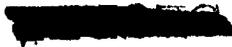


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From: Commanding Officer 3d Bn 12th Mar Artillery Battalion Group  
 To: Commanding General 3d Marine Division (Forward) FMF  
 Info: Commanding Officer 4th Marines (Rein)  
 Commanding Officer 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: Situation Report #205; 301800H - 011600H December 1965

1. Highlights: Btry M (Fwd) 4/11 continues to support Recon patrols.

2. Operations:

a. Missions fired for supported units:

- (1) 4th Marines: 26
- (2) 7th Marines: 8
- (3) Total missions fired: 34

b. S-3 Worksheet:

- (1) Unobserved missions:
  - (a) Prep fires: 2
  - (b) HAI fires: 31
  - (c) Total unobserved missions: 33
- (2) Observed missions:
  - (a) Registrations: 1
  - (b) Total observed missions: 1

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(5) ARTILLERY GROUP GRAND TOTAL: 96

c. Ammunition Expenditure Report:

	Total
105mm	
HE	228
WP	5
155mm	
HE	97
AP	
HE	15
ARTILLERY GROUP GRAND TOTAL ROUNDS FIRED:	345

d. Summary of surveillance: None

e. Summary of significant missions or events: None

3. Plans:

- a. Continue support operations for the 4th Marines (Main) and 7th Marines (Rein).
- b. See attached sheet.

4. Divis Action: None.

5. Miscellaneous: None.

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1ST BN, 4TH MARINES SECRET NUMBER #210 AS OF 011200H DECEMBER 1965

1. 1st Bn. 4th Marines Operations

- a. Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was manned during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 510102) and (BT 515113) during curfew. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was continued with a platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy build up.
- b. Company B. The constabulary post in YUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was manned during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 520084) during curfew. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 520084) was manned during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank.
- c. Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were manned during curfew. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for A Battery, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion reserve with one squad setting in all night ambush (BT 525094).
- d. Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 301953H hand illumination was thrown to observe suspected enemy movement on the patrol base perimeter (BT 487104). Nothing was observed. At 010320H and 010400H movement was suspected on the perimeter of the patrol base (BT 487104). In each case one M-79 round was expended and the area checked with nothing found.
- e. M&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. Gun Mortar Platoon displaced one mortar vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Scouts manned OP Sierra (BT 523091) continuously and accompanied the PF ambush vicinity (BT 5106). No Gun mortar illumination was expended.
- f. 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided LVT's for resupply of the patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands and conducted a waterborne patrol adjacent to KY XUAN during curfew.

g.	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Checkpoints</u>	<u>LF/OP</u>	<u>Total</u>
BT	3	8		1	12
PT/PF/SDC		1	7		8
SDC/SDC	2	2			4
SDC	12	3			15

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h. None.

CONFIDENTIAL2. Plans Summary.

- a. Company A. Will provide security for 1ST ramp (BT 521119). Coordinated USMC/SDC post will be manned at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) with patrols conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. The constabulary post in SAM HAY Hamlet (BT 515114) will be manned during the daylight hours. Combat patrols will be conducted forward of the M.R.
- b. Company B. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) will be manned during curfew with patrols conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. A coordinated USMC/PF checkpoint will be manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) will be manned during the daylight hours. A combined USMC/SDC post at (BT 523084) will be manned to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. Combat patrols will be conducted and ambushes established forward of the M.R.
- c. Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) will be manned during curfew. Continuous patrolling will be conducted on KY HOA Island from the patrol base at (BT 512125). The First Platoon (-) will remain in Battalion reserve with one squad in ambush positions (BT 525094).
- d. Company D. Continuous squad patrolling/ambushes will be conducted on KY XUAN Island from the patrol base (BT 487104).
- e. H&S Company. Will man OP Sierra (BT 523091) continuously. Will provide one fire team to accompany PF platoon on KY HA Peninsula. One fire team will be provided as security for the waterborne patrol. One 61mm mortar will be displaced to (BT 524093).

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Checkpoints</u>	<u>LP/OP</u>	<u>Total</u>
PF		5		1	6
PF/SDC/PF		1	7		8
SDC/SDC	2	2			4
SOI	10	11			21

3. Psychological Operations. None.4. Miscellaneous.

- a. MAC-36. At 302300H approximately ten rounds S/A was fired at suspected enemy movement (BT 525125). A fire team checked the area and found nothing.
- b. Company D. At 010845H three shots were heard to the south of the patrol base (BT 487104). A joint USMC/PF patrol was told by villagers that the Assistant Hamlet Chief had fired at two VC who had grenades and fled to the south. The patrol sighted two VN males at (BT 490085) and fired two warning shots but the men ran into the brush. A search of the area found

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one VN female who said that she had seen no one. She was apprehended and the patrol proceeded to the patrol base. At approximately 011015H, several shots were heard to the south and the PF, accompanied by the female, went to investigate. The marine squad which was sent to the east at the time of the firing, observed four males swimming toward KY HA Peninsula at (BT 509102). The distance was too great to determine if the men were armed.

- c. Company A. At 011030H one VCS was apprehended at (BT 517116) with a false I.D. card. He will be turned into the CHU LAI Collection Point.

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PF/ SDC</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD</u>	<u>POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMB</u>
A-2	SQD		A-1	031930H	032230H	527110	527110	
A	FT		A-2	032000H	032400H	527110	527110	
A	FT		A-3	032245H	040100H	527110	527110	
A	FT		A-4	040030H	040230H	527110	527110	
A	FT		A-5	040130H	040330H	527110	527110	
A	FT		A-6	040400H	040630H	527110	527110	
B-1	SQD		SLEWFOOT	032030H	032330H	525089	525089	
B-2	SQD		CRAZY LEGS	032400H	040300H	525089	525089	
B-3	SQD		CANVAS BACK	040330H	040630H	525089	525089	
B-3	FT		BROWN	032000H	032400H	525089	525089	AMB
B-3	FT		GREEN	040200H	040630H	525089	525089	AMB
B-2	FT		KHAKI	040200H	040630H	525089	525089	AMB
B-WPNS	FT		SCARLET	032000H	032400H	525089	525089	AMB
B-WPNS	FT		GRAY	032400H	040400H	525089	525089	AMB
C-3	SQD	SDC-3	C-3A	031800H	032400H	512125	512125	0030-0700 SQD-PF
C-3	SQD	SDC-4	C-3B	031800H	032400H	512125	512125	0030-0700 SQD-PF
D-3	SQD		WYOMING	040200H	040400H	487104	487104	NST
D-3	SQD		ROMEO	040200H	040500H	487104	487104	NST
D-2	SQD		VIRGINIA	031900H	032130H	487104	487104	NST
D-2	SQD		VICTOR	031900H	032230H	487104	487104	NST
D-1	SQD		WASHINGTON	032230H	040100H	487104	487104	NST
D-1	SQD		WHISKEY	032230H	040200H	487104	487104	NST

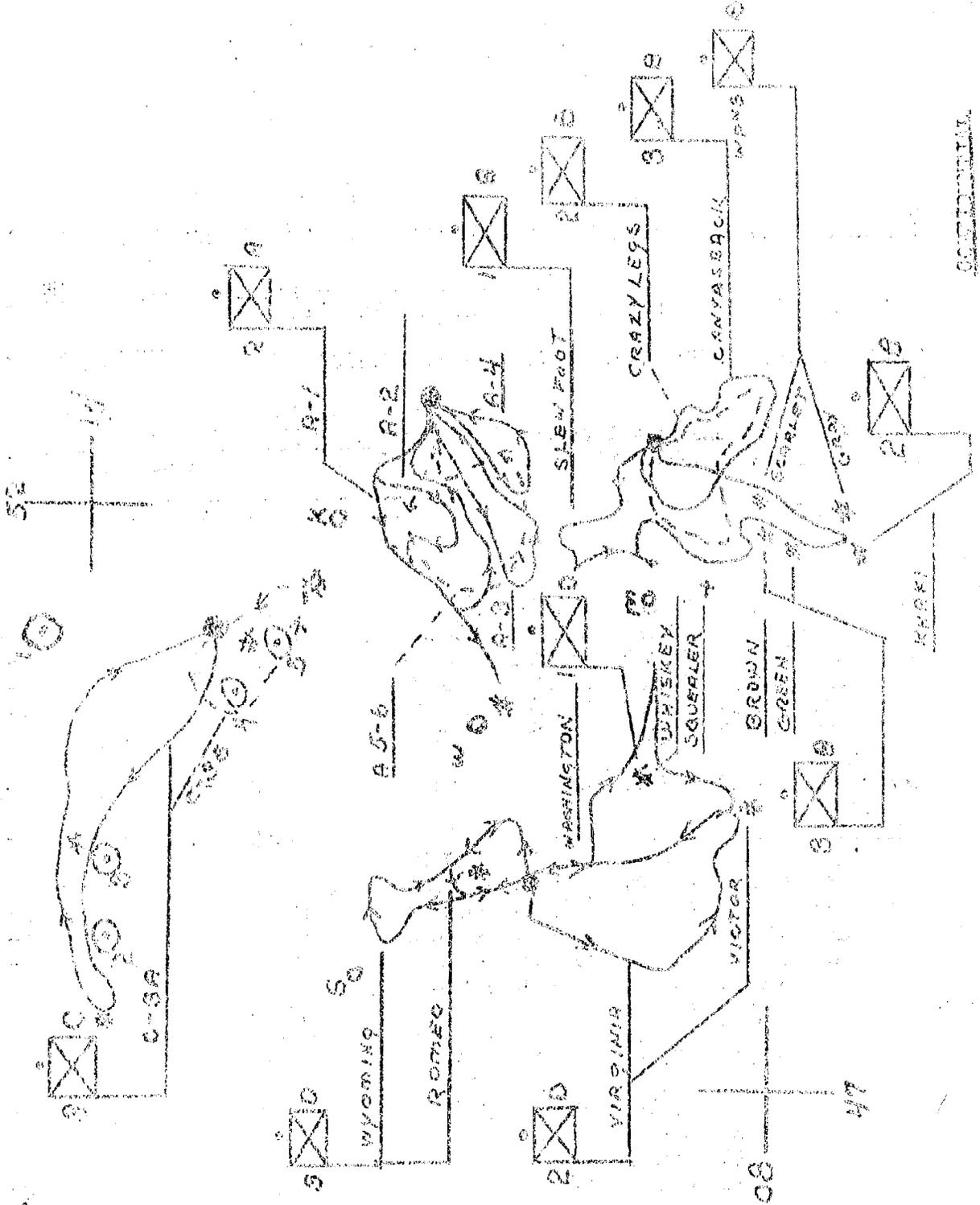
COORDINATING/AMPLIFYING INSTRUCTIONS

1. 3D PLAT, CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN. CONDUCT WATERBORNE PATROL TO ENFORCE CURFEW FROM 2000-0600. PROVIDE LOGISTICAL TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY C AND COMPANY D AS DIRECTED BY S-4.
2. 81MM MORTAR PLATOON. PROVIDE FOUR MARINES FOR WATERBORNE PATROL SECURITY.
3. COMPANY A AND COMPANY B. CONDUCT DAYLIGHT SQUAD PATROLS WITHIN SECTOR. REPORT DEPARTURE, RETURN AND ALL INCIDENTS.
4. BN SCOUTS. ON ORDER, PROVIDE FOUR MARINES FOR COORDINATED USMC/PF AMBUSH.

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 200 as of 011600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORE:

	<u>MC Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		3	9	9		21
Squad		20	11			31
Platoon		2				2
Company						
Total		25	20	9		54

B. Senator TOWERS (TEXAS) visited the 4th Marines CP at 0100H, 01H.  
 The Senator was given a briefing by the Regimental Commander  
 and his staff. The 4th Marines were alerted to execute Division  
 Operation Plan 337-65.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The battalion conducted 39 small  
 unit actions: three fire team and fourteen squad patrols; nine  
 fire team and five squad ~~ambushes~~; and eight fire team listening  
 posts. Patrol bases are maintained on KY RUAN and KI H A islands  
 to prevent hostile fire on the LST ramp, to protect Battery A, 2d  
 LAAB Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare, and to  
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on mortar positions with which to hit the helicopter pad and airfield. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SOC listening posts/checkpoints, IRT ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrol action.

(1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SOC posts were manned at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew hours. Security of the IRT ramp (BT 521119) was continued with a platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the ELR to ensure no enemy movement. At 011030H one VCS was apprehended at (BT 517116) with a false ID card. He was turned into the CHU HAI Collection Point.

(2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN THO NG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SOC posts were manned at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. A USMC/SOC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was manned during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the ELR to ensure no enemy movement. Fire Team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration.

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- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from the patrol base (BT 512125), to prevent hostile fire on the LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion Reserve. One squad set an ambush at (BT 525094).
- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 301953H hand illumination was thrown to observe suspected enemy movement on the patrol base perimeter (BT 487104), but nothing was observed. At 010320H and 010400H movement was suspected on the perimeter of the patrol base (BT 487104). In each case one M-79 round was expended and the area checked with nothing significant observed. At 010845H three shots were heard to the South of the patrol base (BT 487104). A joint USMC/PF patrol was told by villagers that the Assistant Hamlet Chief had fired at two VC armed with grenades. The VC fled to the South. The patrol sighted two VN males at (BT 490085) and fired two warning shots but the men ran into the brush. A search of the area found one VC female who said that she had seen no one. She was apprehended and the patrol proceeded to the patrol base. At approximately 011015H, several shots were heard to the South and the PF, accompanied by the female, went to investigate.

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The Marine squad which was sent to the east at the time of the firing, observed four males swimming toward KY HA Peninsula at (BT 509102). The distance was too great to determine if the men were armed. A patrol was diverted on KY HA Peninsula to search along the water but nothing was observed.

- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne security. Battalion Scouts maintain CP SIERRA (BT 520991). The Battalion Scouts accompanied the PF ambush vicinity (BT 5106). One 81mm mortar is located at (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination for the Battalion's left flank.
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided LWT for resupply of the patrol bases on KY NHA and KY XUAN Islands and conducted a waterborne patrol adjacent to KY XUAN during curfew.
- (7) MAG-36. At 302300H approximately ten rounds of small arms were fired at suspected enemy movement (BT 525125). A fire team searched the area with negative results.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Light Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	3	9	8	20
Squad	14	5		19
Total	17	14	8	39

<u>Province/</u> <u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN	011030H	Patrol	Co A - None	None - 1 VC8

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B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 15 small unit actions: six squad and two platoon patrols; six squad ambushes; one fire team listening post. Aggressive patrols and ambushes were conducted forward of the MIA. Company E is the Regimental Reserve Company. Company F maintains the GOPL.

- (1) Company E. Company E is the Regimental Reserve Company and is ready to deploy at anytime.
- (2) Company F is maintaining the security of TAN Bridge with one platoon and a checkpoint/roadblock to prevent the flow of contraband and VC into or out of the MIA. The other two platoons are occupying Hill 76 (BT 453039) and Hill 69 (BT 468068).
- (3) Company G. Company G ambushes forward of the MIA with three squads in an attempt to destroy VC moving toward the perimeter. Company G is patrolling with three squads and one platoon. The squads are combat patrols operating in the area 2,000 meters in front of the MIA to seek out and destroy VC. The platoon is conducting operations in the KY HUCNG Village area.
- (4) Company H. Company H conducted three ambushes to the front of the MIA to prevent VC penetrations. Three squads are operating forward of the MIA to search out and destroy VC while searching the area for indication of VC activity.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	6		12
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	6	1	15
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- C. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn.** Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. Four LVT5's are at 1st AmTrac Bn awaiting return shipment from Operation BLUE MARLIN. One LVT5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. 12 LVT5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn.** Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion. All Gates are presently operating.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn.** Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Two tanks are deadlined. The second platoon is in direct support of the 2d Battalion, with five tanks in Company H's position. The third platoon is in direct support of the 1st Battalion, with five tanks at the Battalion CP.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.**
- (1) Continue to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Cut trees for the 1st Battalion.
  - (3) Clearing fields of fire for 1st Battalion, 65% completed.
  - (4) Constructing four strongbacks for 1st Battalion, three - 100% completed and one - 50% completed.
  - (5) Complete one strongback for Hq Co.
  - (6) Continue construction on bunkers at the Bridge (BT 532082) for 2d Battalion, one - 100% and one - 25% completed.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,985 Gallons
Raw	19,000 Gallons
Total	41,985 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY.

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.** Aggressive ambush and patrol action will

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continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. LST ramp security and coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 51514) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520990).

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		6	8	14
Squad	10	13		23
Total	10	19	8	37

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will remain as Regimental Reserve Company prepared to reinforce any 4th Marines unit on call. Company F will continue to provide security for the AN TAN Bridge checkpoint/roadblock. The National Police will search vehicles and pedestrians for contraband while USMC/PF teams stand guard. Company G will conduct extensive, vigorous, and aggressive patrols both forward of the MLR and deep into the TAOR. Three squads will set ambushes and three more will conduct day combat patrols as far as 2,500 meters forward of the MLR. One platoon will move into the KY BANH (BT 4505) village area during the day to search out and destroy VC harboring there. Company H will also conduct extensive, aggressive patrolling during the next twenty-four hours. Three squads will ambush forward of the MLR and three more squads will conduct day combat patrols in the immediate area forward of the MLR while one platoon moves in the vicinity of the KY QUONG valley west of LY TIN District Headquarters seeking out and destroying VC.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	6		12
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	6	1	15

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C. Attached Units. All task organized units remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Summary.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Lat Post</u>	<u>Spec. Snipers</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			6	9		15
Squad		16	19			35
Platoon		2				2
Company						
Total		18	25	9		52

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Though no loudspeaker or leaflet operations were conducted during this period extensive use continued to be made of face-to-face communications.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company G patrol distributed 500 leaflets provided by III MAF (No leaflet catalogue number). The leaflets have a picture of Marines mounted on Tanks on one side and writing in Vietnamese on the other side calling for civilian support of BMC and GVN units against the VC. Further that U.S. Forces and GVN units are the friends of the people. The leaflets were distributed in grid squares (BT 4405 and BT 4505).

5. MISCELLANEOUS

None

A. W. WALLACH  
By direction

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c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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2400  
2 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SING NUMBER 209 as of 021600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS POINTS OF INTEREST:

	<u>24C hrs</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>1st Post</u>	<u>Scout</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	5	9			19
Squad		20	19				39
Platoon		2					2
Company							
Total		27	24	9			50

B. The 2d Battalion is presently on a six hour alert to execute Division Operation Plan 337-65.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted (1/1000) unit actions. Patrol bases are maintained on KY HQA and KY XUAN Islands to prevent hostile fire on the LST ramp, to protect Battery A, 2d LAM Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare, and to prevent the use of the islands as jumping off points for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and airfield. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints, LST ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrol action.

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- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy build up. A platoon provides security for the LST ramp (BT 521119).
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- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First platoon (-) is Battalion Reserve. One squad set an all night ambush at (BT 525094).

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- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 012155H Company D throw an illumination grenade at (BT 487104) when movement was suspected, but nothing unusual was observed. Noise was heard again and illumination grenades were thrown at 012250H and 012255H but nothing was seen. Attempts were made to fire a M-48 flare in both cases but the lines were cut.
- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. Battalion Scouts manned OP Sierra (BT 523091).
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided IWTs for resupply of the patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands and conducted a waterborne patrol adjacent to KY XUAN during curfew.
- (7) MAG-36. At 012155H a fragmentation grenade was thrown at a white object at (BT 533144). No further movement was seen in the area.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	5	8	18
Squad	14	12		26
Total	19	17	8	44

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 16 small unit actions: six squad and two platoon patrols; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post. The Battalion is on a six hour alert to execute Division Operation Plan 337-65. Extensive patrols and ambushes will be conducted forward of the MIR and deep into the TACR.

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- (1) Company E. Company E is the Regimental Reserve Company standing by to move out on short notice should any 4th Marine unit need reinforcing or a situation develop where it would be desirable to exploit with fresh troops
- (2) Company F. Company F established, during the hours of darkness, a roadblock at the AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066), enforcing the 2000H to 0600H curfew regulations. At first light, the Marines were joined by PPs and National Police and as the roadblock was opened the National Police commenced to search all vehicles and personnel crossing the bridge. The purpose of the search is to capture contraband and to intercept VC attempting to move into the TACK.
- (3) Company G. Company G established ambushes forward of the MIA with three squads in an attempt to destroy VC moving toward the perimeter. Company G is conducting three squad and one platoon day combat patrol. The squads are operating in the area 2,000 meters in front of the MIA to seek out and destroy the VC. The platoon is conducting operations designed to destroy VC and capture equipment in the KY HUONG Village area.
- (4) Company H. Company H conducted three ambushes to the front of the MIA to prevent VC infiltration. Three squads are operating forward of the MIA to search out and destroy VC while searching the area for indications of VC activity. One platoon is patrolling in the vicinity of KY KUONG Village to seek out and destroy VC.

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- (5) 81mm mortars are moving off Hill 69 today and moving to the reserve position. Two 4.2 howtars are displacing to Hill 69 to relieve the 81mm mortar section.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	0		1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	7	1	16

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- C. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Four LVTP5's are at 1st AmTrac Bn awaiting return shipment from Operation BLUE MARLIN. 13 LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. One tank platoon is in direct support of each Battalion. Three tanks are deadlined.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Continue to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Constructing road for Btry A, 2d LARF Bn on KY HOA Island, 65% completed.
  - (3) Completed 2d bunker at the bridge (BT 532082) for 2d Battalion.
  - (4) Completed building four bread boxes for 3/12.
  - (5) Clearing area for minefield for 1st Battalion, 55% completed.
  - (6) Clearing fields of fire for 1st Battalion, 68% completed.
  - (7) Completed clearing and leveling area for future tent site for MAG-12 Class V (A) dump.

Water Distribution

Potable	23,175 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,175 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). LST ramp security and

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coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	2	8	9	19
Squad	18	6		24
Total	20	14	9	43

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will remain as Regimental Reserve Company prepared to reinforce any 4th Marines unit on call. Company F will continue to provide security for the AN TAN Bridge checkpoint/roadblock. The National Police will search vehicles and pedestrians for contraband while USMC/PF teams stand guard. Company G will conduct extensive, vigorous, and aggressive patrols both forward of the MLR and deep into the T.OC. Four squads ambushes and three squad combat patrols will be conducted forward of the MLR. One platoon will move into the KY SANH (BT 4505) village area during the day to search out and destroy VC. Company H will also conduct extensive, aggressive patrolling. Three squads will ambush forward of the night defensive positions and three more squads will conduct day combat patrols in the immediate area forward of the MLR. One platoon will move in vicinity of the KY KUONG Valley West of LY TIN District Headquarters.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	7	1	16

- C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;C Units</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		2	8	10		20
Squad		24	13			37

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	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout</u>
Platoon		2			2
Company					
Total		28	21	10	59

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Village Chief's of KY HA and KY XUAN are now requesting film teams and drama teams from the District Chief. This is a good indication of the Vietnamese running their own government and civil affairs. This projects the good image of the higher Vietnamese government in doing something for the people.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

none

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

The six hour alert, in conjunction with Division Operation PLAN 337-65 WAS CANCELLED AT 021430H.

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By direction

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 4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 c/o HPO, San Francisco, 96601

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 3 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 210 as of 031600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	6	9		20
Squad		24	13			37
Platoon		1				1
Company						
Total		30	19	9		58

B. The 2d Battalion will execute Operation Order 92-65 on 4 December 1965.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 43 small unit actions: five fire team and eighteen squad patrols; six fire team and six squad ambushes; eight fire team listening posts. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints, LST ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrols action. Patrol bases are maintained on KY HUA and KY XUAN Islands to prevent the use of the islands as jumping off points for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and airfield; to prevent

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hostile fire on the LST ramp; to protect Battery A, 2d LAMF Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew hours. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy activity. A platoon provides security for the LST ramp (BT 521119).
- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was manned during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy activity. Fire Team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. OP Sierra (BT 523091) was maintained by Company B.
- (3). Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations.

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Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion Reserve. One squad set an ambush at (BT 525094). At 022120H hand illumination was fired at suspected movement near (BT 509132) but nothing was observed.

- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 022059H hand illumination was fired at (BT 487104) at suspected movement but nothing was observed.
- (5) M&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. Provided four men for coordinated USMC/PP ambush (BT 514005). One 81mm mortar is located at (BT 524093) to provide illumination for the Battalion's left flank. At 030555H a trip flare was set off at (BT 524091) but nothing was observed.
- (6) MAG-36. At 030010H movement was heard at (BT 528117). One illumination grenade was thrown followed by an M-26 grenade. Two more illumination grenades were thrown but still no movement was seen.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	6	8	19
Squad	18	6		24
Total	23	12	8	43

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B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 15 small unit actions: six squad and one platoon patrol; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post. Extensive, vigorous, and aggressive ambush and patrol activity was conducted forward of the MLR. Company F maintains the COFL at Hill 69 (BT 468068), Hill 76 (BT 452039), and the AN TAN Bridge (BT 497067). Company E is the Regimental Reserve.

- (1) Company E. Company E made necessary preparations for their company size operation scheduled to commence at 032000H.
- (2) Company F. Company F enforced the curfew along highway one from 022000H to 030600H with a roadblock at AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). At 030600H, the Company F fire team was joined by the National Police and PPs at AN TAN Bridge. The bridge was opened to traffic and all personnel and vehicles crossing were searched by the National Police for contraband and VC attempting to enter the FACR. Company F is conducting one platoon size daylight combat patrol with one squad of PPs in the KY KUONG Village area. In addition to searching out and destroying VC, they will be looking for evidence of VC movement, harbor sites, caches of food and equipment and likely artillery targets.
- (3) Company G. Company G. secured the MLR with four squad size ambushes forward of their positions last night. At 030800H, Company G commenced daylight combat patrolling activities with three squad size units to the front of the MLR.

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They will be seeking out and destroying VC while looking for suitable ambush harbor sites, and avenues of approach to the MLR.

- (4) Company H. Company H provided three combat ambush positions forward of the defensive lines during the hours of darkness to destroy the VC moving toward the MLR. Company H's daylight patrol activity consists of three squad size combat patrols working approximately 2000 meters forward of the MLR.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	1			1
Total	7	7	1	15

- C. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVT5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. 13 LVT5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Three tanks are deadlined. The second platoon is in direct support of the 2d Battalion and third platoon is in direct support of the 1st Battalion.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Continue to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Continue construction of road on KY HOA Island for Battery A, 2d LAAW Bn. - 66% completed.
  - (3) Began construction of a 3d bunker and abutment for 2d Battalion-20% completed.
  - (4) Welding bomb racks for light towers for 1st Battalion - 16% completed.
  - (5) Clearing fields of fire and building mound for 1st Battalion - 70% completed.
  - (6) Clearing area for minefield for 2d Battalion.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,165 Gallons
Raw 18,000	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,165 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Aggressive ambush and patrol action will be conducted on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). LST ramp security and

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USMC/SDC listening post/checkpoints will be maintained. A large percentage of the Battalion's efforts are being directed toward civil affairs and psychological warfare.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	6	8	19
Squad	18	8		26
Total	23	14	8	45

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will move from the Bn CP to Hill 69 by truck at 031400H in preparation for their operation in the vic of Hill 22 (BT 423081) on 4 December. They will jump off tonight at 032000H and move to the LOD at the base of the objective. At 040630H they will commence the search and clear operation. Company F will continue to man the roadblock/checkpoint at AN TAN Bridge with the National Police and PFs. Company G will provide four ambushes forward of the MLR to prevent any surprise penetrations by VC. Three combat squad patrols will search out the area around LONG BINH (BT 506070) during daylight hours for VC activity or harbor sites and possible VC avenues of approach into positions from that direction. Company H will ambush forward of the MLR with three squads to destroy any VC moving in the vicinity of Marine positions. Three squads will patrol forward of the MLR while searching out and destroying VC, while <sup>searching</sup> for evidence of VC movement, caches, and harbor sites.

	<u>S&amp;C Units</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Company	1				1
Total	1	6	7	1	15

C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

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D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;G Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	6	9		20
Squad		24	15			39
Platoon						
Company	1					1
Total	1	29	21	9		60

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4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) A significant event occurred on KY XUAN Island (BT 4810) on 30 November 1965. The villagers who had never sold rice to the PF's before sold them a basket full. There has been VC propaganda telling the villagers of KY XUAN not to sell rice to the PF under threat of death. This can be contributed to the changing of attitude toward GVN and USMC. They have been shown that GVN and USMC will protect them from the VC. The people no longer feel the complete domination of the Viet Cong.
- (2) 322 No. #17 leaflets and 26 No. #10 leaflets (Copies attached) were distributed on 2 December 1965 by a patrol going through the hamlets on KY XUAN. The Marine/PF did not have to force the leaflets most of them took the leaflet and read it and the others took the leaflet and put it in their pocket.
- (3) A drama team from TAM KY is expected to be on KY XUAN today. They were requested by the PAT through their own government channels. The officials are beginning to use the GVN channels for psychological operations and civil affairs.
- (4) Lt BANG (ARVN) reported as liaison officer for the PF's on KY HA, KY HOA, and KY XUAN. He is the direct representative of Capt. TICH, District Chief. His arrival is a direct result of a conference between our Battalion Commander and Capt. TICH at LY TIN. This is an indication of the close coordination that is necessary to develop a successful program of civil action and an indication of the GVN and USMC working toward a common goal of peace, progress and freedom.

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(5) On 2 December 1965 two types of VC propaganda leaflets were found on KY RUAN. One a printed booklet was directed against the ARVN forces to desert and a plea to join the VC. The second was directed to the villages telling them not to help the Marine and kill them when possible, this leaflet was hand printed with water colored pictures. Details will follow as received.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

None

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

None

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By direction

TRANSLATION 10

Citizens loyal to the DRV keep their rice for their families to eat.

Citizens who support the NLF/DRV must give their rice to the Viet Cong. Report

VC activity to the DRV.

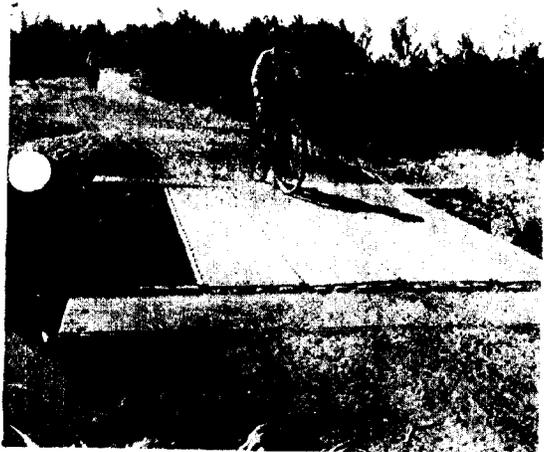


NHỮNG CÔNG DÂN  
TRUNG-THÀNH VỚI  
CHÍNH-PHỦ ĐƯỢC  
QUYỀN GIỮ GẠO  
NUÔI GIA-ĐÌNH.

TRANSLATION 17

Side 1: The Vietnamese people cooperated closely with USMC in building this new bridge at GIU LAI.

Side 2: This bridge was built by Vietnamese people and our friends, USMC. This is the first man who passed this bridge and a lot of people will use this bridge too.



CẦU NÀY DO CÔNG-TRÌNH  
XÂY-DỤNG CỦA NHÂN-DÂN  
VIỆT-NAM VÀ CÁC BẠN  
THỦY-QUÂN LỤC CHIẾN  
HÒA-KỲ. ĐÂY LÀ NGƯỜI  
ĐẦU TIÊN ĐI QUA VÀ  
SAU ĐÓ SẼ CÓ RẤT NHIỀU  
NGƯỜI KHÁC XỬ-DỤNG  
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 4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), PMF  
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 4 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 211 as of 041600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	6	9		20
Squad		24	17			41
Platoon						
Company	1					1
Total	1	29	23	9		62

B. The 2d Battalion is executing Operation Order 92-65.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 47 small unit actions: five fire team and eighteen squad patrols; six fire team and ten squad ambushes; eight fire team listening posts. Patrol bases are maintained on KY HOA and KY XU/N Islands to prevent the use of the islands as jumping off points for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and airfield; to prevent hostile fire on the LST ramp; to protect Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn.; to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare.

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The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/ check-points, LST ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrol action.

(1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAH HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was manned during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was continued with one platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy build up. At 032300H A-2 and A-3 patrols (BT 521109) heard small arms fire (BT 528118). They were ordered to turn north and make a sweep toward the LVTs (BT 517117). At 032327H 81mm mortar illumination was requested (BT 520115) on suspected movement. Nothing unusual was observed. At 032335H again requested 81mm mortar illumination (BT 520115) on suspected enemy movement. Nothing unusual observed. The sweep continued north until they came up to the LVT splash point. Nothing unusual was found or sighted.

(2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was manned during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were manned at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was manned during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083).

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Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to ensure no enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. Manned OP Sierra (BT 523091). At 032000H a Vietnamese named BONG, who lives at (BT 519069), returned to his home last night. He had disappeared the night after the CHU LAI raid on 27 October 1965. BONG was kept under observation last night. A counter-intelligence team will be up to question him today. The ambush at (BT 509078) received 2 or 3 rounds small arms fire at 032015H. The fire came from west to east. Expended one round of 81mm illumination and sent two fire teams out to make surveillance of the area. Nothing unusual found.

- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SOC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were manned during curfew. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew. Combat patrols were conducted from the patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion reserve with one squad setting an all night ambush (BT 525094). Nothing unusual observed.
- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 040400H six M-16 rounds were fired to the N.E. from (BT 487104). A noise was heard which sounded like someone driving stakes in the ground. The area was checked and illuminated but nothing unusual was observed or found. At 040125H one small arms round, incoming from (BT 493102), in the patrol base.

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perimeter (BT 487104). One round was fired ~~from~~ during illumination, however, nothing was observed.

- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. Blinn Mortar Platoon displaced one mortar vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Provided four men for a USMC/SBC ambush vicinity (BT 5210). Scouts with sniper team sat in ambush (BT 475145). Nothing unusual sighted. They will be debriefed when they return tomorrow.
- (6) 3d Platoon, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Furnished transportation in support of Co C and Co D on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted waterborne patrol during curfew. Received six small arms rounds from vicinity (BT 521144). Action taken see Company A.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	6	8	19
Squad	18	10		28
Total	23	16	8	47

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E is executing Operation Order 92-65. The sweep of Hill 22 (BT 424091) was completed with only occasional small arms fire being received. The Battalion conducted 15 small unit actions: one Company search and clear operation; six squad patrols; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post.
- (1) Company E. Company E moved out at 032000H from Hill 69 (BT 467068) on the first phase of their cordon and search operation of Hill 22 (BT 423091).

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At 040226H, Company E was in position in their harbor site and remained there until 040710H when they crossed the LOD. At 040800H, Company E began receiving light small arms fire from (BT 421094), the company immediately returned a heavy volume of fire. By 040820H, the incoming had ceased. At 040850H more incoming small arms fire was received from (BT 428098). No action was taken as the rounds were coming from too great a distance to be effective. No more fire was received for the duration of the operation. As of 1400H the company is returning<sup>ed</sup> to the CP location.

- (2) Company F. Company F enforced the curfew along Route #1 from 02200H 030600H with a physical roadblock at AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). At 030600H, the fire team was joined by the National Police and PFs at AN TAN Bridge. The bridge was opened to traffic and all personnel and vehicles crossing were searched by National Police for contraband and VC attempting to enter the TACH.
- (3) Company G. Company G secured the MLR with four squad size ambushes forward of their positions. At 030800H, Company G commenced daylight patrolling activities with three squad size units to the front of the MLR. The patrols are to search out and destroy VC while looking for suitable ambush harbor sites, harbor sites, and avenues of approach to the MLR.
- (4) Company H. Company H provided three ambush positions forward of the defensive lines to destroy any VC moving toward the MLR.

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Company H's daylight patrol activity consists of three squad size combat patrols 2,000 meters forward of the MIR. The patrols will, while conducting primary mission of seeking out and destroying VC, look for intelligence information inadvertently left by VC.

- (5) H&S Company. Battalion Raiders are operating with Company E in the vicinity of Hill 22.
- (6) PFs from KY SANH and KY KUONG Villages are operating with Company E. The <sup>KY SANH</sup> PFs are engaged in the sweep with the Marines while the KY KUONG PFs are acting as a blocking force.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Company	1				1
Total	1	6	7	1	15

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- C. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. 8 LVTP's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. One LVTP is in direct support of MCG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion. A one hour class on technique of fire with the M-72 (LAW) was held on 2 December.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Three tanks are deadlined.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr Bn.
- (1) Continue to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Continue construction of the road on KY HCA Island for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. - 67% Completed.
  - (3) Completed strongbacking five tents for 2d Battalion.
  - (4) Graded roads to Co B, 3d Engr., LAAMs and 12th Marines.
  - (5) Completed 3d bunker at the bridge (BT 532082) for 2d Battalion.
  - (6) Constructing bunkers for 1st Battalion - 5% completed.
  - (7) Completed five picnic style tables for EM mess 4th Marines.
  - (8) Welding barb wire stakes for MPs - 10% completed.
  - (9) Welding bomb racks for light towers for 1st Battalion.
  - (10) Building bfrm for airfield defense for Co C, 1st Engr Bn-75% completed.
  - (11) Clearing area for minefield for 1st Battalion - 50% completed.

Water Distribution

Potable	23,340 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,340 Gallons

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G. Command Post Locations.

- (1) 4th Marines CP (BT 533089)
  - (a) Co B, 3d AF Bn CP (BT 533089)
  - (b) Co C, 3d Tank Bn CP (BT 532088)
  - (c) Co A, 1st Amphib Bn CP (BT 555052)
  - (d) Co B, 3d Engr Bn CP (BT 566062)
  - (e) 3d Bn, 12th Marines CP (BT 551048)
  
- (2) 1st Bn, 4th Marines, CP
  - (a) Co A CP (BT 524091)
  - (b) Co B CP (BT 527111)
  - (c) Co C CP (BT 524090) (BT 512125)
  - (d) Co D CP (BT 512125) (BT 524090)
  
- (3) 2d Bn, 4th Marines, CP
  - (a) Co E CP (BT 534076)
  - (b) Co F CP (BT 534075)
  - (c) Co G CP (BT 468068)
  - (d) Co H CP (BT 527072)
  - CP (BT 531061)

3. PLANS SUMMARY

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAI HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). Aggressive ambush and patrol action will be conducted on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. LST ramp security, USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. A good percentage of the Battalion's efforts are being directed toward civil affairs and psychological warfare.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	10	7	22
Squad	15	8		23
Total	20	18	7	45

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will revert to Regimental Reserve after completion of today's operation. Company F will conduct a search and clear operation in the "No Name" village area (BT 4405) on 5 December, Operation Order 93-65. Company G will provide one platoon for

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the Company F operation. Company G will conduct four ambushes forward of the MLR to prevent any VC movement and to give warning in case of a large scale attack. Three squad patrols will search the area around LONG BINH (BT 506078) to find VC harbor sites and possible VC avenues of approach into the MLR. Company H will establish three squad ambushes to destroy VC moving in the vicinity of the Marine position. Three squads will conduct daylight patrols forward of the MLR to look for evidence of VC movement, caches, and harbor sites.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Company	1				1
Total	1	6	7	1	15

C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	10	8		23
Squad		21	15			36
Platoon						
Company	1					1
Total	1	26	25	8		60

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

(1) The NON TRUNG Meeting House which had been attacked by the VC the first part of July has now been reestablished. The people cleaned the house and constructed fields of fire and a single apron fence around it. The village officials had been afraid to return to the meeting house because they feared death at the hands of the VC.

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The officials are now conducting their governmental affairs in that meeting house. A significant change for the good is that they now raise the GVN flag each morning at village meeting house. The first time they raised the flag was on 2 December 1965. A great day in the lives of the people in KY HOA (BT 5014).

- (2) On 3 December 1965 the village chief of KY XUAN and a PF force attempted to ambush three VC at a informers house (BT 498092). Three VC armed with an M-1 and hand grenades visited the house and left for KY LIN (BT 507064). The VC were reportedly seeking information about the village chiefs meeting the morning of 3 December 1965. By the time the Village Chief and the PF had reached the house the VC had gone. The VC suppression of the people of KY XUAN Island (BT 4810) is deteriorating as indicated by this significant reporting by a common farmer of the VC presence on KY XUAN.
- (3) The VC captured four men in KY XUAN (BT 4810). They were the father of the hamlet chief, who is also the assistant hamlet chief, two family group leaders and one other man. (No further information available at this time). The VC are reverting to terrorist tactics. This incident was followed closely after the VC propaganda leaflets (Ref: SitRep of 3 December 1965).

E. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

Company E is distributing approximately 500 each of III MAF leaflets numbers 1-65, 4-65, 14-65 and 22-65 in the vicinity of Hill 22. (BT 423091). In addition, each Marine has a copy of leaflet number 5-65 in his possession to aid in questioning the populace on the whereabouts of VC.

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5. MISCELLANEOUS

None.

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 212 as of 051600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		7	8	9	1	25
Squad		21	13			34
Platoon		1				1
Company						
<b>Total</b>	0	29	21	9	4	60

B. The 2d Battalion's Operation Order 93-65 has been modified due to the non-availability of PPs. Presently, a reinforced platoon is carrying out the cordon and search mission. One Platoon from Company E sent as a security force for a downed helicopter south of QUANG NUAI at 0930H.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 44 small unit actions: seven fire team and 15 squad patrols; eight fire team and six squad ambushes; eight fire team listening posts. The battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SBC listening posts/check-points, LST ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrol action.

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Patrol bases are maintained on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands to prevent the use of the islands as jumping off points for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and airfield; to protect Battery A, 2d LAMF Bn.; to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew hours. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was continued with one platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the NLR to ensure no enemy build up.
- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was maintained during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/FF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the NLR to ensure no enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. Maintained CP Sierra (BT 523091). At 052030H physically effected coordination with 2d Battalion, 4th Marines on battalions left flank vicinity (BT 5108). At 052330H one round small arms was received vicinity (BT 518083).

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Checked the area out but nothing unusual was found or observed.

- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion reserve with one squad in an all night ambush (BT 525094).
- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 052350H two rounds 7.62 and two hand illumination flares were fired vicinity (BT 487104) at suspected movement but nothing unusual was observed.
- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. One 81mm mortar located vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank.
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st AmphTrac Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted waterborne patrol during curfew hours.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u> A	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	7	8	8	1	24
Squad	15	6			21
Total	22	14	8	1	45

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F. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. One reinforced platoon from Company E is executing Operation Order 93-65. The Battalion conducted 15 small unit actions: one company search and clear operation; six squad and one platoon patrol; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post.

(1) Company E. Company E is the Regimental Reserve Company and is standing by to be committed upon notice from 4th Marines that their services are needed. A warning order was received from Regiment at 050815H to have one platoon prepared to go to the aid of a downed helicopter south of QUANG NGAI. The platoon lifted out at approximately 050930H to QUANG NGAI, then reverting to regimental control. The remainder of the company is presently in an alert status.

(2) Company F. Due to the non-availability of PPs, Company F's combat and search operation of the "unnamed" village at (BT 4405) had to be reduced to a reinforced platoon night combat ambush around the village and a day combat patrol through the village. The ambush was in position at 050455H where it remained until approximately 050645H when the patroling phase commenced. At 050810H, the village had been thoroughly traversed with no VC contact. At this time the unit started moving back toward Hill 69 (BT 467068). The checkpoint at AN TAN Bridge was manned by a fire team and National Police as usual.

(3) Company G. Company G secured the MIA last night with four squad ambushes forward of the MIA. At 041930H, G-3, one of the aforementioned ambushes, spotted three VCS moving

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across a dike at (BT 518068). The patrol immediately attempted to make radio contact with G-4, another patrol in the immediate vicinity, to assure coordinated action by the two units. However, G-4 spotted the three men before contact could be established. Since it was prior to curfew, the VCS were challenged by G-4. They fled in a Northeasterly direction and were promptly taken under fire. The VC returned four rounds of carbine fire and, despite the aggressive pursuit of the squad patrol, escaped. Today, Company G has three combat squad size patrols operating in the LANG BINH (BT 506071) area being especially alert for evidence of the three VC engaged last night.

(4) Company H. Extensive and aggressive patrolling was conducted by Company H last night and today. Three combat ambushes, squad size, were stealthily emplaced just after night fall forward of the MIA positions to intercept and VC who might have tried to penetrate the perimeter. Operating in the area 2,000 meters forward of the MIA, three squad combat patrols searched for VC today. There were no VC found in the area.

(5) Snipers went to the 1st Bn, 4th Marines range today to acquire new dope for their recently serviced weapons.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	1			1
Total	7	7	1	15

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- C. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Company A remains attached to the 4th Marines. Eight LVT's are deadlined for lack of spare parts. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Three tanks are deadlined.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Completed strongbacking five tents for the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.
  - (2) Working on the fourth bunker by the bridge (BT 532082) for the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines
  - (3) Dug and covered up a trash dump for 1st Bn, 4th Marines.
  - (4) Clearing area for minefield for the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines - 75% completed.
  - (5) Preparing site for prefab bunkers for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines.
  - (6) Welding barb wire stakes for MP's - 65% completed

Water Distribution

Potable	21,745 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	39,745 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). Aggressive ambush and patrol action will be conducted on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. LST ramp security, USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. A good percentage

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of the Battalion's efforts are being directed toward civil affairs and psychological warfare.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	10	11	26
Squad	15	7		22
Total	20	17	11	48

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company. Company F will continue the defense of AN TAN Bridge, Hill 69 and Hill 76. The USMC/National Police roadblock/checkpoint at AN TAN Bridge will be maintained. Company G will conduct four night squad ambushes and three daylight squad patrols. In addition one platoon combat patrol will operate in the Western sector of the TAOR. Company H will conduct three squad night ambushes and three squad daylight patrols. In addition, one platoon will operate to the South of the G Company platoon size patrol.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	7	1	16

- C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

- D. Patrol Plans Summary.

	<u>S&amp;G Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	10	12		27
Squad		21	14			35
Platoon		2				2
Company						
Total		28	24	12		64

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4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Vietnamese officials of KY XUAN are starting to develop their own psychological warfare program, by an anti-communist banner which was put up vicinity (BT 493097) by the Hamlet Chief. The banner was given to them by the Village Chief at his meeting on 3 December 1965. The banner reads as follows: "We must seek out covert communists and rebuild the village". Even though the four men were abducted by the VC (See SitRep # 111) the people continued with the program regardless of the consequences.
- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion Psychological operations officer received seven leaflets for future use from the Regimental Psychological Operations Officer. Received were 2000 each of # 1-65, # 4-65, # 14-65 and # 22-65. In addition, 2000 leaflets asking people to destroy Panji stakes because USMC and GVN wear special boots to prevent injury were received, as well as 1000 # 15-65.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.A. School Attendance

- |                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| (1) Mine Warfare        | 90 |
| (2) Vietnamese Language | 7  |

B. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

	<u>SID</u>	<u>LAAW (M-72)</u>
Co A	None	1 hr - 8 Marines
Co B	None	None
Co C	None	None
Co D	2½ hrs - 48 Marines	3 hrs - 46 Marines

C. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

- (1) Co F conducted a one hour class on the SID for 20 Marines.

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(2) Co F conducted 2½ hours tank infantry training for 40 Marines.

(3) Conducted training for four snipers.

D. Orders were given by the ADC to send the remainder of Company E to the site where a helicopter was down, in QUANG NGAI Province (BT 789419).

E. Late entry. Co D apprehended one VCS at (BT 480104) at 051115H.

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
(BT 480140)	051115H	Patrol	Co D - None	Unk/1VCS

F. Two sniper teams from 1st Battalion operated from 031130H to 051400H in Company C's area. They made several sightings but no VC with weapons were seen.

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By direction

4TH MARINES (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOE</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	A-1	080400H	080630H	
A	FT	A-2	072000H	072330H	2030-2300
A	FT	A-3	080030H	080330H	0100-0300
A	FT	A-4	072100H	072230H	
A	FT	A-5	072300H	080130H	
A	SQD	A-6	080315H	080630H	0400-0600
B	SQD	B-1	080330H	080630H	
B	SQD	B-2	070230H	072330H	
B	SQD	B-3	072400H	080300H	
B	FT	BROWN	072200H	080100H	AMB
B	FT	GREEN	080300H	080700H	AMB
B	FT	KHAKI	080300H	080700H	AMB
B	FT	SCARLET	072200H	080100H	AMB
B	FT	GRAY	080300H	080700H	AMB
B	FT	BIG BROTHER	072030H	080700H	LP
C	SQD/SDC	C-3A	071800H	072400H	0100-0700
C	FT/FP	EVA	071900H	080730H	0130-0630
C	FT(4)	DICK	072300H	080600H	2400-0500
D	SQD	FRAN	072300H	080240H	2330-0100
D	SQD	GIANNIA	072240H	080200H	2320-0500
D	SQD	HELEN	072200H	080100H	2300-0030
D	SQD	IDA	071900H	072200H	2000-2130
D	SQD	JACQUELINE	080300H	080600H	0330-0500
G	SQD	G-1	080800H	081030H	
G	SQD	G-2	080900H	081130H	
G	SQD	G-3	081000H	081230H	
H	SQD	H-1	081200H	081400H	
H	SQD	H-2	081300H	081500H	
H	SQD	H-3	081400H	081600H	
R,S,T	SQD		071900H	080630H	
U,V,P	SQD		071900H	080630H	

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 213 as of 061600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		7	12	9		28
Squad		21	10			31
Platoon		1				1
Company						
Total		29	22	9		60

B. CONTACTS BOXSCORES:

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG NGAI (BS 785425)	060130H	Helo Defense	Co E - 9 WIA	Unk-17 VC KIA, 7 wps captured

C. The 2d Battalion provided one company for security for a downed helicopter. During the hours of darkness they were engaged by a VC unit. Nine USMC WIA's were sustained, while the VC suffered 17 KIAs and 17 weapons captured.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 48 small unit actions: seven fire team and 15 squad patrols; 12 fire team and six squad ambushes; eight fire team listening posts.

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The Battalion maintains patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands to prevent the use of the islands as jumping off points for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and/or airstrip; to protect Battery A, 2d LAM Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological operations.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during the curfew hours. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was maintained by one rifle platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to preclude any enemy build up.
- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during the curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce the curfew regulations. A USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to preclude any enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were conducted to prevent infiltration on the left flank. Continued manning of Sierras (BT 523091). At 2000H one platoon of Company B was alerted as a fast reaction force to augment the MLR positions of the 2d Bn, 4th Marines, should they be committed. The alert was cancelled at 060830H.

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- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SOC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during the curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce the curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from the patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on the LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. The 1st Platoon (-) was in Battalion Reserve with one squad in an all night ambush (BT 525094). At 2000H one platoon of Company C was alerted as a fast reaction force to augment the ML positions of the 2d Bn, 4th Marines, should they be committed. The alert was cancelled at 060830H.
- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 052045H one M-79 round was fired at suspected movement (BT 487104) but nothing unusual was observed. At 052205H a crouching figure was observed about 75 yards from the perimeter (BT 487104). Fired one small arms round at the figure, the figure started running and 10 additional rounds were fired at the individual. Area was immediately checked, however, nothing unusual was noted.
- (5) M&S Company. Provided one fire team for the waterborne patrol security. One 81mm mortar located vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Provided four men for a PF ambush vicinity (BT 5108).
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY HOA and

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KY XUAN Islands. Conducted a waterborne patrol during curfew hours.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	7	12	8	27
Squad	15	6		21
Total	22	18	8	48

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E, while acting as a downed helicopter security force, was engaged by a VC force. Nine Marine MIAs were sustained. Marine fire power and aggressiveness accounted for 17 VC KIA's (initial body count) and a possibility of several more. 7 weapons were captured. A full detailed report will follow in the after action report presently being written. The Battalion conducted 12 small unit actions.

(1) Company E. Last night, Company E was providing security for a downed UH-1B aircraft at (BS 785425). At approximately 060130H they received incoming 81mm mortar rounds from the north and from the south. They were eventually engaged by a sizable VC force. At least 17 VC were killed and 7 weapons captured. The Company sustained nine MIAs.

(2) Company F. Company F continued to control the AN TAN Bridge by means of a checkpoint/roadblock. This is a combined effort by both USMC/PF teams and the National Police. Work is progressing in the construction of suitable, waterproof defenses at the Bridge, Hill 69, and Hill 76.

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- (3) Company G. Four squad size ambushes protected the MLR from surprise probing last night. Today, three squad combat patrols are securing the area forward of the lines in an effort to search out and destroy VC. One platoon from Company G is conducting a combat patrol up highway #1 3000 meters past District Headquarters. The route further goes west 3000 meters into the TAUK. At 1145H the patrol received small arms fire from the vicinity of Hill 22 (BT 423091). Aggressive fire and <sup>MINEFIELD</sup> for 500 meters toward the enemy apparently forced the enemy to withdraw. Upon reaching the area the patrol found fresh foot prints, recently installed pangl stakes and freshly fired M-1 cartridges. The patrol is presently continuing to search the area.
- (4) Company H. The Company was on standby until Company B returned this morning. Consequently, their night patrols were all cancelled. They are, however, conducting the normal three daylight squad patrols forward of the MLR.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	4		10
Platoon	1			1
Total	7	4	1	12

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG NGAI (RS 785425)	060130H	Helo Defense	Co E - 9 WIA	Unk-17 VC KIA; 17 w/w captured

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- C. Co. A, 1st Amphib Bn. Company A remains attached to the 4th Marines. Eight LVTs are deadlined for lack of repair parts or #10 oil.
- D. Co. B, 3d AF Bn. Company B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion.
- E. Co. C, 3d Tank Bn. Company C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Two tanks are deadlined.
- F. Co. A, 3d Quar. Bn.
- (1) Completed the fourth bunker by the bridge (BT 532082) for the 2d Battalion.
  - (2) Moved two water towers from the old Regimental water point to the "B" Engineer area.
  - (3) Delivered four prefab heads to the 1st Battalion.
  - (4) Building a CP bunker for Co. A, 1st Battalion - 20% complete.
  - (5) Clearing area for future minefields for the 1st Battalion.
  - (6) Completed welding barbed wire stakes for the M1's.
  - (7) Building a berm for the airfield defense.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,190 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	40,190 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

Asst 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Coordinated USMC/SOC posts will continue to be maintained, with patrols being conducted from these to enforce the current regulations. Aggressive patrol action and ambushes will be conducted on MY no peninsula, as well as on the islands of KY, XUSA and MY. Security will also be continued for the LSP ramp.

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	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	6	10	8	24
Squad	14	5		19
Total	20	15	8	43

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will again revert to a standby status being prepared for short notice commitment. Final preparations are being made for the execution of Operation Order 94-65. Company F will continue to maintain positions on AN TAN Bridge (BT 4906), Hill 69 (BT 4606) and Hill 76 (BT 4503). Company G will conduct four night squad ambushes in the LOM: BISH area (BT 5007) and three daylight squad combat patrols. Company H will conduct three squad night ambushes and three daylight squad patrols.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Company	1				1
Total	1	6	7	1	15

- C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		6	10	9		25
Squad		20	12			32
Platoon						1
Company	1					1
Total	1	26	22	9		58

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

- A. Hq. 4th Marines. 1st Lt B. A. THOMAS is now the Regimental Psychological Warfare officer replacing Capt J. J. W. HILBERT.

- B. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. No Psychological operations were conducted during this period.

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C. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) Company C platoon size patrol is distributing 500 #22-65 leaflets and 500 leaflets asking for civilian support of USMC and QVA.
- (2) Mr. OHOTO and the KY SANH PFs are continuing to indoctrinate the people and help distribute Fay/war materials.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

None.

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 214 as of 071600H December 1065

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;G Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>1st Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		9	11	9		29
Squad		19	11			30
Platoon						
Company						
Total		28	22	9		59

B. Contacts:

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN	070550H	Turned in by villagers	None	Unk-1 VCS WIA

C. General KRULAK visited the 4th Marines CP at 071215H. General KRULAK presented three Bronze Star awards to the members of 2d Battalion.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 45 small unit actions: 8 fire team and 13 squad patrols; 11 fire team and four squad patrols; 8 fire team listening posts. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/3DC listening posts/checkpoints, 1ST ramp security, ambushes, and aggressive patrol action.

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The Battalion maintains patrol bases on KY XUAN and KY HOA Islands to prevent the use of the islands as a jumping off point for VC attacks or positions for indirect fire weapons with which to hit the helicopter pad and/or airstrip; to protect Battery A, 2d IAAW Battalion; to conduct civil affairs/psychological operations.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew hours. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was maintained by one rifle platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MIA to preclude enemy build up.
- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was maintained during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MIA to preclude enemy build up. Fire Team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. The Battalion's OP Sierra (BT 523091) continued to be manned by members of the company.

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- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from these patrol bases (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119), and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) was in Battalion reserve with one squad ambush at (BT 525094).
- (4) Company B. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base (BT 487104). At 070550H, a VCS was brought to the patrol base (BT 487104) for treatment of wounds inflicted during the night. The man stated that he received the wounds at 070500H when a grenade exploded on the roof of his house, (BT 483104) while he was in bed. The wounds appeared to be gun shot punctures, possibly from a carbine or M-14. The man will be sent to the Battalion Collection Point where he received further treatment by the Battalion Surgeon. He was then interrogated by the S-2 Section to determine further disposition. Company D had no report of grenade activity during the evening, however, at 070445H, seven (7) rounds of small arms fire were expended at suspected enemy movement around the patrol base. It is felt that this individual may have been the person moving about the perimeter of the base.

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- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. Provided four men for PF ambush vicinity (BT 5110). One 81mm mortar is located at (BT 524093) for on call illumination to the left flank.
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY NGA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted waterborne patrol during curfew hours.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	9	11	8	28
Squad	13	4		17
Total	22	15	8	45

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN	070530H	Turned in by villagers	None	Unk/ VCS WIA

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 14 small unit actions: six squad patrols; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post. Company E provided a honor guard for General KRULAK at the 4th Marines CP.

- (1) Company E. Company E is the Regimental Reserve Company and is standing by to be committed upon notice from the Regimental Commander. They provided a 90 man detail at the 4th Marines CP at 071145H this morning for a honor guard at General KRULAK's presentation of awards ceremony. They are also on standby to reinforce the 7th <sup>A</sup> Marines TAGR.

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- (2) Company F. Company F enforced the curfew along Route #1 from 062000H to 070600H with a physical roadblock at AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). At 070645H the roadblock fire team was joined by the National Police and PFs to assist in the search of vehicles passing through the roadblock position. One reinforced rifle platoon is occupying Hill 76 and is continuing to improve their defensive positions. One reinforced rifle platoon and the Company Command Group is occupying and defending Hill 69. They are defending the AN TAN bridge and maintaining a roadblock on the North end of the bridge.
- (3) Company G. Company G provided three squad sized ambushes forward of the MLR in an effort to prevent probes and infiltration of the MLR. Three squad size day combat patrols are forward of the MLR to search for VC or evidence of VC activity in the area between the MLR and SONG AN TAN River.
- (4) Company H. Company H provided three squad sized ambushes forward of the MLR during the hours of darkness to destroy any would be snipers or infiltrators approaching the MLR. Three squad size day combat patrols are run 2,000 meters forward of the MLR, searching for VC or signs of VC activity forward of their positions.
- (5) H&S Company. The scout radar team is at coordinates (BT 517063) operating the TFS-21. They have a surveillance of 300 meters forward with a left azimuth of 200 and a right azimuth of 130. The H&S Raiders are standing by to be committed at any place within the TAOR to reinforce any patrol or ambush.

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(6) Two 4.2 Howtars are in position on Hill 69 for any support requirements necessary within the Battalion TACR.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Total	6	7		14

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- C. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVT5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Five LVT5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each Battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Three tanks are deadlined. The 2d platoon is in direct support of 2d Battalion and 3d platoon is in direct support of 1st Battalion.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Completed the fifth bunker by the bridge for 2d Battalion.
  - (2) Built three bunkers in one of the bunkers for 2d Battalion.
  - (3) Building OP bunker on Hill 51 (BT 528110) for 1st Battalion - 75% completed.
  - (4) Hauling sand to MAG-12 airstrip for MCR&ST gear.
  - (5) Building wire line for airfield defense together with Co C, 1st Engr Bn.
  - (6) Clearing area for future minefield for the Peninsula Defense.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,340 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	40,340 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. Aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY (in Peninsula) (BT 5209), KY HOA, (BT 5113), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114), and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090).

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	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	7	10	9	26
Squad	10	7		17
Total	17	17	9	43

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E is Regimental Reserve. Company F maintains the COPL. The combined roadblock/checkpoint at the AN TAN Bridge will continue to search vehicles for contraband and VC attempting to infiltrate the TAOR. Operation Order 93-65 will be executed tomorrow. The Company will search and clear "No Name" village (BT 445054) at 080630H. Company G will conduct four squad size night ambushes in the LONG BINH area (BT 505071) and three squad daylight patrols forward of the MLR. A platoon size patrol will search Hill 22 (BT 424091). The Scout radar team will continue to monitor their TPS/21 at (BT 517063). The H&S Raiders will be attached to Company F for the search and clear operation. The KY SAMH PF company will work in close conjunction with Company F on their search and clear operation.

	<u>S&amp;C Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Platoon	2				2
Company	1 (-)				1
Total	3	6	7	1	17

C. Patrol Plans Summary.

	<u>S&amp;C Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		7	10	10		27
Squad		16	14			30
Platoon	2					2
Company	1 (-)					1 (-)
Total	3	23	24	10		60

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4. PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFAREA. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

(1) Four women on KY XUAM Island (BT 4910) are being trained by the company corpsmen in sanitation, first aid, and general medical knowledge. They participate in the companies daily MedCAP program. On 6 December 1965 the nurses visited three schools and distributed 400 pieces of soap after presenting lectures on general sanitation. The soap had been donated by the Marines of Company D. The original bars of soap were cut into 6 pieces to prevent the soap from being sold instead of used. The objective of training these nurses is to send them back to the hamlets and let them teach and administer aid to the villagers. This program is an indication that the people want the program to improve their living conditions and that they are doing the job themselves, as indicated by the nurse doing the lecturing.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

(1) The continued use of Mr. GHOTO the PF Company Commander of the KY SAMH PF's to help indoctrinate the people of his village by distributing Psy/War materials is planned. Coordination with the PF's in KY KHOUNG Hamlet is also under way in order to get them also to aid in the Psy/War efforts.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. One VCS was apprehended near (BT 518093) at 071400H when attempting to trade RPG for Plasters. The VCS was sent to the CHU LAI Collection Point.

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<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG BIN (BT 518083)	071400h	Patrol	Co B - None	Unk - 1 VCS

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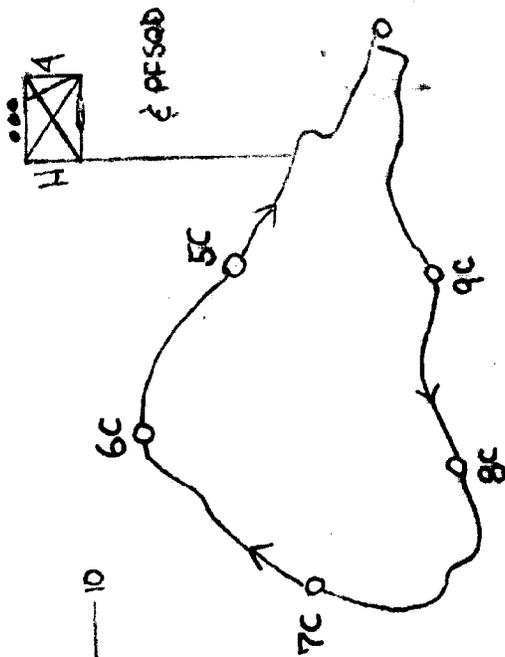
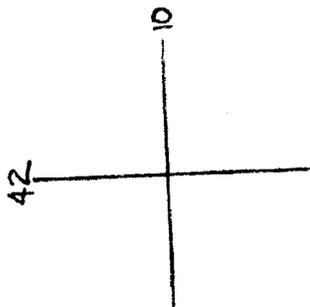
MAJINES (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOB</u>	<u>TOB</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	A-1	092000H	092200H	
A	FT	A-2	092330H	100200H	
A	2FT	A-3	091900H	092300H	2000-2215 AMB
A	FT	A-4	100300H	100530H	
A	FT	A-5	100400H	100630H	0430-0600 AMB
B	SQD	B-1	092030H	092330H	
B	SQD	B-2	092400H	100300H	
B	SQD	B-3	100330H	100630H	
B	FT	B-4	092100H	100700H	
B	FT	BROWN	092200H	100100H	AMB
B	FT	GREEN	100100H	100700H	
B	FT	KHAKI	100100H	100700H	
B	FT	SCARLET	092200H	100100H	
E	FT	GRAY	100100H	100700H	AMB
C	SQD/SDC	C-3-A	091800H	100700H	AMB
C	FT/FF	EMTEL	091900H	100800H	0230-0630 AMB
C	FT(+)	ROSIE	092200H	100430H	2300-0330 AMB
D	SQD	PAT	092000H	100100H	AMB
D	SQD	RHONDA	092000H	092400H	AMB
D	SQD	SUE	092000H	092400H	AMB
D	SQD	THELMA	100100H	100430H	AMB
G	SQD	G-1	100800H	101030H	
G	SQD	G-2	100900H	101130H	
G	SQD	G-3	101000H	101230H	
H	SQD	H-1	101200H	101430H	
H	SQD	H-2	101300H	101530H	
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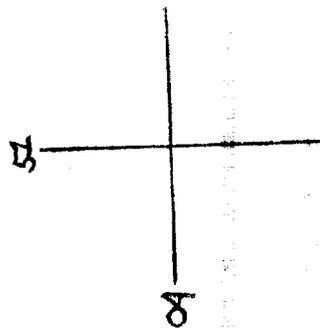
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 215 as of 081600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		8	11	10		29
Squad		21	11			32
Platoon		1				1
Company	1					1
Total	1	30	22	10		63

B. Contacts:

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 430089)	081155H	Platoon Patrol	Co H, 2/4 None	Unk-1 VC KIA 1 VCS
QUANG TIN (BT 480089)	081200H	S&C Opns	Cos B & D, 1/4 None	Unk-6 VCS

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 47 small unit actions: eight fire team and 15 squad patrols; 11 fire team and four squad ambushes; nine fire team listening posts. The Battalion continues to maintain company patrol bases on KY XUAN and KY HOA Islands.

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The small unit actions conducted on these islands are designed to prevent massing of VC in preparation for an attack and to prevent the introduction of indirect fire weapons with which to hit the MAG-36 helicopter pad or the CHU LAI Airstrip. These actions also provide security to Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. Acting on the intelligence report from LY TIN District Headquarters that an eight man demolition team located in the village of XUAN BINH (BT 480090), one platoon from Company D and one squad from Company E were sent to the area. The squad from the second platoon of Company B proceeded by truck to LY TIN District Headquarters (BT 487075) where it joined with one PF squad, the District Intelligence NCO, and Marine Advisor. This force then proceeded to (BT 487078) and departed by boat at 1100H for (BT 477088). At 1100H, one platoon from Company D departed the patrol base (BT 487104) and proceeded to set in a blocking force from (BT 478093) to (BT 482095) to (BT 483086). At 1126H, with the blocking force in position, the coordinated USMC/FF sweeping force landed at (BT 480086). A sweep of the village commenced immediately. At 081200H six VCS were apprehended. They will be sent to the CHU LAI Collection Point.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/S/C posts were maintained at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during the curfew hours. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was maintained by one platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MLR to preclude enemy build up.

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- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 519097) and (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during the curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce the curfew regulations. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was maintained during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the ELR to preclude enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. The Battalion's OP Sierra (BT 523091), continued to be manned by members of the company.
- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during the curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce the curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from the patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on the IST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) remains as Battalion reserve with one squad in an all night ambush at (BT 525094). The platoon was alerted as of 0800H and designated as the Regimental Reserve.
- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At 072320H the SID vicinity (BT 487104) indicated movement. Two M-79 rounds were fired, however upon checking the area of reported movement nothing unusual <sup>was</sup> found.

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- (5) H&S Company. Provided one fire team for the waterborne patrol security. One 81mm mortar located vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Provided four men for a PF ambush vicinity (BT 5110).
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphtrac Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted a waterborne patrol during the curfew hours. A vessel was sighted leaving KY XUAN (BT 480085). Fired one warning round across the bow of the boat. The vessel stopped. Investigation revealed it was a fisherman with a boat load of fish. The fisherman's papers were in order and he was then released.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Listening Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	8	11	9	28
Squad	15	4		19
Total	23	15	9	47

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN	081200H	S&C Opns	Cos B & D - None	Unk-6 VCS

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 16 small unit actions: six squad patrols; seven squad ambushes; one platoon patrol; one company patrol; one fire team listening post. Company E is presently attached to the 7th Marines while the 2d Bn, 7th Marines is on an operation. One Company (-) patrol is presently being conducted in the vicinity of (BT 445054). One platoon from Company H made contact killing one VC and capturing one VCS.

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- (1) Company E. Company E is presently attached to the 7th Marines and are occupying a portion of the 2d Bn, 7th Marines MIA.
- (2) Company F. At 080200H Company F (-) (Rein) moved out on their search and clear operation vicinity (BT 445054). No contact or sightings have been made. The curfew on Highway #1 from 072000H to 080600H was enforced with a physical roadblock position at AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). At 080645H the roadblock position was joined by the National Police and PPs to assist in searching vehicles passing through the roadblock. One reinforced rifle platoon is occupying and defending Hill 69. They are continuously improving and defending the AN TAN Bridge and maintaining the roadblock on the north end of the bridge.
- (3) Company G. Company G provided four squad size ambushes forward of the MIA in an effort to prevent probes and infiltrators from approaching the MIA. Three squad size day combat patrols are forward of the MIA to search for VC or evidence of VC activity in the area between the MIA and the SONG AN TAN River. One platoon was provided to Company F to accompany them on their operation this morning.
- (4) Company H. Company H provided three squad sized ambushes forward of the MIA during the hours of darkness to destroy any would be snipers or infiltrators approaching the MIA. Three squad size combat patrols are 2,000 meters forward of the MIA searching for VC or signs of VC activity forward of their defensive positions.

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One reinforced rifle platoon with one PF squad attached are running a day combat patrol in the vicinity of Hill 22. At 1015H the patrol located (BT 459078) spotted one armed VC (BT 456076). The VC started to flee and was pursued by small arms fire. The VC successfully eluded the searching patrol. The patrol did, however, find a Vietnamese female with a slight wound. She was sent to LY TIN for treatment. The patrol continued and at 1155H encountered two VC at (BT 430089). The Marines opened fire killing one VC while the other escaped. One VCS was also apprehended.

- (5) H&S Company. The H&S Raiders are attached to Company F for their search and clear operation. The scout radar team is operating their FPS-21 at (BT 517063). They have a surveillance of 300 meters forward of the MTR with a left azimuth of 200 degrees and a right azimuth of 130 degrees. Negative sightings were reported in the past reporting period.
- (6) Two 4.2 Howitzers are in position on Hill 69 prepared to support either of two operations running north and west of this position.

	<u>S&amp;C Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List</u>	<u>Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1		1
Squad		6	7			13
Platoon		1				1
Company	1					1
Total	1	7	7	1		16

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 430089)	081155H	Platoon Patrol	Co H 2/4 - None 6	Unk-1 VCS SECRET 1 VC MIA

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- C. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Company A remains attached to the 4th Marines. MAG-12 continues to utilize one LVTP5 in direct support for a crash/rescue vehicle. Five LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Company B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Company C remains attached to the 4th Marines with one platoon in direct support of each battalion. Three tanks are deadlined.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Laying rock and gravel on road to LAAM battery location - 87% complete.
  - (2) Building CP bunker for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines - 90% complete.
  - (3) Building six bunkers in the bunkers by the bridge (BT 4906) for the 2d Bn, 4th Marines.
  - (4) Completed Water tower for Company D.
  - (5) Continue to clear area for minefield in the 1st Bn, 4th Marines area - 95% complete.

Water Distribution

Potable	25,360 Gallons
Raw	17,000 Gallons
Total	42,360 Gallons

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. Aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013) and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515113) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). Company B is making final

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preparations for their move to KY HOA Island on 10 December. They will replace Company C who will be moving to DA NANG.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	6	10	9	25
Squad	16	9		25
Total	22	19	9	50

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E will remain attached to the 7th Marines. Company F will continue to defend Hills 76 and 69 as well as the roadblock/checkpoint at AN TAP Bridge. Company G will have a total of six patrols in the LANG BINH area (BT 5007). In addition, one platoon size will operate with PF's in the vicinity of Hill 22 (BT 4209). Company H will also conduct six squad patrols forward of their RLR. One platoon will operate with a squad of PFs SW of Hill 69. The HAS Raiders will stand-by as a strike force to assist any patrol or ambush within the Battalion sector. The Battalion will utilize a TPS/21 at (BT 517063) to monitor any movement within the area.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	2			2
Total	8	7	1	16

C. attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Boxscore:

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	6	10	10		26
Squad	22	16			38
Platoon	2				2
Company					
Total	30	26	10		66

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4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

a. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. On 6 December 1965 on KY HOA (BT 5013) 400 ~~410~~-leaflets (Side I. Citizens loyal to GVN keep their rice for their families. Side II. Citizens who support the NLF/VC must give their rice to the Viet Cong. Report VC activity to the GVN) and ten health posters were given to the village information chief. The information chief distributed the leaflets among his hamlet information chiefs to distribute them to the people. The health posters were posted in the village square and at the aid stations. The primary mission of getting the information to the people has been accomplished through Vietnamese channels. Thus giving increased prestige to the village officials and the GVN.

b. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Psychological Warfare Officer is planning a visit with Mr. CHOTO in the near future to aid him in his indoctrination program of his village. A visit to KY KHONG Hamlet (BT 4507) is also planned in order to assist them in their Psychological Warfare efforts.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

The VCS apprehended by a patrol from H Company was taken to LY TIN District Headquarters and interrogated. He admitted that he was a VC squad leader. He also stated that there are 3 VC squads vicinity Hill 22 (BT 415039). The VC had a seven day's supply of vitamins of the type past<sup>ed</sup> out by MedCo. The VC will be sent to the CHU LAI Collection Point.

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 216 as of 091600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Security</u>	<u>Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		6	9	10			25
Squad	squad	17	13				30
Platoon		2					2
Company							
Total		25	22	10			57

B. CONTACTS

<u>Province/ C coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 428175)	090700H	Patrol	Co C - None	Unk-1 VCS
QUANG TIN (BT 429175)	090944H	Patrol	Co C - None	Unk-1 VCS

2. OPERATIONS

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 44 small unit actions: six fire team and 14 squad ambuses; nine fire team and six squad patrols; nine fire team listening posts. The Battalion maintains patrol bases on KY XUAN and KY HOA Islands to prevent massing of VC in preparation for an attack and to prevent establishment of indirect fire weapons with which to hit MAG-36 helicopter pad and/or the CHU LAI Airstrip; to protect Battery A,

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2d LAAM Bn.; to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare operations. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints, LST ramp security, ambushes and extensive, aggressive patrol action.

- (1) Company A. The constabulary post in SAK HAI Hamlet (BT 515114) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 518102) and (BT 515113) during curfew hours. Security of the LST ramp (BT 521119) was maintained by one rifle platoon. Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MIA to preclude enemy activity in the area.
- (2) Company B. The constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) was maintained during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts were maintained at (BT 519097), (BT 519089) and (BT 523084) during curfew hours. Patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. A USMC/SDC post at the beach access point (BT 532084) was maintained during the day to ensure strict compliance with fishing regulations. A joint USMC/PF checkpoint was manned during daylight hours at (BT 518083). Aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the MIA to preclude an enemy build up. Fire team ambushes were established to prevent infiltration on the left flank. B-2 is part of <sup>the</sup> Regimental Reserve. They came under OP CON 2d Battalion at 090900H.

(5) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LST ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. First Platoon (-) remains as Battalion reserve with one squad ambush at (BT 525094). A platoon is standing by as a strike force to assist Company C operation if needed. A refugee from HOA TRA Hamlet (BT 430174), now living on KI HOA Island, reported that eight VC are living in HOA TRA Hamlet. The Third Platoon, Company C (-) (Rein) departed the patrol base (BT 512125) in four LVTs at approximately 090500H and proceeded west to (BT 475146). Two LVTs proceeded northwest up the THUCNG GIANG River and two LVTs proceeded northwest along the shortline of the Peninsula centered (BT 455156). The sweep of the HOA TRA area commenced at 090609H. At 090700H one male VCS without ID card was apprehended at (BT 428175). At 090705H one LVT received sniper fire from (LT 437162) while patrolling the river. The LVT moved to make contact but the enemy withdrew. The LVT received fire again from (BT 439169) at 090858H. The enemy withdrew before contact could be made. A second male VCS was apprehended in HOA TRA Hamlet at 090944H. Both VCS will be turned into the CHU LAI Collection Point, upon return of the patrol. At 091052H contact was made with the VC at (BT 439169). The enemy strength was estimated to be of squad size.

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The patrol aggressively moved into the area by fire and maneuver but the VC broke contact and fled. At 091320H the patrol located at (BT 448157) received small arms fire from two VC located at (BT 440155). The VC again broke contact before they could be fully engaged.

- (4) Company B. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104).
- (5) H&S Company. The Battalion's Co, Sierra (BT 523091), continued to be manned by the H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne patrol security. 81mm Mortar Platoon maintains one mortar vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Four men were provided for PF ambush vicinity (BT 5110).
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted waterborne patrol during curfew hours in vicinity of KY XUAN Island.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	6	9	9	24
Squad	14	6		20
Total	20	15	9	44

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 428175)	090700H	Patrol	Co C - None	Unk-1 VCS
QUANG TIN (BT 429175)	090944H	Patrol	Co C - None	Unk-1 VCS

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B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 13 small unit actions: three squad and two platoon patrols; seven squad ambushes; one fire team listening post. Company E is attached to the 7th Marine rifle and defend a portion of 2d Battalion, 7th Marines MLR. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve.

- (1) Company E. Company E is attached to the 7th Marines and is occupying positions on the MLR in 2d Bn, 7th Marines TAOA.
- (2) Company F. At 090800H one platoon from Hill 69 with an attached MedCAP team and interpreter departed for the hamlets of KY SANH (1) (BT 455054) and KY PHU (2) (BT 473046). Their mission is to coordinate with the hamlet chiefs in as well as start a self-help program in the hamlets. The curfew on Route #1 from 082000H to 090630H was enforced with a physical roadblock at AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). At 090700H the checkpoint on the North end of the bridge is maintained by the joint efforts of Marines, PPs and National Police. The Vietnamese search all vehicles passing through the checkpoint and check the identification of all unknown personnel. One reinforced rifle platoon and the Company Command Group is occupying and defending Hill 69.
- (3) Company G. Company G provided four squad sized ambushes forward of the MLR in an effort to prevent probes and infiltrators from approaching the MLR. Three squad size day combat patrols are forward of the MLR to search for VC or evidence of VC activity in the area between the MLR and the SONG AN TAN River.

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One platoon reinforced is conducting a day combat patrol in the vicinity of Hill 22 (BT 424091). Attachments include two squads of PFBs from the village of KHUONG QUANG (3).

- (4) Company H. Company H provided three squad size ambushes forward of the MLR to destroy any infiltrators which may be approaching the MLR. Company H (-) is returning to the Battalion CP area to assume the mission as the Regimental Reserve. Company H (-) was in the Battalion CP prepared for their new mission at 091230H. One platoon of Company H will remain on the MLR and continue normal patrolling and ambushes.
- (5) M&S Company. The scout radar team is operating their TPS-21 at coordinates (BT 517063). They have a continuous surveillance during the hours of darkness for 300 meters forward of the MLR with a left azimuth of 200 degrees and a right azimuth of 130 degrees.
- (6) Two 4.2 howitzers are in position on Hill 69 prepared to support the platoon size patrol running northwest of their position.
- (7) Composite Company. One platoon from 1st Battalion and a composite platoon from the 4th Marines Regimental CP will occupy positions on the MLR which were occupied by Company H from coordinates (BT 515054) to (BT 517059). One platoon from Company H will remain at the positions.

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	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			1	1
Squad	3	7		10
Platoon	2			2
Total	5	7	1	13

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- C. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Six LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. The second platoon is in direct support of the 2d Battalion, with three tanks in the Co H position and two in Co O position. The third platoon is in direct support of the 1st Battalion, with five tanks in the Battalion OP. At 081800H a light section moved into defensive positions at (BT 528106).
- F. Co H, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Continue to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Building OP bunker on Hill 51 (BT 526113) for 1st Battalion, 90% completed.
  - (3) Completed 10 bunks in the bunkers at AN TAN Bridge.
  - (4) Constructed sentry booth by the AN TAN Bridge.
  - (5) Constructed head for the troops at AN TAN Bridge.
  - (6) Prefabed eight heads in the Company area for future use.
  - (7) Completed building berm for airfield defense.
  - (8) Clearing area for future minefield and fields of fire for peninsula defense.
  - (9) Cleared and graded road near Hill 51 for MAGS-7.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,440 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,440 Gallons

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3. PLANS SUMMARY

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Constabulary posts are maintained in SAM HAI Hamlet (BT 515113) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). Aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. Coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained. Company C is completing plans to move from KY HOA to DA NANG on 10 December. Company B is making last minute preparation for the move to KY HOA Island on 10 December.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	5	10	9	24
Squad	14	6		6
Total	19	16	9	44

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E is attached to the 7th Marines and occupy positions on 2d Battalions, 7th Marines MLR. Company F defends the COPL. Company F (-) (Rein) will conduct a search and clear operation in the THAM KY TRUNG (1) area. For details see Operation Order 95-65. Company G will conduct four squad ambushes in the LONG BINH area (BT 505-071) and three squad combat patrols in the same area. One platoon will be attached to Company F at 101500H for the search and clear operation. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve. The Scout radar team will continue to monitor their TPS/21 at (BT 517063). The Raiders will be attached to Company F for their search and clear operations. The KY PHU BK Company will operate in conjunction with Company F on the operation. The Composite Company will conduct three squad ambushes forward of the MLR. They will also conduct three squad combat patrols forward of the MLR.

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	<u>S&amp;C Opps</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Platoon	2				2
Company	1 (-)				1
Total	3	6	7	1	17

C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

D. Patrol Plans Summary.

	<u>S&amp;C Opps</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		5	10	10		25
Squad		20	13			33
Platoon	2					2
Company	1 (-)					1
Total	3	25	23	10		61

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. None

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. The Psy/War Officer is presently working on a troop indoctrination program to be established within the Battalion. The Company platoon combat patrol is distributing Psy/War leaflets numbers 4-65 and 5-65. 500 of each will be distributed along the patrol route near Hill 22 (BT 424091).

5. MISCELLANEOUS

Third platoon, Co C returned to their CP at 091530H.

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By direction

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 217 as of 101600H December 1965

1. 4TH MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		6	7	10		23
Squad		19	13			32
Platoon						
Company						
Total		25	20	10		55

B. Company E and one platoon of Company H are attached to the 7th Marines. At 092105H the Division G-3 notified this headquarters that Company C would not move to DA NANG on 10 December. They will move at a later date, as yet unknown.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 41 small unit actions: six fire team and thirteen squad patrols; seven fire team and six squad ambushes; nine fire team listening posts. The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/S&C listening posts/check-points, LST ramp security, ambushes and vigorous, extensive and aggressive patrols.

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The Battalion maintains patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands to protect Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare operations; to prevent the VC from massing for an attack or establishment of indirect fire weapons with which to hit MAG-36 helicopter pad and/or the CHU LAI Airstrip. Company <sup>was</sup> scheduled to leave for DA NANG on 10 December but at 092105H word was received to stand down for an unknown period, at least a week.

- (1) Company A. The company continued to occupy the constabulary post in SAH HAI Hamlet, located (BT 515114), during daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC security posts, #1 at (BT 515115) and #2 at (BT 518102) were occupied during the hours of curfew (2000-0500). Security was provided for the LST ramp at (BT 521119) by one rifle platoon. During the period, continuous, aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the FEBA to preclude any large scale enemy build up. A total of six fire team ambushes were conducted by the company during this period.
- (2) Company B. The company continued to occupy the constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) during daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC security posts #3 at (BT 519097), #4 at (BT 519089) and #6 at (BT 523083) continued to be occupied during the curfew hours (2000-0500). Patrols were dispatched from these posts during the night to enforce the curfew regulations.

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The joint USMC/SDC control point and security post #5 at (BT 532084) continued to be occupied during the hours of daylight, to ensure strict compliance with the fishing regulations by the village fishermen. The joint USMC/PF checkpoint at (BT 518063) was occupied during daylight hours to screen and Vietnamese personnel entering the KY HA Village. Continuous and aggressive patrolling continues forward of the FEBA to preclude large scale enemy build up. A total of three squad and one fire team patrols were conducted and five fire team ambushes established by the company during the period. The 2d Platoon remains as part of the Composite Company under OPCON of the 2d Battalion and is occupying a portion of the FEBA. As of 0800H Company B commenced displacement to the island of KY HOA replacing Company C. The move was completed by 101030H.

- (3) Company C. Coordinated USMC/SDC posts at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) were maintained during curfew hours. Coordinated patrols were conducted from these posts to enforce curfew regulations. Combat patrols were conducted from patrol base (BT 512125) to prevent hostile fire on LBT ramp (BT 521119) and to provide tactical security for Battery A, 2d LA M Bn. First Platoon (-) remains in Battalion reserve with one squad ambush at (BT 525094). Commencing at 100800H the company displaced to the KY HA Peninsula and occupied the positions of Company B. The move was completed by 101100H.

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- (4) Company D. Continuous patrolling of KY XUAN Island was conducted from the patrol base at (BT 487104). At approximately 092104H the patrol heard seven beats of a drum (BT 495097) simultaneously, the rear security saw a Vietnamese male behind the patrol. The rear point shouted to the individual to halt in Vietnamese; however the Vietnamese ran from the patrol and was wounded by the rear security element. The wound sustained was a superficial leg wound. The patrol searched the houses in the vicinity but nothing unusual was found. The VCS was taken to the Company CP (BT 487104) where he was medically treated. He was sent to the Village Chief on 10 December for disposition as a curfew violator.
- (5) H&S Company. The Battalion's OP Sierra (BT 523091) continued to be manned by H&S Company. Provided one fire team for waterborne security. 81mm Mortar Platoon maintains one mortar vicinity (BT 524093) to provide on call illumination to the left flank. Provided four men for PF ambush vicinity (BT 5110).
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Am Trac Bn. Provided logistical transportation in support of Company C and Company D on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands. Conducted waterborne patrol during curfew hours in vicinity of KY XUAN Island.
- (7) MAG-36. At approximately 100005H what sounded like movement was heard on the SID at (BT 525111). At the same time the people in the bunker just to the left observed movement in the same general area.

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Eleven rounds of M-14 and four flares were fired into the area. A fire team sent out to check the area <sup>failed</sup> to find anything significant.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	9 6	10 7	9	22
Squad	13	6		19
Total	19	13	9	41

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E and one platoon of Company H are under the operational control of the 7th Marines. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve.

(1) Company E. Company E is presently attached to the 7th Marines and is under the control of the 2d Bn, 7th Marines.

(2) Company F. The company occupies the COPL with positions on Hill 69 (BT 468068), Hill 76 (BT 452038), and the AN TAN Bridge (BT 497066). The bridge becomes a roadblock from 2000H to 0700H. At 0700H the checkpoints at the bridge is opened for traffic. The PFs and National Police search all civilian vehicles for contraband and check ID cards to prevent VC from entering the TACK. The company is preparing to execute Operation Order 95-65.

(3) Company G. Company G provided four squad ambushes in the LONG BINH area (BT 505071) forward of the MLR to prevent probing and infiltration by VC forces. Company G is presently patrolling the same area, between the MLR and the LONG AN TAN River, searching for any evidence of VC or recent VC activity.

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- (4) Company H. Company H (-) returned to the Bn CP area (BT 534075) to assume the mission of the Regimental Reserve. Presently, one reinforced platoon of the Regimental Reserve force is attached to 2d Bn, 7th Marines to occupy positions on the MIA in the 2d Bn, 7th Marines TACR. This platoon departed the Bn area at 091715H by truck for the 2d Bn, 7th Marines CP. One reinforced platoon with Company Headquarters group remains at the Bn CP, with the mission of Regimental Reserve. One reinforced platoon is attached to the newly formed composite company occupying positions from coordinates (BT 515054) to (BT 517059).
- (5) H&S Company. The scout radar team is operating their TFS-21 at (BT 517063). During daylight hours training is conducted to improve the proficiency of the operators. During the hours of darkness continuous surveillance is conducted for 300 meters forward of the MIA with a left azimuth of 200 degrees and with a right azimuth of 130 degrees.
- (6) Two 4.2 howitzers continue to occupy their position on Hill 69 to support any friendly units operating in the area.
- (7) Composite Company. One platoon from the 1st Battalion, a composite platoon from the 4th Marines Regimental CP and a reinforced platoon from Company H constitute the composite company which continues to occupy positions on the MIA from (BT 515054) to (BT 517059). The composite company conducted three squad ambushes forward of the MIA to prevent any VC probes or infiltration.

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Three squad patrols are searching the area between the MIN and the SONG AN TAN River for any recent evidence of VC activity.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire team	0	0	1	1
Squad	6	7		13
Total	6	7	1	14

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- C. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Six LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AT Bn. Co B remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each infantry battalion. Three tanks are presently deadlined.
- F. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn. Capt CONER was wounded by a mine explosion at 101005H near (BT 412128).
- (1) Furnished 18 men crew to repair Route #1, which was blown by the VC in three places near Tam KY.
  - (2) Continued to operate 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (3) Building CP bunker on Hill 51 (BT 526113) for 1st Battalion, 95% completed.
  - (4) Completed barb wire fence for FLSU.
  - (5) Completed strong backing one CP tent for 3/12.
  - (6) Welding bomb racks for light towers for 1st Battalion, 15% completed.
  - (7) Clearing fields of fire near the splash point for 1st Battalion.

Water Distribution

Potable	26,920 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	44,920 Gallons

*type* > 3. PLANS SUMMARY

- A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Coordinated USMC/SOC listening posts/check-points will be maintained in addition to the constabulary posts in SAN HAI (BT 515113) and XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090). Extensive,

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vigorous, and aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HQA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. The 2d Platoon, Co B is under OP CON 2d Battalion as part of the Composite Company.

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	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	9 <sup>6</sup>	11 <sup>14</sup>	9	29
Squad	12 <sup>14</sup>	5		17
Total	21	16	9	46

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company B and one platoon of Company H are attached to the 7th Marines. Company F occupies the COPL. Co F (-) (Rein) will conduct a search and clear operation in the BINH MY TAUNG (1) area (per Op Order 95-65). A platoon from Company G, the Raider platoon and the KY PHU PF Company will join Company F in their search and clear operation. Company G will conduct three squad patrols and four squad ambushes in the LONG BINH area (BT 505071). One Company H platoon and the headquarters are the Regimental Reserve. One platoon is maintaining the MLR as a part of the Composite Company. The Composite Company will conduct three squad patrols between the MLR and the SONG AN TAN River searching for evidence of VC activity. Three squad ambushes will be set in front of the MLR to prevent any VC infiltration or probes.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				1	1
Squad		6	7		13
Platoon		2			2
Company	1 (-)				1
Total	1	8	7	1	17

C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

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D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>Last Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		9	11	10	30
Squad		18	12		30
Platoon		2			2
Company	1 (-)				1
Total	1	29	23	10	63

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONSA. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) On 9 December Mass was held for the villagers of KY HOA. Ten Vietnamese were present. Although, only a few VN attended, this indicates that there are some Vietnamese on KY HOA that do not fear the Viet Cong suppression which precludes their professing of religious beliefs.
- (2) On 9 December the nurses again gave an hour lecture to the people of KY XUAH on personal hygiene and sanitation.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) Company G distributed 1,000 leaflets, 500 each of 4-65 and 5-65, along their patrol route on 9 December 1965.
- (2) The Psy/war Officer will discuss plans, for the initiation of a leaflet that informs the people monetary rewards are available for good information concerning VC booby traps, weapons, personnel, and equipment, with the Regimental Psy/war Officer.
- (3) The Psy/war Officer is instituting an English teaching program in AN TAN Hamlet. It is anticipated that this will give him a chance to spread subtle propaganda as well as gather intelligence.

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5. MISCELLANEOUS.

- A. In accordance with CG, 3d Mar Div (Rein), FMF ltr 3/BFO/af over 3440.3 Ser; 0180-65 of 3 Dec 1965, the Commanding Officer, First Battalion, 4th Marines is designated Peninsula Defense Commander (PDC). One officer of the rank of Major will be designated as assistant PDC. Other control personnel and communications equipment will be provided as determined by the PDC. PDC will construct a control bunker on Hill 51 of a design to withstand 81mm mortar and 57mm Recoilless Rifle fire. Bunker will have communications facilities to provide direct communications with all units included in the defense of the peninsula. CO, Co B, 3d Engr Bn is directed to provide technical advise and assistance to the PDC.
- B. Three Marines from Company B, 3d Engr. Bn. were wounded by a mine explosion at 101005H near (BT 412128) while under the operation control of ADC. Six Vietnamese were also wounded and two Vietnamese were killed.

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c/o MFC, San Francisco, 96601

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

4th Marines SITREP NUMBER 218 as of 111600H December 1965

1. 4th MARINES HIGHLIGHTS

A. HIGHLIGHTS BOXSCORES:

	<u>S&amp;C Opns</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>1st Post</u>	<u>Secret Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		9	10	11		30
Squad		19	13			32
Platoon						
Company	1					1
Total	1	28	23	11		63

B. CONTACTS

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 441019)	110920H	S&C Opns	Co F - None	Unk - 2 VCS 2 documents

C. Company F conducted a search and clear operation in the THANH MY TRONG Complex. Two VCS were captured, one is a squad leader and the other is a female organizer. They were sent to the CHU LAI Collection Point. A platoon from Company H, attached to 2d Battalion, 7th Marines, was returned to the OP COM of 4th Marines at 101920H.

2. OPERATIONS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The Battalion conducted 47 small unit actions: nine fire team and thirteen squad patrols; ten fire team and six squad ambushes; nine fire team listening posts.

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The Battalion conducted coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints, LST ramp security, ambushes and aggressive patrols. The Battalion maintains patrol bases on KY MOA and KY RUAN Islands to protect Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn., to conduct civil affairs/psychological warfare operations; to prevent the VC from massing for an attack or the establishment of indirect fire weapons with which to hit MAG-36 helicopter pad and/or CRU LAI Airstrip.

- (1) Company A. The company continued to occupy the constabulary post in SAM HAI Hamlet, located (BT 515114), during the daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC security posts, #1 at (BT 515114) and #2 at (BT 518102) were occupied during the hours of curfew (2000-0500). Security was provided for the LST "Sand" ramp at (BT 521119) by one rifle platoon. During the period, continuous aggressive combat/security patrols were conducted forward of the FEBA to preclude any large scale enemy build up. At 102015H the Third Platoon requested 81mm mortar illumination (BT 527104) due to suspected movement in front of the FEBA. Five 81mm mortar illumination rounds were fired for this mission. There was nothing unusual observed by the platoon.
- (2) Company B. The company continues to occupy coordinated USMC/SDC security posts located at (BT 478142) and (BT 490140) during the hours of curfew (2000-0500). Coordinated patrols were dispatched from these posts to ensure compliance with the established curfew regulations.

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Combat patrols were conducted from the company patrol base located at (BT 512125). The patrol missions are to prevent hostile fire directed against the LST ramp at (BT 521119) and provide external security for Battery A, 2d LAAM Bn. The 2d Platoon is part of the Composite Company and is occupying a portion of the FEBA in the 2d Battalions sector.

- (3) Company C. The company continued to occupy the constabulary post in XUAN TRUNG Hamlet (BT 520090) during daylight hours. Coordinated USMC/SDC security posts #3 at (BT 519097), #4 at (BT 519089) and #6 at (BT 523084) continued to be occupied during the curfew hours (2000-0500). Patrols were dispatched from these posts during the night to enforce the curfew regulations. The joint USMC/SDC control point and security post #5 at (BT 523084) continued to be occupied during the hours of daylight, to ensure strict compliance with the fishing regulations by the village fishermen. The joint USMC/FF checkpoint at (BT 518083) was occupied during daylight hours to screen Vietnamese personnel entering the KY HA Village southeast. Continuous and aggressive patrolling continues forward of the FEBA to preclude large scale enemy build up. The First Platoon remains in a strike force posture as the Battalion reserve. The company is awaiting further instructions regarding its ~~move~~ to DA NANG in connection with the company rotation program.

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- (4) Company D. The company continued aggressive saturation patrolling throughout the island. The patrols, dispatched from the patrol base located (BT 487104) were run during both daylight and evening hours to prevent any large scale enemy build up on KY XUAM. A total of six squad size patrols were conducted plus the establishment of five squad size ambushes. At 2150H ambush Zolda requested two rounds of 81mm mortar illumination as a result of suspected movement at (BT 495081). Surveillance of the area during illumination revealed nothing unusual.
- (5) H&S Company. The company continues to furnish scouts to occupy the Battalions observation post "Sierra" (BT 523071). In addition, members are furnished to augment and provide security for the Battalions nightly waterborne patrol. A coordinated USMC/PF ambush is established nightly utilizing members from the company. The 81mm mortar section displaces one mortar nightly to (BT 52403) to provide on call fire missions to the extreme left flank of the Battalion.
- (6) 3d Plat, Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. The platoon continues to provide logistical support to Company B and Company D on KY XUAM Island and KY HOA Island respectively. Nightly a waterborne patrol is conducted during the burfew hours (2000-0500).
- (7) Maximum effort continues on construction of the barrier plan and defensive positions around the vital areas of the KY HA Peninsula (BT 5210).

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Progress to date is as follows:

A 50 meter swath around the periphery of the vital areas-100%

Triple concertina along the western swath (BT 525117-528097) - 100%

Quintuple concertina along the southern swath (BT 528099-537098) - 100%

Triple concertina along the northern sector of the vital areas (BT 525117-527117-526119-527120) - 100%

Defensive positions along the eastern and southern sectors - 70%

Western sector - 70% and northern sectors - 100%

Work continues on emplacement of bunkers and defensive positions, laying of the telephone communications network, placement of the ~~field~~<sup>field</sup> lights in designated positions of dead space areas along fields of fire. Overall completion is 25%.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	9	10	9	28
Squad	13	6		19
Total	22	16	9	47

- B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company F conducted a search and clear operation in THANH MY TRONG complex (BT 4402). The Company captured a male VC squad leader at 110920H near (BT 441019), he was carrying a document and a female cell leader at 110845H near (BT 443021), she was also carrying a document.

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The company returned to Hill 69 at 111205H. A platoon from Company H, under the OP CON of 7th Marines, was returned to the 4th Marines at 101920H. The Battalion conducted 16 small unit actions: one company search and clear; six squad patrols; six squad ambushes; two fire team listening posts.

- (1) Company E. Company E is presently attached to the 7th Marines and is under the operational control of the 2d Bn, 7th Marines on the MLR.
- (2) Company I. The company moved from Hill 69 at 102200H to conduct their search and clear operation (OP Order 96-65). They set up blocking positions around the village and began the search at 110630H. A female VCS, local cell leader, was apprehended at 110845H near (BT 44300). She had a document in her possession. A male VCS, reportedly a VC squad leader was apprehended at 110920H at (BT 441019), he also had a document in his possession. These were the only contacts the company made and they returned to Hill 69 at 111205H. At 102020H the AN TAN Bridge security platoon was informed that Bendix 77 had observed four flash lights at (BT 475069) and suspected enemy movement at the position. At 102030H the Bridge security platoon reported a light approximately 400 meters NW of their position. No other sightings were reported. At 110700H the checkpoints on each end of the bridge were joined by PPs and National Police from the AN TAN/LY TIN areas. All personnel and vehicles are searched for ID cards, contraband, or other subversive materials.

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- (3) Company G. Company G attached one reinforced rifle platoon to Company F at 101600H to conduct Operation Order 95-65. Company G provided four squad ambushes in the LONG BINH area forward of the MLR to prevent probing and infiltration by the VC forces in this area. They are also providing three patrols during the daylight hours searching for any evidence of VC or recent VC activity between the MLR and the SONG AN TAN River.
- (4) Company H. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve and is located at the Battalion CP (BT 535077). The rifle platoon which was attached to the 2d Bn, 7th Marines returned to 2d Bn, 4th Marines CP at 101920H. One reinforced rifle platoon remains on the MLR at (BT 515056) under C-CON of the CO of the Composite Company.
- (5) H&S Company. The H&S Raiders departed MY PHU (2) at 110200H conducting their portion of Operation Order 95-65. The scout radar team is operating their TPS-21 at coordinates (BT 517063). During daylight hours training is conducted to improve the proficiency of the operators. During the hours of darkness continuous surveillance is conducted for 300 meters forward of the MLR with a left azimuth of 200 degrees and a right azimuth of 130 degrees.
- (6) Composite Company. One platoon from 1st Battalion, one platoon from the 4th Marines Regimental CP and one platoon from Company H compose the company with ~~the~~ <sup>them</sup> CP located at (BT 513061).

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They conducted three squad ambushes forward of the MLR. The daylight patrols are searching the area between the MLR and the SONG AN TAN River for VC or evidence of any recent VC activity.

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team				2	2
Squad		6	7		13
Platoon					
Company	1				1
Total	1	6	7	2	16

<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 443021)	110845H	S&C Opn	Co F - None	Unk - 1 VCS 1 document
QUANG TIN (BT 441019)	110920H	S&C Opn	Co F - None	Unk - VCS 1 document

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- C. Co A, 1st Amtrac Bn. Co A remains attached to the 4th Marines. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Six LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- D. Co B, 3d AF Bn. Co B, remains attached to the 4th Marines, with one platoon in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- E. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Co C remains attached to the 4th Marines. Three tanks are presently deadlined.
- F. Co D, 3d Engr. Bn.

- (1) Continued to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
- (2) Continued building CP bunker on Hill 51 (BT 526113) for 1st Battalion.
- (3) A large portion of the Company's effort has been to keep Route #1 open and the bridges in repair.

Water Distribution:

Potable	23,040 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,040 Gallons

G. Command Post Locations.

- (1) 4th Marines CP (BT 533089)
  - (a) Co B, 3d AF Bn CP (BT 533089)
  - (b) Co C, 3d Tank Bn CP (BT 532088)
  - (c) Co A, 1st Amtrac Bn CP (BT 555052)
  - (d) Co B, 3d Engr Bn CP (BT 566062)
  - (e) 3d Bn, 12th Marines CP (BT 551048)
- (2) 1st Bn, 4th Marines, CP (BT 524091)
  - (a) Co A CP (BT 527111)
  - (b) Co B CP (BT 512125)
  - (c) Co C CP (BT 524090)
  - (d) Co D CP (BT 487104)
- (3) 2d Bn, 4th Marines, CP (BT 535077)
  - (a) Co F CP (BT 468069)
  - (b) Co G CP (BT 517067)
  - (c) Co H CP (BT 535077)

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3. PLANS SUMMARY

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Coordinated USMC/SDC listening posts/checkpoints will be maintained in addition to the constabulary posts in SON HAI (BT 515113) and XUAN TRUNG (BT 520090). Extensive, vigorous, and aggressive ambush and patrol action will continue on KY HA Peninsula (BT 5209), KY HOA (BT 5013), and KY XUAN (BT 4810) Islands. The 2d Platoon, Company B is under OP COM 2d Battalion as part of the Composite Company.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team	6	8	9	23
Squad	15	6		21
Total	21	14	9	43

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines. Company E remains under the operational control of the 7th Marines. Company F will continue to maintain the COMB. Company G will conduct three squad patrols and four squad ambushes in the LONG BINH area (BT 505071). One platoon will conduct a combat patrol in the vicinity of Hill 22 (BT 424091) to seek out and destroy the VC. Company H (-), consisting of two platoons, remains in Regimental Reserve at (BT 535077). One platoon remains attached to the Composite Company on the MLR. The Scout radar team will continue to monitor their ICS/21 at (BT 517063). The Composite Company will conduct three squad patrols and three squad ambushes between the MLR and the SONG AN TAN River.

	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>Ambushes</u>	<u>List Post</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team			2	2
Squad	6	7		13
Platoon	1			1
Total	7	7	2	16

C. Attached Units. All task organized units will remain attached to the 4th Marines.

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D. Patrol Plans Summary

	<u>S&amp;C Ops</u>	<u>Patrols</u>	<u>ambushes</u>	<u>Met Post</u>	<u>Scout Sniper</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fire Team		6	8	11		25
Squad		21	13			34
Platoon		1				1
Company						
Total		28	21	11		60

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONSA. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) At 101400H Mr. KHUONG, Village Chief KY SAMH, gave a lecture to his villagers. Approximately 100 attended to hear Mr. KHUONG tell the people how to recognize VC among the workers. A translation of his remarks is not available.
- (2) The plan to request a leaflet for the purpose of explaining to the civilians that monetary rewards are available are being held until the Regimental Psy/war Officer returns from his temporary assignment. Recommended prices for various types of information were obtained from Captain DERRIS at LY TIN District Headquarters.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Senator JACKSON, of Washington State, visited the 4th Marines CP at 111415H where the Senator was given a briefing by the Regimental Commander and his staff.
- B. Upon debriefing of Company F it was learned that boobytraps and possibly a minefield was located at (BF 441018).

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 219 as of 121600H December 1965

1. 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES

A. OPERATIONS

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team</u>		<u>Squad</u>		<u>Platoon</u>		<u>Company</u>	
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S-S)								
Listening Post (LP)	2	7						
Ambush (AMB)		6		8				
Recon Patrol (REC)								
Security Patrol (SEC)		11		15				
Search & Destroy (S-D)								
Clearing (CLR)								

B. General Summary

(1) Company A. At approximately 112028H the First Platoon, located on the sand ramp (BT 521119), received two incoming grenades and a moderate amount of small arms <sup>and</sup> automatic weapons fire, from the area outside the protective wire, generally at (BT 524121) and (BT 525124). Immediately, a heavy volume of small arms and automatic weapons fire, plus two hand grenades were returned which forced the VC to break contact. One squad from the sand ramp immediately moved into a position to protect the Village Chief's home.

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Upon cessation of the short fire fight an aggressive sweep of the area was conducted by members of Company A, however, nothing was found nor were any VC located. Eleven artillery illumination rounds were fired in support of the engagement. No casualties were inflicted to either side. The Company and Battalion went back to normal alert status at 2300H, having been placed on 100% alert at first report of the action. A second sweep of the entire area was conducted by the ground defense company from MAG-36 at first light; however, nothing unusual was discovered.

- (2) Company B. The Second Platoon is attached to the 2d Battalion and occupies positions on the line as part of the Composite Company.
- (3) Company C. First Platoon is the Battalion Reserve. The company is awaiting further instructions regarding its move to DA NANG.
- (4) Company D. At 120520H a security/combat patrol picked up a male VCS without an ID card near (BT 488103). He was turned over to the village chief for disposition.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

A. OPERATIONS

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team</u>		<u>Squad</u>		<u>Platoon</u>		<u>Company</u>	
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S-S)	1							
Listening Post (LP)	2							
Ambush (AMB)				7				
Recon Patrol (RAC)								
Security Patrol (SEC)								
Search & Destroy (S-D)				6		1		
Clearing (CLR)				2				

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D. General Summary

- (1) The Battalion will conduct 17 small unit actions: one platoon and six squad patrols; seven squad ambushes; two fire team listening posts; one scout sniper team.
- (2) Company A. Company A is attached to the 7th Marines.
- (3) Company F. Company F maintains the COPL.
- (4) Company G. Company G's platoon size patrol near Hill 22, received small arms fire at 121200H from two to four automatic weapons and three carbines. The VC, located at (BT 427097), fired on the patrol at (BT 432094). The patrol returned with small arms fire and artillery. A search of the area revealed nothing. The patrol received heavy automatic weapons fire from (BT 424109). They returned fire and swept through the area at 121325H. One VC was killed at 121320H and another VC possibly wounded near (BT 433109).
- (5) Company H. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve.
- (6) Composite Company. The 81mm section attached to the composite Company fired on seven VC at 112145H near (BT 518055) and (BT 520058) with negative results.
- (7) A sniper team is being employed with the Company G platoon size patrol.

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3. ATTACHMENTS

- A. Co A, 1st Am Trac Bn. One LVTP5 is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle. Four LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is attached to each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Three tanks are presently deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Lnr Bn.
  - (1) Blew a cave for MAG-36.
  - (2) Continued to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (3) Completed five heads for the 2d Battalion, four-four-holers and one-two-holer.
  - (4) Completed strongbacking CP tent for Regimental Chaplin.
  - (5) Continued construction of CP bunker on Hill 51, (BT 526113) for 1st Battalion, 98% completed.
  - (6) Clearing fields of fire and area for future minefield along the beach for 1st Battalion.
  - (7) welding bomb racks for light towers for 1st Battalion, 40% completed.
  - (8) Hauled sand to dismount point for 1st Battalion.

Water Distribution

Potable	23,835 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,835 Gallons

4. PLANS

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
Scout Sniper (S-S)								
Listening Post (LP)	2	7						
Ambush (AMB)		8		9				
Recon Patrol (RCO)								
Security Patrol (SEC)								
Search & Destroy (S-D)		3		17				
Clearing (CLD)				4				

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D. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
Scout Sniper (S-S)	1							
Listening Post (LP)	2							
Ambushes (AMB)				7				
Escort Patrol (ECP)								
Security Patrol (SEC)								
Search & Destroy (S-D)			6		1			
Clearing (CLR)								

5. PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFAREA. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

None

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

- (1) The Psy/War Officer continues to work with the people within the TAOR. Patrols distribute leaflets along their routes.

6. MISCELLANEOUSA. School Attendance

(1) Mine Warfare 90

(2) Vietnamese Language 7

B. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Training

- (1) Conducted on the job training.
- (2) No SID or LAAW training was conducted.

C. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines Training.

Subject	Unit	No. Pers	HOURS
60mm Mortar	Co G	10	3
Tank Infantry	Co H	45	2
Comm Security	All Units	38	2
TPS/21	Scout Radar Team	4	14
81mm Mortar (FOC and gun drill)	81mm Mortar platoon	60	14
LAAW	all Units	20	2
Sniper School	Snipers	4	8

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D. Co C, 3d Tank Bn.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>No. Pers</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
Map reading	Co Headquarters	15	3
First aid	Co Headquarters	15	1
Tank gunnery	2d Platoon	20	1
	3d Platoon	20	1

E. At 121420H LY TIN District headquarters reported a VC Co (Rein) near (BT 399140) and (BT 405131). The VC are waiting to ambush the convoy coming down from the HARVEST MOON Operation. An Army L-19 flew over the area at 121510H but saw nothing unusual. The 7th Marines requested that the ADC provide a unit to set an ambush at (BT 412128). The ADC notified 4th Marines to provide such a unit. The Regimental Reserve company II (-), one platoon of Ontos and one section of Blum Borters were given the order at 121510H to set an ambush at (BT 412128). The ADC provided six trucks to move the unit at 121530H. Company II moved from their CP at 121605H to set the ambush.

<u>F. Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/ Time</u>	<u>Action plus size type</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>	<u>Initiated by</u>
QUANG TIN (BT 433109)	121320H	Plt. patrol fire fight	Co G - None	Unk/1 VC killed 1 VC wounded (possibly)	VC

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 220 as of 130000H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines:

A. Actions:

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team</u>		<u>Squad</u>		<u>Platoon</u>		<u>Company</u>	
	<u>Day/Night</u>		<u>Day/Night</u>		<u>Day/Night</u>		<u>Day/Night</u>	
Scout Sniper (S-S)								
Listening Post (LP)		9						
Ambush (AMB)		11		9				
Reccon Patrol (RSC)								
Securit. Patrol (SEC)		2		4		15		
Search and Destroy (SD)								
Clearing (CLR)						1		

B. General Summary:

- (1) The Battalion conducted 51 small unit actions: two fire team and nineteen squad patrols; eleven fire team and nine squad ambushes; one squad clearing; nine fire team listening posts.
- (2) Company A. At 122210H 3d Platoon, Company A, vicinity (BT 528105) received three bursts of small arms and one fragmentation grenade. One man was slightly wounded in upper right arm. 81mm mortar illumination was fired but nothing unusual was observed.

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- (3) Company G. At 122300H a squad patrol was sent out to sweep the area in front of 3d Platoon, Company A's position (BT 528105). Nothing unusual was observed and the patrol returned by 0030H.
- (4) The coordinated USMC/PF ambush (BT 510105) requested illumination on suspected movement. Three 61mm mortar rounds were fired in support of the mission but nothing unusual was observed.

C. Incident

Province/ Coordinates	Date/ Time	Action Plus size	Friendly Unit Losses	Enemy Unit Losses	Initiated By
QUANG TIN (BT 528105)	122210H	Unk size VC probe plat position	Co A - 1 WIA	None	VC

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

A. Actions:

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team Day/Night</u>	<u>Squad Day/Night</u>	<u>Platoon Day/Night</u>	<u>Company Day/Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S-S)	1			
Listening Post (LP)	2			
Ambush (AMB)		7		
Recon Patrol (REQ)				
Security Patrol (SEC)		6		
Search and Destroy (S-D)			1	
Clearing (CLR)				

B. (General Summary)

(1) The Battalion conducted 17 small unit actions; one platoon and six squad patrols; seven squad ambushes; two fire team listening posts; one scout sniper of fire team size.

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- (2) Company A. Company A is attached to the 7th Marines.
- (3) Company G. At 130800H one reinforced platoon departed on a patrol northwest of Hill 69. Attached was one sniper team one squad of PPs. At 13005H two Marines were wounded as the result of a booby trap (BT 450056). They were evacuated to B-Med.
- (4) Company H, acting as the Regimental Reserve unit, departed the Battalion CP at 121600H and proceeded to coordinates (BT 411129) to secure the bridge for the convoys from Task Force Delta. At 122057H they returned and resumed their position as Regimental Reserve. At 130815H one reinforced platoon from Company H departed the Battalion CP to provide security for a downed helicopter (BT 275385). One 60mm mortar team and FAC were attached. The platoon was in position at 130843H. One small arms round was received at 131015H by the security platoon near (BT 275385). Four armed VC near (BT 280385) were taken under fire at 131100H. Two of the VC were possibly killed and the other two fled with HU-1Es pursuing them. The platoon again received small arms fire at 131300H. Fire was returned with no casualties on either side.
- (5) H&S Company. TFS-21 continued surveillance to the front of the MLR during the hours of darkness. One section of 81mm mortars departed at 121600H with Company H to secure the bridge at (BT 411129). They returned at 122100H with the company.

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C. Incidents

	<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action/Size</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>
1.	QUANG TIN (BT 450056)	131005H	Platoon patrol/ VC booby trap	Co G - 2 WIA	N/A
2.	QUANG TIN (BT 275385)	130843H	Helicopter security/sniper round	Co H - None	Unk - None
3.	QUANG TIN (BT 280385)	131100H	Helicopter Sec platoon/fire fight	Co H - None	Unk - 2 VC MIA (Poss)
4.	QUANG TIN (BT 275385)	131300H	Helicopter sec platoon/ in- coming small arms fire	Co H - None	Unk - None

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3. ASSIGNMENTS:

- A. Co. A, 1st Amphib. Bn. One LVT5 is in direct support of MAG-12 as a crash/rescue vehicle. Two LVT5's assisted ACB 1 bring a tow line from ship to shore. Four LVT5's deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- B. Co. B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co. C, 3d Tank Bn. The second platoon is in direct support of 2d Battalion with three tanks in the Composite Company area and two tanks in Company G's area. The third platoon is in direct support of 1st Battalion, five tanks are at the battalion CP. At night a light section moves to (BT 528-106).
- D. Co. B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Eight men were sent with Company H at 121600H to establish an ambush at (BT 411129), along Route #1.
  - (2) Started construction of a CP bunker in the 4th Marines CP.
  - (3) Completed putting in three sections of culvert at splash point for 1st Battalion.
  - (4) Completed moving one strongback for 3/12 to the airfield.
  - (5) Cleared area near 2d Battalions CP for a new water point.
  - (6) Clearing fields of fire for MAG-36 perimeter.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,630 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,630 Gallons

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PLANS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines:

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>FIRE TEAM</u>		<u>SQUAD</u>		<u>PLATOON</u>		<u>COMPANY</u>	
	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>

Scout Sniper (S-S)

Listening Post (LP) 9

Ambush (AMB) 5 7

Recon Patrol (REC)

Security Patrol (S-C) 1 4 16

Search &amp; Destroy (S-D)

Clearing (CLR)

A. Plans are being made to conduct a company (-) (Rein) operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4315) on 15 December. The operation will last one to two days depending on the situation as it develops.

B. In anticipation of additional VC harassment tonight, there will be an increase in friendly fire team ambushes in front of the CLR. All important east/west trails will be ambushed prior to moonrise. Normal patrol activity from moonrise to dawn.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines:

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>FIRE TEAM</u>		<u>SQUAD</u>		<u>PLATOON</u>		<u>COMPANY</u>	
	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>

Scout Sniper (S-S)

Listening Post (LP) 2

Ambush (AMB) 7

Recon Patrol (REC)

Security Patrol (S-C) 6

Search &amp; Destroy (S-D) 1

Clearing (CLR)

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PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines:

None

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines:

A. 1,000 leaflets, 500 each of 6-65 and 14-65 were turned over to the sub-sector advisor at LY TIN for use by the PF and RF on the fringes of the TAON. More effective distribution of this type of propaganda can be made by the PFs as evidenced by the fact that fourteen VC have surrendered to Mr. GNOTS, PF Company Commander of KY SANH, using these leaflets as safe conduct passes.

B. The VC male and female captured two days ago gave indications that the Psychological Warfare material is having an effect by telling their interrogators that the people have been instructed not to read American propaganda.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. 4th Marines were notified by the ADC at 131400H to prepare Company E, 2/4 to transplace with Company G, 2/7 now on Operation HARVEST MOON. At 131430H Warning Order 1-65 was issued to the 2d Battalion. The company will be reinforced by an FAC and one platoon of Company B, 3d Engr. Bn. Company E will leave for the LSA at 140630H by convey. FLSU #1 will provide the trucks while MAW-36 provides escorts and reconnaissance aircraft.

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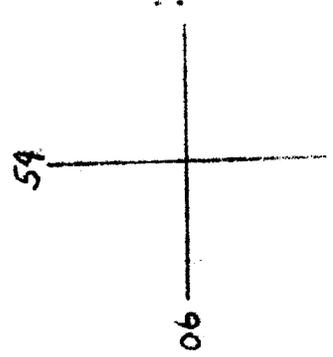
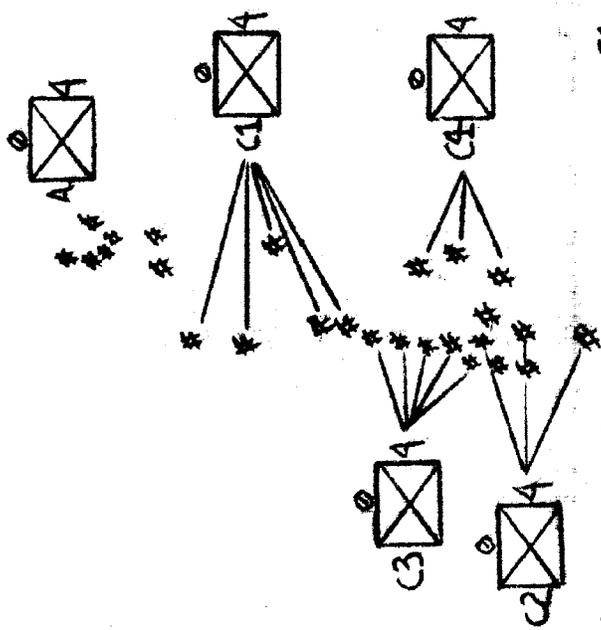
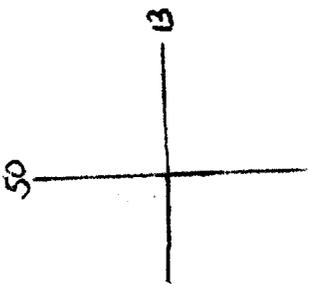
CHANGE IN A CO PATROL PLANS FOR 13 DECEMBER

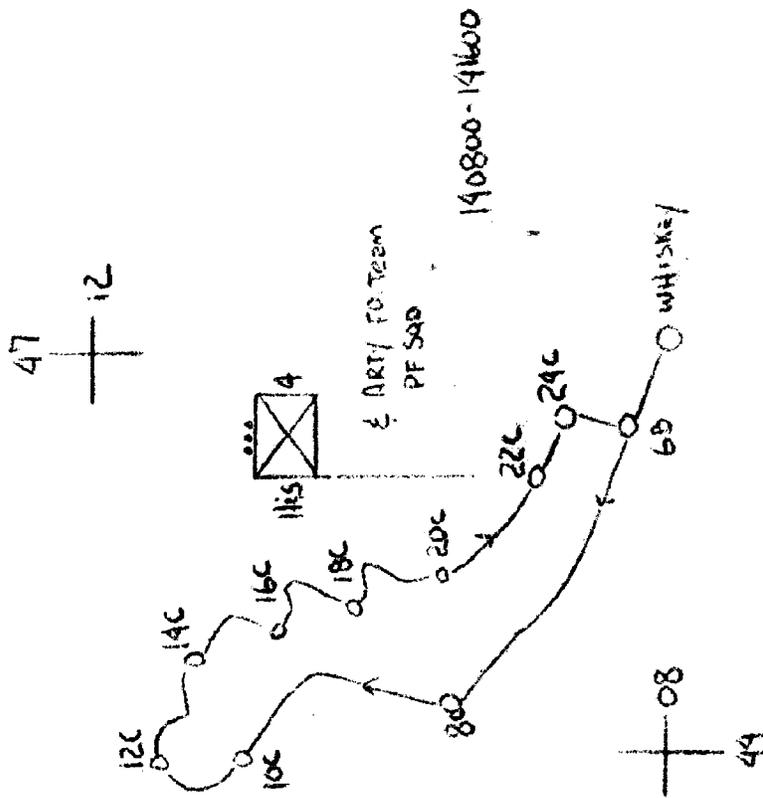
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ORANGE		
BROWN		
BLUE		

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 4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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 14 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 221 as of 141600H December 1965.

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. Boxscores:

<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team Day/Night</u>	<u>Squad Day/Night</u>	<u>Platoon Day/Night</u>	<u>Company Day/Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S-§)				
Listening Post (LP)	1			
Ambush (AMB)	58	6		
Recon Patrol				
Security Patrol (SEC)	1	5		
Search and Destroy (SD)				
Clearing (CLR)		1		

B. General Summary:

(1) Company D. At 131850H D-6 requested emergency medical evacuation for a PF shot through head/neck. Emergency tracheotomy was performed on the scene. Medical evacuation picked up PF at 131900H. After brief stop at B-Med, PF was transported to NHA TRANG. Initial indications suggests sniper. Investigation is underway at present.

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(2) Company C. At 140315H Company C reported firing five or six rounds at one man with a weapon near (BT 518083). The man ran towards the southwest.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

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<u>TYPE ACTION</u>	<u>Fire Team</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Squad</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Platoon</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Company</u> <u>Day/Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S-S)				
Listening Post (LP)	2			
Ambush (AMB)		7		
Recon Patrol (REC)				
Security Patrol (SEC)		6	1	
Search and Destroy (SD)			1	
Clearing (CLR)				

B. General Summary:

- (1) Company B. Company rejoined the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines at 132110H and presently occupy Company G's positions on the MLR (BT 517067).
- (2) Company G. At 140718H Company G (Rein), along with Battery B, 3d Battalion, 12th Marines and one platoon from Company H departed for the LSA (BT 168415). Company G's mission is to provide security for the LSA of Operation "HARVEST MOON". (See Frag Order 97-65).

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- (3) Company H. Company H is the Regimental Reserve. The security platoon for the downed chopper at (BT 275385) returned to the Battalion CP at 131915H. One reinforced platoon departed the Battalion CP at 140515H to provide security to Battery H during the convey movement to TAM KY and while the Battery is at TAM KY.
- (4) The H&S Company Raider patrol was cancelled due to present commitments.

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3. ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Co A, 1st Asltac Bn. Six LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.
- B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr Bn.

- (1) Completed strongbacking four tents for 2d Battalion.
- (2) Strongbacking four tents for 2d Battalion, 70% completed.
- (3) Cut and graded location for velley ball court, generater location, two strongback tents, and a bunker for Btry "B", 2d LAM Bn.
- (4) Hauled sand to 1st Battalion dismount point.
- (5) General road grading on splash point road, 2d Battalion water point turn around and Company B, 3d Engr Bn exit road and compound.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,305 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,305 Gallons

PLANS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

<u>TYPICAL ACTION</u>	<u>FIRE TEAM</u>		<u>SQUAD</u>		<u>PLATOON</u>		<u>COMPANY</u>	
	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>NIGHT</u>
Scout Sniper (S-S)								
Listening Post (LP)	2	1						
Ambush (AMB)		31		6				
Recon Patrol (R&C)								
Security Patrol (SEC)		1		11				
Search and Destroy (S-D)								
Clearing (CLR)								

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2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

<u>Type Action</u>	<u>Fire Team</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Squad</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Platoon</u> <u>Day/Night</u>	<u>Company</u> <u>Day/Night</u>
Scout Sniper (S.S)				
Listening Post (LP)	2			
Ambush (AMB)		7		
Recon Patrol (RSC)				
Security Patrol (SEC)		6		
Search & Destroy (S.D)				
Clearing (CLR)				

A. Plans are being formulated to conduct a company (Main) operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4315) on 16 December. The operations will last one to two days depending on the developing situation.

B. In anticipation of additional VC harassment tonight, there will be an increase in friendly fire team ambushes in front of the FEBA. All important east/west trails will be covered prior to 0100. Normal patrol activity will resume from 0100 until dawn.

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines - None2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

- A. The PAT platoon located in LY TIN District visited KHUONG THU (1) (BT 4507), delivering a propoganda lecture to the village of 400 people through a portable bullhorn. There was good attendance and the material distributed was accepted and read. Copies of HUONG WUE, a Vietnamese farming magazine, were given wide dissemination in the area around Hill 69 (BT 468068).
- B. A small child was found <sup>IN AN TAN</sup> to be suffering from lockjaw. The boy and his father were evacuated to DA NANG at 132230H.

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C. The MedCAP team treated personnel, 21 Vietnamese in KRUONG QUANG (3) and 63 in LOW BINH areas with good results.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Detailed Report for 11 December. A Company B platoon provided security for a downed helicopter at (BT 275385). The platoon received one small arms round at 131015H. Four VC, one with an automatic weapon, (BT 281384) were taken under fire at 131030H and two were killed. The platoon was lifted at 131210 to protect another downed helicopter at (BT 203463). Five VC with weapons were seen running into a house near (BT 199464) at 131330H; intense small arms fire was exchanged at which time three Marines were wounded and three VC were killed. An airstrike was called on the house with excellent effect. At 131415H three VC were seen moving from the vicinity of the house and were immediately taken under fire, resulting in two VC killed at (BT 200463). One VC was killed at 131430H near (BT 198465) while moving Northeast away from the house. Three VC were trying to cross the river near (BT 208465) at 131500H by using the fishing wiers as concealment but two were killed by machine gun fire before they could reach shore. The third VC escaped. Three VC were continually sniping from the tomb stones located at (BT 207460). A heavy volume of fire was directed into the position and one VC was killed while attempting to withdraw. The other two VC escaped into the hamlet at (BT 207459). At 131700H the platoon was again landed to provide security for a helicopter at (BT 015320). The platoon returned to the Battalion CP at 131915H.

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<u>Province/ Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Size/Action</u>	<u>Unit/Friendly Losses</u>	<u>Unit/Enemy Losses</u>	<u>Initiated</u>
1. QUANG TIN (BT 275385)	131015H	Plt Helo Sec 1 sniper rd	Co H/ None	Unk/None	VC
2. QUANG TIN (BT 281384)	131030H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ None	Unk/2 VC KIA	US
3. QUANG TIN (BT 199464)	131330H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ 3 USMC WIA	Unk/3 VC KIA	US
4. QUANG TIN (BT 200463)	131415H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ None	Unk/2 VC KIA	US
5. QUANG TIN (BT 198465)	131430H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ None	Unk/1 VC KIA	US
6. QUANG TIN (BT 208465)	131500H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ None	Unk/2 VC KIA	US
7. QUANG TIN (BT 207460)	131530H	Plt Helo Sec fire fight	Co H/ None	Unk/ 1 VC KIA	US

B. Reference Company D, 1st Battalion's general summary. Investigation revealed no friendly weapons fired. Believe VC sniper responsible for the wound.

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By direction

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4th Marines (M) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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3480  
15 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 222 as of 151600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company D. At 142045H Patrol Grace observed several boats in the boat basin at (BT 480087). Accordingly Patrol Grace set an ambush on the trail at (BT 486087). At 142100H Patrol Lois fired one round of 81mm illumination at suspected movement at (BT 480098); however, nothing was observed. At 142117H Patrol Grace fired one round of 81mm illumination at suspected boat movement in vicinity (BT 480087), again with nothing significant noted. At 142118H Patrol Lois received two rounds S/A fire from vicinity (BT 480089). They illuminated the area once again but observed nothing. The incoming S/A fire occurred when the area was illuminated as requested by Patrol Grace at 142117H.
- (2) At 142245H FLSU #1 requested and received three rounds 81mm illumination due to suspected movement at (BT 540100); however nothing was observed. Again at 150155H illumination was requested when a member of the FLSU #1 defense noted movement forward of their lines. Upon illuminating three (3) figures were seen and challenged. The figures turned out to be a three (3) man Marine patrol.

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- (3) MAGS-7 at 150003H fired hand illumination at suspected movement forward of Hill 51 (BT 528110); however, nothing unusual was observed.

B. Plans:

- (1) The planned operation on HOA XUAN has been postponed until further notice.
- (2) In anticipation of continual VC harassment tonight, there will be an increase in friendly fire team ambushes in front of the MLR. All important east/west trails will be covered prior to 0100H. Normal patrol activity will resume from 0100H until dawn.
2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company G. The Company is presently deployed in the HARVEST MOON area of operation.
- (2) Company H. One platoon and company headquarters constitute the Regimental Reserve. One platoon provides security for II Btry, 3d Bn, 12th Marines in TAN KY. The remaining platoon is part of the Composite Company which occupies positions on the MLR.

B. Plans:

- (1) A platoon from Company E, with one squad of PF's attached, will patrol near Hill 22 (BT 423091).

3. Attachments:

- A. Company A, 1st Airbrg Bn. Two LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. Four LVTP5's are deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Company B, 3d Airbrg Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.

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D. Company B, 3d Engr. Bn.

- (1) One platoon, 35 men, accompanied the Company G convoy to the HARVEST MOON LSA and back.
- (2) A two man demolitions team accompanied Company A, 1st Battalion to blow four caves on KI HA Peninsula.
- (3) Completed strongbacking three tents for Company A, 1st Engr Bn.
- (4) Hauled bunker material from the sand ramp to the engineer compound.
- (5) Utilizing 105 Compressor to dig the foundation for 4th Marine Headquarters bunker.
- (6) Clearing area for perimeter defense for MACS-7.
- (7) Clearing area and building mound for perimeter defense for 1st Battalion.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,640 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	40,640 Gallons

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS.

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines: None

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

A. A young girl was flown to SALCON on 14 December to have a hairlip corrected by surgery. She will return on the 16th of December and be presented to the local villagers.

B. The MedCAP team treated 60 Vietnamese in AM IAN (BT 499067).

MISCELLANEOUS

1. The wire barrier for the MAC-36/FLSU vital areas continues with noticeable progress daily. At the present time the quintuple concertina fence is 60%

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finished. Communications have been established from the Defense Command Bunker to all units except Battery B, 2d LAM Bn and the LVT GP location at the splash point (BT 522121). Defense positions are 80% completed. Lighting emplacement stands at 5%. Total project completed is 60%.

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BOX SCORE DTC 141800H TO 151800H 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		31		6				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	8	1	5	12				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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BOX SCORE DTG 151800H TO 161800H 1965

BN \_\_\_\_\_ REGT \_\_\_\_\_

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		30		6		1 (PF)		
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	6	7	10*				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

\* Includes Waterborne Patrol

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BOX SCORE DTG 14/1800H TO 15/1800H 1955

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT							

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

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LISTENING POST (LP)

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AMBUSH (AMB)

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RECON PATROL (REC)

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BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

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SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

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BOX SCORE DTG 151800H TO 161800H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2							
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REG)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)				6				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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HEADQUARTERS  
4th Marines (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMP  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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3480  
16 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 223 as of 161600H December 1965

OPERATIONS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines:A. General Summary:

- (1) Company A. At 152130H ambush "BROWN" reported an explosive projectile hit and exploded fifty (50) meters west of their position (BT 526103). No further action evolved and no casualties were sustained. The origin of the explosive device is unknown. The second squad from Company A embarked upon three (3) boats from Junk Fleet #15, to escort five (5) Vietnamese junks scheduled to deliver 2,000 bags of cement to the KY CHAH Village Market Place. The cement, USOM supplied, will be further transferred to IAF KY Province Headquarters.
- (2) Company B. At 152125H Company C heard one shot near SOC #6 (BT 523083) in vicinity of where small arms fire was heard earlier. Regiment reported that the rounds were fired from the air field defense positions against snipers.
- (3) FLSU #1. At 152108H FLSU #1 requested and received three (3) rounds of illumination coordinates (BT 533103) for suspected movement, however, nothing was observed during the illumination.

B. Plans:

- (1) The planned operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4315) is tentatively scheduled

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for 18 December, Company C will participate.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines:

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company E. The platoon size patrol near Hill 22 received small arms fire from (BI 433089) at 161025H. The patrol, located at (BI 440086), returned a large volume of fire and aggressively swept the area but was not able to regain contact with the VC.
- (2) Company G. The company is presently deployed in the HARVEST MOON area of operation.
- (3) Company H. Company H (-) is the Regimental Reserve. One platoon provides security for H Btry, 3d Battalion, 12th Marines in FAN KY. The remaining platoon is part of the Composite Company which occupies positions on the NAR.
- (4) H&S Co. A coordinated Battalion Raider and PF patrol was conducted in the KI SANH/KI PHU area to investigate reports of a demonstration at 151950H.

B. Plans:

- (1) The Composite Company will send a platoon accompanied by PF's, on a patrol near Hill 69.

3. Attachments:

- A. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Two LVT's are deadlined for the lack of repair parts. Four LVT's are deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon remains in direct support of each infantry battali n.
- C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.

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D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.

- (1) A three man demolition team accompanied Company A, 1st Battalion and destroyed five caves.
- (2) Completed strongbacking three tents for Amtracs.
- (3) Completed strongbacking four tents for the 2d Battalion.
- (4) Continued digging foundation for the command bunker of the 4th Marines.
- (5) Cle red and prepared positions for 81mm mortars.
- (6) Hauled sand to Co B, 3d Engr Bn. water point.
- (7) Hauled crushed rock from Sea Bee's crusher to the sand ramp.
- (8) Digging bunker emplacement for MACS-7, 73% completed.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,360 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,360 Gallons

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines: None
2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines: Two Vietnamese children were wounded at 151535H with a Marine .45 caliber pistol near Hill 69. A five year old boy took the pistol out of a holster when the Marine guard turned his head. The boy fired the pistol, wounding himself and also a small girl. They were evacuated to B-Med with a good prognosis. The incident is now under investigation.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Two Marine KIA's at 161415H near (BT 476143) as the result of U.S. aircraft. No details are known at this time. An investigation to be conducted.

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NIGHT PATROLS FOR 18 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSHES</u>
A	SQD (-)	A-1	190300H	190630H	0400-0600
A	FT	A-2	181930H	182200H	0400-0600
A	FT	A-3	190100H	190300H	0400-0600
A	FT	A-4	182130H	190030H	0400-0600
A	SQD (-)	A-5	190400H	190630H	0430-0615
B	SQD	B-1	182400H	190500H	
B	SQD	B-1A	182000H	190400H	
B	SQD	B-3	182030H	190030H	
C	SQD	RASCAL	181945H	182245H	
C	SQD	RIDER	190315H	190615H	
C	SQD	REBEL	182330H	190215H	
C	FT	RAVEN	182100H	182315H	AMBUSH
C	FT	ROBIN	190015H	190300H	AMBUSH
C	FT	WREN	182130H	182345H	AMBUSH
C	FT	SPARROW	190045H	190330H	AMBUSH
C	FT	EAGLE	182115H	182330H	AMBUSH
C	FT	CROW	190030H	190315H	AMBUSH
C	FT	BLUEJAY	190100H	190400H	AMBUSH
C	FT	WOODPECKER	182200H	190015H	AMBUSH
D	SQD	DORIS	181900H	182200H	SEC/AMB
D	SQD	FRAN	181930H	182230H	SEC/AMB
D	SQD	JUDY	190100H	190500H	SEC/AMB
D	SQD	CAROL	192000H	190100H	SEC/AMB
D	SQD	ANN	182015H	190030H	SEC/AMB

DAY PATROLS FOR 18 DECEMBER 1965

A	FT	RED 1	180800H	181130H
A	SQD (-)	A-3	180830H	181100H
B	FT	B-3A	180900H	181100H
C	FT	SCOTCH 1	180930H	181100H
C	FT	SCOTCH 2	181330H	181530H
C	FT	WHISKEY 1	180745H	181115H
C	FT	WHISKEY 2	181230H	181600H
D	SQD	SIERRA	181000H	181200H
D	SQD	TANGO	181500H	181700H
D	SQD	HOTEL	180900H	181100H
D	SQD	WHISKEY	181200H	181930H
E	SQD	E-1	181200H	181430H
E	SQD	E-2	181300H	181530H
E	SQD	E-3	181400H	181630H
T	SQD	T-1	180800H	181030H
T	SQD	T-2	180900H	181130H
T	SQD	T-3	181000H	181230H

S, B, A, Z, Y, X, W  
SQD

171900H 180630H NIGHT AMB

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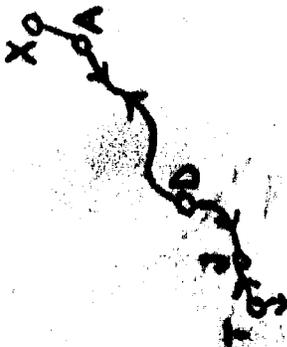


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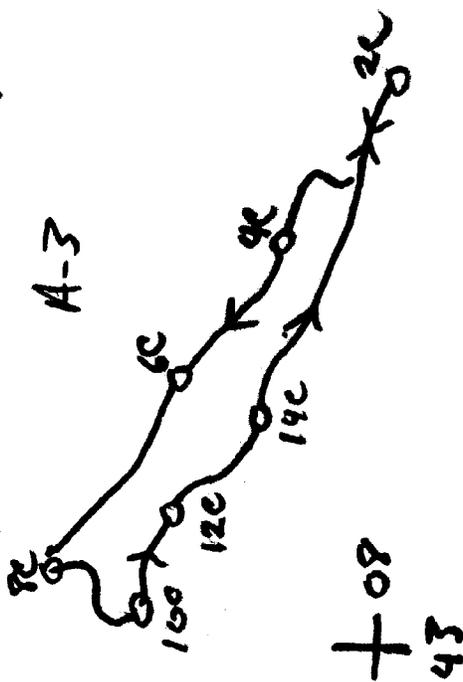
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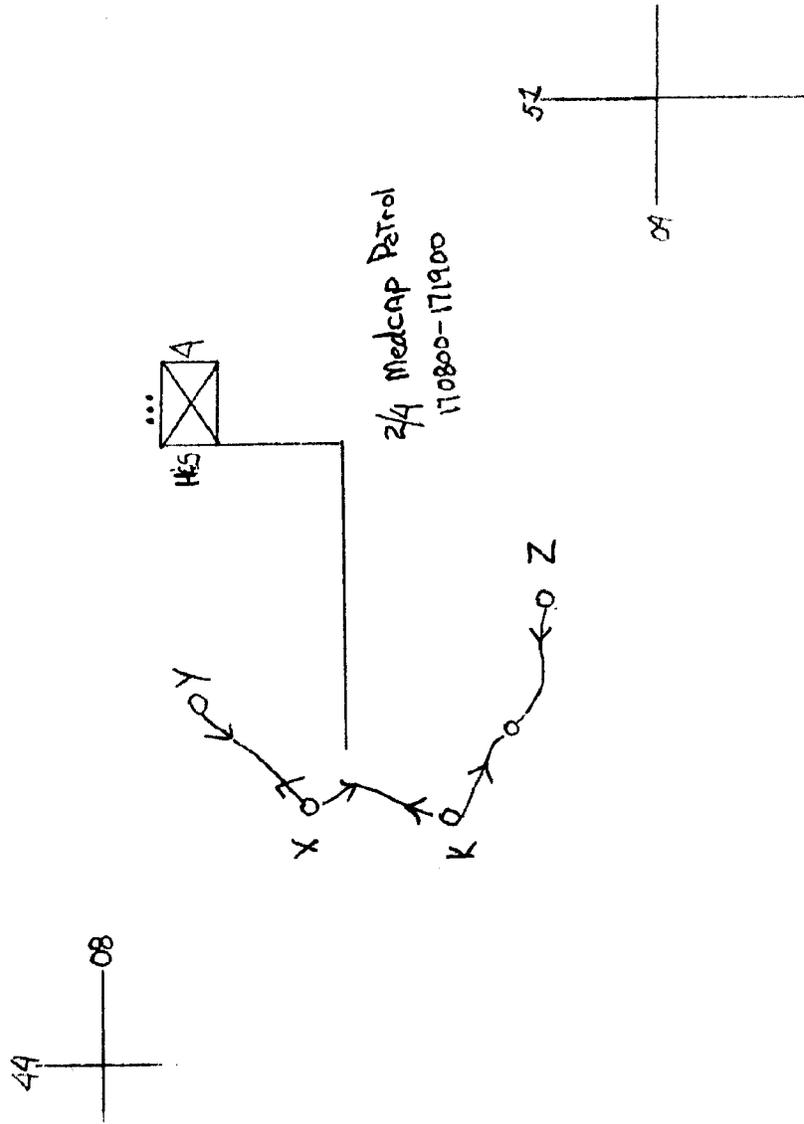


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OPERATIONS PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 151800H TO 161600H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		30		7 +				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	6	7	10 *				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

+ Includes PF Ambush  
 \* Includes WATERBORNE PATROL



OPERATIONS PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 161800H TO 171800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		9		2	+			
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	12	8	14	*			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

+ Includes PF Ambush

\* Includes WATER BORNE PATROL

OPERATIONS PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 151800H TO 161800H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		QUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT							
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2							
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		



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BOX SCORE DTG 161800H TO 171800H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2							
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)				6				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

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TO BATTALION, 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 223 AS OF 161200H

1. 2dBn, 4th Marines Operations.

A. Company E conducted one reinforced platoon size patrol in vic of Hill 22. Attached was one squad of PF's. They departed at 150830H by truck.

B. Company G remained deployed in the Harvest Moon operations area.

C. Co H (w) remained as Regimental Reserve Company. One reinforced platoon is attached to H Btry, 3dBn 12th Marines for security at TamKy. One reinforced platoon is attached to the Composite Company for duty on the MLR.

D. H&S Co(-) patrolled the KySanh/KyPhu area to investigate reports of a demonstration at 151950H. They departed at 160845H. They coordinated with PF's in the area.

2. Plans Summary

A. H&S Co(-) will run a Med Cap operation vic KyPhu (1).

B. Composite Company will send their Hotel Company platoon on a reinforced platoon patrol vic SW of Hill 69. A sqd of PF's will be attached.

3. Psy/War

A. Two Vietnamese children were wounded by their own hand at 151535H with a Marine Corps .45 cal pistol. They were evacuated to B-Med with a good prognosis. Incident is now under investigation.

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1. Operations Summary As of (161200H)

BOX SCORE DTG 1001Z TO 1000Z 1967

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2							
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	CLEARING (CLR)	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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2. [unclear] (1618000)

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BN \_\_\_\_\_ REGT \_\_\_\_\_

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)								
AMBUSH (AMB)								
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)								
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 224 as of 17 December 1965

OPERATIONS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.A. General Summary:

- (1) Company C. Company C was alerted at 162200H to stand by for deployment by Division. Company C was taken off its alert status at 17-0920H.
- (2) Company D. At 161945H Company D fired 31mm illumination at suspected VC movement close to their front lines. One M679 grenade was fired into the area (BT 484104). A patrol was sent out to check area; however, no bodies were found. At 171100H two (2) squads from Company D embarked on LVT5's to conduct a search and clear operation on the island at (BT 4712).
- (3) FLSU. At 170335H FLSU #1 requested illumination at (BT 533105). Observed a crouching figure holding what appeared to be a hand flare. Three small arms rounds were fired with unknown results.

B. Plans:

- (1) Company C will conduct a search and destroy operation on HOA XUAN Island (BT 4216) on 18 December 1965.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.A. General Summary:

- (1) Company E. One platoon of Company E assumed the Regimental Reserve

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at 170900H.

- (2) Company G. Remains deployed in the HARVEST MOON area of operation.
- (3) Company H. One platoon of Company H remains deployed at the KY to provide security for Btry H, 3d Bn, 12th Marines. One platoon is attached to the Composite Company maintaining a portion of the MLR. At 170730H Company H (-) departed the Battalion CP to escort a convoy from Chu Lai to the HARVEST MOON LSA. The convoy was directed at 170835H by the LSA to stop at (BT 251302) and pick up elements of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines and deliver them to Da Nang.
- (4) H&S Co. At 161600H the H&S Company Raiders commence a two day patrol in which they will coordinate with the KY S&M Company of TF's. The operation will center around the KY PHU villages (BT 4704).
- (5) Composite Company. At 170230H a squad ambush at (BT 51570) sighted four to five VC 150 meters North of their position across the sand dunes. The VC were taken under fire by the ambush. The VC dropped to the ground and returned fire before escaping into Long Binh Hamlet (BT 505071). No casualties were reported.

2. Plans:

- (1) Company G. The company is expected to return from the HARVEST MOON area of operation.
- (2) Company H. Company H (-) is expected to return from the HARVEST MOON LSA.

3. Attachments:

- A. Company A, 1st AirTrac Bn. Two LVTP5's are deadlined for the lack of repair parts. Four LVTP5's are deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Company B, 3d AI Bn. One platoon remains in direct support of each infantry battalion.

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C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.

D. Co B, 3d Amph. Bn.

- (1) A three man demolition team accompanied Co A, 1st Battalion and destroyed five caves.
- (2) Completed strongbacking one tent for 1st Battalion.
- (3) Hauling bunker material from the sand ramp to Co B, 3d Amph. Bn compound.
- (4) Continued digging foundation for the command bunker of the 4th Marines.
- (5) Moved one strongback for 81mm mortar section.
- (6) Completed digging bunker emplacement for MGS-7.
- (7) Leveling strongback site for A Btry, 2d Light Bn, 50% completed.
- (8) Hauling sand to dismount point of 1st Battalion, 80% completed.

#### Water Distribution

Potable	21,480 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	39,480 Gallons

#### PROPAGANDA OPERATIONS

##### 1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

- A. During the company size combat patrol on 18 December two leaflets, 500 copies of each, will be distributed. One describes the lonely life of a VC Soldier and shows a picture of a VC killed in action against Marines. The other leaflet tells the people that the GVN lets them keep their rice while the VC take rice from them, leaving their families without food.

##### 2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

- A. Mr. Gueiro, the KY SAKO PF Commander is operating in conjunction with the Raider platoon. Leaflets will be disseminated along the patrol route.

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Mr. GOTO is the most effective source in the area for the distribution of leaflets 6-65 and 14-65.

B. English classes will continue in AN TAN from 171200H to 171400H. Starting 201200H the Battalion Chaplain will take over this program leaving the Psychological Warfare officer free for other activity.

C. MedCAP treated 156 Vietnamese. Arrangements are being made to try and send a small boy for dental surgery. It is hoped that the surgery will correct a badly abscessed tooth and other complicating factors.

MISCELLANEOUS None

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By direction

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BOX SCORE DTG 161800H TO 171600H December 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT		DAY/NIGHT		DAY/NIGHT		DAY/NIGHT	
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		16		7+				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	9	7	14*				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1 (-)			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY		NIGHT	
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

+ Includes PF Ambushes

\* Includes Waterborne Patrol

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BOX SCORE DTG 171800H TO 181800H December 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		10		7+				
RECON PATROL (RPC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	15	8	14*		1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)							1	
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

+ Includes PF Ambush

\* Includes Waterberne Patrol

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BOX SCORE DTG 161800H TO 171600H December 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT							
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				10				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/  
COORDINATES

DATE/  
TIME

ACTION  
SIZE TYPE+

FRD UNIT/  
LOSSES

ERM UNIT/  
LOSSES

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BY

Quang Tin  
(BT 515070)

170230H

Sqd Amb

Composite Co.  
none

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none

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+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
\* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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BOX SCORE DTG 171800H TO 181800H December 1965

BN 2 REPT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
OUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				10				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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## NIGHT PATROLS FOR 19 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSHES</u>
A	SQD (-)	A-1	191930H	192230H	2000-2200
A	FT	A-2	192300H	200130H	
A	SQD	A-3	200100H	200330H	
A	FT	A-4	200300H	200630H	0330-0600
A	SQD (-)	A-5	191900H	192400H	2000-2300
B	SQD	B-1	192400H	200400H	
B	FT	B-3	192100H	200100H	
B	SQD	B-3A	192100H	200400H	
C	SQD	W. SCAL	192300H	200200H	
C	SQD	HUBBL	200300H	200600H	
C	FT	RAVEN	190200H	200430H	AMB
C	FT	ROBIN	192000H	192230H	AMB
C	FT	WRNEN	192400H	200230H	AMB
C	FT	SPARRON	190300H	200500H	AMB
C	FT	EAGLE	192030H	192300H	AMB
C	FT	CROW	192400H	200230H	AMB
C	FT	BLUEJAY	192100H	192400H	AMB
C	FT	WOODPECKER	200200H	200430H	AMB
D	SQD	MARY	192000H	192300H	2100-2230
D	SQD	MARYLAND	200300H	200630H	0400-0530
D	SQD	VIRGIE	192100H	200100H	2200-2330
D	SQD	VIRGINIA	200100H	200500H	0200-0330
D	SQD	GEORGIE	191930H	192330H	2130-2300
D	SQD	GEORGIA	192400H	200400H	0100-0230

## DAY PATROLS FOR 19 DECEMBER 1965

A	FT	BLUE 1	190800H	191100H
A	FT	BLUE 2	192100H	200100H
A	FT	BLUE 3	200100H	200500H
A	FT	A-3	190830H	191100H
B	SQD	B-1X	190900H	191100H
B	SQD	B-1X	191400H	191600H
C	FT	RALEIGH	190900H	191100H
C	FT	RALEIGH	191500H	191600H
C	FT	BOURBON 1	190700H	191230H
C	FT	BOURBON 2	191230H	191800H
C	FT	SCOTCH 1	190830H	191100H
C	FT	SCOTCH 2	191330H	191530H
C	FT	RUM 1	190800H	191130H
C	FT	RUM 2	191230H	191600H
D	SQD	SIERRA	191000H	191200H
D	SQD	TANGO	190830H	191100H
D	SQD	WHISKEY	191100H	191400H
D	SQD	HOTEL	191200H	191430H

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
T	SQD	T-1	191200H	191430H	
T	SQD	T-2	191300H	191530H	
T	SQD	T-3	191400H	191630H	
E	SQD	E-1	190800H	191030H	
E	SQD	E-2	190900H	191130H	
E	SQD	E-3	191000H	191230H	

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By direction

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4TH BATTALION (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS FOR 2008065.

UNIT	Stab	NAME	TOO	FOR	LA. TOVET/AMBUSH
A	S&D(-)	A-1	202000H	202400H	2100-2300
A	FT	A-2	202330H	210200H	
A	FT	A-3	210215H	210400H	
A	FT	A-4	201930H	202300H	2000-2300
A	FT	A-5	210415H	210530H	
A	S&D(-)	A-6	210300H	210630H	0345-0600
B	S&D	B-1	202000H	202300H	
B	S&D	B-3	202200H	210200H	
B	S&D	B-3A	202100H	210400H	
L	S&D	ROSCAL	210245H	210545H	
C	S&D	ROBBI	202045H	202345H	
C	S&D	RAIDER	202400H	210200H	
C	FT	RAVEN	202115H	202400H	AMB
C	FT	ROBIN	210100H	210400H	AMB
C	FT	WANN	202100H	202400H	AMB
C	FT	FANTOM	210015H	210230H	AMB
C	FT	B-Guns	202130H	202345H	AMB
C	FT	CROW	210130H	210430H	AMB
D	S&D	JANE	202200H	210100H	2300-0030
D	S&D	JULIET	202000H	202400H	2100-2230
D	S&D	ROSEMARY	202000H	202400H	2100-2230
D	S&D	JAKE	210300H	210600H	0400-0530
D	S&D	JOHN	210300H	210630H	0400-0530
A	S&D(-)	A-3	200830H	201100H	
A	FT	IBLLOW	200730H	201030H	
A	S&D	B-1	200700H	201000H	
B	S&D	B-1A	201200H	201500H	
A	FT	B-3	201400H	201600H	
B	FT	B-3A	200800H	201600H	0830-1530
C	FT	R-1001	200830H	201000H	
C	FT	REMO-2	201430H	201600H	
C	FT	BOURBON-1	200700H	201230H	
C	FT	BOURBON-2	201230H	201800H	
C	FT	RUM-1	200800H	201130H	
C	FT	UM-2	201230H	201600H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	200830H	201100H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	201330H	201530H	
D	S&D	SIERRA	201330H	201600H	
D	S&D	HOTEL	201000H	201200H	
D	S&D	WILKEY	201100H	201330H	
D	S&D	TANGO	200830H	201100H	
I	S&D	1E	200800H	201030H	
	S&D	2E	200900H	201130H	
	S&D	3E	201000H	201230H	
	S&D	1T	201200H	201430H	
	S&D	2T	201300H	201530H	
	S&D	3T	201400H	201630H	
A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z	S&D		191900H	200630H	

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

4th Marines SIRMAR-225 as of 181600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

a. General Summary:

(1) Company C. The planned operation on NOK XUAN (BT 4315) Island went as scheduled with the company landing at 18000H. ~~As of this report no enemy contact has occurred.~~ The company continues aggressive sweeping of the NOK XUAN (1) Village complex (grid line 16). <sup>①</sup> At 181600H support artillery, located at coordinates (BT 42092) received two rounds sniper fire from (BT 42094). <sup>②</sup> Eleven VCS were captured at 181045H near (BT 425159). They will be turned into the CAS LBJ Collection Point.

(2) <sup>③</sup> Company D. At 1850H Company D reported two H-34 helicopters were firing machine guns over the northern part of NOK XUAN Island. This report was verified by Company B at 171903H. Company D consequently reported that an eleven year old boy had been hit in the arm as a result of the helicopter firing. The boy was treated at Company B's aid station and released. The firing took place at (BT 483113). 1800-35 was contacted concerning the incident, and they reported that the H-34's returning from the "HARVEST MOON" area, received ground fire from coordinates (BT 432159) while flying at 1200 feet. Ground fire

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was again received from (BT 502159) and (BT 492105). Only the last set of coordinates were taken under fire by the helicopters. Company B was notified regarding the origin of fire from (BT 502125), however, the Company Commander reported hearing no small arms fire. The Company Commander of Company B reported hearing approximately four rounds of what sounded like ground S/A's fire a short time after the A-34 had fired on the island. No further information regarding the incident was available. Both companies checked the area in which the reported ground fire originated, however, nothing significant was uncovered. (4) At 180430H an A-48 trip flare was set off outside the perimeter (BT 487105). Nothing was observed while the flare was burning. A sweep of the area revealed nothing significant.

(5) (3) Also #1. At 180310H and again at 180340H movement was detected at (BT 531102). Small arms fire (7-8 rounds) was directed at the suspected movement. At 180340H one round of 81mm illumination was fired. Surveillance indicated no activity in the area.

#### B. Plans:

(1) At 181500H a platoon of Company B will harbor at (BT 472146). At 182000H they will patrol to (BT 450160) and harbor until 190800H when they will sweep back to the patrol base. The mission will be to observe any results of Company C sweep of MOA island and keep the island under observation after the Company leaves.

#### 2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

##### A. General Summary:

- (1) Company L. One platoon remains in Regimental Reserve.
- (2) Company G. The company returned from the HARVEST MOON area of operation at 181305H.

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- (3) Company H. The platoon that was guarding H Btry, 3d Bn, 18th Marines returned to this location at 181305Z.
- (4) H&S Co. The Raider platoon patrolled with PPs in the KY PHO/KY SAH area. At 180700h five VC hand grenades were found at (BT 443053). Two of the grenades were pineapple type and three were tomato can type. The grenades were disarmed and turned over to EOD.
- (5) Composite Company. Platoons of this company will return to their parent units on 18 December.

### 3. Attachments.

- A. Co A, 1st Airbrn Bn. Two LVK5's are deadlined for the lack of repair parts. Four LVK5's are deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Continued to operate 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Continued digging CP bunker site at 4th Marines CP.
  - (3) Cutting and grading area for future location of Butler Building for FMO.
  - (4) Completed leveling strongback site for Btry A, 2d LAM Bn.
  - (5) Leveling area for Class V (A) dump, 10% completed.
  - (6) Completed digging bunker site for 2d Battalion.

#### Water Distribution

Potable	23,135 Gallons
AWW	18,000 Gallons
Total	41,135 Gallons

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B. Command Post Locations.

- (1) 4th Marines
  - (a) Co B, 3d AF Bn. CP (BT 53089)
  - (b) Co C, 3d Tank Bn. CP (BT 51089)
  - (c) Co A, 1st Amph Bn. CP (BT 53088)
  - (d) Co B, 3d Ingr Bn. CP (BT 53052)
  - (e) 3d Bn, 12th Marines CP (BT 53062)
  - CP (BT 53048)

*Same*

- (2) 1st Bn, 4th Marines
  - (a) Co A CP (BT 52091)
  - (b) Co B CP (BT 52011)
  - (c) Co C CP (BT 51025)
  - (d) Co D CP (BT 52090)
  - CP (BT 46004)

*overhead*  
*underneath*

- (3) 2d Bn, 4th Marines
  - \* (a) Co E CP (BT 53077)
  - (b) Co F CP (BT 51067)
  - (c) Co H CP (BT 46069)
  - \* (d) Composite Co CP (BT 53077)
  - CP (BT 51056)

*G*  
*H*  
*F*  
*E*

\* Company E will move to (BT 517067) on 18 December and Company G will occupy (BT 517067). The Composite Company will return to their parent units.

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines: None

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines:

- (1) The Psychological Warfare Officer handed out 500 15-65 leaflets for the Companies to distribute on patrols.

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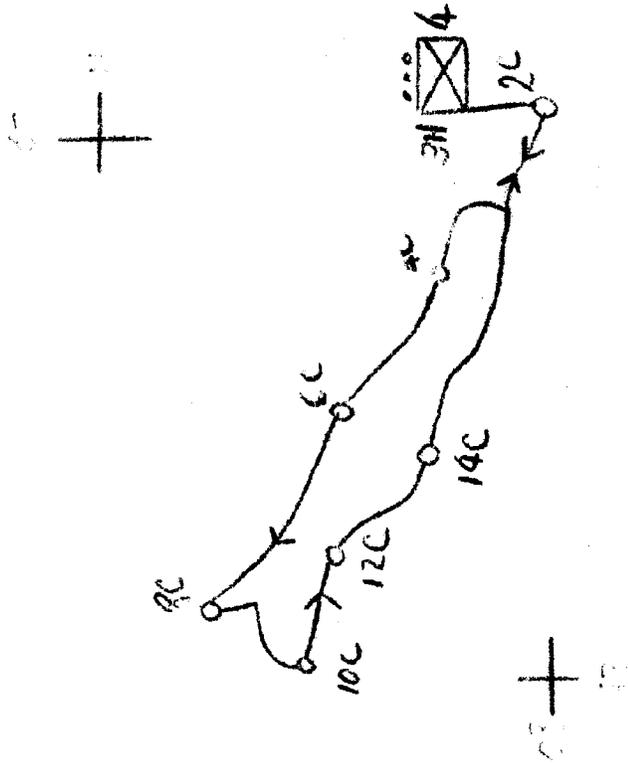
A. Company C received one round of small arms fire at 181200h from (BT 429146). The area was searched but nothing was found.

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190800H  
191500H



Change in Company 6 Daylight patrols for 18 Dec 1965.

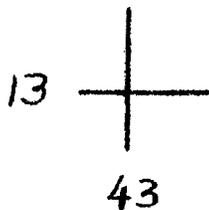
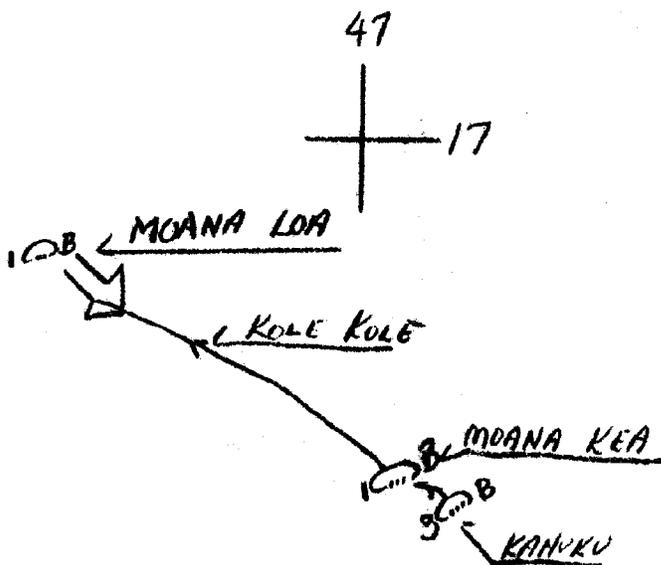
This supersedes C-1, C-2 for 18 Dec. Reason: Company C (-) will be on operation.

C	S-1	YELLOWWIND	180600H	181100H	525089
C	S-2	BULLS-EYE	181330H	181600H	525089

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181530-182000 Moana Kea  
 190200-190600 Moana Loa

Note-Sweep will begin at 190800  
 Back towards Moana Kea

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BOX SCORE DTG 171800H TO 181800H Dec 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		10		7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	15	8	4				1
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)							1	
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
Quang Tin (BT 433093)	181000H	2nd Sniper Fire	N Btry 3/12 in support Co. C. Open	Unk 0	VC Sniper
Quang Tin (BT 425159)	181045H	Co CLR	Co C NONE	Unk 11 VCS	U.S.
Quang Tin (BT 492105)	171850H	Fc. Helo fire wounded VN Boy	MAG 36 NONE	N/A	U.S.
Quang Tin (BT 487105)	180430H	PATROL BASE TRIP FLARE	Co D NONE	Unk 0	Unk
Quang Tin (BT 531102)	180340H	Movement detected	FLSU NONE	Unk 0	V.C.

+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

REMARKS

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BOX SCORE DTG 181800H TO 191800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		8		8				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	3	5	14				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

*A. Operations Summary*

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BOX SCORE DTG 17/0004 TO 18/0004 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIVE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				10				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					/			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		



*B. Plans Summary* OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 17/2004 TO 18/2004 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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1ST BN, 4TH MARINES SITREP #226 AS OF 181200H DECEMBER 1965

1. Unit Actions With and Without Contact.

- a. Company A. At 2040H an explosion was heard north of the Sand Ramp (BT 501119) on KY HA Peninsula. The patrol reported that the explosion was similar to that of a grenade. The patrol was diverted and checked the area of the explosion with no evidence of the explosion found.
- b. Company C. The planned operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4315) Island went as planned with the company landing at 0800. As of this report no enemy contact had occurred. The company continues aggressive sweeping of the HOA XUAN (1) Village complex (grid line 16). At 1000H support artillery located at coordinates (BT 442092) had received two rounds sniper fire (BT 443094). No casualties were sustained and no further activity has occurred.
- c. Company D. At 1850H Company D reported two H-34 helicopters were firing machine guns over the northern part of KY XUAN Island. This report was verified by Company B at 1903H. Company D consequently reported that an eleven year old boy had been hit in the arm as a result of the helo fire. The boy was treated at Company D's aid station and released. The firing took place at (BT 483118). MAG-36 was contacted concerning the incident, and they reported that two H-34's returning from the "Harvest Moon" area, received ground fire from coordinates (BT 432159) while flying at 1200 feet. Ground fire was again received from (BT 502159) and (BT 492105). Only the last set of coordinates were taken under fire by the helicopters. Company B was notified regarding the origin of fire from (BT 502125), however, the Company Commander reported hearing no small arms fire. The Company Commander of Company D reported hearing approximately four rounds of what sounded like ground S/A's fire a short time after the H-34 had fired on the Island. No further information regarding the incident was available. Both companies checked the area in which the reported ground fire originated, however nothing significant was uncovered.

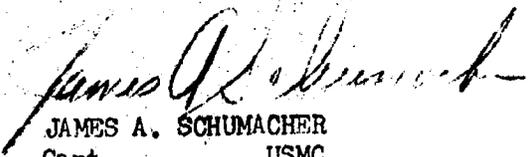
At 0430H an M-48 trip flare was set off outside the perimeter (BT 487105). Nothing was observed while the flare was burning. A sweep of the area revealed nothing significant.

- d. MAG-36. At 2020H two hand illumination grenades were fired to illuminate suspected enemy movement at (BT 528117). No significant observation was reported.
- e. USMC/PF Ambush. At 2130H two rounds of 81mm illumination were fired at (BT 507086) to observe suspected boat movement. No activity, however, was observed.
- f. FLSU #1. At 0310H and again at 0340H movement was detected at (BT 531102). Small arms fire (7-8 rounds) was directed at the suspected movement. At 0340H 81mm illumination (one round) was fired. Surveillance indicated no significant activity in the area.

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- a. Normal patrolling and establishment of ambushes forward of FERRA on KY HA Peninsula and from Company Patrol Bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands.
- b. At 181500H a platoon of Company B will harbor vicinity (BT 472146). At 182000H they will patrol to vicinity of (BT 450160), harboring from approximately 190200H until 190800H, at 190800H the patrol will sweep southeast to its patrol base "Kahuku" (BT 476144). The mission of the patrol is to observe events which might occur as a result of the company sweep of HOA XUAN Island, and resultant activity by the Viet Cong after the vacation of the company upon conclusion of the sweep.

3. Psychological Operations. Same.4. Miscellaneous. None.

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BOX SCORE DTG ~~171000H~~ TO ~~181000H~~ ~~END~~ 1965  
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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		10		7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	15	8	4	*		1	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)							1	
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- INDICATES PP AMBUSH
- \* INDICATES WATERBORNE PATROL



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BOX SCORE DTG ~~181200N~~ TO ~~191200N~~ ~~DEC.~~ 196  
 BN ~~4~~ REGT ~~4~~

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT				COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT		
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)					
LISTENING POST (LP)		3			
AMBUSH (AMB)		8	8	+	
RECON PATROL (REC)					
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	3	5	14 *	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					
CLEARING (CLR)					

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- + INDICATES IF AMBUSH
- \* INDICATES WATERBORNE PATROL



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NIGHT PATROLS FOR 20 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD/POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	SQD(-)	A-1	202000H	202400H	527110	
A	FT	A-2	202330H	210200H	527110	2100-2300
A	FT	A-3	210215H	210400H	527110	
A	FT	A-4	201930H	202300H	527100	2000-2230
A	FT	A-5	210415H	210530H	527110	
A	SQD(-)	A-6	210300H	210630H	527110	0345-0600
B	SQD	B-1	202000H	202300H	476144	
B	SQD	B-3	202200H	210200H	510129	
B	SQD	B-3A	202100H	210400H	510129	
C	SQD	RASCAL	210245H	210545H	525089	
C	SQD	SPRUEL	202045H	202345H	525089	
C	SQD	LAIDER	202400H	210200H	525089	
C	FT	RAVEN	202115H	202400H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	ROBIN	210100H	210400H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	WREN	202100H	202400H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	SPARROW	210015H	210230H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	EAGLE	202130H	202345H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	CROW	210130H	210430H	525089	AMBUSH
D	SQD	JANE	202200H	210100H	487104	2300-0030
D	SQD	JULIET	202000H	202400H	487104	2100-2230
D	SQD	ROSEBERRY	202000H	202400H	487104	2100-2230
D	SQD	JAKE	210300H	210600H	487104	0400-0530
D	SQD	JOHN	210300H	210630H	487104	0400-0530

COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. 3D PLAT. CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN. PROVIDE TWO COXWAIN FOR THE WATERBORNE PATROL TO ENFORCE CURFEW FROM 2000-0600. PROVIDE LOGISTICAL TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY C AND COMPANY D AS DIRECTED BY S-4.
2. H&S COMPANY. PROVIDE EIGHT MARINES, FOUR FOR WATERBORNE PATROL SECURITY AND FOUR FOR COORDINATED USMC/PT AMBUSH.
3. COMPANY B.
  - A. KAHUKU IS A PATROL BASE MANNED 24 HOURS A DAY BY TWO RIFLE SQUADS AND ONE MACHINE GUN SQUAD (.50 CAL).
  - B. B-1A IS A NINE MAN PATROL. A THREE MAN LISTENING POST WILL BE PLACED IN POSITIONS AT PALI, MOLOKAI, WAIKAWA. THESE LPS WILL RETURN BY SEPERATE ROUTES.

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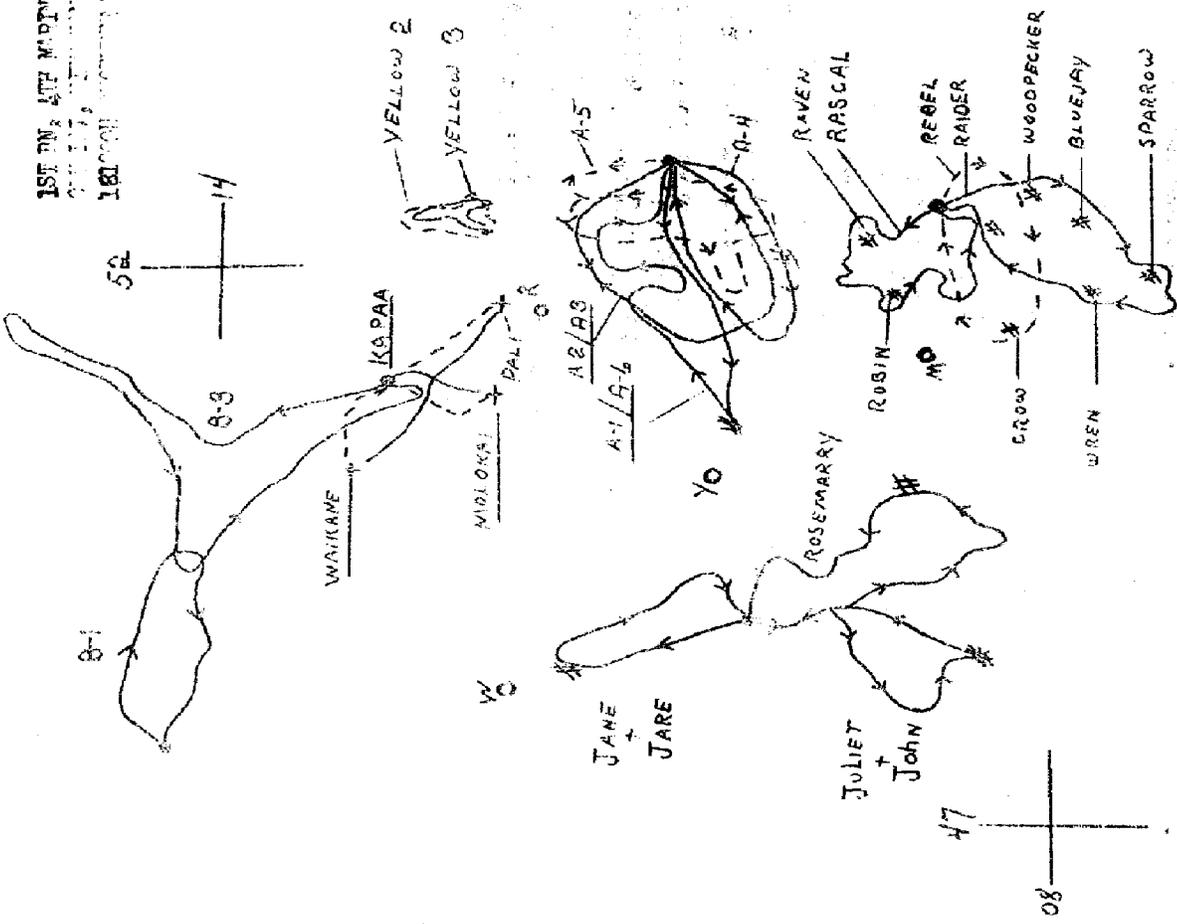
DAYLIGHT PATROLS FOR 20 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD/POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	SQD(-)	A-3	200830H	201100H	527110	
A	FT	YELLOW	200730H	201030H	<del>527110</del>	
B	SQD	B-1	200700H	201000H	476144	
B	SQD	B-1A	201200H	201500H	476144	
B	FT	B-3	201400H	201600H	510129	
B	FT	B-3A	200800H	201600H	510129	0830-1530
C	FT	ROMEO-1	200830H	201000H	525089	
C	FT	ROMEO-2	201130H	201600H	525089	
C	FT	BOURBON-1	200700H	201230H	525089	
C	FT	BOURBON-2	201230H	201800H	525089	
C	FT	RUM-1	200800H	201130H	525089	
C	FT	RUM-2	201230H	201600H	525089	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	200830H	201100H	525089	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	201330H	201530H	525089	
D	SQD	SIERRA	201330H	201600H	487104	
D	SQD	HOTEL	201000H	201200H	487104	
D	SQD	WHISKEY	201100H	201330H	487104	
D	SQD	TANGO	200830H	201100H	487104	

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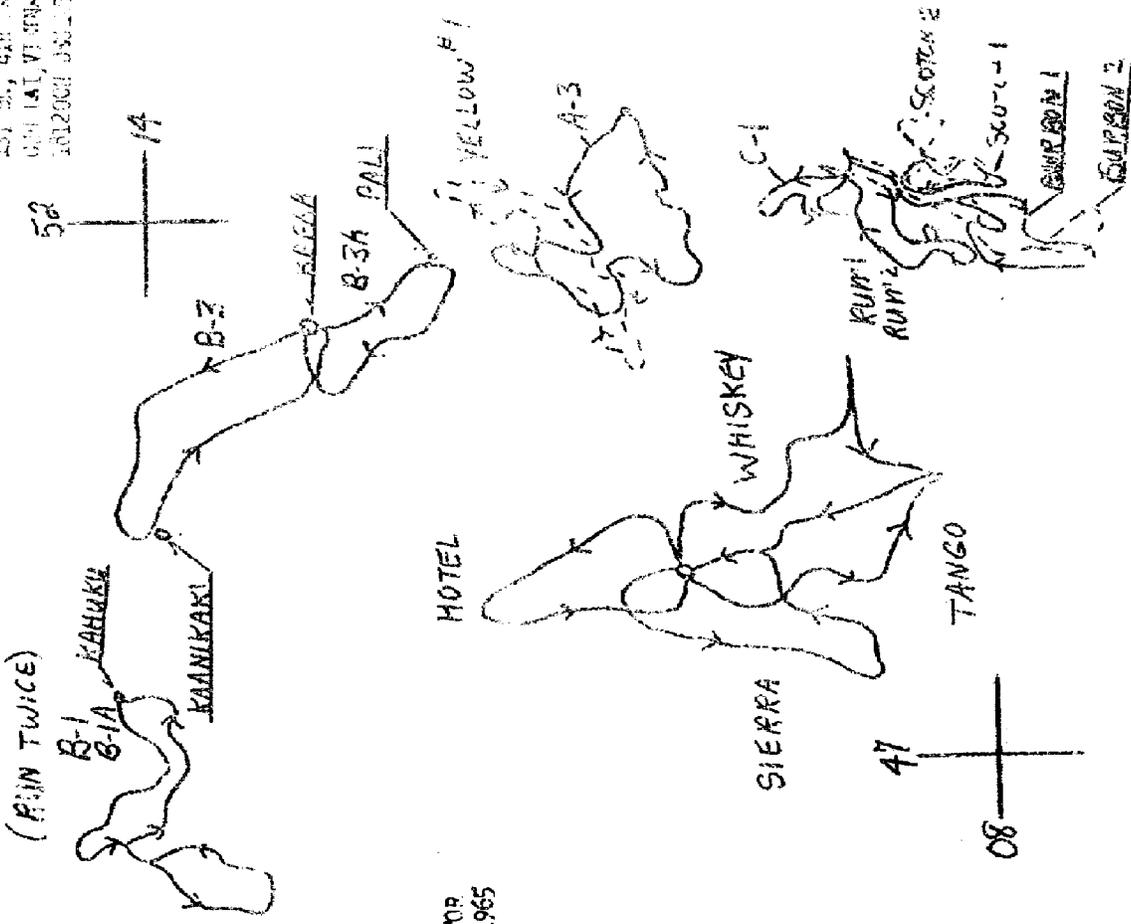
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2D BATTALION, 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 5 AS OF 181200H

1. 2dBn, 4th Marines Operations.

- A. Company E. One reinforced platoon remained as Regimental Reserve.
- B. Company G, remained deployed in the Harvest Moon operations area.
- C. Company H. One reinforced platoon continued to be deployed at TamKy for security of H Btry 3dBn 12th Marines. One reinforced platoon remained attached to the Composite Co for employment on the MLR. H Co(-) stayed deployed at the LSA, vicinity of the Harvest Moon operations area.
- D. H&S Co. The Raider platoon continued with their combined Marine/PF ambushes in the KyPhu/KySanh vicinity. There was no report of contact.

2. Plans Summary

- A. Company G is expected to return from the Harvest Moon operations area the evening of the 18th of December.
- B. Company H(-) is expected to return from the LSA, vicinity of the Harvest Moon operation, the evening of the 18th of December.
- C. H&S Co. The Raider platoon is expected to return from their joint Marine/PF patrol the afternoon of the 18th of December.
- D. Composite Company. The Composite Company is scheduled to have one reinforced platoon size patrol departing from LyTin at 190800H. The patrol will be joined by a squad of PF's and search the vicinity SW of the OngCo Bridge.

3. Psy/War

- A. The Psy/War Officer is handing out 500 15-65 leaflets to the Companies. These will be distributed accordingly by the patrols within the TAOR.

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*A. Operations Summary*

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BOX SCORE DTG 17/2001 TO 18/2001 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				10				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

*B Plans Summary*

OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 17/2004 TO 18/2004 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT			
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)				
LISTENING POST (L)	2	4		
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		6		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			1	
CLEARING (CLR)				

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	CLEARING (CLR)	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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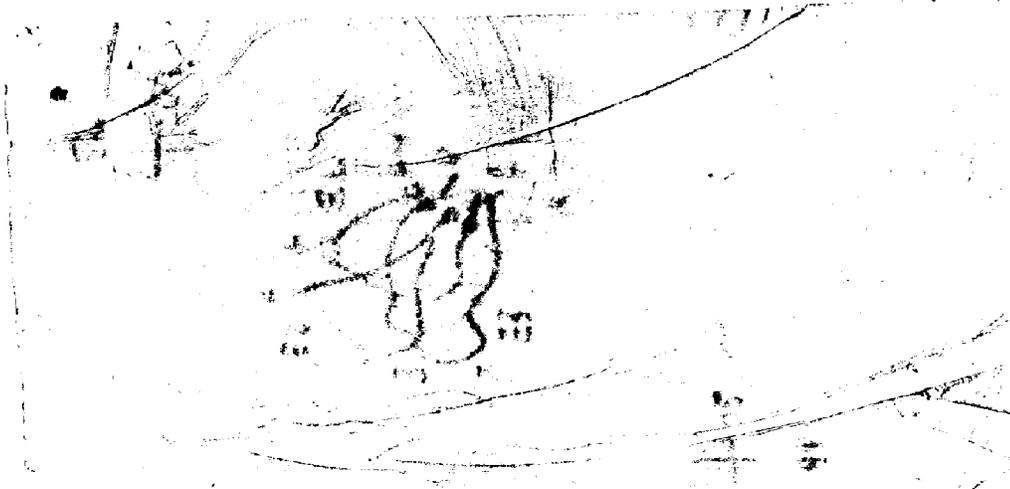
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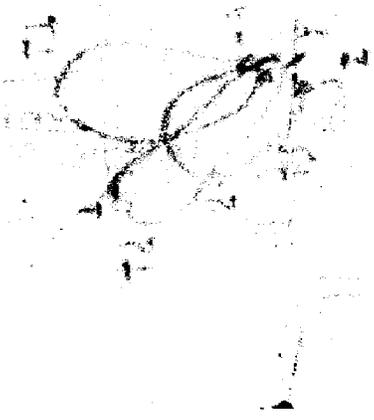
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E-1 200600E 201630E  
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E-3 200600E 201630E  
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E-2 201630E 201630E  
E-3 201630E 201630E

T & E CO.  
SAP/201 200600E  
E-1 200600E 201630E  
E-2 200600E 201630E  
E-3 200600E 201630E



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ALPHA: Smoke Room Charlie  
 BRAVO: 171200H to 181200H Dec65  
 CHARLIE:

1. Company Headquarters - Continues maintenance and logistic support of the two tank platoons in direct support of the Infantry Battalions. Two defensive positions in the Headquarters, 4th Marines perimeter were manned from 171830H to 180630H Dec65, with no enemy contact.

2. Second Platoon - Continues direct support of 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines with three tanks in the Company "T" position area and two in Company "G" position. There was no enemy contact in the last 24 hours.

3. Third Platoon - Continues direct support of 1st Battalion, Fourth Marines with five tanks located in the 1st Battalion C.P.. At 171800H a light section moved into defensive position at (BT 528106), with no enemy contact.

4. Deadline: C-42, C-43, 1 M54, 1 ANMRC83.

5. Classes conducted this Past Week:

Company Headquarters:

14 Dec - 1Hr Tactical Situation  
 15 Dec - 1Hr Code of Conduct  
 17 Dec - 1Hr History of Escape & Evasion

2nd Platoon:

14 Dec - 2Hr Communications

3rd Platoon:

16 Dec - 2Hr 50 Cal

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HEADQUARTERS  
4th Marines (-) (Main), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
c/o RPO, San Francisco, 95601

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19 December 1965

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From: Commanding Officer  
to: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
4th Marines SitRep #226 as of 191600H December 1965

OPERATIONS1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.A. General Summary:

- (1) Company C. Company C returned from their sweep of HOA KOK Island at 181800H. Only seven VCS were returned to the Battalion or rather than eleven as reported on SitRep 225.
- (2) Company D. A hand held illumination was fired at 181930H near (BT 48410) at suspected movement; however, nothing was observed.
- (3) HQ-36. HQ-36 received two incoming small arms rounds at (BT 525-114) and (BT 527115) at 192220H. Small arms fire was returned by both positions and the position at (BT 527115) fired one M-79 round. No further action was taken.

B. Plans:

- (1) In anticipation of and in response to increased VC probing activity as indicated by the past few nights, the patrol/ambush schedule submitted as a part of 4th Marines SitRep #224 for the evening of 19 December 1965 has been modified as follows:

COMPANY A

- 1 cancelled
- 2 cancelled
- 3 change time from 200100H-200330H to 200300H-200500H

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A-5 cancelled

and the following ambush sites and times as indicated:

GRUBB	-	526110	192200H-200300H
AND	-	526109	192200H-200300H
BROWN	-	525108	192200H-200300H
ORRICK	-	526107	192200H-200300H
BLUM	-	524104	192200H-200300H
BROWN	-	527105	192200H-200300H
HASCAL	cancelled		
ITALIA	cancelled		
WASH	cancelled		
SMITH	cancelled		
UNION	cancelled		
WINDY	cancelled		
ROBERT	change time from 200300H-200600H to 200330H-200600H		
ROVEN	change time from 200200H-200430H to 200500H-200500H		
ROBIN	change time from 192000H-192230H to 192200H-192200H		
WOLFECKEN	change time from 200200H-200430H to 200230H-200430H		

the following ambush sites and times as indicated:

01-1	519098
01-2	523095
01-3	522094
01-4	519090
2A-1	519073
2A-2	520077
2B-1	514073
2B-2	514075
3A-1	519089
3A-2	519084
3B-3	519086
3B-2	519084
3B-1	517082
4A-1	524085
4A-2	527083
4A-3	522081

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

a. General Summary:

- (1) Company A. The platoon from Company B was relieved as Regimental Reserve.
- (2) Company B. Company B is now Regimental Reserve. One platoon continues to provide security for H Btry, 3d Bn, 12th Marines at T-8 KI. The Btry is expected to return today.

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B. Plans:

- (1) Company A. One platoon, with a squad of PPs attached, will patrol near Hill 22.
- (2) Company H. One platoon, with a squad of PPs and a sniper team attached, will patrol in vicinity of the DMZ BO BRIDGE.

C. Attachments.

- A. Co A, 1st Amph Bn. Two LVT-5's are sidelined for lack of repair parts. Four LVT-5's are sidelined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. The second platoon is in direct support of the 2d Battalion, with three tanks in Company A's position and two tanks in Company C's position. The third platoon is in direct support of the 1st Battalion with five tanks in the Battalion CP.
- D. Co D, 3d Engr. Bn.
  - (1) Continued to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) A mine detector team went to the field with 3/12.
  - (3) A demolition team went to the field with Company A, 1st Battalion.
  - (4) Road grading for MWO-36.
  - (5) Continued digging CP bunker for 4th Marines CP.
  - (6) Worked on CP bunker for 2d Battalion CP.
  - (7) Continued cutting and grading area for future location of Butler building for FLSU.

Water Distribution

Potable	20,125 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	38,125 Gallons

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PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONSA. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

None

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

- (1) No work could be done on processing the claim for the two children injured near Hill 69 by the USMC .45 cal pistol as it is Sunday and the parents can not be contacted. In the future, all claims administrative or otherwise, will go to Captain HIGH so he may be kept informed. He will turn all non-battle claims over to the Marines via Captain STANB, the Marine Adviser at LI TIN.
- (2) Leaflets are ineffective during the heavy rains as their use is being kept to a minimum until the weather clears.
- (3) MEDCAP did not operate yesterday but three children in AR who requiring daily treatment were treated.

DISCUSSIONSA. Counsel attendance.

- (1) Mine warfare 60
- (2) Vietnamese Language 7

B. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Training.

- (1) Company A conducted two hours of training with the Claymore mine for 30 Marines.
- (2) Due to the tactical commitments and inclement weather very little training was conducted, other than CWT.

C. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines Training.

- (1) No formal training was conducted due to the heavy tactical commitments for operation HARVEST MOON.

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D. Company C, 3d Tank Bn Training.

- (1) A one hour class was given to twenty Marines on each of the following subjects; Tactical Situation, Code of Conduct, and history of escape and evasion. A two hour class was conducted on Communications with 21 Marines attending, and on the .50 cal Machine Gun with 21 Marines attending.
2. An informer reported to the AY 404M security Chief, who in turn reported to Company B that 10 VC were in the hamlet at (BT 486115). A patrol was dispatched to check the area. No male VC were found but four females were apprehended. Three were released after interrogation and the other one was turned into the Chu Lai Collection Point.

A. W. WALLACE  
By direction

OPERATIONAL PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 181800H TO 191800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT		FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)										
LISTENING POST (LP)		3								
AMBUSH (AMB)		8		7	+					
RECON PATROL (REC)									1	
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	10	3	6	12	*					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)							1			
CLEARING (CLR)										

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

+ Includes PF Ambushes  
\* Includes Water borne Patrol

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

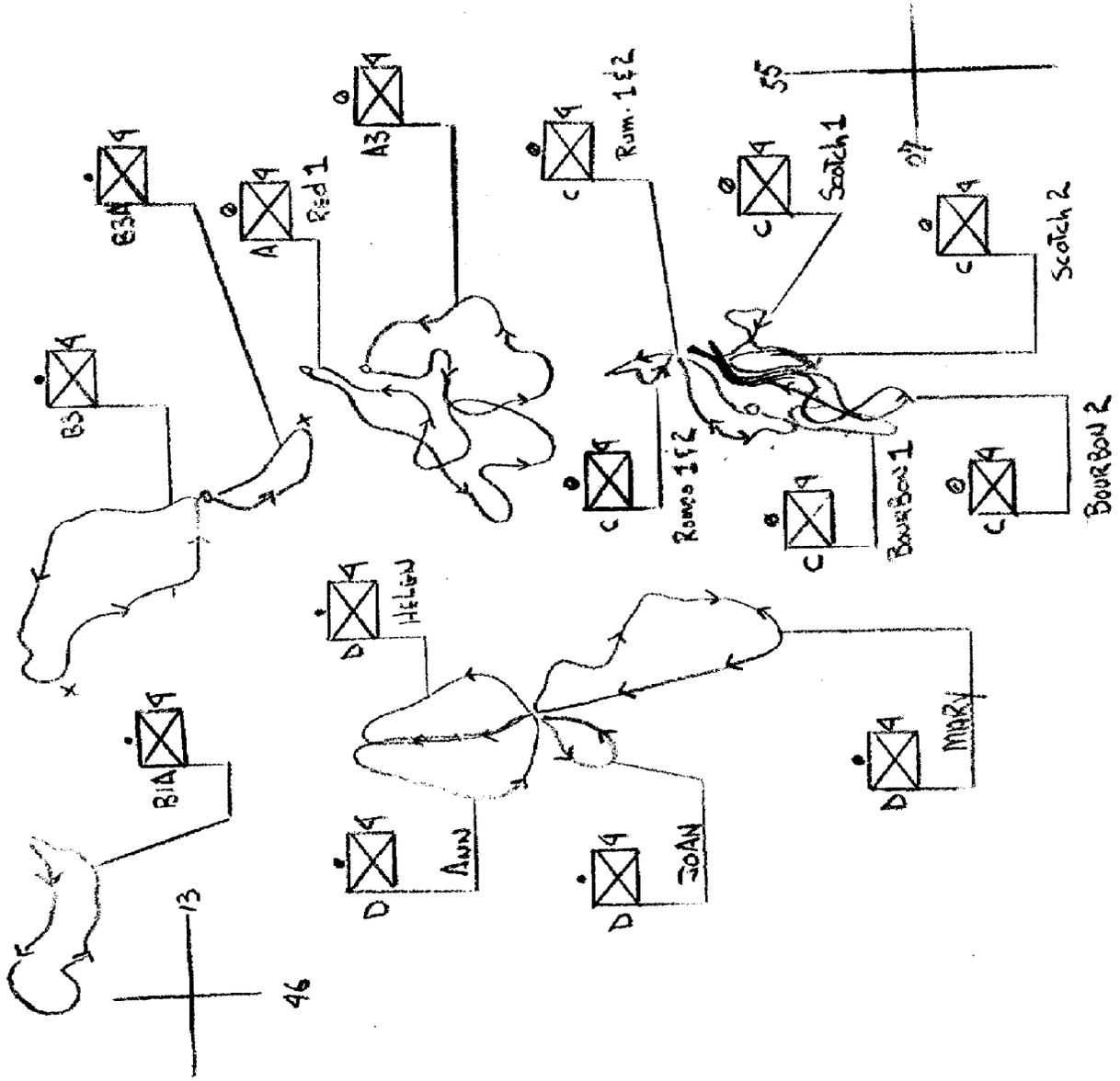
PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE TYPE*	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ERM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	WEAPONS		OTH #
						IWC	CWC	
QUANG TIN (BT 484106)	181930H	CO PATROL BASE SUSPECTED MOVEMENT	Co D / NONE	UNK / NONE	VC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 525114) (BT 527115)	182220H	MLR - 4 S/A FDS	MAG-36 NONE	UNK NONE	VC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 486115)	191025H	SQB SEC	Co D NONE	1 VCS female	U.S.	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 525091)	191326H	ONE INCOMING S/A PD ON MLR.	Co C <del>UNK</del> NONE	UNK NONE	VC	0		

REMARKS

+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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BOX SCORE DTG 191800H TO 201800H Dec 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH CONTACT		WITHOUT CONTACT		COMPANY	
	FOUR TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)		3				
AMBUSH (AMB)		17		7		
RECON PATROL (RSC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	10	2	6	11		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

*A. Operations Summary* OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 181800H TO 191800H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT			
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)				
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4		
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		6		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				
CLEARING (CLR)				

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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*B. Plans Summary*

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BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT							
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	1							
LISTENING POST (L)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				3				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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4TH MARINES (-) (MAIN) PATROL PLANS FOR 21 DEC 1965

UNIT	SIZE	NAME	TOP	TOB	LAYOVER/AMBUSH
A	FT	A-1	212000H	212200H	
A	FT	A-2	212330H	220200H	
A	SqD (-)	A-3	211900H	212300H	0000-2245 AMB
A	FT	A-4	210300H	210530H	0430-0600 AMB
A	SqD (-)	A-5	210400H	210630H	
A	FT	RED-2	212000H	212330H	
A	FT	RED-3	220100H	220500H	
B	SqD	B-1	220200H	220500H	
B	SqD	B-3	211030H	220130H	
B	SqD	B-3A	212200H	220600H	
C	SqD	BASCAL	212000H	212300H	
C	SqD	RAIDER	220300H	220600H	
C	FT	RAVEN	220030H	220300H	AMB
C	FT	ROBIN	212030H	212300H	AMB
C	FT	WREN	220100H	220400H	AMB
C	FT	SPARROW	212100H	212400H	AMB
C	FT	EAGLE	220015H	220245H	AMB
C	FT	CRON	212015H	212245H	AMB
C	FT	BLUEJAY	220045H	220315H	AMB
C	FT	WOODPECKER	212045H	212315H	AMB
D	SqD	HAMB	212000H	212400H	2100-2230 AMB
D	SqD	LAWSON	212030H	210030H	2130-2300 AMB
D	SqD	BUD	212200H	220300H	2300-0030 AMB
D	SqD	BALLANTINE	212300H	220345H	2400-0130 AMB
D	SqD	PICKWICK	220300H	220600H	0400-0530 AMB
A	FT	RED-1	210700H	211000H	
A	FT	A-3	210830H	211100H	
B	SqD	B-1A	210630H	210930H	
B	SqD	B-3	211400H	211600H	
B	SqD	B-3A	210830H	211600H	
C	SqD	RUM-1	210800H	211130H	
C	SqD	RUM-2	211230H	211600H	
C	FT	ROME-1	210800H	211000H	
C	FT	ROME-2	211430H	211600H	
C	FT	BOURBON-1	210700H	211230H	
C	FT	BOURBON-2	211230H	211800H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	210830H	211100H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	211330H	211830H	
D	SqD	ANN	210930H	211200H	
D	SqD	HELEN	211500H	211600H	
E	SqD	JOAN	211000H	211200H	
E	SqD	MARY	211200H	211500H	

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2d Battalion, 4th Marines

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
G	Squad	G-1	211200H	211430H	
G	Squad	G-2	211300H	211530H	
C	Squad	G-3	211400H	211630H	
A	Squad	S-1	210800H	211030H	
B	Squad	S-2	210900H	211130H	
E	Squad	S-3	211000H	211230H	
Squad NIGHT AMBUSHES A,B,C,S,T,U,V			201900H	210630H	

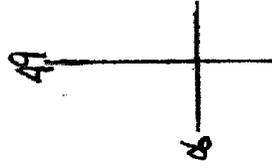
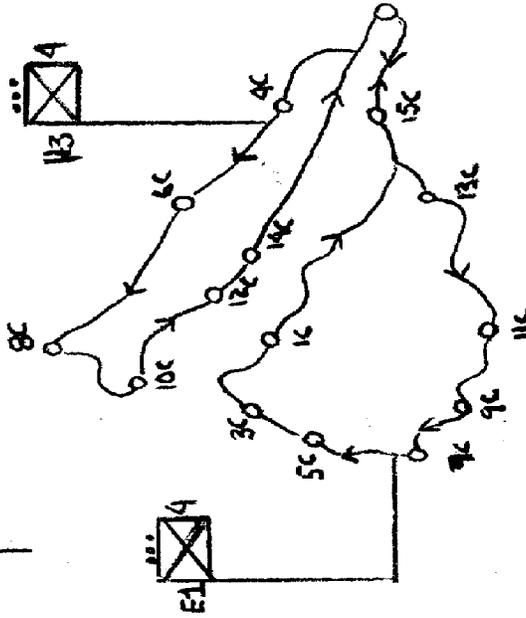
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1st Lt USMC  
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200800H-201500H

Attachments

Arty FO  
PF SRO  
(13 only) SUPER TEAM



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2ND BATTALION, 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 226 AS OF 191200H

2dBn, 4th Marines Operations.

A. Company E. At 181800H, Co E assumed positions on the MLR coord (BT513061). The platoon acting as Regimental Reserve was relieved.

B. Company G. At 181800H, Co G returned to the 2dBn 4th Marines. They were deployed on the FIR at coord (BT513072).

C. Company H. At 181800H, Co H resumed the Regimental Reserve. Their position is at the FIR coord (BT534075). One reinforced platoon remains attached to H Btry 3dBn 12th Marines deployed as security at Tamky. The platoon patrol scheduled for today was cancelled.

D. H&S Co. The Raider platoon returned. At coord (BT453053) five hand grenade booby traps were found and disarmed. All were turned over to EOD.

E. Composite Co. At 181800H the Composite Company was relieved. All separate units were returned to their parent organization.

## 2. Plans Summary.

A. Company E. At 200730H one reinforced platoon from Co E will commence on a patrol vic of Hill 22. Attached will be one squad of PF's and one interpreter.

B. Company H will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company. One reinforced platoon will remain attached to H Btry 3dBn 12th Mar for security at Tamky. One reinforced platoon will patrol in the vicinity SW of the OngBo Bridge. Attached will be one squad of PFs, one interpreter, and a scout sniper team.

## 3. Psy/War

A. No work could be done on processing the claim for the two children injured by the USMC .45 cal pistol as it is Sunday and the parents can not be contacted. In the future, all claims administrative or otherwise, will go to Capt. TICH so he may be kept informed. He will turn all non-battle claims over to the Marines via Capt. DERBES, the Marine Advisor at LyTin.

B. Leaflets are ineffective during the heavy rains so their use is being kept to a minimum until the weather clears.

C. MedCap did not operate yesterday but three children in AnTan requiring daily treatment were treated.

## 4. Training.

A. Due to the En's heavy commitments in the Harvest Moon operation and the continued deployment of the Reserve Co, no training was conducted the past week.

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Major USMC  
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*A. Operations Summary*

OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 181200H TO 191200H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT			COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	
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LISTENING POST (LP)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AMBUSH (AMB)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
RECON PATROL (REC)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CLEARING (CLR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*B. Plans Summary*

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BOX SCORE DTG 181200H TO 191200H 1965

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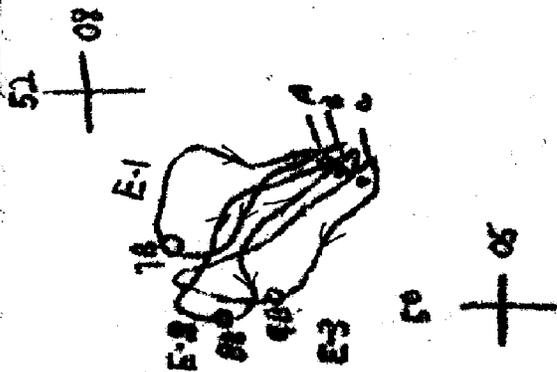
ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		1						
LISTENING POST (LP)		2	4					
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					3			
CLEARING (CLR)								

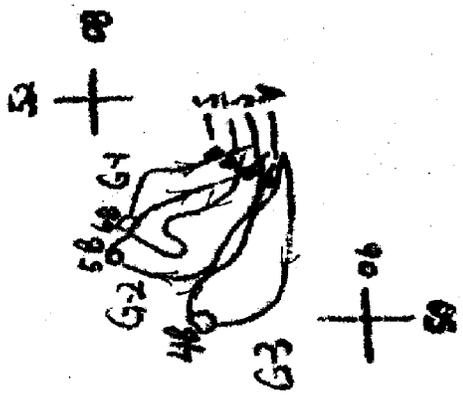
BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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E-Co  
 SQD/DAY COMBAT PATROL  
 HQE-1-C-H00800H-211430H  
 HQE-1-C-H00801E-1-3  
 HQE-1-C-H00801E-2-3



G-Co  
 SQD/DAY COMBAT PATROL  
 HQG-1-C-H00211E-1-5  
 HQG-1-C-H00211E-2-5  
 HQG-1-C-H00211E-3-5

SQD NIGHT AMBUSHES  
 ABC - STUV  
 201900H - 210630H

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1ST BN, 4TH MARINES SITREP #227 AS OF 191200H DECEMBER 1965

1. Unit Actions With and Without Contact.

- a. Company C. At 181602H the company had consolidated on Hill 11 and commenced retraction. By 181805H the company had returned to the Battalion CP with 7 VCS. Reported no enemy action with the exception of three incidents of sniper fire. No casualties were sustained by this company. At 190616H Post #3 (BT 519097) heard A/W fire 1500-2000 meters to the west. A check with Company D disclosed a reported two positions of VC probing the 11 TEN Area. VC broke off the action and were reported heading northeast.
- b. Company D. At 181930H a hand held illumination was fired by a sentry at suspected movement on their protective wire. Nothing observed however. At 181940H Patrol Boris reported that one man had a minor foot injury from cactus and was returned to the CP.
- d. MAC-98. At 182220H received two rounds of incoming fire (BT 525114) and (BT 527115). Returned fired at both coordinates and fired one M-79 round at (BT 525114). No further action resulted.

2. Unit Plans.

- a. Normal patrolling and establishment of ambushes forward of FIEBA on KY HA Peninsula and from Company Patrol Bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands.

3. Psychological Operations. None.4. Miscellaneous.

- a. In anticipation of and in response to increased VC probing activity as indicated by the past few nights, the patrol/ambush schedule submitted as a part of 1/4 Sitrep #225 for the evening of 19 December 1965 has been modified as follows:

Company A

A-1 cancelled  
 A-2 cancelled  
 A-3 change time from 200100H-200330H to 200300H-200500H  
 A-5 cancelled

The following ambush sites and times as indicated:

GREEN	= 526110	192200H-200300H
RED	= 526109	192200H-200300H
BLACK	= 525108	192200H-200300H
ORANGE	= 526107	192200H-200300H
BLUE	= 524104	192200H-200300H
BROWN	= 527105	192200H-200300H

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RASCAL cancelled  
 RAIDER cancelled  
 WREN cancelled  
 EAGLE cancelled  
 CROW cancelled  
 BLUEJAY cancelled  
 HERREL change time from 200300H-200600H to  
 200330H-200600H  
 RAVEN change time from 200200H-200430H to  
 200300H-200500H  
 ROBIN change time from 192000H-192230H to  
 192000H-192200H  
 WOODPECKER " " " 200200H-200430H to  
 200230H-200430H

The following ambush sites and times as indicated:

01-1	51909#	LC 3	522081
01-2	523095		
01-3	522094		
01-4	519090		
2A 1	519073		
2A 2	520077		
2B 1	51407#		
2B 2	514075		
3B 1	519089		
3C 2	519088		
3D 3	519086		
4B 2	519084		
4B 3	517082		
4C 1	524085		
4C 2	527083		

b. Training

Company A

2 Hour class - CLAYMORE - 30 people

Company B - none

Company C - none

Company D - none

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 Capt.  
 8-3  
 USMC

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OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 191800H TO 201800H DECEMBER 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		17		7 *				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	10	2	6	11 *				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

‡ INCLUDES FF AMBUSH  
\* INCLUDES WATERBORNE FAYDA

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		8		7				
RECON PATROL (REC)						2		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	10	3	6	12				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						2		
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY		NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				

+ INCLUDES RECON PATROL  
\* INCLUDES RECON PATROL

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NIGHT PATROLS FOR 21 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD/POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	A-1	212000H	212200H	527110	
A	FT	A-2	212330H	220200H	527110	
A	SQD(-)	A-3	211900H	212300H	529107	2000-2215
A	FT	A-4	210300H	210530H	527110	0430-0600
A	SQD(-)	A-5	210400H	210630H	527110	
A	FT	RED-2	212000H	212330H	523121	
A	FT	RED-3	220100H	220500H	523121	
B	SQD	B-1	220200H	220500H	467144	
B	SQD	B-3	212030H	220130H	510129	
B	SQD	B-3A	212200H	220600H	510129	
C	SQD	RASCAL	212000H	212300H	525089	
C	SQD	REBEL	212400H	220300H	525089	
C	SQD	RAIDER	220300H	220600H	525089	
C	FT	RAVEN	220030H	220300H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	ROBIN	212030H	212300H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	WREN	220100H	220400H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	SPARROW	212100H	212400H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	EAGLE	220015H	220245H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	CROW	212015H	212245H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	BLUEJAY	220045H	220315H	525089	AMBUSH
C	FT	WOODPECKER	212045H	212315H	525089	AMBUSH
D	SQD	HAMM	212000H	212400H	487104	2100-2230
D	SQD	DAWSON	212030H	210030H	487104	2130-2300
D	SQD	BUD	212200H	220300H	487104	2300-0030
D	SQD	BALLANTINE	212300H	220345H	487104	2400-0130
D	SQD	PICKWICK	220300H	220600H	487104	0400-0530

COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3D PLAT, CO A, 1ST AMTRAC BN. PROVIDE TWO BOXWAIN FOR THE WATERBORNE PATROL TO ENFORCE CURFEW FROM 2000-0600. PROVIDE LOGISTICAL TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY C AND COMPANY D AS DIRECTED BY S-4.
- H&S COMPANY. PROVIDE EIGHT MARINES, FOUR FOR WATERBORNE PATROL SECURITY AND FOUR FOR COORDINATED USMC/PF AMBUSH.
- COMPANY B.
  - TAMBEH IS A PATROL BASE MANNED 24 HOURS A DAY BY TWO RIFLE SQUADS AND ONE MACHINE GUN SQUAD (.50 CAL).
  - B-1A IS A NINE MAN PATROL. A THREE MAN LISTENING POST WILL BE PLACED IN POSITIONS AT PALI, MOLOKAI, WAIKANE. THESE LPS WILL RETURN BY SEPERATE ROUTES.

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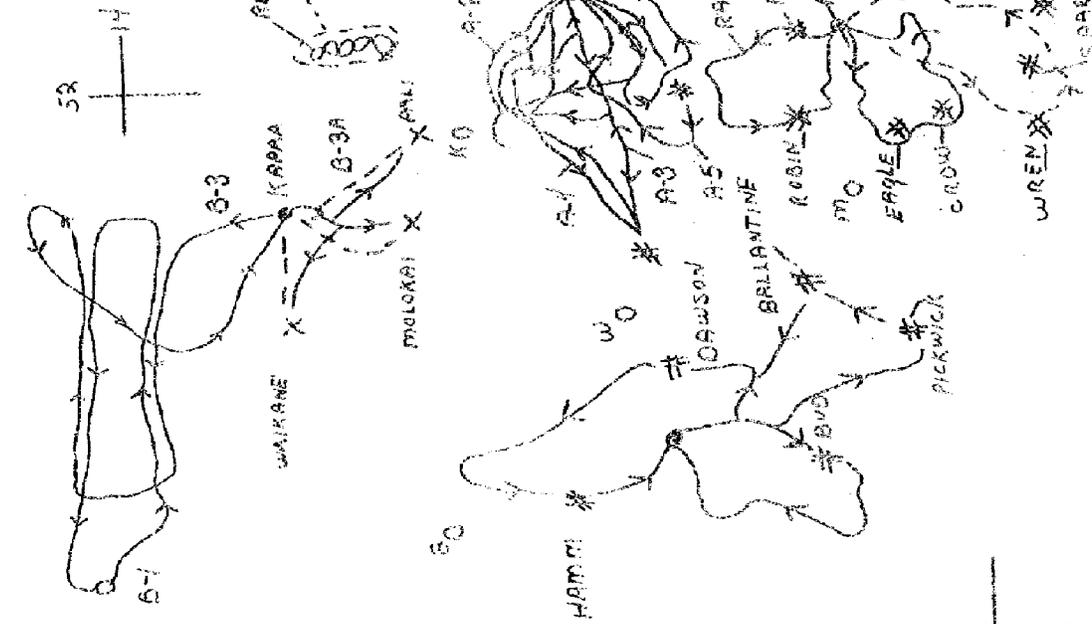
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## DAY PATROLS FOR 21 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD/POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	RED-1	210700H	211000H	527110	
A	FT	A-3	210830H	211100H	527110	
B	SQD	B-1A	210630H	210930H	476114	
B	SQD	B-3	211400H	211600H	510129	
B	SQD	B-3A	210830H	211600H	510129	
C	SQD	RUM-1	210800H	211130H	525089	
C	SQD	RUM-2	211230H	211600H	525089	
C	FT	ROMEO-1	210800H	211000H	525089	
C	FT	ROMEO-2	211430H	211600H	525089	
C	FT	BOURBON-1	210700H	211230H	525089	
C	FT	BOURBON-2	211230H	211800H	525089	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	210830H	211100H	525089	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	211330H	211830H	525089	
D	SQD	ANN	210930H	211200H	487104	
D	SQD	HELEN	211500H	211600H	487104	
D	SQD	JOAN	211000H	211200H	487104	
D	SQD	MARY	211200H	211500H	487104	

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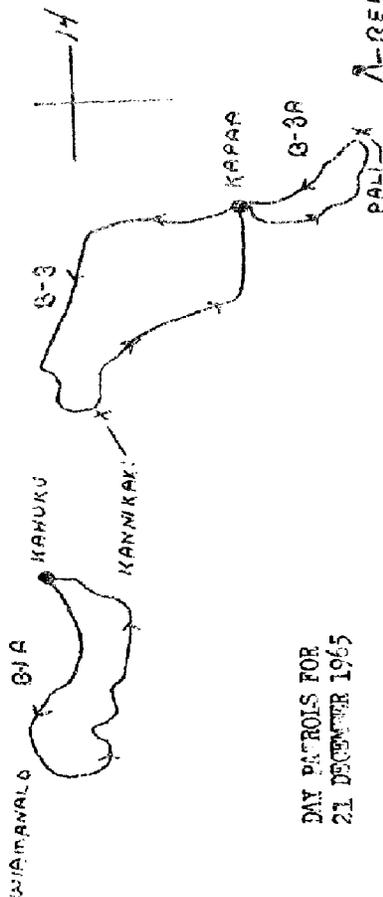
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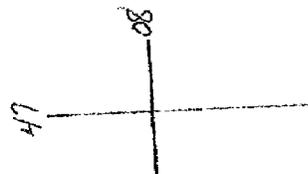
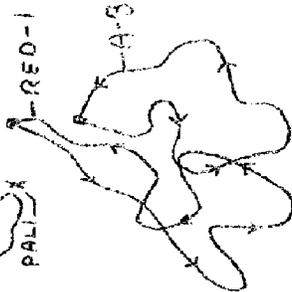
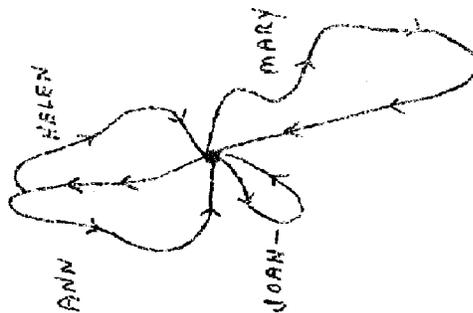
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DAY PATROLS FOR  
21 DECEMBER 1965



COMPANY "B" (REIN)  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division, FMF  
 o/o FPO, San Francisco 96601

18 December 1965  
 114-65

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion, 3d Marine Division, FMF  
 Subj: Daily Summary from 171600H to 181600H

1. Combat Support
  - a. Furnished instructors for the 4th Marines mine warfare school
  - b. The one platoon that went with 2/4 to escort a convoy, North on Highway #1, to the logistic support area returned today at 1300.
  - c. Mine detector team went to the field with 3/12
  - d. Demolition team went to the field with A/1/4
2. Roads & Bridges
  - a. Graded road by the dome for MAG-36
3. General Construction
  - a. worked on GP bunker for Headquarters 4th Marines
  - b. worked on GP bunker for 2/4
  - c. Continued cutting & grading area for future location of butler building for FLSU
4. Utilities
  - a. Distributed 20,125 gallons of potable & 18,000 gallons of raw water for a total of 38,125 gallons.
  - b. Operating 2 water points; Engr & 2/4
  - c. Operating 4 showers; Engr, 1/4, 2/4 & 3/12
  - d. The machinery section operated a total of 52 hours
5. Civil Affairs - None
6. Deadlined Equipment
 

2-TD-15	1-M-422	1-IM 141
3-TD-16	2-AN/PRS 4	1-IM 174
1-76-60 Crane	4-AN/PRS 3	8-55 GPM Pumps
1-550 Grader	1-AN/MRC 83	3-Purification Units
2-Chain Saws	1-AN/PRO 47	1-Typeewriter
7. Miscellaneous - None

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NAVAL MESSAGE  
OPNAV FORM 2110-28 (REV. 7-73)

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DAILY SITREP NO 181

ALFA  
BRAVO  
CHARLIE

COAS STAMTRACEN  
181500H TO 191200H  
OGA ATTACHED TO THE 4TH MARINES. 1 LVTG AND 12 LVTP5'S IN  
DIRECT SUPPORT OF 1/4. 3 LVTP5'S IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 2/4.  
1 LVTP5 IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF MAG. 12 FOR USE AS A CRASH/RESCUE  
VEHICLE. 2 LVT'S DEADLINED FOR LACK OF REPAIR PARTS. 4 LVT'S  
DEADLINED GO MAINT. 13 MEN ATTENDED MINE WARFARE SCHOOL.

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ALPHA: Smoke Room Charlie  
BRAVO: 181200H to 191200H Dec65  
CHARLIE:

1. Company Headquarters - Continues maintenance and logistic support of the two tank platoons in direct support of the Infantry Battalions. Two defensive positions in the Headquarters, 4th Marines perimeter were manned from 181830H to 190630H Dec65, with no enemy contact.
2. Second Platoon - Continues direct support of 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines with three tanks in the Company "E" position area and two in Company "G" position. There was no enemy contact in the last 24 hours.
3. Third Platoon - Continues direct support of 1st Battalion, Fourth Marines with five tanks located in the 1st Battalion C.P.. At 181800H a light section moved into defensive position at (BT 528106), with no enemy contact.
4. Deadline: C-42, C-43, 1 M54, 1 ANMRC83.
5. Coordinates of unit locations:
  - a. Company C.P. - BT 532088
  - b. 2nd Plt C.P. - BT 513062
  - c. 3rd Plt C.P. - BT 529088

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

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20 December 1965

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

4th MARINES SITREP 227 as of 201600H December 1965

Operations

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company C. At 192335H a defensive position at (BT 525089) received one tracer round incoming from the south. The ambushes in the area were alerted, no further activity was reported.
- (2) A&S Company. The Marines accompanying the PF patrol requested illumination when enemy movement was suspected at (BT 500107) at 192120H. Two 105mm illumination rounds were fired, but no movement could be observed.

B. Plans:

Patrols and ambushes will continue forward of the MLR on KY in Peninsula, as well as on KY KJAN and KY NCA Islands.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company B. At 200800H one reinforced platoon departed to patrol the area in the vicinity of Hill 22. One interpreter and one squad of PF's are attached. The patrol directed an artillery fire mission on a suspected harbor site (BT 424091) at 1150H. Good effect on the target was noted. At 1320H the patrol located (BT 428089) received S/A fire from the vicinity of Hill 22.

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Fire was returned and the VC broke contact. Patrol proceeded as planned.

- (2) Company H. At 200800h one reinforced platoon departed to patrol to the area SW of OMO BO Bridge. At 1135h the patrol received light S/A fire at (BT 438099) from an undetermined direction. No casualties were sustained and the patrol continued on its assigned mission.

**B. Plans:**

- (1) Company K. One reinforced platoon will patrol east of route #1 in the Northern sector of the FAOR.
- (2) Company F. The reinforced platoon occupying Hill 76 will be relieved and attached to company H for employment as Regimental Reserve.
- (3) Company H. The Company will remain as the Regimental Reserve. One reinforced platoon will relieve the unit at Hill 76.
- (4) H&S Company. The Raider Platoon will escort a MedCAP team to KY PNC (2) (BT 4705).

**3. Attachments.**

A. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Two LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts.

Four LVTP5's are deadlined for company maintenance.

B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion. One Ontos is deadlined.

C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. The second platoon is in direct support of the 2d Battalion, with three tanks in Company B's position and two tanks in Company C's position. The third platoon is in direct support of the 1st Battalion with five tanks in the Battalion CP.

D. Co B, 3d Engr Bn.

- (1) Repaired screens and constructed doors for 2d Battalions mess hall.

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- (2) Constructed doors for 1st Battalion's mess hall.
- (3) worked on CP bunker for 2d Battalion.
- (4) Continued work on CP bunker for 4th Marines CP.
- (5) Leveling area for barge around class V (A) dumps
- (6) hauled sand to 2d Battalion's chapel.
- (7) Filled, graded and leveled area for Btry A, 2d LAAM Bn.

Water Distribution

Potable	26,365 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	44,365 Gallons

Miscellaneous

- (1) Congressman J. Y. RESNICK from New York visited the 4th Marines CP today.
- (2) EGen J. M. PLATT returned to the 4th Marines CP at 191800H.
- (3) The platoon sized patrols of E and H Companies returned without further contact at 1530H.

A. W. WALLACH  
By direction

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BOX SCORE DTG 191800H TO 201800H DCC 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DA	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		27		7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	10	3	7	11				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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BOX SCORE DTC 201500H TO 211500H Dec 19665

BN 1 REGT A

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	1	6		8*				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	8	4	9	14*				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	CLEARING (CLR)	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

\* includes PF ambush  
 \* " waterborne patrol

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*A. Operations Summary* OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 191800H TO 201200H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT			
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
LISTENING POST (LP)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AMBUSH (AMB)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
RECON PATROL (REC)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CLEARING (CLR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS		CAPT OTH *
						IWC	CWC	
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>(BT 438099)</u>	<u>201135H</u>	<u>PLAT PATROL</u> <u>Reed S/A FIRE</u>	<u>H 2/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>Vc</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>(BT 424091)</u>	<u>201154H</u>	<u>PLAT PATROL</u> <u>ACTY MISSION ON</u> <u>HARBOR SITE</u>	<u>E 2/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>(BT 429091)</u>	<u>201320H</u>	<u>PLAT PATROL</u> <u>Reed S/A FIRE</u>	<u>E 2/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>Vc</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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*B. Plans Summary* OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 201200H TO 211200H 1965

B 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					3			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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

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1230  
21 December 1965

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

4th Marines BIRTH: 228 as of 211600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company G. At 2145H, a hand held illumination was fired at suspected movement forward of Company G's position (BT 52091); however, nothing unusual was observed.
- (2) MAG-36. At 210045H six (6) rounds of small arms fire and six (6) flares were fired at two figures observed running from the barrier wire toward the wood line at (BT 525113). The area was immediately checked by a patrol, but nothing was observed or found. At 210055H two (2) illumination rounds were expended at (BT 525116) at suspected movement, but once again nothing unusual was observed.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company F. At 202120H Hill 69 (BT 460068) reported rocks being thrown into their position. No one was sighted. At 210900H the reinforced platoon occupying Hill 76 (BT 452039), was relieved. The platoon was attached to H Company, [REDACTED] the Regimental Reserve.

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- (2) Company H (-) continues as the Regimental Reserve Company. At 210900Z one reinforced platoon departed by helicopter for Hill 76 to relieve the platoon presently occupying that position.

**B. Plans:**

- (1) Company F. The Company will return to the Battalion CP and become the Regimental Reserve.
- (2) Company G. A platoon, with one squad of PFs and a sniper team, will patrol near Hill 22 (BT 423091).
- (3) SAS Company. The Raider platoon will conduct a coordinated sweep of KI SAMU (1) (BT 455054) with a PF Company. The Raiders will establish ambushes near the hamlet and at first light on the 23d of December will move into a blocking position as the PF Company sweeps the hamlet.

**C. Attachments:**

- a. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Three LVT5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. Four LVT5's are deadlined for company maintenance.
- b. Co B, 2d AF Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- c. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Three tanks are presently deadlined.
- d. Co D, 3d Amph Bn.
- (1) Continued to operate the 4th Marines Mine Warfare School.
  - (2) Constructing bunker for 4th Marines CP, 20% completed.
  - (3) Leveling area in preparation for birm around Class V (A) camp, 13% completed.
  - (4) Completed filling and grading area for C Btry, 2d Landing Bn.
  - (5) Constructing CP bunker of 2d Battalion, 50% completed.

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Water Distribution

Potable	25,345 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	43,345 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

None

A. W. WALLACH  
By direction

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BOX SCORE DTG 201800H TO 211800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

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LISTENING POST (LP)

	3
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AMBUSH (AMB)

	9		3	+		
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RECON PATROL (REC)

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SECURITY PATROL (SEC)

8	4	9	14	*		
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SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

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CLEARING (CLR)

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BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
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CLEARING (CLR)

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SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

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+ Includes PF AMBUSHES

\* Includes WATERBORNE PATROL

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES:	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN (BT 522091)	20 2145H	Co Def. psn.	Co C NONE	UNK NONE	U.S.
QUANG TIN (BT 525113)	210045H	MAG Def. psn.	MAG 36 NONE	UNK UNK	U.S.
QUANG TIN (BT 525116)	210055H	MAG Def. psn.	MAG-36 NONE	UNK NONE	U.S.

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BOX SCORE DTG 211800H TO 221800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		9	7	+				
RECON PATROL (RECON)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	9	5	9	14	*			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

+ Includes PF Ambushes

\* Includes WATERBORNE PATROL

*A. Operations Summary* OPERATIONS/TRANS

BOX SCORE DTG 20/1800H TO 21/1200H 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	1							
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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*B. Plans Summary*

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	1							
LISTENING POST (LP)	3	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				7				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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

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2430  
22 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 229 as of 221600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company A. At 211830H one carbine round was received vicinity (BT 528104) from vicinity (BT 527108). A fire team was sent out to check the area but nothing unusual was found.
- (2) Company B. At 220300H one hand illumination was fired at suspected boat movement (BT 512131), however, no boat was observed. A squad patrol returning to the patrol base tripped a French type booby trap vicinity (BT 469142) at 221105H. One man was slightly wounded in the foot. The WIA was sent to "B" Med and the patrol continued.
- (3) Company D. At 220010H a patrol vicinity (BT 431090) saw six people standing on a rice paddy dike. As the patrol approached the people ran away. The patrol fired at the fleeing people but none were hit. The area was searched thoroughly but nothing unusual was found.
- (4) MAG-36. At 2340H illumination was fired vicinity (BT 525122) at suspected movement but nothing unusual was observed. At 0132H one hand illumination and one M-26 fragmentation grenade were thrown at suspected movement (BT 525122) but nothing unusual was observed.

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- (5) USMC/PF Ambush. At 220223H an illumination fire mission was called in on suspected movement at (BT 507086). One 61mm illumination round and three 105mm were fired in support of the mission. Nothing unusual was observed at these coordinates.

**B. Plans:**

- (1) Company B. Plans are being made for a platoon size patrol operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4215). The patrol will search and clear by day and recon by night for approximately 24 hours.

**2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.**

**A. General Summary:**

- (1) Company B. At 212325H a platoon from Company B, deployed on the MLR, sighted two men walking in front of their position (BT 516065). When the men were challenged they fled the area. Three flares and four rounds of M-14 were fired. A search of the area produced two sets of footprints but no indication that the men had been wounded.
- (2) Company F. Commencing at 220900H the Company began their move from AN Tam Bridge and Hill 69 positions. On completion of the move the Company will assume the Regimental Reserve position in the vicinity of the Battalion CP.
- (3) Company G. The Company's platoon size patrol at 221045H received small arms fire at (BT 440086). Fire was returned but the VC broke contact.
- (4) Company H. Remained as the Regimental Reserve company until 220900H. At this time the Company commenced their move to relieve Company F at the AN Tam Bridge and Hill 69 positions.

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**B. Plans:**

- (1) Company E. Commencing 230800H a platoon will patrol in the vicinity SE of Hill 22 (BT 4209). One squad of PF's and one interpreter will be attached.
- (2) H&S Company. At 221400H the H&S Raider Platoon will depart to the KY SANH (1) area (BT 4505). After coordinating with the PF Company in that area, the Raider Platoon will establish ambushes. At first light they will block the area while the PF Company sweeps through the village (BT 445054).

**3. Attachments**

- A. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn. Three LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. One LVTP5 is deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Three tanks remain deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
  - (1) Constructing bunker for 4th Marines CP, 22% completed.
  - (2) Constructing bunker for the 2d Bn, 4th Marines, 75% complete.
  - (3) Leveling area in preparation for a berm around the Class V (A) dump, 15% completed.
  - (4) Leveling theater sight for MAG-36.
  - (5) Completed digging emplacements for radar trailers, to be positioned, protected and partially concealed for MAGS-7.
  - (6) Preparing future generator position and filling in low areas for Btry A, 2d LAAK Bn.

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Water Distribution

Potable	23,640 Gallons
Raw	16,000 Gallons
Total	39,640 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

None

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By Inspection

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BOX SCORE DTR 211800H TO 221800H DEC 1985

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		03						
AMBUSH (AMB)		F9		H7*				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		P9 R5		S9 T4+				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* Includes PF Ambush
- + Includes Waterloo Patrol

ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL		CAPT OTH *
						WEAPO IWC	CWC	
<u>QUANG TIN</u>								
<u>BT 528104</u>	<u>211830H</u>	<u>CO. DEF. PSN.</u>	<u>A 1/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 525122</u>	<u>212340H</u>	<u>MAG. DEF. PSN.</u>	<u>MAG-36 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 481090</u>	<u>220010H</u>	<u>SO. SEC.</u>	<u>D 1/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 525122</u>	<u>220132H</u>	<u>MAG DEF. PSN.</u>	<u>MAG-36 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 507086</u>	<u>220223H</u>	<u>SO. AMB.</u>	<u>US/PF / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 512131</u>	<u>220300H</u>	<u>CO. DEF. PSN.</u>	<u>B 1/4 / NONE</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>BT 469142</u>	<u>221105H</u>	<u>SO SEC.</u>	<u>B 1/4 / 1 WIA</u>	<u>UNK / NONE</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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BOX SCORE DTG 221500H TO 231500H Dec. 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITF INC LOST (LP)				03				
AMBUSH (AMB)		F9		A8*				
RECON PATROL (REC)								P1
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	P10	R3	S8	T14				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								P1
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

\* Includes PF Ambush  
 + Includes Waterborne Patrol

A. Operations Summary

BOX SCORE DTG 211800H TO 221300H ~~1001Z~~ ~~1000Z~~ 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	1							
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				NS				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)				3/4				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

PROVINCE / COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION	ACTION TYPE +		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS		CAPT OTH *
			SIZE	TYPE +				IWC	CWC	
Quang Tin (BT 516051)	212325H	PH		DEF	Co. E / None	Unit / None	VC	N/A	N/A	N/A
Quang Tin BT 440 086	221645H	PLT		SEC	G 74 / None	Unit / None	VC	0	0	0

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*B. Plans Summary*

*221200H*

*231200H*

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BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD	PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT		DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)							
LISTENING POST (LP)	<i>02 04</i>						
AMBUSH (AMB)			<i>1 H7</i>		<i>J/</i>		
PECÓN PATROL (REC)							
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			<i>56</i>		<i>4/</i>		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)							
CLEARING (CLR)							

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION DAY NIGHT

CLEARING (CLR) 

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SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D) 

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4TH MARINES (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS FOR 24 DEC 1965

UNIT	SIZE	NAME	TOO	TOB	LAYOVER/AMBUSH
A	FT	RED-6	242000H	230430H	
A	FT	A-1	250030H	250200H	
A	FT	A-2	242200H	250030H	
A	SQD(-)	A-3	250300H	250630H	0400-0600
A	FT	A-4	242000H	242200H	
A	SQD(-)	A-5	241930H	242400H	2030-2300
B	SQD	B-1	241830H	242300H	
B	SQD	B-1A	242300H	250600H	
B	SQD	B-2	242300H	250300H	
C	SQD	RASCAL	242400H	250300H	
C	SQD	REBEL	250245H	250530H	
C	SQD	RAIDER	241945H	242330H	
C	FT	RAVEN	242100H	242400H	AMB
C	FT	ROBIN	250100H	250400H	AMB
C	FT	WREN	242115H	25015H	AMB
C	FT	SPARROW	250115H	250415H	AMB
C	FT	EAGLE	242130H	250030H	AMB
C	FT	CROW	250130H	250430H	AMB
C	FT	BLUE JAY	242145H	250045H	AMB
C	FT	WOODPECKER	250145H	250445H	AMB
D	SQD	DUICK	241930H	242300H	2030-2200
D	SQD	PONTIAC	242000H	242400H	2100-2230
D	SQD	CADILLAC	250100H	250500H	0200-0330
D	SQD	OLDSMOBILE	242100H	250100H	2200-2330
D	SQD	CHEVROLET	250200H	250600H	0300-0430
A	FT	RED-2	241300H	241600H	
A	FT	A-3	240700H	241100H	
A	FT	RED-5	240700H	241000H	
B	SQD	B-1B	241300H	241600H	
B	SQD	B-1C	240800H	241600H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	240830H	241130H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	241330H	241530H	
C	FT	COCA COLA-1	240930H	241100H	
C	FT	COCA COLA-2	241430H	241600H	
C	FT	RUM-1	240900H	241130H	
C	FT	RUM-2	241300H	241530H	
C	FT	BURBON-1	240730H	241130H	
C	FT	BURBON-2	241230H	241630H	
D	SQD	HOTEL	240900H	241100H	
D	SQD	TANCO	241530H	241730H	
D	SQD	WHISKEY	241000H	241300H	
D	SQD	SIERRA	241200H	241500H	
G	SQD	1G	240800H	241030H	
G	SQD	2G	240900H	241130H	
G	SQD	3G	241000H	241230H	
E	SQD	1E	241200H	241430H	
E	SQD	2E	241300H	241530H	
E	SQD	3E	241900H	241630H	

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1stLT USMC  
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HEADQUARTERS  
4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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23 December 1965

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

4th Marines SITREP 230 as of 231600H December 1965

OPERATIONAL

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company A. At 222000H, an illumination mission was requested at (BT 527103), on suspected movement in front of the FEBA. Two 81mm illumination rounds were fired in support of the mission, but nothing was observed.
- (2) Company B. At 222145H, a flare was fired to illuminate suspected enemy movement vicinity (BT 511125) but nothing unusual was sighted. At 230659H, while crossing to HOA XUAN Island from KI BOA Island, the third platoon patrol was observed by Vietnamese in fishing boat, which had not been observed by the patrol. The Vietnamese male shouted to someone on shore and the shouts were relayed up the northeast coast of HOA XUAN. The patrol was unable to apprehend the boat or Vietnamese. This shouting is believed to be some sort of warning signal established by the Vietnamese. At 230723H the patrol made contact with the VC when they received 15 to 20 incoming small arms rounds (BT 455150). The patrol moved aggressively to maintain contact and close with the enemy but the VC withdrew. At 230930H, a platoon picked up one male VCS at (BT 443155). He had an ID card

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but was acting suspicious. At 231012H, patrol received harassing fire from (BT 436147). The VC sniper broke contact with Marines in pursuit. At 231026H, B-3 tripped two booby traps at (BT 44145) while moving out in pursuit of the sniper. One man was injured slightly but no evacuation was necessary. At 231103H, B-3 patrol lost contact with the sniper, and continued with their patrol. The patrol picked up one additional VCS at 231108H, in the vicinity of (BT 440150).

- (3) Company D. At 230010H, one hand illumination was fired at suspected movement (BT 487104) but nothing unusual was observed. At 230235H, a patrol fired two warning shots to stop two VN males who were walking towards the waters edge (BT 490111). The two males were fishermen and had proper identification. They were apprehended as curfew violators and were taken to village chief for disposition.

**B. Plans:**

- (1) A maximum number of ambushes between 231900H to 232300H will be established on the KY HA Peninsula. No patrols will be run during this period, however, normal patrolling will continue after 2400H. Normal patrolling and the establishment of ambushes continues from company patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands.
- (2) The Third Platoon from Company B will remain on HOA island to conduct night recon patrols of the island. Extraction is planned for the morning of 24 December. The platoon is supported by two Blam mortars located at KANUAI (BT 476144).
- (3) In anticipation of VC probing activity on KY HA the patrol/ambush schedule submitted as part of 4th Marines Sitrep 226 for the evening of 23 December 1965 has been modified as follows:

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Company A

A-1 cancelled  
 A-2 cancelled  
 A-3 change time from 232300H-240200H to 232330H-240200H

Add the following fire team ambush sites and times as indicated:

GREEN	526110	231930H-232330H
RED	526109	" "
PURPLE	526107	" "
BLACK	526108	" "
ORANGE	526107	" "
BLUE	524104	" "
BROWN	527104	" "

Company C

RAIDER cancelled  
 HAVEN cancelled  
 WREN cancelled  
 GROW cancelled  
 WOODPECKER cancelled  
 REBEL change time from 232315H-240200H to 232330H-240200H

Add the following fire team ambush sites and times indicated:

CYNTHIA	522086	231900H-232330H
JUDY	526084	" "
GRACE	520081	" "
TIDSWATER	517090	" "
CHESAPEAKE	517089	" "
OCEANVIEW	517086	" "
RIVER TERRACE	517085	" "
GRANBY	516083	" "
DUPY	514078	" "
HAPPY	514076	" "
SILLY	519073	" "
RECKLESS	520070	" "
ANDREW	518098	" "
BARBARA	523097	" "
CHARLENE	520093	" "
DICKIE	519091	" "

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

General Summary:

(1) Company E. A platoon patrol with a squad of PF's attached are patrolling the area near grid square (BT 4308). At 231138H the

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patrol, located at (BT 430086), received small arms fire from the west. The patrol moved toward the firing but was unable to locate the source.

- (2) Company F. Company F is the Regimental Reserve Company.
- (3) Company G. In the platoon action the morning of 22 December the sniper team was employed. VC were spotted via (BT 433089), however, the VC quickly moved under cover and the sniper team was unable to bring fire on the VC.
- (4) Company H. At 230535H the platoon located at AN TAN Bridge (BT 498067) observed three figures on a dike (BT 495067). Illumination was fired and the figures moved into the brush. Nothing further was observed and no action was taken.
- (5) H&S Company. At 222115H the Battalion CP security heard a loud whistle at (BT 530075). Hand illumination was fired but nothing unusual was observed. At 222230H the Raider ambushed near (BT 441052), coordinating with the PF's fired on three VC. A search of the area by the PF's uncovered one VC weapon; however, no casualties were found. At 230850H two VCS were picked up by PF's at (BT 445054). One VCS was found to be a PF informer and he was released. A female VCS was forwarded to ITT for questioning.

#### B. Plans:

- (1) Company F will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company. One reinforced platoon will patrol near Hill 22 (BT 423091). Attached will be one squad of PF's and interpreter and one sniper team.

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(2) Company G. One reinforced platoon will patrol the vicinity of KY SANH (1) and KY SANH (2) departing at 240800H. Attached will be one squad of PF's one interpreter and one scout sniper team.

### 3. Attachments

A. Company A, 1st AmTrac Bn. Two LVTP's, deadlined for lack of repair parts. One LVTP is deadlined for company maintenance.

B. Company B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.

C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn. Three tanks are deadlined.

D. Company B 3d Engr. Bn.

- (1) Continue construction on 4th Marines CP bunker, 25% complete.
- (2) Continue construction of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines CP bunker, 25% complete.
- (3) Continue construction of the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines CP bunker, 95% complete.
- (4) Leveling Butler building site for FLSU.
- (5) Erecting water tower at Hqs, 4th Marines, 95% complete.
- (6) Completed digging two ammunition bunkers for MAG-36.
- (7) Completed hauling sand to the radio station and leveled off the area.

#### Water Distribution

Potable	24,375 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,375 Gallons

#### MISCELLANEOUS

A. DGen ENGLISH was given a briefing by the 4th Marines staff at 231000H.

General ENGLISH was then given a tour of the 4th Marines' positions.

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D. The TAM KY Province Chief brought a gift of two cows to BGen PLATT at 231030H.

D. J. FULHAM  
By direction

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LSITENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		8	8					
RECON PATROL (REC)						1		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	20	3	8	14				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					2			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* INCLUDES PF AMBUSH
- \* INCLUDES WATERBORNE PATROL

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT							
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		27		2 *				
RECON PATROL (HRC)						1		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	11	2	6	12 *				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* INCLUDES PT AMBUSH
- + INCLUDES WATER BORNE PATROL

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BOX SCORE DTG 22/800H TO 23/800H DEC 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4						
AMBUSH (AMB)				7		1		
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (S.G)			6					
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)					1			
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	FRM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS		CAPT OTH *
		SIZE	TYPE+				IWC	CWC	
QUANG TIN (BT 530075)	222115H	Co.	DEF. PSN.	H & S Co 0	UNK. 0	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 441052)	222220H	Plt.	Amb.	PF Co. 0	UNK. UNK.	PF	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 495067)	230535H	Plt.	DEF. PSN.	Co H. 0	UNK. 0	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 445054)	230850H	Plt	S/D	PF Co. 0	UNK. 2 VCS	PF	0	0	0
QUANG TIN (BT 430086)	231138H	Plt	S/D	Co. E 0	UNK. 0	VC	0	0	0

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 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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*B. Plans Summary* OPERATIONS/PLANS

BOX SCORE DTG 23/200H TO 24/200H 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS TYPE ACTION	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT		PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT		
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	<u>2</u>			
LISTENING POST (LP)	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>		
AMBUS (AM)			<u>7</u>	
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		<u>6</u>		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			<u>2</u>	
CLEARING (CLR)				

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY NIGHT	
	CLEARING (CLR)	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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 4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 4th MARINES SITREP 231 as of 241600H December 1965

Observations1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.A. General Summary:

- (1) IAS Company. At 240410H, the Marines assigned to the PF ambush requested illumination at (BT 507086). Two rounds of Blum mortar illumination were expended with nothing unusual observed.
- (2) FLSU #1. At 240423H, sentries observed one man at the protective wire of their position, vicinity (BT 529099). A six man patrol was immediately dispatched to the area. A thorough search was conducted however no individual was found.
- (3) The first elements of Company D, 1st Battalion, 3d Marines arrived at 241115H to displace Company C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. This is in conjunction with the 3d Marine Division transplacement program.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.A. General Summary:

- (1) Company F. At 240300H, one reinforced platoon from Company F departed to patrol in the vicinity of Hill 22 (BT 4209). One scout sniper team, one squad of PF's and one interpreter are attached.

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The patrol received small arms fire from six VC (BT 433103) at 241200H. Fire was returned and the enemy fire ceased. At 241235H the patrol began receiving heavy small arms fire from (BT 445091- (BT 425091). Artillery and air strike missions were called. Initial reports state that the patrol found much blood and 300 pounds of destroyed rice. In addition, a Russian carbine, one cartridge belt and several grenades were captured. One slight USMC WIA was sustained however he was not evacuated. The patrol continues to search the area.

- (2) Company G. at 240800H, one reinforced platoon from Company G departed to patrol the vicinity of KY SANH (1) and KY SANH (2) (BT 4505) and (BT 4506). One scout sniper team, one FAC team, one PF squad and one interpreter are attached. At 240920H, two booby traps were found at (BT 495073). One was a "Bouncing Betty" type and the other was a booby trapped 20mm round. They were both marked and left in place for BOD to destroy.

### 3. Attachments.

- A. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Two LVTP5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. One LVTP5 is deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Three tanks are deadlined.
- D. Co D, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Continue work on 4th Marines CP bunker, 30% complete.
  - (2) Continue work on two CP bunkers for the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines 75% and 3% complete respectively.
  - (3) Continue work on CP bunker for the 2d Bn, 4th Marines, 98% complete.

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- (4) Building stage for Christmas show, 80% complete.
- (5) Clearing lanes of fire for the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines bunkers.
- (6) Leveling Butler building site for FLSU, 4% complete.
- (7) Welding bomb racks for light towers for the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, 50% complete.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,145 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	40,145 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. The 1st Battalion, 4th Marines will put into effect Bn Order 5089.1 on 25 December. This order deals with new inshore fishing regulations (See attached copy).
- 2. Rear Admiral J. W. KELLY, Chief of Chaplains, dedicated the new 4th Marines Chapel today at the CP.
- 3. The Regiment will observe the "cease fire" holiday policy set forth in CG message 2209504
- 4. At 241600h, dedication and grand opening ceremonies of the new enlisted club and the new officers club will be held at the Regimental CP.

D. J. FULHAM  
By direction

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BOX SCORE DTG 231800H TO 241800H DEC 1965

BN 1ST REGT 4TH

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)				
LISTENING POST (LP)		3		
AMBUSH (AMB)		27	2 *	
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		11 4 *	6 10 +	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				
CLEARING (CLR)				

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

\* PF AMBUSH  
+ WATERBORNE PATROL

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BOX SCORE DTG 24/800H TO 25/800H Dec. 1965

BN 1st REGT 4th

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS	WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT			COMPANY DAY/NIGHT
	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)				
LISTENING POST (LP)		3		
AMBUSH (AMB)		8	8*	
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	11	4	8 14+	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				
CLEARING (CLR)				

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

\* PF AMBUSH  
+ Waterborne Patrol

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2D BATTALION 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 231 AS OF 241200H

1. 2dBn, 4th Marines Operations Summary

A. All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	FT		Sqd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	2								2
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						6
Search&Destroy (S/D)					2				2
Clearing (CLR)									
TOTAL	4	4	6	7	2				23

B. Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

2. 2ndBn 4th Marines Plans Summary 241200H to 251200H

Type Action	FT		Sqd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	1								1
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						6
Search&Destroy (S/D)					2				2
Clearing (CLR)	3	4	6	7	2				22

Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

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All actions with contact.

<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action, Size, Type*</u>	<u>Friendly Unit/Losses</u>
<u>Quang Tri</u> <u>459073</u>	<u>240920H</u>	<u>PLT S/D</u>	<u>G Co/NONE</u>
<u>433103</u>	<u>241200H</u>	<u>PLT S/D</u>	<u>F Co/NONE</u>
<u>425091</u> <u>428094</u>	<u>241235H</u>	<u>PLT S/D</u>	<u>F Co/1 WIA (SLIGHT)</u>

<u>Enemy Unit/Losses</u>	<u>Initiated By</u>	<u>Material/Weapons INC. OMC</u>	<u>Captured/Other **</u>
<u>UNK/NONE</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>N/A N/A</u>	
<u>UNK/NONE</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>0 0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>UNK/Possible</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>ONE RUSSIAN CARBINE ONE CARTRIDGE BILY SEVERAL GRENADES 300# Rice.</u>	

\* USE ABBREVIATIONS FOR TYPE ACTIONS

\*\* DESCRIBE CAPT. RED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS.

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4TH MARINES (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS FOR 26 DEC 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOB</u>	<u>TOF</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	RED-10	262100H	270430H	
A	FT	A-1	261930H	262330H	2000-2200
A	FT	A-2	262230H	270100H	
A	SQD(-)	A-3	270300H	270630H	0430-0600
A	FT	A-4	270030H	270430H	0200-0400
A	FT	A-5	262000H	262230H	
B	SQD	B-2	261800H	262200H	
B	SQD	B-3	262400H	270400H	
B	SQD	B-3A	262200H	270600H	
C	SQD	RASCAL	262000H	262300H	
C	SQD	REBEL	262400H	270300H	
C	SQD	RAIDER	270300H	270600H	
C	FT	HAVEN	270030H	270300H	AMB
C	FT	ROBIN	262030H	272300H	AMB
C	FT	WHEN	270100H	270400H	AMB
C	FT	SPARROW	262100H	262400H	AMB
C	FT	EAGLE	270015H	270245H	AMB
C	FT	CROW	262015H	262245H	AMB
C	FT	BLUE JAY	270045H	270315H	AMB
C	FT	WOODPECKER	262045H	262315H	AMB
D	SQD	OLD CROW	262100H	270100H	2200-2330
D	SQD	JOHNNIE WALKER	270300H	270630H	0400-0530
D	SQD	MILLERS	262400H	270330H	0100-0230
D	SQD	SEAGRAMS	262200H	270230H	2300-0030
D	SQD	BUD	262000H	262230H	2000-2130
PF	FT/PF	POPPA FOXGLOTT	261700H	260700H	2000-2300
A	FT	RED-9	260830H	261130H	
A	FT	RED-1	261300H	261600H	
A	FT	A-3	260900H	261100H	
B	FT	B-2A	260800H	261100H	
B	FT	B-2B	261500H	261800H	
B	FT	B-3B	261400H	261600H	
B	FT	B-3C	260800H	261600H	
C	FT	RUM-1	260800H	261130H	
C	FT	RUM-2	261200H	261600H	
C	FT	ROMEO-1	260800H	261000H	
C	FT	ROMEO-2	261430H	261600H	
C	FT	BOURBON-1	260700H	261330H	
C	FT	BOURBON-2	261230H	261800H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-1	260830H	261100H	
C	FT	SCOTCH-2	261330H	261830H	
D	SQD	SIERRA	260900H	261100H	
D	SQD	TANGO	261500H	261700H	
E	SQD	WHISKEY	261000H	261200H	
D	SQD	RUM	261200H	261400H	

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOP</u>	<u>TOB</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
G	SQD	TG	260800H	261030H	
G	SQD	2G	260900H	261130H	
G	SQD	3G	261000H	261230H	
E	SQD	1E	261200H	261930H	
E	SQD	2E	261300H	261530H	
E	SQD	3E	261900H	261630H	

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23 December 1965

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

4th MARINES SITREP 232 as of 251600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company A. At 242230H the third platoon of Company A reported seeing and hearing one tracer round traveling southwest. Origin was thought to be from the FLSU area. The battalion CP security also observed the round coming from the north. Thorough investigation by FLSU failed to uncover the source of the reported round. At 250015H Company A's roadblock (BT 529100) observed one tracer round traveling south, origin unknown. Once again a check of the rear area failed to reveal the source of the firing.
- (2) Company C. At 242206H, a hand illumination was fired (BT 523091) at suspected movement forward of their defensive positions. The illumination failed to disclose anything significant.
- (3) H&S Company. At 242305H, the 1st Battalion CP security position at (BT 524091) received two incoming rounds of small arms fire. They immediately returned fire and called for Blum mortar illumination over the suspected area of origin. Two rounds were fired in support of this mission. The area was checked but nothing unusual was observed. At 242330H, the CP security position at (BT 524091) fired

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one round small arms at suspected movement to his front, after their was no reply to his challenge. Three rounds of 81mm mortar illumination were fired to illuminate the area but once again, nothing unusual was sighted.

- (4) A scout sniper team (two men) was employed to watch a trench line with tunnels at (BT 527108). The scout snipers moved into position (BT 527107) after dark and remained there until 250400H. They saw and heard nothing unusual in the area.
- (5) At 250330H, FLSU (BT 539099) fired two small arms rounds at suspected movement. The area forward of their position was checked but nothing unusual was found.

B. Plans:

- (1) 1st Battalion will conduct a Battalion (-) operation on Hoa XUAN Island (BT 4215) starting 260730H (OpO 227-65).

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company E. The platoon patrol scheduled for this period was cancelled.
- (2) Company F. Company F remains as the Regimental Reserve Company.
- (3) Company G. The platoon patrol scheduled for this period was cancelled.
- (4) Company H. At 242028H, the outpost on Hill 69 reported three rounds of incoming 60mm mortar fire. At 242100H four more rounds were received, landing outside the perimeter. At 242124H Hill 69 reported an additional three rounds. A total of 10 incoming rounds were received with no casualties. All the rounds landed outside the perimeter. At the time of the last incoming, Hill 76 spotted 2 flashes coord

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(BT 441058). Artillery fire was put on that position. At 242311H Hill 69 reported rocks being thrown into their position. Grenades were returned by the outpost. There were no further incidents and there were no casualties. A search of the area was made at first light. Some of the shell fragments found in the area appear to be M-79 rounds.

- (4) H&S Company. At 242355H, the 81mm mortar platoon at (BT 519057), received three rounds small arms fire. No one was sighted and there were no casualties. The fire came from rice paddies at (BT 524068).

**B. Plans:**

- (1) Company A. At 260800H one reinforced platoon will commence on a daylight search and clear operation near KHUONG NHON (2). Attached will be one squad of PF's and one interpreter.
- (2) Company F. Company F will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company. At 261500H Co F (Rein), with one platoon of PF's attached will depart to establish ambush positions North of the ONG HO Bridge (see OpOrder 99-65).

**3. Attachments.**

- A. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Two LVT-5's are in direct support of MAG-12 for use as crash/rescue vehicles. Four LVT-5's are deadlined for lack of repair parts. One LVT-5 is deadlined for company maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. 2 tanks are deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Working on CP bunker for 4th Marines - 30% completed.
  - (2) Working on CP bunker of 1st Battalion - 90% completed.
  - (3) Construction on 2d CP bunker for 1st Battalion - 75% completed.

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- (4) Completed building stage for Christmas show.
- (5) Completed building screens and light stands for Christmas show.
- (6) Completed repairing tent for 4th Marines S&C files.
- (7) Loaded and moved pallets for 4th Marines Supply.
- (8) Hauled sand to Co B, 3d Engr. Bn lumberyard.
- (9) Clearing area for minefield for 1st Battalion - 50% completed.

Water Distribution

Potable	24,195 Gallons
Raw	18,000 Gallons
Total	42,195 Gallons

D. Command Post Locations.

- |                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| (1) 4th Marines          | CP (BT 533089) |
| (a) Co B, 3d AT Bn.      | CP (BT 533089) |
| (b) Co C, 3d Tank Bn.    | CP (BT 533089) |
| (c) Co A, 1st Amtrac Bn. | CP (BT 555052) |
| (d) Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.   | CP (BT 566062) |
| (e) 3d Bn, 12th Marines  | CP (BT 551048) |
| (2) 1st Bn, 4th Marines  | CP (BT 524091) |
| (a) Co A                 | CP (BT 527111) |
| (b) Co B                 | CP (BT 512125) |
| (c) Co C                 | CP (BT 524090) |
| (d) Co D                 | CP (BT 487104) |
| (3) 2d Bn, 4th Marines   | CP (BT 534076) |
| (a) Co E                 | CP (BT 515065) |
| (b) Co F                 | CP (BT 534075) |
| (c) Co G                 | CP (BT 513061) |
| (d) Co H                 | CP (BT 468068) |

MISCELLANEOUS

- A. General WALT visited the 4th Marines CP at 251100H.
- B. LtGen PLATT visited the outpost line today to wish the Marines a MERRY CHRISTMAS.
- C. CARDINAL SPELLMAN arrived at B-Med at 251430H. CARDINAL SPELLMAN spent

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several hours visiting with the patients and talking with members of the  
4th Marines.

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BOX SCORE DTG 241800H ~~1007~~ TO 251800H ~~1307~~ Dec 1965

ALL SMALL UNIT TYPE ACTION	BN _____ REGT _____		ACTIONS WITH CONTACT		AND WITHOUT CONTACT		COMPANY NIGHT	
	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		1						
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		8		8 *				
RECON PATROL (REC)		4	8	14 +				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)								
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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\* PF Ambush  
+ Waterborne patrol

ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	TYPE <sup>+</sup>	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS		CAPT OTH *
							IWC	CWC	
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>523091</u>	<u>242206H</u>	<u>CO.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>C-1/4/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>524091</u>	<u>242305H</u>	<u>CO.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>H+S-1/4/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>524091</u>	<u>242330H</u>	<u>CO.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>H+S 1/4/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>539099</u>	<u>240330H</u>	<u>CO.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>FLSO#1/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>525101</u>	<u>242230H</u>	<u>PLT.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>A-1/4/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u> <u>529100</u>	<u>250055H</u>	<u>Rd. Mt.</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>A-1/4/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>UNK/0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
							<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
							<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
							<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
\* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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2D BATTALION 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 232 AS OF 251200H

1. 2dBn, 4th Marines Operations Summary

A. All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	FT		Sgd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)									
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						6
Search&Destroy (S/D)									
Clearing (CLR)									
TOTAL	2	4	6	7					19

B. Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

2. 2dBn 4th Marines Plans Summary 251800H-261800H

Type Action	FT		Sgd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	1								1
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6		2				8
Search&Destroy (S/D)									
Clearing (CLR)	3	4	6	7	3				22

Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

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All actions with contacts.

<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Am, Size, Type*</u>	<u>Friendly Unit/Losses</u>
Quang Tin 468068	242028H	PH Def	H Co/none
Quang Tin 468068	242100H	PH Def	H Co/none
Quang Tin 468068	242244H	PH Def	H Co/none
Quang Tin 468068	242311H	PH Def	H Co/none
Quang Tin 519057	242355H	PH Def	81st Co/none

<u>Enemy Unit/Losses</u>	<u>Initiated By</u>	<u>Material/Weapons</u> RWC - CVC	<u>Captured/Other **</u>
unk/none	VC	n/a - n/a	n/a
unk/none	VC	n/a - n/a	n/a
unk/none	VC	n/a - n/a	n/a
unk/none	VC	n/a - n/a	n/a
unk/none	VC	n/a - n/a	n/a

\* USE ABBREVIATIONS FOR TYPE ACTIONS

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NIGHT PATROLS FOR 27 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOU</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	RED-12	272000H	280500H	
A	FT	A-3	280100H	280330H	
A	FT	A-4	280300H	280630H	0330-0600
A	SQD (-)	A-5	271900H	272300H	2000-2200
B	SQD	B-1	271900H	272200H	
B	SQD	B-1A	272400H	280400H	
B	SQD	B-2	272300H	280300H	
C	SQD	RAMBLER-1	271900H	272130H	
C	SQD	" -2	270100H	280300H	
C	SQD	" -3	280300H	280600H	
C	FT	CANISTER-1	271900H	280045H	AMB
C	FT	" -2	271900H	280045H	AMB
C	FT	" -3	271900H	280045H	AMB
C	FT	" -4	"	"	"
C	FT	" -5	"	"	"
C	FT	" -6	"	"	"
C	FT	" -7	"	"	"
C	FT	" -8	"	"	"
C	FT	" -9	"	"	"
C	FT	" -10	"	"	"
D	SQD	FORD	271930H	272300H	2030-2200
D	SQD	RAMBLER	272000H	272400H	2100-2230
D	SQD	HUDSON	280100H	280500H	0200-0330
D	SQD	NASH	272100H	280100H	2200-2330
D	SQD	CHRYSLER	280200H	280600H	0300-0430
PF/n&s	FT	POPPA FOOTROJ	271800H	280600H	1900-2200
A	FT	GREEN	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	PURPLE	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	RED	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	BLACK	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	ORANGE	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	BLUE	271900H	280045H	AMB
A	FT	BROWN	271900H	280045H	AMB

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A	FT	ROD 11	270730H	271030H	
A	FT	GREEN 7	271300H	271600H	
A	FT	A-3	270900H	271100H	
B	SQD	B-1B	271200H	271500H	
B	SQD	B-1C	270800H	271600H	
B	SQD	B-2A	270700H	271000H	
B	SQD	B-2B	271400H	271700H	
C	FT	C-1	270800H	271100H	
C	FT	C-2	271300H	271600H	
C	FT	C-3	270800H	271100H	
C	FT	C-4	271300H	271600H	
D	SQD	HOTEL	270900H	271100H	
D	SQD	TANGO	271530H	271730H	
D	SQD	WALSKEY	271000H	271300H	
D	SQD	SILVER	271200H	271500H	

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**ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT**

PROVINCE / COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION TYPE +		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS		CAPT OTH *
		SIZE					IWC	CWC	
QUANG TIN L8709L	252055H	SQB	SEC	D 1/4 0	0	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN L8710L	252100H	Co	Defense	D 1/4 0	0	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN L86100	252200H	SQB	SEC	D 1/4 0	0	TC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN L8710L	252300H	Co	Defense	D 1/4 0	0	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN L8710L	252350H	Co	Defense	D 1/4 0	0	USMC	0	0	0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	2							
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		10		7*				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	5	8	12+				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		1

\* PF Ambush  
+ Waterborne patrol

2D BATTALION 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 233 AS OF 261200H

1. 2dBn, 4th Marines Operations Summary

A. All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	FT		Sgt		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)									
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						6
Search&Destroy (S/D)									
Clearing (CLR)									
TOTAL	2	4	6	7					19

B. Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

2. 2ndBn 4th Marines Plans Summary

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Type Action	FT		Sgt		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	1								1
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				7					7
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			7						7
Search&Destroy (S/D)					2				2
Clearing (CLR)	3	4	7	7	2				23

Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

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All actions with contact.

<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action, Size, Type*</u>	<u>Friendly Unit/Losses</u>
QUANG TIN			
<u>452039</u>	<u>252110H</u>	<u>Pit Def</u>	<u>H Co / none</u>
QUANG TIN			
<u>497066</u>	<u>252215H</u>	<u>Pit Def</u>	<u>H Co / none</u>
QUANG TIN			
<u>497066</u>	<u>260235H</u>	<u>Pit Def</u>	<u>H Co - 9 KIA</u>
QUANG TIN			
<u>492066</u>	<u>260400H</u>	<u>Pit Def</u>	<u>H Co / none</u>
QUANG TIN			
<u>497066</u>	<u>260710H</u>	<u>Pit Def</u>	<u>H Co / none</u>
<u>Enemy Unit/Losses</u>	<u>Initiated By</u>	<u>Material/Weapons</u> EAC: CWC	<u>Captured/Other **</u>
<u>UNK / none</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK / none</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK / 7 KIA (Poss)</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK / UNK</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK / 1 KIA</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>1 FRENCH SUB-MACHINE GUN</u>	<u>2 SATCHEL CHARGES</u>

\* USE ABBREVIATIONS FOR TYPE ACTIONS

\*\* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS.

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

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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
4th Marines (INFO) NUMBER 233 as of 261600H December 1965

UNCLASSIFIED1. 1st Battalion, 4th MarinesA. General Summary:

- (1) Company D, a squad size patrol observed lights in a rice paddy, vicinity (BT 487091) at approximately 252055Z. The patrol called for and received illumination from the 81mm mortars attached to the company. The illuminated area failed to disclose anything unusual. However, during the illumination, elements of the CP security group, observed three figures at vicinity (BT 487104). Another round was called for at (BT 487104), and the figures seemed to melt into the darkness when the illumination round exploded. No further contact was made. Later, at 252240H, the patrol heard two S/A rounds, thought to come from (BT 488108). One of the rounds impacted in the Company D CP area (BT 487104), and the other went over the heads of the patrol. The area from where the rounds were suspected to originate was swept by the patrol but nothing unusual was discovered. Elements of the Company CP defense, (BT 487104), at 252304H, fired a hand held illumination at suspected movement. The light disclosed a cow in the area of the reported movement.

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E. Plans:

- (1) The Battalion (-) (Rein) sweep and clear operation on NON XUAN (BT 4315) will be conducted in accordance with 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Operation Order 227-65. The operation was delayed one day due to the observance of the Christmas cease fire order. It will commence 270730H.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines:A. General Summary:

- (1) Company B. At 260255H a reinforced platoon from Company E moved to the AN TAN Bridge to reinforce the unit occupying the position. At 261030H, the platoon returned to the MLR. The platoon patrol scheduled for this period was cancelled.
- (2) Company F. At 260410H, Company F (-) arrived at AN TAN Bridge to reinforce the unit occupying that position. At 260714H, Company F (-) commenced a sweep of the area around AN TAN Bridge, searching for VC KIA, weapons and other materials. One platoon of Company F will remain at AN TAN Bridge as a reinforcing unit. The Company operation (99-65) has been postponed.
- (3) Company B. At 252110H, Hill 76 reported that the SID was detecting movement in their landing zone. Two rounds of illumination were fired. One rifle shot was heard after the first round. There was no further activity. At 252245H, AN TAN Bridge heard one round of small arms fire. A sampan was sighted moving South towards the bridge. Illumination was fired and the sampan was taken under fire. It then reversed its course and beached on the SW shore. A man emerged and swam across the river; he was taken under fire with results unknown. At 260235H the platoon received several incoming

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hand grenades and satchel charges. The VC attacked the NorthEast end of the bridge appearing very suddenly to throw these grenades. Two Marines were killed, one of which was a died of wounds case. In addition, ~~eight~~ <sup>NINE</sup> WIA's were sustained. During this time a squad leader on the South side of the bridge sighted 6-7 men swimming down river towards the bridge. These men were taken under fire and believed killed. At 260245H, the platoon began to receive small arms fire which lasted for several minutes. Fire was returned with the results unknown. At 260400H the platoon again received small arms fire which was returned with no casualties. Sporadic firing continued throughout the remainder of the night. At 260710H, while searching the area, one dead VC was pulled out of the river. Captured was a satchel charge and a French Sub-machine gun. The search also uncovered a log wrapped in explosives with a lead wire protruding from it. This was accompanied by a large satchel charge found in the same vicinity. Throughout the action artillery was used, both for illumination and night defense fires. A flare ship was also utilized from 0430H until daylight.

(4) Company G. (Late Report) A Company G patrol reported 29 men of military age in L. No BINH (BT 507070) at 0920H. Since this number of men have never been seen in the village a reinforced squad was returned to investigate. They returned with n thing unusual to report. (A full account of this incident is contained in After-Glow-2 spot report to Sheve-2 dated 260920H.)

5. Plans.

- (1) Company B. At 270800h, one reinforced platoon will commence on a daylight search and clear operation in the vicinity of KAUONG

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KNOR (2)(BT 4308). Attached will be one squad of PF's and one interpreter.

(2) Company G. At 270800H one reinforced platoon from Co G will commence their patrol vicinity E of Hill 22 (BT 4209). Attached will be one squad of PF's, an interpreter and a scout sniper team.

### 3. Attachments

- a. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Ten LVTP5's and one LVT(OAD) departed and attached to the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines. Nine LVTP5's arrived from the SLF. One LVTP5 is deadlined for lack of spare parts.
- b. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- c. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks remain deadlined.
- d. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.

(1) Holiday routine was observed by this unit.

#### Water Distribution

Potable	18,150 Gallons
Raw	15,000 Gallons
Total	33,150 Gallons

### PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

#### a. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

(1) On 22 December 1965 Company D on KY XUAN found anti-American propaganda leaflets. The leaflets were directed against the American service men and their participation in the war in Vietnam. The leaflets were printed in English. The open letter, allegedly from Army Special Forces Sgt Claude D. McCLEURE, denounced U. S. involvement in Vietnam. No plans have been made to conduct a special program against this new

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development. We will continue our present program of propaganda leaflets distribution and civic action.

- (2) Catholic mass was held at the Village Headquarters on KY XUAN on 19 December 1965. There were 40 villagers in attendance.
- (3) The hamlet of DONG XUAN (BT 486106) raised a OVN flag in front of the school house on 21 December 1965; Another indication of the deterioration of the VC suppression on KY XUAN Island.
- (4) Mr. CHOW, the Village Chief of KY XUAN is now distributing a news letter with the assistance of Company D. The first news letter (800 copies) was distributed on 21 December 1965. The news letter includes current items of general interest.
- (5) MedCAP and English classes continued in the villages of KY HA, KY HOA and KY XUAN.
- (6) Current plans include the distribution of leaflets directed to the VC and to the people of HOA XUAN. The leaflets will be distributed to the people of HOA XUAN by Marines and PF's during the Battalion (-) sweep and clear operation scheduled for the 27th of December.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

- (1) During the week, MedCAP treated 435 villagers in AN TAN (BT 4906), LONG BINH (BT 5007) and KY PHU (BT 4704).
- (2) 4000 leaflets were received this week with the slogan, "We found your trap, next time we'll find you". They will be used whenever a VC trap is found.
- (3) An aircraft mounted loudspeaker will be utilized during the early days of January for use in the TAOR.
- (4) Extensive use was made of the translation leaflet to enable the individual Marine to extract information from civilians. This has been part

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icularly useful in grid squares (BT 4310) and (BT 4409), where the people are gradually beginning to feel secure enough to volunteer information on VC locations and plans.

- (5) Due to the extremely wet weather, leaflets were not extensively employed. It is anticipated that better results will be obtained this week.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

- (1) Mine Warfare School - 56  
 (2) Vietnamese Language School - 7

TRAINING \*A. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines

- (1) Ten men from Company A received 16 hours of instruction at the Regimental Land Mine Warfare School.
- (2) Company D conducted the following training:
- a. Three hours of "Field Fortifications and Emplacements" - 30 Marine
  - b. One hour of "Weapons Safety" - 90 Marines.
  - c. Two hours of ".45 Cal Pistol" - 90 Marines.
  - d. One hour of "First Aid" - 150 Marines.
  - e. One hour of "Fam Fire" - 20 people.

B. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines

- (1) 30 Marines attended the Regimental Land Mine Warfare School for 16 hours of instruction.

C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn

- (1) The following classes were held during the past week:
- a. One and a half hours of "Order of battle/intelligence Method" - Company Headquarters.
  - b. One hour of "Gunnery" - 2d Platoon.
  - c. One hour of "Communications" - 3d Platoon.

MISCELLANEOUS

- (1) (late report) At 241235H, a sniper with the Company F patrol fired one round at a VC observed in a tree. The range was approximately 550 meters. The VC was observed to fall from the tree, however, due to the fire fight his body could not be located.
- (2) Congressman T. J. McGUIRE, New Jersey, visited the 4th Marines CP today.

D. J. FULHAM  
By direction



**ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT**

PROVINCE / COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION TYPE <sup>+</sup>		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES		ENM UNIT/ LOSSES		INIT BY
		SIZE						
QUANG TIN L87091	252058H	SQB	SEC	0	1/0	0	0	USMC
QUANG TIN L87104	252100H	Co	Defense	0	1/0	0	0	USMC
QUANG TIN L86108	252248H	SQB	SEC	0	1/0	0	0	YC
QUANG TIN L87104	252304H	Co	Defense	0	1/0	0	0	USMC
QUANG TIN L87104	252358H	Co	Defense	0	1/0	0	0	USMC

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQVAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	2							
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		10		7*		*		
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	5	8	12+				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		1

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\* PF Ambush  
+ Water borne patrol.

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1ST BN, 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 234 AS OF 261200H DECEMBER 1965

1. Unit Action With and Without Contact.

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2. Unit Plans.

- a. Normal saturation patrolling and ambush establishment continues forward of the MLR on KY HA Peninsula. Companies B and D will conduct combat patrols from their respective patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands.
- b. Battalion (-)(Rein) sweep and clear operation on HOA XUAN (BT 4315) will be conducted in accordance with 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Operation Order 227-65. The operation was delayed one day due to the observance of the Christmas cease fire order.

3. Psychological Operations. Psychological Operations for the week of 19-25 December 1965.

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4. Miscellaneous.

a. Training.

(1) Company A.

16 hrs      Regimental Land Mine Warfare School      10 people

(2) Company D.

3 hrs	Field Fortifications and Emplacements	30 people
1 hr	Weapons Safety	90 people
2 hrs	.45 Cal Pistol	90 people
1 hr	First Aid	150 people
1 hr	FAM Fire	20 people

*James A. Schomacher*  
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 Capt                      USMC  
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NIGHT PATROLS FOR 28 DECEMBER 1965

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>POD/POR</u>	<u>LAYOVER/AMBUSH</u>
A	FT	H-14	282030H	292100H	523121	
A	FT	A-1	282000H	282200H	527110	
A	FT	A-2	281900H	282300H	527110	1930-2230
A	FT	A-3	282300H	290200H	527110	CANCELLED
A	FT	A-4	290300H	290600H	529107	
A	SQD	A-5	290600H	290630H	527110	0445-0600
A	FT	13-19	282330H	290230H	527110	AMBUSHES
B	SQD	B-3	282300H	290200H	476144	
B	SQD	B-1	281900H	282300H	510129	
B	SQD	B-1A	282300H	290600H	510129	
C	SQD	WHEEL-1	281900H	282130H	525089	
C	SQD	WHEEL-2	282000H	282330H	525089	
C	SQD	WHEEL-3	290230H	290600H	525089	
C	FT	1-12	282330H	290230H	525089	AMBUSHES
D	SQD	HEINEKEN	282400H	290300H	487104	0100-0230
D	SQD	LUCKY LAGGER	290330H	290630H	487104	0430-0600
D	SQD	TUDOR	281930H	282330H	487104	2030-2200
D	SQD	CANADIAN ACE	282000H	282400H	487104	2100-2230
D	SQD	MILLERS	290330H	2906630H	487104	0400-0530
PF/H&S	FT	POPPA FOXTROT	281800H	290600H	524091	0300-0500

COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. 3D PLAT, CO.A. 1ST AMTRAC BN. PROVIDE TWO COXSWAINS FOR THE WATERBORNE PATROL TO ENFORCE CURFEW FROM 2000-0500. PROVIDE LOGISTICAL TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY B AND COMPANY D AS DIRECTED BY S-4.
2. H&S COMPANY. PROVIDE EIGHT MARINES, FOUR FOR WATERBORNE PATROL SECURITY AND FOUR FOR COORDINATED USMC/PF AMBUSH.
3. COMPANY A. HAS ONE PATROL DAILY COORDINATED WITH MEDCAP OPERATIONS.
4. COMPANY B.
  - A. KAHUKU IS A PATROL BASE MANNED 24 HOURS A DAY BY ONE RIFLE PLAT. AND ONE MACHINE GUN SQUAD (.50 CAL).
  - B. D-1A IS A NINE MAN PATROL. A THREE MAN LISTENING POST WILL BE PLACED IN POSITIONS AT PALI, MOLOKAI, WAIKANE. THESE LPs WILL RETURN BY SEPERATE ROUTES.

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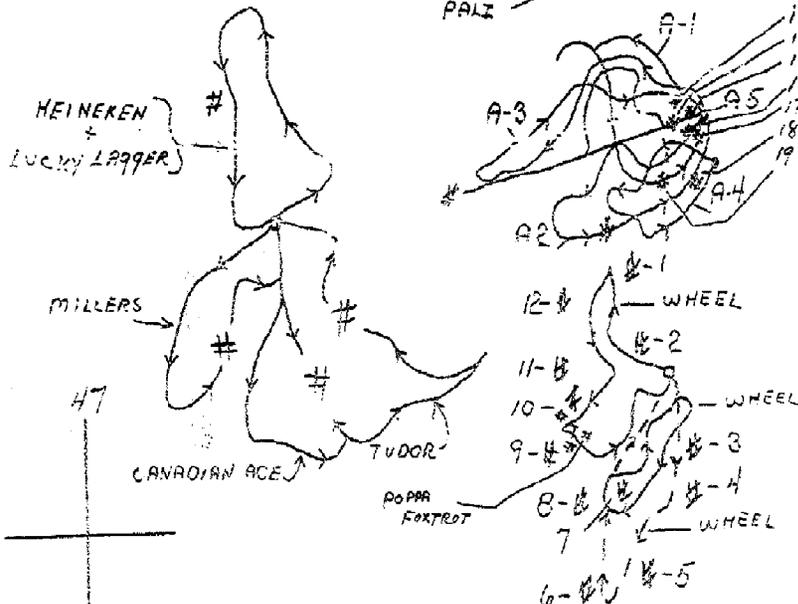
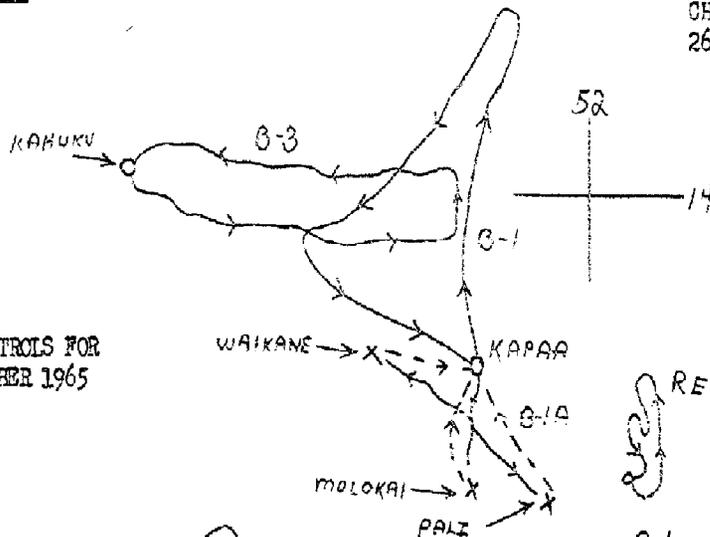
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A	FT	RED-13	280800H	281100H	523121	
A	FT	GREEN-6	281300H	281600H	528110	
A	FT	A-3	280900H	281100H	528110	
B	SQD	D-1B	281300H	281600H	510129	
B	SQD	B-1C	280800H	281600H	510129	
B	SQD	B-3A	280700H	281000H	467114	
B	SQD	D-3B	281300H	281600H	467114	
C	FT	RAMBLER-1	280800H	281100H	525089	
C	FT	RAMBLER-2	281300H	281600H	525089	
C	FT	RAMBLER-3	280800H	281100H	525089	
C	FT	RAMBLER-4	281300H	281600H	525089	
D	SQD	PABST	280900H	281100H	487104	
D	SQD	SCHAFER	281500H	281700H	487104	
D	SQD	FIEFFIER	281100H	281300H	487104	
D	SQD	FOXHEAD	281300H	281500H	487104	

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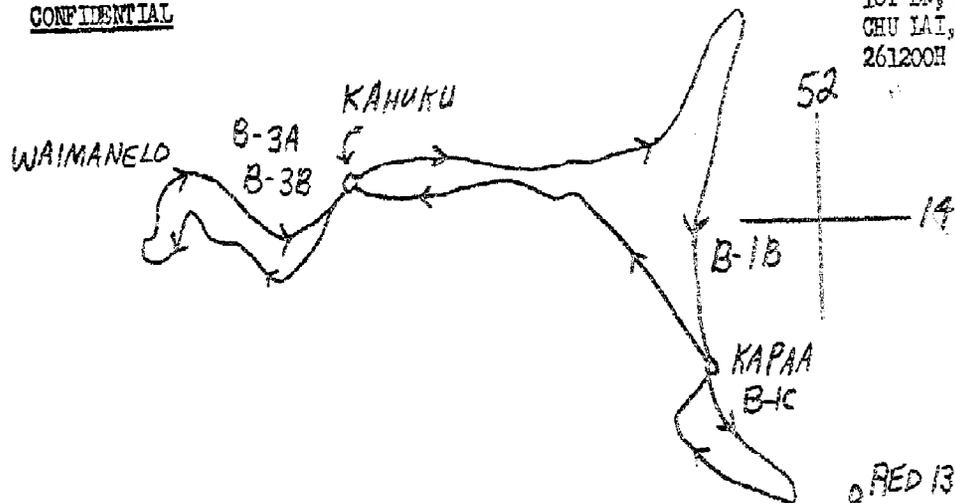
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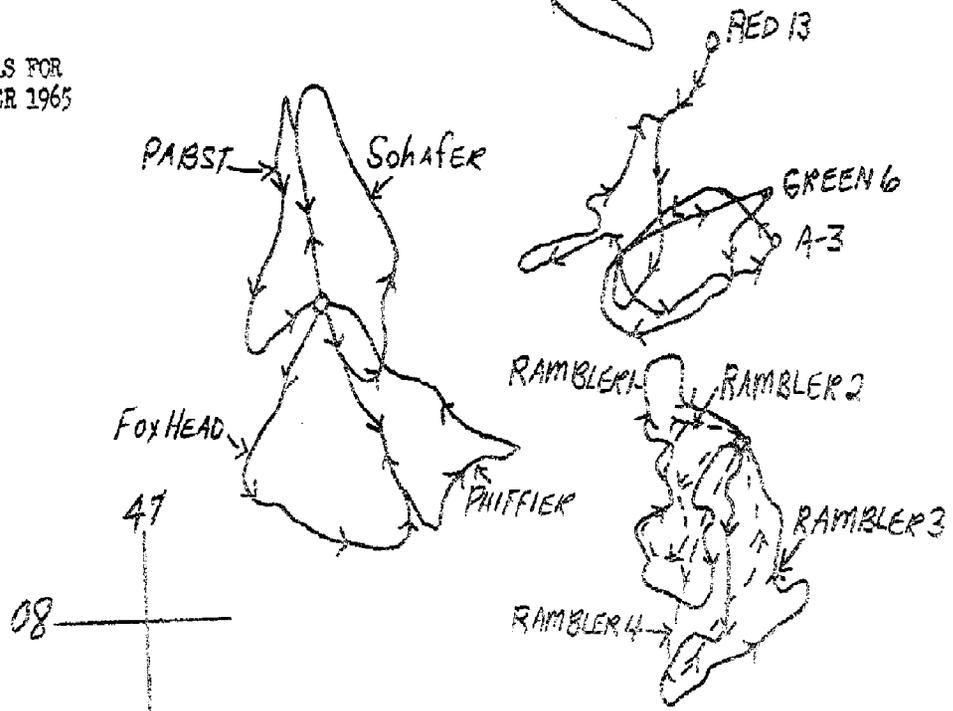
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BRAVO: 251200H to 261200H Dec65  
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1. Company Headquarters - Continues maintenance and logistic support of the two tank platoons in direct support of the Infantry Battalions. Two defensive positions in the Headquarters, 4th Marines perimeter were manned from 251830H to 260630H Dec65, with no enemy contact.
2. Second Platoon - Continues direct support of 2d Battalion, 4th Marines with three tanks in the Company "E" position area and two in the Company "G" position. There was no enemy contact in the last 24 hours.
3. Third Platoon - Continues in direct support of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines with five tanks located in the 1st Battalion C.P. A light section remains in defensive positions at (BT 528106), with no enemy contact.
4. Deadline: C-42, C-43, 1 M54, 1 AN/MRC 83
5. Coordinates of unit locations:
  - a. Company C.P. - BT532088
  - b. 2d Plt C.P. - BT513062
  - c. 3d Plt C.P. - BT529088
6. Classes conducted this week:

Company Headquarters:  
23 Dec 1965 - 1½ hr Order of Battle/Intelligence Methods

2d Platoon:  
23 December 1965 - 1 hr Gunnery

3d Platoon:  
23 December 1965 - 1 hr Communications

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OOALSTAMTRACEN  
251800H TO 261200H  
OOA ATTACHED TO THE 4TH MARINES. 1 LVTE1 AND 12 LVTP5'S IN  
DIRECT SUPPORT OF 1/4. 2 LVTP5'S IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 2/4.  
1 LVTP5 IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF MAG-32 FOR USE AS A CRASH/RESCUE  
VEHICLE. 10 LVTP5'S AND 1 LVT(ORG) DEPARTED AND ATTACHED TO  
3/4. 9 LVTP5'S ARRIVED FROM SLF. 1 LVTP5 DEADLINED FOR LACK  
OF SPARE PARTS. NO CLASSES CONDUCTED DURING WEEKLY PERIOD.

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COMPANY "B" (REIN)  
 3d Engineer Battalion  
 3d Marine Division, FMB  
 o/o FPO, San Francisco 96601

25 December 1965  
 120/65

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Engineer Battalion, 3d Marine Division, FMB  
 Subj: Daily Summary from 241600 to 251600H

1. Combat Support - None
2. Roads & Bridges - None
3. General Construction - None
4. Utilities
  - a. Distributed 18,150 Gallons of potable & 15,000 gallons of raw water for a total of 33,150 gallons.
  - b. Operating 2 water points; Engr & 2/4.
  - c. Operating 4 showers; Engr, 1/4, 2/4 & 3/12.
  - d. The machinery section operated a total of 55 hours.
5. Civil Affairs - None
6. Deadline Equipment
 

2-TD-15	1-M-60 Crane	2-AN/PRS 4	8-55 GPM Pumps
3-TD-18	1-590 Grader	5-AN/PRS 3	4-Purification Units
1-M-51	1-Chain Saw	1-IM-141	1-Typewriter
1-M-37	1-M-422	1-IM-174	
7. Miscellaneous - Holiday routine was observed by this unit today.

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4TH REGIMENT (-) (REIN) PATROL PLANS FOR 26 DEC 1965

UNIT	SIZE	NAME	TOP	TGN	LAY VER/AMBUSH
A	PT	RED-14	282030H	292100H	
A	PT	A-1	281000H	282200H	
A	PT	A-2	281900H	282300H	1930-2230
A	PT	A-3	282300H	290200H	CANONICAL
A	PT	A-4	290300H	290600H	
A	SQU	A-5	290500H	290630H	0445-0600
A	PT	13-19	282330H	290230H	AMB
B	SQU	B-3	282300H	290200H	
B	SQU	B-1	281900H	282300H	
B	SQU	B-1A	282300H	290600H	
C	SQU	WHEEL-1	281900H	282130H	
C	SQU	WHEEL-2	282000H	282330H	
C	SQU	WHEEL-3	290230H	290600H	
C	PT	1-12	282330H	290230H	AMB
D	SQU	HEINRICH	280400H	290300H	0100-0230
D	SQU	LUCKY LAGGER	290330H	290630H	0430-0600
D	SQU	FUDGR	281930H	282330H	2030-2200
D	SQU	CANADIAN ACE	282000H	282400H	2100-2230
D	SQU	MILLERS	290330H	290630H	0400-0530
PT/HAS	PT	POPPIA FOXTROT	281800H	290600H	0300-0500
A	PT	RED-13	280800H	281100H	
A	PT	GREEN-6	281300H	281600H	
A	PT	A-3	280900H	281100H	
B	SQU	B-1B	281300H	281600H	
B	SQU	B-3A	280700H	281000H	
B	SQU	B-3B	281300H	281600H	
C	PT	HAMBLER-1	280800H	281100H	
C	PT	HAMBLER-2	281300H	281600H	
C	PT	HAMBLER-3	280800H	281100H	
C	PT	HAMBLER-4	281300H	281600H	
D	SQU	PASST	280900H	281100H	
D	SQU	SCHAFFER	281500H	281700H	
D	SQU	FLEETTER	281100H	281300H	
D	SQU	OXHEAD	281300H	281500H	
H	PLAT	H-1	261300H	261630H	
G	PLAT	G-1	270800H	271600H	
E	PLAT	E-3	270800H	271600H	
B	SQU	B-1	280800H	281030H	
B	SQU	B-2	280900H	281130H	
B	SQU	B-3	281000H	281230H	
G	SQU	G-1	281200H	281430H	
G	SQU	G-2	281300H	281530H	
G	SQU	G-3	281400H	281630H	
		Y, U, U, A, K, D,	271900H	280630	

E. A. THOMAS  
1st Lt USMC  
B-3A

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2D BATTALION 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 233 AS OF 261200H

1. 2dBrn, 4th Marines Operations Summary

A. All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Plt		Sgd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)									
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				2					2
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						6
Search&Destroy (S/D)									
Clearing (CLR)									
TOTAL	2	4	6	2					14

B. Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

2. 2ndBrn 4th Marines Plans Summary 261200H - 271200H

Type Action	Plt		Sgd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	1								1
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							6
Ambush (AMB)				2					2
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			2						2
Search&Destroy (S/D)					2				2
Clearing (CLR)	3	4	1	2	2				12

Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

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All actions with contact.

<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action, Size, Type*</u>	<u>Friendly Unit/Losses</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u>			
<u>452039</u>	<u>252110H</u>	<u>Plt Def</u>	<u>H Co/None</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u>			
<u>497066</u>	<u>252215H</u>	<u>Plt Def</u>	<u>H Co/None</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u>			
<u>497066</u>	<u>260235H</u>	<u>Plt Def</u>	<u>H Co/ 2 KIA 9 WIA</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u>			
<u>497066</u>	<u>260400H</u>	<u>Plt Def</u>	<u>H Co/None</u>
<u>QUANG TIN</u>			
<u>497066</u>	<u>260710H</u>	<u>Plt Def</u>	<u>H Co/None</u>
<u>Enemy Unit/Losses</u>	<u>Initiated By</u>	<u>Material/Weapons</u> BNC CWC	<u>Captured/Other **</u>
<u>UNK/None</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK/None</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK/7 KIA (Poss)</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK/UNK</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
<u>UNK/1 KIA</u>	<u>US</u>	<u>1 FRENCH SUB- MACHINE GUN</u>	<u>2 satchel/ charges</u>

\* USE ABBREVIATIONS FOR TYPE ACTIONS

\*\* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS.

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

3/JLH/cwa  
3480  
27 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 234 as of 271600H December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

(1) At 270705H the first elements of the Battalion (-) (Rein) landed on HOA KUAN Island vicinity (BT 454140) and (BT 461147) in execution of 1st Bn, 4th Marines Operation Order 227-65. At 270800H Company B apprehended one VCS at (BT 454144). The VCS was sent to the mobile prisoner collection point established on HOA KUAN for further disposition. At 270801H Company A received sporadic small arms fire from (BT 436153). The Company immediately returned fire and moved aggressively to maintain contact with the VC. The VC, however, broke contact at that time. At 270845H the Command Group received sporadic small arms fire from (BT 436157). The Command Group deployed in an attempt to close with the VC but were unable to make contact. At 270852H Company C received sporadic small arms fire from (BT 418149) and moved to maintain contact but were unable to do so. At 270945H Company A captured three VCC at (BT 427165). The VCC names appear on the Battalion's Black List. At 1000H Company B apprehended one VCS at (BT 452150). The PF's said that the man has two sons who follow the VC. At 271030H Company B apprehended one VCS at (BT 445149) who was hiding in the bushes and did not have a ID card. Company C

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captured 500 pounds of rice and 300 pounds of corn at 271307H near (BT 420140). The corn and rice will be picked up at (BT 418140) by LVT and taken to the Battalion CP. A grey uniform was found by Company B near (BT 443145) at 271300H.

- (2) Due to the Battalion (-) (Rein) operation today the following daylight patrols will be cancelled:

RED-11	270730H-271030H
GREEN-7	271500H-271600H
B-1B	271200H-271500H
B-1C	270800H-271600H
B-2A	270700H-271000H
A-2B	271400H-271700H
C-3	270800H-271100H
C-4	271300H-271600H

#### B. Plans:

- (1) Normal saturation patrolling with an increase in the establishment of ambushes will be conducted forward of the MLR on KY HA Peninsula. Companies B and D will conduct combat patrols from their respective patrol bases on KY HOA and KY XUAN Islands.

#### 2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

##### A. General Summary:

- (1) Company E. At 270800H a reinforced platoon from Company E departed on a daylight search and clear operation near KHUONG NHON (2) (BT 439-009). Attached was one squad of PF's and an interpreter. At 270950H, the reinforced platoon from Company E patrolling in the KHUONG NHON (2) area received sniper fire from (BT 432089). Artillery was fired at which time the VC broke contact and fled.
- (2) Company F remains as the Regimental Reserve Company. One reinforced platoon is deployed at the AN TAN Bridge to reinforce the security element there.

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- (3) Company G. At 270800H one reinforced platoon from Company G departed on a daylight patrol to the East of Hill 22. Attached was one squad of PF's, an interpreter, a scout sniper team and an FAC team.
- (4) Company H. At 261940H Hill 76 reported a flare was tripped in their landing zone. Illumination was fired, however, nothing was observed. At 262220H the platoon at AN TAN Bridge sighted four VCS on the railroad tracks at (BT 499065). The VCS were taken under fire and fled, with no casualties reported. The VCS did not return fire. The area was illuminated but there were no further sightings.

B. Plans:

- (1) Commencing at 290400H 2d Bn, 4th Marines (..) (Rein) will conduct a search and destroy operation East of the ONO HQ Bridge. (See OpOrder 98-65).

3. Attachments

- A. Co A, 1st AmTrac Bn. One LVTP5 is deadlined for lack of spare parts.
- B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Construction on CP bunker for 4th Marines 31% completed.
  - (2) Construction on CP bunker for 1st Battalion 5% completed.
  - (3) Completed caulking cracks in the bunker for 2d Battalion.
  - (4) Improving bunkers and stringing concertina for AN TAN Bridge for 2d Battalion.
  - (5) Clearing area for minefield for 1st Battalion 90% completed.

Water Distribution

Potable	18,150 Gallons
Raw	15,000 Gallons
Total	33,150 Gallons

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MISCELLANEOUS

- A. At 271337H Company B apprehended two VCS males and one VCS female at (BT 444-155). Company B saw a VC with a weapon near (BT 436138). Machine gun fire was directed on the VC at 271352H, killing him. A M16 rifle and one hand grenade was captured.
- B. Company B began retraction from HOA XUAN Island at 271540H and Company A began retracting 271554H. Company C began retraction from HOA XUAN Island at 271615H.

D. J. FULHAM  
By direction

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OPERATIONS

BOX SCORE DTG 261800H ~~1001Z~~ TO 271800H 1000Z DEC 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	2							
LISTENING POST (LP)		3						
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		5				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	3	4	5	11	+			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
	CLEARING (CLR)	
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	1	3

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+ WATERBORNE PATROL

ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE / COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION +		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL		CAPT OTH
		SIZE	TYPE				IWC	CWC	
QUANG TIN 143144	270600Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/1 VCS	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 136153	270601Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co A/O	Unk/0	VC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 136157	270605Z	Co (-)	S/D	HQ 1/0	Unk/0	VC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143149	270602Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/0	VC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143145	270604Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co A/O	Unk/3 VCS	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143150	270606Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/1 VCS	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143149	270608Z	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/1 VCS	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143142	271307	Co (-)	S/D	Co C/O	0	USMC	0	0	(1)
QUANG TIN 143145	271300	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	0	USMC	0	0	uniform
QUANG TIN 143155	271332	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/3 VCS	USMC	0	0	0
QUANG TIN 143152	271352	Co (-)	S/D	Co B/O	Unk/1 VCS killed	USMC	1 (M16)	0	one grenade

+ USE TYPE ACTION ABBREVIATIONS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE  
 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

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(1) 300 lbs eorn. Co. sta of rice

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BOX SCORE DTG: 271800H 1001Z TO 281800H 1000Z DEC 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM		SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)								
LISTENING POST (LP)								
AMBUSH (AMB)		18		7*				
RECON PATROL (REC)								
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	2	4	13*				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)								
CLEARING (CLR)								

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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\* Includes PF Ambush  
 + Includes Waterborne Patrol

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3D BATTALION 4TH MARINES SITREP NUMBER 234 AS OF 27/200H

1. 2QBn, 4th Marines Operations Summary

A. All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	FT		Sgt		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	1								
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							
Ambush (AMB)				7					
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			7						
Search&Destroy (S/D)					2				
Clearing (CLR)									
TOTAL									

B. Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

2. 2ndBn 4th Marines Plans Summary

Type Action	FT		Sgd		Plt		Co		TOTAL
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Scout Sniper (SS)	2								
Listening Post (LP)	2	4							
Ambush (AMB)				7					
Recon Patrol (REC)									
Security Patrol (SEC)			6						
Search&Destroy (S/D)					5				
Clearing (CLR)									

Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night	TOTAL
Clearing (CLR)			
Search&Destroy (S/D)			
TOTAL			

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All actions with contact.

<u>Province/Coordinates</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Action, Size, Type*</u>	<u>Friendly Unit/Losses</u>
Quang Tin 452039	261940H	PIT DEF	H Co/none
Quang Tin 499065	262220H	PIT DEF	H Co/none
Quang Tin 432089	270750H	PIT S&D	E Co/none

<u>Enemy Unit/Losses</u>	<u>Initiated By</u>	<u>Material/Weapons</u> D&C      CWC	<u>Captured/Other **</u>
unk/none	VC	n/a	n/a
unk/none	US	n/a	n/a
unk/unk	VC	n/a	n/a

\* USE ABBREVIATIONS FOR TYPE ACTIONS

\*\* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS.

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

3/BAT/cwm  
 3480  
 28 December 1965

SECRET

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 235 as of 28 December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

a. General Summary:

- (1) At 272330H, hand illumination was fired in the Company C sector of the M&A vicinity (BT 524091) in response to suspected movement. During the illumination a deg was observed in the area of the movement. At 280120H, Company C requested and received five rounds 81mm mortar illumination in the vicinity (BT 516077) due to suspected movement, however, nothing unusual was observed.
- (2) At 272100H, Company D received one incoming carbine round at (BT 487104) from vicinity (BT 485106). Two small arm rounds were immediately fired into the area from which the round was suspected to have originated. When a patrol was sent out to investigate the area nothing unusual was found. At 280235H, Company D threw one illumination grenade in the vicinity of (BT 487104) at suspected movement but nothing unusual was observed. At 280254H, Company D fired one hand illumination in the vicinity of (BT 487104) at suspected movement once again, however, nothing unusual was observed.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

a. General Summary:

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- (1) Company H. At 272000H, a trip flare was set off near the landing zone on Hill 69 (BT 468068). A hand illumination flare was fired, however, nothing suspicious was observed. At 280145H, the Hill reported that rocks were being thrown into their position from the Eastern side of the hill. One hand illumination flare was fired and three FMG grenades were thrown. There were no sightings or further reports of activity.
- (2) Company G. (Late Report). At 271400H, a platoon patrol from Company G apprehended one VOB. He was observed tampering with comm wire between the Battalion CP and Company G positions (BT 525067). When approached he attempted to run. He was sent to the CHU LAI Collection Point.

B. Plans:

- (1) Commencing 300400H, the 2d Battalion, 4th Marines (-) (Rein) will conduct a search and destroy operation east of the QNG BU Bridge (see Op Order 98-65). This operation was postponed 24 hours.

3. Attachments

- A. Co A, 1st Amphib Bn. Company A remains attached to the 4th Marines. There are no deadlined vehicles.
- B. Co B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.
- D. Co B, 3d Engr. Bn.

- (1) Improving and repairing bunkers and stringing concertina at AN TAN Bridge.

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- (2) Clearing area for minefield for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines - 95% complete.
- (3) Completed building the stage for the Christmas show at MAG-12.

Water Distribution

Potable	22,840 Gallons
Raw	16,000 Gallons
Total	38,840 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

- (1) A platoon from Company B will conduct a day combat patrol tomorrow from 290800H to 291600H. An arty FO team, FAC team and one interpreter will be attached.
- (2) CO, 4th Marines arrived back at this OP at 1545H.

D. J. FULHAM  
By direction

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**OPERATIONS**

LOSSCORE TO 271000H TO 281000H Dec 5 196

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION FIRE TEAM SQUAD PLATOON COMPANY  
DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)				
LISTENING POST (LP)	3			
AMBUSH (AMB)	7	7		
RECON PATROL (REC)				
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	2	8	10
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				
CLEARING (CLR)				

**DETAILS ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT**

TYPE ACTION DAY NIGHT

CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* Includes PF Ambush
- \* Includes Waterborne Patrol

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LOSSCORE TO 281000H TO 291000H Dec 5 196

ENL 1000H

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION FIRE TEAM SQUAD PLATOON COMPANY  
DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		3		
LISTENING POST (LP)	20			
AMBUSH (AMB)			7	
RECON PATROL (REC)	6	6	8	10
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)				
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				
CLEARING (CLR)				

**DETAILS ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT**

TYPE ACTION DAY NIGHT

CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* Includes PF Ambush
- \* Includes Waterborne Patrol

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FORVICE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIGN	TYPE	EQ. TIME/ LOADS	EM. UNIT/ LOADS	BY	MATERIAL		CUT
							WEAPONS	INC. CAC	
485106	272330H	Co	Inf	Co 1/0	0	RE	0	0	0
524071	272330H	Co	Inf	Co 1/0	0	RE	0	0	0
514071	280150H	Co	Inf	Co 1/0	0	RE	0	0	0
487104	280250H	Co	Inf	Co 1/0	0	RE	0	0	0
487104	280250H	Co	Inf	Co 1/0	0	RE	0	0	0

REMARKS

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

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TYPE ACTION FIRE TEAM SQUAD PLATOON COMPANY  
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DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

LISTENING POST (LP)

LISTENING POST (LP)

AMBUSH (AMB)

AMBUSH (AMB)

RECON PATROL (REC)

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SECURITY PATROL (SEC)

SECURITY PATROL (SEC)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

CLEARING (CLR)

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BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

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TYPE ACTION

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CLEARING (CLR)

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

3/JLM/owm  
3480  
29 December 1965

SECRET

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 236 as of 29 December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company B. At 290145H, a patrol from Company B apprehended two VCS west of THUAN AN (2) in the vicinity of (BT 510154). The Vietnamese were in a small boat off shore and did not have I.D. cards. The two men were 17 and 18 years of age and were taken to the Village Chief for disposition.
- (2) Company C. At 282150H, a Company C patrol illuminated the area in the vicinity of (BT 514086) due to suspected movement. Nothing unusual was observed.
- (3) Company D. At 282215H and at 282350H illumination grenades were thrown in the vicinity of (BT 487104) at suspected movement but nothing unusual was observed. At 290250H, Company D patrol apprehended one curfew violator in the vicinity of (BT 481108). The man possessed an I.D. card and will be turned over to Village Chief for disposition as a first time violator.
- (4) H&S Company. At 282050H, the Corporal of the Guard had a rock thrown at him as he was checking positions in the vicinity of (BT 526091). The corporal hit the deck and illuminated the area. He observed a

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man outside the wire running into the brush. No further activity was noted at this time. At 282220H, H&S Company security threw an illumination grenade in the vicinity of (BT 526090) at suspected movement. One man was seen running into the brush. Two M-14 rounds were fired at the man with undetermined results. At 282252H, H&S Company security threw an illumination grenade in the vicinity of (BT 526091) after hearing movement. One man was seen running into the wood line. One small arms round was fired at the man, but the results are unknown.

(5) MAG-36 At 290015H, MAG-36 had movement indications on their SID's in the vicinity of (BT 526112). Two illumination grenades were thrown at the movement and several people were seen running into the wood line. Two M-79 rounds and 15 to 20 small arms rounds were fired at the group. The area was immediately searched with nothing unusual found.

B. Plans:

(1) Normal saturation patrolling and ambush establishment continues forward of the MIA on the KY BA Peninsula by Companies A and C. Companies B and D will conduct combat patrols from their respective patrol bases on KY HCA and KY ADAN. H&S Company security intends on planning an ambush in the vicinity of (BT 526091) in anticipation of the previous nights intruder returning.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

(1) Company E. At 290800H a reinforced platoon from Company E, with an interpreter attached, commenced a route Recon/search and destroy patrol to the north of Hill 69. Near (BT 427086) the patrol received small

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area fire from (BT 423087). The firing began at 291110H and was immediately met by a heavy volume of fire from the patrol. A search of the area revealed nothing.

- (2) Company F remains as the Regimental Reserve Company. One reinforced platoon is deployed at AN TAN Bridge. At 290755H, a squad patrol from this platoon apprehended 2 VCS who were without I.D. Cards (BT 493076). They were turned over to IFF for interrogation at the CUU LAI Collection Point.
- (3) Company H. At 290050H an ambush at the AN TAN elementary school received two rounds of incoming carbine fire. There were no casualties. At 290210H, Hill 69 reported that a flare was tripped at (BT 407068). A 100 RR round was fired in the area but there were negative results. At 290550H Hill 69 reported movement outside their lines at (BT 468069). A hand illumination was fired with negative sightings.
- (4) A&S Company. At 290005H the Blam mortar position (BT 519057) spotted one man forward of their position in a rice paddy. Two <sup>S/A</sup> rounds and one flare were fired with negative results.

#### B. Plans:

- (1) Company B. At 291600H, a reinforced platoon from Company E will move to the AN TAN Bridge to relieve the platoon from Company F for the night.
- (2) Company G. At 291600H, a security platoon from the 4th Marines will assume positions on the MLR coord (BT 513061). At 291400H, Company G (-) will commence their move to Hill 69 in preparation for the execution of Operation Order 98-65.
- (3) Commencing at 300500H, 2d Battalion, 4th Marines (-) (Rein) will conduct a search and destroy operation (Tiger Claw) East of the ONC SO Bridge (See OpOrder 98-65).

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3. ATTACHMENTS.

A. Company A, 1st Airac Bn. One LVT5<sup>+</sup> is in direct support of MAG-12 for use as a crash/rescue vehicle.

B. Company B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.

C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are presently deadlined.

D. Company B, 3d Engr Bn.

(1) Completed hauling and spreading sand for MAG-12 out door theater.

(2) Completed improving bunkers and stringing concertina at AN TAN Bridge for 2d Battalion.

(3) Construction of CP bunker for 4th Marines - 65% completed.

(4) Completed clearing area for the minefield at 1st Battalion.

(5) Completed leveling Butler building site for FLSU.

Water Distribution

Potable	32,150 Gallons
raw	15,000 Gallons
Total	47,150 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

None

A. W. WALLACH  
By direction

# 236

OPERATIONS

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT CHIEF (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	D 3					
AMBUSH (AMB)	F 2	H 7*				
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	P 6	R 4	S 8	T 13+		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY/NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* INCLUDES FT AMBUSH
- + INCLUDES WATERSOUND PATROL

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PLANS

BOXSCORE DTG 291800H TO 300800H REG 1965

BN 1 RECT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SHIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	D 3					
AMBUSH (AMB)	F 7	H 8*				
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	P 7	R 3	S 8	T 13+		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY/NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* INCLUDES FT AMBUSH
- + INCLUDES WATERSOUND PATROL

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520173	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520174	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520175	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520176	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520177	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520178	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520179	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0
520180	200208	00 00	100/0	100/0	100	0 0	0

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 \* DESCRIBE CAPTURED MATERIAL OTHER THAN WEAPONS IN REMARKS SECTION

REMARKS



FORM/TYPE/COORDINATES  
 DATE/TIME  
 ACTING SIZ. TIER  
 FIG. IN. OF LOSSES  
 EXAMINER/LOSSES  
 MATERIAL BY  
 CLIP/CLIP  
 INC. OMS

CLIP NO.	FIG. IN. OF LOSSES	EXAMINER/LOSSES	MATERIAL BY	CLIP/CLIP	INC. OMS
51007	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
49766	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
49766	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
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HEADQUARTERS  
4th Marines (-) (Rein), 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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3480  
30 December 1965

SECRET

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 237 of 30 December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

(1) Company A. At 292310H, a small VC force, (estimated 5-7 VC) probed the south side of the MSR ramp perimeter in the vicinity of (BT 521119). The VC fired 15-20 rounds of small arms at the Marine positions within the protective wire. The Marines immediately retaliated with a like number of small arms rounds and one fragmentation grenade. The probing force seemed to withdraw from the sand ramp when the Marines returned the fire. A patrol was quickly dispatched to investigate the area but found nothing unusual. At 292325H, one fragmentation grenade was thrown into the protective perimeter in the vicinity of (BT 521119). The Marines once again returned a moderate volume of fire and requested the area be illuminated. Three 81mm mortar illumination rounds were fired in response to the request, but once again the VC eluded detection. A heavy section of Ontos with one rifle squad was directed to move down the MSR and establish a roadblock in the vicinity of (BT 522117). This action was taken in anticipation of the probing force withdrawing to the southwest.

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At 0030H, the Ontos were directed to proceed to the inner perimeter of the LST ramp and remain there throughout the night. The rifle squad remained just south of the MSR for the remainder of the evening. No further contact or action was encountered.

2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marines.

a. General Summary:

- (1) Company B. Company B has one reinforced platoon deployed at AN TAN bridge for the night, relieving one platoon of Company F.
- (2) Companies F and G are participating in operation HUEK CLAW (see Op Order 98-65). Company A, 1st Bn, 4th Marines is attached to 2/4 for this operation. The following is a narrative of spot reports received from the area of operations. It is the most complete information available at the time of this writing. At 0739H, Company G occupied a blocking position vicinity Hill 22. Company G moved into their blocking position north of the SONG KHUO River and Company F commenced to sweep the assigned area. (At 0752H Company G received 10 rounds of small arms fire.) Two VC were observed running to the northwest, approximately 300 meters north of Company G's position (BT 425-090). The two VC were taken under fire by the Company sniper team. One VC was killed and the other escaped into the village at (BT 426-094). (At 0818H, 10 VC were seen (BT 425094) running towards a house. (At 0900, Company G reported that they were receiving heavy automatic weapons fire from (BT 405108).) Company F, at 1030H, destroyed two booby traps (BT 433094) and a concrete bunker (BT 433093). At approximately the same time <sup>3</sup> three VCS and one VCS WIA were helicopter evacuated. (At 1045H an artillery mission was called on two men in a VC Or

(BT 416093). The rounds were not on target and the two men escaped in a westerly direction.) Company F destroyed a 30 foot cave at (BT 426099). At 1200h, a khaki uniform and small supply cache was found at (BT 426099).

- (3) Company H. At 222335H, one ambush at the AB TAN Bridge position heard noises and fired <sup>two</sup> short bursts of automatic rifle fire. Illumination was also fired, however there were no sightings.

#### B. Plans:

- (1) Company E. At 310800h, a reinforced platoon from Co E will commence a search and destroy operation in the H portion of the MUA. Attached will be one squad of PT's and one interpreter.
- (2) Company F will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company.
- (3) H&S Company. A squad size recon patrol from the Scout section will patrol the vicinity north and east of the AB TAN Bridge.

#### C. Attachments

- A. Company A, 1st Amphib Bn. One LVF5 is deadlined.
- B. Company B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Company C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are deadlined.
- D. Company B, 3d Engr. Bn.
  - (1) Building CP bunker for the 4th Marines - 70% complete.
  - (2) Building CP bunker for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines - 6% complete.
  - (3) Putting fill around bunker at the 2d Bn, 4th Marines - 60% complete.
  - (4) Leveling area for ammunition storage for Class V (A) dump.
  - (5) Leveling hill for Dtry 4, 2d LAVN Bn - 10% complete.

(BT 416093). The rounds were not on target and the two men escaped in a westerly direction.) Company F destroyed a 30 foot cave at (BT 426099). At 1200H, a khaki uniform and mail supply cache was found at (BT 426099).

- (3) Company H. At 292335H, one ambush at the AN TAN Bridge position heard noises and fired <sup>two</sup> short bursts of automatic rifle fire. Illumination was also fired, however there were no sightings.

#### B. Plans:

- (1) Company B. At 310800H, a reinforced platoon from Co B will commence a search and destroy operation in the NW portion of the TAOK. Attached will be one squad of PF's and one interpreter.
- (2) Company F will remain as the Regimental Reserve Company.
- (3) H&S Company. A squad size recon patrol from the Scout section will patrol the vicinity north and east of the AN TAN Bridge.

#### 3. Attachments

- A. Company A, 1st AMTrac Bn. One LVTP5 is deadlined.
- B. Company B, 3d AT Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Company G, 2d Tank Bn. Two tanks are deadlined.
- D. Company H, 3d Engr. Bn.
- (1) Building Cc bunker for the 4th Marines - 70% complete.
  - (2) Building GP bunker for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines - 6% complete.
  - (3) Putting fill around bunker at the 2d Bn, 4th Marines - 60% complete.
  - (4) Leveling area for ammunition storage for Class V (A) dump.
  - (5) Leveling hill for Btry A, 2d LAAM Bn - 10% complete.

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Water Distribution

Potable	18,605 Gallons
Raw	15,000 Gallons
Total	33,605 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

None

A. M. WALLACH  
By direction

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OPERATIONS

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

LISTENING POST (LP)

AMBUSH (AMB)

RECON PATROL (REC)

SECURITY PATROL (SEC)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

CLEARING (CLR)

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

CLEARING (CLR)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

\* Includes PF ambush

\* Includes waterborne patrol

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BOREScore DTG 301800H TO 311800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)

LISTENING POST (LP)

AMBUSH (AMB)

RECON PATROL (REC)

SECURITY PATROL (SEC)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

CLEARING (CLR)

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

CLEARING (CLR)

SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)

\* Includes PF ambush

\* Includes waterborne patrol

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PORVIFCE/  
COORDINATES

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FRO UNIT/  
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WEAPONS  
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QUANG TIN

292310H

Plat Def

A-1/4/0

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QUANG TIN

292325H

Plat Def

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OPERATIONS

BOYSBROOK DTG 291800H TO 301200H Dec 1965

BN 2 RECT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	2					
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4				
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY/NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT

CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

PLANS

BOYSBROOK DTG 301200H TO 311200H 1965

BN 2 RECT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT

SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4				
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)			1			
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				1		
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY/NIGHT	
	DAY	NIGHT

CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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

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31 December 1965

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

4TH MARINES SITREP 238 as of 31 December 1965

OPERATIONS

1. 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

A. General Summary:

- (1) Company C. At 202300H in response to the 1st Battalion's Intelligence information Operations Order 228-65 was formulated. At 200000H, Company C departed to effect the Operation Order which in essence was to move by motor convey to (BT 417123) and cross the SONG CHU River via local boats and conduct a 1000 meter wide combat patrol along the southern shore of HOA XUAN Island. The operation contingent upon the presence of local boats at (BT 417123) was called off due to non-availability of the local boats. Company C was ordered to return to their OP.
- (2) Company D. At 202025H, a Company D patrol observed an individual running from the brush in the vicinity of (BT 490095). The patrol attempted to halt the man by shouting "halt" in Vietnamese, but the man continued running. The patrol took the man under fire but he faded into the darkness. The patrol requested Sim illumination so that an effective search of the area could be made. The area was illuminated but the patrol failed to locate the man. At 210930H two squads from Company D embarked on LVT and moved to the Island (BT 475124). The move was in response to intelligence information which reported numerous VC in that

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vicinity. The mission of the platoon minus was search and clear the hamlet of LONG THANH TAY (BT 475124). There was no enemy contact. (3) Popular Forces. At 308010H, a PF Ambush requested illumination to assist in investigating a boat in the vicinity of (BT 4107). One 105 illumination round was fired but the wind was too strong for the illumination to be effective, as a result the fire mission was cancelled after the first round.

## 2. 2d Battalion, 4th Marine.

### A. General Summary:

- (1) Company E. At 310800H one reinforced platoon from Company E was sent on a patrol into the northeast portion of the TAOR.
- (2) Company F. Company F remains as the Regimental Reserve Company. One platoon remains deployed at the AN TAN Bridge for security of that area. At 302145H the platoon at the Bridge heard noises. Illumination was fired; however, nothing was seen. MI illumination, four rounds each hour, was fired for the bridge during the remainder of the night. At 311700H Company F (-) (Rein) began a two day operation in the vicinity of KI SANH, KI LONG Village areas. PF's and one platoon of Company G are attached to Company F.

### 3. Attachments.

- A. Co A, 1st AsTrac Bn. Two LVTP's are deadlined for company maintenance. One LVTP is deadlined for field maintenance.
- B. Co B, 3d AF Bn. One platoon is in direct support of each infantry battalion.
- C. Co C, 3d Tank Bn. Two tanks are deadlined.
- D. Company B, 3d Engr. Bn.
  - (1) A two man demolitions team accompanied Company A, 1st Battalion to the MAQ-36 area, (BT 522112) and destroyed two cave complexes, consisting

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of seven holes with connecting tunnels. 340 pounds of C-4 explosives were expended.

- (2) One platoon provided combat support to Co G and Co F during Operation TIGER CLAW (OpO 98-65). Destroyed during the operation were 9 caves, 1 well, 1 raft, and 2 booby traps. One of the booby traps was a M-26 grenade and the other one was a 105 round. 260 pounds of C-4 explosives were expended.
- (3) Construction of CP bunker for 4th Marines - 75% completed.
- (4) Cleared brush and trees surrounding 1st Battalion CP.

Water Distribution

Potable	27,295 Gallons
Raw	15,000 Gallons
Total	42,295 Gallons

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Company F, the Regimental Reserve, will conduct an operation beginning at 311700H (See OpO ). The 1st Battalion will reconstitute the Regimental Reserve with two platoons and a company headquarters. The 1st platoon, Composite Co will occupy positions on the 1st Battalion's MLR.

A. W. WALLACH  
By direction

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OPERATIONS

BOXSCORE DTG 301800H TO 311800H Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	3					
AMBUSH (AMB)	7	7*				
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	7	5	13*			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				1(-)	1	
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* Includes PF Ambush
- \* Includes Waterborne Patrol

PLANS

BOXSCORE DTG 311800H TO 011800CH Dec 1965

BN 1 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT	DAY/NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	4					
AMBUSH (AMB)	19	6*				
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	6	4	8	11*		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)						
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

- \* Includes PF Ambush
- \* Includes Waterborne Patrol

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PROVINCE/  
COORDINATES

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ENEMY UNIT/  
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FIGHT  
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WEAPONS

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OPERATIONS

POSTSCORE DTG 301800H TO 311200H Dec 1965

BN 2 REGT 4

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION FIRE TEAM SQUAD PLATOON COMPANY  
DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4				
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)				1		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				1		
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION DAY NIGHT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

PLANS

POSTSCORE DTG 311200H TO 011200H Dec 1965

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION FIRE TEAM SQUAD PLATOON COMPANY  
DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT DAY/NIGHT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM SQUAD		PLATOON		COMPANY	
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)						
LISTENING POST (LP)	2	4				
AMBUSH (AMB)		7		7		
RECON PATROL (REC)						
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)			6			
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)				1		1
CLEARING (CLR)						

BATTALION ACTION WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION DAY NIGHT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)		

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