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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

DESIGNATION	COMMANDER	DATE
1st Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol. G. T. SARGENT	1-21 Mar
1st Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol. C. E. WILLCOX	21-31 Mar

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Company "H&S"	1stLt. G. H. BROUILLETTE	1-10 Mar
Company "H&S"	Capt. J. GYPIN Jr.	11-31 Mar
Company "A"	Capt. K. S. RUSSOM	1-7 Mar
Company "A"	Capt. H. W. BUSE III	8-31 Mar
Company "B"	Capt. G. A. FRY	1-31 Mar
Company "C"	1stLt. J. E. HERRON	1-10 Mar
Company "C"	1stLt. G. H. BROUILLETTE	11-31 Mar
Company "D"	Capt. J. GYPIN Jr.	1-10 Mar
Company "D"	Capt. J. B. GREEN	11-31 Mar

ATTACHED UNITS

Det, Co. "H&S", 3rd MP Bn (Scout Dogs)
 Det, Co. B, 3rd SP Bn (HST Team)
 Det, Co. A, 3rd Engr Bn.
 Det, Btry G, 3/12 FO Teams
 Det, 3rd Mar Div, Kit Carson School, (KC Scouts).

LOCATION

Battalion CP	1-3 March Vandegrift Combat Base
Battalion CP	3-7 March Grid XD 973615 (LZ Marilyn)
Battalion CP	7-9 March Vandegrift Combat Base
Battalion CP	10-20 March Fire Support Base Alpine
Battalion CP	20-31 March Fire Support Base Argonne

STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major K. D. HYSLOP	1-5 Mar
Executive Officer	Major J. R. GREEN	6-31 Mar
S-1 Adjutant	1stLt. J. M. ALLEN	1-31 Mar
Personnel Officer	1stLt. R. J. LLOYD	1-31 Mar
S-2	Capt. J. B. GREEN	1-10 Mar
S-2	2/Lt. C. R. WILSON	11-21 Mar
S-2	SSgt. P. STARRETT	21-31 Mar

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S-3	Major H. E. PIERPAN	1-31 Mar
Assist S-3 ALO	Capt. D. B. PAGE	1-31 Mar
Assist S-3 FAC	Capt. S. J. WUTKIEWIEZ	1-31 Mar
Assist S-3	1stLt. T. J. RABBITT	1-31 Mar
Artillery Officer	2/Lt. A. O'SULLIVAN	1-31 Mar
S-4	1stLt. M. R. MORRIS	1-31 Mar
Comm Officer	1stLt. R. P. BROUGHAM	1-21 Mar
Comm Officer	1stLt. C. S. GILMORE	22-31 Mar
MT Officer	1stLt. J. E. BAUMAN	1-31 Mar
Supply Officer	2/Lt. R. A. STOTZ	1-31 Mar
Chaplain	LtCmdr. W. B. TURNER, USNR	1-21 Mar
Chaplain	LtCmdr. L. E. ALLRED, USNR	22-31 Mar
Bn. Surgeon	Lt. J. F. SCHEUFLE, USNR	1-31 Mar

AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

At the beginning of March, the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines maintained Company "B(-)" and the Alpha Command Group at Vandegrift Combat Base continuing preparations for the upcoming Operation Purple Martin. All other rifle companies were under the operational control of the other two Battalions of the 4th Marines. On 3 March Company "A" was chopped OPCON to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines from the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. On the morning of 3 March the Alpha Command Group was alerted and helilifted into LZ Marilyn with Company "A" moving by convoy to Fire Support Base Pete. At 031800H March Companies "L", "I", and "C" were chopped OPCON to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

On 4 March, Company "A" commenced movement by foot to sweep toward LZ Marilyn to join the Alpha Command Group. While moving towards LZ Marilyn the loading element of Company "A" found a trail located at Grid XD 976597. Two mortar pits, three fighting holes and one empty fuze can of unknown size were found at this location. Company "I" 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines located at Grid XD 965626 found ten "A" frame bunkers and three mortar pits containing an assortment of various NVA gear. Company "L" 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines at Grid XD 960624 received six to seven enemy 60MM mortar rounds approximately 100 meters in front of their lines. Counter mortar fire on the suspected enemy firing position was immediately fired.

At approximately 050550H March the Alpha Command Group at LZ Marilyn received fourteen rounds of 82MM mortar fire. There were no casualties. At 050555H March the Alpha Command Group received fifteen additional 82MM mortar rounds 50 meters outside the perimeter. Counter mortar fire was returned resulting in one secondary explosion and fire. At 051215H March, Company "I" at Grid XD 964627 received 82MM mortar fire resulting in one friendly KIA and three WIA. An Artillery fire mission was conducted on the enemy position. At 051430H March at the same location, Company "I" received additional enemy 82MM mortar fire. Fixed wing air strikes were called on suspected positions to suppress the artillery fire. While conducting these air strikes, one aircraft received enemy small arms fire. This enemy mortar barrage resulted in one friendly KIA and one WIA.

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At 051710H March Company "C", commenced an assault on LZ Mack, preceded by an extensive fixed wing and artillery preparation. The assault elements were pinned down fifty meters from the objective by a stubborn enemy entrenched in a complex of mutually supporting bunkers. The enveloping platoon from Company "C" destroyed the bunkers and continued the assault through the objective. During consolidation on the objective Company "C" had to rapidly redeploy to facilitate a CH-46 helicopter making an emergency landing. The helicopter was resupplying Company "I" and received a hit from an 82MM mortar round while in an adjacent zone. The helicopter caught fire almost immediately upon lift off and diverted to LZ Mack which was still under attack by Company "C". The helicopter was landed and all crew members evacuated from the flaming aircraft suffering only minor burns.

At 051735H March, the Alpha Command Group and Company "C" at LZ Mack received two enemy RPG rounds from the vicinity of Grid XD 960617. An artillery mission was promptly fired on the suspected position. The two enemy rounds resulted in two friendly KIA's. Soon after one enemy walked into an observation post manned by Company "C". The observation post quickly opened fire; killed the NVA soldier and captured one AK-47 rifle. That same evening Company "A" reached LZ Marilyn and assumed perimeter security.

At 061235H March a patrol from Company "I" at Grid XD 968623 discovered a bunker complex containing twenty-two recently constructed bunkers and assorted equipment and ordnance which included 10 Chicom grenades, ten AK-47 magazines fully loaded, four cans 30 cal. ammo, twenty eight 12 gauge shot gun shells, two pounds TNT, one NVA Claymore, three M-16 magazines fully loaded, one F-1 fragmentation grenade, 1500 AK-47 rounds, one 60MM mortar fuze, two RPG-7 rounds, numerous NVA propaganda sheets, four NVA utility belts, one set of utilities, one axe, three picks, four NVA E-tools, one NVA shovel, five NVA canteens, one pair Ho Chi sandals, two packages condensed Soy, four packages dehydrated leaves, two sweat shirts (one NVA, one U.S.), three NVA cartridge belts, three large cooking pots, five small cooking pots, assorted medical supplies and instruments and sixty pounds of rice.

Almost simultaneously Company "A" on LZ Mack observed two NVA running across a bomb crater at Grid XD 968606.

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Company "A" fired 60MM and 81MM mortars and an artillery mission which resulted in one confirmed NVA. Later the same evening the Alpha Command Group and Companies "A", "C" and "I" received a total of fourteen 82MM mortar rounds from Grid XD 974631. A counter mortar mission was fired immediately on this position. At 061900H March Company "M" was chopped OPCON to 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.

On 7 March Companies "A", "B(-)", "C", "I", "L", and "M" were chopped OPCON to the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines. The Alpha Command Group prepared for a helilift to Vandegrift Combat Base. This lift was completed at 071600H March. The following day Company "C" returned to Vandegrift Combat Base and was chopped to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines from the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines.

On 10 March the Alpha Command Group and Company "C" were alerted to commence operations in the Purple Martin Area of Operation. By 101510H March the helilift of the Alpha Command Group and Company "C" to Fire Support Base Alpine was completed. Company "D" already at Fire Support Base Alpine was chopped from the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. Company "C" established a night position to the immediate South of Fire Support Base Alpine and the Alpha Command Group commenced operations from Fire Support Base Alpine.

On 11 March Company "C" relieved Company "D" of the security mission for Fire Support Base Alpine. Company "D" began a search and clear mission to the Northeast in search of suspected enemy mortar positions. Throughout the remainder of the day, personnel on Fire Support Base Alpine observed at various times a total of five NVA soldiers. Artillery and 81MM mortar missions were immediately fired on all sightings.

On 12 March Company "A" was chopped OPCON to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines from the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines and alerted for helilift to Fire Support Base Alpine. On the evening of 13 March the Alpha Command Group on Fire Support Base Alpine spotted eight NVA soldiers to the South moving just outside the perimeter wire. This sighting was confirmed by an observer using a Night Observation Device. Sixty MM and 81MM mortars were immediately fired on the sightings.

Company "A" on 14 March was chopped OPCON to Task Force Hotel as the Sparrow Hawk/Bald Eagle Reaction Force at Vandegrift Combat Base.

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At approximately 141600H March the Alpha Command Group sighted from Fire Support Base Alpine, five NVA next to a stream at Grid XD 754536. Mortars were fired on this area.

Company "B(-)" was chopped OPCON from the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines on 15 March and completed helilift to Fire Support Base Alpine on 16 March. With the exception of the 3rd Platoon, Company "B" (which was OPCON to the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines on Dong Ha Mountain), the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines was configured and positioned to commence the helicopter assault on Fire Support Base Argonne. Company "A" awaited helilift from Vandegrift Combat Base to Fire Support Base Alpine to support this assault. The Battalion continued planning and accumulating supplies at Fire Support Base Alpine. The logistic buildup at Fire Support Base Alpine code named BLUE EYES, was accomplished to assure prompt availability and proximity of follow-up supplies. Construction of a Regimental Aid Station was also commenced on Fire Support Base Alpine to support the operation.

During the early morning hours of 20 March the Battalion was alerted to commence the assault on Fire Support Base Argonne at 201000H March. Prior to the assault an extensive artillery and air preparation of the objective was completed. Prior to L-hour a reconnaissance team was inserted to insure a secure LZ. Two helicopters were assigned to insert the team. Only one aircraft landed. It received a heavy volume of fire which killed both pilots and wounded all the reconnaissance team members. The order to land the assault element was given and Company "D" commenced the helicopter assault landing on the lower LZ at Fire Support Base Argonne due to the upper zone being fouled by the downed reconnaissance helicopter. Company "D" met with stiff resistance from NVA soldiers well entrenched in mutually supporting bunkers. The assault continued throughout the afternoon and by night fall the hill was secured with scattered sniper fire. Company "D" and the Alpha Command Group maintained a continuous vigil throughout the night prepared to repel any counter attack.

At 210000H March Company "M", 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines was chopped OPCON to the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines and assumed responsibility for security of Fire Support Base Alpine from Company "C". At 210820H March the first round of an enemy 82MM mortar attack instantly killed LtCol. SARGENT the Battalion Commanding Officer and Second Lieutenant WILSON the Battalion S-2 Officer.

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The same round wounded many other Command Group personnel. Major PIERPAN assumed command of the Alpha Command Group and directed operations at Fire Support Base Argonne. Major GREEN, the Battalion Executive Officer monitored the situation with follow up elements on Fire Support Base Alpine. LtCol. WILLCOX assumed command upon his arrival at Fire Support Base Alpine about 211400H March. Accurate enemy 82MM mortar and sniper fire hampered helicopter operations at Fire Support Base Argonne. Counter mortar fire against suspected enemy positions continued throughout the day and into the night.

On the afternoon of 21 March Companies "A" and "C" were landed South of Fire Support Base Argonne and commenced movement North to relieve the pressure on Fire Support Base Argonne. A flare ship provided continuous illumination during the night. Additionally an aerial support ship (Spooky) assisted in suppressing enemy mortar fire and deterred a night counter attack.

On 22 March the Bravo Command Group on Fire Support Base Alpine received 45 enemy 82MM mortar rounds. Counter mortar fire was immediately returned on the suspected enemy position. There were no serious wounded, however, two artillery pieces were moderately damaged. At 221430H March the partially constituted Bravo Command Group from Fire Support Base Alpine and the Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines arrived at Fire Support Base Argonne. At 221930H March Fire Support Base Argonne received 15 incoming mortar rounds. The counter mortar plan was immediately fired in response.

Twenty three March found Fire Support Base Argonne receiving sporadic enemy mortar fire throughout the day. Patrols from Company "D" were in frequent contact with the enemy less than 200 meters outside the North perimeter. Company "C" arrived at Fire Support Base Argonne and was resupplied and dispatched to search and clear the area to the direct North. Helicopter flights into Fire Support Base Argonne continued to be endangered by the sporadic mortar attacks coinciding with the arrival of the helicopters at Fire Support Base Argonne. Company "B" was deployed to activate Fire Support Base Green at Grid XD 758610.

On 24 March Company "M" 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines at Fire Support Base Alpine received approximately 50 rounds of enemy automatic fire from Grid XD 740539.

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At 240815H March Company "C" at Grid XD 677577 searched and cleared the seven bunker complex in the same area that contact had been made on 23 March. Five NVA bodies previously undiscovered were found at that position. The bunkers were destroyed and air strikes were called to assist in the total destruction of those well prepared emplacements. At 230900H Company "M" searching the suspected area made contact with an unknown size enemy unit and received one friendly KIA and inflicted three enemy KIA's. Two AK-47 rifles, six Chicom grenades, twenty rounds of 82MM mortar and 3 helmets were captured. At 231500H March, Fire Support Base Argonne received twelve rounds of 82MM mortar fire while helicopters were attempting to resupply the position.

At 250930H March, Company "A" received sniper fire and called in air strikes resulting in four enemy KIA. At 251100H March while resupply helicopters were landing supplies at Fire Support Base Argonne, nine enemy 82MM mortar rounds landed in the vicinity of the upper landing zone and Battalion Command Post. Company "A" was ordered to close on the suspected position and destroy it. At 251310H March Company "A" assaulted a bunker complex killing seven enemy. There was an extensive air and artillery preparation just in advance of Company "A's" sweep of this area.

Companies "A", "C" and "D" continued to search and clear the area in the immediate vicinity of LZ Argonne on 26 March. There were no additional fire incidents.

Throughout the daylight hours of the 27th, several attempts were made to resupply Fire Support Base Argonne. All attempts failed due to incoming 82MM mortar fire in the landing zone. The Commanding Officer and Executive Officer both received minor shrapnel wounds and remained on Fire Support Base Argonne.

During early morning hours of the 28th, Company "A" was probed by an estimated squad of NVA. That night an aerial support ship (Spooky) was requested and inflicted one enemy KIA and three probables. Later the same day Company "A" found an NVA mortar position and several 82MM mortar rounds, fuzes and increments. Also found were a bipod for a 50 cal. and a 12.7MM gun sight.

At 291705H March Company "A" found at Grid XD 666574 an enemy company size position. There were nine NVA bodies, forty to fifty bunkers, four AK-47 rifles, sixteen hundred AK-47 rounds, twenty eight E-bombs, five 60MM mortar rounds, fourteen RPG rounds, thirty three Chicom grenades, sixteen AK-47 magazines, fifty pounds of rice and numerous articles of clothing and personal field equipment.

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As the month ended three Companies of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines remained heavily engaged with a determined NVA force, who were deadly accurate with 82MM mortar fire. Company "B" continued its construction of Fire Support Base Greene at Grid XD758610. Company "M" continued its defense of Fire Support Base Alpine with regular sweeps in a radius of from three to four kilometers.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. COMBAT MISSIONS ASSIGNEDa. Commence Operation Purple Martin(1) Vandegrift Combat Base

- a. Continue Planning for Operation Purple Martin. (See; Operation Order # 1-69 in Supporting Documents)
- b. Reestablish Battalion organizational integrity by regaining OPCON of all organic units.

b. Conduct Search and Clear operation in vicinity of Fire Support Base Mack.c. Defend Fire Support Base Alpine and conduct Search and Clear operations in surrounding area.d. Holiborne assault of Fire Support Base Argonne.e. Conduct Search and Clear operations in vicinity of Fire Support Base Argonne.2. OPERATIONS

01 Mar No Entry

02 Mar No Entry

03 Mar At 1000H Company "A" chopped back to the 1st Bn, 4th Marines.

At 1655H Alpha Command Group helilifted to Grid XD 973615. Command Group established CP at Grid XD 973615.

At 1800H 1st Bn, 4th Marines assumes OPCON of Companies "L" and "I", from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines. Company "C" 1st Bn, 4th Marines chopped back to the 1st Bn, 4th Marines.

04 Mar At 1740H Company "A" at Grid XD 976597 loading element found trail, two mortar pits five feet in diameter, three fighting holes, empty fuse can of unknown size. Checked area and continued assigned search and clear mission.

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At 1840H Company "I" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 965626 found ten "A" frame bunkers six feet by four feet by four feet one week to one month old, one mortar pit with extended ammo bunker four feet by four feet, "A" frame construction, one week old, four empty fuze cans for 82MM mortar (each can will hold six fuzes), two empty increment cans, ten pounds of rice in sandbag. One "A" frame bunker contained one pot pipe, one bur-lap bag six feet by twenty eight feet in good condition, one green scarf used by 396th NVA division; also, ripped up letter found in increment can. Remaining bunkers were checked out with negative results.

At 2210H Company "L" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 960624 received six rounds of 60MM mortars, 100 meters in front of lines. Returned fire with 81MM mortar mission. Negative results.

05 Mar At 0553H Alpha Command Group at Grid XD 973615 received fifteen incoming rounds of 82MM mortars landing 50 meters outside of lines. Returned with counter mortar fire resulting in one secondary explosion and fire.

At 1215H Company "I" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 964627 received several rounds enemy 82MM mortar fire resulting in one friendly KIA and three friendly WIA. Security patrol returned to Company position. Called in Artillery mission.

At 1430H Company "I" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 964627 received 82MM mortar fire resulting in one friendly KIA and one friendly WIA. Called in fixed wing which received small arms fire from enemy position.

At 1710H Company "C" 1st Bn, 4th Marines commenced the assault of Hill 484 after extensive fixed wing (napalm and HE bombs) and artillery preparation. Twenty meters from the objective Company "C" received a heavy volume of accurate fire from two enemy bunkers. Base of fire from Alpha Command Group and 2nd Platoon Company "C" at Grid XD 970618 pinned enemy down to enable grenadier to maneuver to position to destroy bunker. Once on the objective Company "C" had to continue the attack to destroy a series of fortified positions.

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At this time a helicopter resupplying Company "I" was hit in the zone by 82MM mortar fire. The aircraft managed to become airborne but the resultant fire necessitated an emergency landing on Hill 484. Upon crash landing the aft section of the helicopter burned. Five crew members were rescued. All were WIA and subsequently medevaced. Company "C" completed consolidation of the objective at 1655H, with one Platoon from Company "L" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines reinforcing Company "C". Eight friendly WIA, sixteen confirmed NVA. Captured items included ten AK-47's, one RPG-7 launcher, eight hundred AK-47 rounds, one RPD machinegun Chicom type 56, eight PH-mines, seventy Chicom grenades, eight RPG-7 rounds. At 1735 H Company "C" 1st Bn, 4th Marines while improving defensive positions on Hill 484 received two RPG rounds from vicinity of Grid XD 960617. Artillery mission was called. Two friendly KIA resulted from enemy fire. At 1752H Company "L" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 964627 observed one NVA as he came upon friendly daytime OP. OP killed one NVA and captured one AK-47.

06 Mar At 0930H Company "L" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 960624 an engineer while disarming a DH-10 mine detonated it. Requested medevac for two friendly KIA and two WIA's. At 1235H a patrol from Company "I" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines at Grid XD 968623 found twenty two bunkers newly constructed six feet by four feet by three feet, "A" frame type built of logs, engineer stakes, and ammo crates. Also found ten Chicom grenades, ten AK-47 magazines fully loaded, four cans 30 cal. ammo, twenty eight 12 gauge shot gun shells, two pounds TNT, one NVA Claymore, three M-16 magazines fully loaded, one F-1 fragmentation grenade, fifteen hundred AK-47 rounds, one COMM mortar fuze, two RPG-7 rounds, numerous NVA propaganda sheets, four NVA E-tools, one NVA shovel, five NVA canteens, one pair Ho Chi sandals, two packages condensed Soy, four packages dehydrated leaves, two sweat shirts, three NVA cartridge belts, three large cooking pots, five small cooking pots, assorted medical supplies and sixty pounds of rice.

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At 1235H Company "A" at Grid XD 973615 observed two NVA running across bomb crater at Grid XD 968606. Fired 60MM, 81MM and Artillery missions with negative results.

At 1805H Company "L" 3rd Bn, 4th Marines, Alpha Command Group, Company "C" and Company "A" at Grids XD 974615, XD 971616, XD 967617 received a total of fourteen 82MM mortar rounds from Grid XD 947631. Returned mortar and artillery fire with negative results.

07 Mar At 1000H Companies "I", "L", "M", "C", "A", and "B1" chopped OPCON to 3rd Bn, 4th Marines. At 1600H Alpha Command Group lift to Vandegrift Combat Base completed. At 1615H Company "C" (-) chopped OPCON from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines.

08 Mar At 1125H Company "C" (-) lift commenced from Grid XD 997461 to Vandegrift Combat Base. At 1535H OPCON of 1st Platoon Company "B" chopped from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines. At 1545H OPCON of 2nd Platoon Company "C" chopped from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines, Company "C" (-) chopped from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines at 1215H.

09 Mar No Entry

10 Mar At 1440H the Alpha Command Group landed at Fire Support Base Alpine. At 1745H the Purple Martin AO was chopped to the 1st Bn, 4th Marines at the same time the 1st Bn, 4th Marines assumed OPCON of Company "D" from the 2nd Bn, 4th Marines. Message DTG 101720H 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines refers. At 1750H Company "D" patrol at Grid XD 773540 found four fighting holes, three mortar pits, one 82MM round, four 82MM mortar fuzes and twenty detonating caps NVA type. Destroyed all items.

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At 0800H Company "C" 1st Bn, 4th Marines relieved Company "D" of defense mission of Fire Support Base Alpine. Company "D" searches and clears to the Northeast to locate and destroy enemy mortar positions.

At 1300H Company "C"(-) at Grid XD 735532 observed two NVA in open at Grid XD 735538 and fired 60MM and 81MM mortar missions. Results unknown.

At 1905H Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Alpine observed two NVA in open at Grid XD755525. Fired 60MM mortar mission and direct fire with 105's. Will check area in A.M.

At 1924H Company "B" at Grid XD 735534 while firing night defensive fire with WP rounds at Grid XD 720529, observed twenty NVA get up and run when round exploded. Mission immediately switched to HE rounds, observed one secondary explosion. Darkness prevented further observation.

12 Mar At 1815H Company "A" chopped OPCON from 3rd Bn, 4th Marines to 1st Bn, 4th Marines. Message 121610H refers.

13 Mar At 2103H a listening Post from Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Alpine observed eight NVA walking outside of the wire. This was confirmed by use of a NOD. Fired a 60MM and 81MM mortar mission. Results unknown, will check area in A.M.. While mission was being fired one tiger ran from impact area and was observed with NOD.

14 Mar At 0910H Company "D" patrol at Grid XD 775566 found six fighting holes also suitable as combination sleeping holes, three feet by five feet by four feet, also four sleeping areas with a capacity for four men each, four to five days old. Searched area with negative results. At 1430H Company "A" assumes Sparrow Hawk/Bald Eagle and chopped OPCON to Task Force Hotel. At 1600H Alpha Command Group sighted five NVA adjacent the stream at Grid XD 754536 and fired 60MM and 81MM mission. Area to be checked out.

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- 15 Mar At 1821H effective 151700H 1st Bn, 4th Marines assumes OPCON of Second Platoon, Company "D" from Task Force Hotel.
- 16 Mar At 1605H Second Platoon, Company "D" arrived at Fire Support Base Alpine from Vandegrift Combat Base.
- 17 Mar No Entry
- 18 Mar No Entry
- 19 Mar At 1024H Major General DAVIS and Brigadier General GARRETSON arrive at Fire Support Base Alpine.
At 1500H Company "A" arrived at Fire Support Base Alpine.
- 20 Mar At 1030H helilift of Company "D" from Fire Support Base Alpine to Fire Support Base Argonne commenced. Initial elements of Company "D" received heavy small arms fire from an undetermined size NVA unit upon landing. Air strikes by fixed wing dropped napalm and HE bombs on suspected enemy positions. Huey gunships and OV-10's on station also delivered ordnance on suspected enemy positions.
At 1045H Alpha Command Group landed at Fire Support Base Argonne and received heavy sniper fire. One helicopter taking part in the Argonne assault made an emergency landing approximately 3000 meters west of Fire Support Base Alpine. There were no casualties and the aircraft was recovered.
At 1340H Fire Support Base Argonne secured. Remaining resistance on finger to Southeast eliminated by small force over running bunker containing five NVA with two RPG-2, one Machine-gun type fifty six 7.62MM and two AK-47 rifles. At 1515H an aerial observer spotted NVA in area of LZ Bea and Bill and latter reported two NVA confirmed KIA.
At 1520H aerial observer called airstrikes using napalm and HE bombs in LZ's and caves in cliffs along the valley North of Fire Support Base Argonne.

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At 1830 a Company "D" patrol searching area of sniper fire delivered on incoming helicopter, encountered small arms fire from a bunker complex. Withdrew after heavy fire fight because of darkness. Friendly casualties were two KIA, and four WIA medevaced. Enemy casualties were unknown. Fired 81MM mortar missions and called fixed wing air support on station, but air could not be used because of close proximity of friendly and enemy positions.

21 Mar At 0800H the 1st Bn, 4th Marines assumes OECON of Company "M" 3rd Bn, 3rd Marines, when they were lifted to Fire Support Base Alpine to relieve Company "C"

At 210820H March the first round of an enemy 82MM mortar attack instantly killed LtCol. SARGENT the Battalion Commanding Officer and 2/Lt. WILSON the Battalion S-2 Officer. The same round wounded many other Command Group personnel. Major PIERPAN assumed command of the Alpha Command Group and directed operations at Fire Support Base Argonne. Major GREEN, the Battalion Executive Officer monitored the situation with follow up elements on Fire Support Base Alpine. LtCol. WILLCOX assumed command upon his arrival at Fire Support Base Alpine about 211400H March. Accurate enemy 82MM mortar and sniper fire hampered helicopter operation at Fire Support Base Argonne. Counter mortar fire against suspected enemy positions continued throughout the day and into the night.

At 0945H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne, while medevac helicopter was in lower LZ extracting medevacs, received ten rounds 82MM mortars from Grid XD 650575. While helicopter was in zone, six emergency medevacs were gotten aboard before helicopter had to leave. Counter mortar fire was going on during helicopter approach. Results were three friendly KIA's and eleven WIA's.

At 1245H displaced CP Group from Southwest finger to East finger of Fire Support Base Argonne.

At 1540H all medevacs taken out except one routine and five permanent routines. Four Engineers boarded helicopter without authority and deprived rest of medevacs from getting out.

At 2230H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne ran flights of fixed wing in Grid Squares 6657 and 6658 resulting in two secondaries.

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22 Mar At 0130H the Alpha Command Group ran Spooky around all likely 82MM mortar positions. Had one secondary explosion at Grid XD 665562. At 0630H relieved flare ship on station after he provided continuous illumination from 2000H hours until relieved. At 0630H the Bravo Command Group at Fire Support Base Alpine received forty five 82MM mortar rounds from Grid XD 7356. Fired 60MM mortar and artillery fire against this position and requested an AO who controlled two fixed wing missions. Five friendly WIA's resulted from the enemy fire. At 1913H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne received fifteen 82MM rounds from Grid XD 663595. Returned fire with 81MM mortar 105's and 155 missions.

23 Mar At 0945H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne had an inbound helicopter receive ten to fifteen rounds of automatic weapons fire simultaneously the Alpha Command Group received five rounds of 82MM mortar fire. Fire was returned with 60MM and 81MM mortars, 105's, and 155's. Two friendly WIA minor resulted from this attack. At 1120H Company "D" at Grid XD 682579 observed a sniper at Grid XD 674575 and moved to apprehend with negative results. At 1415H Company "D" at Grid XD 676579 found five graves with three markers. They proceeded to check out area and were taken under fire by seven NVA. Company pulled back and fired 60MM, 81MM, 105's, 106's and had two airstrikes. Received three friendly KIA and four friendly WIA's. Inflicted three confirmed NVA KIA and four probables. At 1445H Company "C" at Grid XD 675567 recovered one air drop chute, dropped the evening of 21 March which contained medical supplies and thirty cases of 60MM mortar rounds. Recovered all items. At 1720H Company "C" at Grid XD 677567 moved to retrieve one friendly KIA after airstrikes were run. While moving they were fired upon by enemy snipers. The snipers were located in bunkers.

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Company "C" commenced search and clear, resulting in six enemy bunkers destroyed. KIA was retrieved and Company "C" pulled back and called in Air strikes. Results were three friendly WIA minor and five enemy KIA confirmed.

- 24 Mar At 0630 Company "M" 3rd Bn, 3rd Marines at Fire Support Base Alpine received approximately fifty rounds of automatic weapons fire from Grid XD 740539. Fired 81MM mortars and air strike and conducted sweep in area with patrol. At 0815H Company "C" at Grid XD 677577 searched seven bunkers in the area of contact made on 23 March. They reported that the five NVA bodies that were left at that position the day prior were no longer there. The bodies were dragged away and they also found a large pool of blood in one bunker. At 0900H Company "M" at Grid XD 740540 had a patrol sweeping area and made contact with unknown size enemy force and bunkers. Returned fire and assaulted enemy position. Results were one friendly KIA, three enemy KIA also captured two AK-47 rifles, six Chicom grenades, twenty rounds 82MM mortars and three NVA helmets. At 1135H the Alpha Command Group had a resupply helicopter come into landing zone and received twelve incoming 82MM mortar rounds. The counter mortar plan was fired and air was called.
- 25 Mar At 0930H Company "A" at Grid XD 669572 received sniper fire from Grids XD 669573 and 668573. The enemy broke contact and went in a North direction. One NVA was seen in a black undigney uniform and other NVA was in a green uniform with web gear. Company "A" returned small arms and called air and artillery strikes. Three bunkers were destroyed by air One enemy KIA and three probables by air and one friendly KIA resulted. At 1355H the Alpha Command Group had a resupply helicopter come into their zone and received nine incoming 82MM rounds. Company "A" was in the area and started to check out tubing and received small arms fire from the area of the tubing.

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At 1310H Company "A" at Grid XD 667574 while moving ran into a multiple bunker complex at above grid. Estimate two reinforced squads to a platoon of enemy and assaulted bunkers. Also called in air and artillery. Received one friendly KIA and four WIA with seven confirmed enemy KIA and one probable. Captured four AK-47 rifles, one Machinegun, twelve Chicoms, one Chicom Claymore and seven green uniforms with web gear.

At 1530H while calling in artillery Company "A" had one short 155 round. Killing three friendly and wounding eight. SIR report submitted.

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27 Mar At 0830H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne while receiving an external resupply had three rounds incoming 82MM mortar fire. Called in an AO and fired artillery. At 1020H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne had a helicopter come to LZ and received eight rounds 82MM mortar incoming. Fired the counter mortar plan.

At 1000H at Grid XD 680591 a patrol from Company "C" observed a road at Grid XD 680606. The road is approximately five meters wide and appeared to extend five hundred meters in a Southeast to Northeast direction with no covering canopy.

At 1100H Company "C" at Grid XD 683584 found a bunker complex consisting of "A" frame, square and "L" type bunkers. This complex was approximately six months old. No ordnance or equipment was found in this area. Destroyed five of the "A" frame, three of the square shape and one of the "L" shape bunkers. The remaining bunkers were unusable due to natural deterioration.

At 1725H the Alpha Command Group at Fire Support Base Argonne had a helicopter on the landing zone receive eight rounds of 82MM incoming.

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Fired 81MM mortars, gunships and called artillery. The four friendly WIA's included LtCol. WILLCOX and Major GREEN who both received minor wounds not requiring definitive medical treatment.

At 1630H Company "A" at Grids XD 663577 and XD 662577 discovered two booby trapped 60MM mortar rounds and a 50 cal. position at XD 662577 with fifty spent rounds and adjoining deep tunnel. The 60MM booby traps were destroyed and an ambush was set near the 50 cal. position. At 1710H Company "A" at Grid XD 664577 heard mortar firing originating in the vicinity of Grid XD 659578. Fired 60MM mortar and artillery and also called in air strikes on this location.

28 Mar At 0220H Company "A" at Grid XD 665577 had listening posts and lines probed by an estimated squad. Returned small arms fire and threw M-26 grenades, called in a flare ship and fired 81MM mortars and artillery. Also called for an aerial support plane (Spooky). Two friendly KIA's, eight WIA's, one enemy KIA and three enemy probables resulted. Captured one Chicom machinegun and one AK-47 rifle. At 1330H a patrol from Company "A" at Grid XD 662577 and XD 660576 found four hundred thirteen rounds and two bunkers, a piece of bipod from a 50 cal. machinegun and a sight for a 12.7MM Anti-aircraft gun, and two hundred rounds of 50 cal. linked ammo at XD 660576. Destroyed bunkers and returned part of 50 cal bipod and 12.7MM gun sight to the Company "A" CP. At 1500H at Grid XD 657575 a patrol from Company "A" found an NVA 82MM mortar position with thirty nine unfuzed 82MM rounds, sixty one fuzes, one hundred eighty five increments, and sixty seven primers. The patrol destroyed the thirty nine fuzed and forty dud 82MM mortar rounds and brought the remaining items to the Company "A" CP.

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At 1235H Company "B" at Grid XD 763599 found one bunker three feet by three feet by three feet under a rock ledge, a sleeping area for one to two people and another rest area for five to six people. A trail running East to West, eighteen inches wide was followed for one hundred meters. Drops of blood on a bed, one can of food with Vietnamese writing, one long range ration and one pack of Vietnamese cigarettes were discovered along this trail. The activity appeared to be three to five days old. Destroyed the bunker and all equipment.

At 1450H Company "B" at Grid XD 774594 found one bunker ten feet by three feet by nine feet, capable of sleeping four persons, also found two cooking areas, two papers with Vietnamese writing and one small bottle and pipe.

At 1705H Company "A" at Grid XD 666574 found an enemy company size position, nine NVA bodies forty to fifty bunkers, one Chicom Claymore mine, five canteens, four AK-47 rifles, sixteen hundred AK-47 rounds, two ponchos, thirty three Chicom grenades, sixteen AK-47 magazines, fifteen charges for RPG, three cleaning gear bottles and fifty pounds of rice. Returned all gear to Company "A" position.

At 2345H four rounds of 81MM H&I fire landed near Company "A" ambush wounding seven persons. A checkfire was called and a medevac helicopter was requested. An investigation was directed by the Battalion Commanding Officer.

30 Mar At 1230H Company "B" at Grid XD 751588 found one empty rice can, one metal container, one tin can, one pair torn trousers and two hooches with bunkers. At Grid XD 751585 Company "B" found four bunkers three feet by four feet by five feet, five bunkers five feet by eight feet by four feet, one partially destroyed hooch five feet by five feet, two animal pens four feet by four feet, one table three feet by two feet and one latrine in excess of six months old.

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NVA/KIA	47
NVA/POW	0
VC/KIA	0
VC/POW	0

4. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES SUSTAINED

KIA	32
WIA	360
DOW	1
Non Hostile Deaths	0
NBC	50
MIA	0
DAI	2

5. TRAINING

- a. General Military subjects and MOS training for the month of March for Squad, Platoon and Company size Units was limited because the Battalion was deployed in the field conducting Operations throughout the Northwestern I Corps area.
- b. All replacements received comprehensive indoctrination briefings in accordance with the Battalion SOP For Replacement Training. Each replacement fired his T/O weapon for familiarization.

c. Unit Training

FAM Firing of Organic Weapons	18 Hours
Crew Drill 60MM Mortars	8 Hours
LAAW, Firing and Nomenclature	2 Hours
Radio AN/PRC-25 and Communications Procedure	14 Hours
Calling and Adjustment of Artillery Mission	2 Hours
Land Navigation	1 Hour
Preventive Maintenance, Communications Equip	3 Hours
81MM Mortar Gun Drill	45 Hours
Night Firing 81MM Mortar	15 Hours

- d. Officer and Staff Non-Commissioned Officers Training was not conducted during the month of March, due to the tactical situation.

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- e. Nuclear, Biological and Chemical warfare training was not conducted during the month of March due to the tactical situation.
- f. During the period 17-22 March, Executive and Special Staff representatives of the Commanding General conducted detailed inspection of the Battalion administrative and technical functions.

6. FIRE SUPPORT

During the month of March, artillery fire support was used extensively in support of all phases of tactical operations. On 4 March the Battalion CP was moved to the area of LZ Marilyn. Support response initially, was slow. The first round was fired approximately 22 minutes after the call for fire. As contact between the enemy and the maneuvering elements increased the time from call to shot decreased to eight minutes. The volume of accurate fire provided by both general and direct support batteries was a considerable contribution to the success of the operation. Round expenditure was never less than two thousand seven hundred rounds in a twenty four hour period.

On March 10th the Battalion arrived at Fire Support Base Alpine. The biggest problem encountered was communications. The Battalion does not have organic equipment to establish required direct communications. The problem was solved thru the use of radio relays which degraded reaction time slightly.

While on Fire Support Base Alpine general support artillery was employed to supplement night defensive fires and the counter mortar plan. This technique assured that even if the supporting battery and the Battalion position were hit simultaneously there would still remain an artillery defensive fire capability.

On March 19th "B" Battery 1st Bn, 12th Marines, 2nd Provincial Battery, and Army 175's began a preparation fire on Fire Support Base Argonne. In a ten hour period "B" Battery 1st Bn, 12th Marines, expended two thousand six hundred rounds, 2nd Provincial Battery four hundred twenty eight and the Army 175's shot eight hundred rounds. Fire Support Base Argonne was secured on 20 March but enemy 82MM mortar and sniper fire continued.

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The 81MM mortars and adjusted artillery were used as a suppressive measure. The 81MM mortars fired against the active enemy mortar position receiving the enemy rounds and because of this, the mortar crews sustained eleven injuries due to shrapnel.

A change in fire procedures, i.e. having all 81MM mortars firing a particular mission, adjust rather than a single 81MM, upgraded safety and accuracy by enabling the observer to check and adjust the entire shoot.

7. AIR SUPPORT

a. FIXED WING

- (1) Close Air Support There were one hundred fifty one missions flown in the Battalion Area of Operations.
 - a. Night Close Air Support Night close air support was used ten times during the month in the Battalion's Area of Operation.
 - b. Beacon Controlled Close Air Support This type support was used five times by this Battalion during the month of March.
- (2) Aerial Observers Aerial Observers were used one hundred six times on area surveillance missions.
- (3) TPQ's This month one hundred forty seven TPQ's were flown in the 1st Bn, 4th Marines Area of Operations.
- (4) Arc Lights There were five Arc Lights in the Battalion Area of Operations this month.
- (5) Illumination Flareships were called on station twenty one times by the 1st Bn, 4th Marines this month.
- (6) Spooky Aerial support ships (Spooky) were used seven times this month for support of the Battalion's Operations.

b. HELICOPTER SUPPORT

- (1) Troop Lifts
 - a. Company size lifts 7
 - b. Platoon size lifts 2

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- (2) Med Evacs There was a total of twenty one medevac sorties for the 1st Bn, 4th Marines.
- (3) Time Lapse for Medevacs The time lapse from time of request until time of arrival for medevac helicopter varied usually from one half hour to one hour.
- (4) C and C Flights There were three Command and Control/visual reconnaissance sorties.

8. INTELLIGENCE

During the month of March, the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines participated in operations against the enemy from Landing Zone's Mack and Marilyn, Fire Support Base's Alpine and Argonne. Contact with the enemy ranged from light and sporadic to heavy with numerous reports of enemy mortar attacks.

a. ENEMY

On 5 March between the hours of 0500H and 0600H the Alpha Command Group at Landing Zone Marilyn received twenty nine rounds of 82MM mortars. At 1710H Company "C" assaulted and captured Landing Zone Mack, (Hill 484). This action resulted in sixteen NVA KIA confirmed, and the capture of ten AK-47 rifles, one RPG-7 launcher, eight hundred rounds of 7.62MM ammunition, eight Anti-Personnel mines, seventy Chicom grenades and eight RPG rounds. While consolidating on Hill 484 Company "C" received two RPG rounds. An artillery mission was called in on the suspected enemy position with unknown results.

On 6 March at 1735H Company "A" observed two NVA running across a bomb crater. Company "A" fired 60MM, 81MM mortars and an artillery mission which resulted in one confirmed NVA. At 1805H the Alpha Command Group on Hill 484 received fourteen rounds of 82MM mortars. Counter mortar missions by 81MM mortar and artillery were fired with unknown results. On 11 March at 1130H hours Company "C" observed two NVA in vicinity of Grid XD 735538. A 60MM and 81MM mortar mission were fired with unknown results.

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At 11192H Company "B" while firing night defensive H&I's observed twenty NVA run from the impact area, an artillery mission was fired; observed one secondary explosion.

At 2303H on 13 March a listening post of the Alpha Command Group observed eight NVA outside of the perimeter wire. This was confirmed by use of a NOD. A 60MM and 81MM mission initiated with negative results.

On 20 March at 1030H hours the heliborne assault of Fire Support Base Argonne began with Company "D" as the assaulting force. The initial elements received a heavy volume of small arms fire from an estimated Company size enemy force which was well entrenched. At 1045H hours the Alpha Command Group landed, and received a heavy volume of sniper fire. At 1340H hours Fire Support Base Argonne was secured, with enemy still remaining on the Southeast finger. Company "D" assaulted the mutually supporting bunkers and secured the bunkers late that afternoon. The results of the entire assault were eleven NVA KIA confirmed. Also there were numerous sightings of the enemy by Aerial Observers in area surrounding Fire Support Base Argonne. The AO called numerous air strikes and artillery missions with results unknown. Sporadic sniper fire was received by resupply helicopters from the Northwest finger. At 1830H a patrol from Company "D" was dispatched to search out the suspected area of sniper fire and were engaged in a heavy fire fight and were forced to withdraw due to impending darkness. On 21 March at 0820H hours LtCol SARGENT and 2/Lt WILSON were killed by incoming 82MM rounds. As a medevac helicopter came into the Landing Zone Fire Support Base Argonne received 82MM mortar fire. The arrival of helicopters except on one or two occasions resulted in accurate 82MM mortar attacks. Numerous strikes by fixed wing aircraft and artillery fire missions were conducted on suspected enemy positions. On 22 March at 0630H the Bravo Command Group at Fire Support Base Alpine received forty five rounds of 82MM mortar fire.

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On 23 March supply helicopters received automatic weapons fire while attempting to resupply Fire Support Base Argonne. At 1415H a patrol from Company "D" while searching the area in which sniper fire had originated found five enemy graves. The patrol was taken under fire by seven enemy entrenched in a bunker complex. The patrol withdrew and two air strikes were requested. Company "D" then maneuvered into the area of contact which resulted in five enemy killed. On 24 March at 0630H Company "M" received approximately fifty rounds of automatic weapons fire. At 0900H a patrol searching the suspected enemy position made contact with an unknown size enemy force. Results were three enemy KIA. On 25 March at 1310H Company "A" conducted a search and clear mission in the area of the suspected enemy mortar position. Engaged in heavy contact with an estimated enemy Platoon entrenched in bunkers. The bunkers were assaulted and results were seven NVA KIA. On 28 March at 0220H Company "A" while in their night defensive position was probed by an estimated enemy Squad which resulted in one enemy KIA. On 29 March at 1705H Company "A" found a company size bunker complex containing forty to fifty bunkers. Found in the complex were nine enemy bodies and miscellaneous enemy equipment.

Enemy KIA Confirmed: 61
Captured: 0

b. Weather

During the first part of the month the days were generally hot and humid and the nights cool. The temperatures differential was around thirty degrees Fahrenheit with temperatures ranging from a high of one hundred degrees to a low of seventy degrees Fahrenheit. During the latter part of the month there was a drop in the day and night time temperatures. There was considerable ground fog usually lasting until mid-morning. The temperatures ranging from seventy five degrees Fahrenheit during the day, to fifty five degrees Fahrenheit during the night.

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c. Terrain

The area of operations has numerous well pronounced hills with crests ranging from three hundred to seventeen hundred meters. Thick heavily vegetated underbrush and a secondary canopy causes ground movement to be slow and difficult. There are numerous deep valleys with small feeder streams. The savannah grass ranges in height from five to fifteen feet in the lower areas.

d. Enemy Equipment Captured or Destroyed

(1) Small Arms Ammo

7.62MM AK-47	3400	rounds
12.7MM	600	rounds

(2) Mortar, Recoiless Rifle, Rocket

82MM mortar	158	rounds
60MM mortar	60	rounds
Rocket Propelled Grenades	15	rounds

(3) Weapons

Crew served	4
Individual	26
AK-47 Magazines	50

(4) Mines, Demolition, Explosives

Anti-Personnel Mines	9	rounds
TNT	12	pounds
Chicom Grenades	480	grenades

(5) Medical Supplies

Small Quantities of Miscellaneous Items

9. PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

All psychological warfare operations were conducted by a higher echelon.

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10. CIVIL AFFAIRS

Due to the tactical situation and the lack of civilian population in the area of operations there were no opportunities to conduct civil affairs operations this month. This Battalion maintains a plan for conducting civil affairs assistance. This plan will be implemented where appropriate and activated when the tactical situation permits.

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11. COMMUNICATIONS

During the month of March the Communications Platoon continued to provide minimum essential communication services to the administrative sections of the rear elements encamped at Vandegrift Combat Base and Quang Tri, while tactical communications were provided for the Alpha and Bravo Command Groups during Operation Purple Martin. Operations in mountainous terrain has reaffirmed the requirement for thorough prior planning and close liaison within the Battalion. Line of sight propagation characteristics of VHF equipment employed has necessitated the attachment of personnel to other Fire Support Bases to act as relay stations. Reaction time and accuracy are slightly degraded when using this technique.

a. MESSAGE CENTER

This section provides the shackle sheets and the brevity code for this Command and its attachments. Classified and nonclassified message handling is exercised. A forward message center is operating at Vandegrift Combat Base.

b. RADIO

The radio section continues it's mission of maintaining communications with all elements through use of radio relay stations at Hill 950 and Fire Support Base Neville manned by two radio personnel each. Spare parts and batteries are supplied to attached units when required.

c. COVERED CIRCUITS

The KY-38, KY-8, and AN/PRC-77 have been used extensively during the month of March.

d. WIRE

The wire section maintains a switchboard in the Battalion forward area when the situation requires its use.

e. ELECTRONICS REPAIR

The electronics section continues to conduct second echelon maintenance on organic electronic equipment. This service is also provided attached units when requested.

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There was no use for this Section during the month of March.

g. CRITICAL SHORTAGES

A shortage of repair parts is as follows; A-9 A-10, and A-1's for the PRC-25. The UG-255's for the RC-292 are also critical.

h. EQUIPMENT DEADLINED AND REPAIRED

Maintenance repairs for the month of March are as follows:

ITEM	NO
PRC-25	33
TA-312	8
TA-1	5
H-189	16
EE-8	8

12. LOGISTICSa. Supply

- (1) Class I. All Class I was drawn from supply point Vandegrift Combat Base. The Battalion Mess Hall served "R" rations three times daily at Vandegrift Combat Base. Hot meals and supplementary food were provided units deployed in field when the tactical situation permitted.
- (2) Class II. The Battalion Supply Section operated at Quang Tri Combat Base with FLSG-B as the source of supply. A subsidiary Class II issue point established at Vandegrift Combat Base assured prompt customer service on replacement of lost items, particularly items of field equipment. Shortages in the following items were experienced during this period: nozzles and covers (water buffalo), flak jackets, and M-16 magazines. All items are on requisition.
- (3) Class III. Class III supply at Vandegrift was adequate.
- (4) Class IV. Class IV supply at Vandegrift was adequate.

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(5) Class V. Class V. supply at Vandegrift was adequate except for certain ordnance items.

b. Transportation

(1) Organic. During this period the M-151A1, M-274A2, and the M-J7A1 were used for resupply and administrative runs at Vandegrift and Quang Tri.

(2) Support. Division Motor Transport furnished transportation for delivery of Class II supplies and personnel from Quang Tri to Vandegrift. The 3rd Motor Transport Battalion supported the Battalion on a daily basis.

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

13. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

Average Monthly Strength

USMC		USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
36.9	1152.6	2	52

Casualties by Category

KIA	32
WIA	360
Non-Hostile Deaths	0
DOW	1
NBC	50
MIA	0
DAI	2

Personnel Losses and Gains

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
LOSSES				
Battle	9	72	0	1
Non-Battle	0	28	0	0
Administrative	2	27	1	1
TOTAL	11	127	1	2
GAINS	6	113	1	6

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14. RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

- a. Chaplain W. B. TURNER was relieved by Chaplain L. E. ALIRED on 21 March 1969.
- b. Spiritual coverage was given to the Battalion during the month of March in the field and at our rears.
- c. A total of 23 Protestant Services were conducted by the Battalion Chaplain with an attendance of 768 and 331 receiving Communion.
- d. Seven Roman Catholic Masses were conducted by the Regimental Chaplain with an attendance of 171.
- e. Five Memorial Services were conducted with an attendance of 358.
- f. Seven Protestant Services were conducted for other units.
- g. Regular visits were made to those hospitalized aboard the USS REPOSE and USS SANCTUARY, 1st Naval Support Activity Hospital, "A" Med, and "C" Med.
- h. Counseling, instruction classes, letters and ARC messages assisted the Personal Affairs program.

15. MEDICAL AND DENTAL AFFAIRS

- a. The total number of visits to the Battalion Aid Station during the month of March was 1693.
- b. Prevalent medical entities encountered were:

Gonorrhea	16	Rat Bites	04
Diarrhea	26	FUO	14
Malaria	04	Dermatological	
URI	45	conditions	230
NP Disorder	10	Heat Casualties	11
Hepatitis	01	NSU	00

- c. All suspected and confirmed cases of venereal disease were given a STS in accordance with MAN-MED 22-18. The results were entered in the individual's health record.
- d. A total of 173 patients were referred to 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMP. Of these referred, the following were consults:

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Awards. During the reporting period 1 Silver Star, 2 Bronze Stars, 1 Navy Comm, 3 Navy Achievement, 10 Purple Hearts, and 3 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry were presented. The following type awards were processed recommending approval:

Navy Cross	1
Silver Star	4
Bronze Star	8
Navy Commendation	3
Navy Achievement	21
Purple Heart	360
VCG	6

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

Courts-Martials/Admin Discharges/Investigations

Art 32 - Pending	1
Spl Court - Pending	4
Spl Court - Completed	1
Summary Court - Pending	2
Summary Court - Completed	1
Admin Discharge	0

Non-Judicial Punishments

Battalion Commander	1
Company Commander	2

Morale continued to be high.

The Battalion utilized the following out of country R&R Quotas for the month:

Bangkok	15	Penang	2
Hawaii	20	Singapore	2
Hong Kong	12	Okinawa	4
Kuala Lumpur	3	Sydney	18
Taipei	8	Tokyo	6

During the month, the following promotions were effected:

Private First Class to Lance Corporal	41
Private to Private First Class	4

During the month the following promotions were effected meritoriously:

Corporal to Sergeant	4
Lance Corporal to Corporal	6

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ENT	05	Internal Medicine	02
Urology	05	Dermatology	07
Surgical	04	Orthopedics	21
NP	02		

(1) Following referrals were made to:

NSA DaNang	01
USS SANCTUARY	03
USS REPOSE	13

(2) Total patients referred for dental treatment: 79

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

KIA	32	NHD	02
WIA	360	DOW	01
MIA	00	NBC	50

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

g. Sanitation Inspection was held daily and weekly in the Battalion area at Vandegrift Combat Base and Quang Tri in accordance with Article P6000.4D. Field Sanitation practices are considered highly satisfactory.

h. Two Battalion Aid Stations were maintained during the month of March. A forward BAS consisting of a Battalion Surgeon and eight Hospital Corpsmen located at Vandegrift Combat Base and a secondary BAS located at Quang Tri, consisting of nine Hospital Corpsmen. All injuries and Malaria encounters 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. One case of Hepatitis occurred in Company "A", the patient being medevac'd to U. S. N. H. GUAM. A sufficient quantity of GG was obtained from FLC in DaNang and immunization of those exposed was accomplished.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- ✓1. JOURNAL SHEETS 1 THROUGH 31 MARCH 1969 *Filed Sep*
- ✓2. OPERATION ORDER # 1-69 (OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN) ^{THOR}
- ✓3. MAP SHEET 6342 I SERIES L 7014
- ✓4. MAP SHEET 6342 II SERIES L 7014
- ✓5. MAP SHEET 6342 III SERIES L 7014
- ✓6. MAP SHEET 6342 IV SERIES L 7014
- ✓7. OVERLAY OF ENEMY POSITIONS AND TRAILS EFFECTIVE 180000H FEBRUARY 1969
- ✓8. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 231540H FEBRUARY 1969
- ✓9. VISIBLE RECONNAISSANCE RUN 241600H FEBRUARY 1969
- ✓10. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 251540H FEBRUARY 1969
- ✓11. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 031800H MARCH 1969
- ✓12. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 081100H MARCH 1969
- ✓13. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 111800H MARCH 1969
- ✓14. AO CHANGE EFFECTIVE 220800H MARCH 1969
- ✓15. FRAG ORDER ISSUED BY 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES
- ✓16. SITUATION REPORTS SUBMITTED BY 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES
- ✓17. SPOT REPORTS SUBMITTED BY 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES
- ✓18. BUSHMASTER, DAY AND NIGHT ACTS AS SUBMITTED BY 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES.
- ✓19. SITUATION REPORTS SUBMITTED BY 4TH MARINES "OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN"

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OPERATION ORDER # 1-69 (OPERATION THOR)

A. Maps, VINHAI, 6342 IV, 6342 I I, 6342 I Series L 7014

B. CURRENT C.O.I. (3rd MARINE DIVISION)

C. FOURTH MARINES VERBAL OPERATION ORDER, AND SEQUENCE OF EVENTS OF 22 FEB 1969.

TIME ZONE: HOTEL

TASK ORGANIZATION

1st Bn. 4th Marines

Company "A"

Company "B"

Company "C"

Company "D"

Company "H&S"

LT. COL. SARGENT

CAPT. RUSSUE

CAPT. FRY

1st. LT. HERRON

CAPT. GYPIN Jr.

1st. LT. BROUILLETTE

BRAVO BTRY, 1st Bn. 12th Marines

2nd PROVISIONAL PLT, 2nd PROV BTRY, 3rd Bn. 12th Marines.

GOLF BTRY, 3rd Bn. 12th Marines.

2nd PROV. PLT. 2nd PROV. BTRY, 3rd Bn. 12th Marines

DET, BTRY G, 3rd Bn. 12th Marines, F.O. Teams.

DET, Company "A", 3rd ENGR Bn.

DET, 3rd SHORE PARTY Bn.

DET, Scout Dog PLT, 3rd M.P. Bn.

DET, 3rd PAR DIV, Kit Carson School, (K.C. Scouts)

1. SITUATIONA. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence Annex)
- (2) Special Briefing TBA

B. Friendly Forces

- (1) 3rd Marine Regiment in AO to the east.
- (2) Reconnaissance Surveillance in AO to the west.
- (3) 9th Marine Regiment operates within 4th Marine AO to the direct south.
- (4) 3rd Bn, 4th Marine operates within 4th Marine AO to the direct east.
- (5) Artillery
 - (a) Bravo^{BTRY} 1st Bn, 12th Marines DS
 - (b) Golf^{BTRY} 3rd Bn, 12th Marines DS
 - (c) 12th Marine Provide GS

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(6) Air Support

- (a) 1st Marine Aircraft Wing provides fixed wing/rotary wing support as required.

(7) Reconnaissance/Surveillance

- (a) 3rd Recon Battalion GS
- (b) AO on station during daylight hours; call during darkness.
- (c) Command and Control when available

(8) Attachments and Detachments

See Task Organization

2. MISSION

On order conduct heliborne assault in assigned landing zones (See Annex B) and conduct reconnaissance in Force in designated AO.

3. EXECUTION

- (a) Concept of Operation. On D-1 land one Rifle Company, Bravo Command Group, two sections of 81MM Mortars and appropriate communications equipment and personnel on FSB Argonne. At L-Hour on D-Day land two rifle Companies in the Argonne valley to sweep area North to the DMZ, one rifle Company, Alpha Command Group, and H&S (-) on FSB Argonne with Company working in a West direction to Laotian Border.

(b) Company "A"

- (1) On D-1 land on FSB Argonne and secure entire base for arrival of Bravo Command Group, two Sections of 81MM Mortars and Artillery.
- (2) Conduct extensive patrolling in vicinity of FSB Argonne.

(c) Company "B"

On D-Day land on Landing Zone Bee and on order move to the north conducting reconnaissance in force.

(d) Company "C"

On D-Day land on Landing Zone Bill and be prepared on order to move in a Northeast direction

(e) Company "D"

On D-Day land FSB Argonne and on order be prepared to move in a Northwest direction.

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(e) "HFS"

- (1) On D-Day and D-1 land enough supporting and communications elements to support Bravo and Alpha Command Groups.
- (2) 81MM Mortars Plt (-) on D-1 land two sections on PSB Argonne and be prepared to fire mission from that position.

(g) Golf Btry, 3rd Bn, 12th Marines

- (1) On D-1 conduct LZ prep PSB Argonne on order.
- (2) On D-Day conduct LZ prep LZ Ball and LZ Bee.

(h) Det, 3rd Shore Party Battalion

- (1) On D-1 land PSB Argonne with elements of Company "A". Provide HST support for that Fire Base.

(I) Det A Company, 3rd Engineer Battalion

Attach one team per Rifle Company and one to command group Bravo.

(j) Coordination Instructions

- (1) D-Day
- (2) L-Hour
- (3) Sequence of landing
D-1 Company "A", Command Group Bravo, Two sections 81MM Mortars
D-Day Command Group "A", Co.B, C, D.
- (4) Use maximum security and communication during movement. Emphasize patience and show discipline.
- (5) Emphasize continuous camouflage and dispersion of personnel and equipment.
- (6) Maximum effort while in defensive positions should be focused on digging in.
- (7) Thrust Points
 - (a) CARS 6957
 - (b) RANK 7061
 - (c) SOAF 7453
 - (d) APPLIANCES 7563
 - (e) TV PROGRAMS 7759
- (8) Maximum effort should be placed on collecting intelligence data.
- (9) Spot reports due on occurrence. Day and Nights Acts due immediately upon assuming night defensive positions.
- (10) All units emphasize proper orientation and location of units to reduce possibility of injuries to friendly units by supporting arms and small arms fire.
- (11) Organic PAC personnel will act as air sentrys and check all fire of weapons that will danger safe flights should aircraft be endangered.

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- (12) Maximum allowance to Annex C (Helicopter Embarkation) Plan will be followed.
- (13) Use air panels and/or smoke for identification purposes and for working with helicopters (See Paragraph 5 Section I).
- (14) Rifle Companies carry 38 grenades.
- (15) Do not destroy enemy equipment or food without authority this Headquarters.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. SUPPLY

- (1) Prescribed load- As required to include five meals MCI, Halizone, Napzone, and salt tablets, Insect repellent, extra pair of socks in coverbag and field protective mask, smoke grenades, twenty sandbags per man.
- (2) RESUPPLY
 - (a) Resupply requests will be submitted by 1300H the day prior to the day of delivery. Request to contain LZ location.
 - (b) Emergency resupply requests will be accepted anytime
 - (c) On B plus 1 submit requests for resupply
 - (d) Maximum use of disposable plastic containers will be made by all units. Use local water and Halzone.
 - (e) Ensure that cargo nets are returned with same helicopter that brought them. None will be left behind without the expressed consent of this Headquarters.
 - (f) Companies will ensure that no equipment, rations or ordnance is left behind.

B. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

- (1) Exercises preventive medicine measures to preclude heat casualties.
- (2) Take maximum measures to prevent malaria.
- (3) Normal medical evacuation procedures will be followed. All requests will go through CH.
- (4) Only M-16's and individual equipment will be evacuated with medivac. DO NOT evacuate pistols or communication equipment.

C. PERSONNEL

- (1) Casualty reporting will be made immediately upon incident or following medivac in accordance with current directives.

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5. COM AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- A. Div0 P200C.4D and Reg0 P2000.3 Applies
- B. Following Call Signs will be added to the present COI
 - (1) FSB Neville- Grasshopper Horned
 - (2) Hill 950- Grasshopper Relay
 - (3) Vandegrift- Grasshopper Zulu
 - (4) Bravo Command - Grasshopper Yankee
- C. Antenna System AS2236/GAC Log Periodic will be used extensively. Two will be deployed with the "A" Command Group and one at each of the following positions: Quang Tri, Vandegrift, FSB Neville, and Hill 950.
- D. Each Company will carry 1 Gurkha Antenna, 1 Jungle Strepped HC-292, and one Lone wire Field Expedient Antenna.
- E. The "A" Command Group will use the AN/PAC-77/KY-38 Cypher unit in the Reg. PAC. Net and will have one in Reserve. Ky-28 Key List KAK-3241-AH Applies.
- F. Authorization and numbering Codes (KAC-PAG-505-506) and 4th Regt Brevity Codes will be utilized by all Commands.
- G. Each Company will carry a Five day supply of BA-386's.
- H. Report positions of all Moving Units Hourly Report CP location when established and closed.
- I. The following smoke and pyrotechnic signals will be in effect.
 - (1) White- Marking of enemy positions
 - (2) Red- Areas not secure, not safe to land
 - (3) Violet/green- Area secure, safe to land
 - (4) Yellow- Marking of friendly positions
 If proper smoke is not available pop any color and ask for Authentication of color.

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✓ ANNEX "A" INTELLIGENCE
 ✓ ANNEX "B" OPERATION OVERLAY
 ✓ ANNEX "C" HELICOPTER EVACUATION PLAN

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1.14.100 REPLACEMENT OF HELICOPTERS

REPLACEMENT

To provide a continuous flow of aircraft system for embarking heliteams for the duration. Heliteams will be consecutively lifted in numerical order.

PROCEDURE

- (1) All units will employ a system whereas all ready and standby points (See Enclosure 1) are occupied at all times.
- (2) When your unit is assembly area, as standby points become available fill them in the order you want heliteams lifted.
- (3) While occupying the standby point and when ready points become available the same numerical designation becomes available move heliteams to them.
- (4) When helicopter lands at assigned ready point embark it.
- (5) Heliteams will be lifted in numerical sequence 1 through 8 without a break in numerical sequence between different units.
- (6) All standby and ready points will be occupied regardless of the number of helicopters available.

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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DIRT ROAD

24 AREA

1/4 AREA

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!! O - READY POINT
X - STANDBY POINT

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Changes to Operation Order # 1-69

Change #1 Delete (Operation Thor); Add (Operation Purple Martin)

Change #2 Delete under Task Organization

Company "D" Capt. Gypin Jr.; Delete Company "A" Capt Russon
 Add Company "D" Capt J. B. Green; Add Company "A" Capt Buse
 Delete Company "H&S" 1st Lt. Brouillette;
 Add Company "H&S" Capt Gypin Jr.

Change #3 Delete Paragraph 1 B (3)

Change #4 Delete Paragraph 3 (a) Concept of Operation;

Add On D-1 land one Rifle Company, Alpha Command Group, two sections of 81MM Mortars, two sections of 106 Recoilless Rifles, and appropriate Communication equipment and personnel to support Alpha Command Group on FSB Argonne. At L-Hour on D-Day land two Rifle Companies in the Argonne Valley to sweep area North to the DMZ. One Rifle Company, Bravo Command Group, and "H&S"(-) on FSB Argonne with Company working in a West direction to the Laotian Border.

Change #5 Delete Paragraph 3(b) Company "A";

Add Company "C"

Change #6 Delete Paragraph 3(d) Company "C";

Add Company "A"

Change #7 Add Paragraph 3(e)(3) 106 Recoilless Rifle Platoon on D-1 land two sections on FSB Argonne and be prepared to fire offensive and defensive fires in support of FSB Argonne.

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Change #8 Delete Paragraph 3(i) Command Group Bravo;

Add Command Group Alpha.

Change #9 Delete Paragraph 3(j)(3);

Add D-1 Company "C", Command Group Alpha, two sections 81MM Mortars,
and two sections 106 Recoilless Rifles, D-Day Command Group "B",
Companies "B", "A", "D".

Change #10 Delete Paragraph 3(j)(7).

Change #11 Add to Paragraph 3(j)(8) after data; and prompt reporting.

Change #12 Add to Paragraph 4A(g); Hot meals will be served dependent on
availability of transportation and accessibility of units.

Change #13 Add to Paragraph 4C(1) after directives; Location of incident site
coordinates of all Medevacs to be included in report.

Change #14 Delete Paragraph 5B(3) Zulu;

Add Xray

Change #15 Delete Paragraph 5B(4) Yankee;

Add Golf

Change #16 Add Paragraph 5 J. MRC-87 Radio Vehicle will be used on the Division
Tactical Net and based at FSB Argonne if required.

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #130, 010001H-010600Z MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO; TO LEFT CO. "A" TO KD 772577 AND CP TO FSB GREENE; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB GREENE; TO MOVE "C" OVERLAND TO VICINITY KD 680544 TO BE HELILIFTED TO VICINITY FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 KIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWS
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #131, 010601H-011200H APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: 1/B/1/4 XD 772597.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE, CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE, AND CONTINUED PREPARATIONS FOR IMPENDING HELILIFT MOVEMENTS.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE, TO CONTINUE DEFENSE ^{OF} AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE, TO HELILIFT HQ/1/4 TO FSB GREENE, CO. A TO VIC XD 772597, AND TO MOVE CO. D OVERLAND TO VICINITY XD 691541.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 17 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #132, 011200H-011800H APR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 676570, B(-)/1/4 XD 759610, 1/B/1/4 XD 772597, C/1/4 XD 692542, D/1/4 XD 675573, E/2/3 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(RKIN) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION OF FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE; CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 011400H: A/1/4 RECEIVED (2) 82MM RDS AT XD 675575. ARTILLERY WAS FIRED ON SUSPECTED ENEMY GRID AT XD 657575 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
5. PLANS: 1/4(RKIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND CONDUCT NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 UJA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #133, 011801H-012400H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
3. CONTACTS: 011835H: 1/4 CP RECEIVED (13) 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS. ARTILLERY WAS CALLED IN ON GRID XD 658577. RESULTS ON THE ENEMY WERE UNKNOWN. WE SUFFERED NO LOSSES;
- B. 011900H: 1/4 CP RECEIVED (10) MORE 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS. WE SUFFERED NO LOSSES: ARTILLERY WAS FIRED ON GRID XD 666571 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #134, 020001H-020600H APR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
3. CONTACTS: 011818H: 1/4 RECEIVED 5 RDS OF 82MM FROM VICINITY OF XD 667572.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARGONNE, AND TO BE PREPARED TO HELILIFT CO. A AND CP TO FSB GREENE AND CO'S D AND C TO XD 772598 VICINITY.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
 67 WIA (MED)
 19 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DET
 0 POW
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #135, 020601H-021200H APR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE, TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE AND TO HELILIFT HQ/1/4 TO FSB GREENE, TO HELILIFT CO. "A" TO VIC XD 772597, TO HELILIFT CO. "C" AND CO. "D" TO VICINITY FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #136, 021201H-021800H APR69

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 676570, B(-)/1/4 XD 759610, 1/B/1/4 XD 772597, C/1/4 XD 759601, D/1/4 XD 675573, **Has Been Sent** H/3/3 XD 755530.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO; CONTINUED DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB LIPINE; CONTINUED DEFENSE OF FSB ARGONNY AND PREPARED TO HELILIFT C, A AND CP TO FSB GREENE AND CO'S D AND C TO XD 772598 VICINITY.

3. CONTACTS: A. 021115H: A/1/4 AT XD 667573, ENCOUNTERED (.) NVA IN BUNKER AND KILLED HIM BY S/A FIRE. (1 NVA KIA).

B. 021330H-021500H: 1/1/4 AT XD 674573 RECEIVED 30 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR INCOMING FROM XD 663579. FIRED ARTY MISSIONS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGE: ADD (1) NVA/KIA.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 021630H: 3/1/4 AT XD 772598, SPOTTED 3 NVA IN THE OPEN AT XD 773596. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

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FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EW: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #138, 030000H-030600H APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARGONNE, AND TO BE PREPARED TO HELILIFT GP TO FSB GREENE AND CO'S D AND A TO XD 772598 VICINITY. OF
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #110, 031200Z-031800Z APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 ID 759630, A/1/4 ID 676573, B(-)/1/4 ID 759630, 1/B/1/4 ID 772597, C/1/4 ID 715606, D/1/4 ID 675573, M/3/3 ID 755530.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE, CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE AND HELILIFTED HQ/1/4 TO FSB GREENE.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 031630H: B/1/4 AT ID 779611, FOUND 12 BUNKERS, (1) 60MM MORTAR PIT, A WELL TRAVELLED TRAIL. SEPE IS 3 DAYS OLD.

5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHT-TIME OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #111, 031801H-032400H APR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGES.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/L1(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/L1(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #142, 040001H-010600H APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATION IN PURPLE MARTIN AO; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE; TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARGONNE; TO MOVE ONE COMPANY OVERLAND TO VICINITY OF XD 720610; TO MOVE ONE COMPANY OVERLAND TO VICINITY OF XD 692511 AND TO MOVE CO. "C" OVERLAND TO VICINITY OF XD 735615.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #113, 040601H-041200H APR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: A/1/4 XD 672547, C/1/4 XD 737611.2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION

AT FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION

AT FSB GREENE, CONTINUED MOVING CO. "C" OVERLAND TO THE VICINITY OF

XD 735615, AND COMMENCED MOVING CO. "A" OVERLAND TO XD 692541.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 031210H: HQ/1/4 AT XD 674573 RECEIVED

6 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FROM XD 656574 AND RAN AIR STRIKES ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION.

5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM

FSB ALPINE, TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB

GREENE, TO CONTINUE MOVING CO. "A" TO XD 692541, CO. "C" TO

XD 735615, AND CO. "D" TO XD 720610.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
 67 WIA (MED)
 19 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DEF
 0 POW
 85 INC
 7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #144, 041200H-041800H APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 759610, A/1/4 XD 672548, B(-)/1/4 XD 759610, 1/B/1/4 XD 772597, C/1/4 XD 734615, D/1/4 XD 675573, M/3/3 XD 755530.2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE, CONTINUED MOVING CO. "C" OVERLAND TO THE VICINITY OF XD 735615, AND CONTINUED MOVING CO. "A" OVERLAND TO XD 692541.3. CONTACTS: NONE.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGESFR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (HEAVY)
0 MIAER: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DDT
0 POW
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7 CSWG

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #145, 041800H-042400H APRIL69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
 67 WIA (MED)
 19 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 148 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DET
 0 POW
 88 IWC
 7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #146, 050000H-050600H APRIL 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS & COMPLETED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATION IN PURPLE MARTIN AO. TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE. TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB GREENE. TO MOVE ONE COMPANY OVERLAND TO VICINITY XD 720610. TO BE PREPARED TO HELILIFT CO, "A" TO VICINITY XD 772597. TO MOVE CO. "C" OVERLAND TO VICINITY XZ 735615.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 48 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #44, 101201H-101300H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" C/D/1/4 XD 755530, B(-)/1/4 XD 757525, C/1/4 XD 757525, D/1/4 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: D/1/4 CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE. 1/4(-) HELILIFTED TO FSB ALPINE AND ASSUMED OPCON OF PURPLE MARTIN AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 101410H: D/1/4 AT XD 77305405, FOUND 4 FIGHTING HOLES AND 3 MORTAR PITS. ALSO FOUND (1) 82MM BOUND AND (4) 82MM FUSES.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES NEAR FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 MIA (1ED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
70 IWC
1 GSWC

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OPERATION PURPHE MARTIN SITREP #46, 110001H-110600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE

FR: 3 KIA
 3 MIA (1IED)
 9 MIA (1LIDR)
 0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DET
 0 POW
 70 IVC
 1 CSNG

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #47, 110600H-111200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: C/1/4 ~~755530~~ XD 755530,

I/1/4 XT 759536, BGD/1/4 XD 748534

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION

ION AT FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS

To THE NORTHEAST OF FSB ALPINE.3. CONTACTS: NONE4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING

FROM FSB ALPINE AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS

To THE NORTHEAST OF FSB ALPINE.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGEFR: 3 KIA
3 KIA (IBD)
9 KIA (ILNOR)
0 MIAEN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSVC(P-4)
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #48, 111200H-111800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" GRID/1/4 XD 755530, B(-)/1/4 XD 734532, C/1/4 XD 755530, D/1/4 XD 765545.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 111300H: B/1/4 AT XD 734532, OBSERVED 2 NVN I TROOPS OPEN AT XD 738538. FIRED 60MM AND 81MM MORTARS, SENT PATROL TO CHECK OUT AREA.
B. 111800H: LOWER 1/4 OF PURPLE MARTIN AO CHOPPED TO TF HOTEL.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND CONDUCT NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 KIA (MED)
9 KIA (MINOR)
0 KIA

EN: 1 NVN KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
70 ITC
1 CSVC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #49, 111801H-112400H MAR 69

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 111905H: C/1/4 AT XD 755530, SPOTTED 2 NVA IN THE OPEN AT XD 755525. FIRED 60MM MORTARS AND DIRECT FIRE 105'S, WILL CHECK AREA IN A.M.
B. 111924H: B/1/4 AT XD 735534, WHILE REGISTERING NIGHT DEFENSIVE FIRMS, OBSERVED 20 NVA RUNNING FROM IMPACT AREA. CONTINUED FIRE MISSION, RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MID)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #50, 120001H-120600H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTI-
VITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING
FROM PSB ALPINE AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
IN THE VICINITY OF PSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE

FR: 3 KIA
3 MIA (MED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
70 IHC
1 CSRG

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #51, 120603H-121200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: B(-)/1/4 XD 726527
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS TO THE NORTHEAST OF FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS NORTHEAST OF FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (IHD)
9 WIA (LINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSAC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #52, 121201H-121800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CMD/1/4 XD 755530, "B" CMD/1/4 YD 000484 ,
A/1/4 YD 000484, B(-)/1/4 XD 740518, ~~3/1/4 XD 013592~~, C/1/4 XD
755530, D/1/4 XD 765545.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT
FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS TO THE NORTH-
EAST OF FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB
ALPINE, AND TO COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 MIA (RED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #53, 121801H-122400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 MIA (MED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #55, 130601H-131200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: B(-)/1/4 XT 758513, D/1/4
XT 787556.2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND
OPERATIONS NEAR PSB ALPINE.3. CONTACTS: NONE4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS
NEAR PSB ALPINE, AND TO REEVALUATE A CO. TO PSB ALPINE.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGEFR: 3 KIA
3 KIA (MED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIAEN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #56, 131200H-131800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CHD/1/4 1° 755530, "B" CHD/1/4 XD 000484, A/1/4 XD 000484, B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C/1/4 XD 755530, D/1/4 XD 780560.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROYED OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
 3 KIA (MED)
 9 KIA (MINOR)
 0 KIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
 0 POW
 0 VC KIA
 1 DEF
 70 INC
 1 CSU

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #57, 131801H-132400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 132103H: D/1/4 L.P. AT XD 755531, SPOTTED 2 NVA AT XD 755527. FIRED 81MM AND 60MM MORTARS AND WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #58, 140001H-140600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 (-) CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTI-
VITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: 1/4 (-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF
FSB ALPINE. HELILIFT A/1/4 TO FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MFD)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #60, 141200H-141800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" (141/1/4) XD 755530, "B" (141/1/4) YD 000484, B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C(-)/1/4 XD 755530, 1/3/1/4 XD 777527, D/1/4 XD 780560.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE AND CHOPPED OPCON OF A/1/4 TO TFH FOR SPARROW HAWK/BAID EAGLE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 141600H: C(-)/1/4 SPOTTED 5 NVA AT XD 754536 AND FIRED 60MM AND 81MM MORTARS. WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH AREA.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #61, 141801H-142400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMPLETED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED A.O.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
 3 WIA (MED)
 9 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #62, 150000H-150600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES
IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
HELILIFT A/1/4 TO FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #63, 150601H-151200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: 1/C/1/4 XD 775538, D/1/4 XD 770540.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

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FR: 3 KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #64, 151201H-151800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CMD/1/4 XD 755530, "B" CMD/1/4 YD 000484,

B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C(-)/1/4 XD 755530, 1/C/1/4 XD 773513, D/1/4

XD 784531, 2/1/4 XD 000484.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLINGFROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE
VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE. + Regained opcon of 2/B/1/4.3. CONTACTS: NONE.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME

ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED A.O.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.FR: 3 KIA
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. REMARKS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FI: 3 KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #66, 160001H-160600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE. HELIFTED A/1/4 TO FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE. HELIFTED A/1/4 TO FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: 1/G/1/4 XD 764513, D/1/4 XD 771526.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR PSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR PSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
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KN: 1 NVA KIA
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- j. Lectures are given regularly at both Battalion Aid Stations.
- k. With the cooperation of the Battalion, Rear Dental Unit and 4th and 9th Marines Dental Unit, a total of 79 patients were referred. All arrivals onto the Battalion are screened and those presenting a class 3 or 4 dental profile are referred to either unit prior to going forward.

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #69, 161801H-162400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 MIA (MED)
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #70, 170001H-170600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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FOURTH MARINES SITREP #65-69, 170001H-170600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

2/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB NEVILLE AND FSB RUSSELL AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB NEVILLE AND FSB CATAPULT. 3/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE SECURITY MISSION AT FSB FULLER AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS NORTHWEST OF FSB FULLER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 44 KIA
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61 WIA (MINOR)
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EN: 141 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #71, 170601H-171200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: 1/B/1/4 XD 730544, 2/B/1/4 XD 770540, D/1/4 XD 761510.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
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0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #73, 171800H-172400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
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9 WIA (HUMOR)
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
70 IWC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #75, 180601H-181200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: 1/B/1/4 XD 737561, 2/B/1/4 XD 769548, 1/D/1/4 XD 767496.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #76, 181200H-181200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CND (REF/1/4 XD 755530, "B" CND (REF/1/4 XD 000484, B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C/1/4 XD 755530, 2/3/1/4 XD 766532, 1/3/1/4 XD 745552, D/1/4 XD 764504.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/1(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/1(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
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EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #77, 181801H-182400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: 2/B/1/4 KD 752529.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
3 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #78, 190000H-190600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(=) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(=) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA	EN: 1 NVA KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #79, 190601H-191200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: 1/B/1/4 XD 756551, D/1/4 XD 753505.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND OPERATIONS NEAR FSB ALPINE, AND TO HELILIFT A/1/4 TO FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #80, 191201H-191800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CMD GRP/1/4 XD 755530, "B" CMD GRP/1/4 YD 000484, B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C/1/4 XD 755530, 2/B/1/4 XD 754528, 1/B/1/4 XD 754528, D/1/4 XD 761506, A/1/4 YD 000484.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ALPINE AND REGAINED OPCON OF A/1/4.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 3 KIA
 3 WIA (MED)
 9 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 1 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DET
 0 POW
 70 IEG
 1 CSAC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #88, 211201H-211800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: "A" CMD/1/4 XD 755530, "B" CMD/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4
677547
 XD *677547* 62542, B(-)/1/4 XD 755530, C/1/4 XD *683545* 62542, D/1/4 XD 675573, M/3/3
 XD 755530.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT
 FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARCONNE AND COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
 IN VICINITY OF GRID XD 692541.

3. CONTACTS: 210945H: "B" CMD/1/4 AT XD 675573, WHILE MEDEVAC HELI-
 COPTER WAS PICKING UP MEDEVACS AT FSB ARCONNE, RECEIVED (10) 82MM RDS.
 FIRED COUNTER MORTAR FIRE, RESULTS ADDITIONAL TO THOSE REPORTED
 EARLIER ARE (5) FR KIA, (16) FR MIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 210830H: RECON TEAM "CHURCHVIEW" AT
 XD 686553, FOUND ROAD 15FT WIDE WITH BUNKERS ON EITHER SIDE OF IT.
 ROAD SHOWS SIGNS OF RECENT USE. TEAM TOOK SOME SAF AND AO²¹ STATION
 WAS ALSO FIRED ON FROM GRID XD 683560. AO CALLED IN ARTILLERY WITH
 UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. 210950H: RECON "PISTOL ROD" AT XD 714640, TEAM WAS ATTEMPTING
 INSERT SPOTTED (4) NVA AND LIVING HOOTCHES ALONG STREAM. ALSO
 SPOTTED 8FT WIDE TRAIL RUNNING TOWARDS UPPER CAM LO RIVER VALLEY.
 INSERT WAS ABORTED.

5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONCLUDE DAYTIME ACTIVITIES AND COMMENCE NIGHT- **IMMEDIATE**
 TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (5) FR KIA AND (16) FR MIA (EVAC).

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FR: 19 KIA
43 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 19 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
72 IWC
4 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #89, 211801H-212400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: A/1/4 XD 678548, C/1/4 XD 680545,
B(-)/1/4 XD 755526.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATION: 1/4(-) CONCLUDED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES AND
ACCOMPLISHED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 19 KIA
43 MIA (IED)
9 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 19 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
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4 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #90, 220001-220600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 212340: 1/4 AT XD 675573 RAN A FLIGHT OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT IN GRID SQUARES 6657, 6658, RESULTED IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
B. 220132H: 1/4 AT XD 675573 RAN SUPER SPOOK AROUND ALL LIKELY 82MM MORTAR POSITIONS. RESULTS, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION VICINITY OF XD 665562.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO. D/1/4 CONTINUE SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ARGONNE. A/1/4 XD 677547 MOVE OVERLAND TO FSB ARGONNE. B(-)/1/4 XD 683545 HELILIFT TO FSB ARGONNE. 1/B/1/4 XD 754528 HELILIFT TO FSB ARGONNE. 2/B/1/4 XD 754528 HELILIFT TO FSB ARGONNE. C/1/4 XD 683545 MOVE OVERLAND TO FSB ARGONNE. H/3/4 CONTINUE SECURITY AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: ~~22-0825Z~~ *Changes submitted 2 FEB 1979, 5 WIA'S (ENH)*
Reported twice - RAB
FR: 17 KIA
19 KIA
1003 WIA (HED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 KIA
EN: 19 IFA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
72 IFC
1 GWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #91, 220601H-221200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-)(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 220640H: B(-)/1/4 AT FSB ALPINE RECEIVED 45-50 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS FROM XD 732550. FIRED ARTY ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH AO ON STATION.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-)(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB NEVILLE AND TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 17 KIA
38 WIA (MED)
9 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 19 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
72 IWC
4 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE: MARTIN STREET #93, 221801H-222400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANCES: A/1/4 XD 668561, C/1/4 XD 674557.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: 221913H: 1/4 CP AT XD 675573 RECLIVED (15) 82M RDS FROM GRID XD 663595. FIRED COUNTER MORTAR FIRE. RESULTS (2) PR WIA (MINOR).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANCE: ADD (2) PR WIA (MINOR).

FR: 17 KIA
38 WIA (WED)
11 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 19 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
72 INC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION POLYCH MARTIN STAFF #94, 230000H-230000H 1969

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN

ASSIGNED AO. NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES REMAIN IN PROGRESS.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

5. PLANS: NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES WILL CEASE AND DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

WILL CONTINUE IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

ST: 17 KIA
28 MIA (DEP)
11 MIA (LATER)
0 MIA

FM: 32 MIA KIA
0 MIA KIA
1 DEP
0 DEP
0 MIA
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #95, 230601Z-231200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-)(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITYMISSIONS AT FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE.3. CONTACTS: NONE.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 230915H: HQ/1/4 REPORTED THAT 1 HELI-
COPTER AT FSB ARGONNE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 25 ROUNDS OF A/W FIRE
AND 1/4 FIRED 60'S, 81'S AND ARTILLERY AT ENEMY POSITION AT XD
668568.B. 230935H: HQ/1/4 REPORTED THAT ANOTHER HELICOPTER AT FSB
ARGONNE RECEIVED 10-15 ROUNDS OF A/W FIRE AND 5 ENEMY 60MM MORTARS
IMPACTED ON FSB ARGONNE. 60'S, 81'S AND ARTILLERY WERE FIRED AT
ENEMY POSITION AT XD 668568. (1 FR WIA (MINOR)).5. PLANS: 1/4(-)(REIN) TO CONTINUE SECURITY MISSIONS AT FSB
ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, AND TO HELILIFT CO. B(-) TO
VICINITY OF FSB GREENE.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGE: ADD 1 FR WIA (MINOR).FR: 17 KIA
38 WIA (DEAD)
12 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIAEN: 19 KVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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4 CSRG

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 ID 675573, A/1/4 ID 663975, B(-)/1/4
ID 760605, C/1/4 ID 675573, D/1/4 ID 675573, V/1/3 ID 751530.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT
FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARCONNE AND ^{Continued} ~~CURRENT~~ SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
IN VICINITY OF GRID ID ⁶⁷⁵⁵⁷³ ~~663975~~. 1(-)/1/4 CONTINUED TO MOVE TO
GRID ~~663975~~ ^{XD 755607} ^{pk}

3. CONTACTS: 231015H: A/1/4 AT ID 676575, FOUND 5 GRAVES. STARTED
CHECKING OUT AREA AND WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE ^{BY} ~~ENEMY~~ (7) NVA. PULLED
BACK, CALLED IN ARTILLERY. RAN TWO AIR STRIKES ON ENEMY POSITION.
RESULTS OF CONTACT KNOWN SO FAR ARE (3) PR KIA, (4) PR MIA, (3)
NVA(C) AND (4) PROBABLE NVA(C).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 231015H: C/1/4 AT ID 675567, ~~ENEMY~~ FOUND
(1) PARACHUTE WITH GEAR FROM THE PARA DROP OF 21 MARCH. GEAR
CONTAINED MEDICAL GEAR AND GEAR A TO.

5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DAYTIME ACTIVITIES AND CONTINUE
NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (3) PR KIA, (4) PR MIA AND (3)
NVA(C).

PR: 20 KIA
12 MIA (HND)
12 MIA (HNDOR)
0 MIA

EN: 22 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 PCU
72 H/C
1 GSG

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #97, 231301H-232400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: A/1/A ID 668567.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/A(10) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: 231720H: C/1/A AT ID 677575, CHECKED AREA OF D/1/A'S CONTACT. WHILE SEARCHING AREA OUT, RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE. FIRED COUNTER SNIPER FIRE. FOUND (2) SKS RIFLES. RESULTS (1) FR KIA (MINOR).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGE: ADD (1) FR KIA (MINOR) AND (2) IWC.

FR: 20 KIA
42 KIA (MED)
13 KIA (MINOR)
0 KIA

EN: 22 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
74 IWC
4 CSNC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #98, 240001H-240600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: ~~NONE~~. *CC-1/4 XD678574 1/4 1/4 XD677570* ⁹¹⁸⁷

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

DAYTIME ACTIVITIES TO COMMENCE IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO COMMENCE DAYTIME ACTIVITIES AND ASSIGNED

MISSION IN ASSIGNED AO'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGE: NONE.

FR: 20 KIA
42 MIA (11ED)
13 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 22 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #99, 240600H-241200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED MOVING COMPANY B(-) TO THE VICINITY OF FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: 240630H: 1/3/3 RECEIVED AND RETURNED SAF AND AMP WITH ENEMY FORCE OF UNKNOWN SIZE AT XD 740539.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND TO CONTINUE MOVING COMPANY B(-) TO THE VICINITY OF FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 20 KIA
42 WIA (MED)
13 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 22 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
74 FWC
4 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #101, 242301H-242400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 241445H: 1/4 CP AT XD 675573 RECEIVED (12) 82MM ROUNDS FROM GRID XD 659578 WHEN RESUPPLY COPTER CAME INTO ZONE. RESULTS WERE NEGATIVE.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE. ADD 1FR WIA MINOR. not previously reported.

FR: 22 KIA
42 WIA (MINOR)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 25 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
76 IWC
4 GSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SETBACK #102, 250000H-250600H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGES: A/1/4 KD 668568, G/1/4 KD 678501,
 1/4 KD 759610.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(-) CONTINUED ASSIGNED MISSION IN
 AO'S. DAYTIME ACTIVITIES TO COMMENCE.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

5. PLANS: 1/4(-) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.

CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARCONTE, FSB ALPINE AND FSB GREENE. CONTINUE
 IMPROVEMENT OF ALL FSB'S, COORDINATE HELIPLIFT OF 3/1.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 22 KTA
 42 WIA (MED)
 15 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 25 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DEI
 0 POW
 76 IWC
 4 CSNG

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T LOCATIONS: CHANGES: A/1/4 XD 667573, 3/B/1/4 YD 00024.

ARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND
ING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND
OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SECURITY
STRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE AND REGAINED OPSON OF 3/5/1/4.

TACTS: NONE.

NIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

NS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM
INE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION
AT FSB GREENE, ~~AND REGAINED OPSON OF 3/5/1/4.~~

CLATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

22 KIA
42 WIA (MED)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 25 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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4 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #104, 251201H-251800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 669573, B(-)/1/4 XD 755608, 3/B/1/4 XD 000484, C/2/4 XD 678580, D/1/4 XD 675573, N/3/3 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARCONNE AND CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN VICINITY OF GRID XD 675573. B(-)/1/4 COMMENCED CONSTRUCTION OF FSB GREENE AT GRID XD 755608.
3. CONTACTS: A. 250930H: A/1/4 AT XD 669572, RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM SNIPERS AT ABOVE GRID. THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED NORTH. (1) NVA WAS WEARING BLACK AND GREY UNIFORMS. CALLING IN AIR AND ARTILLERY. RESULTS SO FAR ARE (1) FR KIA AND (1) NVA(C).
B. 251355H: A/1/4 AT XD 669572, RESUPPLY BIRDS CAME IN TO DROP SUPPLIES. "A" CO. RECEIVED (9) 82MM RDS. RESULTS (1) FR WIA (EVAC).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONCLUDE DAYTIME ACTIVITIES AND COMMENCE NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (1) NVA AND (1) FR KIA AND (1) FR WIA (EVAC).

FR: 23 KIA
43 WIA (MED)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 26 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
76 INC
1 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #105, 251801H-252400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
3. CONTACTS: 251300H: A/1/4 AT XD 667574, COMPANY ASSAULTED THROUGH BUNKER COMPLEX WHICH PROBABLY HOUSED A REIN NVA PLATOON. ADDITIONAL RESULTS ARE (3) FR WIA (EVAC), (4) IWC, AND (1) CSWC; ALSO FOUND 7 SETS OF NVA UTILITIES.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (1) CSWC, (4) IWC AND (3) FR WIA (EVAC).

FR: 22 KIA
45 WIA (MED)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 25 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
5 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #106, 260000H-260500H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: A/1/4 KD 674574.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO. CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARGONNE, FSB ALPINE AND FSB GREENE. CONTINUE TO IMPROVE ALL FSB'S. BE PREPARED TO HELILIFT 3/8 TO FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 22 KIA
 45 WIA (MED)
 15 WIA (MINOR)
 0 MIA

EN: 25 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DEF
 0 POW
 80 IWC
 5 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #107, 260601H-261200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: A. 250930H: A/1/4 MADE CONTACT WITH UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE AT XD 669572 AND XD 667574, RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM A WELL CAMOUFLAGED BUNKER COMPLEX. RETURNED SAF AND AWF, CALLED IN ARTY AND RAN AIR STRIKES. (SUBTRACT (1) FR KIA (EVAC), COUNTED TWICE.
B. 251530H: A/1/4 AT XD 668573, WHILE CALLING ARTILLERY ON ENEMY POSITIONS CLEARED TO WITHIN 100M, A SHORT ROUND IMPACTED KILLING 3 AND WOUNDING 15. (3 FR KIA, 15 FR VIA (EVAC).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 251400H: AERIAL OBSERVER SPOTTED 2 NVA AT XD 659576, RAN 2 AIR STRIKES, KILLING 2 NVA. (2 NVA/KIA).
B. 251500H: AERIAL OBSERVER SPOTTED 1 NVA AT XD 664576, RAN 1 AIR STRIKE KILLING 1 NVA. (1 NVA/KIA).
C. 251600H: AERIAL OBSERVER SPOTTED 1 NVA AT XD 658578, RAN 1 AIR STRIKE KILLING 1 NVA. (1 NVA/KIA).
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS

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IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION
MISSION AT FSB GREENE, AND TO HELILIFT 3/B/1/4 TO FSB GREENE.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD 4 NVA/KIA, 3 FR KIA, 14 FR WIA ^{EVAC} (MEE)

FR: 25 KIA
59 WIA (MED)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 29 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
5 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #109, 261801H-262400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONCLUDED DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 25 KIA
59 WIA (MED)
15 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIAEN: 35 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
5 GSWCGP-1
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #110, 270000H-270600H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND DAYTIME ACTIVITIES TO COMBINE IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO. TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARCONNE. CONTINUE CONSTRUCTION AND REINFORCEMENT OF FSB GREEN, AND ON ORDER MOVE CO. "B" TO ID 740598.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 25 KIA
59 MIA (1100)
15 MIA (REINFOR)
0 MIA

EN: 35 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 INC
5 CSNG

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OPERATION FORTY MARTIN SITREP #111, 270601H-271200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CHANGE: A/1/4 XD 676577.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GRE NE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 270800H: HQ/1/4 AT FSB ARGONNE RECEIVED (3) 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS WHEN RESUPPLY BIRD DROPPED AN EXTERNAL LOAD FROM XD 662578. FIRED ARTY AND CALLED IN AG.
B. 271000H: C/1/4 FOUND 5 METER WIDE ROAD AT XD 680606 WHICH RUNS ABOUT 500 METERS IN NW DIRECTION AND 500 METERS IN SW DIRECTION.
C. 271020H: HQ/1/4 AT FSB ARGONNE RECEIVED (8) 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS WHEN RESUPPLY BIRD CAME INTO ZONE. FIRED 81'S AND ARTY AT SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION AT XD 667575.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE AND TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GRE NE. MOVE CO. B TO VIC. XD 740598 ON ORDER.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 25 KIA
52 WIA (1ED)
25 WIA (1MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 35 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
5 CSWG

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #112, 271200H-271800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: H/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 661578, B /1/4 XD 759610, ~~3/1/4 XD 675573~~, C/1/4 XD 682582, D/1/4 XD 675573, M/3/3 XD 755530.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT PSB ARGONNE AND PSB ALPINE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS VICINITY OF PSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF PSB GREENE.

3. CONTACTS: 271725H: 1/4 CP AT XD 675573 RECEIVED (8) 82MM RDS WHEN RESUPPLY BIRDS CAME INTO ZONE. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS FIRED AT SUSPECTED ENEMY GRID AT XD 654577. RESULTS OF THE CONTACT WERE (1) FR WIA (EVAC) AND (3) FR WIA (MINOR).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 271000H: G/1/4 AT XD 680606, A PATROL SPOTTED A ^{METER} ~~500~~ ROAD WITH NO CANOPY, RUNNING SOUTH WEST TO NORTH WEST.

5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONCLUDE DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN A.O.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (1) FR WIA (EVAC) AND (3) FR WIA (MINOR)

FR: 25 KIA
60 WIA (MED)
18 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 35 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
5 CSUC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #113, 271801H-272400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONCLUDED DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 271630H: A/1/4 FOUND (1) BOOBY TRAPPED 60M RD AT GRID XD 664577, FOUND ANOTHER 60M RD AT GRID XD 663577. AT GRID XD 662577, ~~BLW~~ FOUND OLD 50 CAL POSITION WITH TUNNEL. WILL SEARCH TUNNEL TOMORROW. A/1/4 BLW BOOBY TRAPPED 60M RDS IN PLACE.
B. 271710H: A/1/4 HEARD MORTAR TUBE POP AT GRID XD 659578. CALLED IN ARTILLERY AND SAW FIRED WING ON SUSPECTED ENEMY GRID WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 25 KIA
60 WIA (MED)
18 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIAEN: 35 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
80 IWC
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #111, 280000H-280600H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO. DAYTIME ACTIVITIES TO COMMENCE.
3. CONTACTS: AT 0030H: A/1/4 XD 664578, LP AND LINES WERE PROBED BY AN ESTIMATE ENEMY SQUAD. RETURNED S/A AND M-26, CALLED IN 81'S AND ARTY, HAD FLARE SHIP AND SPOOKY ON STATION. RESULTS OF CONTACT (7) WIA (MED), (1) WIA (MINOR), (1) NVA KIA, (2) FR KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: AT 280030H: A/1/4 CAPTURED (1) CHINESE COM. ~~WIA~~ MACHINE GUN, AND (1) AK-47, (1) IWC, (1) CSWC.
5. PLANS: 1/4 (REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN PURPLE MARTIN AO, TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE AND FSB GRENE AND TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF FSB ARCONNE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (2) FR KIA, (7) WIA (MED), (1) WIA (MINOR), (1) NVA KIA, (1) IWC, AND (1) CSWC.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 KIA

EN: 36 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
81 IWC
6 CSWC

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OPERATION PUR LE MARTIN SITREP #115, 280601Z-281200Z MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
 67 MIA (MIED)
 19 MIA (MIAW)
 0 MIA

EN: 36 NVA KIA
 0 VC KIA
 1 DET
 0 PCW
 81 JVC
 6 GSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #116, 281201H-281800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 ID 675573, A/1/4 XD 665577, B/1/4 XD 759610, C/1/4 XD 682582, D/1/4 675573, M/3/3 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF FSB GREINE.
3. CONTACTS: 280030H: A/1/4 AT XD 664577, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON NVA PROBE OF LAST NIGHT, NOW THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN PLATOON SIZE PROBE. NVA CAME FROM EAST AND NORTH. RETURNED ENEMY FIRE WITH 81'S, ARTILLERY, AND AIR IN ADDITION TO ORGANIC WEAPONS IN THE COMPANY. A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE AND THE FOLLOWING WAS FOUND: NUMEROUS BLOOD TRAILS, (23) CHICOM GRANADES, (3) RPG ROUNDS, (1) RPG CHARGER, (3) NVA E-TOOLS, (5) NVA HELMETS, (3) AK-47 RIFLES, (1) RPG LAUNCHER, AND (2) NVA(C). ADD (3) IWC, (1) CSWC AND (2) NVA(C).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 281330H: A/1/4 FOUND (413) ROUNDS OF .50 CAL AUTO AND (2) NVA BUNKERS AT GRID XD 662577. AT GRID XD 660576 FOUND PIECE OF .50 CAL BIPOD, .50 CAL POSITION AND (200) .50 CAL RDS. DESTROYED BUNKERS AND .50 CAL POSITION AND BROUGHT THE PIECE OF THE GUN BIPOD BACK TO C.P.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONCLUDE DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (3) IWC, (1) CSWC, AND (2) NVA(C).

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)EN: 38 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA

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FR: 19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 1 DET
0 POW
84 INC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #117, 281801H-282400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONCLUDED DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 MIA (MED)
19 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 38 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
84 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #118, 290001H-290600H MAR69

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONCLUDED NIGHT OPERATIONS AND COMMENCED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A/1/4 AT XD 663577, COMPANY FOUND (100) 82MM MORTAR RDS AT XD 657575, 185 INCREMENTS, (1) AK-47. DESTROYED 39 FUSED 82MM, 40 DEFUSED 82MM AND BROUGHT REMAINS OF GEAR BACK.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED AO. TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND IMPROVEMENT OF FSB ALPINE, FSB GREENE, AND FSB ARGONNE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 MIA (MED)
19 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIAEN: 38 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #119, 290601H-291200H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4 CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4 TO CONTINUE DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, TO CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 MIA (MED)
19 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 38 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 INF
0 POW
84 INC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #120, 291201H-291800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 665577, B/1/4 XD 759610, C/1/4 XD 682582, D/1/4 XD 675573, M/3/3 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION AT FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE AND CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: 291130H: A/1/4 PLATOON PATROL SEIZED NVA COMPANY SIZE BUNKER COMPLEX AT GRID XD 666574 OF (40-50) BUNKERS. ALSO FOUND (9) NVA BODIES, (34) CHICOM GRENADES, (5) NVA CANTEENS, (4) AK-47 RIFLES, (160) AK-47 RDS, (2) NVA PONCHOS, (1) PAIR NVA SHOES, (2) PACKS, (5) COOKING POTS, (28) E-TOOLS, (5) 60MM MORTAR RDS, (14) RPG RDS, (16) AK-47 MAGAZINES, 50LBS OF RICE AND (1) NOTEBOOK WHICH HAD BELONGED TO A MARINE IN A/1/4. IT CONTAINS MANY NVA NOTES NOW. ALL CLEAR BROUGHT BACK TO C.P. ADD (9) NVA(C) AND (4) IWC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 291015H: B/1/4 FOUND (2) NVA BUNKERS AT XD 763598, THEY WERE BIG ENOUGH TO HOLD (1 TO 2) PEOPLE IN ONE AND (5 TO 6) PEOPLE IN ANOTHER. FOUND TRAIL ABOUT 18 INCHES WIDE. IT RAN 100 METERS TO STREAM. THERE WERE DROPS OF BLOOD ON ROCKS. ALSO FOUND NVA C-RATION AND PACK OF NVA CIGARETTES, SHOWED ~~28~~ SIGNS OF BEING USED 3 TO 5 DAYS AGO.
B. 291130H: B/1/4 FOUND (1) BUNKER AT XD 774594, SIZE OF BUNKER WAS

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10'X3'X9'. ALSO FOUND SOME NVA NOTES AND A PIPE.

5. PLANS: 1/4(RED) TO CONCLUDE DAYTIME OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: CHANGES: ADD (9) NVA/KIA AND (4) IWC.

FR: 27 KIA	EN: 47 NVA KIA
67 MIA (MED)	0 VC KIA
19 MIA (MINOR)	1 DET
0 MIA	0 POW
	88 IWC
	7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #124, 301201H-301800H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 676570, B/1/4 XD 759510, C/1/4 XD 677575, D/1/4 XD 675573, H/3/3 XD 755530.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE AND FSB ARGONNE, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE, AND CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COMMENCE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN A.O.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE. *1/4 + 1/4 x D 801282*

FR: 27 KIA
67 IIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
88 IVC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #127-69, 310600H-311200H MAR 69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: ²⁴⁴CHANGES: C/1/4 XD 684513.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED DEFENSE OF AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE, CONTINUED PREPARATIONS TO HELILIFT HQ/1/4 AND CO. "A", CONTINUED SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE, AND COMMENCED OVERLAND MOVEMENT OF CO. "C" ²⁴⁴TO VIC XD 680544.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: A. 301230H: B/1/4 SQD PATROL FOUND 1 EMPTY RICE CAN, 1 METAL CONTAINER, 1 PAIR TORN TROUSERS, AND 2 HOOTCHES WITH BUNKERS 6'X10'X5' AT XD 751588.
B. 301430H: B/1/4 SQD PATROL FOUND (4) BUNKERS 3'X4'X1', (5) BUNKERS 5'X8'X1', (1) BROKEN DOWN HOOTCH 5'X5'X5', (2) ANIMAL PENS 4'X1'X1', (1) TABLE 3X2, AND (4) LATRINES AT XD 751535. EVERYTHING OVER 6 MONTHS OLD.
C. 244
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE DEFENSE AND PATROLLING FROM FSB ALPINE, TO CONTINUE OVERLAND MOVEMENT OF CO. "C" AND CO. "D" TO VIC XD 680544, TO HELILIFT HQ/1/4 TO FSB GREENE AND CO. "A" TO XD 172519, AND TO CONTINUE SECURITY AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION AT FSB GREENE. ²⁴⁴
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 WIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #128, 311200H-311800H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: HQ/1/4 XD 675573, A/1/4 XD 676570, B/1/4 XD 759610,
C/1/4 XD 692542, D/1/4 XD 675573.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(REIN) CONTINUED SECURITY MISSION OF
FSB ARGONNE AND FSB ALPINE; CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION IN
THE VICINITY OF FSB ARGONNE; CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF FSB GREENE AND
C/1/4 MOVED TO SECURE LZ AT XD 692542.

3. CONTACTS: NONE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.

5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS AND COME ENDS NIGHTTIME
ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 KIA (MED)
19 WIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 NVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DEF
0 POW
88 IWC
7 CSWC

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OPERATION PURPLE MARTIN SITREP #129, 311801H-312400H MAR69

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: 1/4(R.IN) CONTINUED OPERATIONS AND
CONTINUED NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE MARTIN AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. PLANS: 1/4(REIN) TO CONTINUE NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES IN PURPLE
MARTIN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NO CHANGE.

FR: 27 KIA
67 MIA (MED)
19 MIA (MINOR)
0 MIA

EN: 47 MVA KIA
0 VC KIA
1 DET
0 POW
88 INC
7 CSWC

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