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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDERS

3d Marine (Rein)

Col P. D. LA FOND 1-31 March

2. LOCATION. Republic of Vietnam.3. SUBORDINATE UNITS

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE OF CON</u>
Hq Co, 3d Marines	1stLt C.A. GREENFIELD	1-31Mar
1st Bn, 3d Marines	LtCol J.S. RYLE	15-31Mar
2nd Bn, 3d Marines	LtCol J.J. MCMONAGLE	9-31Mar
3d Bn, 3d Marines	LtCol R.C. SCHULZE	1-11/23-31Mar
Task Force Remegan	LtCol C. MILLA (US ARMY)	18-31Mar

4. ATTACHED UNITS.

NONE.

5. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	LtCol D. G. HERRON	1-31 Mar
S-1	Capt B. B. PORTER	1-31 Mar
S-2	Maj T. C. DOLSON	1-31 Mar
S-2A	CWO-2 R. M. CONLEY	1-31 Mar
S-3	Maj E. E. EVANS	1-31 Mar
S-3A	1stLt M. W. SHEPARD	1-31 Mar
S-3A/Ln Off	2ndLt W. F. ENGSTER	1-31 Mar
S-3A/Ln Off/NBC Off	1stLt J. J. MURPHY	1-31 Mar
S-3A/Ln Off/Tmg Off	1stLt G. E. PLANT	1-31 Mar
ALO	Maj P. F. ANGLE	1-31 Mar
S-4	Maj J. F. X. CONNOLLY	1-31 Mar
S-4A	1stLt D. E. RAGSDALE	1-31 Mar

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S-5	Maj G. L. SEETLEY	1-31 Mar
Regt Supp Off	1stLt R. G. HOWIE	1-31 Mar
MFO	SSgt M. V. EVERHEART	1-3 Mar
Comm Off	1stLt K. J. CONLON	4-31 Mar
	Maj J. H. HARTE	1-31 Mar
Asst. Comm Off	2ndLt R. B. LUNGER	1-13 Mar
Regt Surgeon	1stLt D. M. SHARPE	1-31 Mar
	Lt G. W. GREGORY	1-31 Mar
Chaplain	(USN)	
	LtCdr J. E. BELL	1-31 Mar
	(USN)	
Hq Commandant	1stLt C. A. GREENFIELD	1-31 Mar

6. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
<u>OFF/ENL</u>	<u>OFF/ENL</u>
19 186	2 4

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

On 1 March the operations conducted by the 3d Marines in the assigned AO resulted in negative enemy sightings and reflected no significant events.

On 2 March the 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Companies H & F, 2nd Bn, 3d Marines and passed same to 1st Bn, 3d Marines, effective 021000H. A platoon from Company L, 3d Bn, 3d Marines, while on patrol, received small arms sniper fire from an unknown size enemy force. Patrol countered with 81mm mortar fire. A jeep traveling east on route #9 received 1 fragmentation type grenade which landed approximately 35 meters from the road.

On 3 March, Company D, 1st Bn, 3d Marines received 9 rounds of 82mm mortar fire from an azimuth of 480 mils. Three rounds impacted outside, and six rounds impacted inside the perimeter. Unit countered with 81mm mortar, and artillery fire, and requested a TPQ drop on the area. A squad from Company D, 1st Bn, 3d Marines found 7 land mine markers of US origin. The markers were over mines placed on the east side of the road and appeared to have been in place for approximately 6 months. The patrol skirted mines and continued mission. A Popular Forces unit on an ambush mission spotted a platoon of VC moving toward Doc Kinh. The PF unit opened fire and the VC broke contact. 81mm mortar HE and illumination fired on possible routes of VC and one PF platoon dispatched as reinforcements. Contact resulted in two VC KIA, one AK-47 and one B-40 captured. A platoon from 3d Tank Battalion returning to C-2 discovered a home made mine. The device appeared to be a 60mm mortar but was somewhat larger. Mine destroyed in place. A platoon from Company K, 3d Bn, 3d Marines on a mounted patrol found one VC suspect hiding in a culvert on route #9 approximately 800 meters north of Cam Lo village. Initial interrogation by CIT revealed that he was apparently a CIDG member on unauthorized absence.

On 4 March Task Force Hotel assumed OPCON of Company H, 2nd Bn, 3d Marines from 9th Marines and passed same to CG, 3d Marine Division. Company B, 1st Bn, 3d Marines spotted 2 NVA/VC, without weapons, near the water point moving in a north east direction. Engaged enemy with small arm fire and frag grenades with negative results. Called mortar and artillery mission with unknown results.

On 5 March the operations conducted by the 3d Marines in their assigned AO resulted in negative enemy sightings and reflected no significant events.

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On 6 March a PF ambush spotted an estimated NVA/VC squad size unit. The PF unit initiated small arms fire which resulted in 1 VC KIA and the capture of 2 Chi-com grenades. A platoon from Company L, 3d Bn, 3d Marines while on a road sweep found 3 mines, 1 claymore and one booby trap. All devices were blown in place. Subsequent to destroying the ordnance the platoon received small arms sniper fire. 81mm mortar and artillery fire was directed on the suspected enemy position. At 1645H a platoon from Company A, 1st Bn, 3d Marines completed helilift to assembly area at VCB. A PF unit on ambush made contact with approximately 15 VC equipped with M-79 and B-40 rockets. VC broke contact and PF unit called 81mm mortar mission on area of contact. A search of the area revealed 1 VC KIA and many blood trails.

On 7 March 1 unknown type mortar round impacted in 3d Engineer area causing minor damage to a generator and inflicting minor wounds on 1 USMC. Crater analysis yielded negative results. While burning trash in an old previously used trash pit, personnel of Company I, 3d Bn, 3d Marines were grouped around the fire in a effort to warm themselves. Two M-26 frag grenades exploded killing one marine and wounding 4 others. Investigation will be conducted. Company F, 2nd Bn, 3d Marines detained 50 indigenous personnel. TFH dispatched IIT representatives to interrogate and determine disposition. A truck from MCB 58 returning from rock quarry detonated a mine resulting in one friendly WIA. Two indigenous personnel wearing black trousers, blue shirts and red arm bands were spotted leaving the area and heading toward nearby hamlet. A squad from Company I, 3d Bn, 3d Marines searched the area with negative results. A platoon from Company K, 3d Bn, 3d Marines spotted 5 indigenous personnel carrying a weapon. Platoon fired on party with small arms and called artillery mission. Results unknown.

On 8 March the 1st Bn, 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Companies E and H, 2nd Bn, 9th Marines. 3d Marines command post moved from Dong Ha Combat Base to Vandegrift Combat Base in preparation for operation MAINE GRAG.

On 9 March a squad ambush from Company K 3d Bn, 3d Marines spotted and fired on 15 NVA. Another group of 15 NVA was observed moving in. The squad then pulled back and called in artillery. Upon search of the area with tanks (21) NVA KIA were discovered, with (15) AK-47's. At 1130H, 2nd Bn, 3d Marines was chopped to 3d Marines. Companies E and G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines moved from Dong Ha Combat Base to Vandegrift Combat Base. Company H was committed as a Bald Eagle at COB Vandegrift.

On 10 March, Company C 1st Bn, 3d Marines was relieved by Company H 2nd Bn, 9th Marines at Elliot Combat Base. Company C 1st Bn, 3d Marines moved to FSB Cates to relieve

Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines of security for same. Company F moved to COB Vandegrift for a Battalion helilift. At 101610H operation MAINE DRAG commenced with the helilift of 2nd Bn, 3d Marines to LZ Hawk. 2nd Bn, 3d Marines then commenced overland move to FSB Snapper.

On 11 March, 3d Marines passed OPCON of 3d Bn(-), 3d Marines to 3d Marine Division. Simultaneously 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Company F and two platoons of 2nd Bn, 9th Marines. At 1000H, 3d Marines was passed OPCON to Task Force Hotel. Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while moving to a new position discovered a complex of (15) bunkers and 35 fighting holes all of which were very old and partially destroyed by artillery. Miscellaneous enemy ordnance was found and destroyed.

On 12 March Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while on patrol discovered a small bunker complex containing miscellaneous enemy 782 gear and ordnance; (1) SK-50 and (1) RPG launcher were also found. The complex was completely destroyed.

On 13 and 14 March, 3d Marines continued operations in their new AO. 2nd Bn, 3d Marines arrived at FSB Snapper and conducted search and destroy operations in their AO and prepared for an overland move to FSB Saigon. Due to inclement weather helicopter-borne operations were kept to a minimum. 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Company C 1st Bn, 3d Marines from Task Force Hotel.

On 15 March, 3d Marines assumed OPCON of 1st Bn(-), 3d Marines and simultaneously chopped OPCON of 2nd Bn, 9th Marines to Task Force Hotel. "A" Battery 1st Bn, 12th Marines was helilifted to FSB Snapper. Three companies of 2nd Bn, 3d Marines commenced an overland move to FSB Saigon. The advance command post of 3d Marines helilifted from COB Vandegrift to FSB Snapper. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines provided security for FSB Snapper and command post.

On 17 March, 3d Marines chopped OPCON of E(-) and Company F 2nd Bn, 9th Marines to Task Force Hotel. The helilift of "C" Battery 1st Bn, 12th Marines commenced. Due to inclement weather the helilift was halted. (4) guns and 500 rounds were helilifted. Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines provided security for FSB Saigon. Companies G and H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines moved to battalion objectives to the east.

On 18 March, Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines dispatched a reinforced squad from LZ Hound to FSB Saigon to guide 2nd Bn, 3d Marines command post to their position. At 1430, 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Task Force Remagan. 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Companies A and B 1st Bn, 3d Marines. At 1800 Company G and (2) platoons of Company D were helilifted to FSB Saigon. Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while in a company ambush position observed (2) enemy trucks moving east on

route 926. The first truck was empty and passed through the ambush site. The 2nd truck was loaded with small arms and rocket ordnance and was destroyed.

On 19 March (2) Ontos were helilifted to 1st Bn, 3d Marines at LZ Passport. Company B 1st Bn, 3d Marines moved from LZ Passport to FSB Big Foot Brown. Company C and the Command group of 1st Bn, 3d Marines moved overland from FSB Saigon to LZ Paris and provided security for same. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines prepared for helilift from FSB Snapper to FSB Gunner to reinforce operations in that area. Security for FSB Snapper was assumed by Company L 3d Bn, 3d Marines.

On 20 March Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines made contact with approximately (12) NVA in fixed positions. Company G called in fixed wing. Results of contact were (3) NVA confirmed. Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while on patrol discovered a small bunker complex consisting of (5) bunkers. The bunkers were large, one serving as a hospital. Miscellaneous 782 gear and ordnance was found. Company B 1st Bn, 3d Marines reached and secured FSB Big Foot Brown. All units continued to conduct extensive search and destroy operations in their respective areas of responsibility. 3d Marines assumed OPCON of Company M 3d Bn, 3d Marines.

On 21 March, OPCON of Company M 3d Bn, 3d Marines was passed to 3d Marine Division. Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines made contact with (4) NVA. Company G assaulted the enemy position resulting in (2) NVA confirmed, and (9) AK-47's captured. A platoon patrol from Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines discovered (25) 8 man bunkers. The area appeared to be a truck stop due to layout and vehicle tracks. 3d Marines command post helilifted from FSB Snapper to FSB Saigon. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines helilifted to LZ Gunner. A squad patrol from Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines spotted an NVA sitting in the road. The enemy ran to a bunker and was flushed out with smoke. Another NVA was in the bunker also. Task Force Remagan continued to move to the west on route 9, blocking the northwest approach to the 3d Marines area of responsibility. A patrol from Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines found what appeared to be a large rice cache.

On 22 March, Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while in area of cache received fire from well entrenched enemy in bunkers and spider holes. Company H called in an air strike while companies E and G maneuvered to establish blocking positions. Contact was broken and approximately 440 tons of rice was found. (100,000) rounds of AK-47 ammunition was also discovered. As a result of action in the rice cache area (10) NVA were killed. Task Force Remagan moved south along the Xe Pon River to block the western approach to the 3d Marines area of responsibility.

On 23 March one platoon from Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines was helilifted to secure FSB Spark. (2) 105's were then helilifted into FSB Spark. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines made contact with approximately (10) enemy in a cave. M-79 rounds were fired resulting in a large secondary explosion. Upon search of the area (80) AK-47 and 8 NVA bodies were found. A platoon patrol from Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines discovered a French made truck with Russian tires. The truck contained approximately 1/2 ton salt, 1 1/2 tons rice and 75 pounds time fuse. The truck was destroyed. Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines made contact with (10) NVA. Company G assaulted resulting in (1) PW. In checking out the area Company G found (2000) pounds powdered milk (5700) pounds rice, (3853) 82mm rounds, and (2500) RPG rounds. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines while on patrol discovered a large cache consisting of (90) individual weapons, (1000) pounds TMT, (6) tons of rice and 15,000 small arms rounds.

On 24 March, Company I 3d Bn, 3d Marines was helilifted to FSB Saigon while Company L was helilifted to FSB Spark. Company B 1st Bn, 3d Marines while on patrol discovered a recently constructed living area of (14) shelters and (9) bunkers. Numerous well used trails were found in the area. OPCON of Company I 3d Bn, 3d Marines was assumed by 3d Marines at 1600H. All units continued to conduct search and destroy operations in their respective areas of responsibility.

On 25 March a group of (51) BRU approached Company E 1st Bn, 3d Marines' position. The group was searched and found to have valid identification cards. The BRU were then helilifted to COB Vandegrift. A squad ambush from Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines observed (8) NVA moving up a trail to their position. A claymore was detonated and the enemy was taken under small arms fire. The ambush resulted in (5) NVA confirmed. A platoon patrol from E Company discovered a supply and re-distribution point consisting of 30 bunkers. (100) tons of rice and 16 recoilless rifle rounds were found. Company K 3d Bn, 3d Marines continued to provide security for FSB Cates, Hills 691 and 950. Task Force Remagan held a blocking position at the ford on the Xe Pon River and commenced an armored thrust to the east along route 926. A platoon of Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines discovered a battalion size bunker complex consisting of approximately 100 bunkers.

On 26 March Company F 2nd Bn, 3d Marines was helilifted from FSB Saigon and FSB Spark to the mouth of 2nd Bn, 3d Marines to establish a blocking position. Company L 3d Bn, 3d Marines provided security for FSB Spark while Company I continued to provide security for FSB Saigon. A patrol from Company G 2nd Bn, 3d Marines discovered (2) NVA filling canteens in a stream. Both NVA were killed. Company H 2nd Bn, 3d Marines discovered a large bunker complex and an NVA

body with documents. Company E 2nd Bn, 3d Marines located an enemy supply cache consisting of (1400) 82mm rounds, (155) recoilless rifle rounds, (4000) pounds of TMT and (500) 60mm mortar rounds.

On 27 March, Company A 1st Bn, 3d Marines found a fortified hamlet with trench line connecting (10) fighting bunkers, (5) living bunkers were found in the area.

On 28 March the 1st Bn, 3d Marines command post helilifted to FSB Spark. Company C completed overland move to provide security for FSB Spark. Company D completed helilift to FSB Saigon to provide security for same. Company L 3d Bn, 3d Marines helilifted from FSB Spark to COB Vandegrift to be committed as a Bald Eagle. Company I was helilifted from FSB Saigon to FSB Gates to conduct search and destroy operations in the 3d Bn area of responsibility.

On 29 March (15) BRU villagers arrived at Company B 1st Bn, 3d Marines position. All adults had valid I.D. Cards and were helilifted to COB Vandegrift. Company A 1st Bn, 3d Marines while on patrol discovered a trail leading from a river bed. A bamboo lean-to type shelter was found. Water buffalo tracks were found in the stream bed.

On 30 March while moving to a command post location a tank from B/1/61 detonated a mine. The tank was disabled and taken under fire by (5) NVA. The enemy was taken under fire resulting in (3) NVA confirmed. 2nd Bn(-), 3d Marines commenced a helo-assault of FSB Whisman. Company H, the command post, and 81 mortars were lifted. Inclement weather prevented Company G from being helilifted. C/1/77 found a large cache area consisting of (300) NVA gas masks, (2) 12.7 anti-aircraft guns, (1800) 82mm mortar rounds and (218) 60mm mortar rounds.

On 31 March a patrol from Company A 1st Bn, 3d Marines observed (2) enemy moving along a river. Mortar and artillery missions were called in with unknown results. B/1/61 received 100 rounds of 82mm mortar incoming from Laos. Counter-battery fire was called in. Company C 1st Bn, 3d Marines discovered (2) bunker complexes consisting of (18) bunkers. Miscellaneous building equipment was found.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat Missions Assigned.

a. 1-9 March - 3d Marines(-)(Rein) continues pacification operations in coordination and cooperation with 2nd ARVN Regiment; conducts offensive operations to destroy enemy forces within the Kentucky SO; provides security for fixed installations, lines of communications, and land clearing operations within AO; provides security screen for Dong Ha City north of Nieu Giang and Bo Dieu Rivers, and conducts an aggressive reconnaissance effort north of the Cau Viet River in the vicinity of Dai Do-Mai Xa Thi (Mia Xa Chan).

b. 10-31 March - 3d Marines(-)(Rein) conducts helicopterborne assault into Vietnamese Salient and establishes FSB's to support search and destroy operations along Route #926 to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications and supply caches. (See supporting documents #1-#9).

2. Significant Operations Covered.

(See paragraph 1 above)

3. Casualties Inflicted on the Enemy.

- a. Confirmed NVA KIA - 75
- b. Confirmed VC KIA - 2
- c. Confirmed NVA KBA - 3
- d. NVA POW - 9

4. Casualties Sustained.

KIA	WIA (MED EVAC)	WIA (MINOR)
13	49	10

5. New Techniques Employed. None.6. Command Relations.

a. During the period 1- 111000 H March, the 3d Marine Regt (-)(Rein) was OPCON to 3d Marine Division.

b. During the period 111001 - 31 March, the 3d Marine Regt (Rein) was OPCON to Task Force Hotel.

7. Equipment. The T/E allowance was considered adequate during the reporting period. No recommendations for changes in the allowances were received.

8. Logistics

a. General. The first half of March was a routine period for resupply of the Battalions OPCON to this Command. On the 15th of March, Headquarters Company 3d Marines, 1/3 and 2/3 started operation Maine Crag located in the northern I Corps area. Resupply of the units was accomplished by helilifts from Vandegrift Combat Base to units operating in the 3d Marines AO.

b. Supply

(1) Overall Supply Situation. The general supply situation for this reporting period has been fair. There are no significant highlights during this reporting period, routine supply work has been the plan of the day. The last half of this reporting period has been to resupply the Hq. Co. forward at Vandegrift Combat Base along with assigning personnel to the forward area.

(2) The overall supply situation for Class II has been good. No significant highlights for this reporting period.

c. Evacuation and Hospitalization

(1) During operation Maine Crag an increase in the number of patients with fever of undetermined origin was noted. Therefore an increase in the number of confirmed cases of malaria is to be expected. Non battle casualties are also on the increase, both here in Dong Ha and in the forward CP area. The Regimental Surgeon while manning the forward RAS is responsible for and is treating various units attached, other than Hq. Co. personnel, on the LZ: these include artillery units, engineering personnel, and fire base security troops. Casualties are evacuated to Vandegrift Combat Base where triage is accomplished at Charlie Medical Bn. C-Med collects and sorts patients for further evacuation, if needed, to Quang Tri.

(2) Sanitation. Sanitation improvements have been made in our Dong Ha area. A report of inspection by Preventive Medicine Section One, 3d MedBn, dtd 21 Mar 69 states in part - "The galley and messing spaces presented vast improvement from previous inspections." The final note of the inspection report states - "Improvement was noted throughout the whole contonment." The proper refrigeration unit is now installed in the main freezer unit and a smaller unit is operational in the messhall. A continuing effort is being maintained at the forward CP area to ensure that proper and necessary sanitary standards are maintained. The problem of enforcing proper malaria control still exists. Section leaders should enforce malaria prophylaxis.

such as taking of tablets daily and weekly, mosquito netting for all personnel, and insect repellants when indicated.

d. Transportation

(1) Significant Problem Areas. Overall transportation support was very adequate this reporting period. Division Motor Transport provided support for Hq 3d Marines, 1/3, 2/3 and 3/3 rears located in Dong Ha and Quang Tri Combat Bases.

(2) The Motor Transport Section of Headquarters Company was in general support of the Regimental Headquarters.

e. Service

(1) Construction. Five new dive type bunkers were constructed for this Command during the month of March.

(2) Laundry service provided by Vietnamese civilians in Dong Ha was very satisfactory.

9. Civic Action

a. The following figures are rough estimates for March 1969:

(1) Total number of man-days: 156.

(2) Cost of Civic Action projects:

- (a) From military resources: \$VN 432,416.
- (b) From the US/FWA/AF CA Psywar Fund: \$ VN 8,700.
- (c) Transportation: \$VN 13,334.

(3) Number of separate institutions assisted during the reporting period:

- (a) Schools: 12
- (b) Hospitals/Dispensaries: 6
- (c) Other: 2

b. Comments on the preceding paragraph follows. The number of man-days includes time expended by truck drivers as well as the 3 persons assigned to the S-5 Section. The "cost" of civic action projects is misleading, as the materials utilized included large quantities of scrap lumber and other materials that probably would have been destroyed had the 3d Marines not arranged to transport it to CA projects.

c. Significant problems encountered:

a. Transportation is sometimes unavailable; dump trucks were sometimes very difficult to obtain, particularly toward the end of March.

b. The role of the S-5, 3d Marines during March was largely supporting subordinate units and other organizations in the AO. That is to say, no projects were initiated at the regimental level. The only battalion in the regiment engaged in CA was 3/3, which was limited in what it could accomplish for a variety of factors, including the tactical situation, their relatively short stay in the populated areas (approximately 3 weeks), limitations placed on the time the battalion S-5 could devote to CA because of his primary responsibilities, etc. For example, the 3/3 ~~and~~ Dr. Mac Millan, developed an outstanding medcap plan for the Cua Valley; at about the time the plan was being fully implemented, the battalion was transferred from the area.

c. Because of the role of the middleman currently played by the S-5, 3d Marines, it is usually difficult to measure any real progress being made in terms of changes of attitude of the people, increased flow of intelligence, willingness on the part of the people to initiate their own projects, and the like. In order to achieve a fuller sense of participation in CA as a regiment, it is planned during the coming month to develop a few modest regimental projects.

d. Experience during the past month leads the S-5, 3d Marines to observe that S-5 Sections, both battalion and regiment, should include one or two skilled carpenters, masons, and whatever other individuals with useful trades or skills might be found within the unit. The S-5, 3d Marines has discovered that there are many such individuals to be found, and many of them are more than willing to become involved in CA. Without such men, many of the desired projects can never even begin, unless the originators of the projects are willing to turn them over to the Seabees, Engineers or other similar units which are normally already overburdened with work.

e. Important sections of the Cua Valley are yet to be fully pacified, the most notable being Bang Son (H), as well as other hamlets in Cam Nghia (V). Cam Lo (D) does not appear to take a very active interest in the two villages in the Cua Valley which come under Cam Lo (D) jurisdiction. Huong Hoa (D) personnel and their advisors are somewhat reluctant to become very active in the Cam Lo (D) sections of Cua Valley, for fear that objections will be raised by Cam Lo that they are meddling outside of their

assigned territory. Part of the difficulty lies in the poor road between Cam Lo and the Cua Valley; the situation may be remedied in the near future when one of the engineer units begins to repair the road (Route 558). In order to fully secure the road, however, it may be necessary to install counter ambush sites, following the example set by 2/3 a few months ago. Once this has been accomplished, an aggressive pacification/CA campaign to completely secure the Cua Valley should be waged.

f. The Brou in Cua Valley have been slow to improve their circumstances through their own efforts, must be constantly prodded. One project that holds considerable promise in the Brou Handicraft Shop recently built in the Shopping Center on DHCB. The store will open shortly. This project was initiated and supervised by the G-5, 3dMarDiv, with some assistance from the 3d Marines. On the other hand, the Brou have posed a number of problems:

(1) Two wells in the Brou area, Cua Valley, will be needed before July when the natural springs now in use run dry. These two wells are partially complete, but no work has been done on them for some time.

(2) A tract of land, about 1500 square meters, has been set aside for Brou cultivation to the south of their settlement. No effort has been made to begin the farming, despite prodding from the Huong Hoa (D) chief and the Senior District Advisor and his staff. Part of the problem seems to lie in the belief of the Brou that their present situation is temporary, that they will return to Khe Sanh shortly. Part of the problem seems to be their uneasiness about going outside the secure area to do their farming. Finally, the less than enthusiastic manner in which the Province Chief turned over the land to the Brou may well have left them with the feeling that they may be repossessed by the original owners at any time.

(3) The mating of the cattle which were obtained from the Brou is creating a problem. The cattle were given to the various hamlets, which now have a very proprietary attitude toward their respective animals, and are not able to agree to get the boy cows and girl cows together at the crucial moment. Also, some doubt has been cast on the desirability of buying the Brou any livestock whatever, since they seem to be able to afford cattle for their ritual sacrifices. A subsequent pig raising project is faring better, having been placed under the personal direction of Mr. Anha, the Brou leader in Cua.

d. Beneficial results of civic actions:

a. Particularly gratifying have been recent projects in the Cua Valley, initiated and carried out by the Vietnamese, with little or no American involvement. The significant general increase in construction projects in the Cua Valley is especially valuable in that their very presence

lends to a general feeling of security and increased confidence in the GVN. In this instance, mere quantity serves a useful psychological and political purpose. Some of these projects are as follows:

(1) Two new elementary schools are under construction in Cam Chinh (V) and Cam Nghia (V), respectively, under the 1967 GVN budget. No Americans are involved in either project.

(2) The same two villages have moved from their flimsy, poorly made school houses into an older, permanent school house, which was being used for everything from an infantry CP to a rice storage warehouse. This move reflects a more secure atmosphere in the area. The 3d Marines and MACV Huong Hoa (D) have assisted in the renovation of this school building.

(3) The two rooms in the north end of the Cam Chinh (V)-Cam Nghia (V) schoolhouse have recently been devoted to daily medcaps, managed wholly by the Vietnamese, and apparently directed by Cam Lo (D). This again reflects the increased security in the area of the schoolhouse, as well as the almost total lack of enemy activity on Route 558 in recent weeks.

(4) The villagers in Huong Van (V), apparently spurred to action by recent school construction in the Cam Chinh (V) Cam Nghia (V) areas, began a school furniture project under the leadership of the village Buddhists. Captain Nhi, the Huong Hoa (D) Chief became involved, and contacted the 3d Marines through the Senior District Advisor who requested scrap lumber for a new schoolhouse. The schoolhouse is now nearing completion.

(5) These same Huong Van (V) villagers are presently constructing a new maternity with the help of Sgt. Perry MACV Hospital Corpsman, using scrap lumber and tin roofing obtained by the 3d Marines. The Huong Van villagers have aggressively and successfully endeavored to improve their lot since their arrival in Cua from the old Huong Hoa (D) in western Quang Tri (P).

(6) Major Thomas, Huong Hoa (D) SDA, and Captain Nhi recently completed a project to clean up and wire in MACV Compound trash dump, which heretofore presented a health and safety hazard, as well as being unsightly. Villagers

were risking life and limb by swarming over the trash trucks before the trucks had come to a halt. Indigent persons providing labor for the project were paid in rice obtained through the 3d Marines: the barbed wire was provided by Captain Nhi.

(7) Fr. Neyroud's Sewing School in the Brou portion of Cua is progressing satisfactorily (about 70% complete), thanks in part to building materials provided and transported by the 3d Marines.

b. Fr. Co continues his wide-ranging good work in the Cam Lo Refugee Camp. Among the effects of Fr. Co's influence among the people with whom he works is the almost total absence of begging or any other attention given passing Americans by children in his area. Fr. Co is justifiably proud of this achievement-which is in contrast to the situation elsewhere in Cam Lo (D)-and is equally proud of the fact that a vehicle can be left untended in his area without fear of pilferage. Any and all assistance rendered to Fr. Co and Captain Nhi appears to be of particular value, since both gentlemen give every indication of having the best interests of their people in mind. Material assistance enables such men to expand their influence, at the same time initiating projects that are beneficial to the villagers. As the influence of such men expands, the Marines can gradually reduce their involvement in local affairs and turn their attention to other matters. The 3d Marines has provided supplies and materials to partially support the following projects and activities initiated by Fr. Co:

- (1) Fr. Co's Dispensary: medical and other supplies.
- (2) Fr. Co's Maternity: cots, stretchers, some medicine.
- (3) Fr. Co's Cam Pho Dispensary: lumber.
- (4) New well for Fr. Co's Dispensary: cement.
- (5) New well for Cam Pho (H): cement.
- (6) Fr. Co's home construction project for the poor: lumber, some tin roofing, canned food to feed laborers. This project seems to have special value in that (1) it provides homes for the destitute, (2) it provides regular employment for a number of villagers including at least one excellent artisan, and (3) it provides a worthwhile outlet for American scrap lumber.

c. The 3d Marines has provided Fr. Oudagout with lumber for his new dispensary, Cam Lo (D).

10. Administration

a. Discipline. There was no disciplinary action taken during the month of March.

b. Special Services Provided:

(1) Regimental cigarette lighters and /or money clips were presented to personnel rotating to CONUS.

(2) Stationary Kits, ball point pens, sweat shirts and tennis shoes were issued to personnel.

(3) Free beer and sodas were delivered to men at Vandegrift and FSB Saigon.

c. A Division Exchange facility was available in the Dong Ha area.

d. A postal unit from the 3d Marine Division was in operation and served Regimental Headquarters at Dong Ha.

11. Personnel

a. Critical Shortage:

(1) One 3371, Mess Sergeant

(2) One 8421, Career Advisor

b.

b. Summary:

(1) Gains: 2/MCOff, 14/MCEnl, 0/USNOff, 0/USNEEnl

(2) Losses: 1/MCOff, 20/MCEnl, 0/USNOff, 0/USNEEnl

(3) Monthly average strength: 19/MCOff, 186/MCEnl, 2/USNOff, 4/USNEEnl.

(4) Net loss/gain: 0/1 MCOff, 0/6 MCEnl, 0/0 USNOff, 0/0 USNEEnl.

c. Awards: During the reporting period, the following awards were presented: 28 Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry.

d. Morale is considered to be excellent to outstanding. The R&R program is a major contributing factor to the high state of morale. During this period there were 0 in-country and 10 out of country R&R quotas utilized.

a. Chaplain:

- 558036
- (1) Chaplain Assigned: LCDR John E. BELL, CHC, USN
 - (2) Divine Services: Worship Services conducted 6
 - (3) Red Cross cases handled by Chaplain 4
 - (4) Counseling cases handled by Chaplain 21
 - (5) Other significant activities:

(a) Distributed paper-back books and toilet articles to Battalion Chaplains for men in the field.

(b) Visited Catholic Missions at Cam Lo and at Mai Loc.

12. Intelligencea. Narrative Summary

During the month of March, the Third Marine Regiment operated in two similar areas, with two unrelated missions. During 9 March operations were conducted in the Leatherneck Square and the Cam Lo-Cua Valley portions of the Kentucky AO. Commencing on 10 March the Regiment initiated Operation Maine Crag in the Vietnamese Salient south of Khe Sanh and finished the month so engaged.

While in the Kentucky AO, enemy activity was light, with one large ambush being the exception. Company K initiated an ambush on 9 March at 0830H, in the vicinity of YD 129514 against 15 NVA. The NVA attempted to reinforce with a like number but were defeated through a combination of small arms, mortar and artillery fires. A search of the area resulted in 21 NVA KIA, 1 POW, 15 individual weapons captured, plus numerous packs filled with rice and canned foods.

The remaining contacts in the Kentucky AO were 9 minor meeting contacts, 7 incidents involving mines and SFD's, 3 mortar attacks, and 9 miscellaneous contacts and sightings.

Based upon an accumulation of high level intelligence source items; numerous sightings by aerial observers; sightings, sketches, and other evidence collected by 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion; and SLAR, IR, and Aerial Photography, it was deemed that a major operation should be conducted to sever route #926/616 and destroy enemy supply/ storage areas within the Vietnamese Salient.

The Vietnamese Salient is a relative small feature with the Xe Poh River to the west and south surrounded by high

ground (behind the Xe Poh in Laos), and possessing only one dominating feature within, that being along the eastern side. Laos surrounds the salient on three sides and restricts friendly movement by virtue of political boundaries. The NVA are apparently not so restricted in their movements, and thus chose to construct a road capable of transit by 2½ ton trucks across the salient.

The Second Battalion was committed first by a combined helo-foot movement the length of the salient. On 18 March the battalion severed route #926, destroyed a Russian built 2½ ton truck and damaged another in an ambush. The destroyed truck was carrying ordnance and exploded and burned.

The first Battalion was inserted by helicopter on 18 March and blocked the entrance/exits across the Xe Poh River/Laothian border to the west, while conducting Search and Destroy Operations south of route #926 and then slightly north into an area which held the largest rice cache captured in the war (XD 9023 grid square). Stacked in 25'x25' piles of 80 to 200 lb bags, there was stored 717.8 tons of rice. Additional captured stores included 3/4 of a million rounds of 7.62 ammunition, over 10,000 RPG and mortar rounds, and several tons of sugar, salt, and canned foods.

The enemy was not well disposed during the initial weeks of Kaine Crag and obviously occupied the area with service and support troops, augmented with only one or two infantry battalions of reduced strength. Only one large fight ensued and that was a three day running battle over the rice cache, between Company H and an estimated two NVA companies. The enemy initiated no other major engagements and the contacts were limited to point meetings of small elements (16) mines and SFD's (4), and mortar attacks (3).

The month ended with continued small contacts and the uncovering of additional enemy stores, yet uncounted.

b. Statistics

(1) Third Marines Kentucky AO

(a)	<u>Contacts: SA/Snipers</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>1</u>	1st Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>2</u>	3d Bn 3d Mar	5	0	5
<u>3</u>	RF's	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
	Totals	6	3	9

(b) Contacts: Grenades

<u>1</u>	3d Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
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(c) Mines and Booby-Traps Discovered

<u>1</u>	1st Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>2</u>	2nd Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>3</u>	3d Bn 3d Mar	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
	Totals	7	0	7

(d) Mortar Fire

<u>1</u>	1st Bn 3d Mar	0	3	3
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(e) Miscellaneous Incidents and Sightings

<u>1</u>	1st Bn 3d Mar	1	1	2
<u>2</u>	2nd Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>3</u>	Recon	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	Totals	3	5	8

(f) Enemy Personnel Losses

NVA KIA - 23

VC KIA - 2

NVA POW - 1

(g) Crew-Served Weapons Captured

None.

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(h) Individual Weapons Captured

16 AK-47's

(i) Ammunition Captured

2 RPG - 2 rockets

1200 rounds 7.62mm

(j) Explosives Captured

59 CHICOM grenades

(k) Weapons Accessories Captured

43 AK-47 magazines

(l) 782 Gear Captured

37 NVA packs

(m) Medical Gear Captured

None.

(n) Documents Captured

None.

(o) Food Captured

None

(p) Fortifications Discovered

49 Bunkers

1 Hootch

20 Fighting holes

(q) Secondary Explosions - 5(r) Enemy Sighted

<u>Number</u>	<u>Coordinate</u>	<u>Day</u>
2 NVA/VC	926438	4
3 NVA/VC	922502	6
5 NVA/VC	123514	7
6 NVA/VC	169484	7
2 NVA/VC 21	084592	7

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(2) Operation Maine Crag

(a) Contacts: SA/Snipers

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>1</u> 1st Bn 3d Mar	2	0	2
<u>2</u> 2nd Bn 3d Mar	10	0	10
<u>3</u> 1st Bn 77th Armor	0	1	1
<u>4</u> 1st Bn 61st Inf (MECH)	1	0	1
<u>5</u> Recon	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	15	1	16

(b) Contacts: Grenades

None

(c) Mines and Booby-Traps
Discovered

<u>1</u> 1st Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>2</u> 1st Bn 77th Armor	2	0	2
<u>3</u> 1st Bn 61st Inf (MECH)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	4	0	4

(d) Mortar Fire

<u>1</u> 1st Bn 3d Mar	1	0	1
<u>2</u> 1st Bn 77th Armor	1	0	1
<u>3</u> 1st Bn 61st Inf (MECH)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Totals	3	0	3

(e) Miscellaneous Incidents and
Sightings

<u>1</u> 1st Bn 3d Mar	8	4	12
<u>2</u> 2nd Bn 3d Mar	1	1	2
<u>3</u> 1st Bn 77th Armor	4	0	4
<u>4</u> Recon	27	25	52
<u>5</u> AO	<u>30</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30</u>
Totals	70	30	100

(f) Enemy Personnel Losses

NVA KIA - 52

NVA POW - 8

VC KIA - 3

NVA KBA - 3

(g) Crew Served Weapons Captured

9 RPD's

2 12.7mm AA guns

1 60mm mortar tube

1 7.62mm CHICOM heavy machinegun

1 U.S. M-60 machinegun.

(h) Individual Weapons Captured

67 SKS's

230 AK-47's

23 AK-50's

4 RPG-2 launchers

1 M-16

(i) Captured Ammunition

771,750 rounds of 7.62mm

11,000 rounds 12.7mm

3872 RPG-2 rockets

143 75mm RR rounds

100 57mm RR rounds

6848 82mm mortar rounds

886 60mm mortar rounds

20 37mm rounds

16 82mm RR rounds

(j) Explosives Captured

5406 pounds of TNT
69 CHICOM grenades
12 claymore mines
5000 feet of time fuse

(k) Weapons Accessories Captured

409 AK-47 magazines

(l) 782 Gear Captured

31 NVA packs
303 gas masks
4 helmets
6 E-tools
300 pounds of miscellaneous clothing

(m) Medical Gear Captured

Miscellaneous gear.

(n) Documents Captured

Miscellaneous personal and propaganda material.

(o) Food Captured

717.2 tons of rice
7000 pounds of salt
7500 pounds of sugar
2000 pounds of powdered milk
2000 pounds of canned food (pork, beef, fish and peanutbutter)

(p) Fortifications Discovered

707 bunkers
46 hootches
numerous foxholes

(q) Secondary Explosions - 27(r) Enemy Sighted

<u>Number</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Day</u>
9	809231	10
2	833237	11
6	862224	12
5	804238	13
3	796232	16
3	902204	18
10	902204	18
2	843239	18
7	922445	18
10	873198	18
30	902204	18
5	946313	20
2	900208	23
2	769247	24
6	778216	25
2	858222	25
12	967511	24
2	889129	No

13. Communications. The below listed summary of events constitutes the communication portion of the Conzaend Chronology for March 1969:

- a. Supported CP move to VCB.
- b. Established Regimental logistics control at VCB.
- c. Supported displacement VCB to Snapper, Snapper to Saigon, Saigon to Whitten.
- d. Comm support for Maine Crag.

14. Weather

a. The weather for the month of March was mostly clear and sunny. The few days of inclement weather were not enough to restrict ground or air operations in the 3d Marines AO. On the days of inclement weather, the drizzle and low ceilings were burnt off by noon.

- b. Weather statistics were as follows:
 - (1) Mean high temperature - 84 degrees
 - (2) Mean low temperature - 73 degrees
 - (3) Mean humidity - 77%

15. Fire Support

a. Units Providing Artillery Support:

(1) Direct Support provided for Operation Maine Crag by:

A 1/12	QX 3/12	1st Prov 3/12
C 1/12	Q 1/40	
F 2/12	C 6/33	

(2) General Support provided for Operation Maine Crag by:

12th Marines
108th Artillery Group

b. Significant Displacements

- (1) For Operation Maine Crag

DATE	UNIT	FROM	TO
12Mar	1st Prov	VCB	FSB CATES
15Mar	A/1/12	ELLIOT CB	FSB SNAPPER
15Mar	C/1/12	C-2	CALU
16Mar	C/1/12	CALU	VCB
17Mar	C/1/12	VCB	FSB SAIGON
18Mar	1st Prov	FSB CATES	FSB SAIGON
23Mar	A/1/12	FSB SNAPPER	FSB SPARK
26Mar	1st Prov	FSB SAIGON	FSB SPARK

c. Missions Fired

105" Obs 408	Unobs 951	H&I 798
155" Obs 71	Unobs 88	H&I 39
TOTALS 479	1039	837

d. Ammunition Expended

105" HE 23,599	WP 1027
155" HE 2,717	WP 117
Total 26,316	1144

105" ILL 29
155" ILL 11
Total 40

KIA NVA-40
VC-00

e. FIRE DIRECTION WAS CENTRALIZED FOR CONTROL PURPOSES WITH 1stBN 12thMARINES FIRE DIRECTION CENTER. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION REMAINED WITH THE 3D MARINES FSCG. DURING THE MONTH FSCG DISPLACED FROM DONG HA TO VCB AND FROM VCB TO FSB SNAPPER AND SAIGON IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION MAIN GRAIC.

16. Air Support

a. During the month of March, 3d Marines received air support from 1stMAW, 7th AIR FORCE and U. S. ARMY. Rotary wing support was provided by MAG-16, MAG-36, and MAG-39. Fixed wing support was provided by MAG-11, MAG-12, MAG-13 and 7th AIR FORCE. Observer flights were provided by MAG-16 and 7th AIR FORCE.

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b.

MEDEVACS:	USWIA	USILL	USNBC	USKIA	CIVILL	VC/NVA	DOG	TOTAL
0/3	0	4	0	0	0	00	0	4
1/3	1	3	27	0	0	0	1	32
2/3	44	26	23	7	0	0	0	100
3/3	10	3	6	1	0	0	0	20
2/9	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	55	37	58	8	0	0	1	159

c. CAS: 205 Flights; 410 A/C; 60% OFL/7 ORDNANCE
 CSS: 31 Flights; 41 A/C; 246,500% ORDNANCE

d. R/S; Resupply figures not available due to present location

e. A/O : 3rd Marine Division 107 Flights; 190hrs 47min
 12th Marines 3 Flights; 5hrs 57min

f. G/S : 3 Flights; 6 A/C; 5hrs 35min

g. C&C : 16 Flights; 32 A/C

	0/3	105	PAXS	TOTAL 208 PAXS
	1/3	35	"	
	2/3	19	"	
	3/3	15	"	
	1/12	34	"	

h. Control Functions: 2250

Average Control Functions: 72

High: 140 on 24 March 1969

Low: 4 on 12 March 1969

1 Spooky 2hrs 25min

2 Bn Troop lifts

11 Company Troop lifts

6 Battery Lifts

4 81mm Mortar Sections Lifted
6 106mm Recoiless Rifles Lifted
2 Antoses Lifted

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Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS, Series L7014, Sheets
 6342 III, 6242 II, 6341 IV and 6241 I.

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A

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3D MARINES
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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Current Intsums.
- (2) Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Task Force Hotel continues operation PURPLE MARTIN and on order commences operation in Southwestern portion of AO.

(2) Artillery

- (a) 1/12(-) (Rein) D/S 3d Marines(-) (Rein)
- (b) 108th Artillery Grp G/S XXIV Corps.

(3) 1st Marine Air Wing provides fixed wing and helicopter support augmented by 7th Air Force.

c. Attachments and Detachments. See Annex A [Task Organization]

3. MISSION

3d Marines conducts helicopterborne assault into Vietnamese Salient and establishes FSB's to support search and destroy operations along Route #926 to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications and supply caches.

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3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation: Annex C (Operation Overlay).b. 1st Bn(-) (Rein), 3d Marines.

(1) On D-1 assume OPCON Company L/3/3.

(2) At H-hour on D-day establish FSB TIGER vic (835227).

(3) At H+35 on D-day conduct helicopterborne assault to seize and block Western end of Route #926 vic LZ PARIS vic (807237) and LZ PASSPORT vic (797228).

(4) Conduct detailed search and destroy operations along Route #926 in AO.

(5) Conduct search and destroy operations along AXIS RED in AO.

(6) Mine and destroy Route #926.

c. 2nd Bn (Rein), 3d Marines.

(1) On D-1 assume OPCON Company M/3/3.

(2) At H-hour on D-day establish FSB SAIGON vic (813274).

(3) At H+35 on D-day conduct helicopterborne assault to secure LZ HOUND vic (818264), and DOMINO vic (822278).

(4) Conduct search and destroy operations along AXIS WHITE in AO.

(5) Conduct detailed search and destroy operations along Route #926 in AO.

(6) Mine and destroy Route #926 in AO.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Operation Nickname: MAINE CRAG

(2) This plan effective for planning on receipt, execution on order.

(3) Rules of engagement will be stringently adhered to.

(4) D-day: TBA.

(5) H-hour: TBA.

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- (6) Boundaries: Annex C.
- (7) Thrust Points effective: H-hour on D-day.
- (8) Fire Support Coordination: Annex D.
- (9) Air Support: Annex E.
- (10) Fires cleared into LAOS.
- (11) Are light and CS denial have been requested.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. (See Admin Plan 2-69
to be passed separately at a later date).

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS.

a. CP's

(1) 3d Marines

(a) D-1 VANDEGRIFT

(b) D-day FSB SAIGON

(2) 1/3 and 2/3 report CP's when established.

b. Communications: Annex F.

c. Thrust Points:

ICE CREAM	7623
COLORS	7731
CIGARETTES	7925
SODA POP	8122
BEER	8230
WHISKEY	8628
BOYS NAMES	9032
FISH	9127
ANIMALS	9336
PACIFIC ISLANDS	9429

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Annexes:

- ✓ A - Task Organization
- ✓ B - Intelligence (PASEP)
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HqCo, 3d Marines

1st Bn(-) (Rein), 12th Marines D/S

7th ITT D/S

Co B(-) (Rein), 3d Engineer Bn D/S

1st Bn (Rein), 3d Marines

LtCol J. S. KYLE

Co L 3d Bn, 3d Marines

Det, Interpreters HqBn D/S

Det, Kit Carson Scouts D/S

Det, HST Co C, 3d Shore Pty Bn D/S

Plat Co B(-) (Rein), 3d Engineer Bn D/S

Det, Scout Sniper Plt HqCo 3d Marines D/S

2nd Bn (Rein), 3d Marines

LtCol J. J. MCWONATLE

Co M 3d Bn, 3d Marines

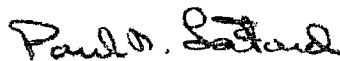
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Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Line 3 69

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References: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 series 17014

3D MARINES

Sheet: 6101, 6102, 6103, 6104

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1. Mission: 3d Marines (-) (401st) conducts helicopter-borne assault into Northwest S. Vietnam and establishes FSB's to support search and destroy operations along route #926 to locate and destroy enemy forces, fortifications and supply caches.

2. ANALYSIS

a. Characteristics of the Area of Operation:

(1) Military Geography:

The objective area consists generally of a large "U" shaped valley, surrounded by dominant terrain, with a large high ground mass in the center of the "U". A significant political factor influences terrain considerations, that being, most of the dominant high ground surrounding the valley lies within Laos.

(a) Critical Terrain. Within the objective area the hill mass CO HA PAI (XD 8932), DO HO PAI (XD 9030), Hill 730 (XD 8923), and CO VAN (XD 9431) dominates most of the valley and route #926. Route #926 and any undiscovered non-fordable bridge sites along this route are key to the operation. CO VAN (XD 8719) is the only observation point south of route #926, in Vietnam. Finally, if the operation requires hot-pursuit into Laos, along route #926, any fords and/or bridges across the XS POU river are critical. The selected LZ's and FSB's of Saigon (XD 812273), Paris (XD 806237) are critical terrain (See Appendix (1)-HLZ's and Appendix (2)-Potential HLZ's).

(b) Obstacles. There are no major obstacles to foot and aerial movement, except possibly the XS POU river, which forms the western edge of the AV and the Laos-Vietnam border. Although the higher elevations are limited to foot movement, the valley floor is fair for tracked vehicles and personnel, while poor for wheeled vehicles. (See Appendix (3)-Crosscountry Movement.)

(c) Observation. Observation from the central high ground mass and LZ/FSB's should be excellent, weather permitting. The vegetation on the valley floor is light, taller and coffee plantation, elephant grass and scrub. (See Appendix (4)-Observation.)

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tain areas, some of the shrubs/trees are reported to be up to 25' in height. (See Appendix (3)-Cross-country Movement)

(d) Cover & Concealment Cover and concealment is limited to none in the LZ/FSD Paris and Saigon, good to excellent on the high ground mass in the center of the AO, and fair to poor in the valley floor. The valley floor does contain several streams which could provide some cover; the concealment will be contingent on the density & height of the coffee tea/scrub growth.

(e) Avenues of Approach

-1- Air Two major helicopter avenues are present to support the LZ/FSD's. Both emanate at VCI, run south to C. B., and west along route #9/Quang Tri River valley. At C. B. Shepard the avenue of approach supporting Class, Forch, and Banner turns directly south. The avenue of approach supporting Saigon and Paris will continue west along route #9 and then southwest by the shortest route.

-2- Ground Three major Avenue of Approach enter the objective area. The high ground delineated in paragraph (2) (a) forms a N-to-S high ground approach into the Vietnamese Salient. Two low ground Avenues of Approach enter the valley. One is from N-to-S, beginning at Lang Voi (approx XD 7936) and traveling south to the border. The other low ground avenue of approach is a stride of route #926 running N-to-S from Laos into the southern part of the Vietnamese Salient.

(2) Climate & Weather The month of March is normally the last month of the monsoon for this portion of Vietnam. The weather will continue to be overcast with light rain until mid March. As the end of March approaches, the weather will improve with greater visibility, but continued cloudiness. The drizzle and light rain will give way to increased thunderstorm activity and variable winds.

(3) Effects of Terrain and Weather on Operation

(a) Terrain The most important aspects of terrain in the objective area are the dominance of the high ground over the valley floor and the trafficability for armor of the valley floor. Thus, key to success of the operation will be the securing of the hill mass CO HA PAT, DONG KH, Hill 730, CO YAM. Instrumental to continuation of the operation will be both active and passive anti-tank measures while operating in the valley.

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(b) Weather The weather will have no adverse effects on ground operations, but could hinder greatly the build-up of forces in the objective area and their continued support. Day should be chosen only with fair assurance that a full day of favorable flying weather will exist. The chance of weather precluding close air support will increase the possible armor threat.

b. Enemy Military Situation.

(1) Strength, Composition & Locations.

Due to the lack of para intelligence indicating specific enemy units in the 3d Mar Regt area of operations, all units carried in IEL MAP PL 7-69 as unlocated Laos must also be considered as available to the enemy for operations in the zone of 3d Mar Regt. These units are shown in Appendix (4)-Enemy OOB. Concerning the units shown, the following information is given:

(a) 320th NVA Division - Due to the length of time since this unit has had since contact with JSAC forces it is considered at full strength. Organization: 3 Inf Regts (40th, 52d, 64th), 1 arty regt (54th), and Support Bns: 1-AF Bn, 1-aa Bn, 1-Ing r Bn, 1-Sig Bn, 1-Trans Bn and 1-Med Bn.

(b) 30th NVA Inf Regt - 308th Div - Last reported by 3d Mar Div at a strength of 1,475 men on 17Aug68. Organization: HQ and Support Element, three Inf Bns (4th, 5th, 6th)

(c) 102d NVA Inf Regt - 308th Div - Last reported by 3d Mar Div at a strength of 1,600 men on 23Sept68. Organization: HQ and Support Element, three Inf Bns (7th, 8th, 9th)

(d) 246th Regt - Conflicting reports indicate that this Regt is functioning in a logistics/security role while at the same time maintaining an NVA presence in the western DMZ. Reports also show an unusual organization in that the 246th has four Inf Bns (1st, 2d, 3d, 4th) instead of the normal three, and three attached transport companies (one identified as C-25) rather than the normal one. Strength: Estimated 2,200, on 4Mar69.

(e) 83d NVA Engr Regt - Although this is only a possible unit, the number and importance of the road networks in the area argue well for its existence. No strength figures are available presently for the 83d. However it has the following organization: 4 Engr Bns (2d, 4th, 8th, 10th) and HQ and support element.

(f) T/I armor, 3P Arty, and towed arty units - No intelligence on the size, designation, organization, or strength exists at this time. However numerous sightings in the 3d Mar Regt

area of operations indicate the presence of such units, up to and including JSU-122A SP, which has been sighted by recon teams. Also it should be noted that towed arty as large as 122mm gun has been captured during Operation Dewey Canyon and sighted moving toward the Laos border through the 3d Marine T area. Enemy armor units have operated in the area in year past.

(2) Movements and Activities

(a) Intelligence Reports. During February there were eight intel reports of V/I enemy elements along route 926; five additional reports of V/I elements in the Vietnamese Salient; and twenty reports of V/I enemy elements in Laos within 5 km of the Xe Pong river boundary. There has been one report in March of an V/I enemy element at AD 759198. All of these reports have a B-3 rating. (See appendix (5)-Intelligence Reports B-3)

(b) Star/ix. There were two readings in the objective area during February. Both were generally along route 926 or the dominating high ground. (See Appendix (6) Star/ix.)

(c) Fortifications & Positions. Most of these sightings were by visual or photo aerial reconnaissance. They reflect several anti-aircraft weapons near the projected LZ's and bunker/foxholes/mortar positions in the AO. The latter are concentrated in the valley floor along route 926 and in the vicinity of LZ torch (See appendix 7, Fortifications and Positions.)

(d) Sightings & Contacts (Recon insert 27Feb-3Mar68). A reconnaissance team observed six sightings of tracked vehicles, three sightings of wheeled vehicles, three troop moves (200, 22, 20), two movements of artillery pieces, & three miscellaneous sightings at the same point along route 926. Although most of the traffic was heading west, some artillery and armor was noted heading east. (See Appendix (8)-Contacts and Sightings.)

(e) Enemy Lines of Communication (See Appendix (9)-Roads and trails).

3. ENEMY STRENGTHS AND VULNERABILITIES

a. Strengths

(1) Since vegetation in much of the AO consists only of elephant grass and low scrub brush, enemy tanks, self-propelled artillery pieces and other tracked vehicles will not be restricted to travel on the roads. They will have cross-country mobility.

(2) The projected periods of reduced visibility will strengthen the enemy's capability to use armor in the lower area of the AO. This will enhance his ability to adopt either an attack or reinforcement posture. Also in bad weather, he could use his armor/self-propelled arty in a mobile defensive/withdrawal posture with less chance of loss.

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(3) The length and relative reliance of our logistics lines on helicopter operations versus the enemy's close lines of communication/supply (i.e. in Laos) works to the advantage of the enemy in the area.

(4) The proposed area of operations is and has been extensively used by the enemy for a long period of time allowing him intimate knowledge of the terrain to enhance the use of his supporting artillery and armor regardless of the posture he decides to adopt. In the same text, the use of adjacent areas, in Laos, as relatively secure staging/support sites, coupled with our lack of good order of battle intelligence, allows him a flexibility of possible action selection that we do not have.

(5) The enemy may have his supporting arty within Laos in the corridor in positions which were used previously and which proved difficult to reduce by air. In these locations he can fire and hit proposed RVC's at a range of 27,000 meters from the corridor area in coordination with a ground assault if he so chooses.

b. Vulnerabilities

(1) If the weather allows, the inherent advantages of close air/arty support will limit the enemy's ability both in movement (during daylight) and the use of supporting armor/Sr arty, and hamper his mobility in adopting either aggressive or passive action.

(2) The operations in this enemy logistical area may disrupt either a proposed build-up for offensive operations or a retrograde operation from the Dewey Canyon area. If this is the case, past experience indicates that his inherent lack of good command & communication may cause his field elements to react in confusion, with uncoordinated actions. However, it should be noted that this can only be expected in the first few days of operation.

(3) With the successful capture & defense of the commanding high ground by the 3d SFG forces, the enemy's movement within the area will be limited, as will be his ability to mass troops or armor for aggressive operations. His retrograde movement of personnel & equipment through the AO to Laos will also be limited.

(4) Our inability to interdict the enemy's crossing points on the Nam Ou River with air and arty will limit his ability to successfully implement his listed actions, in connection with his forces in Laos.

c. Enemy Capabilities

(1) Attack:

a. Conduct limited attacks on PAB's with local logistical and security forces of up to company size.

b. Attack troop concentrations and artillery/CP positions with artillery, of all known calibers, from inside Laos and presently located anti-aircraft positions.

c. Attack with larger size units stationed along the border moving to/returning from their general offensive. These attacks would depend on the importance of route 926 to their overall effort and our relative success in interdicting it. Such attacks could be of regimental size or larger and supported by armor.

(2) Defend:

a. Defend his line of communication (route 926) from known and suspected bunkered positions and air sites. Such defense would probably employ only local service and security forces.

b. Defend his LOC with line forces where it enters or leaves staging and storage area. Such defense would increase in intensity as our attack neared Laos, but could be dependant on the importance of 926 to his overall offensive plan. These defensive acts would again depend on the posture of his unlocated units, but due to recent activity on 926, this course seems entirely feasible.

(3) Reinforce either his attack or defense options with up to regimental sized forces backed up, armor and artillery. This is contingent on positioning and posture of his forces, which is still unknown.

(4) Withdraw

The enemy may withdraw if he has no large caches in the objective area, if the LOC is not critical to his plans, or if the effort involved in taking other action would not be to his advantage.

4. ANALYSIS OF ENEMY CAPABILITIES

a. Defend with local service and security forces. This is the enemy's most likely course of action if we retain the advantage of surprise and speed. This course of action will be taken as a natural reaction to our attack and may include the use of all weapons and artillery which is in position secure from retaliatory action.

b. Defend with local forces reinforced by line units and armor. This course of action may be within the enemy's immediate capacity if he has a large unit (battalion or larger) in the immediate area. It will depend on the relative importance of this LOC. In light of the recent successes of "Operation Dewey Canyon" and the movement reported on Rte 926 by recon, it is felt that he may be withdrawn and recutting supplies and forces interrupted by that action. If the interdiction of Route 926 poses a further threat of major scale to the enemy's LOC's and planned offensive, he will aggressively defend and possibly even attack to prevent our forces from securing his. If the friendly forces enter Laos, this course of action is considered unlikely.

c. Attack with large scale line forces. This course of action will depend on the COS which reflects many large units "undislocated". If any of these regimental or division sized units are east of the objective area and are returning to Laos due to "Dewey Canyon", they will undoubtedly fight. These units could attack to re-open the LOC and return to Laos. This course of action is considered less likely than their infiltration across the ME'PON River, but will depend on the position of their artillery and support, (i.e. must it still transit route 926). This could become a two pronged attack to effect a West-East link up forces.

d. Withdraw into Laos or other redoubts. This course of action is always highly possible, but depends on what it will cost the enemy in equipment and supplies. If he is currently withdrawing into Laos, as suspected, this course of action will increase in likelihood as time passes and his combat support units have passed through the Salient.

5. CONCLUSIONS

a. It is still unclear as to the relative order in which the enemy may adopt his potential courses of action. However, as of this date it is likely he will adopt the courses of action as listed in paragraph 4.

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b. The effects of his first course of action (defend with local security and service forces) will not naturally affect our success and must be anticipated. The second course of action (defend with local forces reinforced by line units and armor) will affect our mission and may require reinforcement if we elect to stay in the western objective area or move to Laos. If the enemy attacks to assist a larger plan of withdrawal into Laos, our mission can be seriously jeopardized.

6. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

a. How large is the enemy force present? This question will be answered by 212 and 213 and one of enemy activity.

b. Are there regular units of units operating in the region? If so, what size units are being committed?

c. If enemy forces are in contact, what apparent tactical goal is he pursuing, and with how much and what type of support? (Cavalry, infantry w/mortar; or attack to destroy w/ armor/artillery)

d. What is the caliber, location and employment of supporting enemy artillery within the area of operations, to include sites located in Laos?

e. What enemy armor or self-propelled artillery being used or moved within the area? Include a description and direction. Sightings or contact with armor or self-propelled artillery should be reported to this headquarters by flash message.

f. Is the enemy employing anti-aircraft fire against our helicopter forces? If so, where, what caliber and in what volume?

g. Is the enemy employing mines and booby traps?

h. Are there indications of either enemy recon or friendly positions or enemy counter-recon screen in the area?

i. Has the enemy set up observation posts on commanding terrain within the AO?

j. Are there indications of significant enemy caches of either food or ammo/equipment within the area? If so, complete, detailed information will be sent to this headquarters by the most expeditious means. (see para 3).

k. What are the effects of our bombing interdiction of the roads in the area?

l. Does the enemy use heavy construction equipment in keeping the road network open?

m. Are there sites within the area which could or have been used by the enemy as vehicle assembly or park areas? If so, what type and how many vehicles are being assembled?

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COMBAT REPORT

a. Does the enemy quarter road repair personnel in the area?
If so, how many and where?

7. ANALYSIS FOR BATTALION CAPTURED PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIAL.

a. All captured personnel, documents, and material will be appropriately tagged in the field before they are evacuated. Tags for this purpose are available from the Regimental S-2 Section.

b. The 3d Marines' collection point for captured personnel, documents, and material will be located in the vicinity of the Regimental Command Post.

c. Captured personnel will be interrogated by battalions only to the extent necessary to extract necessary immediate tactical intelligence. All detailed interrogation will be done at LIT at the Regimental collection point. Results of this interrogation will be provided to the battalions as soon as they are obtained.

d. All captured personnel and documents will be sent to the Regimental collection point within an hour after their capture except when darkness, unavailability of transportation, or the tactical situation make their dispatch impractical. In such cases, the Regimental S-2 will be informed of the reason for the delay.

e. Captured material will be sent to the Regimental collection point as soon after their capture as feasible. All items will be forwarded, regardless of their apparent significance, including clothing of enemy personnel killed. All items captured with a prisoner will be evacuated with him.

f. Items captured which are too large to be readily evacuated such as field guns, tanks, trucks, etc., will be immediately reported as to type, location and circumstances. If the tactical situation allows, security should be placed upon items while the unit continues the mission. If this is not possible the equipment should be mechanically inoperable and its position reported for future evacuation.

g. All significant caches will be reported to this headquarters with the following information; size, type, location, approximately the time in use, usability, and country of origin if apparent.

8. DISTRIBUTION OF INTELLIGENCE

a. Intelligence of immediate significance will be provided to battalions by radio as it is required.

b. Intelligence of a less urgent nature will be provided to the Battalion's Daily Intelligence Section by Battalions at 0800 hours on a scheduled basis.

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They will be delivered by a Regimental S-2 representative during visits to battalions.

9. Reporting to Battalions

a. Spot reports will be used by battalions to report all incidents in accordance with SOP's. Complete and timely reporting is essential. Guidance is contained in the 3d Marines' Intelligence SOP.

b. In addition to spot reports, wrap-ups, sketches, and statements of conclusions or opinions and their basis are encouraged.

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- (1) HLZ's
- (2) Potential HLZ's
- (3) Cross Country Movement
- (4) Order of Battle
- (5) Intelligence reports (rated B-3)
- (6) S-2/IR
- (7) Fortifications and Positions
- (8) Contacts and Sightings
- (9) Roads and Trails

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Annex F (Communications & Electronics) to Operation Plan ³ 2-69

Ref: (a) Annex F 002000.1, Comm Plan
(b) DIRM 22300.4 (Comm SOP)
(c) DIRM 002000.2 (C-1)

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1. PURPOSE

a. General Purpose

(1) Annex F (Intelligence) to Operation Plan 2-69

(2) Enemy has an excellent capability for electronic finding, intercept and deception is expected.

(3) Captured or abandoned enemy communications electronics equipment shall be handled in accordance with ref (a) and (b).

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Plan 2-69.

(2) Command Posts.

(a) Initial (D-day)

Hq 3d Marines	907279
1st Bn, 3d Marines	813275
3d Bn, 3d Marines	891261
1st Bn, 12th Marines	907279

(b) 3d Mar Div remains Comm Crypto guard for 3d Marines.

2. MISSION

On order install, operate and maintain communication facilities to support operation.

3. EXECUTION

a. Communication section 3d Marines establish communications in accordance with reference (b) and (c).

b. Radio shall be in accordance with Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

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c. Call signs and frequencies shall be in accordance with reference (c) and 3d Marines COI (Issued separately).

d. Helicopter message runs shall be established between 3d Marines (Rear) DMCB and 3d Marines CP.

e. Wire installation shall include the local CP security.

f. 3d Marines (Logistics Area, VCB) shall have access to the Regimental Command Nets (#1 and #2) using call sign "Beware Victor".

g. Battalions shall maintain the capability of operating covered on the Regimental Tac #1 and Tac #2 simultaneously.

h. Loss of radio equipment or possible compromises shall be reported in accordance with reference (c).

i. "B" Co Engineers shall establish an internal Company Command Net.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Administrative functions shall remain at DMCB (3d Marines Rear).

b. Logistics control point shall be established at VCB.

c. All units shall have a 5 days supply of BA-386's initially.

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✓ 1 - Radio Plan

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1. SUPPLY

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a. General

(1) Logistic support for the 3d Regiment will be provided by the LSU located at Vandergrift Combat Base. The LSA at VCB will be the distributing agency and each unit being supported will maintain personnel at the LSA.

(2) Alternate LSA's are located at Dong Ha Combat Base, Quang Tri Combat Base and Camp Evans, and may be used when weather prohibits use of VCB.

b. Supplies and Equipment

(1) The prescribed loads are:

- (a) Class I 1 day LCI and 6 days LRPR's
- (b) Class II normal arms and equipment
- (c) Class III as required
- (d) Class IV as required
- (e) Class V BA plus 3 DOA's
- (f) Class VI none
- (g) Class VII all essential T/E and special allowance items
- (h) Class VIII normal
- (i) Class IX high usage items as determined by units operating levels
- (j) Class X as required
- (k) Water three full canteens per man plus 5 days halizone/iodine tablets and 3 days salt tablets.

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1. Supplies and Equipment Available

(1) Supply levels to be maintained:

(a) Fire Support Bases will maintain six days MCI's and LRPR's. Not more than ten days Class V will be maintained. (Reference a)

(b) Rifle companies will maintain two days MCI's and six days LRPR's.

(2) Equipment

(a) Protective masks and portable flame throwers with compressor will be carried and made available for use in the objective area.

(b) Engineer equipment will be provided by Bravo Company 36 Engineers and will consist of bulldozers and backhoes for improvement of Fire Support Bases.

2. Resupply

(1) First resupply (5 days) to arrive at Fire Support Bases beginning on D+1 and continuing until D+3.

(2) Subsequent resupply sorties for rifle companies are scheduled in four day increments beginning on D+3. Supply discipline should be strictly enforced in order to insure maximum time between resupply periods and to guard against shortages of LRPR's at supply agencies.

(3) Requests for emergency resupply will be addressed to higher headquarters by subordinate unit commanders. Air drop packages are available on six hours notice and are considered emergency resupply.

3. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION. See medical annex.4. TRANSPORTATION

(a) Transportation will be by truck to VCB and by air to and from the objective area.

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SERVICES

a. Maintenance

(1) Units are responsible for 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance.

(2) Maintenance contact teams are available from FLSC-B upon request. Weapons and equipment requiring repair will be delivered to the FLSC-B maintenance facilities at Dong Ha.

b. Engineer

(1) Combat engineer support will be provided in the task organization if required.

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Annex A (Medical) to Administrative Plan 3-69

1. ORGANIZATION: The 3d Marine Regiment (-) (Rein) will be supplemented by two (2) additional medical officers for this operation.

a. Battalion, Infantry (1/3 and 3/3); Two (2) surgeons and fifty-three (53) corpsmen.

- (1) Forward BAS: To operate in support of battalion on FSB occupied by battalion CP. One M.O. will be stationed at this BAS.
- (2) Rear BAS: Remain at battalion rears in Quang Tri. One M.O. and 15-20 corpsmen will carry on normal routine.
- (3) Each fire team will have one corpsman, each company will have one senior corpsman, and the weapons platoon will be covered with supplementary corpsmen from BAS at discretion of Battalion Surgeon.

note: These figures are to be used as guidelines for operational planning. The Battalion Surgeon is given full authority to utilize his men as the situation dictates.

b. Battalion, Artillery (1/12) (-): Each battery will have two (2) corpsmen attached to it.

- (1) Medevacs of artillery personnel will be co-ordinated through the Battalion Surgeon on FSB.

c. Regimental Headquarters: One (1) surgeon and four (4) corpsmen.

- (1) Jump CP: Two corpsmen will be attached to the element operating at FSB. These men will co-ordinate their medevacs through the Battalion Surgeon on FSB.
- (2) Forward Supply Element: One (1) corpsman to work in conjunction with "C" Medical Co.
- (3) Rear CP: One (1) surgeon and one (1) IMC to carry on normal administration and co-ordinate support of operation.

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d. Attached Units (Engineers, Shore Party, etc.): Parent infantry unit to offer any required medical assistance.

2. MISSION: To provide first aid and emergency medical attention as the tactical situation calls for, to treat the wounded and sick and to insure that the health of the Command remain in the best possible condition.

3. PREVENTIVE MEDICINE: Instruction will be given all personnel in this organization by unit corpsmen concerning proper foot care, MALARIA DISCIPLINE, HANDLING OF NON-POTABLE DRINKING WATER, and the treatment of minor lacerations and abrasions. It is quite likely that malaria will be a major problem after 5-7 days of operation in this new AO and it is imperative that the Command take rigorous measures to insure that all Marines practice proper MALARIA DISCIPLINE. All units under the 3d Marines will continue to take the daily DAPONE antimalarial pill during this operation.

4. EVACUATION:

a. Movement and Assault Phases: All medevacs will be funneled to the 3d Medical Battalion, Quang Tri.

(1) Medevac Helicopters will be on standby around-the-clock for emergency requests. Priority and routine requests will be evacuated only during daylight hours and when weather permits.

(2) Two (2) CH 46 helicopters with gunships are stationed at Vandergrift, and will be used for all medevacs until an overload is reached, then helicopter support will be furnished by MAG 39 at Quang Tri.

(3) Routine and Priority medevacs will be routed through Charlie Medical Co. at Vandergrift, emergencies will be taken directly to 3d Medical Battalion at Quang Tri (C-Med. will be used when time will not permit transportation of patient to Quang Tri).

5. HOSPITALIZATION:

a. C-Med: 50 bed capacity. To be used to collect and sort patients for further evacuation (if needed) to Quang Tri.

b. 3d Medical Battalion: 240 beds.

c. Hospital Ships (U.S.S. Repose AH-16 or U.S.S. Sanctuary AH-12) 300 bed capacity (off-shore).

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d. 72nd CSF: 500 bed capacity.

6. MEDICAL SUPPLIES:

a. Individual Marine: (One kit per man)

6545-803-8165 FIRST AID KIT, INDIVIDUAL
(Total Wt. 1.00 lbs.) Suggested addition to be
carried by each Marine in his Flak Jacket:
6510-201-7430 Dressing, 1st Aid, Field, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ x8"
Two (2) per man (Total Wt. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.)

b. Individual Line Corpsman:

6545-927-4960 SURGICAL INSTRUMENT AND SUPPLY SET,
INDIVIDUAL (Total Wt. 9.5 lbs.)

note: each corpsman can supplement needed items
as required.

c. Individual Senior Line Corpsman:

6545-927-4960 SURGICAL INSTRUMENT & SUPPLY SET,
INDIVIDUAL (Total Wt. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.)

6545-912-9900 BAG, MEDICAL INSTRUMENT & SUPPLY
SET (Total Wt. 45 lbs.)

comment: BAS should have supplies to augment the
above set when depleted due to combat and
field sick call.

d. Emergency Supplies: Requests will go through bat- talion S-4 chain to rear area. Requested supplies will be staged and flown to position by Medevac helicopter from Quang Tri.

7. MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION:

a. Medevacs: Recorded on DD Form 1380 (copy with patient and one at BAS).

b. Daily Morning Report of the Sick: Advises the re- spective Commands of medical dispositions of sick and wounded.

c. Casualty Reports: To be handled by S-1.

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1. SITUATION					
a. ENEMY - SEE CURRENT INTSUMS & SPOT RPTS					
b. FRIENDLY					
(1) DISPLACEMENT OF A BTRY 1/2 DELAYED					
PENDING SELECTION OF FSB.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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2. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 13-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
C. ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS					
(1) M 3/3 CHOPPED TO 4TH MARINES AT 210800H.					
(2) 3d BN, 2d ARVN ON FSB TORCH; ALSO TO OCCUPY					
LZ QUEEN VIC(929308) ON 22 MAR.					
2. MISSION N/C					
3. EXECUTION					
a. N/C EXCEPT PRIORITY OF ARTILLERY & AIR SUPPORT					
TO 2/3.					
b. 1/3					
(1) CONTINUE S/D OPS TO SECURE OB) AND					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
HOLD AS POSSIBLE FSB. VIC UPPER LEFT 8522, LOWER RIGHT 8621.					
C. 4/3					
(1) CONTINUE SID OPS IN EASTERN PART OF AO.					
d. TF RAMAGEN. NIC					
e. COORD INST					
(1) ALL UNITS SUBMIT TPO REQUESTS AM OF DAY TO BE DROPPED. UTILIZE THIS ARM TO PREP LONG-RANGE OBJECTIVES.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
(2) HELICOPTER FRAGS INTO THIS HQTRS BY 1600 DAY PRIOR. ATTEMPT TO DECREASE DEPENDENCE ON ADMIN HELILIFTS OTHER THAN RESUPPLY.					
(3) REQUIRE MORE TIMELY ACTION ON SPOT REPORTS. REQUIRE IMMEDIATE INFO ON ALL ENEMY CONTACTS WITH MORE DETAILED INFO ASAP THEREAFTER.					
(4) SUBMIT PLANS TO THIS HQTRS NLT 3 HOURS AFTER RECEIPT OF 3D MARINES FRAG.					
4. ADMIN & LOG.					
a. ADMIN NET OPENED THIS DATE. UTILIZE TO					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
FULLEST.					
5. COMMAND & COMM					
a. 3d MARINES CP - FSB SAIGON					
b. GUARD ADMIN NET CLOSELY FOR SECURITY VIOLATIONS.					
ACKNOWLEDGE					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
21	MAR	69	1930 H	E.E. EVANS, MAJ	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☒ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ ID CLEAR
FROM		TO			
BW		AP, HR, TFR, SELBY			
INFO: WF & BW (V)					
REFER OP PLAN 3-69					
FRAG O 14-69					
1. SITUATION					
2. DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS NO REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IN THE NORTHERN OR WESTERN AO. ACTIVITY CENTERED IN THE EASTERN AO. WITH TWO CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY AND A SIZEABLE SUPPLY AREA					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER USE ONLY			COMM CENTER OR RELEASER USE (INSTR - 11)		
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3. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 14-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ ID CLEAR
FROM		TO			
DISCOVERED.					
D. FRIENDLY FORCES					
(1) 2d ARVN AT VIC 925267 WILL CLOSE ON OB					
Z VIC 939248 BY NOON 23 MAR.					
(2) A 1/2 DISPLACES TO FSB SPARK VIC (BT3273).					
C. ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS					
(1) 3/3 CP LOCATED AT FSB CATES W/1 PLAT K 3/3 SECURITY. 1 PLAT K 3/3 ON HILL 950 AND 1 ON HILL 691.					
2. MISSION. N/C					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ ND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
3. EXECUTION					
a. CONCEPT					
(1) SEQUENCE OF EVENTS; AT 230800 H PLAT F ³ / ₃ WILL HELILIFT FM SAIGON TO SECURE FSB SPARK. HEAVY EQUIP FOLLOWS FROM QUANG TRI, AND ARTY RELIEF PARTY FROM SWAPPER, ENGRS FM VCB. AT 231100 H BATTERY LIFT COMMENCES FROM FSB SWAPPER TO FSB SPARK FOLLOWED BY L ³ / ₃ TO RELIEF PLAT OF F ³ / ₃ FOR SECURITY OF FSB SPARK. ON 24 MAR ONE COMPANY ¹ / ₃ WILL HELILIFT TO RELIEVE F ³ / ₃ FOR SECURITY FSB SAIGON. UPON RELIEF OF SECURITY					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ ND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
MISSION ON FSB SAIGON F ³ / ₃ HELILIFTS TO FSB SPARK, ASSUMES OPCON OF ATTACHED PLATOON AND CHOPS TO ² / ₃ .					
(2) PRIORITY OF ARTILLERY & AIR SUPPORT REMAINS WITH ² / ₃ .					
b. ¹ / ₃					
(1) CONTINUE S/D OPNS IN AO CLOSING RAPIDLY TO SE. DETAILED SEARCH IN AO CAN FOLLOW AT LATER DATE.					
(2) ASSUME OPCON F ³ / ₃ & RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY FSB SAIGON AT 222300 H MAR 69.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER USE ONLY			COMM CENTER OR RELEASER USE (INSTR - 11)		
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ END CLEAR
FROM			TO		
(3) 1 PLAT F43 WILL CONDUCT HELICOPTER ASSAULT ON FSB SPARK 230800H. FC(-) REMAINS SECURITY FOR FSB SAIGON UNTILL RELIEVED. (4) HELIFT ONE COMPANY 43 TO FSB SAIGON 24 MAR TO RELIEVE FC(-), UPON RELIEF FC(-) HELIFTS TO FSB SPARK AND F CHOPS TO 43 AT THIS TIME. C. 43 (1) CONTINUE COORDINATED ATTACK IN EASTERN PART OF AO. (2) ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY FSB					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER USE ONLY			COMM CENTER OR RELEASER USE (INSTR - 11)		
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ END CLEAR
FROM			TO		
SPARK UPON OPENING, INITIALLY WITH ONE PLATOON OF F43, LATER REINFORCED BY L33 ON 23 MAR 69. (3) RESUME OPLOW F43(-) FROM 43 UPON ARRIVAL FSB SPARK 24 MAR. (4) L33 AND FSB SWAPPER REVERTS TO REGIMENTAL CONTROL 222300 H MAR 69 UNTILL CLOSING 24 MAR 69. D. TFR (1) CONTINUE TO MOVE RAPIDLY TO SECURE ROUTE 926'S BLOCK ENTRANCE INTO AO FROM EAST WEST. E. COORD INST					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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FROM			TO		
(1) DIRLAUTH CO 4/3 AND CO 2d ARVN. (2) PHASE LINE ORANGE (FLC - LIMIT OF ADVANCE) IN EFFECT 222300 H MAR 69. (3) PHASE LINE ORANGE AS FOLLOWS: FROM TRAIL AT 781250 FOLLOW TRAIL NE TO B06284 TO TRAIL AT B12282. FOLLOW TRAIL TO PRESENT ARVN 2/3 BNDRY. (4) BNDRY CHANGE BETWEEN 4/3 AND 3/3 IN EFFECT 231700 H MAR 69. BNDRY CHANGE AS FOLLOWS: FROM TRAIL JUNCTION AT B33288 FOLLOW TRAIL SE TO CLOSE AT 899202.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ ID CLEAR
FROM			TO		
4. ADMIN & LOGISTICS. N/K 5. COMMAND & COMMUNICATIONS. N/K					
ACKNOWLEDGE					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
22	MAR	69	1900 H	EE EVANS MAJ	
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CLASSIFICATION -S-		PRECEDENCE -P-		☒ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM BW			TO AP, TFR		
REFER FRAG 0 14-69					
ADDITION TO FRAG 0 14-69					
1. NK					
2. N/C					
3. AP, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY MAINTAIN ANTI-MECH BLOCK WITH 2 PIGS AND SECURITY FORCE AT FORD					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
AT 7723 ON XE PON RIVER UNTIL RELIEVED BY TF REMAGEN.					
4. N/C					
5. DIBLATH BETWEEN CO 1/3 & CO TFR.					
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
23	MAR	69	0800H	GE EVANS, MAJOR	
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CLASSIFICATION -S-		PRECEDENCE -P-		☒ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM BW		TO AP, HR, TER, SELBY, SMITH L			
INFO: WF & BW (V)					
REF: OP PLAN 3-69					
FRAG O 15-69					
1. SITUATION					
a. ENEMY					
(1) DURING THE LAST 24 HOURS THE ACTIVITY HAS CENTERED IN THE SOUTH EASTERN PORTION OF THE AO WITH 2 CONTACTS WITH W/1 ENEMY ELEMENTS AND					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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4. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 15-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
THE LOCATING OF CASHES AND GEAR.					
(2) IN THE SOUTHWESTERN AO ENEMY ACTIVITY WAS LIGHT, HOWEVER, 2 BUNKER COMPLEXES WERE FOUND AND DESTROYED.					
(3) IN THE NORTH WESTERN PORTION ENEMY ACTIVITY WAS LIGHT. THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY WAS THE DISCOVERY OF A BUNKER COMPLEX AND A ROAD WHICH COULD BE A PORTION OF ROUTE 611.					
b. FRIENDLY FORCES					
(1) 2d ARVN AT VIC 927253 CLOSING ON OB) 2					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
VIC 939248.					
(2) REMAINDER A1/2 DISPLACES TO FSB SPARK					
VIC (873236) 240800H.					
C. ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS					
(1) I 3/3 will CHOP TO 3d MARINES 24 MAR.					
2. MISSION. N/C					
3. EXECUTION.					
a. PRIORITY OF ARTILLERY AND AIR SUPPORT REMAINS					
w/ 3/3.					
b. 1/3					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
(1) CONTINUE S/D OPNS IN AO.					
(2) ONE COMPANY WILL MOVE OVERLAND TO VIC					
XD 891720Z FOR EXTENSIVE S/D OPNS.					
(3) ONE COMPANY WILL CONTINUE TO BLOCK FORD					
AT VIC XD 788236.					
(4) EFFECTIVE UPON ARRIVAL 1/3 WILL ASSUME					
OPCON I 3/3 AT FSB SAIGON.					
(5) FC 1/3 WILL CONDUCT HELIBORNE ASSAULT TO XD					
(930218) AND CHOP OPCON TO 3/3 AT THIS TIME.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR		☐ SEND CLEAR	
FROM		TO					
(6) UPON ARRIVAL OF L 3/3 AT FSB SPARK F PLAT 2/3 WILL HELILIFT TO XD 930218 AND CHOP TO 4/3 UPON ARRIVAL. c. 3/3 (1) CONTINUE SID OPNS WITH COMPANIES IN N, S & E IN AO. (2) ASSUME OPCON L 3/3. UPON ARRIVAL FSB SPARK XD (873236) AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAME. (3) ASSUME OPCON F 3/3 UPON ARRIVAL VIC XD(930218) D. TFR (1) CONTINUE TO MOVE RAPIDLY TO SECURE RT 926							
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER			
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR		☐ SEND CLEAR	
FROM		TO					
f. BLOCK ENTRANCE INTO AO FROM WEST. c. L 3/3 (1) PREPARE FOR HELILIFT TO FSB SPARK VIC XD (873236) AND CHOP OPCON TO 4/3 UPON ARRIVAL. (2) RELIEVE PLAT F 3/3 AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FSB SPARK. f. COORDINATING INSTR (1) DURLAUGH CO 3/3 AND CO 2D ARVN. 4 ADMIN & LOGISTICS. N/C							
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER			
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FROM			TO		
5. COMMAND & COMMUNICATIONS. N/C					
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
23	MAR	69	1920 H	EE EVANS, MAJOR	
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FROM BW			TO AP, SM, HERT & SELBY INFO: WF, BW (V)		
REF: OP PLAN 3-69					
FRAG O 17-69					
1. SITUATION.					
a. <u>Enemy Forces</u> SEE CURRENT INTSUMS.					
b. <u>FRIENDLY FORCES</u> REMAINDER BTRY 155 will be LIFTED TO PSB SPARK.					
c. <u>ATTACHMENTS & DETACHMENTS</u> . N/C					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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5. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 17-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
2. MISSION. N/C					
3. EXECUTION.					
a. <u>CONCEPT</u>					
a) 1/3 will CONTINUE EXTENSIVE S/D OPS TO THE SE IN AD. WHILE TF REMAGEN PROVIDES ANTI-MECH BLOCK ON FORD ON WESTERN END # 926 AND CONDUCTS ARMORED THRUST ON RT# 926 TO THE EAST. 2/3 will CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT CACHES IN AREA, WHILE 3/3 CONTINUES TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR PSB CACHES, Hills 950 & 691.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
b. 1/3					
(1) ONE COMPANY WILL MOVE OVERLAND TO VIC (854217).					
(2) ONE COMPANY WILL MOVE OVERLAND TO VIC XD (864165).					
(3) CONTINUE TO CONDUCT SID OPS TO THE SE. IN AO.					
(4) CONDUCT COMPANY (-) HELIBORNE ASSAULT TO VIC (932222) FM FSB SAIGON.					
c. 2/3					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
(1) UPON ASSAULT OF F(-) 2/3 TO VIC (932222) ASSUME OPLOW OF SAME.					
(2) CONDUCT PLAT ASSAULT FM FSB SPARK TO VIC (932222).					
(3) CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT CACHES AND CONDUCT SID OPS IN AO.					
d. 3/3					
(4) CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FSB CATES, Hills 950 & 691.					
e. TFR					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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FROM			TO		
6) CONDUCT ARMORED THRUST EAST AROUND RT. 926 IN AC. 6. COORDINATING INSTR. (1) DIRLAUTH TFR and CO 1/3. (2) 3/3 REPORT THIS HDRTS upon Completion OF HELI-ASSAULT. 4. ADMIN & LOGISTICS. N/C 5. COMMAND & COMMUNICATIONS. N/C Following THRUST POINTS NOW IN EFFECT. INDIAN TRIBES 8925					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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FROM			TO		
CANDIES 8223 STATES 8620 CHAIN STORES 9022 LAKES 9324 SEASONS 8419 PLANETS 8818 FOREIGN CARS 8645 OCEANS 9444 GIRLS NAMES 8847					
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT.					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
25	MAR	69	1730H	EE EVANS, MAJOR	
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CLASSIFICATION S		PRECEDENCE P		☒ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM BW		TO AP HR SM, TFR SELBY			
ORDER		INFO: WF & BW V)			
OP PLAN 5-69					
1. SITUATION					
A) ENEMY - SEE CURRENT INTSOMS & SPOT RPTS.					
A) FRIENDLY					
1) 4th MAR OPEN PEOPLE MARCH SCREENS TO NW & CONDUCTS S/D OPS IN A.O.					
2) 9th MAR OPERATE FROM FIXED POSITIONS TO SCREEN TO NORTH					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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6. 3d MARINES OP ORDER 5-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM		TO			
2. MISSION. 3rd MAR (-) RIED IN COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WITH THE 2nd ARVN REGT (-) SEALS OFF THE LAOTIAN SALIENT SCREENS WEST & EAST OF KHE SANH CONDUCTS EXTENSIVE S/D OPERATIONS IN A.O. AND CONDUCTS MASSIVE DESTRUCTIVE FIRE WITHIN LAOTIAN SALIENT.					
3. EXECUTION					
a. Concept - 3rd MAR WITH TWO BNS AND 2nd ARVN REGT SEAL OFF LAOTIAN SALIENT TO THE NORTH, EAST					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
AND WEST WHILE TASK FORCE REMINGAN CONTINUES TO SCREEN THE WESTERN AREA OF AO ALONG THE SVN-LAOTIAN BORDER. ONE BN(-) OF 3RD MAR WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT S/D OPERATIONS NORTH OF RT. 9 EAST OF THE SANH. B. 1ST BN 3RD MAR 1. UPON HELILIFT OF 4/3 CP ASSUME OPERATIONS OF (2) COMPANIES 2. CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FSB SPARK AND SAIGON					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ SEND CLEAR
FROM			TO		
3. CONDUCT EXTENSIVE S/D OPS TO DEATH IN AO. 4. ON ORDER, ABOUT 2 APRIL, RETURN (2) COMPANIES OF 4/3 TO PARENT UNIT FOR HELIBORNE ASSAULT ON HILL 391. 5. ON ORDER, ABOUT 3 APRIL CONDUCT (1) COMPANY HELIBORNE ASSAULT TO SECURE HILL 745 6. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR TWO BATTERY FSB AT HILL 745					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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MESSAGE (SUBMIT TO MESSAGE CENTER IN DUPLICATE)		PRECEDENCE
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To		
C. 2 nd Bn 3 rd MAW 1) At 300830H CONDUCT BNC heliborne ASSAULT TO SECURE Hill 401 FSB WHISMAN. 2) ON HELIBT OF COMMAND group CHOP (2) COMPANIES TO 1/3 3) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FSB WHISMAN 4) ON ORDER ABOUT 2 April RESUME OPS OF PLANNING COMPANIES OF 2/3.		
OFFICIAL DESIGNATION OF SENDER		TIME SIGNED
SIGNATURE AND GRADE OF WRITER		

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MESSAGE (SUBMIT TO MESSAGE CENTER IN DUPLICATE)		PRECEDENCE
No.	DATE	
To		
2) ON ORDER ABOUT 2 April CONDUCT (2) COMPANY heliborne ASSAULT ON Hill 391 D 3/31- 1) CONDUCT 90 OPS IN AO. 2) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FSB CATES, Hill 950.		
OFFICIAL DESIGNATION OF SENDER		TIME SIGNED
SIGNATURE AND GRADE OF WRITER		

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MESSAGE (SUBMIT TO MESSAGE CENTER IN DUPLICATE)		PRECEDENCE
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<i>2 JF REMAGAN</i> <i>1) CONDUCT EXTENSIVE S/D OPERATIONS WEST OF THE SMITH TO LAOTIAN BORDER.</i> <i>2) CONTINUE SCREENING OPERATIONS IN WESTERN PORTION OF 3RD MAR AD ALONG LAOTIAN BORDER.</i> <i>F Coordinating Instructions</i>		
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<i>1) ON HELIHOPT OF 9/35- 2ND ARVN WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR 3RD AD.</i> <i>2) BOUNDARY FOR 43 EFFECTIVE 300500 H NAM IN LAOTIAN BORDER NORTH ALONG N-S GRID LINE TO PRESENT BOUNDARY AT XD 960401, THEN EAST ALONG DA KONG TO XD 998301, THEN WEST TO XD 021561 THEN SOUTH ALONG PROVINCE BOUNDARY TO LAOTIAN BORDER AT XD 017274</i>		
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1) ALL OTHER BOUNDARIES REMAIN IN EFFECT 2) PUP FIRES OF LZ WILL BE SCHEDULED BY THIS HQTS. 3) ZIPPO WILL BE USED FOR LZs 4) FIREPO WILL BE USED FOR ESTABLISHMENT FSB. 5) KIPPO WILL BE SCHEDULED BEFORE FSB ARE CLOSED OUT. 6) ASSAULT LIFTS LIMITED TO SIX ENTERANCES PER LZ		
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8) HELILIFTS FOR 30 MAR WITH CP-6143 FROM XD903237 to XD973334 at 0830 with 8CH-46 A.C. ON STATION AT 0730 WITH (4) FLIGHTS OF F100 WING B) B Co 3rd EN 1-46 EXTERNAL EXPLOSIVES FROM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN AT 1200 C) D Co 3rd EN 1-46 EXTERNAL DEZCROBIAK SPAN, 4TH EN SAYS 4-53 EXTERNALS.		
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1 DZER 1 BACK HCE 2 EXPLOSIVES FROM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN AT 1500 1) B G 3rd Reg 1-47 EXTERNAL DZER INTACT FROM XN 903237 to FSB WHISMAN. 2) FIRE AND 9112 RECD PARTY FROM SANGON TO FSB WHISMAN AT 1510 3) 2-54 EXTERNAL 20105 AND 4-53 EXTERNAL 20105 AND 2-53 INTERNALS		
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2AX AND FVBs FROM XN 903237 to VCB. 9) Initially until ARTILLERY WAGON party on FSB, Infantry Bns. will monitor construction on FSBs. 10) Artillery a) Prep fire schedule published separately. b) Submit HPT 134 1800 DAILY.		
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A) 3rd MAR CP will move TO FSB PHISMAR ABOUT 2 HX I) DIR LOUTH BETWEEN 2/3 & CO 3rd Bu 2nd BRON 4. Admin & Logistics a) Strength Report to COMPANY LEVEL - Due this HOURS BY 0900 DAILY B) STATUS Report CLASS I, under MCT		
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LRPR'S & RA 386's CLASS I' SMALL ARMS & ACTION HOURS BY DOS REQUIRED Report this HOURS BY 1600 DAILY. 5. Command & Comm. A) Comm. N/R C) Command - 3rd MAR CP FSB SW 70 N Bu's Report when ESTABLISHED		
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To <u>FA BR: To AP, HRT, SM, TFR, INFO BW</u>		
<u>FRAC 18-69.</u>		
1. Situation		
<u>ALARM: N/C</u>		
<u>B). FRODO: G 7/8 Chopped to 1/3 Pending</u>		
<u>HELIFT To FSB Whisman</u>		
<u>C) ATTACH & DETACH: N/C</u>		
2. Mission: N/C.		
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7. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 18-69

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III. Execution		
H. Concept: N/C		
B 1/3		
(1) Upon HELIFT of C 7/8 to FSB Whisman		
Chop SHINE to 2/3.		
(2) Continue to Conduct S/D OPUS To		
The NORTH W/ Practice Emphasis on the		
TRAIL AND STREAM Complex in the 8530 Grid.		
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(B) Continue To provide Security For FSB SPARK & Jingo.		
C. 2/3		
(1) Upon Relift of G 2/3 to FSB/WHISMAN ABOUT 0800 31 MAR 69 ASSUMPTION OF SAME		
(2) CONTINUE CONSTRUCTION AND SECURITY FOR FSB WHISMAN.		
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D. 3/3		
(1) Continue To Provide Security For FSB CATES HILLS 691 & FSB		
(2) Continue to conduct S/D OPS in A.O.		
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(1) continue to conduct S/D OPS TO THE NORTH IN A.O.		
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(2) continue to exploit all cracks in AC. F. Coordinating Instructions: 1) Helilifts for 31 MAR 64 A. G 73 FM VP 90232 to FSB WHISMAN 150 PAX 4-CH-46 B 20 PAX FM 03237 to VCB 1CH-54 4 external 2 internal lifts CH-53.		
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C) B Co 3rd Reg. 8 PAX FM VCB to FSB WHISMAN D) DOZER BLADE & Fuel 1CH-46 FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN 1CH-53 DOZER FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN. E. BACK LOG FM VCB to FSB WHISMAN CH-53 F). EXPLOSIVES FM VCB to FSB WHISMAN 3-53		
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G) DOZER INTRCT FM FD3737 TO FSB WHISTMAN H) C 1/2 RECON PARTY 12 PM FM FSB SAISON TO FSB WHISTMAN H) ADVISE LOGISTICS N/C S. COMMAND & COMM. N/C		
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			01000 11+	Journal Open
		1	010910H	At 010415H, VIC (996490) D/1/3 rec'd 2 8mmRDS from the east, Counter Mortar & Artillery
		2	011240H	At 011100H, Vic (972479) Sqd A/1/3 Fnd well travelled trail.
			2400	Journal Closed

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		1 030001H
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		1 030416
		AP D reported receiving 9 incoming rounds of mortar, 3 which landed outside line, 6 inside. Rounds were confirmed by P/O's at AP Deltas Pos. azimuth taken from APD to possible Loc of source 3500Mils neg.cas . crater analasis pending. 95° @ 480 Mils; Rds ceter mainted 81MM fired 81MM TBQ
		2 031600H
		At 031100H, leading elements of squad size patrol fnd friendly mine fnd at vic(004553)
		3 031830H
		While returning to C-2, G2a found Homemade Mine at 080597. it appeared to be a 60mm round, but much larger. I/3/3 will send Engineers to blow mine tomorrow.
		A
		K-2 Mounted patrol on tanks found one VC suspect hiding in culvert beside road to CamLo 800mtrs North of Ville. Was brought back to K-1 position and turned over to cit rep for interrogation, initial interrogation shows he apparently is a UA CIDG Pers.
		5 032000H
		While on ambush, P.F. 's spotted tackle of VC/NVA moving towards DOC KINK . P.F.'s opened Fire NVA/VC broke contact 2 NVA/VC KIA. Recovered one B-40 and one AK-47
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		060001H	Journal Opened
			RF
	1	060210H	3/3 (X) ambush sp & sqd size VC/NVA (099531) killed (1)
	2	061030H	L/3/3 road sweep rec'd sniper fire fm (056575) called 81mm msn, arty
	3	061100H	L3/3 road sweep took 3mines, 1 claymore, 1 booby trap.
	4	06/2230H	3/3 reports RF unit made contact with 15 VC equip with M-79/B-40 VC broke contact -81&illum used Reaction force sent out found blood trails/ 1VC KIA
		2400	Journal Closed

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OUT NO	070001H	Journal Opened
1	070832H	at 070745H, vic (129591) 3/3 rec'd sniper fire.
2	071035H	at 070230H, vic (999489) 1/3 reports unidentified mortar rd landed in 3d engre. causing minor damage to (generator) generator & 1 USMC WIA (minor)
3	071030H	at 070832H, vic (089578) I/3/3 reports 5 NBCS result 2 M-26 frag explosions in training trash: 1 killed and 4 wounded Medevac.
4	07121511	F/2/3 Detained approx 50 Vietnamese at Bru.
5	071700H	SMK-1 while on plt PAT at 136515 fnd ville with 1 hutch that could hold 2-3 people, also fnd 12 bunkers (5x6ft.) ville was in poor shape and looked to be used recently. Plan ambush in area of ville tonight.
6	071730H	SMKIB spotted 5 indigenous pers coming from east. They wore no uniforms. One had weapon. KIB opened fire and enemy fled SW, called in arty on escape route and recommenced by fire. Opened fire with M-60 and M-79. Serched area with Neg. results
7	071600H	3/3 reports SeaBee truck returning from Rock Quarry hit a mine at 089592 w/neg casualties 2 suspects were seen in Black trou. and Blue shirts with Red Arm Band that headed to ville at 065570 sent out sq. to check area Neg results

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1130	1200	1	201130H G/2/3 in contact vic (882224) A0 on station called fivemsr
11030		2	AP "A" engaged 3 NVA approaching from the NE. Enemy were wearing green utilities with rifles. Enemy were taken under fire. 1 USMC Minor-2NVA KIA 2 SKS rifles
1245		3	201130H F/2/3 Ptl fnd (5) new bunkers complex vic (183265) and several fighting holes. (1) bunker was a hospital Fnd two plasma and bloody gauge also misc ordanance and 782 gear, and propaganda phamlets in VN and Chinese.
1425	1425	4	Refer to entry 1130 fr cooid(883217) Ptl fnd bunker for approx 50 people. Approx 12 NVA held pos. Fr unit attacked called F/W. Res fr (2) USMC KIA (1) USMC WIA Medavac (3) NVA KIA.
1430	1415	5	201000H H&G/2/3 plts fr each unitran into each other Res 1USMC KIA
1500	1500	6	Big Foot Brown served by B/1/3
1508		7	G/2/3 on the move toward obj.
1532		8	Gen. DAVIS (CG 3d MarDiv) will dictate if M/3/3 will helilif to FSB Saigon or LZ Alpine
1545		9	191200H C/1/3 fnd bunker complex 45-50 bunkers capable(817257) Neg sign of recent activity. Bunkers capable of holding (3) people. Also approx (100) fighting holes. Misc ord (4) 82MM rds also (1) AK-47 rifle, old and rusty.

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0130 0130		Rec'd flash msgn concerning gen offensive to all units & FSB at 210730H Mar
0245		Rec'd Frag 0 78069 fr TF Hotel
0245	201800H	G/2/3 (night Pos) Notified (875222) rec'd saf/grend fr approx (4) NVA, Unit attacked Er pos. Res: Fr (3) USMC WIA (Medavac) (2) NVA KIA (9) AK-47
0250	201500H	H/2/3 fnd 25-30 bunkers (872227) Fr 3-10 men size Neg sign of recent activity. Area layout and signs of vehicle tracks looks like truck stop.
0300	201930H	B/1/3 observed (1) NVA in the open, vic (832232) Unit fired 60MM w/unlk res.
0910	210800H	WF assumes OPCON SM "M" FM BW and passes OPCON to FL
1000		BW CP moved to FSB Saigon EA 211000H
1540		No more 401 lifts today
1540		Both ontos (one from Snapper) will lift to Passport. People, Ammo, and fuel neg lift.
1500		C/1/77 crossed PL BLUE vic (791339)
1530 1600		H/2/3 in contact vic (901237)
1600		Fire coord line in effect: Fm 764293 along STVM to 826297 Bndry fm 826297 along STVM W to STVM Junct 857306 to include FLL 2/3 & ARVIN bdry in eff fr 942242 NW to hill 339 To hill 375 to 860292 and then N along STVM.

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1700		While ontos going to LZ Passport 3d Tank BN dropped track
1715		Both ontos into LZ Passport
1700		C/1/77 spotted large cave at 872227; will continue to explore
2055		Ao Colorado 4 raw FW strike rep 3 secondary explosions 6 bunkers destroyed 43 damaged at 77237
2015 2030		At 210945H grid 897227 point element spotted (1) VC in rd. VC fled to bunker and was flushed out revealing 1 add enemy. Several fighting holes in area are still under construction Res: (1) AK-47, (1) SKS
2015 2041		At 211200H grid 902233 hert A discovered RD4TRL heading east into large cache w/approx 100 tons of rice ammo & wpns. Detailed serch to follow.
2105 2050		At 211505H grid 908233 H2OPT9 was sent to stream. Security on opposite side Enemy on high gnd opened fire w/s/a and RPG Called in arty Received 3KIA, 15WIA(Medavac)
2105 2135		At 212030H 106 sec observed (1) light moving(845235)
2145		Frag O. 10-69 sent AP will push for obj VC upper left%
2400		8522 Lower right 8720 Journal Closed

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			Completed sending out to all units, Frag 0 10-69 at 220400H
0715			AP has 1 tackle ready to move to obj #6
0800			3/2 ARVNS elements moving toward obj 2
0800			2/3's boundry extension to north in eastern position of AO disapproved
0800			Requested return of 2nd sqd, 3rd plt, "H" Co. from duty w/CAG due to dire need of parent unit.
1710			BW-3 talked to AP-3 on alternate plan and time of securing object 6
1738			Answer from AP-3: can secure obj 6 on 22 March
0400			AP-3 called and talked to BW3-A and said that due to dis- position of his troops and need for resupply it would take 2 days to reach obj 6
0630			BW-3 talked to Heritage in where they wanted their troops 47 replacements and they said they would take them at HOTEL C-P
0630			BW-3 contacted s-4 rear to uporage prio of 1/3 81' ammo & water to Big Foot Brown
0800			1/3 CP closed on Big Foot Brown at 0015H
0815			1/3 6 declared emergency H2O

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0910		H/2/3 in contact at 910232 over huge cache (supply)
1040		HF advised man at Passport w/ability to fix pigs. Damage not serious
1000		A/1/3 plt on patrol discovered (8) fighting holes serched area and destroyed some w/neg results
1030		D/1/3 plt on patrol discovered (35) bunkers w/ overheads & (15) bamboo hatches. All destroyed
1215		H in contact at 913235
1215		BW 5 -5's request of utilization of (1) HB ton disapproved.
1000		Chopper working Medevac for H/2/3 fired upon from 9023 fixed wing called.
1320		Her and 6 declared Whiskey lift emergency Notified BW-4
1356		221310H F/W spt 1 NVA (777236) BDA, (1) secondary (5) bunkers destroyed AO on station Add 1 KBA
1350		E/2/3 in contact notified WF
1415	1415	Correction of H/2/3 water party contact: line G add (3)
		WIA. (Medavac) Line I add 5 NVA killed
1415	1415	H/CP at 221130 had accounted for 224 tons of rice, polished and unpolished

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1415 1505		221310H AP-FW spt (1) NVA in open and bunker complex (777236) Pan msr killed NVA in open and destroyed (5) bunkers
1515		221430H H2/3 in contact w/entrenched Ew. in bunkers and Spider horeso acso at 220900H Spt (28) NVA in open at 907235. Called f/w w/good coverage as of this writing 224 tons rice polished and unpolished. E & G deployed to Rear & South.
1550		AP-6 states that water on passport and pars is a tactical emergency
0730 1330		H/2/3 attacking enemy positions. Came upon enemy inumerous spider holes and bunkers Rec S/P fire. Res: add Fr (1) USMC KIA (13) WIA (Medavac) (2) WIA (minor)
1710		AP directed to secure Hill mass at 847225 vice obj 6 for OBJ 6
1730		/ Hert-E needs 3/4 BA ammo IV&S and battle dressing (emergency)
1830	221230H	AP patrol found half destroyed hootch at 799238-had bunker underneath with 600yds comm wire and other miscellaneous gear At 804235 fd complex of 35 bunkers, 18 had frame shealters approx 10x15and171 man bunkers 2x2...all destroyed
	221840H	At 221540H, vic (781234) A/1/3 combat ptl fnd 12 bunkers with overhead cover, somewere camomflaged within last 2 days

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0710/1025	1		E&G 2/3 ARE ON THE MOVE
1000/1025	2	230930	230920H E/2/3 IN CONTACT, (918240) OUT OF CONTACT @ 1000H, ALSO FND LG CHACHE
1025/1025	3	0900H	H/2/3 FUTHER SEARCH OF AREA TOTAL WEIGHT OF RICE (1) 15X15 BUNKER FILLED W/RPG RDS. AND (1) 15X15 BUNKER FILLED W/82MM RDS REFER TO ENTRY NO#2 ADD LARGE CNAS FOOD.
231130	3		H/2/3 CAPTURED (1) TRK INTACT.
1300LATE	4	ENTRY/222300H	TRF AT 805355 OBSERVED STATIONARY & MOVING LIGHTS AT 765323 & 749290 FIELD ARTY & MOTARS.
	5		FOLLOWING UP SPOT REP TO ENTRY # 2 WHILE IN CONTACT M-79 MAN FIRED INTO CAVE, (1) SECONDARY OCCURED INJURING FRIENDLY TROOPS. RESULTS: (17) USMC WIA (MED VAC) (8) NVA KIA, 119 AK-47 RIFLES CAPTURED.
	6	231520H	PLT F/2/3 REACHED FSB SPARK AT.
	7		At 231345H, VIC (LZ PANPORT) A/1/3 REPORT (1) MAN ACCIDENTALLY STABBED HIMSELF. EMERGENCY MED EVAC REQ.
	8		AT 230700H TO 231415H, FM VIC (808233) To (820235) C/1/3 DISCOVERED 23 "L" SHAPED BUNKERS 3'X5' WITH

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		OVERHEAD, ALL DUNKERS ALONG FREEWAY. ALL DUNKERS ARE EXACTLY ALIKE. & WERE APPROX 4-6 MOS OLD, BUT IN GOOD CONDITION. DESTROYED BUNKERS.
1605	9	H-G IN CONTACT REQUEST EMERGENCY RESUPPLY "W" AMMO AT 918226 EMERGENCY RESUPPLY REQUESTED FM. WF-3
	10	FOLLOW UP SPOT REP TO ENTRY #3 AT 231145H, VIC (903244) 3D PLT H/2/3 END FRENCH MADE TRUCK. TANDEM AXLE WITH V.5 MARKINGS ON STEEL & RUSSIAN TIRES, END IN TRUCK, 1/2 TON SALT APPROX 11/2 TONS RICE & APPROX 75 LBS TIME FUZE. DESTROYED TRUCK.
1830	11	HERT RECEIVED EMERGENCY RESUPPLY O/"W" CONTACT COMPLETE
	12 231600H	G/2/3 POINT ELEMENT DISCOVERED BASE CAMP AREA DEFENDED BY ONE(1) ENEMY SQUAD. EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND DEPARTED IN NE DIRECTION. CONT. TO SEARCH AREA. FOUND 1 RPG LAUNCHER, 1 AK-47 6 NEW CHINESE LMG(RPD 56) 2500 RPG ROUNDS, 2000 POUNDS POWERED MILK 7500 LBS SUGAR 5700 LBS RICE AND 25K BAGS. 3,883 82MM ROUNDS 150 LBS TNT. INSIGN REATTACHED WITH YELLOW BORDER AND STAR. ASSORTED DOCUMENTS AND ASSORTED GEAR. 100 LBS REFINED LARD, 20-30 INDIVIDUAL PACKS, 3200 AK RND.

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	13 231745H	A/1/3 found bunker complex of 8x10 bunkers w/tent like entrances constructed of bambo bambo 3-5 ft deep not used recently. Checking out all kinds of trails here and about 1000meters back. However they do not look like they have been used recently. Destroyed same.
	14 231145H	(FINAL) AP"c" found 2 shovels, 40 sticks of TNT, 3 plastic bags of unknown type food. 1-3 lbs bag rice.
B/1/61	15 231845H	FM 764292 to 784309, that trail as shown on map is a road. It is wide enough for an ox cart or small auto.
	16 230930H	(FINAL) E/2/3 fnd 500RPG, 10 AK-50, 80 AK-47, 1000 lbs TNT 200 82MM rnds, 1ton can food, 5000AK-47 rds, 5000 SKS rds 5000 12.7AA rds, 6 tons rice, 400 AK-47 magazines, 40 packs clothing, misc documents.
	17 231902H	C/1/77 at 766293 fnd fishing baskets and many fresh trails.
	18 231600H	G/2/3 at 915229 engaged en. sqd detending base camp. Fnd (1) RPG launcher, (1) AK-47, (6) RPD rds, 2500 RPG rds, 2000lbs powdered milk, 7500lbs sugar, 5700lbs rice, 3883 82MM rds, 150 lbs TNT, 3200 AK-47 rds, 100lbs lard, insignia assorted doc. and 782 gear

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19	232030H	EFF 231100H Mar69, WF assumes OPCON of Delmar A and B FM:BC and passes OPCON to BC same DTG eff 231800H Mar69 WF assumes OPCON of SML and passes OPCON to BW WM same DTG.
		Journal Closed

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IN 10001H	0001H	JOURNAL OPEN
1	0600H	SITREP 93-69 SUBMITTED
2	0700H	C plt 1/3 REACHED "B" POS; THE LATTER IS MOVING C IS MOVING ACKNOWLEDGED RECEPT OF BARCROFF MESSAGE CONCERNING LAOTIAN BORDER.
3	232357H	REFER TO SITREP #93-69 PARA 43 IN ADDITION TO H/2/3 SPOT REP CAPTURE OF 450 TONS OF RICE, ALSO CAPTURED UNTOLD TONS OF BQ RDS, 75MM RECOLLES RDS. 82MM MORTAR RDS & SMALL ARMS RDS. COUNT TO FOLLOW AT LATER RATE.
LATE ENTRY	232215H	1/3 REPORTS BEACON HOP BIRD TAKEN INTO FIRE BY SUSPECTED 37AA. GUN APPROX 16 AIR BURST OBSERVED. AT 8315 GRID BIRD VERIFIED FIRE*OP TO OBSERVE AREA.
	204093	B1/3 UNCOVERED RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED VILLE OF 6 THAT CHAD HOOTCHES W/PIG PEN HOGS SOME SNS ROUNDS USED 782 GEAR WELL DESTROY AREA.
	241059H	C/1/77 AT 764282 FOUND NUMEROUS WELL USED TRAILS W/NVA SNEAKERS PRINTS, SOME WITHIN LAST 24 HRS.

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1120	1020	Final Spot: B/1/3 fnd 14 hooches 4x6, 9 bunkers 3x4 bamboo wadding on floor, 2 pig pens, 3 chicken coops, 1 pancho, 3-M-16 fds, 150 SKS rds, 6 machetes, 10 pigs (2 killed), other misc gear, 1 schoulder pack, red trapezoid with 2/stars.
1240	241225	D/1/3 patrol sent out to destroy mines on Rt 926 found that mines had already been destroyed or removed. Area searched neg result.
	25 1330H	Recon unit on hill 471 is in.
	26 241415H	B-1-61 found bunker complex of 12 bunkers, approx 2 mos. old. 5x7 ft and 8x10. Negative recent activity. Will des.
	27 241400H	AP-A platoon observed two enemy through field glasses at 769247. Enemy was observing AP-A's position. Enemy was wearing Kakki uniforms and soft covers. Called in 81's and artillery. Good coverage of area.
	241600H	3d Mar assumes OPCON of 3/3.
1815	241600H	Eff 241600H Mar69 WF assumes OPCON of SMK & SMF and passes OPCON of BN SAME DTG.
2109	231600H	G/2/3 Follow up Fnd more gear(915229) 5000 Time fuse, 20 Cs 60MM rds (80per case), 63 82MM rds, 2500 12.7 MM rds, 10 tons rice, 3 tons course salt, (1) 200gram block Russ TNT.

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IN	OBJ	NO	
2115	241300H		K/3/3 (927396) one Marine taking apart a M-60 cooked a rd off injuring marine(1) BC(Evac).
1859	241620		D/1/3 (827237-851239) fnd 14 bunkers along trail also fnd (3) 82MM rds, several sticks of dynamite
	2015H		1/3 CP (830232) spt (3) sets lights (805217) moving SW to NE . Fired 7 rds 106MM w/unk results
	2030		1/3 CP (830232) F/W on beacon hop dropped D2 bomb and had secondary explosion larger than bomb blast White in color.
	2045		G/1/3 (854217) starlight scope spt (2) indigenous digging holes- frd 10 rds 60MM w/ unk results.
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		1 2040H
		TFR AT 770315 OBS. LIGHT AT ABOVE GRID FIRE DUSTERS
		2 1600H
		AO AT 748279 FND SUSPECTED EN MACHINE GUN POS FIRED
		ARTY & MORTAR W/REG RESULTS
		3 250355
		B/1/3 AT 895207 took 3 FRIENDLY INCOMING ARTY RDS
		200 m in FRONT OF LINES
		4 250540
		B/1/3 AT 895207 TPPL 8-10 FRIENDLY INCOMING ARTY
		RDS LANDING 100 FROM LINES
		5 250430
		C/1/3 AT 779255 REC'D APPROX 30 RDS INCOMING ARTY
		BELIEVED TO BE FRIENDLY
		6 250905
		A GROUP OF BRV CONSISTING OF 19 CHILDREN 17 WOMEN
		AND 15 MALE APPROACHED AP"B" FROM THE RIVER. GROUP
		WAS TAKEN INTO PERIMETER AND SEARCHED. ALL ADULTS
		WERE CARRYING I.D. CARDS. INTERPRETER WAS SENT
		FOR INITIAL INTERROGATION OF EHER. SUBJECT STATES
		THEIR WERE 2 NVA BN IN DINH HUONG AREA AND MOVED
		TO LAOS ON 24 MARCH 69.
251100H	7	0925
out 1205		
		E/2/3 OP SPOTTED 8 NVA MOVING OP TRAIL LET FIRST
		2 PASS DETONATED CLAYMORE RES 5 NVA KIA. 3USMC MED
		EVAC GRID 911221
1435	8	1435H
		UPGRADE RICE COUNT TO 600 TONS, 475,000 RND 7.62

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		COUNTED TO DETE & STILL COUNTING
1446	9 251440H	C1/44 FND MORTAR POSIT FOUND SEVERAL 82MM FUSES AT 251440H
1455	10 1445	A1/3 6 ENEMY OBSERVED BY FO. ENEMY CROSSING RIVER TO EAST AT 778216 ARTY & 81 MGN CALLED RES UNK
1510	11 251000H	E2/3 WHILE OF PTL FND 30 BUNKERS COVERED W/LOGS & F-12 DIRT. 50 SMALLER TRENCH LINES & OPEN FIGHTING HOLES USED WITHIN 2-5 DAYS FND 2000-4000 LBS RICE (8) 75 MM RR RND S PLASTIC WRAPPING, (1) GRENADE POUCH W/(1) GRENADE AT 908234
1523	12 1515	C1/44 LIMBED UP & CLOSED W/AP - A
1545	15 1335	B/1/61 FND SPT BOOKERS-(756272) FND WP AND HE HAD SEVERAL SM ARMS SECONDARY.
1545	16 1550 1000H	E/2/3 PTL FND SUPPLY & REDISTRIBUTION POINT; 30 BUNKERS 50 SM TRENCH LINES AND FIGHTING HOLES USED 2 to 5 DAYS AGO. IN CLUING GEAR FOND 4000 200 lb LB BAGS RICE. 8 75MM RDS 8 82MM RDS 2 ROLLS PLASTIC WRAPPING (1) GRENADE POUCH W/GRENADE.
	17 1125	B/1/3 (895207) MONTAG WANUDS STRAGGLERS IN TO B POS. RPT LARGE NVA FORCE NORTH OF B POS. UNK SIZE OR DISTANCE ADD (74) BRU REFUGEES.

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IN	OUT	NO	
		18	1/3 AO SPT 50 CAL POS (775218) CONDUCTING ARTY MISN.
		19	1100H C/1/3 FWD 12 BUNKERS FROM W/SM HAND MADE TAN, (7) TRAILS (856222) DESTROYED.
		20	1850 BRU REFUGEES EVACED FM "B" POS.
		21	252000H FLT G/2/3 AT 251500H FIND ENEMY BASE POSSIBLY BN VIC (918227) SIZE IN EXCESS OF 75-100 BUNKERS SHELTERS TYPE. CAPTURED 2 AK-47's.
		22	252150H AT 251700H, VIC (907233) H/2/3 WHILE ON PATROL 21 Mar 69 DOST MAP USED W/MAP.
		23	2020 RECEIVED WORD FROM TFH CHALLENGE IS COMPRINEISED USE ANTENAFS-SENT TO UNITS
		24	2545H AT 251845H, VICC LZ COSSAC OBSERVED 1 ENEMY W/WEA. FIRED 60MM, WILL ECONCH ANCO IN AM.
		25	252143H AT 251500H, VIC (913236) H/2/3 DISCOVERED BULL CAN CONSISTING OF 47 BUNKERS, 3 LIVING HOOTCHES 11 cooking HOOTCHES, & 4 HEADS & ASSORTED MISC GEAR.
		26	250435 AT 250435H C 1/77 RECEIVED 30 RDS INCOMING FRIENDLY 105 MM ON NITE POS. 1 BULLDOZER DAMAGED REQ. CHECKFIR: MEDEVACED 6.
		27	252315H AT 25083 to 2516NH, WC (856509) (860219) C/1/3

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0820	0830	1	262050	G/1/77 (778237) spt(3) NVA (776237) on west side of XE Pon River they appeared to be carryin g an obj from bushes to wire rec'd saf will serch area at first light.
0850		2		Prepared budry charge BW/2ARVN 960360 E To pres budry extend to East on 36/Laos bundy. Approved in effedt 261800H
1015	1015	3	0945H	First Wave F/2/3 touched ground; Complete at 261130H
1130	1130	4	1000H	H/2/3, (906237) fnd signs of recent activity on trail and 12 rds 82MM.
1145	1145	5	1145	G/2/3 in Contact
		6	1210H	Eng. while clearing area on FSB Saigon - fnd misc. ordanance and 1 NVA mine, covered w/dirt. Will destroy.
		7	261359H	at 261146H, vic (781234) G-1-77 fnd 6 new bunkers w/fresh foot prints & (31) block's TNT
		8	261510H	At 261130H , vic (918227) G/2/3 ptl discovered 2 NVA & rec'd fire fm North, Ptl checking out further. Results (1)USMC KIA (2) NVA KIA, 1 AK-47 and LSKS.
		9	261547H	At 261400H, vic (905233) HER H1 while on ptl fnd Bunker complex of a grave also heard movement, called in arty and dug up grave also captured misc. gear.

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FROM 280001H

TO 282400H

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TIME	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ACTS
IN	OUT	NO
		0001H
		Journal Opened
		1 281125
		A/1/3 at 054181 fnd excellent fording pt w/fresh sandal prints & trails running N, NE& S.
		2 1315H
		1/3 CPSC completed heli-lif to FSB SPARK
		3 1330H
		A/1/3 commenced heli-lif to FSB Saigon
		4 1337H
		I & L/3/3 commenced heli-lif to VCB
		5 1405
		L3/3 Lift complete at this time
		6 1430
		C/1/77 (775215) spt (1) hut and garden plot. (810205)
		called arty msn w/unk results
		7 1520
		A/1/3 ptl fnd 3 huts (1) lookout tower 5 bunkers and pugi pit (857182) destroyed all.
		8 1550
		I/3/3 completed heli-lift
		9 1512
		C/1/77 obs (1) secondary explosion black smoke(810205)
		10 1520
		B/1/61 fnd 15 bunkers - destroyed (852241)
		11 1705
		B/1/3 (889196) rec'd (4) rds from (889196) counter mortar fire
		12 1200
		E2/3 at 924228 discovered new bunker complex still under const. 45 Bunkers w/overhead cover and numerous fighting holds. - Separate area Searched area with neg results.

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13	1800	BL/3 Patrol fnd small village at 295208 w/4or5 shelters and incoming holes along stream-searched whole area Results: 1 SKS, 2 RPG rds, 2Packs, 2NVA helmets, 20 bags of rice and several knives.
14	1800	AO spotted enemy 60mm-RM A/S & fire 81's on 889196-Results unk.
15	1925	Follow up spt rpt E2/3 correction of Rice totals as follows 100 tons delete 300 tons Journal Closed

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FROM 290001H

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TIME DATE INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ACTS

IN	OUT	NO	
			Journal Opened
	1	0900H	B/1/3 (15) Bruo arrived at B Pos, (1) could speak Vn.
	2	0900H	F/2/3 fnd NVA Pack (923227) not there previous day
	3	291647H	At 291200H Mar 69, vic (572165) A/1/3 plt fnd trash off a river bed leading to an abandoned abandoned lean to, 2 1/2' X 10', bunker construction bound together with comm wire. structure approx. 1 month old, also a water buffalo tracks in a stream bed. Serched thru throughly and destroyed, structure.
	4	290845H	K/3/3 repts B. T. 8909 while loading a 3/4 ton truck at VCB shot self in foot with M-16 (evaced)
		2400	Journal Closed

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TO 302400 Mar

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IN	OUT	NO	
			Journal Opened
		1	301010H
			At 300836H, vic (778239) B/1/61 ambushed while moving to CP location - (1) tank disabled by mine. Res: (3) WIA WIA Medevac (3) NVA KIA. Still in contact
		2	301148H
			Mine sweep team moving from C/1/77 to B/1/61 had tank hit what is believed to be plastic mine. Track and road wheels heavily damaged. Evacuate tank and continue Road sweep. Neg casualties,
		3	1458
			New assault by 2/3 on Hill 401 begun
		4	1610
			C/1/77 found numerous bunkers and hootches also found cache of undetermined size. so far have 1120 82MM rnds, 2 12.7 MM MG w/1 additional mount. Plastic mines in plastic container and an uncounted number of 75MM RR ammo and RPG ammo and boosters, still searching and counting.
		5	1327/
			Helicopter set off what appeared to be a booby trap. Killing one and wounding 6 (medevaced) Helicopter damaged undamaged.
		6	301100H
			Individual accidentally kicked a hand grenade on a bridge launcher wounding 3 persons when it exploded. Medevac requested and received.

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	31000.H	Jour. - rd Oper
1	310630H	B/1/61 at 770263. RECIEVED 82 MM (704 FROM 760270. CALLED COONTER*BATTERY FIRE
2	301530H	AP "C" PATROL FOUND TWO BUNKER COMPLEXES AT 868228, 866227. THERE WERE 18 REC. BUNKERS 6'X10' X6' WITH L SHAPED ENTRANCES. THERE WERE 5 COOKING SHELTERS IN EACH COMPLEX. LAST USED 3-6 MONTHS OLD. AREA THOURGHLY SEARCHED.
3	310645H	B/1/61 RECIEVED APPROX 30 RND5 OF 82MM INCOMING. CALLED IN COUNTER-BATTERY FIRE. 1 KIA 5 MED EVAC
4	311100H	AP "A" SPOTTED TWO ENEMY ALONG RIVER ONE WAS DRESSED IN BLACK PJ'S. OTHER WAS WEARING GREEN UNIFORM CALLED IN ARTY AND MORTAR. SNIPERS USED UNKNOWN RESULTS.
5	311300H	T.F. REMAGEN IN CONTACT FM LAOS. (1) WONDER @ OF THIS TUNE RECORD 82MM & RPG, REQ AO/GUN SHIP
6	311500H	C/1/77 FOUND TRAILS TO N THEN NW. 774235 to 772249, 755260
7	311300H	TF RAMAGEN FOLLOW UP TO SPOT #46 1 DIRECT HIT RPG ON RR AND ON TANK RETRIEWER DISABLING SAVE ADD 1 KIA 3 WIA.

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✓ 07040Z	S
✓ 070850Z	S
✓ 071552Z	C
✓ 071554Z	S
✓ 080450	U
✓ 100552	U
✓ 110610Z	C
✓ 120950Z	S
✓ 121230Z	C
✓ 140610Z	U
✓ 150740Z	U
✓ 190526Z	U
✓ 190528Z	U
✓ 191404Z	U
✓ 201646Z	U
✓ 220415Z	U
✓ 260800Z	C
✓ 270129Z	U
✓ 280755Z	U
✓ 290510Z	C

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FM: THIRD MARINES
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BOOBY TRAPS AND LAND MINE WARFARE SCOL

A. CG, THIRD MAR DIV MSG 221302Z FEB 69

1. NEGATIVE REQUEST OF SCOL QUOTA ESTABLISHED BY REF A.

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1. (C) 3D MAR INTSUM # 2.

2. (U) 011800H TO 021800H MAR 69

3. (C) SUM OF BN ACTY
 DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, BN ACTY WAS LIGHT IN 3D MAR AO.
 THERE WAS 1 CONTACT INCIDENT AND 1 GRENADE INCIDENT.

4. GND FORCES

1. 3D BN 3D MAR

(A) 021030H 1/3/3 REG SA FIRE FM UNK NUMBER OF EN FM VIC
 ID 054575. CALLED 61MM MORTAR MSN. UNK RES. SOR (38)

(B) 021030H 1/3/3 REPORTED THAT JEST VIC ID 990555 REG
 1 GRENADE THROWN NEAR 1ST PSN. NEG ACTION TAKEN. SOR (38)
 CREW BELONGED TO 1/3.

4. (C) EN LOSSES

NVA KIA - 0
 VC KIA - 0
 NVA POW - 0
 VC POW - 0

NVA WTEB - 0
 VC REMS - 0
 DRS - 0
 INA CIV - 0

CIV DEF - 0
 TDS - 0
 OSNO - 0

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1. (C) 3D MAR INTSUM NO. 3.

2. (U) 021801H TO 031800H MAR 69

3. (C) SUM OF EN ACTY
DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, EN ACTY WAS LIGHT IN THE 3D MAR
NO. THERE WAS 1 INCIDENT OF ATTACK BY MORTAR FIRE.

A. GND FORCES

(1) 1ST BN 3D MAR

(A) 030416H D/L/3 VIC YD 006485 REC 9 RDS INCOMING 82MM
MORTAR FIRE FM VIC YD 035490. CALLED 81MM MORTAR AND ARMY
MSN W/UNK RES. SOR (38)(B) 031100H D/L/3 FD OLD FRIENDLY WINE FIELD VIC YD 006553.
MINES BURIED 7 MARKERS AND APPEARED TO BE APPROX 6 MONTHS
OLD. MINES WERE LEFT IN PLACE. SOR (38)

4. (C) EN LOSSES

NVA KIA - 0	NVA WUNE - 0	CIV DEF - 0
VC KIA - 0	VC RTNE - 0	INC - 0
NVA POW - 0	DEF - 0	CSWC - 0
VC POW - 0	INN CIV - 0	

5. - 24. (C) NEG

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1. (C) 3D MAR OUTSUM NO. 1.

2. (U) 031800H TO 041800H MAR 69

3. (C) SUM OF EN ACTY
 DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. EN ACTY WAS LIGHT IN 3D MAR AC.
 THERE WAS 1 CONTACT INCIDENT AND 1 MINE INCIDENT.

4. GND FORCES

(A) 3D BN 3D MAR

(A) 031830H F/2/3 PD HOMEMADE MINE VIC YD 080599. MINE OF
 UNKNOWN TYPE, APPEARED TO BE LARGER THAN 60MM MORTAR RD. DEST
 BY UNIT. SCR (38)

(B) 031930H K/3/3 APPREHENDED 1 SUSPECT HIDING IN CULVERT
 VIC YD 103539. MAN WAS DETERMINED TO BE FM CIDG BY 15TH CT
 SCR (38)

(C) 032125H 3/3 REPORTED THAT PF UNIT AMBUSHED 1ST PL
 OF NVA VIC YD 104524. EN BROKE CONTACT. UNIT CALLED 62M/
 MORTAR MSN. SEARCHED AREA FINDING 2 NVA KIA, 1 AE-47, AND
 1 RPG-2 RD. RES: 2 NVA KIA AND 1 INC

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(2) OTHER

(A) OLLBOCK RECON TO BLUE PLATE PD 12 BUNKERS, 20 FIGHTING
HOLES, AND 8 OLD TUBES VIC XD 901197. TUBES WERE 6" IN DIA,
48" LONG, AND MADE OF LIGHT WEIGHT METAL. ONE TUBE HAD METAL
PLATE 24"X 6" ON IT AND ALL TUBES HAD WRITINGS AND MARKINGS ON
THEM. TUBES ALSO HAD BANDS AROUND THE TOPS. 305 (38)

4. (C) EN LOSSES

NVA KIA - 2
VC KIA - 0
NVA POW - 0
VC POW - 0
NVA RTNE - 0
VC RTNE - 0
DEF - 0
INN CIV - 0
CIV DEF - 0
TNG - 1
OSWC - 0

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1. (C) 3D MAR T.T. NO. 5.
2. (U) 041801Z TO 051800Z MAR 69
3. (C) 3D MAR 3D MAR
DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, 3D MAR WAS DIVIDED INTO 3D MAR A0.
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A. G.D. FORCES

(1) 041915Z 1/1/3 OBS'D 2 LVA/VC 1011Z 12 JCE X0 926430.
IN 1. NOT APPEAR TO BE CARRYING PERSONNEL. FIRED SA AND CALLED
ARTY AND MORTAR MSAS. SEE 12S. SOR (38)

4. (C) IN LOSERS

NVA KIA - 2	DRF - 0
VC KIA - 0	100 CTF - 0
NVA POW - 0	CIV DEF - 0
VC POW - 0	INC - 1
NVA RTN - 0	CSLC - 0
VC RTN - 0	

5. - 14. (C) 12S

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1. (C) 3D MAR INTSUM NO 6.

2. (U) 051802H TO 061800H MAR 69

3. (C) SUM OF EN ACTY
DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, EN ACTY INCREASED IN 3D MAR AO.
THERE WERE 2 CONTACT INCIDENTS AND 1 MINE INCIDENT.

A. GND FORCES

(1) 3D BN 3D MAR

(A) 060210H 3/3 REPORTED THAT RF ELEMENT MADE CONTACT W/SQUAD
SIZE VC FORCE MOVING EAST VIC YD 099531. VC BROKE CONTACT AND
FLED WEST. SEARCHED AREA FINDING 1 DEAD VC AND 2 CHICOM GRENADES.
RES: 1 VC KIA SOR (38)

(B) 061000H TO 061130H L/3/3 FD 3 AT MINES, 1 CLAYMORE, AND
1 BOOBY TRAP ON AND NEAR ROAD VIC YD 052564 TO YD 055565. ORST
BY UNIT IN PLACE. AT 1030H UNIT REC SA FIRE FM UNK SIZE EN FORCE
VIC YD 056555. RETURNED FIRE W/SA, ALSO CALLED ARTY AND MORTAR
MSN. UNK RES. SOR (18) (38)

(2) OTHER

(A) 052130H RECON TM BLUE PLATE HEARD MOVEMENT 30 METERS
TO THE NORTH AND EAST OF THEIR PSN VIC XD 897497. TM CONTINUED
TO HEAR MOVEMENT FOR APPROX 1 HR, THEN EN MOVED NORTH. ALSO
DURING THIS TIME TM REC UNK OBJECT THROWN AT THEIR PSN. SOR (36)

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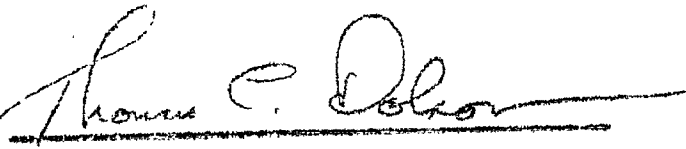
(B) 060245H RECON TM MARBLE CHAMP OBS'D 2-3 NVA/VC
MOVING ALONG TRAIL VIC XD 922502. NEG ACTION. SOR (38)

4. (C) EN LOSSES

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VC KIA - 1
NVA POW - 0
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VC RTNE - 0
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CIV DEF - 0
IWC - 1
CSWC - 0

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SECRETIMMEDIATE DTG: 06 14 36SEC: S-3
06 MARCH 1969FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: CG, TF HOTEL

SUBJ: AIR REQUIREMENTS FOR D-1, D-DAY, AND D+1 FOR OPERATION
MAINE CRAG**S E C R E T**

1. D-1 WILL REQUIRE 1 OV-10A TO RUN 12 FLIGHTS OF SOFT ORDNANCE AS A LZ PREP ON GRID SQUARES XD 797228, 835227, 807237, 813274, 818264, 822278. (S)

2. D-DAY WILL REQUIRE 2 OV-10A'S TO RUN 12 FLIGHTS OF SOFT ORDNANCE AS A LZ PREP ON GRID SQUARES IN 1. TO LIFT THE REGT(-) (REIN) WILL REQUIRE 24 CH-46'S, 8 UH-1E GUNSHIPS, 12 CH-53'S (OR COMBINATION OF CH-53A'S AND CH-47A'S), AND 1 UH-1E SLICK FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL, AND 1 CH-54A. (S)

3. D+1 WILL REQUIRE 2 OV-10A'S FOR V/R AND A/C. TO LIFT 1ST PROV WILL REQUIRE 4 UH-1E GUNSHIPS, 2 CH-54A'S, AND 4 CH-53A'S. ALSO REQUESTED, IS A C&C PACKAGE FOR THE REGT C.O. (S)

4. FOR D-DAY AND D+1 IT IS REQUESTED THAT AN AIRBORNE A/O COVER THE OPERATION 24 HRS. DAILY. (S)

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 CG 12 HOTEL

1. ORDER COMBINED JASON LAMON, 1000 P.M. 7 MAR 69
 JASON FOR SPI MAIN CRAG POL. 1000 P.M. 7 MAR 69

2. CG 12 HOTEL SEE AS RTH 926 AT NIGHT.

3. EXTRACTION OF APRIL SHOWERS. 1000 P.M. 7 MAR 69

4. CRAG RZ FOR DIXIE DIVER NO 8625-8023. 1000 P.M. 7 MAR 69
 1000 P.M. 7 MAR 69 (XD 869246) DURING DIVER AND TO ONE
 PM CLOSER TO RTH 926 AT NIGHT. INSERT DIVER DIVER ONLY UPON
 EXTRACTION OF APRIL SHOWERS.

D. DO NOT REPLACE BIG SHOT.

E. INSERT DESERT SANDS AFTER TPQ OF RZ. WILL NOTIFY.

2. REQ TM BE INSERTED RZ XD 7825-8023 ON MAINE CRAG D-1. TM
 SHOULD INCLUDE ENGINEERS AND BE ASSIGNED MSN OF MINING RTE 926
 BETWEEN 2400H AND 0400H ON D-DAY.

3. FOL HLZ'S WILL BE HIT BY AIR STRIKE PREPS ON D-1:

- A. HLZ PASSPORT - XD 797228
- B. HLZ PARIS - XD 807237
- C. HLZ HOUND - XD 818264
- D. HLZ SAIGON - XD 813274

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F. HLE TIGER - ED 835227

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A. MY 060700Z MAR 69

1. DELETE SUBPAR 1 A AND 1 B FROM REF A.

2. REQ EAGLE EYE BE INSERTED WHERE SCHEDULED UPON EXTRACTION OF EARLY FLOWER.

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1. (C) 3D MAR INTSUM NO. 7.

2. (U) 061800H TO 071800H MAR 69

3. (C) SUM OF BN ACTY

DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, BN ACTY WAS LIGHT IN 3D MAR AO. THERE WAS 1 CONTACT, 1 SNIPER INCIDENT, AND 1 MORTAR RD REC BY VCB.

4. UNK FORCES

(1) 1ST BN 3D MAR

(A) 070230H 1/3 REPORTED THAT VCB REC 1 INCOMING RD OF UNK CAL MORTAR FIRE FM UNK BN PSN. RD IMPACTED VIC XD 999489.
 SOR (33)

(B) 071255H 1/3 REPORTED THAT F/2/3 APPREHENDED 50 VN VIC XD 013454. VN HAVE BEEN DETAINED FOR SCREENING.
 RES: 50 DET SOR (36)

(C) 071900H 1/3 REPORTED THAT RECON TM BLUE SLATE FD 20-30 BUNKERS VIC XD 903497. BUNKERS WERE 4'X 8' AND MADE OF WOOD CONSTRUCTION, AREA APPROX 3 MONTHS OLD. ALSO FD IN AREA 15 CHICKEN GRENADES, 4 HOMEMADE GRENADES, 2 CANNONS, 1 GAS MINE, 2 AK-47 MAGS, 5 SHOVEL HEADS, 200 RDS 50 CAL, NUMEROUS PLASTIC BOTTLES, AND 1 LARGE METAL BOWL. TM MOVED OUT OF AREA AND CALLED ARTY MSN. UNK RES SOR (38)

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(2) 3D BN 3D MAR

(A) 061930H 3/3 REPORTED THAT RF ELEMENT MADE CONTACT
W/APPROX 15 VC VIC YD 064529. EN BROKE CONTACT. UNIT
SEARCHED AREA FINDING 1 DEAD VC AND MANY BLOOD TRAILS.
RES: 1 VC KIA SQR (38)

(B) 070745H 3/3 AT CAM LO REQ 3 RDS SNIPER FIRE FM UNK
EN PSN NORTH OF VILLE. NEG ACTION TAKEN. SQR (38)

(C) 071630H 5/3/3 FD 12 BUNKERS 5'X 6' AND 1 SMALL HOOTCH
VIC YD 136515. AREA WAS IN POOR SHAPE, BUT SHOWED SOME SIGNS
OF RECENT USE. ALSO FD IN AREA 1 RPG-2 ROCKET AND 2 AK-47 MAGS
W/40 RDS. UNIT WELL SET IN AMBUSH PSN IN AREA. SQR (38)

(3) OTHER

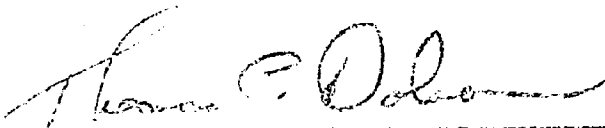
(A) 062010H RECON TM MARBLE CHAMP HEARD MOVEMENT OF 2-4
EN SOUTH OF THEIR PSN VIC YD 925498. THREW GRENADE W/UNK
RES. AT 2220H TM CALLED ARTY AND REQ 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
SQR (38)

4. (C) EN LOSSES

NVA KIA - 2
VC KIA - 2
NVA POW - 0
VC POW - 0
NVA RTNE - 0
VC RTNE - 0
DET - 50
INN CIV - 0
CIV DEF - 0
IWO - 1
CSWC - 0

5. - 14. (C) NEG

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07 MARCH 1969FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

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S E C R E T

REPAIR OF ROUTE #9

1. THIS COMMAND WILL EMBARK ON A REGTA (REIN) SIZE OPERATION TO THE WEST AND SOUTH OF VCB WITHIN 3 DAYS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ROUTE #9 BE OPEN TO TANK AND OTHER VEHICLE TRAFFIC TO COORD. (930415) AT THIS TIME. 175 GUNS ARE REQUIRED AT THIS POINT (LZ STORMY).

2. SUFFICIENT SUPPORT OF THE PLANNED OPERATION WILL BE SEVERELY HINDERED SHOULD THESE GUNS NOT BE POSITIONED.

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ROUTINE DTG: 08 0450

SEC: S-3
07 MARCH 1969

FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: CO, 1ST BN, THIRD MAR
2ND BN THIRD MAR
3RD BN THIRD MAR

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U N C L A S

SUBJ: BURNING OF TRASH.

DUE TO RECENT NBC'S CAUSED BY ORDNANCE EXPLODING IN BURNING TRASH ALL PERSONNEL WILL REMAIN 50 METERS FROM ANY BURNING TRASH.
AT LEAST

COMMANDERS WILL CONTINUE MAXIMUM EFFORT TO INSURE LIVE ORDNANCE IS NOT MIXED WITH TRASH.

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DRAFTER R. D. Paine
SEC S-1 UNIT 3DMAR
DATE 10 MARCH 1969

ROUTINE 100552 MAR69

FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: CG THIRD MARDIV (G-5)

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A. CG 3DMARDIV MSG 050514Z MAR69

III MAF CIVIC ACTION ORIENTATION COURSE

1. SHELLEY, GEORGE L. III MAJOR 056464

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R 110610Z MAR 69

FM: 3RD MARINES

TO: CG 3RD MARD IV

INFO: ZEN/CG TASK FORCE HOTEL

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HLZ'S

1. FOL HLZ'S HAVE BEEN NAMED:

XD 797228 LZ PASSPORT

XD 81826 LZ HOUND

XD 822278 LZ DOMINO

XD 835227 LZ TIGER

2. DATES THESE HLZ'S WERE CONSTRUCTED IS UNK. SIZE CAPACITY,
APPROACHED, AND OBSTACLES WILL BE REPORTED WHEN LEARNED.

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P 120950Z MAR 69

FM THIRD MARINES

TO CG HHIRD MARDIV

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AIR RECON REQ

1. 2MC-69

2. PHOTOS HAND HELD

3. VIETNAM AMS L7014 SHEET 6341IV, 6342III, 1:50,000

4. HZ SNAPPER NO 842346

5. RECON IN PREP FOR SCHEDULED LANDINGS

6. SCALE AS LARGE AS FEASIBLE

7. 4 PRINTS

8. OHIRD MAR CP ASAP

9. N/A

10. PREVIOUS PHOTOS OF THESE AREAS WILL NOT SUFFICE.

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 O 121230Z MAR 69
 FM THIRD MAR
 TO ZEN/CG TASK FORCE HOTEL
 INFO CG THIRD MARDIV
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1. (C) 30 MAR IN OPN MAINE CRAG AREA INT SUM NR. 3
2. (U) 111801H TO 121800H MAR 69
3. (C) SUM OF EN ACTY

DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, EN ACTY WAS LIGHT IN OPN MAINE
 CRAG AREA. THERE WAS VEHICLE ATRAFFIC HEARD BY RECON AND

121230Z MAR

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 6 ENEMY OBS'D BY RECON.

A. GND FORCES

(1) 2ND BN 3D MAR

(A) 121230H G/2/3 FD NUMEROUS BUNKERS PARTIALLY DEST BY
 ARTY VIC XD865370. ALSO FD IN BUNKERS 1 RPG-2 LAUNCHER,
 1 AK-50, 3 AK-50 MAGS, 3 PRG-2 RKT S, 2 60MM MORT RD S, AND
 QD, ROTTEN WEB GEAR, GAS MASKS, PACKS, AND PRTH HELMETS.
 AREA WAS OLD W/NO SIGN OF RECENT USE. RES: 2 IWC SOR (38)

(2) OTHER

(A) (LATE ENTRY) 111145H RECON TM ROCK HAVE FND 50 BUNKERS
 VIC XD811312. ALSO FD SCRAPS OF MEDICAL GEAR COMM WIRE,
 AND GAS MASKS. AREA APPEARED 2-3 MONTHS OLD W/NO SIGN OF
 RECENT USE. SOR (38)

(B) (LATE ENTRY) 111230H RECON TM ROCK HAVEN FD
 5 BUNKERS AND 15 FIGHTING HOLES VIC XD806316. ALSO
 FD SCATTERED AROUND AREA 3 VA PACKS, 1 CHICOM ICH,
 1 RUSSIAN MADE MG MAG, 5 AK-47 MAGS, AND 7 CHICOM GRENADES.
 AREA WAS OLD AND NOT RECENTLY USED. SOR (38)

(C) 111840H RECON TM EAGLE EYE OBS'D 2 NVA/VC
 XD833237. CALLED ARTY MSN. NEG RES. SOR (38)

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(D) 112150H RECON TM EAGLE EYE OBS'D F/W RECEIVING GND
FIRE OF UNK TYPE 10,000 METERS FM THEIR PSN VIC XD833237.

SOR (38)

(E) 112240H RECON TM EAGLE EYE HEARD 5 VEHICLES (1 TRACKED)
MOVING EAST VIC XD806233. AT 122300H TM HEARD UNK NUMBER OFC
VEHICLES MOVING WEST IN SAME VIC. NEG ACTION. SOR (38)

(F) 121100H RECON FXHXGLE EYE HEARD 6 Z FLE SHOTS VIC
XD805230. 5 SOR (38)

(G) 121135H HELO REC AWX

RE FM VIC XD853418. CALLED

ARTY MSN. ", IC 43.

SOR (38)

(H) 121250H RECON TM OBS'D 6 NVA9 ;: 8, 903, 8448, &
18: / 362224. NVA/VC WERE WEARING GREEN UT LIT LIES AND
CARRYING E-TOOLS AND OTHER U/I EQUIP. CALLED ARTY MSN.
RESULTS WERE 6 PROBABLES NOT ADDED TO TOTALS. SOR (38)

(I) 121440H HELO CREW OBS'D UNK NUMBER OF NVA/VC TRYING
TO HIDE IN OLD BUNKER AREA VIC XD835437. SOR (38)

4. (C) EN LOSSES

NVA KIA - 0

VC KIA - 0

NVA POW - 0

VC POW - 0

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DET - 0

INN CIV - 0

CIV DEF - 0

INC - 3

CSWC - 0

5. - 14. (C) NEG

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DRAFTED BY H. WILHITE
DATE 14 MARCH 1969

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FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: CG THIRD MARDIV (ATTN: SCI-4)

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RETURN OF PARACHUTES AND ACCESSORIES USED IN AIR DROPS;
REPORT OF

A. CG THIRD MARDIV MSG 120646ZMAR69

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH REF (A) NEGATIVE REPORT SUBMITTED

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SEC CO SUPPLY PHONE 358

ROUTINE 150740 Z MAR 69

FROM: HQ. CO. 36 MAR REGT
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV (ATTN: SC-10)

U N C L A S E F T O

A. CG THIRD MAR DIV MSG 110422 Z MAR 69

IN ACCORDANCE WITH INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCE
(A), A NEGATIVE REPORT IS SUBMITTED.

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SEC CO SUPPLY PHONE 3483

ROUTINE 150740 Z MAR 69

FROM: HQ. CO. 3d MAR REGT
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV (ATTN: SC-10)

U N C L A S E F T O

A. CG THIRD MAR DIV MSG 110422 Z MAR 69

IN ACCORDANCE WITH INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCE
(A), A NEGATIVE REPORT IS SUBMITTED.

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FM THIRD MAR

TO CG THIRD MAR DIV (ATTN: SC-10)

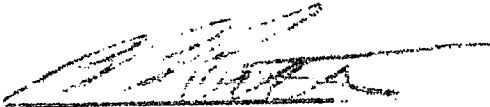
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IDENTIFICATION OF RADIO SET

- A. CG 3D MAR DIV MSG 119422Z MAR 69
- B. CG 3D MAR DIV MSG 181046Z MAR 69
- C. NY 150740Z MAR 69

1. REF A AND B REFER. NEG REF SUBMITTED BY THIS CMD 15 MAR 69
REF C REFERS.

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TO CG THIRD MAR DIV (ATTN: G-4 RPTS)

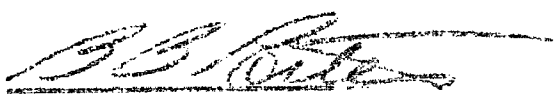
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SPECIAL ALLOWANCE

- A. CG THIRD MAR DIV LTR 4/JAN/USJ 4441 OF 1 FEB 69
B. CG THIRD MAR DIV MSG 180030Z MAR 69
C. MY LTR 21/CIA/RJK 4441 OF 19 MAR 69

1. REF A AND B REFER. SUBJ RPT SUBMITTED THIS DATE. REF C OFFERS

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ROUTINE 171017Z MAR

FM TEIRD MAR
TO CG TEIRD MAR DIV

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A. YR 180157Z MAR 69

1. REF A REFERS. NEG RPT SUB.

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REPORTED BY B. B. White

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ROUTINE DTG: 201646Z MAR

SEC: 0-3
20 MAR 1969

FM: 3D MARINES
TO: CG, 3D MAR DIV (SC-15)

INFO: 3D BN, 3D MARINES

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SUBJ: COMMERCIAL GENERATOR OPERATOR SCHOOL

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A. CG, 3D MAR DIV MSG 131146Z MAR 1969

1. THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONNEL ARE NOMINATED TO ATTEND THE
SUBJECT SCHOOL AS SET FORTH IN REF A.

SIMMS, J. W. PVT 2372391 3D BN, 3D MAR

MERCADO, P. B. L/CPL 2447333 3D BN, 3D MAR

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PRIORITY 220415 Z MAR 69

FM THIRD MAR
TO THIRD MAR DIV (SC-10)

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FAILURE OF 1A9 MODULES FOR RADAR SET AN/PPS-6

A. CG THIRD MAR DIV MSG 190202Z MAR 69

1. REF A REFERS. NEG RPT SUB. SUBJ EQUIP ON HAND THIS CMD
HAS NOT BEEN EMPLOYED.

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 DRAFTED BY W. WILHITE
 DATE 12 MARCH 1969

260800 Z MAR 69

TO: CG FIRST MAR DIV
 INFO: 1ST MAR BR

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FRIENDLY EQUIP LOSSES; REPORT OF

A. CG FIRST MAR DIV MSG 070828Z MAR 69

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH REF (A) THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED

ITEM	QTY	CAUSE	UNIT
.160M RIFLE	2	AIRCRAFT LOSS	HQCO 3D MAR
.45 CAL PISTOL	1	AIRCRAFT LOSS	HQCO 3D MAR
PBC-25 RADIO	1	AIRCRAFT LOSS	HQCO 3D MAR
M-79 GND LAUNCHER	1	SHRAPNEL	1STBN 3D MAR
FLAK JACKET	147	SHRAPNEL RETROGRADE, MED-EVAC	3DBN 3D MAR
.45 PISTOL	1	LOST ON RIVER CROSSING	3DBN 3D MAR
COMPASSES	4	LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
WHIP ANTENNAS	3	LOST DURING TROOP MOVEMENT	3DBN 3D MAR
GAS MASKS M-17	105	RETROGRADE, MED-EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
HELMET, COMPLETE	85	RETROGRADE, MED-EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
E. TOOLS	48	RETROGRADE, MED-EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
M-16 MAGAZINES	126	RETROGRADE, MED-EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>CAUSE</u>	<u>REF</u>
PONCHOS	40	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
K-BARS	2	LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
BAYONET W/SCABBARD	52	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
CARTRIDGE BELTS	42	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
AIR MATTRESSES	68	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
CANTEEN W/COVER	134	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROL	3DBN 3D MAR
MACHETES	12	LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
PONCHO LINERS	24	RETROGRADE, MED- EVAC AND LOST ON PATROLS	3DBN 3D MAR
WATER CANS-5 GALLON	200	RETROGRADE	3DBN 3D MAR
WATER BUFFALO	1	DESTROYED ON FSB BY SHRAPNEL FROM ENGINEER BLAST	3DBN 3D MAR
M-16 RIFLE	1	LOST WHILE CROS- SING RIVER	3DBN 3D MAR

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FM CG THIRD MAR DIV
TO CG FIRST MAR DIV
INFO THIRD MAR

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MISSING AIR CONDITIONER

A. YOUR 070834Z MAR 69
B. YOUR 220838Z MAR 69

1. REF A AND B REFER. DELAY IN RESPONSE DUE TO SEARCH FOR SUBJ
ITEM AT AN HOA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

2. SEP CORRESPONDENCE FOLLOWS.

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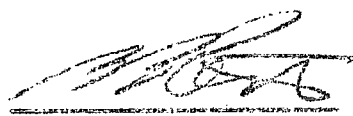
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SHAFT, TUPING 5820-592-9708

A. YOUR 192246Z MAR 69

1. REF A REFERS. ITEM INADVERTENTLY EVAC TO
PLSG-B. UNABLE TO FWD.

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PRIORITY *290510Z MAR*

FM: THIRD MARINES
TO: FIRST BN THIRD MAR
SECOND BN THIRD MAR
THIRD BN THIRD MAR

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CLASS V (w) ALLOCATIONS AND REPORT REQUIRED FOR PERIODS 250001H
MAR69 THROUGH 242400HAPR69

A. CG THIRD MARDIV MSG 240652ZMAR69 (CONF)

1. REQUEST BATTALIONS OF THIS COMMAND CONTACT THE REGT S-4 FOR
ALLOCATION OF CLASS V FOR PERIODS INDICATED IN REF (A). THE REPORT
REQUIRED IN REF (A) WILL REACH THIS HQ ATTN: S-4 NLT 291500HAPR69.

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DATE 27 Mar 69

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FROM BW		TO AP, HERT, SM & Ripsaw 304 INFO: BW (V)			
REF: OP ORD 5-69					
FRAG 0 19-69					
1. SITUATION. N/C					
2. MISSION. N/C					
3. EXECUTION. NK EXCEPT					
F. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS					
(1) HELILOTS FOR 1 APR 1969					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER USE ONLY			COMM CENTER OR RELEASER USE (INSTR - 11)		
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10. 3d MARINES FRAG ORDER 19-69

CLASSIFICATION		PRECEDENCE		☐ SEND MOD CLEAR	☐ END CLEAR
FROM		TO			
(a) G 2/3 FM XD(902247) TO FSB WHISMAN: 150 PAX; 4 CH-46.					
(b) 2 ONTOS FM(903237) TO VCB: 1 CH-54; 4 EXTERNALS 2 INTERNAL LIETS CH-53.					
(c) B Co, 3d ENG & PAX FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN.					
(d) DOZER BLADE & FUEL. 1 CH-46 FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN; 1 CH-53 DOZER FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN.					
(e) BACKHOE FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN, CH-53					
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER	
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(f) EXPLOSIVES FM VCB TO FSB WHISMAN. 2 CH-53.							
(g) DOZER (INTACT) FM (903237) TO FSB WHISMAN.							
(h) C 1/2 RECON PARTY 12 PAX FM FSB SAIGON TO FSB WHISMAN.							
4. ADMIN & LOGISTICS. N/C							
5. COMMAND & COMMUNICATIONS. N/C							
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT							
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TIME SIGNED	SIGNATURE AND RANK OF RELEASER			
31	MAR	69	1800H	EE EVANS, MAJOR			
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Fm CO 3RD MAR REGT TO: CG 3RD MAR DIV
INFO: CG TFH

SUBJECT: NIGHT HELD BORNE ASSAULT.

1. REQUEST TO CONDUCT NIGHT HELD BORNE ASSAULT ON OBJECTIVE PARIS AND PASSPORT FOR OPERATION MAINE CRAIG WITH A BATTALION (-) REINFORCED.
2. APPROVAL OF ABOVE REQUEST PLANNING CONFERENCE AT TFH AT 101030H MAR 69 WITH THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL PRESENT;
 REPRESENTATIVE FROM MAG-39,
 3RD MAR DIV, TFH, 3RD MAR REGT,
 AND 3RD RECON BN.

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