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Enclosure (1) 1st Battalion, 4th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>1. Designation</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
1st Battalion, 4th Marines	LtCol T. H. CALBRAITH LtCol G. T. SAWYER	1-15 Nov 16-30 Nov
<u>SUBORDINATE UNITS</u>		
1st S Company	1stLt G. H. BROUILLETTE	1-30 Nov
Company A	Capt Y. S. RUSSO	1-30 Nov
Company B	Capt H. E. PIGGOTT Capt C. A. FRY	1-15 Nov 16-30 Nov
Company C	Capt E. P. DEGROFF 1stLt J. L. HEDDON	1 Nov 2-30 Nov
Company D	1stLt K. J. DELIKO Capt A. C. SUMERS	1-23 Nov 24-30 Nov
<u>2. Location</u>		
Battalion CP	1-12 Nov 12-30 Nov	FSB Gates, RVN FSB Argonne, RVN (XD 926443) (XD 676575)
Battalion Rear	1-30 Nov	Quang Tri, RVN
<u>3. Staff Officers</u>		
Executive Officer	Major E. HYSLOP	1-30 Nov
S-1	1stLt J. N. ALLEN	1-30 Nov
S-2	2ndLt G. W. JACOBS JR	1-30 Nov
S-3	Major V. R. GALLER	1-15 Nov
S-4	Major H. E. PIGGOTT	16-30 Nov
MP Officer	Capt O. B. RENERO	1-18 Nov
Corm Officer	1stLt H. R. MORRIS Jr.	19-30 Nov
Battalion Chaplain	1stLt J. E. BAUER	1-30 Nov
Battalion Surgeon	1stLt T. J. PLAMONDON Lt W. B. TURNER, USNR Lt C. G. KELLY, USNR	1-30 Nov 1-30 Nov

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4. Attached Units

Det, 3rd ID Bn (Scout Dogs)	1-30 Nov
Det, 3rd SP Bn (IST Team)	1-30 Nov
Det, 2nd Plt, A Co., 3rd Engr. Bn.	12-30 Nov

5. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	USN
OFF	OFF
39	2
1148	48

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the initial eleven days of the month of November the battalion was located at Fire Support Bases (FSB) Gates and Shepherd and hills 631 and 930. This mission of all subordinate units at these installations was to provide security for the artillery units or radio relay sites located thereat and to conduct extensive patrolling within our assigned A. To accomplish this, one company each was located at FSB Gates and Shepherd. Another company was located at hills 691 and 930. Company "A" continued to remain under the operational control of 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines during this period.

From 11-13 November the battalion was helolifted to other fire support bases within the 4th Marines AO. On 11 November, Company "A" was helolifted with elements of C Company to FSB Argonne. The next day, Companies "B" and "C" with the Battalion Command Group and elements of A Company were helolifted to FSB Argonne. Following these initial movements Company "A" on 13 November was helolifted from FSB Argonne to FSB Argonne and once again came back under the control of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. The mission of the battalion was unchanged with regards to providing security for the artillery units at the fire bases. This was accomplished by Company "A" at FSB Argonne and Company "B" at FSB Argonne. Security measures taken to enhance the normal perimeter defensive posture included suburban patrols, listening posts, observation posts, and reconnaissance patrols which operated in re-able areas from the bases themselves.

The primary mission assigned to the battalion was to conduct search and destroy operations to the north and east of FSB Argonne. In order to accomplish this, Companies "A" and "B" deserted FSB Argonne on 14 November.

On 16 November, a change of command of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines took place at FSB Argonne. Lt Col L. J. CALDWELL relinquished command of the battalion to Lt Col C. L. WILSON.

Small enemy elements continually harassed FSB Argonne and FSB Argonne following the battalion's arrival. This was confined mainly to sniping and a light probe at FSB Argonne on four occasions and mortaring FSB Argonne on three occasions. In all instances there were few casualties and negligible material damage.

The search and destroy operation to the north and east of FSB Argonne proved lucrative. Numerous unoccupied or hastily abandoned living areas and natural caves yielded considerable food, weapons, and ammunition caches. As the companies progressed eastward every element began delaying actions. These were limited mainly to small but sharp contacts between the point elements of the companies and small groups of enemy. Because of the nature of these contacts casualties on both sides were usually sustained. When the contact was broken and the enemy elements pursued, it invariably led to the discovery of further caches.

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No further exploit the initial successes of the operation. Company "A", 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines was assigned to it, coming under the operational control of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines on 21 November. On 26 November Companies "A" and "B" were relieved from the operation by Companies "C" and "D". The exchange by helolift gave Companies "A" and "B" the task of providing perimeter security for the mine and the route respectively.

At the end of the reporting period Companies "A" and "B" were still providing perimeter security at the fire bases and Companies "C", "D", and "E" were still on the search and destroy operation.

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat Missions Assigned

a. Fourth Marines Frag Order (Operation SCOTLAND II)

(1) At Fire Support Bases (FSB) Cates, Shepherd and Mills 691 and 950

- (a) Defend FSB Cates, FSB Shepherd, and Mills 691 and 950
- (b) Conduct extensive patrolling in designated AO

(2) At Fire Support Bases (FSB) Argonne and Alpine

- (a) Defend FSB Argonne and FSB Alpine
- (b) Continue development of FSB Argonne
- (c) Conduct extensive patrolling from FSB Argonne and FSB Alpine
- (d) Conduct search and destroy operations with two companies in designated AO

2. Operations

05 Nov At 1300H, "C" patrol at XD931405 found one body. Body was completely decomposed and fully clothed with flak jacket. Patrol took the following items for classification: rims from glasses, lower part of jawbone with teeth, one Marine Corps gift pen, part of chain from dog tags and one cross, one stamp pad (Marine type) with initials and two letters of last name, and one wrist watch. Body was approximately 100 meters northeast of C-130 wreckage which had been there approximately five months.

At 1616H, "I" 3/4 was chopped @ CON to 1/4.

At 1700H, Co. "A", 1/4 was chopped @ CON to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

At 2107H, Co. "L", 3/4 was chopped back to 3/4.

06 Nov At 1505H, a Co. "C" patrol returned to C-130 wreckage at XD 931405 to pick up the remains found by another patrol on 05 November. Decomposed body was brought back in a WP bag. Patrol found dogtags of two personnel, one wallet with Geneva Convention card and

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Marine Corps type ID card, one prescription label from medicine bottle with name, one map, two wrist watches, three rolls of film, one cigarette lighter, one empty body bag, one helmet with liner, two M-16 rifles, and one flamethrower with nozzle and hose. The following numbers were found on the tail section of the wreckage "5/054" in 6" black letters followed by "590" in 12" white letters. Patrol brought back items found.

07 Nov At 1800H, Co. "A" chopped O'CON from 3/4 to 2/4.

11 Nov At 1815H, Co. "D" helolifted from Hill 691 (XD 926443) to FSB Alpine (XD 758528). Chopped O'CON to 2/4. Co. "H" helolifted from FSB Alpine to Hill 691. Chopped O'CON to 1/4. Lift completed at 1915H.

12 Nov At 0915H, Co. "B", MS Co. (-) helolifted from FSB Gates to FSB Argonne. Co. "C" helolifted from FSB Shepherd (XD 935410) to FSB Argonne.

At 1130H, helolift completed. Co. "A" chopped back to 1/4. Co. "H", 2/4 chopped O'CON to 1/4. Co. "H", 2/4 chopped back to 2/4.

13 Nov At 1232H, Co. "D" located at XD 755535 spotted one NVA at XD 767537. Called in artillery mission. Results unknown.

At 1400H, a helicopter while departing FSB Argonne received 7 rounds automatic weapon fire believed to be .30 caliber from vicinity of XD 677574. Fired M-79, 60mm mission in area. Checked area and found signs of approximately 4 NVA.

At 1530H, Co. "G", 2/4 helolifted from XD 675579 to Vandegrift Combat Base. Co. "A" helolifted from XD 827483 to FSB Argonne.

At 1630H, personnel working on LZ at FSB Argonne received small arms fire from XD 676569. Fired M-60, 60mm, 81mm and 106mm at enemy position. Checked out area and found trail freshly cut going in an easterly direction and two positions which had clear fields of fire to our LZ.

At 1630H, Co. "A" and Co. "G" helolift completed. Co. "G" chopped back to 2/4.

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15 Nov

At 2000H, a Co. "D" ambush at XD 754534 had one member of the ambush dragged away by a carnivorous animal. Search was conducted under constant illumination for a period of some three hours with negative results.

At 0930H, Co. "D" patrol conducted a search for lost man. Found remains at XD 753536. Man had been attacked by carnivorous animal. Remains recovered.

At 1715H, spotted 4 NVA moving in a northerly direction. Called artillery mission. Results unknown.

At 2020H, Co. "B", while firing night defensive fire in XD 676624 heard definite metallic sounds when rounds impacted. 81 FO confirmed sounds and light after hits. Observed with illum. Fired arty WP for effect with unknown results.

At 2400H, Co. "B" heard sounds of metal against metal. Heard something that sounded like sticks digging in ground. Fired arty and noise ceased. Results unknown.

16 Nov

At 0800H, LtCol SARGENT relieved LtCol CALBRAITH of command of 1/4.

At 1020H, MajGen DAVIS visited FSB Argonne. He departed 15 minutes later.

At 1205H, Co. "A" at XD 676618 found 8 caves; also 4 straw structures which have been deserted for approximately 10 days and were large enough for 8-10 people. Also found 3 sheets of steel matting which was similar to airplane matting used for covering of entrance and reinforcing walls. Found 1 pair NVA type trousers, 4 machettes plus medical supplies containing a destroyed bottle of opium. Area has a large garden containing squash, beans and sweet potatoes.

At 1525H, Co. "A" at XD 675622 found 3 natural caves within 15 meters of each other. Dimensions of caves are 4'x6'x8' deep.

At 1830H, FSB Alpine received 6 rounds of 60mm, all outside of wire. Fired 60mm, 81mm and arty. Results unknown.

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17 Nov

At 0835H, Co. "B" at XD 673618 found 1 cave of natural formation. Dimensions were 2 meters high, 10 meters wide, and 30 meters long. Found one 60mm tube complete, two 60mm mortar sights, twelve 60mm mortar rounds with fuzes, 2500 mixed rounds, .50 caliber and below and one French MG. Also found one map case with documents, one pay roster, one first aid kit, one C-tool, one pair NVA type trousers, and one sweat suit. Also found 100 pounds rice, one black pig alive, two brown chickens alive and domestic kitten. Documents sent to Task Force Hotel. Weapons kept, all other gear destroyed.

At 0900H, Co. "B" at XD 666615 found one cave of natural formation. Inside was found one M-1 rifle of US issue, 500 rounds of mixed ammo, two ChiCom grenades, 50 rounds .50 caliber ammo, 15 pounds rice, cooking utensils and miscellaneous 782 gear. Weapons kept, all other gear destroyed.

At 1140H, Co. "B" at XD 663616 found one cave of natural formation. Inside was found two straw mats, 200 AK-47 rounds, 25 small bags of spices, 25 pounds of tobacco not refined, 50 pounds of rice (rough type), 10 pounds of wheat, cooking utensils, two cross bows, farm gear, and miscellaneous 782 gear. Also found documents. Retained documents, all other gear destroyed.

At 1145H, Co. "B" at XD 663616 found one .45 caliber pistol, one M-1 rifle, one M-14 rifle, one M-16 rifle, two .30 Springfields of US manufacture, one 303 Infield, five submachine guns and 20 Czech rifles of unknown classification. Also found 200 pounds TNT, one pop-up signal flare, three CS and Di grenades (beer-can type) one yellow smoke grenade, two film cannisters X168 experimental-type US made, and four claymore mines. Destroyed everything except weapons and film cannisters. All weapons were rusty and needed 2-4 hours cleaning before firing.

At 1330H, Co. "B" at XD 673617 found one cave of natural formation. Cave contained 4000 pounds of rice and other grains. Rice helolifted to 4th Marines.

At 1530H, Co. "C" at XD 678583 found 10 living bunkers "A" frame type. Dimensions were 6'x9'x5' and were

reinforced with logs 2-6" in diameter, and 10-15" of dirt covering. Bunkers had openings at both ends with stones. Bunkers were 6 months old or older. Also found elephant tracks in area. Destroyed only two bunkers because of lack of time.

At 1815H, Co. "D" at FSB Argonne received 12 rounds of 60mm from XD 783528. Fired 81mm. Results unknown.

At 1815H, Co. "A" at XD 664625 found a garden with squash and beans with area cleared for living facilities. Area has been cleared within the last two weeks. Checked area; results negative.

18 Nov At 1500H, Co. "A" at XD 663637 sighted 3 NVs at above grid. Enemy fired automatic weapons. Fired M-16, M-79 and 60mm in return. Lead element conducted search for NVs and found a small hut and a large pool of blood. Also found two pith helmets, one bush cover, one US machette, and rice and sugar beets. No weapons were found.

20 Nov At 1430H, Co. "A" at XD 683637 received 10 rounds mixed AK-47 and .45 caliber fire from above grid. Returned fire and called AO. AO called in arty mission. Results unknown.

At 1815H, Co. "D" at FSB Alpine received 20 rounds 60mm and 82mm mortars mixed from XD 777550 and XD 777535. Fired 81mm mission. Results unknown.

At 2130H, Co. "C" spotted 3 lights coming toward them down a hill at XD 698628.

At 2300H, Co. "C" spotted 1 light to their south. After 10 minutes the light went out.

21 Nov At 1100H, Co. "B" at XD 691621 found 34 cases of Russian $\frac{1}{2}$ pound blocks of TNT, 50 pounds per case, 2 cases of Chinese $\frac{1}{2}$ pound blocks of C-4 and 1 case Chinese 81mm rounds. Found under overhang. Blew everything in place.

At 1300H, Co. "B" at XD 688620 found 5 huts and 1 cave. Inside was 2500 pounds of rice, 75 pounds of corn, 75 pounds of tobacco, one rifle, one sword, one spear, two crossbows and 16 knives. Destroyed everything except the grain.

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At 1400H, Co. "B" at XD 685620 found a cave with 24 bundles of NVA clothing, black and blue in color, two bundles of unit ones, first aid kits, 7 cases of medical supplies, 250 rounds 30/06 mixed tracers and ball, 75 rounds 7.62mm ball. Destroyed arms, remaining gear helolifted to 4th Marines.

At 2300H, Co. "K", 3/4 lifted into FSB Alpine. Chopped OPCON to 1/4.

22 Nov At 0820H, Co. "A" at XD 717613 received automatic weapon fire, from approximately 6-7 NVA. Returned fire with M-79 and called for A.O. Results: two US WIA and two NVA KIA (confirmed).

23 Nov At 1130H, BGon GARRETTSON arrived at FSB Argonne. He departed at 1145H.

At 1215H, Co. "B" at XD 728618 found a bunker complex containing one NVA body approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ day old. Also found one M-16 rifle in excellent condition, 75 Chicom grenades, 70 82mm mortar rounds, 50 anti-personnel mines, 25,000 rounds .50 caliber arms, 25 cans of 7.62mm ball (100 rounds per can), 50 60mm rounds, 25 pounds medical supplies and 40 mixed rocket rounds. Bunker complex seems to be a supply and medical center. 400 meters north of this complex is an unsearched bunker complex with what looks like fresh signs of recent use. Blow gear, destroyed bunkers.

At 1250H, Co. "K", 3/4 received small arms fire from two NVA from XD 776535.

At 1330H, UH-1 gunship at XD 777560 spotted 5 water buffalo and destroyed them.

At 1500H, BGon GARRETTSON arrived at FSB Argonne. He departed at 1540H.

24 Nov At 1030H, Co. "K", 3/4 at XD 770569 found one NVA claymore already tripped. Claymore appeared to be a dad. Blow in place.

At 1210H, Co. "B" at XD 735633 found a bunker complex while moving in a northerly direction. Approximately 40 meters in front of point squad 10 NVA opened up on them with semi-automatic fire. Returned fire with small arms and M-79. Results: 1 US KIA, 3 US WIA.

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At 1500H, MajGen DAVIS, Col SEXTON and Maj MCKENNA arrived at FSB Argonne. They departed at 1600H.

25 Nov

At 1040H, Co. "K", 3/4 at XD 771513 found 10 harbor sites, containing 63 60mm rounds, 6 pounds of medical gear, one pair wire cutters, assorted propaganda and letters, one wooden stove, eating utensils, two bags of rice, five BA-30 batteries, remains of one PRC-25 battery, and miscellaneous 782 gear. Destroyed arms and gear.

At 1350H, BGon GARRETTSON arrived FSB Argonne. He departed at 1410H.

At 1430H, Co. "K", 3/4 at XD 760577 found a bunker complex containing 15-20 bunkers, of which 7-10 were completed A-frame types. Also found 14 82mm rounds, 24 82mm fuzes, 30 primers, one grave with one NVA body less than a day old, two cooking pans, seven large rice bowls empty and extensively used trails leading to the north. Destroyed arms and bunkers.

At 1510H, BGon GARRETTSON arrived at FSB Argonne. He departed at 1540H.

26 Nov

At 0855H, Co. "K", 3/4 at XD 770584 found a dry stream bed. Area was marked by cuts in trees. Search of area uncovered eight 60mm rounds, one NVA pack and one old grave. Arms destroyed.

At 0935H, BGon GARRETTSON and Col SEXTON arrived at FSB Argonne. They departed at 0945H.

At 1120H, Co. "C" at FSB Argonne commenced flip-flop by helolift with Co. "B" at XD 705619. Helolift completed at 1153H.

At 1345H, Co. "D" at FSB Alpine commenced flip-flop with Co. "A" at XD 705619. Helolift completed at 1610H.

27 Nov

At 1000H, BGon GARRETTSON and Col SEXTON arrived at FSB Argonne. They departed at 1010H.

28 Nov

At 0635H, a Co. "B" LP at FSB Argonne was hit by Chi-Com grenades. LP pulled in and then the lines were

hit by approximately 200 rounds of AK-47 fire and 5 ChiCom grenades. Returned fire with small arms, 60mm, 82mm and arty. Results: 6 US VIA, 1 NVA KIA (confirmed), one AK-47 and two magazines captured.

At 0926H, FSB Argonne received 6 rounds 60mm from west-
erly direction, bursting 50 meters southwest of peri-
meter. Returned fire with 82mm and 107mm. Called for
AO and close air strikes. Results: 7 US VIA.

At 1330H, LtGen STILLWELL and BGon GARRETSON visited
FSB Argonne. They departed at 1400H.

At 1300H, Co. "D" at XDn725637 found a bunker complex
which contained an assortment of gear including a
leather surgical case less instruments, assorted cloth-
ing, two gas masks, maps and assorted documents, 75
fuzes for 82mm rounds. Bunker complex consisted of 11
huts with interconnecting underground bunker system.
Destroyed bunkers and gear.

29 Nov At 2400H, Battery 9, 1/11 (155mm) while firing mission
from FSB Alpine had an in-pit explosion. Explosion
was caused by the detonation of a dud enemy mortar
round lodged in gun pit parapet wall. Casualties to
gun crew consisted of one emergency and four priority.
It was further concluded the detonation caused sympathetic
detonation of friendly hand grenades.

30 Nov At 0945H, MajGen DAVIS, Col SEXTON and Col GOVINS
arrived at FSB Argonne. They departed at 1005H.

At 1115H, BGon GARRETTSON arrived at FSB Argonne. He
departed at 1125H.

3. Casualties inflicted on the enemy

NVA/KIA (Confirmed)	6
NVA/POM	0

4. Friendly casualties sustained

KIA	1
VIA	23
Non-hostile deaths	2
DOV	0
NBC	83
MIA	0

5. Training

a. In November, no training was held at battalion level while little training was held at the company level because of tactical commitments. All company level training was devoted to general military subjects.

b. All replacement personnel received an indoctrination briefing in accordance with the battalion SOP for replacement training. Each replacement also FAM fired his T/0 weapon.

6. Civil Affairs. On successive Wednesdays of November Medical Cap (MedCap) groups consisting of the Battalion Surgeon and a Corpsman were sent into the Montaguard village southeast of Calu. This was part of the Fourth Regimental MedCap program which treated approximately 100 adults and 250 children during the month.

Bags of rice were distributed to the families of the sick children. In addition, soap, vitamin tablets and milk were dispensed to all children 3 times per week.

7. Logisticsa. Supply

(1) Class I. All class I was drawn at Vandegrift Combat Base in support of operations. The Battalion Mess Hall served "A" rations two times daily at Vandegrift. While at FSB Catons and Shephord from 1-11 November Battalion field messes served at least one hot meal a day. Following the movement to FSB Argonne and Alpine, "C" rations were provided as required.

(2) Class II. FLSG-B was the source for Battalion Supply for Class II items. Class II supply tents remain at Vandegrift to cut time lost in transfer of cargo from Quang Tri to Vandegrift. Shortages in the following items were experienced during this period:

Socks (small and regular)
Boots, Jungle (medium sizes)
Bi-386 batteries
Nozzles and covers (water trailer)

(3) Class III. Adequate at Vandegrift.

(4) Class IV. Adequate at Vandegrift.

(5) Class V. Adequate at Vandegrift.

b. Transportation

(1) Organic. During the month of November the H-51A1, H-274A2 and the H-37B1 were used for resupply and administrative runs between Vandegrift and Quang Tri.

(2) Support. Division Motor Transport arranged transportation of Class II supplies and personnel from Quang Tri to Vandegrift. 3rd and 9th Motor Transport Battalions supported the battalion on a daily basis.

c. Engineer Support. Engineer Support Teams provided the battalion with demolition capabilities.

8. Psychological Warfare. All psychological warfare operations were conducted by higher echelon.

9. Personnel and Administration

a. General. There were no major administrative problems encountered during the month of November.

b. Personnel Losses and Gains

LOSSES	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
Battle	0	10	0	0
Non-battle	0	14	0	0
Administrative	6	147	0	7
TOTAL	6	171	0	7
GAINS	8	127	0	9

c. Awards. During the reporting period 1 Navy Comm, and 15 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry medals were presented. The following type awards were processed recommending approval:

Bronze Star	1
Navy Commendation	1
Navy Achievement	6
Purple Heart	23
VCG	30

d. Discipline. The number of disciplinary cases acted upon or pending action are as follows:

Courts-Martial Admin Discharges/Investigations

Art 32 - Pending	1
Spl Court - Pending	2
Spl Court - Completed	0
Summary Court - Pending	0
Summary Court - Completed	0
Admin Discharge	1

Non-Judicial Punishments

Battalion Commander	5
Company Commander	3

e. Morale. Morale continued to be high. This battalion utilized 32 quotas for in-country R/R. Out-of-country R/R quotas utilized for the month were: Bangkok 16; Hawaii 20; Hong Kong 13; K. L. 3; Manila 2; Penang 2; Singapore 2; Okinawa 4; Sidney 14; Taipoi 12; Tokyo 6. During the month, 6 Lance Corporals were promoted to Corporal, 38 Privates First Class to Lance Corporal and 10 Privates to Private First Class. One Staff Sergeant was promoted to Gunnery Sergeant; two Corporals were meritoriously promoted to Sergeant; one Lance Corporal was meritoriously promoted to Corporal, during the reporting period.

f. Religious Services. Spiritual coverage was provided for the battalion during the month of November in the field and at our rears. A total of 25 Protestant services were conducted by the Battalion Chaplain with an attendance of 719 and 265 taking communion. Ten Catholic Masses were given by Chaplain UBBIE of the 4th Marines with 296 attending. Six Protestant services were given by the Battalion Chaplain for other units in the Vandegrift area with an attendance of 118. Three Memorial Services were conducted by the Battalion Chaplain with an attendance of 257. Four men from "B" Company were baptised after instructions near LZ Catos. Six instruction classes were held, numerous counseling cases, letters to families, prayers for occasions and Red Cross messages were accomplished during the month. One meeting of the Division Chaplains was attended by the Battalion Chaplain atuong Tri.

10. Intelligence. During the month of November the battalion continued to participate in Operation SCOT-ND II.

a. Enemy. The entire month has been characterized by numerous sightings and scattered contacts. What contacts there were occurred as the result of our patrolling into certain areas, and these involved no large enemy forces of company size or larger. Of particular interest to the battalion during the last two weeks of the month was the

reported movement of the 308th and 320th NVA Divisions from the vicinity of XD6661 below the Di Z to somewhere in the northwestern Di L and Eastern Laos in the vicinity of XD6175. However, the presence of these units could not be confirmed and no discernable threat materialized from them.

What contacts materialized during the reporting period were confined to either light harassment by small NVA elements or reaction to the battalion's search and destroy operations north and east of PSC Dr. Gonno. The reaction by NVA elements took the form of delaying actions. This was proved by the lucrative caches uncovered after the initial contact and pursuit of these elements into their bunker complexes and base camps.

b. Weather. The month of November has mostly been clear except in early mornings. Heavy fog lasted for about two weeks. There was very light rain fall. In the area of the operation the weather was different due to the high mountains. It was from cool in the mid mornings to cold at night and early mornings with heavy overcast and light to moderate rain showers.

c. Terrain. The terrain in the area of operations vicinity XD6057 and XD6959 was mountainous with sharply rising slopes. In the vicinity of XD6660-6961 the terrain was flat to slightly rolling hills with savannah ranging from 4-12 foot high. Most of the area has heavy foliage and thick canopy with many streams.

d. Enemy Equipment Captured or Destroyed

(1) Small Arms Ammunition

ChiCon Type 56 7.62mm	2800
ChiCon 12.7mm	25000
30/06 rounds	250

(2) Mortar, Recoilless Rifle and Rocket Ammunition

100mm rounds	20
120mm Mortar rounds	20
60mm Mortar rounds	133
82mm Mortar rounds	87
Mixed rocket rounds, large caliber	40

(3) Weapons

ChiCon 7.62 Carbine type 56 (AK-44)	20
Pistol, U. C 1 .45	1
60mm Mortar sights	2
60mm Mortar complete	1

Sword	1
Spear	1
Crossbows	2
Knives, various	16
303 Enfield	1
03 Springfield	2
M-1	2
M-16	2
M-14	2
.45 pistol	1
SMG	6

(4) Mines, Demolitions and Explosives

ChiCom anti-personnel mines	50
Claymores	4
TNT (pounds)	1900
C-4 (pounds)	200
ChiCom grenades	77

(5) Equipment

Medical kits unit ones	17
Rice (pounds)	6650
Tobacco (pounds)	100
Wheat (pounds)	10
Corn (pounds)	75
Uniforms M. type utilities	601
Medical supplies (pounds)	27

11. Communications

a. Message Center. This section provides the shackle sheets and Brevity Codes for the command and attachments. Classified and non-classified message handling is exercised. A forward message center is operating at Vandegrift Combat Base.

b. Radio. The radio section continues its mission of maintaining communications with all elements thru the use of radio relay site at Hill 950 manned by two radio personnel. Spare parts and batteries are supplied to attached units when required.

c. Covered Circuit. The KY-8 circuit has been in-operable during the month of November. The KY-33 and PRC-77 circuit has been used as required.

d. Wire. The wire section is maintaining two switchboards forward and one in the battalion rear. The switchboards are maintained whenever the situation requires their use.

c. Electronic Repair. The electronics repair section continues to provide second echelon repair in support of the command and attached units while in a deployed or static positions.

f. Radio Relay. Radio Relay was provided throughout the month and is operating in a satisfactory manner.

g. Critical Shortages. A shortage of spare parts for radio set AN/PRC-25 still exists. Most critical at this time is module A-9/A-10.

h. Equipment Repairs. During the month of November the following equipment was repaired:

(First and Second Echelon)

ITEM	AMT
TA-312	2
TA-1/PT	7
RT-505	9

12. Air Support

a. Fixed Wing Support

(1) Close Air Support. Five flights were controlled by aerial observers in the battalion AO.

(2) Aerial Observers. In addition to controlling close air support missions, aerial observers were utilized on fifty-one occasions for area surveillance missions.

(3) TQ's. Seventy TQ's were requested during the month and twelve were hit.

(4) Radio Relay. Two C-117's, a C-130 and an OV-10A were used for radio relay between elements of the battalion when direct radio contact was lost.

b. Helicopter Support

(1) Troop Lifts. During the month there was one battalion-size lift and eight company-size lifts.

(2) Medevacs. Five Emergency medevacs - 30 min average
 Eleven Priority medevacs - 50 min average
 Twenty-two Routine medevacs - 1 hour average

(3) O&C Flights. Five helicopter flights were used for visual reconnaissance missions during the month.

13. Fire Support

a. The 1st Battalion 4th Marines entered Novonbor with a full strength forward observer team for each company. Their state of training was characterized by experience among the enlisted F.O.'s and inexperience in the officer F.O.'s. The movements out of PSC Argonne in the second week of November provided the initial field operations for each F.O. team leader. This inexperience of F.O. team leaders accounted for the rough edges in technique they exemplified the first few days in the field.

These initial problems were compounded by difficulties with communication. Only Company "C's" F.O. team has more than one PRC-25. This created problems when a team was split between perimeter security and patrol fire support. Also this posed the danger of the one good radio failing. The Artillery Liaison Officer has been unable to obtain a functioning radio from Battery "G", 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines. It has had to borrow radios from this battalion.

The greatest problem has been procuring timely fire support; in too many cases artillery support has been ineffective due to the long delays involved in clearance. This has been exemplified in every type of mission: illumination, active enemy troops, counter-mortar, prep fires and suspected enemy positions.

Two steps were taken to remedy the situation. For illumination missions the cannister-impact clearance has been disregarded as a formal matter and left up to the discretion of the artillery liaison officer. The first counter-mortar fire in Novonbor took 40 minutes; when Plan Tiger and Alpine were installed 1st Battalion 4th Marines received counter-mortar support in less than five minutes. This quick response was largely due to skipping 4th Marines Sector-Plane clearance; air safety was coordinated on the battalion level between the artillery liaison officer and the forward air control with good results.

Yet, as the battalion enters December the problem of untimely fire support is not resolved. Tactically dangerous delays remain, due to slow regimental air clearance, even when the Battalion Artillery and Air Liaison Officers are in coordination. The most notorious examples of this have been when the supporting arm of artillery was held in check fire by supporting air - when in fact the battalion was attempting to coordinate the two for a single mission.

My first suggestion for better artillery support is for a speed up on 4th Regiment Sector-Plane clearance on all missions. Similarly an improvement in artillery support would be achieved if more authority for artillery-air coordination was given to the Air Liaison Officer and Artillery Liaison Officer at battalion level, where the sense of urgency is greatest.

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b. Missions fired during the month of November are as follows:

NAI's	996
Observed Fires	297
Unobserved Fires	42
Illumination	18

The observed fire missions fell into the following categories: confirmed and suspected enemy positions, night defensive fires, and preparatory fires.

Due to heavy and dense foliage, surveillance was limited.

14. Medical

a. The total number of visits to the Battalion Aid Stations during the month of November was 1670.

b. Prevalent medical entities encountered were:

Gonorrhea	5	Rat Bites	2
Diarrhea	51	FUO	35
Malaria	11	Dermatological conditions	286
URI	5	Heat casualties	0
MP disorders	6	NSU	1

c. All suspected and confirmed cases of venereal disease were given an SRS in accordance with NMFMED 22-18 and the results entered in the individual's health record.

d. A total of 92 patients were referred to 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF. Of those referred, the following were consults:

Dental	31	Internal medicine	45
Ophthalmology	1	Surgical	4
ENT	2	Proctology	3
Urology	6		

Patients requiring further consultation were referred from the 3rd Medical Battalion to the following medical facilities:

NSA, DaNang	4	6th Conv Con	11
USS Sanctuary	10	22nd CST	3
USS Reposo	11		

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e. The following is a breakdown of casualties encountered for the month:

KIA	1	FHD	2
MIA	0	DCW	0
WIA	23	WBC	83

f. Weekly malaria prophylaxis was continued with the use of Chloroquin-Primaquine tablets in the battalion rear. Daily malaria prophylaxis was continued with the use of Dapsone in conjunction with weekly use of Chloroquin-Primaquines in battalion forward areas. Personnel from forward areas in the rear were mustered daily and given Dapsone.

g. Sanitation inspections were held daily, and weekly in accordance with Art. P6000.4D in the Battalion area (Vandegrift Combat Base, and Quang Tri). Sanitary facilities, at the present time are considered adequate.

h. Two Battalion Aid Stations were maintained during the month of November. A forward B/S consisting of a battalion surgeon and eight hospital corpsmen located at Vandegrift Combat Base and a secondary B/S located at Quang Tri, consisting of ten hospital corpsmen. All injuries and maladies encountered were treated by the line company corpsmen, and, when required, casualties were transferred for further treatment. No serious delays were encountered in resupply or evacuation during this period.

i. Forward echelons of HQS, Bravo and Delta Companies received Smallpox, Cholera, Gamma Globin and Plague which accounted for 1054 immunizations. Personnel rotating to COMUS and departing on R&R received 173.

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000		1		Journal Opened		S-3
	0500	2		Submitted Sit Rep # 120 DTG 050500H		S-3, 4th Mar
0800		3		MSGT Moncho assumed the duty as COC Watch Officer for period of 050800- 060800H		S-3
1145		4		Submitted Sit Rep # 121 DTG 051145H		S-3, 4th Mar
1300		5		"C" Co patrol at XD 931405 found 1 body at at above coordinates. Body was badly decomposed and fully clothed with flak jacket. Patrol took the following items for classification, Rims of glasses, lower part of jawbone with teeth, 1 Marine Corps gift pen, part of chain from dog tag with 1 cross 1 stamp pad (Marine Corps type) with first initial and two letters of last name, also found 1 wrist watch, Body was approx 100 meters Northeast of C-30 wreckage which has been there for about 5 months. Corpman checked out and brought back items listed above, patrol plans to bring body back tomorrow.		S-3, 4th Mar
16.5		6		"L" Co chopped OPCON to 1/4 DTG 0516.5H		S-3, 4th Mar
1700		7		"A" Co chopped OPCON back to 1/4 DTG 051700H		S-3, 4th Mar
1700		8		Submitted Sit Rep # 122 DTG 051700H		S-3, 4th Mar
2107		9		"A" and "L" chopped OPCON to Speeding Home "B" Gmd Group at DTG 052107H with the assigned AO		S-3, 4th Mar
2305		10		Submitted Sit Rep # 123 DTG 052305H		S-3, 4th Mar
2400		11		Journal Closed		S-3

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0001		1		Journal opened	S-3	
	0502	2		Submitted Set Rep #124 DTG 060502H	S-3	4th Mar
0600		3		Lt Walker as COC Watch Officer for period of 060000H-070000H.	S-3	
	1058	4		Submitted Set Rep #125 DTG 061058H.	S-3	4th Mar
	1505	5		Reddog returned to wreckage to pick up remains found by other Reddog 05 Nov. Reddog searched our area again and found the decomposed body which was brought back in WP bag. 3 dog tags identify 2 bird dogs. 1 wallet with Geneva convention card and Marine Corp type ID Cards, 1 prescription label from medicine bottle, with name, 1 map, 2 wrist watches, 3 rolls of film, 1 cigarette lighter, 1 empty body bag, 1 helmet w/liner, 2 M16 rifles that were brought back, 3 M16 rifles receiver groups that were left at wreckage and 1 flame thrower with nozzle/hose. The following numbers were found on tail section of wreckage, AF/054 in 6" black letters followed by 590 in 12" white letters. Reddog set up security and searched entire area of wreckage. Reddog brought back items mentioned in line D.	S-3	4th Mar
	1740	6		Submitted Set Rep #126 DTG 061740H	S-3	4th Mar
2400		7		Submitted Set Rep #127 DTG 062400H	S-3	4th Mar
		8		Journal closed	S-3	4th Mar

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0001	1			Journal Opened	S-3	
0513	2			Submitted Sit Rep # 152 DTG 130513H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1109	3			Submitted Sit Rep # 153 DTG 131109H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1109	4			Ice Boat "G" from XD 687587 to XD 676574		
				All others remain the same.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1232	5			Andrew "D" Located at XD 755535 spotted 1 NVA at XD 767537 and called in Arty mission Results: Unknown.		S-3, 4th Mar
1400	6			A Heli while departing from LZ Argone XD 675574 received 7 rds Auto weapons fire believed to be .30 Cal from vicinity of XD 677574. Fired M79, 60MM mission in area Checked area found signs of Approx 4 NVA in area.		S-3, 4th Mar
1530	7			Ice Boat "G" from XD 675579 to VCB, Andrew "A" from XD 627483 to XD 675574. All others remain the same.		S-3, 4th Mar
1630	8			At Fr. 677574 En. 676569 AK 47 fired on Bird dogs working on LZ. Fired 60 MG, M79, 60MM, 81 MM, and 106's at Enemys Pos. Checked out area and found Trail Freshley cut going in Easterly Direction. 2 spots which had clear fields of fire to our LZ.		S-3, 4th Mar
1735	9			Submitted Sit Rep # 154 DTG 131755H		S-3, 4th Mar
1755	10			Ice Boat "G" chopped OPCON from Andrew to Parent Unit.		S-3, 4th Mar
2300	11			Submitted Sit Rep #155 DTG 132300H		S-3, 4th Mar
2400	12			Journal Closed		S-3

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0001	1			Journal Opened	S-3	
0600	2			Submitted Sit Rep #160 DTG 150600H	S-3, 4th Mar	
0930	3			Search conducted for lost man, Found remains of same at XD 753536, The man had been attacked by Carnivorous animal. Remains Medivaced. Medivac No. B-4981.		
1200	4			Submitted Sit Rep #161 DTG 151200H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1700	5			Submitted Sit Rep #162 DTG 151700H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1715	6			Spotted 4 NVA moving in a Northern direction. Called Arty Mission, Results; Unknown		
2020	7			While firing night defensive fires in XD 676624 heard definite metallic sounds when rds impacted. W2-4 confirmed sounds and a light after hit. Observed with illum Fired WP 105's for effect with unknown results.	S-3, 4th Mar	
2227	8			Submitted Sit Rep #163 DTG 152227H	S-3, 4th Mar	
2400	9			At XD 676624 heard sounds of metal against metal. Heard something that sounded like picks digging in ground. Fired Arty at enemy and noise ceased. Results; unknown		
2400	10			Journal Closed	S-3, 4th Mar S-3	

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0001	1			Journal Opened	S-3	
0600	2			Submitted Sit Rep #164 DTG 160600H	S-3	4th Mar
0800	3			LTCOL SARGENT relieved LTCOL GALBRAITH of Command of 1st Bn 4th Mar.	S-3	4th Mar
1020	4			Nertide 6 visited Andrew Pos at FSB Argone	S-3	4th Mar
1200	5			Submitted Sit Rep # 165 DTG 161200H	S-3	4th Mar
1205	6			"A" Co at XD 676618 found 8 caves, 4 straw structures which have been deserted for at least 10 days and were large enough for 8-10 people. They also found Steel Matting which was similar to airplane matting also found matting for covering of entrance and reinforcing walls. Plus Medical supplies containing a destroyed bottle of Opium. There was also straw matting and one pair of NVA type trousers. The area has a large garden containing Squash, Beans, Sweet Potatoes There was 3 steel matting sheets, 4 Machetties	S-3	4th Mar
1525	7			"A" Co at XD 675622 found 3 Natural caves within 15 Meters of each other. The dimensions of the caves are 4ft by 6ft by 8ft deep.	S-3	4th Mar
1800	8			Submitted Sit Rep # 166 DTG 161800H	S-3	4th Mar
1830	9			FSB Alpine received 6 rds of 60MM all outside of wire. Fired 60MM, 81MM and Arty. Results Unknown.	S-3	4th Mar
2245	10			Submitted Sit Rep # 167 DTG 162245H	S-3	4th Mar
2400	11			Journal Closed	S-3	

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0001	1			Journal Opened	S-3	
0515	2			Submitted Sit Rep # 168 DTG 170515	S-3, 4th Mar	
0835	3			"B" Co at XD 673618 found 1 cave, of Natural formation. 2 Meters high, 10 Meters wide and 30 Meters long. Found 1 60MM tube complete 2500 mixed rds, 50 cal and below. 1 SKS 44, 2 60MM sights, 12 60MM rds with fuses, 100 pounds of Rice, 1 French MG, 1 Black Pig alive, 2 Brown Chickens alive, 1 Map case with documents, 1 Pay Roster, 1 First Aid Kit, 1 E-Tool, 1 Domestic Kitten Cloths NVA type, 1 pair sweat suit. The Documents were sent to Fancy Dan. Weapons were kept, all other gear destroyed.		
0900	4			"B" Co at XD 666615 found a cave, of Natural Formation, inside was found 1 M1 rifle of US issue, 500 rds of mixed ammo, 2 ChiComs, 50 rds 50 cal ammo, 15 pounds rice cooking utensils, Miscellaneous 782 gear. Weapons were kept all other items destroyed	S-3, 4th Mar	
1126	5			Submitted Sit Rep # 169 DTG 171126H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1140	6			"B" Co at XD 663616 found cave of Natural formation, inside found 2 straw mats, 200 AK-47 rds, 25 small bags of spices 25 pounds of Tobacco not refined, 50 pounds of rice (rough type), 10 pounds of Wheat, cooking utensils, 2 cross bows, Farm Gear 782 gear. Plus Documents. Destroyed everything but Documents.		
1145	7			"B" Co found 1 45 cal pistol, 1 M-1 rifle 1 M-14 rifle, 1 M-16 rifle, 5 Submachine guns, and 23 assorted rifles (1 303 Enfield 2 .03 Springfields) and rest were Czech weapons of unknown classification, 200 pounds TNT, 1 Pop Up Signal Flare, 3 CS and DM grenades (Beer can type) 2CS grenades baseball type, 1 Yellow Smoke Grenade, 2 Film Canisters XM168 Experimental type US made, 4 Claymore Mines, Destroyed everything except weapons and film canisters, Weapons were all rusty and needed 2-4 hours cleaning before firing.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1330	8			"B" Co at XD 673617 found cave of Natural Formation, the cave contained 4000 pounds of rice and other grains. Rice lifted to CALU.		S-3, 4th Mar

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1530	9			"C" Co at XD 678583 found 10 living bunkers "A" frame type. 6ft by 9ft by 5ft, and were reinforced with logs 2-6 in. in diameter, and 10-15 in. of dirt covering. The bunkers had openings at both ends with steps. The bunkers were six months old or older. Also found Elephant tracks in area. Destroyed two bunkers because of lack of time.		
17	7 7	10		Submitted Sit Rep # 170 DTG 171717H	S-3, 4th Mar	
18 5	11			"D" Co at XD 783528 received 12 rds of 60 MM Fired 81 MM requested by AO Results; Unknown	S-3, 4th Mar	
8 5	12			"A" Co at XD 664625 found garden with Squash and beans with area cleared for living facilitys. Area has been cleared within the last two weeks. The trail shown on Atlas Sheet 6342 IV was found. Checked Area Results; Negative	S-3, 4th Mar	
2325	13			Submitted Sit Rep # 171 DTG 172325H	S-3, 4th Mar	
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0001	1			Journal Opened		S-3
0500	2			Submitted Sit Rep #180 DTG 200500H		S-3, 4th Mar
0905	3			At XD 663608 an AO spotted 30-40 pack animals. Ever Sharp Bailey fired Arty mission, Results Unknown		
1200	4			Submitted Sit Rep #181 DTG 201200H		S-3, 4th Mar
1430	5			"A" Co at XD 683637 received 10 rds mixed AK and 45 fire from above grid, returned fire. Called AO, AO Called in mission on area. "A" continued mission.		
1800	6			Submitted Sit Rep # 82 DTG 201800H		S-3, 4th Mar
18.5	7			"D" Co at XD 777550 and XD 777535 received 20 rds 60MM and 82 MM mixed, fired 81 mission at possible targets, Results unknown		S-3, 4th Mar
2130	8			"C" C8 at XD 698628 spotted 3 lights coming toward them, down a hill.		S-3, 4th Mar
2300	9			"C" Co spotted 1 light to their South after 10 minutes the light went out.		S-3, 4th Mar
2326	10			Submitted Sit Rep #183 DTG 202326H		S-3, 4th Mar
2400	11			Journal Closed		S-3

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0001		1		Journal Opened			S-3
0524		2		Submitted Sit Rep # 104 DTG 210524H			S-3, 4th Mar
1100		3		"B" Co at XD 691621 found 34 cases of Russian 1/2 pound blocks of TNT, 50 pounds to a case, 2 cases of 1/2 pound blocks Chinese C-4, 1 case of Chinese 82MM rds, Blew everything in place.			S-3, 4th Mar
.200		4		Submitted Sit Rep # 105 DTG 21200H			S-3, 4th Mar
.300		5		"B" Co at XD 688620 found 5 Bamboo huts and 1 cave, inside was 2500 pounds of rice 75 pounds of corn, 75 pounds of Tobacco, 1 rifle, 1 sword, 1 spear, 2 crossbows and .6 Knives. Destroyed everything but the Grain.			S-3, 4th Mar
.400		6		"B" CO at XD 685620 found a cave with 24 bundles of NVA clothing, black and blue in color, 2 bundles of unit ., 1st aid kits 7 cases of Medical Supplies, 250 rds 30/06 mixed tracers and ball, 75 rds 7.62 MM ball Destroyed ammo, rest was lifted out.			S-3, 4th Mar
.800		7		Submitted Sit Rep # 106 DTG 210800H			S-3, 4th Mar
2322		8		Submitted Sit Rep # 107 DTG 212322H			S-3, 4th Mar
2400		9		Journal Closed			S-3

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0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3	
0445		2		Submitted Sit Rep #192 DTG 230445H	S-3, 4th Mar	
0822		3		"K" Co at XD 769557 found a trail 2 ft wide running North To South, 1-2 Months old	S-3, 4th Mar	
0900		4		"C" Co at XD 677574 Had Movement. The Scout Dog alerted very strongly. Checked out area and found two sets of NVA foot prints less than an hour old. The patrol followed the trail until it faded with Neg results	S-3, 4th Mar	
1130		5		Submitted Sit Rep # 193 DTG 231130H	S-3, 4th Mar	
130		6		Fancy Dan 6 Arrived FSB Argone.	S-3, 4th Mar	
130		7		"K" Co at XD 773563 found 1 grave, 1 Unk type mine. Mine was 1" square and covered with Green Nylon. After investigating and searching area with Neg results continued mission.	S-3, 4th Mar	
145		8		Fancy Dan 6 Left FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
2.5		9		"B" Coat XD 728618 found 1 NVA body Approx 1/2 Day old also found 1 M-6 in excellent condition, 75 Chi-Coms, 70 82 MM rds, 50 Anti-Personnel mines, 25,000 50 cal rds 25 cans 7.62 rds (100 Rds/can) 50 60MM rds 25 pounds Medical Supplies, 40 mixed Arty Rds. Bunker Complex seems to be supply and medical center. 400 Meters North of this complex is an unsearched bunker complex with what looks like fresh signs of recent use.		
				Blew Gear and destroyed bunkers.	S-3, 4th Mar	
250		10		"K" Co received small arms fire from 2 NVA at XD 776535.	S-3, 4th Mar	
330		1		Huey Gunships at XD 777560 spotted 5 Water buffalo and destroyed them.	S-3, 4th Mar	
500		2		Fancy Dan 6 Arrived at FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
520		3		"K" Co at XD 773558 found 2 trails running North To South along stream. Trail was approx 1 month old, trail was 2 ft wide, Patrol also found numerous 1" sq. mines scattered along trail.	S-3, 4th Mar	
540		4		Fancy Dan 6 Left FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
730		5		Submitted Sit Rep # 194 DTG 23.730H	S-3, 4th Mar	
2323		6		Submitted Sit Rep # 195 DTG 232323H	S-3, 4th Mar	
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0001	1			Journal Opened	S-3	
0500	2			Submitted Sit Rep # 196 DTG 240500H=	S-3	4th Mar
0830	3			"K" Co at XD 772568 found a small trail running parallel to the stream. This trail connected with 1st trail (same coordinates) This trail ran East to West. Both trails were 1ft wide and 1 week old, found sneaker prints that were less than a week old.		
.030	4			"K" Co at XD 770569 found 1 NVA Claymore mine already tripped, appeared to be a dud Blew Mine in place.	S-3	4th Mar
.2.0	5			"B" Co at XD 735633 found a bunker complex while moving in a Northern direction Approx 40 meters in front of point squad 10 NVA Opened fired on them with semi-auto fire. "B" Co returned fire with small arms and M-79. Results; 1 Fr KIA, 3 Fr WIA	S-3	4th Mar
1215	6			Submitted Sit Rep #197 DTG 241215H	S-3	4th Mar
1500	7			Northtide 6, Eversharpe 3, and party arrived FSB Argone	S-3	4th Mar
1600	8			Above party left FSB Argone	S-3	4th Mar
1800	9			Submitted Sit Rep # 198 DTG 241800H	S-3	4th Mar
2300	10			Submitted Sit Rep # 199 DTG 242300H	S-3	4th Mar
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IN	OUT				M—Maps S—Staff	T—Troops F—File
0001		1		Journal Opened Submitted Sit Rep # 200 DTG 250544H	S-3	
0544	2			"C" Co Patrol at XD 673580 when Scout Dog alerted. Members of patrol heard heavy movement. Called in 60 MM mission on suspected enemy locations. Searched area with Neg results.	S-3, 4th Mar	
0935	3			"K" Co at XD 771573 found 10 bamboo huts with the following equipment; 63 60MM rds 2 3pound boxes of assorted Medical gear, 1 pair of wire cutters, assorted propaganda and letters, 1 wooden stove, eating utensils 2 bags rice, 5 BA 30's, Remains of PRC battery remains of NVA clothing, 782 gear, 1 magazine 1 body belt, 2 canteen pouches, 2 first aid pouches, 1 trip flare, 2 Chi-Com grenade pouches 2 banana clips with ammo in good condition 1 can of cleaning solvent, 1 pair of socks, ripped and bloody, a good quantity of bloody cotton and what appeared to be a hospital, Destroyed ammo and gear.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1040	4			"C" Co Patrol at XD 669578 found 20 living bunkers which were previously destroyed. Found signs of approx 4 NVA had been there the night before and 3 trails leading North, Northeast, and West.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1050	5			Submitted Sit Rep # 201 DTG 25200H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1200	6			Fancy Dan 6 Arrived FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
1350	7			Fancy Dan 6 Left FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
140	8			"K" Co at XD 760577 found an extensive bunker complex with 15-20 bunkers that were incomplete. 7-10 completed bunkers of a frame construction, 1 1/2 ft by 3 ft by 1ft Also found 14 82 MM rds, 24 fuses for 82 MM 30 primers, 2 bamboo huts, fixed up as galley and used within the last 12 hours, 1 grave with NVA body less than a day old, 2 cooking pans, 7 large rice bowls and extensivly used trails leading to North, destroyed ammo and bunkers.	S-3, 4th Mar	
1430	9			Fancy Dan 6 Arrived FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
				Fancy Dan 6 Left FSB Argone	S-3, 4th Mar	
150	10			Submitted Sit Rep # 202 DTG 251716H	S-3, 4th Mar	
1540	11			Submitted Sit Rep # 203 DTG 252400H	S-3, 4th Mar	
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IN	OUT				
0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3
	0530	2	280530	Submitted SitRep #212	S-3, 4thMar
	0635	3		"B"Co LP hit by ChiComs, LP pulled in and the lines were hit by approximately 200 rounds of AK-47 and 5 ChiComs. Returned fire, fired 60mm, 81mm, and arty missions. Results: 6 friendly WIA, 1 NVA KIA, 1 AK-47 and 2 magazines.	
	0926	4		FSB Argonne heard tubing and received 6 rounds 60mm from westerly direction, bursting 50 meters southwest of our position resulting in 7 WIA. Returned counter battery fire with 81mm and 4.2 missions and called for spotter plane with unknown results	S-3, 4thMar
	1300	5		"D"Co while on sweep found at grid XD 728632 a bunker complex which had an assortment of gear including a leather surgical case (less instruments), assorted clothing, 2 gas masks (NVA type), maps and assorted documents, 75 fuzes for 82mm rounds. Bunker complex consisting of 11 huts with interconnecting underground bunker system estimate enemy activities less than 1 month and not more than 1 week. Destroyed bunkers and gear.	S-3, 4thMar
	1307	6	281307	Submitted SitRep #213	S-3, 4thMar
	1330	7		LtGen STILWELL and Fancy Dan 6 visited FSB Argonne.	S-3, 4thMar
	1400	8		LtGen STILWELL and Fancy Dan 6 departed FSB Argonne.	S-3, 4thMar
	1500	9		"C"Co while on S&D mission in vic grid XD 734636 came across a bunker complex and living bunkers, destroyed by arty and TPQs. Bunkers were collapsed and buried by trees and dirt. Will search out area on 29Nov.	S-3, 4thMar
	1805	10	281805	Submitted SitRep #214.	S-3, 4thMar
	2305	11	282305	Submitted SitRep #215.	S-3, 4thMar
	2400	12		Journal Closed.	S-3

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0001		1		Journal Opened	S-3	
	0505	2	300505	Submitted SitRep #220	S-3, 4th Mar	
	0945	3		Northtide 6 and Eversharp 6 and Division G-4 arrived at FSB Argonne	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1005	4		Northtide 6 and Eversharp 6 and Division G-4 departed FSB Argonne	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1115	5		Fancy Dan 6 arrived at FSB Argonne	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1125	6		Fancy Dan 6 departed FSB Argonne	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1130	7	301130	Submitted SitRep #221	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1550	8		"B"Co patrol returning to perimeter heard .50 caliber fire, shooting at AO from vic of XD 665577. Fire came from approximately 300 degrees azimuth from XD 669572, approximately 50 rounds were fired with negative results.	S-3, 4th Mar	
	1810	9	301810	Submitted SitRep #222	S-3, 4th Mar	
	2325	10	302325	Submitted SitRep #223	S-3, 4th Mar	
2400		11		Journal Closed	S-3	

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