L-2-2, 1-2-3, M-1-1, I-1-1, JAC-3: Security patrols. (JAC-3 in THUY PHU). Recon 1 had night OP at 894049, returned at 1st light. K-1 had ambush at 920094 which returned at 1st light. K-2 had ambush at 825112. K-2 conducting patrols vicinity that position today. K-1 tonight will have ambushes in GS 8909, 9109, 9005. Recon 3 will have OPs in GS 8205, 8305, 8346 for next 2 days.	S
1425		12	Fr 1/1: "B" at LOA searching village, BO BAN 953688. Found many panji traps. Blew up or shot into many pits and tunnels. Negative VC contact.	S
1430		13	Fr 2/3: E-2 2d patrol left at 1300H. Now at 911806. LOA at 910805. F-3 at "F" CP. Blew 1 live grenade booby traps and found 4 dummy booby traps.	S
1600		14	Fr 1/1: Capt. TROUNG, District Chief, reports that his agents observed 3 VC bodies. They were carried out with bamboo poles by VC after the five fight with "D" Co Wednesday night.	S

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0156		1	Fr 2/3: "F" Co. situation same, negative contact	S	
0213		2	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. nothing unusual to report, negative contact.	S	
0215		3	Fr 1/1: "B" Co. had 7 to 9 infiltrators break through behind their position. In the fire fight that resulted "B" Co., sustained two casualties, med evac was called and the two casualties med evacuated. Fire fights is still in progress and an illumination grenade was sighted 800 meters forward of "B" Co. positions.	S	Div
0600		4	Fr 1/1: "B" Co. still receiving sporadic small arms fire on their left flank.	S	
0925		5	Fr 2/3: E-2 new base camp at 915818. Departure time 0830. Will have a patrol to 926815 at 1030.	S	
1045		6	Fr 2/3: G-3 day base camp at 866780, night base camp at 875781 w/ambushes at 899801, 892804, and 894796. "G" will FAM fire 3.5, 106s and 81s at 1300. Will have class on Rules of Engagement.		
1220		7	Fr Div: Cease estimating VC KIA/WIA. Statistics on VC to be reported only as follows: (a) VC KIA (By Body Count) (b) VCS (c) VCS WIA (d) VCS captured. Info on other indigenous captives screened and released will not be submitted.	S	
1340		8	Fr 1/1: Have received information that VC infiltration last night was for purpose of weapons cache. Have PF and a platoon from Co "B" searching area at present time will advise.		Div
1445		9	Fr 3/4: Operations last night. 3-2-L, 3-3-L, 2-2-M, 2-12M & 1-1-L conducted security patrols. Today: 3d platoon, Recon Co. set up squad sized OP's. 1st squad at 825060. After dark 3d plt. Recon will move to 839069. Will set night position there. At 1500, 2d plt. Recon Co. will truck to 839151. Will patrol South and set in squad sized OP's in that location. 1st squad at 809076. 2d squad at 807060. Will remain in these positions for a period of 48 hours, unless detected. 1st plt. "K" Co. returned to CP at 1st light. 2d plt. "K" Co. conducted a security patrol from night position to 841155. Boarded trucks and returned to CP at 0800. 1st plt. "K" Co at 1800, will truck to 841155. Will conduct night ambush vicinity 817149. 1st squad 3d plt. "K" Co. patrolled from OP 225 to 857083. Returned to 225. Plans: 3d plt. Recon will lift from night position to Bn CP. 1st plt. "K" Co. will return by truck to Bn CP. 2d plt. Recon Co. will maintain OP's as reported.		

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1445			Bn Med Team visited village of THUY PHU and treated 175 persons. JAC continues to improve roads and build heads in all villages. MLR - 99% - 99%	S
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1445		10	Fr 2/3: XXI Plans: F-1 patrol 050630 to 071700. 2 squad, 1 machine gun and 81 FO checkpoints at 1. (867750). Mission to search out and destroy all VC units in area. One squad ambush at (890770) 4 Sept (night). F-2 fire team OP-LP at (914763) 4 Sep 2000 to 0600 patrol 050600 to 051500 1 squad 1 machinegun. Patrol checkpoint 1. (906755) 3. (904754) 5. (890755) 8. (894722) 9. (902772) 10. (903964). Mission to search out and destroy all VC in area. F-3 patrol (050600) to (051700) 1 squad 1 machinegun checkpoint 1. (907745) 3. (895723) 5. (895750) 8. (902772) 10. (906764). Mission to search and destroy all VC units in area. Following coordinate area to be checked out in route (893745)(895744) (896740)(984740) mission to search and destroy all VC units in area. "E" Co. improving positions and resting, two LVT's reported in. VIP arrived and departed. Plan ambush tonight at (893826) and (892817). E-2 patrol #2 (915819) departure time (1400).	S
1520		11	Fr 3/4: On 2 Sep, the JAC in conjunction w/National Police & RF, swept through the village of HOA PHUONG (YD 911160) Captured 3 VCS and sent them to DA NANG.	
2359		12	JOURNAL CLOSED	
			All units established ambushes and patrolling in their assigned areas of responsibility. 1stBn 1stMar engaged small party of VC. No enemy contact reported by other units.	

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0225		1	Fr 2/3: No contact, nothing unusual to report	Div
0535		2	Fr 2/3: Situation same, negative contact.	S
0840		3	Fr 3/4: At 041850H the Op from Recon-3 saw 20 VC moving NW in the vicinity of 819058. They were wearing camouflaged utilities and covers. Also had bushes on covers for camouflage. Had rifles & packs. Artillery fired. negative surveillance.	S, Div
0950		4	Fr 3/4: H&S (-), "I" & JAC (-) had a blocking position from 808153 to 850168 from 1st light to 0850. ARVN picked up 43 VC's. Negative contact for 3/4 units.	S
1020		5	Fr 2/3: G-3 will be relieved by G-1 this PM. Base camp at 881750. G-1 night base camp at 882750. Ambush at 881785. Patrol limit tomorrow, 885096. Check point 1 is 871786, #2 is 865790. Local ambushes at 883796, 901901. FWM fire 106mm at 1300H today.	S
1030		6	Fr 2/3: "H" has started sweep.	Div
1040		7	Fr 2/3: "E" negative contact, improving positions. E-2 returned at 0700. OP at 895822. E-3 replaces E-2 as mobile patrol. Squad size ambushes at 889811, 888825.	S
1225		8	Fr 2/3: F-2 has fire team OP/LP at 914764. Will have squad (Rein) patrol tomorrow from 0600-1500 to check-points at 933774, 906775 & back to F-2 CP. Mission is to search & destroy VC forces along patrol route. F-3 squad size ambush tonight at 914756. F-3 at 1205H was at 905752.	S
1255		9	Fr 2/3: F-3 at 908752. Picked up VC's at 894745 this AM with ID card. VC's was following patrol when he was seen by patrol; ran when seen. F-1 found & destroyed anti-personnel mine at about 1050H at 871774. 3 sticks, along side of trail as well as punji traps in vicinity of mine, XX Also found bear trap in area of mine, which was destroyed.	Div
1330		10	Fr 3/4: Night Operations: L-3-1, L-2-1, E-3-1, E-3-2 & L-1-3: security patrols. K-2 trucked to 841155, moved to 812158. Had contact with estimated 7 VC. Received 2 WIA who were evacuated to SAIGON. Continued mission to 807158. Set in night ambush there. No confirmed VC casualties. K-2 trucked to OP at 1st light. Recon-3 moved from night position to 842071 & lifted to Bn CP. K-1-1 maintained squad OP at 899071. Moved at 1230 and joined the rest of the platoon at 890092. Will set night ambush vicinity daylight position. (unknown at this time). "I" and 1st & 2nd squads of JAC with H&S (-) set in blocking position N of	

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1330			highway 1 from 852168 to 862160 for 1st ARVN Div sweep.	
Cont'd			ARVN apprehended 43 VCs. After sweep (1000H), 1st & 2nd	
			squads of JAC returned to their villages and conducted	
			security patrols (villages of THUY LUONG & THUY TAN).	
			At 1300 Recon-1 is trucking to 841155. Will conduct	
			recon patrol to 823109. Will set in high ambushes	
			vicinity grid squares 7911, 8011, K-2 will truck at	
			1800H to 841155. Set in ambushes vicinity grid sq.,	
			8014, 8015, 8114, & 8115. 3d Marine squad with 3d Plt.,	
			JAC conducted security patrols in THUY PHU. "I" now	
			lifting to CHU LAI. Will come under OPCON of 4th Mar.	
			Trng: Tanks & ATs had a FIREX. "K" & "L" having mater-	
			ial maintenance. Plans: OpnO 30-65. MMR: same.	S
1450		11	Fr 1/1: D-1 (-) (Rein) with light section of tanks	
			will have patrol tomorrow from 0700-1600 to following	
			check points: 1P - 946706, (1) 938705, (2) 922708, (3)	
			902704, (4) 901683, (5) 901664, (6) 914667, (7) 934667.	
			Patrol overlay to follow.	S
1630		12	Fr 2/3: "G" ambushes night of 6-7 Sep: 895805, 895797,	
			898801. G-1 patrol base 6-7 Sep: 873723, ambush	
			875787. Patrol 7 Sep: from 873723 to 863793.	S
1645		13	Fr 1/1: Mine electrically detonated at 944675. WIA in	
			good condition. Wounds on left side from legs up. Was	
			wearing flack jacket. Squad patrol on the road saw	
			the blast as large as a hand grenade. Black powder.	
			Have fragments.	Div
1701		14	Fr 2/3: "F" plans for 6-7 Sep: F-1 patrol to continue	
			patrol operations from present base camp until 1700	
			7Sep, when they will return to "F" CP. F-2 & 3 will	
			work on defensive positions and conduct unit level	
			training. Tomorrow night F-2 has an OP/LP at 911764	
			F-3 tomorrow night will have fire team sized LP/OP at	
			916747. Squad ambush at 908740. "E": tomorrow E-3	
			becomes mobile patrol base commencing 1000H for about	
			3 days. Will operate E of "E" position. Ambush for	
			"E" position. Ambush for "E" tomorrow night at	
			889826 & 895817. Rest of "E" will conduct unit level	
			training & continue to improve defensive positions.	S
1905		15	Fr 1/1: At 051615H A-1 received sniper fire from 3	
			directions - negative friendly casualties. They have	
			been receiving sporadic firing for 2 1/2 hours. Squads	
			searching area receiving fire from snipers behind them.	
			A few VC have been seen and fired on with negative	
			results. (AT 901771).	Div

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1955		16	Fr 2/3: "E", "G", "H", situation same. F-1 on patrol. F-2 manning LPs/OPs. F-3 squad ambush in place.	Div
2120		17	Fr 2/3: "H" Co. situation remains the same. 2/3 Co is at "H" Co. position.	S
2200		18	Fr 1/1: "B" Co patrol report: "B" recon patrol left position looking for turnoff at 940665. Continued on could not find turn off. Reports unable to find road nearby as large as the one he was travelling on. Rest of mission to check bridges. Counted 14 bridges all blown in 1 way or another. Near and/or throughout LA CHAU 2. Found roads cut by trenches alternating left and right. Impassable for most vehicles. Some areas impassable for mules and mules. Upon reaching sk turn-around point, in returning, received sniper fire from East Side of road. (2) DUYEN SON #4: Wide turn in road from vicinity DUYEN son 3. (3) Half-way DUYEN SON 2&3 received .30 caliber MG fire. (4) Vicinity 942670 point below LA CHAU 2. Patrol expended 260 rounds. Also 4 - M79 rounds. No confirmed kills. Additional information on mine near LA CHAU 2: Investigated area after explosion. Appears to have been tied to branch w/wire. Detonating probably electric. (1) 2 farmers walking away from area on same side as mine. (2) 1 man on bike on same side of road. (3) Our man on opposite side of road around plant where mine was staked there was a black circle.	S-2
2300		19	Fr 1/1: Sierra position reports receiving 5 rounds small arms fire from azimuth of 90 degrees, approximately 600 yards.	Div
2355		20	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. no change.	S
2359		21	JOURNAL CLOSED. All units maintaining ambushes, patrols and improving positions in their assigned area of responsibility. 1/1 receiving sporadic sniper fire. No contact reported by other units.	

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0050:		1	Fr 1/1: AN/TPS-21 picked up 12 or more VC vicinity AT 902657. Artillery fired on them. Reported by AN/TPS-21 on target. Only 6 or more remained in sound. They moved approximately 30 meters, apparently thinking artillery was only H&I and remained. Second mission called, reported on target again. No more movement detected by AN/TPS-21. Dawn patrol has been requested to check out area. AN/TPS-21 will remain on target area for remainder of night.	Div, S
0200:		2	Fr 2/3: "E", "F" & "G" report negative contact, all quiet.	S
0545:		3	Fr 2/3: "G" & "E" situation same, negative contact.	S
0546:		4	Fr 1/1: "B" Co., took under fire by 3 to 4 VC.	S-2
0635:		5	Fr 2/3: "G" Co., all ambushes are in, negative contact.	S
1315:		6	Fr 2/3: Plans: "G" patrol from G-1 8 Sep to coordinates 871784. Checkpoint (1) 869792 (2) 868788. Departure time 1500H. Ambush for 7/8 Sep G-1 at 875795. Local ambush for "G" 892798, 893805, 898801. "F" 6/7 Sep F-1 returns from patrol 1700 7 Sep. F-2 has a fire team OP/LP at 911764. F-3 has OP/LP at 916747. Squad ambush F-3 at 908740. "F" future plans for 1300 7 Sep to 1300 8 Sep: F-1 squad ambush at 887776. F-1 squad OP/LP at 902776. F-2 fire team OP/LP at 910761. F-3 platoon (Rein) patrol to following G.S. 8675, 8775. Checkpoint (1) 908751 (4) 905765 (7) 893766 (10) 873758. Patrol leaves 071930H and returns 101600H.	S
1410:		7	Fr 1/1: Sitrep: Continues to defend TAOR. During reporting period the Bn. conducted 4 patrols and 2 ambushes. Activities: (a) operations: The Bn maintained defensive position and continued aggressive patrolling. (1) At 051615 Co "A" patrol base received sniper fire from different directions in vicinity AT 901711, fire was returned, no friendly casualties. Platoon returned to Co., defensive area at 060700H. (2) Co., "B" squad size patrol conducted road recon at 051515 down road to vicinity AT 937637. 1 WIA was suffered in vicinity AT 937636 from directional type mine.	S
1510:		8	Fr 2/3: E-1 (rein) continues occupancy main defense. E-2 (rein) occupies defenses at north bridge. E-3 to patrol G. S. 9082, 9182, 9081, 9181. Ambushes for 7 Sep at 889818, 897825. Ambushes for 8 Sep at 889809, 867825.	S
1715:		9	Fr 2/3: F-1 has displaced to coordinates 868747. F-1 ambush tonight at 864748.	S

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0017		1	Fr 2/3: "F-1" and "G" situation same.	S
0355		2	Fr 1/1: At 0320 a fire team fr D-3 saw 3 or 4 VC vicinity 945711. Took them under fire, searched area with negative results.	S-2
0813		3	Fr 2/3: "F" Co negative contact last night. Patrol will reach area this afternoon where artillery was fired last night at reported enemy forces. Will check to see if there are any wounded civilians.	Div
0840		4	Fr 2/3: F-1 base camp same, will have two patrols from 0730 to 1100. 1st patrol checkpoints at (1) 870742 (2) 876742 (3) 874744. 2nd Patrol (1) 871751 (2) 876751 (3) at 873749. E-3 base camp at 905832.	Div
1135		5	Fr 2/3: F-1 patrol base camp at 869752. Patrol is returning from checkpoint 3 to base camp. Are 150 meters to the south southeast.	Div
1240		6	Fr 1/1: A-3 patrol reports no enemy contact. Rice fields heavy with water vicinity checkpoint (1). People in boats observed. Very few males in village. All children remained in huts. Shell crater at A1925884 in village. Mine field at AT 922677.	Div
1320		7	Fr 3/4: Security for last night was provided by 3d squad, 3d plt. "L", 3d sqd, 2d plt. "L", 3d sqd, 3d plt. "L", 3d sqd, 2d plt "M" and 2d sqd, 3d plt "M". The JAC conducted night ambush village of THUY LUONG, this was 1st plt. Today's OPs: 1st plt "K" conducted security patrol from night point to base camp. Will truck to 865105 and set in night ambush that vicinity. Will return to base camp 1st light. 2d plt "K" trucked to base camp at 1st light. This evening they will truck to 841155. Will patrol to G.S. 830150 will set in night ambush that vicinity. Will return 1st light. Recon Co. will move by truck to 900097. Will move to set up night ambush in G.S. 9005, 9004, 8904, 8903. Plans for tomorrow: "K" will assume airfield defense. 1st plt "K" will relieve platoon on 225. "M" will truck 1 plt., to 891077. Will establish a 48 hour patrol base at area of operations is bounded by north-south grid line 8891 area of operations east-west grid line 0509. Will conduct night ambushes in area of operations. "L" will truck 1 plt to 835144. Will establish 48 hour patrol base. Area of operations is bordered by north-south grid line of 8083. East-west grid line 1215. Recon Co. will stand by to move as ordered. Thursday's operations. "M" and "L" will continue daylight patrols and night ambushes in area of operations. Recon Co. will move to area bordered by	

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1320				north-south grid lines 7982, east-west grid lines 0912.
Continued				Will set in 3 ambushes that area. People to people:
				Woman having trouble with childbirth in village of
				THUY LUONG was transported to HUE PHU BAI hospital. A
				medical team went to village of THU and treated 175
				persons. 1 case of pheomounia. Majority skin infection,
				worms and colds. MMR remains the same.
1500			8	Fr 1/1: From 061200 to 071200. 1st Bn continues to
				defend TAOR. Bn conducted one helo patrol, one foot
				patrol and three night ambushes. Operations: At 0235
				Co "A" fired 20 rounds small arms at one VC vicinity
				of 915732 area searched, negative results, no friendly
				casualties. At 062345 Co "C" one WIA in vicinity of
				944682, happened where one man moved from one position
				to another and was mistaken for VC. WIA was helo evac
				at 0030. At 0320 Co "D" observed 3 or 4 VC in vicinity
				of 945711, taken under fire and a search was conducted
				with negative results. No friendly casualties, at
				070915 Co "D" received one round sniper fire from
				vicinity of 937716. Two fire teams searched area with
				negative results. No friendly casualties. At 070612,
				Co "A" had squad size patrol to area bounded by 890650,
				920680, 920680, 890650 to investigate results of
				artillery fire. Results negative. At 0658 Co "A" plt
				patrol departed PPB on foot recon patrol from PPB to
				905682 to 921673 to PPB. Patrol reports no contact.
				Rice paddies heavy with water. People in boats vicinity
				905682, few males in village, mine field vicinity
				922677, returned at 1057 this A. M., no contact. At
				062130 Co "C" established squad size ambush vicinity
				943674. One VC with weapon was observed in La Chau #2.
				VC disappeared before he was fired upon. VC was not
				seen again as ambush returned at 070700. 2-3-C dis-
				covered an M-26 frag grenade booby-trap. Trap was not
				armed and has been delivered to this HQ. No other enemy
				contact established. At 062200 Co "B" had squad
				size ambush vicinity of 925717 negative contact. No
				change in Company CP location.
1610			9	Fr 1/1: Squad ambushes tonight: "A" 913737, D-1 910705,
				D-3 926703, "C" 914677.
1833			10	Fr 2/3: "H" Co. will conduct civic action patrols at
				080800 in vicinity 943796 to 942788 and vicinity
				962801 to 871796.

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1855		11	Fr 1/1: BINH TAY (At HIEU DUC) believes VC Bn. may move to KHUONG MY #2. Await further info. Possible attack on OP Sierra (HUE DUC). Unconfirmed. Liaison officer there rates this info as speculation.	S-2
2015		12	Fr 3/4: In reference to your last message, sitrep follows: At 061550H, 1st plt. recon Co. had an OP located at 797109. Spotted approximately 20 men carrying weapons, moving from south to north. Held a fire mission on them. "M" Btry fired a mission, OP observed, excellent effect on target. Estimate 50% KIA w/possible 100% WIA.	S
2315		13	Fr Div via S-2: Secret Agent for HOA VANG District Hq reports 17 VC KIA against USMC, 6 Sep in LA BONG (1) & (2) vicinity 970670. VC now burying KIA's vicinity 964660.	S
2348		14	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. situation same, negative contact.	S
2359		15	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their assigned areas of responsibility. Minor enemy contact by 1/1. Fr 3/4, reports of 20 VC moving south to north.	

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0027		1	Fr 1/1: "D" Co CP sentry saw 3 men in rice paddies coordinates 940717 at 072345. Fired at them, they fired one round back. "D" Co threw hand illumination. Presently have fire team w/sniper scope checking the area.	Div
0133		2	Fr 1/1: "C" Co at 080110 at 954682 received 7 or 8 small arms rounds from across river. Are searching area and will return fire when enemy position is found. Negative friendly casualties.	Div
0240		3	Fr 2/3: All units negative contact.	S
0805		4	Fr 2/3: At 0745 125 wood cutters moved out of HOA DINH AT 886786.	now at S-2
0905		5	Fr Div G-2: Div AO at 0830H located at (AT 871793) and (AT 890794) observed 100 people dressed in black PJ's moving east to west. On approach of aircraft they did not attempt to hide, but broke up into small groups and went in several directions	2/3 S
1135		6	Fr 1/1: "A" Co. in LZ area. LZ is secured, will move in southerly direction to patrol base (1). "D" Co. is at 887677 enroute to patrol base (1).	Div
1250		7	Fr 1/1: "C" Co. patrol found a grenade on roadway tied to bamboo bush with a slack trip wire leading into rice paddy suggesting intention to detonate mine by an individual waiting in hiding. No VC were in vicinity. Wire secured grenade to stake, nonfilament line used to activate grenade fuze. M-26 grenade at (AT 943673) vicinity of 1A CHAU #2.	S S-2
1330		8	Fr 3/4: 2-14L, 1-1-L, 2-2-M, 1-3-M all had security patrols. 4th Plt JA Co. night ambush at village of LOC BON. 1st Plt of JA Co. night ambush in village of THUY LUONG. Recon Co. night ambush at 904045, returned to base camp by truck at 0800. 1st and 2nd plt Co "K" returned by truck to base camp from night position. 1st Plt "K" Co., relieved 3d Plt "K" Co on hill 225. At 1400 "M" Co. will truck 1st plt to 881077 establish patrol base in area of operation bounded by north-south grid line 8891, east-west grid line 0509. At 1900 "L" Co. trucked 2d plt to 835144 established patrol base in area of operation bounded by north-south grid line 8083, east-west grid line 1215. Plans: "L" Co. to patrol in area of operation. Recon Co. move to area bounded by north-south grid line 7982, east-west grid line 0912, set in their ambushes in area of operation. Friday Plans: 1st Plt Co "M" return to base camp by truck at 1st light. 3d plt "M" Co. truck to	

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1330			889087, set up 48 hour patrol base in area bordered by north-south grid line 9093, east-west grid line 0705.	
Cont'd			2d Plt Co "L" return to base camp by helo. 1st Plt. Co "L" helo lift to 848085 set in ambush in area bounded by north-south grid line 8486, east-west 0709, helo back to base camp Saturday A.M. Recon Co. will have a search and block operation from night position to 797108. MTR Positions - 99%, wire - 99%.	S
1530		9	Fr 1/1: As of 1330 today A-1 patrol had searched the town of Tan An Phuong AT 862735. Discovered nothing unusual. Found 2 suspicious civilians, later cleared by interpreters. Platoon moving to PFB.	S
1640		10	Fr 1/1: Patrols for Friday. "A" Co (Rein) plt. patrol: IP - 915736 to checkpoint (1) 903729 (2) 899723. Platoon patrol base - 889727 to (1) 888715 (2) 902713 (3) 909724. "D" Co (rein) plt patrol IP at 941711. Checkpoint (1) 918701. Platoon patrol base at 906701. Checkpoint (1) 898702 (2) 912705 (3) 937708.	S
1659		11	Fr 2/3: Via S-2: "G" Co informer: Additional 2 VC Companies moving into Nam Yen (AT 847858) to one already there. CO of one is LAN DEN. Companies are along river harvesting rice and getting ready to attack during monsoon. Have following weapons: 1-machinegun, 2-81mm mortars, 6-Brenguns & 1 or 2 57MM RR.	S
1712		12	Fr 1/1: D-2 recon patrol looking for ambush sites observed two men who ran when they saw patrol. D-2 fired at men and they dropped a suitcase containing 2 khaki shorts, 2 black PJ's, one section of parachute, 2 note books with no writing in them. The men fled to DONG BICH (1) 892681.	S-2
1805		13	Fr 1/1: Night ambushes for tonight: "A" at 907732, 926684, & 920691. "C" at 950673. "D" at 917705.	Div
1910		14	Fr 1/1: "C" received 5 rounds from cemetery at their front at 946679. Fire was returned, searched area with negative results.	Div
2035		15	Fr 1/1: Ambush for "D" patrols: 890676, 880672. For "A" patrol: 858725.	Div
2359		16	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			1stBn 1stMar receiving sniper fire intermittently. All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their assigned area of responsibility. VC contact by other units limited.	

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0400		1	Fr 2/3: P no contact, nothing unusual to report.	S
0404		2	Fr 2/3: G nothing unusual to report, no contact.	S
0635		3	Fr 1/1: NIEU DUC DistHq reported to or at 0615H hearing sporadic small arms 1000 meters SE thier position. 1/1 has no one in the area. C also reports hearing small arms & possible grenades fr same area.	S-2
0655		4	Fr 1/1: At 0630H C ambush at 953673 received 2 rounds; sniper fire. Returned fire, which resulted in explosions reported searching area.	S
0830		5	Fr 2/3: EI patrol base 916814. Patrol limit 923819. EI ambush tonight at 925816.	Div
1320		6	Fr 3/4: Night Opns: Sqd & plat security provided by 3-1-I, 3-3-L, 1-2-K & 2-1-K. 3d sqd JAC conducted night ambush in TRUY PHU. today O ns: MI maintained patrol base at 891078, will conduct night ambushes in area of opns. Recon not or are trucking to 841155, will move by foot to 816105, set up patron base & will conduct 3 night ambushes in area of opns. Training: Plans - in accordance with OpOrder 32-65. Artillery fired 17 H&I missions. 1 missions in support of ARVN, target was VCSs. Fired 13 "will adjust" practice missions & 1 "fire for effect". 155s fired 31 HE & 2 illuminations rounds. 105s fired 94 HE, 105 same.	S
1450		7	Fr 1/1: Continues to operate in assigned TAOR by sending out aggressive combat patrols and establishing night ambushes fr defensive positions along MLR. C is tied in with G 2/9 at TAOR boundary & on lines & defesive position with patrol ing 400 meters to front. O ns: (1) at 081845H; C received 5 rounds sniper fire fr cemetery in vicinity 946679, fire was returned & search of area conducted with negative results. No US-C cas. (2) at 082315H; in vicinity of 957683, received 1 round sniper fire at 955681, was 900-1000 meters. Fire not returned. (3) AT 090630H C received 2 rounds sniper fire were heard; fr vicinity 953673 & fire was restuned. Shortly afterward 3 explosions were heard fr vicinity of sniperfire. Area was searched & 1 small crater was found. Opinion was: sniper possibly tripped VC booby trap. No friendly cas. (4) AT 090710H C CP reported villagers had body of an old man who died of wounds in back. Patrols: (1) A plat (rein) continues aggressive recon combat patrols in AOI Ambushes: 8 rounds/ sqds sized ambushes were established after the hour of darkness & were in position by 082100H. All ambush sqds returned to the PFB of Co area by 090900H. Ambushes were established vicinity 907732, 026685, 880672	S

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			: 820691, 950673, 917705, 890676, 859725. Negative contact :	
			: at which all position except for A sqd ambush vicinity :	
			: 859725 at which was observed 3 VC. 2 were captured and :	
			: questioned by interpreter. 1 was VCC, other other was VCS :	
			: 2 were captured and questioned by interr. Search for :	
			: 3d person was negative. VC & VCS were heli-evac to Regt :	
			: at 091230H. :	
1500		8	: Fr 2/3: F3 patrols base fr 090.50 to 091430H at 871760. : S	
			: Fr 091500H to 901800H. Patrol base at 874751. F 3 has :	
			: sqd recon patrol to 879759, 872759, 875759, 090730 to :	
			: 231330H :	
1525		9	: Fr 1/1: Plan to screen & search village vicinity 908693 : S	
			: at first light on 12 S pt. :	
1710		10	: Fr 1/1: Plans to or for 11 Sep: 1 plat fr d to move : Div	
			: patrol base at 905704. 4 hours prior to first light :	
			: will move to blocking position fr 903697 to 907891. 1 lat :	
			: plat fr D will move to 921689 then prior to first light :	
			: move to 915689. 1 ARVN platoon will move prior to first :	
			: light to 91692 & 913696 to search village. On other hand :	
			: both platoons will move back to CLR. Ambushes for 11 Sep :	
			: sqd size A 907736, 903717, B 966737, C 954675, D 915701 :	
1725		11	: Fr 1/1: Engrs with 1 fire team fr C take under fire at : S	
			: cemetery vicinity 953676. No casualties at that time. :	
			: Send 2d fire team to pursue sniper(s) who appeared to go :	
			: into 1A CHAU (3). Asfled fired 809 rounds, hitting 1 USMC :	
			: in the hand. :	
1750		12	: Fr 1/1: All moving fr IFB to check point 6. will establish S-2	
			: ambush & notify of position. H1EU DUC requested helo for :	
			: med-evac. Pick up at 8271715. LZ secure, will mark with :	
			: green smoke :	
2224		13	: Fr 2/3: H Co no contact, nothing unusual to report. : S	
2230		14	: Fr 2/3: 2/3 CO, H Co & LVTs nothing to report, no contact S	
2359		15	: Journal Closed. :	
			: All units establish ambush sites within their respective :	
			: areas of responsibility Sporadic sniper fire reported :	
			: by all units. The capture of three VCS was during this :	
			: period. :	

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	OUT	NO		
0025		1	Fr 1/1: The 2d plt Co. "D" located (AT 933718) received tracer fire from carbines from two or more VC located (AT 931717). Fire was returned, it was believed one VC had been hit so area was illuminated and search party went out with negative results. One USMC was slightly WIA (non-evac) in this action. Contact has stopped.	S-2, Div
0200		2	Fr 2/3: "G" & "F" situation same, no contact.	S
1105		3	Fr 2/3: "G" Co observed 3 VC, 2 w/auto weapons at 884797 wearing black PJ's and straw hats. "G" Co is sending one squad w/one machinegun after them. One squad from mobile combat patrol is setting up blocking position.	S
1130		4	Fr 3/4: 1st Plt. JAC, repairing bridge in their village (Thuy Luong). 2d & 4th plts are conducting patrols in their villages (2d Thuy Tan), (4th Loc Bon). 3d plt conducted a patrol and is now back in their CP in Thuy Phu.	S
1230		5	Fr 2/3: "G" reports negative results in search for VC. But did capture 3 VCs, one old man and 2 woman.	S
1645		6	Fr 1/1: Ambushes - "D" Co has two at coord (928715) and (937722). "A" Co. has one at coord (887714)	S
1750		7	Fr 2/3: F-1 ambush tonight at 836768.	S
1920		8	Fr 2/3: G-3 at 854797 negative contact. Plans: Base camp at 835798, ambush at 835796. Tomorrow night base camp at 829788, ambush at 835787 and 849787.	S
1934		9	Fr 1/1: Co. is receiving fire from hill 22. HE has been fired. Flares have also been fired.	Div
1950		10	Fr 2/3: PA Team at Lay My 8 Sep. Value F-3: 1 VC Bn. located at 895886. Bn. Cmdr. is TO VAN DUNG. They have 1-81mm mortar, 2-60mm mortars, 3 heavy machineguns, 1-Chez auto-rifle, 30 Automatic rifles, 1-3.5, 1-SKZ and other individual weapons. Each man has yellow-green uniform and 1 black uniform. They are preparing for an attack. One demolition plt. will blow up road and bridges. 1 Co. will block reinforcements. VC Co. Cmdr is DEO AE V.N. Remainder of Bn., will attack Nam O bridge. Time is to be at end of month. "E" will have 1 plt. ambush at 8984, from 2200 to 1st light. "DREAM" will provide transportation to position and will stay with ambush until their return.	S
2040		11	Fr 2/3: H-3 negative contact, situation same. F-1 negative contact. F-1 location 829771.	Div
2125		12	Fr 2/3: H-2 plt. to conduct search and clear mission to start 110700H will land at approx coord: 924842 sweep to coord: 909838. Immediately thereafter "H" move to coord: 913835 and search and clear areas to: 903832. Will use DREAM units for movement. Operation expected to last until 111400H. E-1 is unit establishing ambush in GS 8984, tonight. Will remain in position until H (-) completes search and clear mission.	Div
2125		13	Fr 2/3: F-1 patrol negative contact. F-2 fire team OP/LP negative contact. F-3 one ambush OP/LP negative contact.	S
2217		14	Fr 2/3: D-1 now across river and moving into position.	S

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0337		1	Fr 2/3: F-1 has patrol. F-2 has OP/LPs. F-3 has 1 ambush and 1 squad OP/LP. "G" & "E" situation same, negative contact. H-3 & LVTs situation same, negative contact.	S
0545		2	Fr 2/3: "E", "F" & "G" Cos situation same, no contact.	S
0815		3	Fr 2/3: H(-) commencing initial sweep.	S
0930		4	Fr 2/3: G-1 ambush at 886796. G-2 ambush at 892804, all squad size.	S
1112		5	Fr 2/3: H(-) has completed sweep. Are starting 2d sweep, now at 914833.	Div
1210		6	Fr 2/3: F-1 will have 1 patrol from 1330 to 1700H today. Checkpoint 1-847756, 2-843753, 3-839765.	S
1240		7	Fr 2/3: "H" Co. has completed both search and clear mission. Present location 909831. Will proceed to Bn. CP.	Div
1345		8	Fr 3/4: Last Nights Opns: 3-2-1, 1-2-1, 3-3-K, 1-3-1 conducted security patrols. 1-3-M established ambush at 892102 and 3-3-M established ambush at 894094. 1st plt "L" Co., conducted patrol vicinity 848082. Lifted to base camp this morning. This morning, the JAC maintained security in their AOR's. At 1330, JAC w/ H&S(-) set in blocking position at 932158 for an ARVN sweep. "M" Co. departed for DA NANG and "I" Co., is returning from DA NANG. Tonight: 3d plt., "L" Co., will truck to hill at 835144 and establish 48 hour patrol base within the area. Bounded by G.L. 8034 and 0912 and conduct night ambush. Will return to base camp by patrolling to hill at 835144, then will board trucks to BC. 2d plt., Recon, will lift to 902350 and conduct ambush there. Will return at first light on 12 Sep by helo. 2d and 4th plts will establish night ambushes in their areas of responsibility. 3d plt will establish night security in their CP. 1st plt. "K" Co. will move by truck and foot and establish patrol base within G.S.'s 9006, 9106 and 9206 for period of 48 hours. Will conduct night ambush in that area. Will return to base camp at 1st light on 14 Sep. 1 plt "L" Co. will establish ambush after dark within G. S.'s 8214, 8215, 8315 and 8314. Will return at 1st light. (2 plt sized ambushes) "C" Recon will set plt CP within G.S.'s 8006, 8007, 8106 and 8107. Will return to Bn. CP on 14 Sep. JAC will operate within CP area of responsibility all week. Monday, Recon Co. 1st and 2nd plts and Hq Plt., will depart for DA ANANG. 3d plt: Recon will continue operating in GS's 8106, 8107, 8007: and 8006. "K" Co. will continue 48-hour operations.	

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1345			"I" Co. 1 plt will move by truck and foot and estab-	
Cont'd			lish patrol base within GS's 8010, 8011, 8110, 8111 for	
			48 hours.	S
1700		9	Fr 1/1: "C" at 111355 friendly units at 941672 enemy	
			contact at 941672 near rice paddy. On sweep WIA caused	
			by M-2 booby trap wire near La Chau.	Div
1705		10	Fr 1/1: "C" 111630 enemy at 938676 sniper round received	
			by right flank about 5 to 6 returned fire, no friendly	
			casualties, no enemy casualties.	Div
1750		11	Fr 2/3: F-1 has one ambush leaving at 2000 to set in	
			ambush at 865775. Base camp located 839775 until 0530.	Div
1752		12	Fr 3/4: Addition to Sitrep: 1st plt. "I" Co. mission	
			for tonight to move by foot to 905104. Set in mg. night	
			ambush. Return to CP at 0630.	Div
1930		13	Fr 1/1: Co. "C" received 8-10 rounds of sniper fire	
			from 2 VC in vicinity of AT 957676.	Div
2220		14	Fr 1/1: Receiving sniper fire about 200 meters south	
			of Bn CP, G. S. 9471. Firing illumination.	Div
2240		15	Fr 1/1: All quiet.	S
2359		16	JOURNAL CLOSED	
			All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their	
			assigned area of responsibility. Enemy contact	
			light. 1/1 receiving sporadic sniper fire.	

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	OUT	NO		
0125		1	Fr 2/3: G-2 situation same, negative contact.	Div
0300		2	Fr 1/1: At 0115, 1-2 "C" located at 956680 was engaged in a fire fight. Total of 10 grenades were thrown by enemy. Two of them landed in a fox hole on a 3.5, results 2 WIA which were med-evac'd. Fire fight lasted approximately 1 hour. Company CO with (rein) squad is at position now.	Div
0339		3	Fr 1/1: Company CO of "C" Co says VC strength approx 12 and seem to have come from La Chau (3). There is also bell rining coming from La Chau (3) which seems to be some sort of signal.	Div
0400		4	Fr 2/3: "G", "E" and "F" - negative contact.	S
0450		5	Fr 2/3: "D" Co. is moving from AT 9371 to assembly area for sweep of Khuong My (2) this morning.	Div
0455		6	Fr 2/3: G-1 is at the LOD.	Div
0730		7	Fr 1/1: "D" has surrounded Khuong My (2) and started their sweep.	S
0735		8	Fr 2/3: G-1 is in process of sweeping Trung Son. Negative contact.	Div
0755		9	Fr 1/1: Co. "D" incirclement of village (9169) complete. Tunnel found. ARVN fired into tunnel. Search continues - negative casualties.	Div
0950		10	Fr 1/1: D-2 at 0925 caught a VN with 1 loaded carbine magazine. Riding bike near village. Was taken to collection point.	S-2
1130		11	Fr 1/1: Med evac completed at 1110H. 3 evaced, 1 USMC treated at BAS. "D" still searching village. Have 2 VCs. 12 VC were in village last night, 5 still there this morning. D-2 wounded 1 and are still searching for him.	Div
1940		12	Fr 2/3: "F" ambush activated. "A" negative contact, "E" negative contact.	Div
2355		13	Fr 2/3: "E", E-2, "F" and "G" reported all quiet, negative contact.	S
2359		14	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their assigned areas of responsibility. Light enemy activity, (mostly sniping) was reported by all units.	

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0145		1	Fr 2/3: "E", "F", "G" and H-3 report no contact, nothing unusual to report.	Div
0830		2	Fr 1/1: Patrol farthest point of advance (Hill 41 934663) (Hill 22 954667).	S
1040		3	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. sent squad patrol out approximately 20 minutes ago. Patrol to go West to approximately 882797. Will be out approximately 2 hours.	Div
1330		4	Fr 3/4: Security Patrols: 1-2-K, 1-3-L and 1-1-L. 3-K position at 931064. Night position 2-L 820143. Operations Today: 3-I relieved 1-K on OP 225. 3-K moved from night position sk to 891094. Will move after dark. 2-L returned to CP by truck. 3-Recon OP in vicinity 805075 and 808080. 1-2-Recon departed for DA NANG. 1-3-1 security patrol from 225 to 841085 and back to 225. 1-L moved by foot and truck and set in patrol base in G.S. 8010, 8011 and 8110, 8111. Plans for the 14th: 3-Recon return to CP by helo. E-K return to CP by truck. 2-K moved by foot and established night ambush G.S. 9009, 9109, return CP at 1st light. 1-L continue night ambush from patrol base JA Co. operation in village. Operations for 15th: 2-2-K moved by foot and established night ambush G.S. 9009, 9109, return CP at first light. 3-L established night ambush in G.S. 8116, return to CP at first light JA Co. continues operation in village. MLR- same.	S
1950		5	Fr 1-1: A-1 patrol is 100 meters east of last reported coord. Now located at 885716. "A" Co. CO reports a 6x6 truck was driving down road a little after 1900H and was fired upon by 6 sniper rounds vic coord 923722.	S
2010		6	Fr 2/3: E-2 has reached position and set up ambush. Situation same, no contact. "G" Co. ambushes had been activated, situation same, no contact.	S
2135		7	Fr 1/1: G-3 received sniper fire and 1 grenade from La Chau (3) vicinity their position. "D" saw 3 VC vicinity 939721, illuminated area, saw nothing.	S
2328 2359		8	JOURNAL CLOSED. All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their assigned areas of responsibility. Enemy contact very minor.	

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OUT	NO		
0115	1	Fr 1/1: Co. "C" received a couple hand grenades in 1st plt., position and are receiving fire from their rear at LA CHAU (2). No report of casualties.	Div
0140	2	Fr 1/1: Further info on previous entry. 2 VC came from LA CHAU (2), threw 4-5 grenades and small arms fire. Returned fire. No known VC casualties. 1 USMC slightly wounded by shrapnel.	Div
0155	3	Fr 2/3: All units report negative contact.	S
0205	4	Fr 1/1: "C" fire is slowing down. 1 VC possibly wounded. Fired 2 M-79 rounds at him, VC fled to PHOUC NINH (1) AT 941672.	Div
0355	5	Fr 2/3: "E", "G", "F" & H-3, negative contact. situation same.	S
0623	6	Fr 2/3: "G" all patrols in, negative contact.	Div
0740	7	Fr 1/1: "D" Co. has one plt., in place in defensive positions in Co. area. 2 squads are moving on foot to BEN TAL. 1 plt., on standby in "B" Co. area. 1 squad riding tank enroute to objective. "C" Co. moved out at 0630 to link up with elements of "B" Co. Elements of C-1 moved position from Hill 22 to present position. C-1 (rein) is on Hill 22. C-2 will replace C-1 when action in south begins.	S
0800	8	Fr 1/1: C-1 is on Hill 22, C-2 is following in trace of C-1 and lead elements are on Hill 22. They have been directed to prepare to move into LA CHAU (5) and sweep the village on order. C-3 has crossed the LOD and is slowly following prescribed route. B-1 is on Hill 41. Reserve/reaction force, 1 plt., of "D" Co. is at AT 965711. 1 squad from "D" Co. is on tanks moving along prescribed route. At 0715 the tanks crossed the river. 2 other squad from "D" Co. are closing in on District Headquarters. They will remain there and tie in with B-1 on Hill 41. Only opposition encountered thus far is sporadic and ineffective sniper fire from vicinity AT 961669.	Div
1000	9	Fr 1/1: "AM" released 2 VCS (cleared by interpreter). Continuing search of BEN THA. Believe patrol found papers of intelligence value. Papers being sent to Bn CO. C-3 at 953680. Tanks last position 910668.	S
1045	10	Fr 1/1: C-3 will be moving out at 1200. Then will cross river heading south, while tanks and infantry will go east up the river.	Div.
1100	11	Fr 1/1: C-6: C-2 is moving toward LA CHAU (5). Receiving sniper fire from possible 2-3 snipers vicinity 958665. Moving platoon in on them now. More info to follow.	Div
1155	12	Fr 1/1: A-3 found a tunnel in vicinity 884713, blew tunnel up with grenade. In same location was a gate. They hooked a rope to the gate and pulled, detonating a booby trap attached to the gate. A-3 is now at 900720.	Div
1230	13	Fr 2/3: E-2 patrol base at 917821. Patrol to check points (1) 918824 (2) 918828 (3) 915826. Depart at 1130H.	S
1440	14	Fr 1/1: Patrol was crossing rice paddy when they saw the VC. 1 VC threw a grenade causing friendly casualties. 1 VC was KIA and his .45 cal auto weapon was recovered. A woman gave the alarm to the VC when	

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1440	:	:	:	she was the patrol. A tunnel was found in her house.	
continued:	:	:	:	1 booby trap was found and blown and also 3 bear	
:	:	:	:	traps found. 1 man, woman and her 2 children now	
:	:	:	:	waiting evac.	Div
1630	:	15	:	Fr 2/3: D-2 patrol base now at 918821.	S
1655	:	16	:	Fr 2/3: F-3 just departed on patrol to 848758.	Div
1735	:	17	:	Fr 2/3: E-2 will move to new base camp at 912826	
:	:	:	:	at 1800. Set up ambush at 908818.	Div
1851	:	18	:	Fr 1/1: "M" Cp at 967807.	Div
1900	:	19	:	Fr 1/1: "C" at hill 22, 1st plt. covering from	
:	:	:	:	hill 22 to river. 1 plt on hill 41. 1 plt "D" at	
:	:	:	:	LA CHAU (2). 1 plt (-) at SAHARA. 1 squad(rein) at	
:	:	:	:	932682.	Div
1920	:	20	:	Fr 1/1: A-3 patrol now located at AT 915715.	Div
1930	:	21	:	Fr 1/1: A-3 is setting up an ambush at 913714.	Div
2045	:	22	:	Fr 2/3: "G" ambush activated. "F" patrol is OP	
:	:	:	:	position for tomorrow's operation.	S
2100	:	23	:	Fr 1/1: "A" CP at 921729. A-1 at 920735. A-2	
:	:	:	:	921792. A-3 at 924732. "B" CP at 970743. B-1 at	
:	:	:	:	933662. B-2 at 967745 and 941755. B-3 at 973737.	
:	:	:	:	"C" CP at 945673. C-1 at 951665. C-2 at 956669.	
:	:	:	:	C-3 at 962669. "D" CP at 942719. D-1 at 940724.	
:	:	:	:	D-2 at 947673. D-3 at 933688 and 930678. "M" CP at	
:	:	:	:	969712.	S
2150	:	24	:	Fr 2/3: At 2050 H-3 observed ground and air flares	
:	:	:	:	at ESSO refinery, at 2130 observed auto-rifle fire	
:	:	:	:	from ESSO, at 2135 requested illumination at	
:	:	:	:	925848, illumination was fired and are still firing.	Div, S-2
2245	:	25	:	Fr Div: At 2200 request DA NANG, 12 rounds of 155	
:	:	:	:	mm He were fired north and northeast of ESSO Tank	
:	:	:	:	farm, illumination fired north of NAM O bridge.	
:	:	:	:	Determined by call to DA NANG after firing, that	
:	:	:	:	sniper fire at ESSO had stopped.	S
2359	:	26	:	XXXXXXXX JOURNAL CLOSED.	
:	:	:	:	All units maintaining security patrols and ambushes	
:	:	:	:	in their assigned areas of responsibility. 2/3 and	
:	:	:	:	3/4 negative contact. 1/1 receiving sniper fire.	
:	:	:	:	1/1 conducting sweep operation. Enemy contact was	
:	:	:	:	minor.	

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0125		1	Fr 2/3: H-3, "E", "G" and "F" all quiet.	S
0355		2	Fr 2/3: "E", "F", "G" and H-3, nothing unusual to report. Negative contact.	S
0400		3	Fr 2/3: E-2 situation same, no contact.	S
0558		4	Fr 2/3: "E", "F", G-3 and "H" situation same, no contact.	Div
0654		5	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. situation same, no contact.	Div
0705		6	Fr 1/1: C-1 is moving to sweep LA CHAU(5) at 0645.	Div
0730		7	Fr 2/3: LWT's effecting river blockade today. Taking 4 tractors out of Le My and sending 3 tractors to replace them.	Div
0735		8	Fr 1/1: C-1 is moving out in southeasterly direction towards dam site. They will sweep northeast along river to LA CHAU (5).	Div
0930		9	Fr 1/1: C-1 now sweeping LA CHAU (5) is running into many caves. Has taken 2 VCS's which they believe to have false documents.	S, S-2
0935		10	Fr 2/3: "G" has established LZ secured. 1st wave landed. F-2 situation same, negative contact.	S
0955		11	Fr 1/1: M-1 now moving out from 929689 to 911686 to 915678 to 930677 to 929689.	S
1007		12	Fr 1/1: At 0955 C-1 found cave that was booby trapped with hand grenade. Destroyed same. M-1 patrol relieved D-3 at District Headquarters. D-3 returned to their MLR. At 0955 M-3 moved to LA CHAU (2) to relieve D-2. D-2 will return to their MLR.	S
1025		13	Fr 1/1: M-1 has cleared KHUONG MY (1).	Div
1050		14	Fr 1/1: At 1023H M-1 picked up 1 VCS without ID card at 921689.	Div
1110		15	Fr 2/3: "F" reports all secure, no contact. G-2 reports first basket of rice picked up by helo, harvest continues. "E" reports artillery rounds impacting at 888853, check out artillery and NGF. Co CO saw red smoke in impact area.	S
1115		16	Fr 1/1: M-1 cleared KHUONG MY (4).	S
1205		17	Fr 1/1: 2 wounded VCS being med-evaced from 915678.	S
1330		18	Fr 3/4: SITREP: At 140700H a detail of S-2 scouts went to 839133. Set OP there. ETR is 160800H. Last Night: L-2-2, L-1-1, K-3-1, K-1-3 security patrols. JAC - security patrols in village. Night positions: "K" 891102; "L" 803114. Today: L-3 ambush at GS 8116. K-2 ambush in GS 9009. ETR for both - first Night. Recon Co. is in reserve today. Plans: Thur. K-1 will move by truck and foot to secret patrol base in GS 9005, 9105, 9205. L-2 move by truck and foot to patrol base at 831119 and conduct ambushes in GS 8013, 8012, 8112, 8113. Recon-3 to establish secret OPs in GS8008, 8009, 8108, 8109. Fri: K-1, L-2 and Recon-3 will continue operations in given areas. Artillery: 18 H&I, 6W/A. 9 check rounds on suspected positions. Ammo: 155mm - 49 HE, 105mm - 34 HE, 14 Smoke. MLR: same.	Div
1415		19	Fr 1/1: At 925685 M-1 received automatic fire from a house. 1 VCS ran out of house, then back in and patrol received another burst of fire. 2d VCS ran out of back of house and was pursued by a fire team at same time, patrol received fire from 200-300 meters to southwest. Entered house, found nothing. 1 USMC WIA slightly, by panji trap, evac not needed.	S

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OUT	NO	
1430	20	Fr 1/1: Popular Forces at LA CHAU (4) at base of hill 22 and 1/1 S-3 is informing all friendly units of this.
1520	21	Fr 1/1: Sitrep: General Summary: 1/1 continued to conduct offensive and defensive operations in assigned TAOR. Bn (-) is defending along MLR. 2 plt are defending Hawk missile site in N.E. sector. One squad is defending pass 939754. 1 Co.(Rein) with 2 rifle plts.(rein) are tied in with "G" Co. 2/9 at left boundary of TARO and is in defensive positions at coord 929688, 936664, 956667 and at 945673. Co. "C" (rein) with 1 plt. (rein) and Co. "M" with 1 plt (rein), Co. "B" with 1 light section of ONTOS and 1 light section of tanks continues to consolidate defensive positions at phase line orange. 1st Plt. Co. "C" swept S. E. of hill 22 to dam site and is sweeping N. E. to LA CHAU (5). Bn maintains an offensive posture by conducting extensive day and night combat patrols and night ambushes within TAOR. Co. "A" continues aggressive combat patrols (see Frag Order 7-65). Co. "A" swept BINH THAI and NINH AN results: 1 VC KIA and 4 captured. 1 friendly KIA and 2 WIA. Ambushes were established by this patrol in vic of 913714, with no contact. The patrol returned to MLR at 150800H. Co. "B" established a night ambush in vic of 953739, no enemy contact was made. The Bn. executed Op Order 126-65. 1 Plt(rein) of Co. "M" is presently on a combat patrol - routes previously submitted. Patrol apprehended 2 VC's at coord 924689 and called for med-evac of 2 wounded VCS's, at 915678. Activities: Operations: (1) At 141315H, 3d plt(rein) Co. "A" while on combat patrol sighted 4 VC in rice paddy at coord 907711. VC were fired on and maneuvered upon. One wounded VC threw a grenade in vic of fire team wounding 3 friendly. 2 VC escaped. 3 friendly WIA, one died enroute to hosp., 1 VC KIA, 1 VC weapon taken. (2) At 141323 Co. "C", 1st plt. swept through LA CHAU (4), 2 VC in village with man, wife and son. VC threw grenade and killed wife and son, and escaped. No friendly casualties. The dead were helo evacuated. (3) At 141425H Co. "A" reported 1 woman gave alarm for VC. Uncovered tunnel in hut. Found 1 booby trap, 3 bear traps in village of NINH AN. During sweep of village no friendly casualties. The man, woman and child in the hut were helo evac. (4) At 150645H Co. "C" 1st plt moved out to sweep LA CHAU (5). (5) At 150940H Co. "C" 1st plt is now sweeping LA CHAU (5), are running into many caves, have taken 2 VCS's. At 150955H, Co. "C" 1st plt came to a cave that was booby trapped with hand grenade. Booby trap was destroyed. No friendly casualties. Aerial search continues. (b) PATROLS: (1) At 141705H Co. "A" plt(rein) established its PPB in vic 915715. At 150700H Co. "A" plt(rein) returned to MLR, negative contact. (2) Co. "A" plt (rein) continues aggressive combat patrols in AOR. No enemy contact during reporting period. (3) At 150852 Co. "M" squad(rein) started combat patrol in:

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1520			CHAU MY (1) (3) and (4) and THUOC MINH (3). AMBUSHES:
Contd			(1) 141930H Co. "A" plt (rein) established ambush in
			vic 913714, negative contact. (2) 142000H Co. "B"
			established a squad sized ambush in vicinity 952729,
			negative contact. (5) Changes in location of Hq -
			none. (6) Changes in or establishment of new OP's -
			none. Training: Class in ambushes in Lessons Learned
			patrol action were conducted. How working on scouting
			and patrolling. Plans: Co's "A" and "D" will help
			lift a plt, and xxxxxx (-) into separated areas of
			responsibility and will conduct 48 hour combat
			patrols throughout AOR. AOR "A" bounded by 840695
			to coord 900695 to coord 900730 to coord 840730.
			AOR "D" bounded by coord 870650 to coord 910650 to
			coord 910690 to coord 870690. BTD 160700H. ETR
			181600H patrol route overlay to be submitted sep-
			arately. Co. "D" will establish a squad (rein) ambush
			at 921719. To be in position by 152000H. Co. "C"
			(min) continues to consolidate defenses on Phase
			line Orange and will continue to search and clear
			villages east and southeast of hill 22 in zone of
			action. (9) MISCELLANEOUS: MLR 95% individual
			positions. 90% wire. S
1600		22	Fr Div: 4.2 Battery will remain at PHU BAI when
			155 selfpropelled are delivered. 3/4
1630		23	Fr 1/1: 2d Plt "C" on hill 22, 1st plt "C" down in
			river. Have completed sweep of LA CHAU (5). "B" has
			completed sweep on left side of road and is return-
			ing to hill 41. B-1 has returned from sweep of hill
			41 and is coming to hill 22 with 2 prisoners. S
1700		24	Fr 1/1: Med-evac at AT 948720 completed at 1700H. S
			One ARVN and two civilians. S
1705		25	Fr 1/1: Changing 2 plt around. 3d plt "M" Co. to
			hill 41 to relieve 1st plt of "B" Co. Co. "B" 1st
			plt will move to LA CHAU (2). XXXXXX
1810		26	Fr 2/3: "F-1, F-2 & F-3 will return to their respec-
			tive platoon positions tonight. G-2 establishes
			patrol base in the same general area from which it
			has been operating for the last day or so. G-2 will
			return to "C" Co. CP tomorrow morning. Will be
			replaced by a plt that will establish positions at
			(1) 858784, (2) 862774, (3) 864766. Will provide
			security for LZ from which rice will be lifted
			east ward. LZ located at 866776. S
1858		27	Fr 1/1: M-6 at M-3 position (934663). S
1930		28	Fr 2/3: E-2 has left on patrol with patrol base at
			919805. Div
1940		29	Fr 2/3: G-2 patrol base at 834787 with ambush at
			835783. F-1 and "F" CP group at "F" Fort. F-2 and 3
			still enroute to platoon CP. "F" ambushes cancelled
			due to late return of units. Div
1945		30	Fr 1/1: "G" Co. reports last strafing run by B-1
			rounds struck in tree line to rear of LA CHAU (2)
			which is occupied by ARVN. Also, District Headquarters
			reports that there are PF at 928716. S
2000		31	Fr 1/1: About 1500 ARVN were moving toward LA CHAU
			(3) when VC apparently saw them coming. Estimated
			8-9 VC crossed river and fired on ARVN. Some of VC
			rounds hit USMC positions at 954669 near Hill 22.

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0210	1	Fr 2/3:	E, E2 G & F situation same, neg contact : Div
0525	2	Fr 1/1:	Hue Duc Dist Hqs reports approximately 20 : Div rounds fired fr some type automatic weapon in La Chau (1) area. No action taken, no friendly casualties.
0655	3	Fr 2/3:	G reports neg contact, all quiet. Pl reports Div C1 group is now in position.
0915	4	Fr 2/3:	G2 coming in this morning G1 is going out: S and assuming position at 858784, 862773, 863766, they will provide security for rice paddy in vic of 866775 F2 has moved into position at 854851, 874751, 880764 will provide security for rice paddy at 866760, 866755 874761. Rice will be collected and carried by villagers to vic of 872761 where it will be held to 900776.
0925	4	Fr 2/9:	We are receiving small arms fire fr the west S& 1/1 side of the river. We have been unable to contact 1/1 to determine the cause of the fire. Req 1/1 come up on B, PAC NET as previously agreed, so that we can effect coord.
0945	5	Fr 1/1:	Now have contact with G 2/9. There has been: Div no firing for 90 min C3 moving to join with 2/9 at dam at 95958.
1000	6	Fr 1/1:	Co C is now tied in with 2/9 : Div
1135	7	Fr 1/1:	The Co D patrol is at AT882652 searching : S vill. Their checkpoints will be A 888166 B 882652, C 891659 and D8988664. Patrol reports that artillery rounds were outside of vill and on target.
1330	8	Fr 3/4:	SITREP: 1-1K 2-3-k 3-2-k, 1-1-L security : S patrols. All JAC platoons maintained security in AOR's 1. Co 3d Plat conducted ambush at 938160 returned at light it is morning. K 2nd plat conducted ambush last night at 882117 and returned at 1st light this morning. A B scout team of 4 men and maintained an OP at 839134 returned at 1st light. OPS TODAY: JAC plat will be at operating in their AOR's. 1-A-3 conducted patrol to 839085 and returned. Tonight K w/1 plat will move by foot and truck to 9005, 9015, 9205 for 48 hours They will conduct night ambushes in that area and return to BC at 18 Sep L Co 1 plat to BC on 19 Sep after coming fr vic of 8312.
1535	9	Fr 1/1:	A Co patrol as searched Cao Burg (2) found: S-2 nothing but women and children no men. Picked up possible intel evidence papers with Vietnamese writing on them. Picked up yellow flag with red stripes and star in middle, 3 ft by 3 ft still no enemy contact.
1520	10	Fr 1/1:	A Co 3 sqd ambush at coord 902725. C Co 2 : S sqd ambush at coord 95055. 1st sqd ambush at coord 92689. 13 sqd sized ambush at coord 923058. 11 plat ambush at coord 917708.
1535	11	Fr 2/36	G-1 found small camp site with clothing : S-2 tobacco, oil lamp and medicine. Also fresh foot prints leading away at 863773.
1545	12	Fr 1/1:	A made contact with VC presently in vill of S 1st that near 1311 26, 8871. Picked up 1 VCG received small arms fr 3-4VC 48 hours plan: no ambush for to fight 2 platoons general area - move to high ground. Saturday all combing the area.
1530	13	Fr 1/1:	B Co found a grenade body trap at 927650 in Bx being destroyed now.

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	OUT	NO		
1950		15	MAXX: 1/1: Grenade in cave was being tagged by whodling down the end of a sail stick and placed it where a pin should be with a string on the end. Grenade was US make.	Div
2120		15	Fr 1/1: C 3 received 1 round sniper fire but could determine direction it came fr.	not S
2205		16	Fr 1/1: Following pats are planned for tomorrow. B1 2 sqds at 1st light to move south to grid line 63 and return at 1400; M3 2 sqds south along grid line 93 to grid line 62 and return 1400. C-2 sqds south to Duyen Son (3) sweep will then north to dam.	S
2220		17	Fr 2/3: E-2, F-1, F-2, F-3 nothing to report no contact.	S
2400		18	Fr 1/1: C reports 1 man WIA by hand grenade at 2340. Eight fragments in knee, no need for med-evac at present, will evac in morning. VC threw hand grenade into foxhole at 957660.	Div
2400		19	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			All units maintaining an offensive posture be conducting patrols and ambushes in the Tactical Area of Responsibility. Enemy contact was light.	

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	OUT	NO		
0105		1	Fr 2/3: "F" and E-2 situation same, no contact.	Div
0200		2	Fr 2/3: "G" Co, situation remains the same, negative contact.	S
0407		3	Fr 1/1: "C" Co. reports 10 rounds to left front (953667). Fire was returned. Received no more fire. No casualties, all secure.	Div
0530		4	Fr 2/3: "F" situation same. H-3 situation same. "E" and E-2 same.	S
0620		5	Fr 1/1: Patrols at first light: M-3 to 930620. B-1 to 944630. G-2 to 953652.	S
0715		6	Fr 1/1: M-3 patrol left at 0700. B-1 patrol left at 0715. C-2 patrol left at 0540.	S
0805		7	Fr 2/3: G-1 patrol move base camp at 842785 - checkpoint (1) 861763 (2) 847777.	S
0820		8	Fr 1/1: C-1 in blocking position on west flank of Du Sang (3). G-2&3 sweeping from present location to 953652. B-1 at 942641. B-2 sweeping toward G-3. A-2 patrol of village at Ben Thai.	S
0835		9	Fr 1/1: At 0800 A-2 picked up 2 VCS in village of Bien Trey. No ID. 50 and 22 years old. Heli-evac at 890710.	S
0920		10	Fr 1/1: C-6 at 941937, moving north. ETA Bn CP is 1200H. G-2 sweeping Dun Yen Son (3) (AT 955655). M-3 patrol at 923635. Good trails in area, no contact with VC.	S
1015		11	Fr 3/4: Continuing search for Marine lost while crossing river last night.	S
1055		12	Fr 2/3: "E" patrol back at CP.	S
1110		13	Fr 1/1: G-2 and elements of C-3 have returned to positions. S-1 and S-3 have returned to positions. Caves were blown at Duyen Son (3). Negative contact.	S
1235		14	Fr 1/1: At 1200 D-1 reports completion of clear and search of Phouc Ninh (6). No enemy contact.	S
1319		15	Fr 2/3: E-2 patrol returned to CP. G-1 observed 5 VC, they ran west from 847777. G-1 swept village and found one house that had 80 pounds of rice. House at 945776. Rice destroyed.	S
1330		16	Fr 1/1: D-1 directly in front of La Chau (2) at edge of village. M-3 at 935678.	S
1400		17	Fr 3/4: SITREP: Patrols: K-2-2, K-3-3, L-1-2, L-3-1. Last night Recon lifted to 831084 moved to 800098 set in OP. LZ was at 803124. While crossing river 1 man was lost at mid-river. 1 squad searched east side and 1 west side. At 1st light continued search for man. Found body at 912070 at 1040. Lifted body to "A" med. K-1 moved back to night position and lifted to CP. L-2&3 moved to 922105, returned to CP by truck. K-1 now trucking to 877100 this evening will set ambush in GS 8807. At 0705, Recon plt saw 5 VC move into position at 796099. At 0840 fired on them. Searched area and found fresh blood and 1 bloody poncho. No confirmed VC casualties. Moved to 810104 and lifted back to CP. S-2 scouts will truck to 885093 set in a secret OP at 870058. ETR: 190600H. L-2 moved from night position to patrol base at first light. After dark will set ambush in area of operations. JAC has all 4 platoons working in village. Will remain in village overnight for security.	

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1400			Saturday: L-2 return to CP. L-3 will establish an	
Contd			ambush in grid squares 8014, 8015, 8114 and 8115.	
			K-1 will return to CP. K-3 will conduct ambush in	
			GS 9003. Recon Co. is in reserve status. JAC continue	
			security of village. Sunday: "I" platoon ambush	
			in GS 9005. 1 squad of "K" will have daylight	
			security patrol to Vicinity 820080, will lift to	
			CP. Recon will stay in reserve.	S
1540		18	Fr 1/1: B-1 back from patrol. Saw no men all day,	
			only women and children. Attitudes ranged from	
			moderately friendly to indifferent. New patrol base	
			will be at 894665.	S, S-2
1710		19	Fr 1/1: "D" Co. patrol is now at 920668.	S
1830		20	Fr 2/3: "F" squad size ambush at 898773 from	
			172030H to 170530H. F-1&2 test fired all weapons	
			180900H.	S
1835		21	Fr 2/3: E-1 ambush at 893825. E-2 ambush at 903821.	
			E-3 patrol departed and is now at checkpoint #1.	S
1840		22	Fr 2/3: Recon "A" was brought under fire at 877833	
			at 1730H.	S
1845		23	Fr 2/3: E-3 is at checkpoint #2.	S
1925		24	Fr 2/3: "H" has completed beach sweep and is	
			setting defensive positions.	S
1930		25	Fr 1/1: D-1 patrol base at 905669, D-3 patrol base	
			at 890660. M-3 ambush at 935646, "A" (rear) ambush	
			at 903725, A-2 patrol base at 888716. A-2 ambush	
			at 888712. "C" ambush at 958658.	div
1950		26	Fr 2/3: "H" all quiet.	S
2130		27	Fr 1/1: Ambush while enroute to its site observed	
			10 VC, they set a hasty ambush vic AT 918688 and	
			engaged the 10 VC. They believe they killed 3, but	
			initial search of area did not locate them. Search	
			of area continues. Ambush vicinity of Khuong My (2):	
			(AT 914695) sighted 3 VC, fired on them. Lost	
			contact. Do not presently know results. Plans for	
			tomorrow - "G" Co. intends to continue search and	
			clear operations forward of Phase Line Orange. At	
			0445, B-1 located at Ia Chau (2) will move into a	
			blocking position vicinity of AT 944635. C-1 will	
			move through the left flank of B-1 at first light	
			and move to AT 945635 and then sweep north into	
			C-2 position clearing the village as they move.	
			Sweep will terminate at the dam site. At the comp-	
			letion of the sweep B-1 will revert to OPCON "M"	
			Co. and occupy defensive positions vic 936645.	S
2210		28	Fr 2/3: "H" Co. situation same, no contact.	S
2238		29	Fr 2/3: "G" Co. (Fwd) no contact, situation same.	S
2300		30	Fr 2/3: E-3 established base camp 1 and ambush 1.	
			Negative contact.	S
2345		31	Fr 1/1: At 1945, "M"-B-1 moved out and proceeded along	
			south side of hill running from coord 9269 to 9369.	
			Moved around hill and established ambush at 919692.	
			because of better terrain. Ambush was set in by 2100.	
			Mike 1-A followed on north side of same hill. Out	
			across crest of hill at 922690. Moved along trail	
			toward river. Tentative ambush was at 912685. As	
			patrol approached river, at least 4 (possibly 10)	
			men were seen along trail on opposite side of river.	

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OUT	NO			
2345			A hasty ambush was set up as it became apparent	
Contd			that the VCS weren't coming closer. Opened fire	
			at approximately 100 meters. "M"-1-A thought he	
			saw VC's go into grove of trees. Checked area with	
			no results. There was a building in the grove.	
			"M"-1-B saw 3 men on path moving northwest across	
			river. Fired at them and patrol leader saw one man	
			get up and run toward previously mentioned grove.	
			Fired at him with no apparent hits. Area was	
			searched with negative results. Both patrols	
			returned to respective ambush sites and 81 illum-	
			ination was fired. "M"-1-A patrol leader thought	
			he saw movement on far side of paddie approx 400	
			meters. After illumination was completed, both	
			patrols returned to Sierra OP traveling east along	
			same hill. Arrived Sierra OP at 2225.	Div
2359		32	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			All units maintained an offensive posture by	
			patrolling and setting ambushes. Enemy contact	
			was light.	

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0140	1	Fr 1/1: C-2 received 10-12 rounds of sniper fire at coord 955661. Fire was returned, no further action.	Div
0150	2	Fr 1/1: C-2 & C-3 received 6-7 rounds sniper fire from vicinity Duyen Son (2), fire was not returned.	Div
0415	3	Fr 2/3: H-3 situation same, negative contact.	S
0600	4	Fr 2/3: E-3 situation same, negative contact.	S
0845	5	Fr 2/3: E-3 has reached checkpoint #3 at 878317.	Div
0915	6	Fr 1/1: D-1 patrol finished sweep of Doug Bick, negative contact. Doug Bick (1) does not exist. Now sweeping An Nohn (2). A-3 ambush x patrol returned at 0800, negative contact.	Div
0955	7	Fr 2/3: E-3 present location is at coord 868814 and patrol to coord 868807.	Div
1045	8	Fr 1/1: "C" reports B-1 in fire fight at 950635 - 2 USMC casualties. Req med-evac.	CO, Div
1115	9	Fr 1/1: C-1 receiving intense fire from vic of AT 955636, have requested UH1B's. Must be approved by 9thMar, it is in their area.	Div
1245	10	Fr 2/3: Squad from H-1 has completed sweep of beach. Are boarding vehicles to return to 2/3 CP.	Div
1300	11	Fr 3/4: SITREP. Security night patrols: 3-2-K, 1-3-K, 3-1-L, 2-3-L. Night positions, K-1, 895082. L-2 815122. Scout 870058. Today's Ops: K-1 first light return to CP. L-2 return CP by truck. 3dPlt "K" will establish night ambush GS 9003, return first light. 1-"I" establish night ambush in GS 8014, 8015, 8114, 8115, return first light. Scout continues operations of day before. Recon: Assume duty as Bn reserve unit. JAC Plt working in respective areas. Sunday: "K" w/1 squad will conduct daylight security to GS 8208, then helift back to base camp. "K" w/2 squads hold night ambush in GS 8214. Co. "I" w/1 plt hold night ambush in G.S. 9005. Recon assume duties of Bn. reserve JAC continues security in respective villages. Monday: 3-"K" hold night ambush GS 8015. "I" heloift 1 squad to GS 8605 and conduct security patrol to base camp. "I" w/2 squads night ambush in GS 8909. 3d Plt Recon move to hill 52 GS 814125 and wait for darkness then move to 795119 and establish base of fire and OP. Rest of plt move to GS 790117 and establish ambush. JAC continues security in respective villages. Artillery: type mission.	S
1320	12	Fr 2/3: H-1 conducted road and beach sweep, has returned to Bn CP, negative contact.	S
1600	13	Fr 1/1: C-6 report while assisting 2/9 across the river in a sweep operation, 4 WIA were sustained vicinity AT 957680. Helo evac had been requested. Plan to move 2 plts up to the Song Tuy Loah tomorrow and request that 2/9 do the same. At first light conduct coordinated sweep of either side of the Song Yen river all the way to Phase Line Orange. Request 2 LVTs to follow in trace along in the river and clear caves and hideouts.	Div
1650	14	Fr 2/3: E-3 establishes patrol base/ambush tonight at 870819. "F" Co. ambushes cancelled. Will have OP/LP at 902775.	S

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	OUT	NO		
1700		15	Fr 1/1: One platoon from "C" Co. arrived vicinity of WIA Marines. Helo picked up two WIA. Additional WIA remains in LZ. F-4 and HULB aircraft on station. 81 mortars prepared to fire if area cleared by 9th Marines.	S
1714		16	Fr Crowd-3: Be advised there is one VC platoon all with automatic weapons located vicinity of AT 958680. Request you advise of action taken.	9thMar viaG-3
1720		17	Fr 1/1: At approximately 1600, 1 squad (rein) from "C" Co. enroute to assist 2/9 who was receiving small arms fire from the west side of the Song Yen encountered VC sniper fire. Two USMC were WIA and the remainder of the squad was pinned down. A helo- evac and CAS were requested. The helo- evac could not land in the LZ due to the intensity of the VC fire. A platoon from "C" Co. (vic hill 22) was dispatched to assist. An unknown number of USMC WIA were helo- evacuated and at least 1 VCS was returned to the Med Bn. At approximately 1700 all WIA's were evacuated from the LZ. Friendly troops withdrew and a flight of F-4's swept the area with rockets.	Div
1735		18	Fr 1/1: "C" 1 WIA, 1 KIA.	Div
1905		19	Fr 1/1: "C" 1 WIA and 1 KIA is now 2 KIA.	Div
1924		20	Fr 1/1: D-3 2 recon patrols out, 1 at 866675 & 1 at 853652. Troops feet in bad shape due to trails in water 6 hours. Radio supply very low - no resupply. No enemy contact.	Div
2030		21	Fr 1/1: A-1 recon patrol patrol base at 883730. D-2 squad(rein)ambush at 925705, left 1830H, in position at 1850H. M-1 squad ambush at 914668, left 1930H, in position at 2100H. M-3 Bat(rein) ambush at 914668, left at 1942, in position by 2148. A-3 patrol base at 862664. At 2025H "C" reported sniper fire from 953661 on hill 22. No casualties.	S
2135		22	Fr 1/1: D-6 reports that 3 rounds of illumination were fired in front of 1st Plt position by 60mm mortar. 2 persons were seen and were fired upon (about 2 rounds). Persons did not fire back. No enemy & no friendly casualties (940726)	S-2
2153		23	Fr 2/3: "G" situation same, negative contact.	S
2255		24	Fr 1/1: C-6 reports at 2200 received 3 sniper rounds on Hill 22. Fired 3 60mm mortar rounds illumination, negative contact.	Div
2300		25	Fr 1/1: B-1 LP observed 3 VC NW of their position. VC threw grenades at LP position. Returned fire with automatic weapons fire.	
2304		26	Fr 1/1: "D"-1 line position observed 1 man in rice paddy between "D" and Bn CP. Negative contact.	Div
2359		27	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
			All units maintaining patrols and ambushes in their assigned area of responsibility. 1/1 received 2 KIA in action against VC. No contact reported by other units.	

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OUT	NO			
0009		1	Fr 2/3: "F", "E" & H-3 Situation same. Negative contact.	S
0020		2	Fr 3/4: L-1 observed 50 VC at 815155 while moving in that area. VC were fired upon and VC ran S. Artillery mission called on them & have 1 VC KIA, also 1 weapon and 1 grenade, found on VC KIA. No USMC casualties. Lost Contact. Weapon was submachine gun.	Div
0020		3	Fr 2/3: "F" defensive positions set in. Negative contact.	Div
0200		4	Fr 2/3: All units report all quiet.	S
0535		5	Fr 2/3: E-2, G-3 departed for river at 0415H. At 0520H, E-2, G-3 & "F" have joined and are preparing to move up river.	Div
0700		6	Fr 2/3: E-3 has returned to "E" CP.	S
0830		7	Fr 1/1: 3 Marine with a mule were going from Hill 41 to HLEU DUC District Hdq for water resupply. In the vicinity of 943677 a mine or 60mm mortar detonated next to the vehicle, throwing all 3 occupants off. 7 incoming mortar rounds followed and then sniper fire. All 3 made it to Dist Hdq uninjured. 2 squads (rein) have been dispatched to the scene from HLEU DUC & 81mm mortar have been fired in the vicinity of the incident. The 2 squads will search the area & interrogate civilians, looking for the mortar and snipers.	Div
0855		8	Fr 2/3: F-1 found freshly dug punji traps off the road vicinity 860843.	Div
0922		9	Fr 2/3: "F" units in position. Search and clear operation under way.	Div
1025		10	Fr 1/1: C-3 holding up for G-6 to catch up. G-6 is clearing village at 964663.	S
1030		11	Fr 2/3: Still conducting sweep. Negative contact.	S
1050		12	Fr 1/1: M-3 saw 1 VCS at Hill 41 (922659). VCS ran and was shot at and killed. 1 other VCS also found at same location at same time. Both were taken to Regimental CP.	Div
1139		13	Fr 2/3: "F" returned sweep throu village deployed with units vicinity 864847, one unit sweeping 859854 to W. 2 units blocking vicinity 854854 to 858857. Have found 10-15 families in village. No young men. A lot of rice has been harvested, is stored in houses. Center of village is VC resting area, are small huts and trenches used by units found in same vicinity. Many fighting holes vicinity of houses. Some cows in area. Some people want to come out. Decision will be up to village chief.	S
1230		14	Fr 1/1: M-3A patrol has returned at 1215H. Picked up 2 VCS. C-2 has completed sweep of LA CHAU (2), C-3 destroying boats on river at 965665.	S
1315		15	Fr 1/1: M-1 just found 3 panji sticks and a long board with 3 long nails with barbed ends at their position, 200 meters N of LA CHAU (2).	S-2
1325		16	Fr 1/1: C-2 commander has taken one squad to LA CHAU (2). Will return with remaining squad C-6 position. C-3 nearing end of LA CHAU (5). No contact.	S

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1335		17		Fr 3/4: SITREP: last night; L-1 trucked to grid square 841555. Moved by foot to grid square 815155. Met about 50 VC. 1 VC KIA. No USMC Casualties. 1 VC: submachinegun captured, also 1 grenade. Maintained ambush in grid square 815155. Returned to 842155 at: 0500. Returned to CP. Security patrols: K-2-2, A-3, A-3-1, A-3-2, tonight's positions: A-3 903044, L-1 815155. Today: L-1 replaces "I" platoon on 225. L-1-1 security patrol on 225. K-3 return to Bn CP. L-1 returned to Bn CP. K-2-2 will have security patrol during day in grid square 8208, lift back to Bn CP. K-2 establish ambush in grid square 8214. L-1 establish ambush in grid square 9005, Recon assumed: Bn reserve. JAC 1 & 4 continue patrols of their villages. Monday: A Platoon of "K" establish ambush in G. S. 8901. "I" lift 1 squad to G. S. 8605 and hold day patrol back to base camp. "I" with 2 squads establish ambush in G. S. 8909. Recon with 1 platoon move to Hill 69 at 814125 and wait for dark then move to 795119 and set up base of fire and OP. Rest of platoon move to 790117, establish ambush. JAC continue patrols in village. Tuesday: 1 squad of "K" Co patrol during day in area of G. S. 8211. 2 squads of "K" established ambush in G.S. 8313. 1 Platoon "I" have ambush in G. S. 9008. Recon continue Monday's operations. JAC continue security in villages.	S
1340		18		Fr 2/3: "F" Company reports harvest in full swing: 3 tractors with rice and furniture will depart for movement from area of operations at 1530H. At 1500, 3 tractors with bamboo poles, will depart for Le My. Tactically secure. Terrain to south still secure.	S
1530		19		Fr 1/1: XXXXXXXXXXXX D-3 at 8756655. A-1 at Giao-Tri (3) 888704.	S
1548		20		Fr 2/3: One unit of "F" Co. embarked in 2 tractors. Now moving to Feench Fort at 855850.	Div
1712		21		Fr 1/1: C-1 ambush at 94456 from 2000.	S
1735		22		Fr 1/1: C-3 has reached phase line 2. Have been resupplied. No enemy contact. Plan to hold that position. C-6 has 2 elderly men and one elderly woman who were picked up in La Chau (5) without ID. Would like to deliver them to District Headquarters for questioning and issue of proper I.D.	S
1811		23		Fr 1/1: Ambushes for tonight: All reinforced squad size. "M" Co. - 924660 & 928679. "AA" Co. - 882699. "B" Co. - 930645. "C" Co. - 949671. "D" Co. - 901670 & 915705.	S
1837		24		Fr 2/3: Beach sweep complete. "H" & "G" now set in defensive positions.	S
1907		25		Fr 2/3: "F" Co. list of items taken from area of operation. 6 baskets of out rice. 4 LVT's of dried rice and household furnishings. Possibly several dozen persons moved out of area.	Div
2030		26		Fr 1/1: 1 USMC WIA - Helo-evac at 943674. More to follow. Slightly wounded, 4 or 5 grenades were thrown in squad position.	Div

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	OUT	NO		
0040		1	Fr 1/1: D-3 reports being probed by several infil- trators (910670). Have fired 5-6 rounds each time and suspect that on last attempt one VC was hit as screams were heard. Have had illumination but could not see anything. This is the same area where 2 VC KIA with weapons were captured at 2030H	S
0227		2	Fr 2/3: "F", "C", "E" & H-3, nothing unusual to to report.	Div
0730		3	Fr 1/1: At 0700H surrounding village. Have men moving in to collect villagers. Search team moving in in five minutes. (Village is PHUROC NINH(6)) At 0715H, D-3 found 60mm mortar shell case used for storing rice in same village. Village at 903675.	S
0755		4	Fr 1/1: Ambush Report: M-1 squad at 928679. M-3 squad at 924660. No contact. (Ambushes were all squad size) "A" ambush at 889906 had no contact but heard people moving across river at approximatley 0100H. Squad at 880705 had no contact. D-3 squad at 901670, C-1 squad at 949657, C-3 squad at 963673, & D-2 squad at 915705. D-3's contact was reported earlier. None of the other ambushes made contact. At 2400H B-2 OP #1 reported 2 people digging at 935638. Digging lasted about 2 hours.	S
0905		5	Fr 2/3: One platoon currently in NAM YEN. 160 harvesters commencing work, to be completed by 0900H. Will move across river in search of enemy. No contact.	Div
0925		6	Fr 1/1: C-3 commencing sweep of river bank. Recon is in the river in rubber boats following the 2 platoons sweeping the river banks.	Div
0926		7	Fr 2/3: F-1 commencing sweep of NAM YEN. In main part of village. No contact.	Div
1007		8	Fr 1/1: D-2 now sweeping AN NONH (2), then will move to AN NONH (1), then to DONG BICH (3), then to DONG BICH (1) & (2) then back to patrol base vicinity AN TAN.	S
1113		9	Fr 2/3: "F" in NAM YEN area. Harvesters in PHO NAM should be through in 30 minutes, then to NAM YEN. No patrols at this time.	Div
1125		10	Fr 2/3: At 1050H, E-2 received 5 rounds small arms sniper fire from 857864 while conducting village sweep. No casualties. Dispatched 1 squad to search the area.	Div
1144		11	Fr 2/3: E-2 unit conducting sweep of village NAM YEN received 2 rounds small arms fire from 834867. Sighted 2 people. One armed with small caliber weapon, the other with M-1. Persons withdrew toward NW.	Div
1206		12	Fr 2/3: E-2 receiving fire from cave on side of hill at 858665, trying to destroy same.	Div
1333		13	Fr 3/4: K-1-1, K-3-1, L-1-1 & L-2-2: Security patrols. Night positions: K-2 at 829147, L-1 at 905055. Operations: L-3 security patrol fro 225. L-1 returned to CP by truck. K-1 night ambush at grid square 8015. "I" helilift 1st sqd 2d platoon to 869053. Hold daylight patrol to base camp. "I" 2d & 3d squad, 2d platoon night ambush at grid square 8909. Recon: one platoon moved to 814125,	

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	OUT	NO		
1333			Wait for dark then move to 795119, establish OP.	
cont'd			Rest of platoon move to 790117, to 795119, establish OP. Rest of platoon move to 790117, establish ambush.	
			Scouts departed Bn area 0645H by truck to 839134, set up OP and returned to 841155 at 1700H. JAC conducting security patrols in respective villages. Tuesday:	
			"K" with 1 squad security patrol daylight hours, to ambush grid square 8211. 2 squads establish night	
			ambush in grid square 8313. 1 platoon "I" will hold in grid square 9008. Recon continues operations of day before. Wednesday: 1 platoon "K" will establish	
			night ambush in grid square 8116. 1 squad "I" daylight patrol to grid square 8707, helilift back to base camp. 2 squads "I" establish night ambush in	
			grid square 8811. Recon: Bn reserve force. Civil Affairs evacuated young boy by mule to "A" Med from THUY LONG (864158) to HUE hospital by helicopter	
			for pneumonia, and one girl from same village to hospital for acute tetanus. Child had been lanced with a bamboo stick. JAC distributed candy at LOUNG YON school (882174) to 265 children. Same activity with children at LIAB BONG school (876176). MLR Same.	S
1341		14	Fr 1/1: C-6 reports need med-evac at 956878. One Marine tripped a booby trap and received head wounds at 1330H. Med-evac complete at 1340H.	Div
1432		15	Fr 1/1: C-3 is at LA CHAU (e) and will use stream at N of village (500 meters) as LOA today. In vicinity of earlier med-evac a 105 mm shell was found (Booby trapped) and was disarmed by engineer with patrol. Many caves & holes destroyed and 2 houses that were booby trapped were destroyed.	S-2
1620		16	Fr 2/3: H-1 replaced H3 at NAM O bridge.	S
1800		17	Fr 3/4: K-1 ambush at 808153.	S
1805		18	Fr 2/3: F-2 patrol at 843848. Sent out 2 squads, 1 west along river, 1 south along ridge. No contact. E-2 sent 1 squad to investigate enemy fire into harvest area. Found 2 machinegun positions at 858864. 106's have fired at these gun positions. F-1 received 2 rounds small arms fire while sweeping village. Saw 2 VC run towards 850869. Unable to catch the VC. Found 2 - 105 duds in village. had them blown. F-2 no contact for all units at this time. F-1 in defensive positions at 844857. G-3 CP security at 854857. D-2 has squads at 856861, 852865, 849863.	S
2135		19	Fr 1/1: Received possible incoming mortar round in Bn. MT Pool area, 952718. No known friendly casualties. Presently receiving probes in rear lines in boundary at AT955724, small arms fire. Light tank moved to AT955724. Mortar round created good sized blast and lots of smoke. 1 round only.	S
2150		20	Fr 1/1: Ambushed; A-1 at 854692. B-2 at 933632. C-1 at 955657. C-2 at 944657. D-1 at 943727. D-2 at 878674. M-1 at 925677. M-3 at 918665.	Div
2300		21	Fr 2/3: "E" situation same, negative contact. LVT's are unloading harvesters at "E" position now.	Div
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			All units maintain an offensive posture by patrolling and establishing ambushes. Enemy contact was light.	

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0040			1		Fr 2/3: F-1 & G-3 are on way to objective area. E-2 CP group, w/2/3 CO, has landed. Is setting up CP now. No contact.	Div
0117			2		Fr 2/3: "F" Co. CP location 839858. G-3 and F-1 will establish intermediate Day Camp at 829855. G-3 and F-1 will leave day camp at 0300 and move to objective area. No contact.	Div
0840			3		Fr 1/1: All patrols are in, negative contact.	S
0900			4		Fr 1/1: G-3 is finishing up sweep will progress only to E. W. grid line 69 (Company "G" has been ordered to secure, then G-3 will secure). The plt will return to its old position. M-3 will patrol west to N/S grid line 90 and back with two squads. B-2 (OPCON CO "M") will patrol south to E/W grid line 61. Patrols A-1 and D-2 are on there way back in.	S
0955			5		Fr 2/3: Entire area discussed in Regt. CO's briefing is being searched in detail by "F". Have found 360 degree perimeter trench (851854) with 8-10 fighting holes with some expanded M-1 cases in Vic of trenches. No contact, continuing search.	S
1105			6		Fr 2/3: E-2 has a squad patrol operating between 836855 and 836854 and 1 squad patrol between 834855 and 835854. Both start at 1130H.	S
1305			7		Fr 1/1: A-1 patrol returned at 0710 with no contact. D-2 is across river approximately 1500 meters from MLR on way back in.	S
1320			8		Fr 2/3: G-3 contacted (sighted) 4 VC in stream bed at 827852. Searching area now. So far no contact. F-1 now conducting sweep, no contact. F-2 patrol TOD 1300. E-2 two patrols out now, no contact.	Div
1330			9		Fr 3/4: SITREP: Last night 2215, LSU lines fired on rec'd 5 rounds. Returned fire. No casualties. Security patrols: 1-2-I, 3-2-K, 2-3-K, 3-2-L. At positions: K-1808153, I-2-898095. Today: 3d plt "L" Co. security patrol for 225. 1-3-K conduct security patrol during daylight to area of G.S. 8211. then patrol back to BC by alternate route. 2&3 squads 3d plt, "K" Co. establish night ambush in G.S. 8313. I-1 establish night ambush in G.S. 9008. Recon continue operations of day before. JAC continue security patrols in respective villages. Plans: "K" w/1 plt, establish night ambush in G.S. 8116. "I" Co w/1 squad conduct day security patrol to area of G.S. 8705. Helilift back to BC. "I" Co w/2 squad establish night ambush in G.S. 8811. Recon assume duties as Bn reserve. JAC continue security patrols in respective villages. Thur: "K" lift 1 squad to area of G.S. 8110 and conduct daylight security patrol to 841155. "K" with 2 squads establish night ambush in G.S. 8311, 8312. "I" with 1 plt establish night ambush in G.S. 9003. Recon establish OP in area of 812096 and maintain observation over area of recent enemy activity.	S
1415			10		Fr 1/1: All patrols returned. Ambush locations to be reported ASAP.	S

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1515		11	Fr 2/3: VC Main Force company at 806844 to 806849. Request air strike by 4 A-4's, to be followed by artillery mission. 2/3 will establish a blocking position in the vicinity of 814850 to 815857. An attempt will be made to flank the enemy by an enveloping force moving southwest in an attempt to get behind them.	S
1530		12	Fr 1/1: At 1435H, Engineer team reported that at bridge at 948704 they heard 3 shots, went to truck and received 1 more shot. Saw a man with a rifle at 946704. Came up behind him and captured him. He had a carbine and some sort of document. Will be evacd to Dist Hq.	S-2
1530		13	Fr 1/1: SITREP (Plans Only): At 220740 1 plt (Rein): "A" and 1 plt (rein) "D" will lift from present position on MLR to separate AOR's. "A"'s AOR bounded by 8273, 8673, 8668 and 8268. LZ for "A" will be at: 847718. "D" LZ at 865655. "D"'s AOR bounded by 8268, 8768, 8763, 8263. Both will operate for 72-96 hours and will search for any VC campsites, etc., to destroy and/or capture all VC met. At 230730 2 squads from "M" and 2 tanks will make coordinated patrol to AN MY (4) and AN MY (3) vic 923610. Will recon area, search villages and kill or capture VC met, and return on order. ETR 231500H. Ambushes for tonight: D-1 at 934727. D-2 at 945715. All others none, except "M" to be called in later.	S
1615		14	Fr 1/1: Ambushes tonight: C-1 at 951678. C-2 at 958672, M-1 at 923697, B-2 at 929638, M-3 at 929668.	S
1655		15	Fr 2/3: Attack will commence in approximately 20 minutes when maneuvering elements are in position.	Div
1710		16	Fr 2/3: 1st elements of H-3 at "E" positions now.	Div
1725		17	Fr 2/3: All H-3 units at "E" Co. position.	Div
1915		18	Fr 1/1: "C" has a lineman missing. He left the "C" CP sometime this afternoon, alone (as best as can be determined). Contact was lost with him at about 1800H. The "C" area was checked by 2 squads and all that was found were boot tracks. Squads have picked up 2 VN, but have found nothing suspicious as of yet. Got VN's between hill 22 and 959658.	S
1925		19	Fr 1/1: BN CP sent patrol (squad size) to 952712. Code named "YANKEE". Departed 1915H.	Div
2005		20	Fr 2/3: At 1944 Squire-6 reported that he was at LOD as previously reported. Intends to move to previously reported VC position. 2 VC KIA, 1 weapon. Will report more data later.	Div
2127		21	Fr 1/1: Lineman is still lost. 1/1 has stopped search, will send patrol to resume search in the morning.	Div
2150		22	Fr 2/3: 2/3 CO CP at 816851. E-1 at 830855. F-1 at 818851. F-1 set in defensive position at northwest portion (slope) of objective hill.	S
2150		23	Fr 1/1: Missing man's name is C. W. MANN, Pfc, Comm: plt H&S Co. One plt and an interpreter will search area at first light.	Div
2253		24	Fr 2/3: E-2, G-3, F-6 and 2/3 CO at 816851. F-1 at 817851. E-1 at 830855. F-2 located in vicinity Nam Yen. Exact location not known.	Div

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0050	1	Fr 1/1: C platoon sized patrol moved out at 0030.	S
0200	2	Fr 2/3: G - nothing unusual to report, negative con-	S
		tact.	
0545	3	Fr 1/1: M-3 patrol has returned to CP, negative	S
		contact.	
0825	4	Fr 1/1: A&D plat are in LZ and proceedings with missions	S
0906	5	Fr 2/3: G-1 will have sqd patrols at 0900 to check-	S
		points: (1) 889804, (2) 875795, (3) 890794	
0920	6	Fr 2/3: "6" Elements took present position at 0030: Div	
		this morning at 809847, had no contact during night:	
		Now preparing to patrol 1500 meters west, 1000 meters	
		to attempt contact with the enemy.	
1126	7	Fr Div: Source - 1st For Recon Team: Suspected mine	
		field (AT 868862). They observed people working	
		in rice paddy. People went into paddy one route	
		and went out the same route. Area marked with	
		white tape, reason for suspecting; people went to	
		one spot (small area to work) and did not move	
		through rice paddy.	
1130	8	Fr 2/3: G patrol returned, negative contact.	S-2
1140	9	Fr 2/3: 6 E-1, E-2 G-3 at 816851. F-1 at 817851.	S
		platoon patrolling fr 2/3 6 position 1200 meters to	
		1500 meters south and west throughout area. Intend	
		to spend another day searching and patrolling area.	
1205	10	PAT unit reports 6 VC entered vill at 906805 four	S-2
		days ago to conduct terrorist activities. Weapons	
		are 4 KA 50 cal and 2 Russ rifles. One VC com,	
		command be MR. TIEN, located 900845 to attack Nam	
		0 bridge when rain gets heavier. Have 2 - 60mm,	
		1 light machinegun, and 9 BAR's VC soldiers fr	
		4 districts had collected vicinity Nam Yen prior	
		to Marine entry in that area. Are now widely dis-	
		persed in hills to the North.	
1325	11	Fr 3/1: SITREP: Security Patrols 3/2/K, 1/3/K,	S
		3/1/K, 1/2/L. Night positions: K/3 at 833133, 1/4	
		at 904081. Today: 1st and 2d add 1/2 establish night	
		ambush in grid square 8811. K/2 establish ambush at	
		8116. 1 team recon lift to hill 180. Establish	
		OP at YD839134. Artillery will displace 2 105's	
		to 967062 in support of ARVN. JAC continue security	
		in respective vill's. Thursday: 1 sqd K Co lift	
		to area of field square 8110 and conduct daylight s:	
		security. Load of K Co lift to area and set up	
		night ambush in 8311 and 8312. Recon Op in area of:	
		812079. JAC continue security patrols in respective	
		vill's. Friday: K Co with 1 plat establish night	
		ambush in 8113. JAC continue security patrols in	
		respective vill's. Artillery: Type - 13 unobserved:	
		, 20 observed. MIA - same.	
1409	12	Fr 1/1: A Co patrol at AT 857706, reports receiving Div	
		small arms sniper fire fr approx 6 VC (AT 864796), are	
		moving now to close w/VC, intend to search H OI	
		VUC (AT 8770) after closing with snipers.	
2025	13	Fr 2/3: VC nurse w/captured at 1605H at 816851.	Div
2045	14	Fr 1/1: 2 med-evac fr C/2 wounded by grenade vic	Div
		944668. Saw 3/4 VC. No confirmed VC casualties.	

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0400	1	Fr 2/3: G situation same, negative contact.	S
0835	2	Fr 1/1: Missing man's body found in river this morning by search party at about 0800H at 965666. Mans feet were bound and was shot in back. Heli-evac has been requested.	Div
1200	3	Fr 2/3E/1 at 823845. Many indications of VC in area. F/1 has 1 sqd with Bn CO, 2 in ambush at 816851 & 816856/ G/3 returned to G CP at 1000H. LVT park at 840859. Will continue patrolling, terminate at 231700H. F/2 leaves for F/2 CP fr Bn CP at 1300H.	S
1400	4	Fr 3/4: Sitrep. Security patrols: L/3/2, L/3/2, K/2/3. K/2/2 Night positions: L/2 - 813167, K/2 814165. Todays Opns: K/1/1 lifted to grid square 83110 & contacted day security patrol to 841155. K/1/2 & 3 established ambush in grid square 8311 & 8312. L/3 established ambush at 9003. Recon establish Op vicinity 812079. Maintained observation of recent VC activity. All JAC in Bn VP. Scouts trucked to AN NONG AT 230630H & patrolled vicinity 913057 & conducted day OP. K night ambush at square 8113. I lifted 1 sqd to 8 607 & packed to Base Camp. Recon continue operations of pervious & patrol all day. Night ambush at 8907 & patrol back to base camp by alternated route. Recon -Bn reserve.	S
1550	5	Fr 2/3: F/1 at 830855 in mobile reserve position, E-1 moving fr position at 822848 to coor 828859 then upstream to 834828 to 839839 to 854839 then to E/2's position as reported. Bn OPas previously reported.	S
1658	6	Fr 1/1: 231120H 11 VC spotted fr the air at 931630 & approached by M-1.	S
1720	7	Fr 1/1: B-2 found house with false wall and tunnel: found hammer & sickle flag, 45 cal ammo. 45 ammo magazine, holster, camouflaged cover, pamphlets and various hand written notes. Hose at 937675, 1 VCS found. Heli-evac requested. S-2 went to retrieve documents.	S
1745	7	Fr 2/3: Operations will continue through tonight and stop sometime tomorrow. All units, except G-3 & F-2 have returned to their platoon positions. Other units are still in area of operations.	S
1945	8	Fr 1/1: D/1 patrol found elephant tracks and fresh dung. No evidence of people. Tracks at (AT854662) Patrol at PPb for the night.	S-2
2255	9	Fr 2/3: Situation same, negative contact.	S
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All units maintained Patrols and ambushes in the Assigned area of responsibility. Enemy contact was light.

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0314		1		Fr 1/1: D/3 reports fire in the vicinity of DUNONG : LAM(1) (AT945695) Rounds are hitting around D03 : position but fire is not being returned as it is : felt that these rounds are spent and were not meant : for them.. No casualties - will check with Hieu Duc. : Fr 2/3: F E G & H-1 negative contact, nothing unusual : to report.	S-2
0500		2		Fr 1/1: M/1/A patrol returned at 0515, not a sign of : enemy contact.	S
0515		3		Fr 1/1: Binh Tay (Hieu Duc) advise that PF in grid sq : 9271 & 9170 were fired upon by 5 VC fr coor 925705. : Fr 3/4: SITREP: Security patrols - K/3/1, I/3/1 : L/1/1 L/3/2 Night positions I/3 at 903034, K/1 at : 839130. Today: K/3 ambush in grid square 8113. I/1/3 : lifted to vic of 8607 and conduct patrol to BC. : Ambush in 8709. Recon continuing operations of day : before Scouts return to BC. JAC conduct C/A and night : operations based on current intelligence. 1sqd of : K conduct patrol to vic GS 8907 and return to B C : JAC continue patrols in vill's. Sun 1sqd I patrol : to vic 814125 and return. 2 sqds I ambush in GS 8213 : 1 plat. L ambush in GS 9008. Recon estab plat. OP : vic 825059. Scouts hold patrols in GS. Recon estab : plat. OP vic 825059. Scouts hold patrols in GS 8216 : Fr 1/1: Night ambushes for tonight. B /2 at coord : 921678. D-2938796. M-1 932638. M-2936688, M-3 965701 : M-3 965701, H&S Co 953712. G3 958676. C-1 963665. : A- 925722. All are sqd size.	S-2&Div
0900		4		Fr 1/1: Last units of A patrol returned to CP at 1530 : Fr 1/1: B -2 completed sweep of DHOUK NINH negative : contact.	S
1230		5		Fr 2/3: One reinforced sqd will patrol Red Beach : II. Checkpoint one (AT950807), 2 (AT937839) 3 : (AT953813) 4 (AT948792). Will depart 240000H and : returned 250400H.	Div
1425		6		Fr 1/1: D-1 now is position at (at 910700)A-2 : moving into position (AT915710) and D-2 moving into : position (AT920707). All will hold positions as block- : ing/ambush position, unless activity warrants moving : in NINH AN. Artillery and flare plane search and : alerted. If no VC activity during the night, units : will search west along river through AN TAB and : NINH AN to (AT886708)	Div
1636		7		Fr 2/3: G & F situation same, negative contact.	Div
1826		8		JOURNAL CLOSED	
1910		9			
2140		10			
2335		11			
2359		12			
				All units maintained Patrols and ambushes in the : assigned area of responsibility. Enemy contact : was light.	

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IN	TIME	SER	INCIDENT, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	AS
	OUT	NO		
0007		1	Fr 2/3: H-2 at checkpoint #3 all secure.	Div
0155		2	Fr 2/3: F G H-1 situation same, no contact. H-2 at checkpoint #4 all secure. Have no contact with E Co.	Div
0400		3	Fr 2/3: H-2 & G negative contact.	
0800		4	Fr 1/1: D-2 has swept vill 1 of AN ATN & NINH AN (3) (AT9170) negative contact. A few women in vill. Continuing sweep west. D-1 will assist in sweep. A-2 will retrain to MTR.	Div
0930		5	Fr Recon: Saw 2 boats on river at 0905H at 864845 moving north. 1st had 6VN. 2d had 10. Wearing dark clothing. Pulled into bank and lost fr view. At 0917H saw 1 boat with 6 VN moved north on XXXX river. Disappeared along side of bank at 864845. Wore dark clothing. All boats 30' -40' long.	S
1305		6	Fr 1/1: D-2 2 received 2 rounds and 2 Mars wounded in back xxx of legs. Suspect grenade set off 57 mm r round by trip wire. M-2 patrol completed. Have apprehended 1 VCS with outdated ID card. Found 5 propaganda leaflets via 930689. District Chief now investigation prisoner. Will forward documents to 1/1 CP.	S
1545		7	Fr 2/3: G-2 location at coord 860784 and 862779. Patrol Base tonight - G-2 at 834786 and 839788. G-2 ambush at 836783.	S
1715		8	Fr 2/3: H Co will run one sqd (rein) on Red Beach fr 252030 to 260400 north to 938830. G-2 present location of patrol base is 860784 and 862779. G-2 patrol base tonight will be at 834786 and 830788. A ambush tonight at 836783.1	Div
1720		9	Fr 1/1: At (AT896704) a series of explosive devices belived detonated at the D-1 patrol as it moved into area. It was reported that 1 USMC KIA and 6 USMC WIA. D-3 is moving to assist patrol as they are taking snip or fire from (AT903694) Also there is one Platoon at HIEU DUC to act as a reaction force to be helilifted ASAP.	Div
2029		10	Fr 2/3: E-3 at ambush site #2 E reports 15 small arms rounds fired south of thier location. F-2 at checkpoint #2 G/2/A departed by 8-10 VC.	S
2155		11	Fr 1/1: At 262145 CoD received small arms fire fr 3 directions around their area (AT935715) IN return they fired 75 rounds small arms and 5 M-79. No casualties.	S
2156		12	Fr 1/1: Received info fr Hoa Oam Advisor: 221600H elements of 105th and 106thBn 343 Div reported at BT 04 6618. Moving to AT 980625. New Msg 261800 above elements moved to AT 2806050, believe mission to attack Hoa GAM and nearby units. Have 2 81's, 2 60mm mortars 4 machineguns and 8 BAR's and other small arms. Hieu Duc informed. They said they received similar info but in addition the VB have engineers to lay mines at AT 9665 and AT 9765.	S-2
2157		13	Fr 2/3: G (fwd) reports negative contact.	S
2222		14	Fr 2/3: F-1 at checkpoint #7 negative contact.	S
2359		15	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	OUT	NO		
0125		1	Fr 2/3: "F" nothing unusual to report.	S
0150		2	Fr 2/3: "G" nothing unusual to report.	S
0245		3	Fr 1/1: At 0200H Post 17 Bn CP security fired 2 rounds at person about 20 meters from position. No incoming rounds. At 0235 "D" sentry fired 4 rounds at movement vicinity 939719. No incoming.	Div
0400		4	Fr 2/3: "F" & "G" all quiet, no contact.	S
0805		5	Fr 1/1: All ambushes negative contact.	S
0930		6	Fr 1/1: At 251930 M-2 in village of KHIO TRI (2) (8970) had 1 KIA & 3 WIA, cause unknown. UH-1Bs were attacking area at time & were directed to fire NW of burning huts in village. Now questioning WIA to determine how wounded.	Div
1400		7	Fr 1/1: A-2 left CP and received 10 rounds sniper fire 1 - 200 meters Sof CP. Attempting to close with enemy (943672). A-3 S of LA CHAU (2) also under sniper fire, no casualties; sniper fire at 945674.	S-2
1415		8	Fr 1/1: Plans: C-2 & D-3 operating as provisional company (-) with a Hq Grp consisting of CO & Staff of "C". Will continue to operate vicinity 985705. Establish defensive positions N & S of river. Establish 6 squad ambushes and move in W direction along river tomorrow morning. Company (-) will sweep river area tomorrow. 19 ambushes tonight.	S
1702		9	Fr 2/3: E-3 at check point 7. G-2 present position 837787, patrol at 837793. Patrol base at 839788, G-2 ambush at 836785.	S
2029		10	Fr 2/3: E-3 at ambush site #2. E reports 15 small arms rounds fired south of their location. F-2 at checkpoint #2. G-2-A departed CP.	S
2155		11	Fr 1/1: At 262145 Co. D received small arms fire from 3 directions around their area (AT935715). In return they fired 75 rounds small arms and 5 M-79. No casualties.	Div
2156		12	Fr 1/1: Received info from Hoa Cam Advisor: 221600H elements of 105th and 106th Bn, 343 Div. reported at BT046618. Moving to AT980625. New Msg: 261800 above elements moved to AT380650, believe mission to attack Hoa Cam and nearby units. Have 2 81's 2 60mm mortars, 4 machineguns and 8 BAR's and other small arms. Hieu Duc informed. They said they received similar info but in addition the VC have engineers to lay mines at AT9665 and AT9765.	S-2
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2222		14	Fr 2/3: F-1 at checkpoint #7, negative contact.	S
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IN	OUT	SER NO	INCIDENT, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	
0430		1	Fr 2/3: Beach sweep detail has returned from sweep of Red Beach.	S
0600		2	Fr 2/3: E-3 all quiet, no contact.	S
0915		3	Fr 1/1: M-1 patrol at checkpoint #1 at 922664. Checkpoints as follows: Checkpoint #2, 897665, #3 906373, #4, 915672. B-2 checkpoint #1 at 922685, #2 at 898686, #4 at 918678.	Div
1110		4	Fr 1/1: D-5 reports receiving 5 sniper rounds from village at 940714, did not return fire. No casualties.	S
1213		5	Fr 3/4: At 1215 Recon plt at OP Bravo fired on 6-8 VC in vic of 815058. Small arms and artillery fired. No return fire, no casualties as yet. More info to follow.	Div
1230		6	Fr 1/1: Sierra reports a reinforced PF platoon receiving small arms and automatic weapons fire from vic 959688 at 1130. Fire fight lasted approx 30 minutes. 1 PF WIA from French rifle grenade (was evacuated). 1 French rifle grenade dud was recovered. 1 PF tripped a claymore type mine. No casualties. PF have received info of a VC engineer unit in area to lay mines and booby traps. 1/1 has alerted units to be prepared to move into area to reinforce PF and conduct aggressive patrol to close with VC.	S-2
1325		7	Fr 3/4: SITREP: Security Patrols: 1-3-I, 3-1-K, 3-2-K, 2-2-L, 3-3-L. Night positions - 1-1 at 906088, 1-3 at 827136. Today: 1-1 patrolled to hill 815092. Established night ambush and provided security for HOWTARS position at YD821082. Patrol back to base camp after HOWTARS lift back. 1-3-L conduct daylight security patrol to area of 891102. Recon continue operations of day before. JAC continue security patrols in respective villages. 81's firing defensive concentrations for I Co. 4/12 displace 5 guns to base of hill 820082 by helolift. Remain in position to 280800. Support both 2d plt recon and 3 FO teams: 810080 fr I Btry. Recon & I Btry stay in position to 280800. I Btry displaced 2 plt, 4 guns, to fire point #3 to support Recon and I Btry FO teams during daylight hours. Tacs: Recon assume duties as Bn Reserve. Scouts conduct security patrol in grid square 8214. JAC continue security patrols in respective villages. Wed: I Co w/1 plt estab night ambush in Grid square 8215. I Co. W/1 squad conduct day security patrol area of 868058. Lift back to BC. I Co w/2 squad struck to LOC BON HQDS of JAC-4. At twilight move to ambush along Highway #14. Return LOC BON 927104 first light. Recon estab night ambush grid square 8111. Scouts conduct daylight patrol area of grid 8116. JAC continue security patrols in respective villages. Tues: I Co. w/1 squad engineer team, ONTOS personnel and artillery personnel conduct recon patrol to hill 797108. Return to base camp prior to dark. MIR - same.	
1508		8	Fr 1/1: D-3 is presently located at AT877707. C-2 is at AT885711. They have encountered several booby traps, scattered sniper fire and have found several expended mortar rounds. One tunnel has been blown.	Div

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1510	9	Fr 1/1: Tonights ambushes: A-1 at 949674. A-2 at 959677. A-3 at 943662. A-4 at 958662. M-1 at 916677. M-2 at 925667. M-3 at 937646. G-1 at 901726. C-2 at 874709. C-3 at 880710. D-1 at 936716. D-3 at 881705 and 888701. All ambushes are squad size.	S
1615	10	Fr 1/1: Provisional Co. (-) (D Co Hqds and 2 plt (rein)). Will continue search and clear operations of river in HOI VUC to BINH THAI area at 878708. M-2 will conduct daylight combat patrol sweeping PHUOC NINH (5), KHUONG MY (4) and (1) and PHUOC NINH (3). Will leave at 281315H, return 281700H. M-1 will conduct daylight combat patrol. 280745 to 281300, sweeping PHUOC NINH (2), PHUOC NINH (6) and (2) and return. B-2 will conduct daylight combat patrol, ETD 280800, ETA 281200. Will sweep DONG BICH (2), QUONG MY (2) and return. 1 plt, A Co., will sweep from La Chau (3) to BO BAN(1). ETD 280730, ETR 281430. D-3 on each side of river at 875707 taking sniper fire from automatic weapons and carbines. D-3 returned fire, believe they hit one VC. Fire ceased at this time. C-2 in grid square 8771, ready to assist if needed.	S
1745	11	Fr 2/3: Fr -1 patrol base 843775 and 845765. Tomorrow F-1 will move to 846778. Will proceed in southeast direction to road junction and search and clear. Remainder of area impassable, discontinuing planned patrol for 28 Sep. ETR 1500. No contact. G-2 ambush at 833781.	S
1910	12	Fr 3/4: MPs at road block #1 (898132) reported receiving 3 rounds sniper fire at 1730H. Saw man run toward PHU BAI village.	S
2100	13	Fr 1/1: HIEU DUC bridge is expected to be attacked by VC between 22-2300H if you see red star cluster: it will be fired by ARVN in direction from which VC are coming.	S-2
2335	14	Fr 2/3: H-1 situation same, no contact. E-3 at patrol base #1 have sent out 1st ambush.	Div
2227	15	Fr 1/1: All units report all quiet. No firing observed.	S
2305	16	Fr 1/1: "A" has med-evac on Hill 22 (955666). Possible appendicitis. C-2 no contact. D-3 has received 23 rounds sniper fire from vicinity 873706. Fire was sporadic, was returned with unknown result. No casualties.	Div
2335	17	Fr 1/1: "D" heard dragging sounds in front of position. Checked area & found pile of battle dressings with blood on them at 948725 about 300 meters from position. Suspect 4 VC N of position.	Div
2359	18	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
		All units maintained an offensive posture by Patrolling and establishing ambushes. All units receiving sporadic sniper fire. Enemy contact light.	

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OUT	NO		
0025	1	Fr 3/4: Squad at 926106 has 1 USMC KIA & 2 WIA. More info later.	Div
0155	2	Fr 2/3: "F", "E", "G" & H-1 nothing unusual to rpt.	Div
0250	3	Fr 3/4: At 2100H 15 Marines and 7 PF from 4th plt JAC departed on patrol from 915095. Made contact with 15 VC moving E. Fire fight lasted about 5 minutes. VC broke contact & platoon returned to LOC BON (926104). Have 1 USMC KIA & 2 WIA. Estimate 4 VC KIA. Reaction force of 47 H&S company personnel and 2 tanks moved S on highway 1 to PHU BAI. No further VC contact. Reaction force returned to Bn CP at 0130H. 3 plt JAC returned to PHU BAI. 4th plt JAC remained at LOC BON. casualties taken to "A" med.	
0600	4	Fr 2/3: "F" & "H" situation same, negative contact.	Div, S-2
0955	5	Fr 1/1: Dist Hq reports PF will move from PHUOC HUNG (9172) to DONG IAY (907723) to look for mines. Area was supposedly mined last night. May reinforce with one platoon from PHU THUONG (9076).	S
1105	6	Fr 3/4: As a result of last night's contact, a patrol sweeping area found 2 VC bodies & 2 weapons along with 782 gear.	Div
1330	7	Fr 3/4: SITREP: Security patrols 3-1-K, 1-2-K, 3-3-K, 3-2-L, 1-3-L. Night positions: A-4 923102 last night made contact with unknown number of VC. Know 2 VC Killed. Today: 2-2-I tank platoon security for recon. 1st & 3d squad 2d plt "I" night ambush in area of 838153, 2-L 906055. "C" 3d Tanks with 1 squad "I", engineer team Ontos personnel & artillery personnel conducted aroute recon to hill at 791708; returned before dark. Scouts patrolling in grid squares 8114, 8115, 8116, JAC 1st, 2d & 3d plt security patrols in villages. 4th Plt security for: LOC BON returned to Bn CP at 1300. Wed: "I" with 1 plt night ambush in grid square 8215. "L" with 1 squad daylight patrol to hill 868058. Heli-lift back to base camp. "L" with 2 squad trucked to LOC BON HQ of JA 4 plt at daylight moved to ambush along Highway #1 returned first light. Recon establish night ambush in grid square 8111. JAC - same. Thurs: "I" heli-lift 1 squad to hill 225. Lift wire team back to base camp. "L" with 2 squads night in grid square 8316. "L" with 1 plt trucked to hill at 889087. Night ambush in area of 872077. Patrol to hill 46 first light return by truck to base camp, recon Bn night reserve.	
1650	8	Fr 1/1: "D" has one med-evac in CP area (941719).	S
1750	9	Shot in shoulder at 1620H. Evac has been requested.	S
		Fr 1/1: 1 VCS captured on patrol at 924664. VCS was woman heading south toward jungle. No ID & didn't live in any nearby village. On way back to CP she tried to throw some pictures away.	S
2000	10	Fr 3/4: 1-2 made contact with 3 VC at 1930H at 908067. Have recovered 1 VC KIA & 1 US carbine. Believe have 2 more WIA VC but nobody recovered yet. No USMC casualties. Called for artillery support & illumination. Mission has been fired. Contact lasted 8 minutes.	S

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OUT	NO		
2005	11	Fr 2/3: F-2 has reached their first check point.	S
2019	12	Fr 1/1: D-1 set new ambush at 937723 because first one at 938713 was in Popular Forces area.	Div
2044	13	Fr 2/3: F-2 has passed check points 2 & 3.	S
2354	14	Fr 2/3: During 29-30 Sep rice cutters will work in the HOA TRUNG area. "F" will move plt to Hill 112 (8677). Provide security for cutters. Plt will have FO capability. On 1 Oct provide similar security for MY SON area. Cutters will have 30 PF as local security. Cutters to be in area noted during period 0800-1700.	S
2359	15	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
		JAC from 3/4 sustained 1 KIA & 2 WIA while on security patrol at LOC BON. All units maintain patrols and ambushes in their assigned area of responsibility. Light enemy contact reported by all units.	

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OUT	NO		
0145	1	Fr 2/3: "E", "F", "G" & H-1 report all quiet.	Div
0730	2	Fr 1/1: Ambushes last night had negative contact.	S
0937	3	Fr 1/1: M-2 patrol found 1 booby trapped frag grenade at 0914H at 924668. Will detach & destroy.	S
1545	4	Fr 2/3: H-3 reports 5 rounds sniper fire at 935831 from a NW direction. Swept area with no contact. Now on way back to Bn CP.	Div
1615	5	Fr 2/3: H-2A secured area. Negative contact. H-1 & F-2 all secure, negative contact.	Div
1755	6	Fr 1/1: C-3 moving at 890711 spotted 5 men 300 meters E of their position (E of BINH THAI) Lead elements opened fire & believe they hit two of the men. Men ran SW through BINH THAI C-3 now in pursuit, seeing BINH THAI. No further contact yet.	S
1845	7	Fr 1/1: A Co, has 3 VCS. Request evacuation to Dist. Hqds. C-3 encountered 7 VC in column vic 886717. 5 moved East, 2 went North. C-3 followed the larger group. ARVN w/C-3 stated its a definite VC unit. Spotted 1 rifle. Found 3-105 mm duds. Were not booby trapped nor destroyed. C-3 had no demo. Duds found vic 889708.	Div
2046	8	Fr 1/1: A-2 set in. M-3 leaving for night position. Med evac now in operation.	S
2345	9	Fr 2/3: E, F, F-2, G and H-1 situation same, negative contact.	S
2359	10	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
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0410		2	Fr 2/3: F, F-1, E - all quiet, negative contact.	S
0610		3	Fr 1/1: M-3-A patrol has returned. M-2-C patrol is now in friendly perimeter.	S
0755		4	Fr 1/1: M-2 patrol departed at 0750.	Div
1010		5	Fr 1/1: A-1 patrol crossed LOD at 0940. Now at LA CHAU (5) moving North. Found tunnels and caves and checking same.	S
1150		6	Fr 1/1: A-1 patrol has blown 1 tunnel and searched 5 huts, negative contact. Are now 400 meters from LD are stopped, waiting for M to finish searching caves.	S
1410		7	Fr 1/1: M-2 patrol now leaving.	S
1428		8	Fr 2/3: Plans: G-2 Squad (-) (981805) from 021030H to 030600. G-3 squad (-) 892798 from 021045H to 030600H.	S
1445		9	Fr 1/1: M-2 at checkpoint #1.	S
1545		10	Fr 3/4: STREFF: Security Patrols - 2-1-I, 2-1-K, 3-2-K, 1-2-L, 3-3-L. Night positions - L-1 at 913048. I-3 at 825156. Recon at 809135. Opns: 2-1-L helolift to hill 225 wire team back to BC. 1st&3d squad 1-I night ambush in GS 8316. 3-L trucked to hill 889087 night ambush area of hill 872077 returned to hill 46 before first light. Recon Bn. night reserve. Scout patrolling in GS 8214, 8216, 8215. JAC Co. same.	S
1645		11	Fr 1/1: C-3 found 10 pounds of C-4 in a house in the hamlet of NINH AN (AT905710). One old woman in the house at the time.	Div
1930		12	Fr 1/1: A-1 patrol reports 2 VCS evacuated to OP Sierra. After that, negative contact with VC, no rounds fired, blew 6 caves approx 10 feet long and punji stakes around area. Treated 2 or 3 civilians. Have estab PPB in assigned area. Sent out ambush patrol to designated coord. No other intelligence found of any importance.	S-2
1955		13	Fr 1/1: A Co. found a bomb made of C-ration can - contents unknown. Location at La Chau (3) coord 957678. M-2-A has left for night position.	S
2359		14	JOURNAL CLOSED.	
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RT-252	706	5AUG	E-1216-66	TRANS. FILTER WILL NOT TURN V-252 MISSING

TD-101	1014	22JULY	E-0715-66	
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RT-252 DOC#03557 PRI 05 14 JUNE TO REPLACE ONE CODE X
14 SEPT FLSG OBLIGATION HELD

PU-278 (2) DOC# 1147 21 SEPT TO REPLACE TWO THAT WERE EVACUATED PRI 05
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U-278	1010	25SEPT	U-988-66	NO SPARK
PU-278	1007	21SEPT	U-920-66	UNEVEN POWER
PU-278	49	21SEPT	U-919-66	NO SPARK
PU-278	752	21SEPT	U-918-66	UNEVEN POWER
PU-278	2637150	23AUG	U-785-66	NO COMPRESSION
PU-278	1008	20AUG	U-492-66	ENGINE BEGAN TO SMOKE
PU-278	798	20AUG	U-491-66	ENGINE BEGAN TO SMOKE
PU-278	6403253	6JULY	U-039-66	
PU-278	2637037	6AUG	U-354-66	NO POWER
PU-278	290	6AUG	U-356-66	OIL FROM BLOCK

GENERATORS THAT HAVE BEEN EVACUATED AND REORDERED OTHER THAN PU-278'S

	DOC#	PRI	DATE DEADLINED
PU-587	1141	05	21SEPT 10JUNE
PU-565	1143	05	21SEPT 17JULY
PU-454	00883	05	2SEPT 22MAY

GENERATORS AT FLSG OTHER THAN PU-278'S

	SER#	DATE	WO#	
PU-454	52	19SEPT	U-885-66	BAD RINGS
PU-181	182	7SEPT	U-784-66	BROKEN ROD
PU-348	36	6SEPT	U-734-66	BAD RINGS

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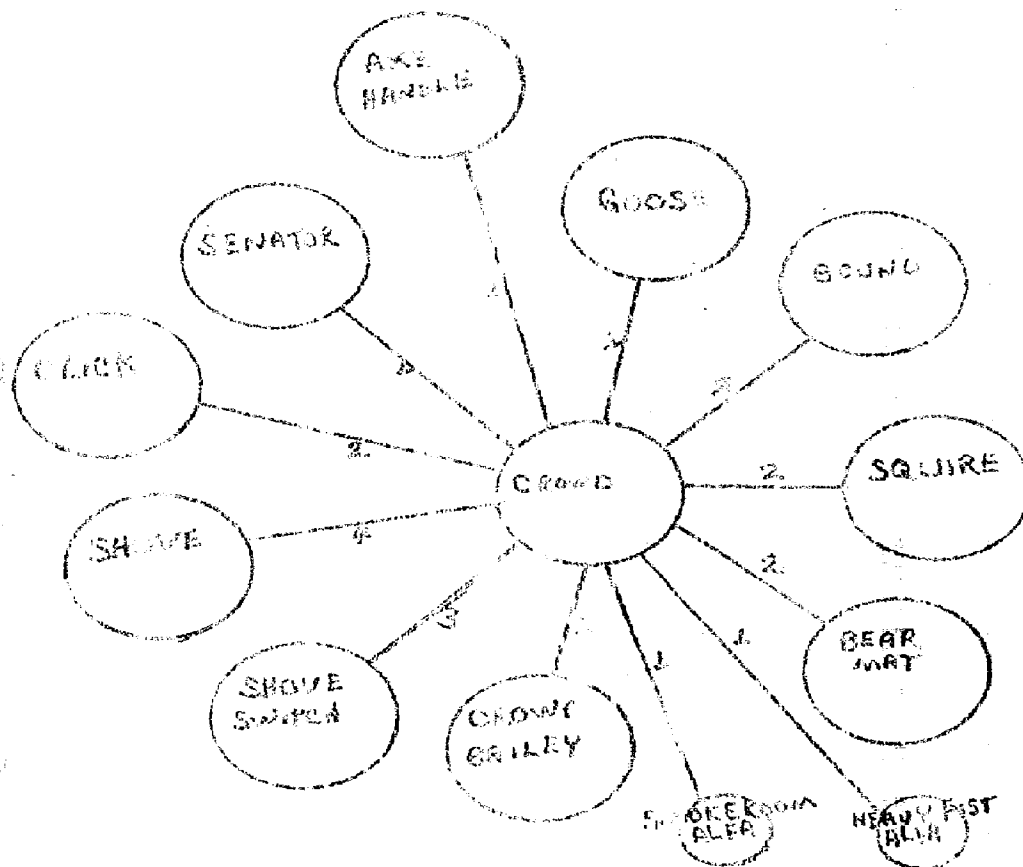
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	SER#	DATE	WO#	
PU-348	27	27MAR	U-791-65	STILL ON OKINAWA
PU-422	191	27AUG	U-559-66	ENGINE FROZE
PP-324	783	16AUG	E-1486-66	CAN'T ADJUST H&L VOLTAGE & CURRENT
PP-324	45	25SEPT	E-2227-66	K-1 WON'T ACTIVATE
PRC-41	233	25SEPT	E-2228-66	DETECTIVE SQUELCH
CH-474/PRC-47		20AUG	E-1539-66	RELAY CHATTER WHEN IN TUNE
MRC-87				
ARC-55	42	10SEPT	E-1954-66	XMIT BUT NOT REC.
ARC-55	42	10FEB65	4-3650-65	OKINAWA
MRC-83-87/TRC-75				
PP-2352		22JULY	E-0905-66	
PP-2352		8AUG	E-1266-66	PHASE 1 GONE
PP-2352		7AUG	E-1265-66	PHASE 1 GONE
CY-2600		23SEPT	E-2196-66	BLOWER MOTOR
T-730		14SEPT	E-1998-66	NO OUTPUT FOR XMITER.
AB-557/TPS-21		21SEPT	E-2109-66	INTERMITTENT 3'-10' OPERATION
ZD-292		4SEPT	E-1829-66	PIN BROKEN ON PLUG & OPEN IN CABLE
TU-7A		18AUG	E-1500-66	
PRO-6		23SEPT	E-2194-66	L-22 OPEN
PRC-6		23SEPT	E-2195-66	BAD DISCRIMINATOR
SB-86		11AUG	E-1358-66	WONT RESTORE DROPS BAD CORD CKTS
O-434		4SEPT	E-1820-66	T-1 HAS OPEN WINDINGS
GGC-3		19SEPT	E-2078-66	OVER HAUL
PGC-1		21SEPT	E-2110-66	OVER HAUL
PRC-10		20FEB	4-4819-65	FSR OKINAWA

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PRO-10 01201	26SEPT	02	4 MAY
TGC-14 01207	26SEPT	05	24 APR
CU-749 00813	18SEPT	02	
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FRAG ORDER 21-65 (CH NO. 3 TO OPN ORDER 325-65)

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1. 030900H BOUNDARY BETWEEN 3D AND 9TH MARINES SHIFTS TO WEST BANK OF SONG YEN.
2. 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES COORDINATE AND TIE-IN WITH ELEMENTS 2ND BN, 9TH MARINES VIC CAM NE (3) AT AT958684 BY 031500H.

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2. EXEMPTS REFERENCE (A) IN ACCORDANCE WITH: CG THIRD PAR 15V MSG 240245Z.

2 REPORT DEPARTURE AND IDENTIFICATION OF UNIT.

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1. **CO SECOND BN THIRD MAR ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY PATROL RED BEACH TWO VICE THIRD REGON BN.**
2. **MISSION INCLUDES COUNTERINFILTRATION, BOTH LAND AND SEA.**
3. **FOR PURPOSES OF MISSION, RED BEACH TWO INCLUDES BEACH FROM AT937830 TO AT 980794.**
4. **DIRECT COORDINATION AND LIAISON WITH ARVN UNITS RED BEACH TWO AREA AUTHORIZED.**

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FRAG ORDER 23-65

1. THIRD REGON BN RELIEVED RESPONSIBILITY OF DONG DEN.
2. THIRD MAR ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY DONG DEN OF 090900H WITH ONE TPS-21 TEAM, ONE NAVAL GUNFIRE SPOT TEAM AND ONE FIRE TEAM TO BE PROVIDED BY SECOND BN, THIRD MAR.
3. TEAMS TO BE ROTATED ON SIX TO SEVEN DAY BASIS.

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REF: (a) CO, THIRD MAR LTR, 3:RAJ:JWP over 1500 OF 12JUL1965

COUNTER INSURGENCY LESSONS LEARNED

1. EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT ALL ADDRESSEES WILL COMMENCE A TRAINING PROGRAM TO ASSURE THOROUGH COVERAGE OF THE REFERENCED DOCUMENT.
2. INSTRUCTION WILL INCLUDE ALL PERSONNEL DOWN TO AND INCLUDING FIRE TEAM LEADERS.
3. UPON COMPLETION OF INSTRUCTION SUBMIT TELEPHONE REPORT TO INCLUDE NUMBER ATTENDING AND TOTAL HOURS OF INSTRUCTION.

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FRAG ORDER 24-65

1. COMPANY M, 3D BN, 4TH MARINES REVERTS OPCON 3D MARINES 141600H. TO BE ASSIGNED OPCON 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES.
2. ONE COMPANY, 2D BN, 3D MARINES ASSIGNED DIVISION RESERVE EFFECTIVE 141600H.

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A. CO THIRD MAR LTR 3:RAJ:JWP OVER 1800 OF 12 JUL 65 (LESSONS LEARNED)

1. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE PRACTICE OF CARRYING M-14 RIFLES WITH A MODIFIED SLING AS REFERENCED IN REF A WILL BE DISCONTINUED.

2. RIFLES WILL BE CARRIED AT SLING ARMS IN REAR AREAS. FORWARD OF FRIENDLY POSITIONS, AND WHEN CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY IS PROBABLE, WEAPONS WILL BE CARRIED AT THE READY.

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FRAG ORDER 25-65

1. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ADDRESSEES WILL DESIGNATE ONE PLAT, REIN WITH AN FO CAPABILITY, FOR 20 MIN ALERT TO BE HELILIFTED TO IMMEDIATELY ATTACK THE VC, THEREBY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE FOR RECON PATROLS OPERATING WITHIN OR NEAR THEIR TAORS.
2. ADDITIONALLY, DESIGNATE ONE PLAT TO BE PLACED ON 20 MIN ALERT TO BE DISPATCHED OVERLAND TO REIN RECON PATROLS IN OR NEAR RESPECTIVE TAORS.
3. IN THE EVENT REIN IS REQUIRED, THE PATROL WILL PROVIDE THIS HEAD-QUARTERS WITH A S - A - L - U - T - E REPORT PLUS THE PATROL'S LOCATION, A RECOMMENDED PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE LZ AND A RECOMMENDATION TO REINFORCE THE PATROL OR ATTACK THE ENEMY.
4. EACH DESIGNATED ALERT PLAT WILL BE PROVIDED WITH NECESSARY RADIO EQUIPMENT TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE PATROL AND CALL SUPPORTING ARMS.
5. UPON DESIGNATION, EACH PLAT WILL BE THOROUGHLY BRIEFED ON THE PATROLS ROUTE, MISSION AND RADIO FREQUENCIES.
6. COMMITMENT OF THE PLATS WILL BE MADE BY THIS HEADQUARTERS AND INITIATED IN THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE PASSED TO BNS BY FASTEST COMM MEANS AVAILABLE.

LOCATION OF FRIENDLY UNIT
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 ATTACK OR REINFORCE

7. REPORT TO THIS HEADQUARTERS CURRENT DESIGNATION OF ASSIGNED PLATS AND HELICOPTER PICK UP ZONES.
8. THIS HEADQUARTERS WILL REQUEST THE CO THIRD MAR DIV TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT HELICOPTER AVAILABILITY TO SUPPORT ABOVE PLAN.

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REF: (-) CO, 3D MARINE BRAG ORDER 55-65

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1. THE 1ST 3D MAR DIV REQUESTS NECESSARY REQUEST FOR EQUIPMENT CAPABILITY TO
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A. SECOND BN, THIRD MAR OPN O 343-65

1. AGGRESSIVELY EXECUTE PRIMARY MISSION REF A BY CONDUCTING SEARCH, DESTROY AND KILL OPERATIONS IN AREAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN MY BRIEFING. PLACE EMPHASIS ON NIGHT AMBUSHES IN AREAS WHERE RECENT INTELLIGENCE REFLECTS HIGH VC ACTIVITY. REPORT RESULTS EARLIEST.

2. BE PREPARED TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS NAM YEN/PHO NAM ADDITIONAL TWENTY FOUR HOURS.
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VC CONTACT REPORTING

1. THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL OCCASSIONS IN THE RECENT PAST WHEREA UNIT HAS BEEN REPORTED UNDER ATTACK BY SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE INITIAL AND SUBSEQUENT REPORTS OF THESE ENGAGEMENTS OFTEN INDICATE THAT THE ONLY ACTION TAKEN WAS THE RETURN OF FIRE, WHEN, IN FACT, AFTER INQUIRY BY THIS HEADQUARTERS, THE UNIT REPORTS THAT A REACTION FORCE WAS DISPATCHED TO ACTIVELY AND AGGRESSIVELY COUNTER THE VC ACTION.

2. THIS TYPE OF REPORTING LEAVES DOUBT IN ALL MINDS AS TO THE TRUE NATURE AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ACTION TAKEN.

3. HENCEFORTH, REPORTS OF VC CONTACT WILL NOT ONLY INCLUDE ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ENGAGEMENT, BUT WILL INCLUDE THE ACTIVE AND AGGRESSIVE ACTION TAKEN TO DESTROY THE VC ENGAGED.

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PHYSICAL SECURITY OF WIREMEN.

1. COMMANDING OFFICERS WILL TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE PHYSICAL SECURITY FOR ALL WIREMEN WORKING OUTSIDE THEIR C.P.

2. AT THE MINIMUM THIS SECURITY WILL CONSIST OF:

A. WIREMEN WORKING IN PAIRS OR:

B. ARMED INFANTRY OR OTHER PERSONNEL WHOSE SOLE DUTY IS TO PROVIDE SECURITY.

3. THE SIZE OF THE SECURITY DETAIL WILL BE CONSISTANT WITH THE DEGREE OF DANGER IN THE AREA WHERE THE WORK IS TO BE PERFORMED.

4. WIREMEN WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO REQUEST SECURITY PRIOR TO LEAVING THE C.P. AREA. DETERMINATION OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED AND THE SECURITY REQUIRED WILL NOT REST WITH THE WIREMEN CONCERNED.

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A. CO, THIRD MAR BRIG 0 25-65

1. MODIFY REF A TO INDICATE COMMITMENT OF REACTION PLAT PHU BAI TAOR WILL BE MADE BY CO, THIRD BATTALION, 4TH MARINES AND HELO SUPPORT FOR REACTION PLAT PHU BAI WILL BE PLANNED IN COORDINATION WITH HELO AVAILABILITY PHU BAI.

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PART 2

2BN, 3MAR: NO TIME GIVEN FOR EXPECTED C-1 SINCE FOLLOWING 18 M274, 3 M422, 7 PRC-6 AND 8 PRC-10 AT 3D BHELON REPAIR FACILITIES WHO CAN NOT PROVIDE TIME OF REPAIR.

3BN 4MAR: NO TIME GIVEN FOR EXPECTED C-1 SINCE INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE THROUGH PERSONNEL CHANNELS.

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REEMPHASIS OF TACTICAL PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES

1. ADDRESSEES ARE DIRECTED TO STRESS THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES DURING ALL OPERATIONS.

A. WHENEVER POSSIBLE, TACTICAL FORMATIONS WILL EMPLOY REAR, POINT AND FLANK SECURITY ELEMENTS.

B. ON PATROLS A MINIMUM DISTANCE OF FIFTEEN PAGES BETWEEN MEN WILL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES.

C. MAXIMUM CONCENTRATION WILL BE PLACED ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF SQUAD PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

D. UTILIZE ALL INTELLIGENCE TO CAPITALIZE ON SURPRISE.

E. SELECT LISTENING POSTS AND OUTPOST POSITIONS TO ENSURE EARLY DETECTION OF VC.

F. IN REAR AREAS RIFLES WILL BE CARRIED AT SLING ARMS. IN ENEMY TERRITORY WHERE CONTACT IS LIKELY OR PROBABLE RIFLES WILL BE CARRIED AT THE READY POSITION.

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2. REQUEST PERMISSION TO EMPLOY CLAYMORE MINES ON O.P. HILL 180 (YD 855133).
MINES WILL BE PLACED INSIDE TACTICAL WIRE.

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TO: CG FIRST BN, FIRST MAR
CG SECOND BN, THIRD MAR
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TRAINING PROGRAM FOR PF

1. ADDRESSEES, IN COORDINATION WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS, COMMENCE A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR PF FORCES WITHIN YOUR TAOR, TO INCLUDE MARKSMANSHIP, SCOUTING AND PATROLLING.

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PATROL ACTION NORTH OF CA DE SONG

1. REF A AND B CANCELLED.

2. TO CG THIRD RECON BN: CONDUCT RECON MISSIONS NORTH OF CA DE SONG
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3d Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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REGIMENTAL BUL STIN 1500

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Viet Cong Mine/Booby Trap and Demolition School

Encl: (1) Training Syllabus for Subject School

1. Purpose. To promulgate information regarding a Viet Cong Mine/Booby Trap and Demolition School to be conducted during the month of September.

2. Background. It has become apparent that a need exists to be able to detect and remove or destroy VC mines, booby traps, caves and tunnels. A two day special school has been established by the 3d Engineer Battalion to provide members of this command with the requisite knowledge.

3. Action

a. Each battalion will send a total of 120 Marines to the established school in four increments of 30 each in accordance with the schedule in paragraph 3.b. below and enclosure (1).

b. Following is the course schedule for the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and the 2d Battalion, 3d Marines. Due to the location of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines the promulgation of their course schedule will be the subject of a separate directive.

(1) 1st Battalion, 1st Marines

<u>School Dates</u>	<u>Quota</u>
3-4 Sept (1st Class)	30
8-9 Sept (2d Class)	30
13-14 Sept (3d Class)	30
17-18 Sept (4th Class)	30

(2) 2d Battalion, 3d Marines

<u>School Dates</u>	<u>Quota</u>
6-7 Sept (1st Class)	30
10-11 Sept (2d Class)	30
15-16 Sept (3d Class)	30
20-21 Sept (4th Class)	30

(3) 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

School Dates

3-4 Sept (1st Class)

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c. All students are required to bring a note book, pencil or pen, their mess gear, helmets and individual weapons. The noon meal will be provided by the 3d Engineer Battalion during assigned hours on each class day.

d. To facilitate commencement of each new class, the student detachment will report to the Regimental S-3 office not later than 0730H on the first day of each two day class. Thereafter the class will report directly to the 3d Engineer Command Post.

e. Each battalion will provide transportation as required to insure prompt arrival at the designated time and location.

f. The S-4, 3d Marines will request and assure delivery of the following items by 0730H on the second day of each class scheduled in paragraph 3.b above.

	<u>DODAC</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
1.	1375-M131	Cap, blasting, spec, nonelect.	40
2.	1375-M670	Fuse, blasting, time	80 ft.
3.	1375-M766	Ing, blasting fuse, waterproof, M2	40
4.	1375-M132	Charge demo, blk, 1 lb, TNT	70 lbs.
5.	1375-M455	Cord, detonating, fuse, primacord	500 ft.
6.	1375-M756	Charge, assembly demo, M37	1
7.	1375-M003	Adapter, primary, nonelect, M2	40

4. Self-cancellation. This bulletin is cancelled on 30 September 1965.

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1 September 1954V.C. MINE/BOOBY TRAP & DEMO COURSE

0800-0815	Introduction to V.C. mines, booby traps, tunnels, caves and panji pits.
0815-0900	V.C. Mines
0900-0930	V.C. Caves & Tunnels
0930-1000	Panji Pits, Man Traps
1000-1030	V.C. Booby Traps
1030-1100	V.C. Markings
1100-1130	Location of V.C. mines, booby traps, tunnels, caves, and panji pits.
1130-1200	Noon meal
1300-1400	Detection & removal/destruction of V.C. mines, booby traps, caves, tunnels, etc.
1400-1430	Static display tour & lecture
1430-1500	Review & summary of V.C. employment of mines, tunnels, caves and booby traps.
1500-1530	Characteristics of military explosives
1530-1600	Demolition accessories
1600-1700	Types of explosives used

0800-0900	Uses of demolitions
0900-0930	Calc of charge requirements Estimation Experience
0930-1030	Non-electric priming
1030-1100	Placement of charges in tunnels, caves, etc.
1100-1130	Safety precautions
1130-1300	Noon meal
1300-1700	Practical Application

Enclosure 1

Non-electric priming

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3d Marines (-) (Rein)
3d Marine Division (Forward)
FPO San Francisco 96601

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2 Sep 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Fwd) (Attn: SCI-4)
Subj: Helicopter Medical Evacuations

1. In the past when a unit was engaged in an operation and it became necessary to evacuate a heat casualty, the accompanying troops have normally used all or most of the drinking water in their canteens to lower the individual's temperature.
2. The helicopter pilots usually prefer not to land at the unit's command post to pick up water because this is wasting valuable time during the medical evacuation of the casualty. The requirement to re-supply the unit with water still exists. In most instances the unit is isolated, which would necessitate another helicopter flying a separate mission for this purpose.
3. It is strongly recommended that all helicopters flying missions to evacuate heat casualties in the future be directed to carry five (5) filled 5-gallon water cans.

M. R. NICKELSON

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3d Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), MAF
APO San Francisco 96001

21H50:JWP
1700
20 Sep 1966

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Division (Rein), MAF (SCI-3)

Subj: Inquiry Into Circumstances Regarding MH-1E Strike in DAO TRI (2)
(Arrested) Area; evening of 27 September 1966

Ref: 3d Marines Operation Order 329-65, dated 21 Jul 1966

- Re: 1. Statement of Latta R. R. WOODR 006543 USMC, HQ Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines
(2) Statement of Capt Rites W. M. WOODRUM, Jr. 064693 USMC, HQ Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines
(3) Statement of Sgt James O. CANADA 649576 USMC, Company M, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines
(4) Statement of 1st Lt Brian F. ALBERT 0065430 USMC, Company M, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

1. From the statements contained in enclosures (1) through (4), it is apparent that the target was identified by the 1st ground company, but the location of the ground unit's front lines, as required in reference (a), and a recommended direction of attack were not indicated in the reports. The result of the above indicates that the strike (MH-1E) attacked from the north to the south toward the ground unit's front lines, striking with rockets through the target and into the ground unit's positions.

2. This command has directed subordinate commanders to specify the direction of attack (heading) forward of and parallel to front line positions whenever possible and accordingly all change reference (a). It is further recommended that this practice be established throughout the Division.

R. B. NICHOLSON

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Statement of Lt. E. R. Moore, 020943, USMC, H & S Company, 1st Battalion,
1st Marines, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), 7th PAC, Marine No. 26, PPO
San Francisco, California.

Having been informed of my rights under Article 31, I hereby make the
following voluntary statement:

At approximately 1900 hours, on 25 September 1965, Deadlock aircraft
checked in with Pillman 14 asking if we had any targets for them.
Captain Woodrow called Pillman Mike Two and told him of the aircraft
we had on station. He asked the 2nd Platoon commander if he needed
air support. The 2nd platoon commander answered in the affirmative
for air support northwest of Grid Tvd (2). I passed this information
to the aircraft with specific instructions to fire on the northwest
side. The lead aircraft made one run and called back to Pillman 14
asking if that run was O.K. The question was passed on to the 2nd
platoon commander who responded with the direction for them to fire
further to the northwest, which the aircraft, after receiving the
message, did. Approximately five minutes later we received a call that
a medical evacuation helicopter was needed for the man who had been
injured by the 2-75 rockets fired by the Deadlock aircraft.

E. R. Moore

ENCLOSURE (1)

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Statement of Fitz W. H. Woodrow, Jr., 064695, USMC, 1st Battalion, 2nd Marines, 3rd Marine Division, (Rein), PMF PAC, Marine No. 16, PFC San Francisco, California.

Having been informed of my rights under Article 31, I hereby make the following voluntary statements:

At approximately 1900 hours, on 23 September 1965, I was talking to the Platoon leader of the 2nd platoon, M Company, Lt. Ahearn. He was in the process of sweeping the village of Gino Tri(2) at coordinates 894708 with his platoon, and had armed helicopters over his position. I asked him if had targets of opportunity that he wanted the HUEEs to take under fire. He said that he wanted strikes conducted northwest of the burning village. I relayed this to our FAC operator who was talking to the helicopters. After the first strike I asked Lt. Ahearn how the strike was and he replied, to the best of my knowledge, "It was O.K., but have them fire more northwest of the village." It was later that I was informed that the 2nd platoon had 1 KIA and 3 WIA, and that it was believed that the armed helicopters had fired on friendly forces in the village. The above is all that I know in regard to strikes on Gino Tri(2).

Captain Fitz W. H. Woodrow Jr.

ENCLOSURE (2)

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Statement of Sergeant James C. Canada, 649576, USMC, M Company, ³2nd
Battalion, 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, Marine No. 16, o/c
FPO San Francisco, California.

Having been informed of my rights under Article 31, I hereby make the following statement:

On or about 1900 hours on 23 September 1965, while on a clearing action at coordinates 894708, we were hit by rocket fire from Huey aircraft.

I was with the forward element searching out houses and bushes and bunkers when I looked up and saw the rockets being fired by the Huey. The rockets landed within eight yards of me, killing Ellis who was to my left about five yards. A rocket hit Willmuth on my right, who was about ten yards from me, and Farris who was to Willmuth's right. St. John was hit while standing about five yards to my rear.

The hueys made several more runs toward us on anorth to south pattern. Because of our wounded we could not take cover, but since the fire was not close, we had no further casualties.

We shot green flares to gain their attention.

We were sweeping from south to north which put us in the line of fire of the Hueys which were making their runs from north to south.

Sergeant James C. Canada

ENCLOSURE (3)

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Statement of 1st Lieutenant Brian F. AHEARN, 086590, USMC, M Company, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division.

Having been informed of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, I do hereby make the following voluntary statement:

At approximately 1715 on 25 September 1965, my platoon was ordered to prepare to conduct a search and clear operation in Gian Tri village at coordinates 893708. The platoon was lifted to the south of the village.

After securing the landing zone, we moved into the village with two squads on line. After we had proceeded about one-third of the way through the village, I was informed by the S-3 of 1st Battalion, 1st Marine that we had HU-1B support available. I requested that the Hueys make a run to the NNW outside the village in order to seal it off. Since it was approaching dark, I told the S-3 to inform the Hueys to fire outside the burning part of the village to the NNW. At that time I was to the rear approximately 25 meters. The next thing I knew rockets were landing among my troops; I immediately called for a cease fire. At the time of the incident we were moving from South to North. The rockets killed one and wounded three.

The rocket fire was almost in the center of the village and about 150 to 200 meters south of the last burning hut. The runs by the Hueys were made from North to South.

Lt. Brian F. Ahearn

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HEADQUARTERS
3d Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
APO San Francisco 96601

3:REA:jwp
1500
6 Sep 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF (Attn: G-3)
Subj: .50 Caliber Machine Gun in Anti-Aircraft Training Role
Ref: (a) CG, 3d Mar Div msg 040552Z Sep 1965

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted.

a. Number of Machine Guns, Caliber .50

(1) DA NANG	2	<i>Out of ground mounts</i>
(2) HUE PHU BAI	14	<i>Avty</i>

b. Number of Mounts, M-63 *(general)*

(1) DA NANG	2
(2) HUE PHU BAI	10

c. Number of Mounts, M-36A1 *(ring)*

(1) DA NANG	0
(2) HUE PHU BAI	2

d. Number of Mounts, M-3 *(ground)*

(1) DA NANG	2
(2) HUE PHU BAI	0

e. Number of Machine Guns, Caliber .50 on Tracked Vehicles (Tanks)

(1) DA NANG	13
(2) HUE PHU BAI	5

f. All weapons and mounts are serviceable.

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TO: FIRST BATTALION, FIRST M. BRIG
SECOND BATTALION, THIRD M. BRIG
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH M. BRIG

REF: FM 31-23, 10A 11A MSG 010123 SEP 1966

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1. AIR ATTACK WARNING IS TO BE OBSERVED AND TO BE PASSIVE DEFENSE MEASURES IN CASE OF ENEMY AIR ATTACK.

2. CONDITIONS FOR AIR DEFENSE WARNING

WHITE - ALL CLEAR

YELLOW - ATTACK IS PROBABLE

RED - ATTACK IS IMMINENT OR IS TAKING PLACE

3. AIR DEFENSE WARNING POSITIONS WILL NORMALLY BE RECEIVED FROM AIR FORCE

100 M SITE PANAMA BY FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING TADC. UPON RECEIVING A

CHANGE FROM CONDITION WHITE TO YELLOW FOLLOWING ACTION WILL BE TAKEN:

A. TADC WILL IMMEDIATELY CHANGE OF CONDITION, NOTIFY DASC, FSCC 3D MAR DIV AND III MAF COMMAND CENTER. DASC CENTER RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING ALL ORGANIC AND OTHER DESIGNATED UNITS AS NOTED PARA 6 BELOW.

B. ALL PERSONNEL WILL PREPARE TO TAKE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. AIR ATTACK MAY FREQUENTLY BE GROUND ATTACK. SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS EXECUTE DISPERSION PLANS IF REQUIRED.

C. IF UNIT REMAIN CHANGE OF CONDITION IS OTHER THAN TADC, NOTIFY TADC (MOMENT 22) OR FSCC 3D MAR DIV (MOMENT 26) WHICHEVER IS MOST EXPEDIENT.

D. UPON RECEIVING A CHANGE FROM CONDITION YEL OR TO RED OR WHITE TO RED, OF IF ENCLAVE UNDER AIR ATTACK:

1. TADC WILL HAVE SIREN SOUNDED (MINIMUM ONE MINUTE PULSATING SOUND) ALL TANGO SECTION, NOTIFY DASC, FSCC AND III MAF COMMAND CENTER. CENTERS PASS CONDITION TO SUBORDINATE UNITS.

2. ALL PERSONNEL NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN ESSENTIAL COMMAND AND/OR AIR DEFENSE FUNCTIONS TAKE COVER. BE PREPARED FOR POSSIBLE COORDINATED GROUND ATTACK

3. IF UNIT HAVING INFORMATION IS OTHER THAN TADC, NOTIFY TADC.

4. CONDITION WHITE (ALL CLEAR) WILL BE PASSED BY TELEPHONE, RUNNER, OR WORD OF MOUTH. TADC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PASSING THE CONDITION TO DASC, FSCC AND COMMAND CENTER UPON RECEIVING INFORMATION THAT ENEMY AIRCRAFT HAVE CLEARED THE AREA. UPON RECEIPT OF CONDITION WHITE RESUME NORMAL OPERATIONS IF AN HAS NOT TAKEN PLACE. IF ANY AREA IN I CORPS HAS BEEN ATTACKED, BE PREPARED TO RENDER ASSISTANCE TO AFFECTED UNITS AS DIRECTED.

6. III MAF COMMAND CENTER WILL NOTIFY CG, C/S, WROV NCC SUP ACT, G-2, G-3, 1ST FORCE RECON CO, NAV SUPT ACT DANANG, 30TH NCR, COM SUPT CO, 7TH ENG BN, FSCC 3D MAR DIV WILL NOTIFY CTG 76.4, FLSG, BASE DEFENSE BN IN ADDITION TO ALL ORGANIC UNITS. TADC NOTIFY I CORPS TOC IN ADDITION TO ALL ORGANIC UNITS.

7. A. WITHIN THE CHU LAI ENCLAVE: THE ADC COMMAND GROUP WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS AND ESTABLISHING WARNING PROCEDURES.

B. WITHIN THE HUE PHU BAI ENCLAVE: THE SENIOR GROUND COMMANDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS AND ESTABLISHING WARNING PROCEDURES.

C. FURNISH THIS HEADQUARTERS COPIES OF THE INSTRUCTIONS.

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8. ALL SUBORDINATE UNITS WILL PREPARE NECESSARY AIR DEFENSE PLANS WHICH WILL INCLUDE AS A MINIMUM THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- A. ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL ARE FAMILIAR WITH AIR RAID CONDITIONS, HOW INFORMATION IS PASSED, AND EMERGENCY POSITIONS.
- B. PREPARE DISPERSAL PLANS FOR AIRCRAFT AND EQUIPMENT IF REQUIRED.
- C. DESIGNATED PERSONNEL FOR ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS.

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SECOND ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug65

From: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
To: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force

Subj: Permission to Conduct Operations in Areas Adjacent
to the TAOR of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

1. Readdressed and forwarded recommending approval.

/s/ D. W. SHERMAN
D. W. SHERMAN
Chief of Staff

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THIRD ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3dBn, 4thMar ltr 3/WCR/om of 12 Aug 65

From: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF

Subj: Permission to Conduct Operations in Areas Adjacent to the
HUE-PHU BAI TAOR

1. Returned approved.
2. Commanding General, I Corps and I Corps Tactical Zone approved the reconnaissance areas as requested. All operations must be coordinated with the 11th Tactical Region.

/s/ REGAN FULLER
REGAN FULLER
CHIEF OF STAFF

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FOURTH ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3dBn, 4th Mar ltr 3/WCR/dm of 12 Aug 65

From: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines

Subj: Permission to Conduct Operations in Areas Adjacent to the TAOR of the
3rd Battalion, 4th Marines

1. Forwarded.

/s/ D. W. SHERMAN
D. W. SHERMAN
Chief of Staff

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FIFTH ENDORSEMENT on OO, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines ltr 3/WGR/dm of
12 August 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

Subj: Permission to Conduct Operations in Areas Adjacent to the TAOR of the
3d Battalion, 4th Marines

1. Forwarded.

2. Your attention is invited to the third endorsement which requires that all subject operations be coordinated with the 11th Tactical Region. In addition, you are directed to notify this Headquarters of planned operations as expeditiously as practicable.

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3d Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
APO San Francisco 96601

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19 Sep 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (Attn: G-3)
Subj: .50 Caliber Machine Gun, Paulliaration Firing
Ref: (a) CG, 3dMarDiv msg 162232Z Sep 1965

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted.

(a) Number of Marines to fire subject weapons:

(1) Da Nang	45
(2) Hue Phu Hai	48

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17 Sep 1965

FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3d Engineer Battalion (Rein) ltr 3/CM/cm over
1500 dtd 16 September 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines

To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Student Comment Sheets from Special VC Fortifications/Obstacles and
Demolition School for 3d Marines Personnel

1. Forwarded.
2. The school continues to meet its goals through excellent instruction.

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19 Sep 1965

FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3d Engineer Battalion (Rein) ltr 3/CH/bwe over
1500 dtd 16 September 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (SOI-3)

Subj: Student Comment Sheets from Special VC Fortifications/Obstacles
and Demolition School for 3d Marines Personnel

1. Forwarded.
2. This class was the sixth of its kind provided 3d Marines personnel.
The class is and continues to be of value to Marines within this command.

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3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
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1 Sep 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
Subj: Area Defense
Ref: (a) 3d Mar Div OpOrder 321-65

1. Reference (a) assigns a specific TAOR and forward MLR for purposes of offensive operations and strong point defense by the 3d Marines. Implied within the assignment of the TAOR is the responsibility for the positive control, conduct and coordination of all operational activities within the assigned TAOR. Of particular importance is the span of operational control of separate battalions, units and military installations within the rear areas of the Regiment's TAOR.

2. In order to properly execute those operational responsibilities, it is requested that this Headquarters be directed to assume control of all units located within the 3d Marines' TAOR for purposes of coordination and conduct of rear area defense, both local and area.

3. Such authority should include and ensure reporting of all units to this Headquarters for planning:

a. Proper local defense, including interior security, perimeter position defense and the attendant fortifications and protective wire.

b. Proper area defense to include a coordinated and centrally controlled fire plan, and the organization of a reaction/counter-attack force within the capabilities of the units concerned.

c. Proper communications to report occurrences and incidents relative to the security of the area, and for control of fire support and maneuver elements.

4. Additionally, the authority to publish orders and directives in support of defense plans is assumed within the intent stated in paragraph 2, to include, if necessary, the authority to order all units to stand and defend their positions at all costs.

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4 Sept 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
Subj: Request for assignment of one ARVN Battalion for search and clear operations

1. 3d Marine Division Operations Order 321A-65 orders the 3d Marine Regiment to advance over five thousand meters in a highly populated area and to liberate the populace from VC control.

2. In order to effectively accomplish this mission, particularly those aspects which deal with detailed search of homes, population control and establishment of local government, it is requested that this command be reinforced with one ARVN Battalion and two Civil Affairs Teams. Should this request be approved, it is recommended that Battalion and Civil Affairs Teams report to this Headquarters for planning on 5 September and for operations no later than 10 September.

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines ltr 3/EAC/thm dtd 31 August 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines

Subj: Recommendations Contained in CO, 1/12 ltr dtd 31 August 1965

1. Forwarded, recommending consideration of recommendations and adoption of those recommendations which may improve the effectiveness of Operation Order 341-65.
2. The adoption of "Fire Coordination line" contained in paragraph 1 of enclosure 1 of the basic correspondence would be a prudent change since it reflects correct terminology.
3. The insertion of a new paragraph 3.g(1) does not appear necessary since this policy is well established and understood by all commands and fire support agencies.
4. Although no barrier fire plan appears in Operation Order 341-65, the planned fires provided in artillery series "Tarpon" and "Sturgeon" provides sufficient planned fires to the north and west of the Nam O bridge. However, the inclusion of a barrier fire plan, as recommended, would enhance the effectiveness of the defensive plans for the bridge.
5. The recommendation to include the location and type of artillery concentrations on the operations overlay is not necessary.
6. The recommendation to include the coordinates in the fire support plan appears to be prudent even though their locations appear in overlay form in Annex B of Operation Order 341-65.

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 31 August 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines
 Via: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
 Subj: Operation Order 341-65 (Operation Alligator)
 Ref: (a) FMFM 7-4, par 5708

Encl: (1) Recommended Change #1 to subject operation order

1. Paragraph 3.g.(6) of the subject operation order contains an error in terminology which could conceivably result in injury to ARVN forces in the area. That line beyond which neither side can fire without permission of the other side is a "Fire Coordination Line" (FCL).

2. Further review of the subject operation order reveals that there is no provision, other than the blocking capability of ARVN forces, to isolate the battle area and thus prevent the reinforcement, resupply, or escape of the force that is expected to attack the bridge.

3. Enclosure (1) would change the subject operation order to reflect coordination measures and definitions understood by all supported and supporting agencies, and provides for a barrier fire plan to isolate the battle area.

4. It is recommended that the changes proposed in enclosure (1) be adopted. It is further recommended that future fire support plans be reviewed by this headquarters prior to publication, if the time permits.

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Change Number 1 to Operation Order 341-65 (Operation Alligator)

1. Delete paragraph 3.g.(6) of the basic order and substitute the following:

" (6) The Fire Coordination Line (FCL) is the trace of the foothills from coord (AT 913063) to coord (AT 908837) and along the north bank of the CA DE SONG from coord (AT 908837) to coord (AT 912846). ARVN forces will not fire south or west of this line, and USMC forces will not fire north or east of this line, without prior coordination with the other force."

2. Insert new paragraph 3.g.(11) as follows:

" (11) Firing outside of the TAOR must be approved by Division FBOG, who will coordinate with the appropriate ARVN commander."

3. Make a pen correction to Annex A, Appendix 1 to Annex A, and Annex B to reflect the Fire Coordination Line (FCL) established by this change.

4. Insert new Appendix 1 (Barrier Fire Plan) to Annex B (Fire Support Plan).

5. Make a pen correction to Appendix 1 (CA DE SONG Bridge Defense) to Annex A (Operation Overlay) to include thereon the location and type of all artillery concentrations contained in Annex B (Fire Support Plan).

6. Make a pen correction to Annex B (Fire Support Plan) to include the following information thereon:

CONCENTRATION	COORDINATES	SHELL	FUZE
AX 620	923843	HE	Q
AX 621	923846	HE	Q
AX 656	924847	HE	Q
AX 657	923841	HE	Q
AX 692	923844	ILLUM	TI
AX 693	923843	HE	VT
AX 694	934845	HE	Q

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REGIMENTAL BULLETIN 1500

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Mortar, Infantry, 60mm, M19; organization and training

Ref: (a) MCO 8370.12
(b) CG, 3d Mar Div msg 241424Z Sep 1965
(c) AR 385-63
(d) FM 23-85

Encl: (1) Training Syllabus for Mortar, 60mm

1. Purpose. To promulgate information regarding the issue of the Mortar, Infantry, 60mm, M19 to rifle companies and to establish a training syllabus within this command.

2. Cancellation. Regimental Bulletin 1500 of 5 August 1965.

3. General Information

a. Background. Reference (b) announced that 60mm mortars have arrived at DA HANG and each Regiment will be issued 24 complete mortars. The basis for issue for the battalion will be two per rifle company.

b. Training. Criteria for operator training for this weapon has been established in reference (a). Training will be accomplished in accordance with references (a) and (d) and enclosure (1).

c. Safety Precautions. The attention of unit commanders is directed to paragraph 7 of reference (a), which established criteria for the use of the cartridge, 60mm, HE, M49A2 with the M52 fuze. Only Target Practice ammunition is to be used during the conduct of 60mm Mortar Training. Applicable provisions of references (c) and (d) apply during the conduct of live fire.

4. Action

a. 4 primary and assistant instructors, assigned by the Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, will conduct instruction for each battalion. The primary instructor will report to the Regimental S-3 for detailed instruction no later than 011600H Oct 1965.

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The primary instructor and his instructional team will travel to each battalion as indicated below and conduct training in accordance with enclosure (1).

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| (1) 1st Battalion, 1st Marines | 4 to 8 Oct 1965 |
| (2) 2d Battalion, 3d Marines | 11 to 15 Oct 1965 |
| (3) 3d Battalion, 4th Marines | 18 to 22 Oct 1965 |

c. 60mm impact areas will be selected by each battalion, within their respective TAOR, for use during the forthcoming school.

d. As indicated by enclosure (1), the school covers a period of four days. However, the Battalion Commander, may at any time, based on his personal observations of the qualifications of his 60mm Mortar Sections, release the Regimental Instruction Team.

e. Each Battalion will provide personnel for 60mm Mortar Sections on the basis of one section per rifle company. A T/O section consists of the following personnel:

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| (1) Section Leader (FDC) | (1) |
| (2) Squad Leader/Gunner | (2) |
| (3) Assistant Gunner | (2) |
| (4) Ammunition Bearer | (4) |

5. Self-cancellation. This Bulletin is cancelled on 31 October 1965.

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TRAINING SYLLABUS
MORTAR, INFANTRY, 60mm, M19

First DayTimeMECHANICAL TRAINING/CREW DRILL

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| a. Introduction, description, nomenclature and functioning | 1 Hour |
| b. Disassembling, assembling, mounting and dismounting | 1 Hour |
| c. Care, cleaning, inspection and spare parts | 1 Hour |
| d. Sighting equipment | 2 Hours |
| e. Ammunition | 1 Hour |
| f. Training the gunner and squad drill | 4 Hours |

Second DayCREW DRILL

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| a. Training the gunner and squad drill | 10 Hours |
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Third DayTECHNIQUE OF FIRE/FIELD TRAINING

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| a. Forward observation | 6 Hours |
| b. Fire commands | 1 Hour |
| c. Squad conduct of fire | 1 Hour |
| d. Preparatory exercises | 2 Hours |

Fourth DayFIELD TRAINING

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| a. Preparatory exercises | 2 Hours |
| b. Firing exercises | 8 Hours |

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3d Battalion (Rein), 4th Marines (-) (Rein)
ltr 1/bja over 1300 dtd 22 September 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMP

Subj: Military Police Platoon; request for

1. Forwarded recommending approval.
2. The military police missions currently assumed by the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines detracts from the Battalion's ability to properly function in its assigned roles and missions.
3. Should the request be disapproved at this time, for lack of available Military Police units, it is requested that the requirement be met when additional Military Police units become available.

E. H. MACKEL
By direction

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HEADQUARTERS
 3d Battalion (Rein), 4th Marines (-) (Rein)
 3d Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force
 c/o PFO, San Francisco, 94601

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 22Sep65

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, FMF
 Via: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines

Subj: Military Police Platoon; request for

1. It is requested that one platoon of military police be attached to this command for duty.
2. At the present time, the internal security of the Phu Bai Airport/8th ARU complex, which includes two runways, the LAC LONG STONE, the airport building and grounds, the battalion command post, the civilian collection center and an internal night patrol, is provided by a special guard unit composed of men from this command and its various supporting units.
3. It is felt that the manpower composing the guard unit could better be utilized in the already understrength units and that their functions should properly be discharged by an organized Military Police Unit.

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion (Rein), 4th Marines
(-) (Rein) ltr 3/333/dm dtd 27 September 1963

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Use of Claymore Mines; request for

1. Readiness and forwarded.
2. This command concurs in the utilization of claymore weapons on Hill 180 (YD 854134).
3. The following safety precautions will be observed:
 - (a) Each claymore weapon will be physically deactivated each morning and re-activated just prior to darkness.
 - (b) Each electrical lead-in will have a shorting device attached to prevent accidental detonations.
 - (c) Each cluster of claymores will be controlled from a bunker, whose occupant may not detonate the weapon without express approval of the senior man present on the outpost.

H. J. CORLIE
By direction

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HEADQUARTERS
3d Battalion (Rein), 4th Marines (-) (Rein)
3d Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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27 Sept 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines (Attn: S-3)
Subj: Use of Claymore Mines; Request for
Ref: (a) TELCON with 3d Marines, S-3 on 26 September 1965
Encl: (1) Sketch of Hill 180 (YD 854134) (Not to scale)

1. In accordance with Reference (a), it is requested that this command be authorized the use of fifteen Claymore Mines in clusters of three on Hill 180 (YD 854134) as shown on Enclosure (1).

W. C. RUTHAZER
By direction

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3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines
Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines
Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

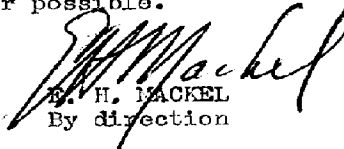
Subj: Close Air Support

Ref: (a) FMFM 7-3 Section II

1. The ability to conduct effective close air support, together with other supporting arms has always provided Marine infantry with a capability generally not shared by other services.

2. One of the essential prerequisites to successful close air support requires troop commanders to adhere to the basic principles of requesting air support. Recent incidents indicate that these principles have not been followed. Therefore, all troop commanders will adhere to basic principles in requesting close air support as contained in reference (a).

3. Additionally, all requests will contain the location of friendly front line, and specify that the direction of attack (heading) be forward of and parallel to front lines whenever possible.


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By direction

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF ltr 3:CHK:jrl
over 1551 dtd 4 September 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines

Subj: Permission to conduct operation in areas adjacent to the HUE-PHU
BAI TAOR

1. Readdressed and forwarded.
2. Your attention is invited to paragraph 1 of the basic letter which requires that all subject operations be coordinated with the 11th Tactical Region. In addition, you are directed to notify this Headquarters of planned operations as expeditiously as practicable.

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3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
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21 Sep 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (Fwd), FMF
Subj: Mine Fields; report of

Ref: (a) CG, 3d Mar Div msg 110036Z Sep 1965

Encl: (1) - Claymore Mines Location, Hill 225 (YD848086)
(2) - Claymore Mines Location, Hill 180 (YD855134)
(3) - Claymore Mines Location, Bridge (AT898812)
(4) - Claymore Mines Location, CA DE Bridge (AT927842)

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is hereby submitted.
2. For location, size and type of mines, see enclosures (1) through (4).
3. Records of mine fields are held at Battalion, Regiment and are herewith forwarded to Division. Their reliability is considered to be excellent.

H. J. CONLIN
By direction

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