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(3) First Battalion, Fifth Marines Command Chronology
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(5) Third Battalion, Fifth Marines Command Chronology

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 November to 30 November 1968

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. Designation

5th Marine Regiment

Colonel J. B. ORD, JR.

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company, 5th Marines
 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines
 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines

1stLt A. A. DORNBACH
 LtCol R. F. DALEY
 LtCol J. W. STEMPLE
 LtCol H. E. ATKINSON

ATTACHED UNITS

None

2. Location

Quang Nam Province, An Hoa, RVN Regimental CP

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer

S-1

S-2

S-3

S-4

S-5

CommO

MTO

Regt SupplyO

HqCo Supply O

Regimental Chaplain

Regimental Surgeon

Regimental Sergeant Major

LtCol B. A. PATES, JR.

Capt R. E. STONER

Maj P. E. O'TOOLE

Maj J. F. CODY

Maj S. K. MCKEE

1-20 Nov 68

Maj L. A. BEHYMER

20-30 Nov 68

1stLt D. L. NEWMAN

Maj R. E. EDWARDS

1stLt R. D. STROM

Capt P. M. GANS

1-20 Nov 68

1stLt J. F. CONNELLY

20-30 Nov 68

2ndLt D. G. KEATING

LtCdr R. P. BECK, USNR

1-4 Nov 68

LtCdr B. A. AHERN, USNR

5-30 Nov 68

Lt J. E. MCGILLICUDDY, USNR

SgtMaj W. E. BEAN

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<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
111	3650	12	168

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. On 1 November 1968 the Second and Third Battalions and elements of the First Battalion continued to conduct concentric attacks against enemy pockets of resistance in the Chau Phong area. The enemy made no determined or coordinated defense but attempted to disguise themselves in civilian clothing, conceal their weapons, and infiltrate from the battalo area under cover of darkness. These enemy efforts were countered by the employment of observation aircraft and the immediate shifting of small units to encircle and attack.

2. At the completion of the Chau Phong action the Second and Third Battalions returned to the An Hoa area for rehab and preparation for CHOP to the 1st Marines for Operation MEADE RIVER. The First Battalion, Co M, Third Battalion (directly OPCON to the Fifth Marines) continued to conduct limited offensive operations and patrols and ambushes in the An Hoa AO along the axis of Liberty Road.

3. On 20 November 1968 the Fifth Marines CHOPPED the 2nd and 3rd Battalions to the First Marines to take part in Operation MEADE RIVER south of Danang. With only four rifle companies of the Fifth Marines left in the whole An Hoa AO the enemy began infiltrating back into the area attempting a buildup of forces around the An Hoa Combat Base. On 21 November 1968 at 2100H an enemy battalion made a coordinated ground attack against the Combat Base. Employing the fires of 82mm and 60mm mortars, 57mm recoilless rifles, B-40 rockets, and M-79 grenade launchers the enemy force attacked from the east to west against the base's eastern perimeter. The battle raged for five hours with the enemy sending in assault forces armed with grenades and AK-47's. Tanks firing beehive 90mm canister, artillery firing direct lay 105mm canister, and LVT's firing machineguns broke up four separate waves of NVA and VC. CAP 2-9-1, in the path of the attack performed outstanding service by taking the attackers under fire from the flanks and rear, and directing artillery and air strikes. The enemy effort was a complete failure resulting in maximum enemy and minimum friendly casualties.

4. Following the massive attack the enemy forces withdrew and continued to harass with ambushes, mines, and mortar attacks. On the night of 22 November 1968 an enemy ambush attacked an unarmed German medical missionary vehicle killing one German civilian and wounding a second. The vehicle was clearly marked and identified by a flashing red light and appropriate painted symbols.

5. Heavy and continued rains turned Liberty Road, the only overland route to An Hoa, into a dangerous mud-slick. The enemy took full advantage of the mud and bad weather to employ ambushes and plant a maximum number of mines. The employment of tanks and LVTs armed with 106mm recoilless rifles to protect convoys totally discouraged an expansion of these efforts.

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6. For detailed information see the After Action Reports for Operations
HENDERSON HILL and MEADE RIVER.

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a. The command received an input of 12 officers and 347 enlisted personnel during the month of November 1968.

b. A total of 3 officers and 188 enlisted personnel were medically evacuated out of RVN during the month.

c. The average chargeable strength for the Regiment was 104 Marine Officers, 3417 Marine Enlisted, 12 Naval Officers, and 160 Naval Enlisted.

Casualties for the month of NovemberUSMC

<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIAE</u>	<u>WIANE</u>	<u>NBCE</u>
30	140	30	10

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2. Intelligence

a. General. During the month of November the S-2 section continued collection, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence information in support of operation HENDERSON HILL.

(1) During the reporting period liaison was continued in the An Hoa AO with intelligence collection agencies of GVN. The use of their operational personnel continued to provide valuable and current information concerning the organization and functioning of the enemy clandestine logistic support apparatus and NVA/VC operational units.

(2) Continued planning and close operational coordination with Duc Duc District Headquarters and the First Reconnaissance Battalion permitted maximum surveillance and information of suspected enemy movements and locations.

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b. Cumulative enemy losses during the reporting period are as follows:

- (1) NVA KIA 362/VC KIA 117
- (2) NVA KIA DISCOVERED 7/VC KIA DISCOVERED 1
- (3) DETAINEES 52
 - (a) NVA PW 7
 - (b) VC PW 4
 - (c) NVA RTNE 1
 - (d) VC RTNE 1
 - (e) CIV DEF 10
 - (f) INN CIV 24
 - (g) POW DOW 0
 - (h) UNCLASSIFIED 5
- (4) WEAPONS CAPTURED
 - (a) INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS 34
 - (b) CREWSERVED WEAPONS 4

(5) CAP 2-9-1 and 2-9-2 received no ralliers during this reporting period.

c. Significant aspects of Enemy, Weather, and Terrain

(1) Enemy

(a) Enemy activity throughout the Regimental AO increased in intensity and frequency during the reporting period. An increase in enemy sightings in the northeast sector of the AO, and throughout the Arizona area was detected during early November. Predominant direction of movement was to the north-northeast of the Regimental AO. The enemy's attempt to move large elements of his forces toward the Danang vital area were seriously hampered during 1-20 November as 5th Marines maneuver elements sought out enemy platoon/company size elements attempting to move through the north-northeastern sector of the AO. This increase of enemy movement was highlighted when field interrogations on 1-3 November 1968 reported the 1st Bn, 36th NVA Regiment located vicinity AT9651, and the 1st Co, 2nd Bn Quang Da Province VC located vicinity AT9551. Operations in Chau Phong area (AT9651) terminated on 13 November 1968 resulting in: 43 NVA KIA/12 PS's. In addition, ammunition, explosives, medical supplies, and rice were captured. 106 tons of rice were recovered. This action seriously deprived the enemy's attack maneuver elements of logistical support.

(b) The general increase of enemy sightings and contacts noted during the period were principally attributable to the favorable weather conditions which prevailed during much of the month.

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(c) Moderate to light attacks on isolated outposts and An Hoa combat base continued through the end of the reporting period. At the close of the reporting period, the Q81 LF and the 38th NVA Regimental Headquarters were possibly located in the northeastern sector of the AO. Elements of the 21st NVA Regiment were reported located in the northern Arizona area, center mass AT8453, with the 1st Bn, 36th NVA Regiment plus the 36th NVA Regimental Headquarters reported vicinity AT9739. Acute food shortages among enemy main and local forces were also reported.

(d) Efforts by the enemy to fortify hamlets throughout the AO continued to be evident. Enemy contacts were light to moderate. The enemy continued to show no willingness to risk the defeat of his major units in detail in an all out effort against outposts and Marine elements.

(2) Weather

The weather for the most part was clear to partly cloudy with occasional light to moderate daytime/nighttime showers. For the most part weather enhanced the use of air support in the An Hoa AO.

(3) In view of the northeast monsoon season, continuous studies are being compiled in order to chart an alternate trail system.

d. Miscellaneous

(1) Rice Captured: 110.6 Tons

(2) Ordnance

Chicom Grenades	150
7.62 Ammo	730 Rds
M-26 Grenades	3
M-33 Grenades	2
B-40 Rds	5
LAAM	1
60MM Rds	61
105 Rds	1
12.7 Ammo	150 Rds

(3) Equipment:

Assorted 782 Gear	50 Lbs
Medical Gear	10 Lbs
AK-47 Mags	13
Comm Wire	1 Roll
Clothing	10 Lbs
Mess Kit	1
Boat (Unk Type)	1

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(4) Coches	
AT943505	3 Tons Rice
AT971507	7 Tons Rice
AT975514	Food and Ammo
AT971516	13 Tons Rice
AT944515	50 Tons Rice
BF002540	120 RAs 12.7mm
BF015509	8 1/2 Tons Rice

3. Training

a. During the period 1-30 November 1968, the following schools were attended by personnel of this command:

(1) Officers Leadership School	5
(2) Staff NCO Leadership School	6
(3) NCO Leadership School	23
(4) III MAF Viet Language School	2
(5) Embarkation School (Okinawa)	1
(6) Embarkation School (III MAF)	4
(7) Registered Publications School	1
(8) Basic Infantry Weapons School	2
(9) Division Scout Sniper School	8
(10) Basic Organic Supply Accounting School	4
(11) Basic Ammo Tech School	2
(12) Military Justice School	1
(13) Kit Carson Orientation School	3

b. The Regiment continued it's indoctrination training for all newly assigned personnel.

4. Operations

During the month of November all operational activities of the Fifth Marines were included in operation HENDERSON HILL Combat After Action Report.

5. Fire Support

Artillery and Air Support was as indicated in Combat After Action Report for HENDERSON HILL.

6. Logistics, Equipment and Supply

a. Land Transportation

The MSR between An Hoa and Danang has deteriorated due to continued rains and inadequate maintenance. The ferry at Liberty Bridge operated at marginal operating capacity due to sandbars and continuous river flooding. The MSR from An Hoa to Liberty Bridge/Phu Lac (6) was trafficable during all but two days but hazardous.

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10 Dec 1968b. Air Transportation

Supply and resupply was accomplished by both fixed wing aircraft and helicopters. Cargo lifted to An Hoa by C-123's and C-130's amounted to 4,607, 418 lbs. Helicopters lifted 2,825,000 lbs of cargo and 100,000 lbs of captured rice. The TACAN at An Hoa was placed in operation in November 1968 and the GCA will be installed in the very near future.

c. Base Development

A shortage of materials, equipment, and qualified engineer personnel stymied the progress of developing necessary facilities during the month. However, the expectation of coming operations provided increased impetus to expeditious completion of necessary base improvements as the month closed.

d. Service Support

Class I, III and V supply support provided by LSU continued to be excellent. Class II support via RUC line at LSU An Hoa more than doubled during the month of November. The LSA at An Hoa operated by Company "B", 1st Engineer Battalion provided outstanding support throughout the month.

e. Maintenance

Support provided by Maintenance detachments from FIC continued to increase in effectiveness within the limitations of available equipment. In addition, engineer and office equipment contact teams visited An Hoa during November.

7. Communications

a. During the month of November 1968 communications in the Fifth Marines area of operation was maintained as previously established.

b. Friendly frequency interference has been a problem throughout this month on both radio and radio relay in VHF range (FM). There is a definite requirement for good spare frequencies at both the Division and Regimental level.

8. Medical

a. During the month of November 1968, the Regimental Aid Station continued in full operation. In addition to Headquarters Company, a number of company, platoon, and smaller sized detachments were provided medical support by RAS. Support of the POW Compound was discontinued when it displaced to 1/5 area at mid-month. On 29 November 1968, liaison with MCB-3 medical section was established and preparations made to utilize RAS facilities in support of that unit. During the reporting month, the RAS treated 226 military outpatients, 29 Vietnamese, 213 POW and detainees, and 115 MEDCAP people at My Son (1).

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b. First Battalion BAS treated 260 Vietnamese at their MEDCAP Dispensary on base.

c. During the period 19 through 21 November 1968, Division Surgeon and his staff conducted medical technical inspections of all Regimental Units;

d. At 2210, 22 November 1968, two German Nationals on the staff of the Knights of Malta German Hospital were brought to the RAS for aeromedical evacuation. Both men were injured when Viet Cong insurgents attacked their jeep ambulance. Identified as follows: Otto HEISS suffering from a sucking chest wound and Gzeslaw DIKA suffering from penetrating wound of the head and sucking chest wound. Both men evacuated by helo to USA 95th Evac Hospital.

e. On 26 November 1968, CDR FULIFFSON, DC USN; the Regimental Surgeon and HMCS QUINNAN accompanied the Regimental S-5 to My Son (1) where a MEDCAP was held.

f. On 27 Nov 1968, an emergency resupply of 200 litters was requested and received from FLC and distributed to all Regimental units.

g. Division FMS conducted a sanitation inspection of all An Hoa based units on 29 Nov 1968.

h. On 29 November 1968, advance echelon of MCB-3 began arriving at An Hoa in preparation for major repair work on the airstrip. MCB-3 established liaison with the RAS; it is planned to utilize the facilities of RAS for sick call and emergency treatment of Seabee personnel while deployed at An Hoa. Four MCB-3 hospital corpsmen will be utilized by the RAS to provide 24 hour manning of sick bay while work on the airstrip progresses.

9. Civil Affairs

Employment of Vietnamese civilians on a day to day basis has continued during the month of November. The number of refugees employed has increased to a total of 150 and are utilized to dig trenchlines, build bunkers, and defensive fortifications. Payment again is being made with rice captured from the VC and NVA. Civic action supplies which have been donated to aid refugees amounted to 268,435 \$VN and consisted of scrap lumber, plastic, blankets, along with clothes, soap, school kits, masonry kits, blacksmith kits, resettlement kits, and 2 sewing machines. In addition, 70,000 \$VN was donated for civic action projects. A total of 890 man-hours were devoted to civic action work during November. A total of 262 Vietnamese civilians were treated in MedCaps and 37 civilians were medevaced to the German Hospital at Danang.

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Ground broadcast teams were utilized extensively in support of 5th Marines operations and were very effective. The number of hours of broadcast were not reported but results have been excellent with a total of 4 Hoi Chanh for the month of November. A total of 2000 rewards leaflets were also distributed and the number of pieces of ordnance turned in is on the increase.

11. Chaplain

The Regimental Chaplain provided regular Catholic coverage for the Second Battalion, Eleventh Marines, two CAP units as well as 1/5 and 3/5 Battalion GP's. A memorial service was conducted for the male nurses from the German Hospital for the staff of the hospital.

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- ✓1. ✓FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 100-68
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 - ✓2. Operation HENDERSON HILL Monthly Journal
 - ✓3. Operation HENDERSON HILL Monthly Six Hour SITREPS
 - ✓4. After Action Report MAMELUKE THRUST
 - ✓5. Headquarters Company Command Chronology
 - ✓6. First Battalion Fifth Marines Command Chronology
 - ✓7. Second Battalion Fifth Marines Command Chronology
 - ✓8. Third Battalion Fifth Marines Command Chronology
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(S) B. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D MINUS ONE DAY PROVIDE MESSING, BILLETING, AND ASSY AREA FOR GVN NATIONAL FIELD POLICE FORCE AT LIB BRIDGE SOUTH.
- (2) ON D MINUS ONE DAY PROVIDE ASSY AREA FOR BN HQ AND TWO RIFLE CO OF 1/5 AT LIB BRIDGE SOUTH.
- (3) NLT H MINUS NINE HRS PROVIDE GUIDES VIC CP THREE (AT908505) TO LEAD ELEMENTS OF 1/5 INTO BLOCK SOUTH OF REPT OBJ ONE. BLOCK TO BE IN POSIT NLT H MINUS THREE HRS.
- (4) NLT H MINUS THREE HRS, WITH A HVT TK SEC IN SUPPORT, ESTAB A BLOCK ON LIB ROAD FM CP THREE (AT908505) TO LIB BRIDGE SOUTH (AT925530), FRONT WEST, TO CORDON EAST APPROACH TO REPT OBJ ONE.
- (5) FM D MINUS ONE DAY TO COMPLETION OF OPN PROVIDE MAX AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES VIC REPT OBJ TWO TO DENY ENEMY MOVEMENT IN OR OUT OF THAT AREA.
- (6) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO PROVIDE ELEMENTS TO CORDON REPT OBJ TWO AT THE COMPLETION OF OPNS IN REPT OBJ ONE.

(S) B. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D MINUS ONE DAY DISPLACE BN HQ AND TWO RIFLE COMPANIES BY HELO AND MTR VEH TO ASSY AREA VIC LIB BRIDGE SOUTH (AT925530), AND TWO RIFLE COMPANIES BY FOOT TO ASSY AREA VIC MY SON ONE (AT895467).
- (2) NIGHT OF D MINUS ONE DAY, IN CLOSE COORD WITH 1/5, MOVE TWO-CO-FORCE FM MY SON ONE COVERTLY BY FOOT ALONG AXIS OF LIB ROAD TO CP THREE (AT908505) TO LINK UP WITH GUIDE PTY FM 1/5. IN COMPANY WITH 1/5 GUIDE PTY CONTINUE COVERT NIGHT MARCH ALONG AXIS OF OLD ROAD TO ESTAB BLOCK FM CP THREE (AT908505) TO SONG THU BON (AT903520), FRONT NORTH-EAST, TO CORDON SOUTH-WEST APPROACH TO REPT OBJ ONE. BLOCK TO BE IN POSIT NLT H MINUS THREE HRS.
- (3) ON THE NIGHT OF D MINUS ONE DAY MOVE BN HQ AND TWO-CO-FORCE FM LIB BRIDGE SOUTH ALONG OLD RT 537 TO BLOCK POSIT ALONG ROAD FM AT923529 TO AT903520, FRONT SOUTHEAST, TO CORDON NORTHWEST APPROACH TO REPT OBJ ONE. BLOCK TO BE IN POSIT NLT H MINUS THREE HRS.
- (4) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO PROVIDE ELEMENTS TO CORDON REPT OBJ TWO ON COMPLETION OF OPNS IN REPT OBJ ONE.

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(S) D. COORD INST:

- (1) GVN FORCES COMMENCE SEARCH AT H-HR.
- (2) D-DAY/H-HR: 270700Z OCT 68.
- (3) REPT OBJ ONE: MY LOC ONE AND TWO, CENTER OF MASS AT913518.
- (4) REPT OBJ TWO: THU BOX ONE AND TWO, CENTER OF MASS AT880910.
- (5) 1/5 AND 3/5 LINK UP AT FOLLOWING POSITS:
 - (A) L UP ONE: AT907503.
 - (B) L UP TWO: AT923529.
- (6) DIR IN IS DIRECTED.

4. ADMIN-LOG: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

5. COMM-RECD: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

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 TO FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES (PASS FORWARD)
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 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES (PASS FORWARD)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. OODY
 RELEASER: 00 COL J. B. ORD, JR.
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 SECOND BN ELEVENTH MARINES
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FRAG ORDER 102-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MAR CPO 301A-68
 B. FIFTH MAR ABO 301A-68
 C. FIFTH MAR PRO 101-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- (S) 1. SITUATION: NO CHANGE TO REF C.
 (S) 2. MISSION: NO CHANGE TO REF C.
 (S) 3. EXECUTION:

	INFO	Action
S-3	<i>[initials]</i>	
S-3A		
ALO		
VECBelO		
OpsChief	<i>[initials]</i>	
AsstOpsChief		
AOpsChief		
Scol NCO		
Mag NCO		
FILE		

(S)A. CONCEPT: ON D-DAY PRIOR TO 2H-HR ONE BN EXECUTES GOVT NIGHT MOVE FROM REPT OBJ ONE TO BLOCKING POSITIONS GORDONING REPT OBJ TWO. ONE BN PROVIDES FORCE TO GUIDE BLOCKING FORCES INTO POSITION AND FORCES TO SCREEN SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST ROUTES OF EGRESS FROM OBJ AREA. OWN COMMENCE SEARCH OF OBJ AREA AT 2H-HR ON D PLUS ONE DAY.

(S)B. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) PROVIDE FORCE TO GUIDE 3/5 INTO BLOCKING POSITIONS GORDONING REPT OBJ TWO. GUIDES TO LINK UP WITH 1/5 AT LUP THREE ON D-DAY AT 2H MINUS NINE HOURS.
 (2) PROVIDE FORCES TO SCREEN SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST ROUTES OF EGRESS FROM REPT OBJ TWO.
 (3) PROVIDE A REACTION FORCE PREPARED TO ASSIST OWN FORCES CONDUCTING SEARCH OF REPT OBJ TWO ON ORDER.

(S)C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D-DAY PRIOR TO 2H-HR CONDUCT NIGHT GOVT FOOT MOVE FROM REPT OBJ ONE TO BLOCKING POSITIONS GORDONING REPT OBJ TWO.
 (2) LINK UP WITH FORCE FROM 1/5 AT LUP THREE ON D-DAY AT 2H MINUS NINE HOURS. 1/5 FORCE WILL ACT AS GUIDES INTO BLOCKING POSITIONS.

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- (3) ESTABLISH BLOCKING POSITIONS TO SEAL OFF REEF OBJ TWO NLT 21 MINUS THREE HOURS ON 3 PLUS ONE DAY.
- (4) MAINTAIN CLOSE LN WITH 1/5 FORCES PROVIDING GUIDES, AND SCREENING FORCES TO SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST OF REEF OBJ TWO.
- (5) MAINTAIN CLOSE LN WITH AND BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A REACTION FORCE TO GVN FORCES CONDUCTING SEARCH OF REEF OBJ TWO.

(S) 3. COORD-INER:

- (1) GVN FORCES COMMENCE SEARCH OF REEF OBJ TWO AT 21-00.
- (2) 21-00: 230700H OCT 68.
- (3) REEF OBJ TWO: THU DON ONE AND TWO, CENTER OF MASS 2380510.
- (4) 112 THREE: BRIDGE AT 2383505.

(S) 4. ADMIN-LOG: NO CHANGE TO REF 2.

(S) 5. COMM-PLAN: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

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 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES (PASS FORWARD)
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES (PASS FORWARD)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. GODY
 RELEASER: CO COL J.B. CHD. JR.
 PREC: OF IMMED
 CLASS: SECRET

INFO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)
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 SECOND BN ELEVENTH MARINES

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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 103-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MARINES OPO 301A-68
 B. FIFTH MARINES ADQ 301A-68

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY:

- (1) MAU CHANH TWO (AT890474) A PACIFIED AREA WITH POPULAR SUPPORT FOR THE GVN. HOWEVER, RECENT REPORTS FROM AGENTS INDICATE STRONG ENEMY EFFORTS TO OBTAIN AID AND COMFORT AND TO ESTABLISH A VC INFRASTRUCTURE IN THAT AREA.
- (2) REPORTS FROM UNRELATED SOURCES INDICATE ENEMY ACTIVITY AND A WELL DEVELOPED VC INFRASTRUCTURE IN PHU NHUAN NINE AND SIX (AT890490) AREA. IT IS KNOWN THAT THE AREA HAS BEEN USED BY ENEMY FORCES AS A MORTAR POSITION FOR FIRE ATTACKS AGAINST AN HOA.
- (3) VERY RECENT INTEL FROM CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND INTER OF CHIEU HOI PUTS THE FIRST BN THIRTY SIX NVA REGT IN POSITS NEAR CHAU PHONG TWO (AT937497). INTEL ALSO INDICATES POSSIBILITY OF OTHER NVA FORCES IN STRENGTH OF FOUR HUNDRED LOCATED VIC AT9752.

B. FRIENDLY:

- (1) AIR AND ARTY: REF A.
- (2) QUANG NAM PROV PROVIDES NAT FIELD POLICE FORCE TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND IDENT DURING PR LIM OPS IN REGT OBJ'S THREE AND FOUR.

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- (3) BY PRIOR AGREEMENT CAP 291 PROVIDES GUIDES TO 3/5 VIC REPT OBJ THREE ON D MINUS ONE DAY.
 - (4) DET CO B FIRST TK BN PROVIDES ONE HVY SEC DS TO 1/5 VIC REPT OBJ FIVE.
2. MISSION: CONTINUE WIDESPREAD OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS TO FIND, FIX, AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.
 3. EXECUTION
 - A. CONCEPT:
 - (1) D MINUS TWO DAYS: 3/5 CONDUCTS COVERT NIGHT MOVE WITH TWO COMPANIES TO CORDON REPT OBJ THREE.
 - (2) D MINUS ONE DAY: ON: COMPANY OF 1/5 CONDUCTS ~~COVERT~~ EARLY MORNING COVERT MOVE TO ATTACK POSITION NORTHWEST OF REPT OBJ FOUR. NLT H MINUS ONE HR ONE COMPANY OF 1/5 WITH TK SEC DS ESTABLISHES BLOCK SOUTHEAST OF REPT OBJ FOUR. AT H-HR ON D MINUS ONE DAY NORTHWEST COMPANY OF 1/5 ATTACKS TO SEIZE AND SEARCH REPT OBJ FOUR; AND, WITH TWO COMPANIES OF 3/5 IN CORDON, GVN FORCES SWEEP TO CONDUCT SEARCH OF REPT OBJ THREE FOLLOWED BY A COUNTY FAIR. AT ABOUT H PLUS ONE HR 2/5 CONDUCTS RETROGRADE BY HELICOPTER FROM ARIZONA AREA TO AN HOA.
 - (3) D-DAY: PRIOR TO L-HR TWO COMPANIES OF 3/5 EXECUTE NIGHT COVERT MOVE TO ATTACK/BLOCK POSITION SOUTH OF REPT OBJ FIVE. TO BE IN POS NLT L MINUS TWO HRS. PRIOR TO L-HR ONE COMPANY OF 1/5 WITH HVY TK SEC IN DS EXECUTES NIGHT COVERT MOVE TO BLOCK POSITION NORTHWEST OF REPT OBJ FIVE. FOLLOWING HEAVY AIR AND ARTY PREP, SHIFTING ONTO REPT OBJ FIVE, 2/5 WITH THREE COMPANIES LAND BY HELIO IN LZ EAGLE, LINK UP WITH ONE COMPANY MOVED IN ZONE COVERTLY BY FOOT, AND ESTABLISH BLOCKS NORTHEAST OF REPT OBJ FIVE. ARTY AND AIR CONTINUE TO STRIKE ENEMY FORCES IN REPT OBJ FIVE UNTIL L PLUS THREE HRS. AT L PLUS THREE HRS 3/5 ATTACKS TO ~~DESTROY~~ DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.
 - B. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:
 - (1) PRIOR TO H-HR ON D MINUS ONE DAY MOVE ONE COMPANY WITH TK SEC DS TO BLOCK ENEMY EGRESS FROM REPT OBJ FOUR TO SOUTHEAST. AT H-HR ATTACK WITH ONE COMPANY FROM NORTHWEST TO SEIZE REPT OBJ FOUR AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.

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- (2) PRIOR TO L-HR ON D-DAY MOVE ONE COMPANY WITH TK SEC DS TO BLOCK NORTHWEST OF REGT OBJ FIVE. EAST LIMIT STREAM JUNCTION AT943512 WEST LIMIT LIB ROAD. BLOCK TO BE IN POSITION NLT L MINUS THREE HRS.
- (3) ON D MINUS ONE DAY MOVE CO B COVERTLY AT NIGHT TO POSIT 600 METERS FROM LZ EAGLE. CO B WILL CONTROL AIR AND ARTY PREP OF LZ ON MORNING OF D-DAY AND COVER HELILANDING BY 2/5. ON ORDER, AT ABOUT L-HR, CHOP CO B TO 2/5.

C. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) COMMENCING D MINUS ONE DAY AT H PLUS TWO HRS EXECUTE RETROGRADE BY HELICOPTER FROM ARIZONA AREA TO AN HOA. RON AT AN HOA AND PREPARE FOR OPS ON D-DAY.
- (2) ON D-DAY AT L-HR EXECUTE HELIBORNE ASSAULT INTO LZ EAGLE. LINK UP WITH AND ASSUME OPCON CO B 1/5 AND ESTABLISH BLOCKS NORTH AND NORTHEAST OF REGT OBJ FIVE. WEST LIMIT OF BLOCK STREAM JUNCTION AT943512, EAST LIMIT LAKE SHORE AT966490.
- (3) PROVIDE ONE RIFLE CO TO CHOP TO FIFTH MARINES 310001H OCT AS REGT RESERVE.

D. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D MINUS ONE DAY, WITH TWO COMPANIES, CONDUCT COVERT NIGHT MOVE FROM AN HOA AND ESAB BLOCKS TO CORDON REGT OBJ THREE. CORDON TO BE IN POSIT NLT H MINUS TWO HOURS.
- (2) ON D MINUS ONE DAY AT H-HR SUPPORT GVN FORCES COMMENCING DETAILED SEARCH OF REGT OBJ THREE TO LOCATE AND APPR INED ENEMY PERSONNEL. SUPPORT COUNTRY FAIR AT COMPLETION OF SEARCH.
- (3) PROVIDE ONE RIFLE PLAT AS SECURITY TO GVN SEARCH FORCE, AND BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A REACTION FORCE TO ENGAGE ENEMY FORCES IN THE OBJ THREATENING THE GVN SEARCH FORCE.
- (4) PRIOR TO L-HR ON D-DAY MOVE THREE COMPANIES BY FOOT TO ATTACK/BLOCK POSIT SOUTH OF REGT OBJ FIVE TO BE IN POSIT NLT L MINUS THREE HOURS. AT COMPLETION OF AIR AND ARTY STRIKES AT L PLUS THREE HOURS, ATTACK TO SIEZE REGT OBJ FIVE AND LOCATE AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.

E. REGT RESERVE: BE PREPARED TO DEPLOY BY ANY DESIG MEANS WITHIN THIRTY MIN OF RECEIPT OF ORDER.

F. COORD INST:

- (1) D-DAY: 31 OCT 68

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(2) H-HR: 300700H OCT 68

(3) L-HR: 310900H OCT 68

(4) REGT OBJ THREE: MAU CHANH TWO, CENTER OF MASS AT890474.

(5) REGT OBJ FOUR: PHU NHUAN NINE AND SIX, CENTER OF MASS AT890490.

(6) REGT OBJ FIVE: CHAU PHONG TWO, CENTER OF MASS AT937497.

(7) LZ EAGLE: AT965523

(8) 1/5 SOA FROM L MINUS 9 HRS: UL AT920530, LR AT943500.

(9) 2/5 SOA FROM L-HR: UL AT943540, LR AT990490.

(10) 3/5 SOA FROM D MINUS ONE DAY AT H MINUS SEVEN HOURS: UL AT880480,
LR AT900460. SOA FROM L MINUS NINE HRS: UL AT920500, LR AT980470.

4. ADMIN-LOG: REF B.

5. COM-ELEC: REF A.

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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 104-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORDER 103-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

1. ENEMY SIT: ENEMY FORCES HAVE BEEN FORCED INTO PHU MUON FOUR SEVEN FIVE AND LE NAM THREE (AT950505). IT APPEARS THAT THE FORCES WILL WAIT FOR DARKNESS TO ATTEMPT A RETROGRADE INFILTRATION.

2. MISSION: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES: CONTINUE TO HOLD BLOCK ALONG STREAM FROM AT922500 NORTH AND EAST TO AT943511, FRONT SOUTH.

B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES: CONTINUE TO HOLD BLOCK ALONG STREAM FROM AT943511 NORTH AND EAST TO AT956517, FRONT SOUTH; AND FROM AT956517 SOUTH ALONG STREAM TO AT960500.

C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES: AT H-HOUR ATTACK TO SEIZE REEF OBJ SIX AND SEVEN AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.

D. COORD INST:

(1) H-HOUR: 311500H OCT 68.

(2) REEF OBJ SIX: AT950505.

(3) REEF OBJ SEVEN: AT930530.

(4) 1/5 SOA: SOUTH BDRY FROM AT907500 EAST ALONG GL 50 TO AT922500, THEN NORTH AND EAST ALONG STREAM TO AT943512. EAST BDRY FROM AT940540, STRAIGHT LINE SOUTH TO AT943512. NORTH BDRY AND WEST BDRY NORMAL BN AQ.

(5) 2/5 SOA: SOUTH BDRY FROM AT943512 NORTH, EAST, AND SOUTH ALONG STREAM TO AT965490, THEN EAST ALONG GL 49 TO AT920490. WEST BDRY FROM AT943512 STRAIGHT LINE NORTH TO AT940540. NORTH AND WEST BDRIES NORMAL REEF AQ.

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- (6) 3/5 SOA: NORTH BDY FROM AT907500 EAST ALONG GL 50 TO AT922500, THEN NORTH, EAST, AND SOUTH ALONG STREAM TO AT966490, THEN EAST ALONG GL 49 TO AT020490. EAST, SOUTH, AND WEST BARRIES NORMAL BN AO.

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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 105-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 103-68 (HENDERSON HILL)
 B. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 104-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

1. ENEMY SITUATION: AFTER ATTACKS BY FIFTH MARINES ENEMY FORCES WERE DRIVEN INTO SMALL UNITS AND ARE HIDING WITHIN THE GORDON HELD BY THE FIFTH MARINES.
2. MISSION: NO CHANGE TO REF A.
3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) MAINTAIN BLOCK POSIT ALONG SOA SOUTHERN BDRY TO SUPPORT SWEEP WEST BY 3/5.
- (2) PROVIDE ONE PLAT WITH MVT TK SEC IN DS TO BLOCK VIC AT 91049N.
- (3) RESUME OPCON OF CO B 1/5 FROM 2/5 AT 011200H.
- (4) BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO CONDUCT EXTENDED TWO-COMPANY DETAILED HOLE HUNT IN REEF OBJS FIVE, SIX, AND SEVEN, AT THE COMPLETION OF SWEEP BY 3/5.

B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) MAINTAIN BLOCK POSIT ALONG SOA SOUTHERN BDRY TO SUPPORT SWEEP WEST BY 3/5.
- (2) AT 011200H CHOP CO B 1/5 BACK TO 1/5.
- (3) AT L-HOUR, CO F 2/5 (OPCON TO FIFTH MARINES) LANDS BY HELICOPTER IN LZ CONDOR. ON ORDER, AT L-HR, RESUME OPCON OF CO F 2/5.
- (4) WHEN 3/5 SWEEP HAS CLEARED 2/5 BLOCK, AND ON ORDER, WHEN AND ATTACK EAST, MANEUVERING AGAINST CO F BLOCK, TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.

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C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) PRIOR TO H-HOUR ESTAB ONE-COMPANY BLOCK IN SOA ALONG RAILWAY, FRONT NORTH, FROM LIB ROAD TO REPT OBJ FIVE.
- (2) AT H-HOUR, WITH TWO COMPANIES, WHEEL LEFT WITH PIVOT ON REPT OBJ FIVE, AND SWEEP WEST TO LIB ROAD TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.
- (3) AT COMPLETION OF SWEEP, AND ON ORDER, RETURN TO REGULAR AO AND COMMENCE AGGRESSIVE PATROL AND AMBUSH OPNS.

D. REPT RESERVE (CO F 2/5):

- (1) AT L-HOUR LAND IN LZ CONDOR AND ESTABLISH BLOCK, FRONT WEST, TO SUPPORT 2/5 ATTACK EAST.
- (2) ON LANDING IN LZ CONDOR CHOP FROM FIFTH MARINES BACK TO 2/5.

E. COORD INST:

- (1) H-HOUR: 010800H NOV 68.
- (2) L-HOUR: 011200H NOV 68.
- (3) LZ CONDOR: AT998518.
- (4) 1/5 SOA: DISESTAB AT COMPLETION OF 3/5 SWEEP AND ON ORDER. RESUME NORMAL EN AO EXCEPT AS MODIFIED BY 2/5 SOA.
- (5) 2/5 SOA: NO CHANGE TO REF B.
- (6) 3/5 SOA: DISESTAB AT COMPLETION OF 3/5 SWEEP AND ON ORDER. RESUME NORMAL BN AO.

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- (7) FIFTH MARINES AO EXPANDED TO INCLUDE SOA WEST OF NG QL BT02 FROM BT020525 SOUTH TO BT020514. SOA GRANTED BY CG SECOND BDE ROKM? FROM 010001 TO 042400H NOV 68.

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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 106-68

A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 105-68

1. ENEMY SITUATION: TWO DAYS OF ENEMY CONTACT HAVE SHOWN TWO DISTINCT PATTERNS. FIRST, ENEMY FORCES IN THE CHAU PHONG AREA (AT940540) HAVE SHOWN NO DESIRE TO STAND AND FIGHT. AT EVERY EFFORT ENEMY FORCES HAVE BROKEN INTO SMALL GROUPS AND FLED, PRIMARILY TO THE WEST. TWO, ENEMY FORCES IN THE LE NAM (AT960520) AND AN TAM (AT960510) AREAS HAVE GIVEN NO INDICATION OF QUITTING THEIR GROUND. THEY HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO HOLD THEIR POSITIONS AGAINST FRIENDLY EFFORTS AND HAVE COUNTERED WITH WELL ORGANIZED DEFENSE AND COUNTERATTACKS.

2. MISSION: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) AT 011800H NOV CHOP CO B 1/5 TO 2/5 FOR EST TWENTY-FOUR HOUR PERIOD.
- (2) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED BY REF A.

B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) AT 011800H ASSUME OPCON CO B 1/5 FOR EST TWENTY-FOUR HOUR PERIOD.
- (2) MAINTAIN ONE RIFLE CO VIE LZ CONDOR TO BLOCK ENEMY MOVEMENT EAST.
- (3) ON D-DAY AT H-HOUR CONSOLIDATE FORCES AND ATTACK EAST IN ASSIGNED SOA TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN Z CHE.
- (4) SIEGE AND SEARCH REPT OBJ NIGHT.

C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED BY REF A.
- (2) MAINTAIN ONE RIFLE CO IN ALERT STATUS PREPARED TO DEPLOY TO ANY DESIG AREA WITHIN THIRTY MINUTES OF RECEIPT OF ORDER.
- (3) BE PREPARED TO DEPLOY BN HQ AND A SECOND AND/OR THIRD RIFLE CO WITHIN NINETY MINUTES OF RECEIPT OF ORDER.

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D. COORD INST:

(1) D-DAY AND H-HOUR: 020700H NOV 1968.

(2) RMT OBJ EIGHT: CENTER OF MASS ~~XXXXXXXX~~ AT996511.**SECRET**

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INFO: SEVENTH MARINES
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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 107-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 103-68
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1. ENEMY SITUATION: ENEMY FORCES CONTINUE TO WITHDRAW FROM CHAU PHONG AREA.
2. MISSION: CONTINUE WIDESPREAD OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS TO FIND AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.
3. EXECUTION:
 - A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:
 - (1) CONTINUES TASKS ASSIGNED BY REF B.
 - (2) CONTINUE OPNS WITH ONE CO (CO C) IN CHAU PHONG AREA (AT9450).
 - (3) AT 030700H NOV RESUME OPCON CO B 1/5 FROM 2/5, AND WITH THAT CO SWEEP WEST INTO BLOCK CAUSED BY CO C IN CHAU PHONG AREA.
 - B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:
 - (1) ESTAB AND MAINTAIN A CO PATROL BASE WITH TWO 106MM RR AT LZ CONDOR.
 - (2) CONDUCT SEARCH IN DETAIL IN SOA TO FIND AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.
 - (3) BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT OPNS FOR PERIOD OF ABOUT FIVE DAYS.

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C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED BY REF B.
- (2) CONDUCT CO SIZE RECON IN FORCE IN AREA UL AT9249, LR AT9644.

D. COORD INST:

- (1) COMMENCE OPNS 030600H NOV 68.
- (2) LZ CONDOR: AT993513.
- (3) 2/5 SOA ESTAB BY REF B CANCELLED AT 030600H NOV. AT THAT TIME SOA FOR 2/5 ESTAB AS UL AT9854, LR BT0249.

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FRAG ORDER 108-68

A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 107-68

1. SITUATION:

- A. ENEMY: INTEL REPORTS INDICATE ENEMY HOSPITAL LOCATED VIC AT976476 AND ARMS CACHES LOCATED VIC AT971463.
- B. AIR: FIRST MAW SUPPORTS WITH FIXED WING AND AO COVERAGE; AND LIFTS ONE COMPANY OF 2/5 FROM LZ HENDERSON TO LZ SHEPHEARD.

2. MISSION: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN: FIFTH MARINES: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D-DAY AT 1-HR, WITH ONE RIFLE COMPANY, LAND IN LZ SHEPHEARD BY HELICOPTER AND ATTACK NE TO SEIZE AND SEARCH REPT ORJS NINE AND TEN.
- (2) AT COMPLETION OF SEARCH OF DESIG REPT ORJS, CONTINUE ATTACK NE WITH AXIS OF ADVANCE ALONG KHE PHU LOC TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.

C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES: NO CHANGE TO REF A.

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D. COORD INST:

- (1) D-DAY AND L-HR: 060800H NOV 68.
- (2) LZ HENDERSON: BFO18515.
- (3) LZ SHEPHERD: AT968468.
- (4) REGT OBJ NINE: AT976476.
- (5) REGT OBJ TEN: AT971468.

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FRAG ORDER 109-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

A. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORDER 108-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY: LATE MORNING AND EARLY AFTERNOON ENEMY CONTACTS INDICATE ENEMY BEIN CO POSSIBLE Q81 IN VIC AT970550. OTHER CONTACTS VIC AT998542, BT003550, AND BT018519 OF ENEMY SQUAD SIZED FORCES POSSIBLE ELEMENTS 36TH NVA REGT.

B. FRIENDLY: FIRST MAW PROVIDES HELILIFT TO CO I 3/5 AND CONTINUES FIXED WING, AO, AND PSY OPS AERIAL BROADCAST SUPPORT.

2. MISSION: CONTAIN, CLOSE WITH, AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) MAINTAIN CONTACT AND CONTINUE TO CONTAIN ENEMY FORCES IN REGT OBJ ELEVEN.
- (2) ON HELILIFT OF CO I 3/5 INTO LZ HAWK, ASSUME OPCON OF THAT UNIT (FOR A PERIOD OF 48 HRS). WITH CO I 3/5 AND TWO CO OF 1/5 CLOSE WITH AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN OBJ ELEVEN.

B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) CONTAIN, CLOSE WITH, AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN REGT OBJ'S TWELVE AND THIRTEEN.

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(2) DELAY OPIS, D-DAY, AND L-HR OF REF A, TWENTY FOUR HOURS.

C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) PROVIDE ONE RIFLE CO (CO I 3/5) TO HELILIFT FROM AN HOA TO IZ HAWK. LIFT TO COMENCE HLT 051430H NOV 68.
- (2) ON LANDING FIRST ELEMENTS OF CO I 3/5 IN IZ HAWK, CHOP THAT UNIT TO 1/5.
- (3) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED IN REF A.

D. COORD INST:

- (1) COMENCE OPIS HLTED 05 NOV 68.
- (2) IZ HAWK: AT964541
- (3) REGT OBJ ELEVEN: AT970550
- (4) REGT OBJ TWELVE: HFO00545
- (5) REGT OBJ THIRTEEN: HFO18519

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FRAG ORDER 110-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MAR CPO 7-68 (HENDERSON HILL)
 B. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 109-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

1. SITUATION:

A. ENEMY: RECENT CONTACTS IN DODGE CITY AREA INDICATE PRESENCE IN STRENGTH OF 2D BN 36TH NVA REGT VIC AT9860. OTHER CONTACTS IN GO NOI AREA INDICATE POSSIBILITY OF ELEMENTS OF 1ST BN 36TH NVA REGT AND V25 BN WITHDRAWN NORTH INTO DODGE CITY AREA.

B. FRIENDLY: ELEMENTS OF SEVENTH MARINES REIN BY FIRST BN (MINUS) FIRST MARINES IN COORD AND COOP WITH FIRST ARVN RANGER GROUP CONDUCT OFFENSIVE OPS NORTH OF SONG KY LAM. ENEMY FORCES MAY ATTEMPT ESCAPE FROM ACTION INTO FIFTH MARINES AO.

2. MISSION: SUPPORT FRIENDLY OPS NORTH OF REGT AO BY BLOCKING IN STRENGTH AND DESTROYING ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING ESCAPE.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN (REIN) FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) REMAIN OPCON CO I 3/5 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
- (2) ESTABLISH THREE COMPANY BLOCK FROM AT930530 EAST ALONG THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG THU BON TO AT980540, FRONT NORTH.
- (3) DESTROY ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING ESCAPE SOUTH ACROSS SONG THU BON.

7 B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ESTABLISH TWO COMPANY BLOCK FROM AT980540 EAST ALONG THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG THU BON TO XX BT020550, FRONT NORTH.
- (2) DESTROY ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING ESCAPE SOUTH ACROSS SONG THU BON.

C. COORD INST:

- (1) ALL BLOCKS TO BE IN POSITION ALT 070700H NOV 68.
- (2) FIRST AND SECOND BN LINK UP AT980540. DIRMOUTH.

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES (PASSED)
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES (PASSED)
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES (PASS FORWARD)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)
 FIRST MARINES
 SEVENTH MARINES
 SECOND BN ELEVENTH MARINES

TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)
 REQ REL TO: SA FIRST ARVN RANGER GPT (DANANG)
 CG, SECOND BDE ROKMC

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FIFTH MARINES FRAG ORDER 111-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

- A. FIFTH MAR OPO 7-68 (HENDERSON HILL)
- B. FIFTH MAR FRAG ORD 110-68 (HENDERSON HILL)
- C. FIFTH MAR ADO 301A-68

1. SITUATION:

A. ENEMY: REF B AND CURRENT INTENSIVE.

B. FRIENDLY:

- (1) FIRST ARVN RANGER GPT LANDS IN LZ BILL BY HELO AND CROSSES SONG KY LAM BY APC ON D-DAY AT L-HR. WITH TWO BNS ABREAST ATTACKS FM EAST TO WEST TO 10A, WHEELS AND SWEEPS BACK OVER SAME GROUND FROM WEST TO EAST TO LZ BILL AND IP, AND RETROGRADES FROM SOA.
- (2) SEVENTH MARINES TF CONTINUES OPNS NORTH OF SONG THU BOW/KY LAM IAW REF A.

2. MISSION: SUPPORT FRIENDLY OPNS NORTH AND EAST OF REGT AO BY BLOCKING IN FORCE AND DESTROYING ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING ESCAPE.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) CHOP CO I BACK TO 3/5 AT 061400H NOV 68.
- (2) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED BY REF B.

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B. SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) ON D-DAY AT L MINUS TWO HOURS RELINQUISH PORTION OF AO DESCRIBED BELOW AS SOA FOR FIRST ARVN RANGER GRP.
- (2) NLT D-DAY BY L MINUS TWO HOURS, ESTABLISH ONE REIN CO BLOCK EAST OF RAILWAY FROM AT998546 SOUTH TO BT003523, FRONT EAST; AND ONE CO BLOCK SOUTH OF SONG CHIEM SON FROM BT003520 EAST TO BT020523, FRONT NORTH.
- (3) DESTROY ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING ESCAPE WEST AND SOUTH FROM FIRST ARVN RANGER GRP SOA.

C. THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES:

- (1) RESUME OPCOM CO I AT 061400H NOV 68.
- (2) CONTINUE TASKS ASSIGNED BY MTF A.

D. COORD INST (APPLY TO 2/5 IN COORD WITH FIRST ARVN RANGER GRP):

- (1) D-DAY/L-HR: 090805H NOV 68.
- (2) FIRST ARVN RANGER GRP 2000 NORTH BDRY FM AT998546 EAST ALONG SOUTH BANK OF SONG KY LAM/DIEN BINH TO BT074545. SOUTH BDRY FM BT074545 WEST ALONG NORTH BANK OF SONG CHIEM SON TO BT003523. WEST BDRY FM BT003523 NORTH ON RAILWAY TO AT998546. SOA EFF 090605H NOV 68 NFZ FIRST ARVN RANGER GRP NFZ ALL OTHERS.
- (3) LZ PREP COMMENCES 090630H NOV 68.
- (4) BY PRIOR AGREEMENT ARTY FIRE WITHIN 500 METERS AND AIR STRIKES WITHIN 1000 METERS OF BOUNDARIES WILL BE CLEARED BY ADJACENT UNITS.
- (5) LZ BILL: BT069556.
- (6) IP (INITIAL POINT): BT064561.
- (7) EST 48 HRS PRD OF OPNS.
- (8) DIELNATH.

4. ADMIN LOG: REF C.

5. COMM-ELEC:

A. REF A.

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- (1) AIRBORNE CONTROL UHF 253.5 LOPEZ.
- (2) SA GRP HQ VHF 56.75 FLAKENBACHMAN ONE.
- (3) SA 39TH BN VHF 56.75 FLAKENBACHMAN BRANG.
- (4) SA 39TH BN VHF 56.75 FLAKENBACHMAN CHARLIE.

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 SEVENTH MARINES
 SECOND BN EISENHOWER MARINES

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FIFTH MARINES FLAG ORDER 112-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

A. FIFTH MARINES CPO 7-68 (HENDERSON HILL)

1. SITUATION:

A. ENEMY: SEARCH OF AN TAM AREA (VIC AT9631) REVEALED LARGE RICE CANNIS. LARGE NUMBER OF MALE VN IN CIV CLOTHING WITH NO WEPS SHOWING APPEARANCE TO FLY IN GROUPS OF TWO AND THREE TO NORTH, SOUTH, AND WEST.

B. FRIENDLY:

(1) FIRST MAW PROVIDES FIXED AND ROTARY WING AND AO SUPPORT.

(2) ELEMENTS OF 4.2 MTR BTRY 2/11 IN DS OF 2/5 DISPLACE BY HELO FM FLECHASK/LZ JORDON TO AN HOA CONTAINING 120800H NOV.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT SEARCH TO LOCATE AND DESTROY OR CAPTURE ENEMY FORCES, WEPS, MATERIAL, AND POSITIONS IN ZONE.

3. EXECUTION:

A. FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES:

(1) ~~RECEIVE~~ ^{RECEIVE} TWO COMPANY-BLOCKS ALONG SONG THU BOM/KY LAM (VIC 1239755) HLT 111600H NOV.

(2) WIC 111600H NOV, WITH TWO COMPANIES, COMBINE SWEEP SOUTH IN SONG THU BOM/KY LAM. SEARCH AND SEARCH EAST OBJS 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, AND 19.

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II. SECOND IN FIVE MARINES:

- (1) COMMENCING 1100GZ NOV SWEEP SOUTH WEST IN SOA TO STEER AND SEARCH
RIGHT OBJS 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, AND 25.
- (2) COMMENCING 1200GZ NOV REENTERED BY HELO HTY WENS AND EQUIP TO
FINERASH/LE CONDOR TO AT HOA. AT COMPLETION OF LEFT DISSECT
CONDOR AND ALL SUPPORTIVE POSITIONS.

3. THIRD DE FIRM MARINES: AT 11:00PM NOW RELINQUISH THEIR ARMS ON EN SO COVERED BY SOA ASSIGNED 2/3 OF THEIR ORDER,

D. GOOD TESTS

- (2) 2/5 SOL. BEY 22.1600N NOV. HONEY WEST BEY RM AT980542 SOUTH ON GL 52 TO AT980529, THEN WEST ON GL 52 TO AT970520, THEN SOUTH ON GL 52 TO STREAM AT970528, THEN WEST AND SOUTH ALONG STREAM (SEE THE TRAIL) TO RAILWAY AT980500, THEN WEST ALONG RAILWAY TO AT983480. SOUTH BEY RM AT983480 EAST ON GL 49 TO AT980430, THEN SOUTH ON GL 94 TO AT980400, THEN EAST ON GL 48 TO BEY BEY. NORTH AND EAST BEY NORMAL ROCK BEY.

- (2) 2/5 SOA TO BE DEGRADED AS IN COUNTRIES SOUTH.
- (3) SOA FTH 2/5 WFF ALL COUNTRIES.

- (4) RIGHT CH1 14: AT9015132
RIGHT CH1 15: AT9015125
RIGHT CH1 16: AT9015117
RIGHT CH1 17: AT9015112
RIGHT CH1 18: AT9015107
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0001	-	1	010001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0125	0105	2	311830H	E 2/5 CO DEF. POSIT A.T. 956513. UNIT OBS. 1 NVA CROSSING RIVER NEAR ABOVE COORD. TOOK EN. UNDER FIRE WITH S/A. SWEEPED TREELINE & FOUND 1 WOUNDED NVA. MED EVACKED HIM TO AN HOA W/ GUARD	S.F.D.
0125	0105	3	311530H	E 2/5 CO DEF. POSIT. A.T. 956513. UNIT FOUND 1 WOUNDED NVA HIDING IN TALL GRASS. ENEMY WAS MED EVACKED TO AN HOA WITH GUARD.	S.F.D.
0530	-	4	310500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 34 H.H.	S.F.
0530	-	5	310500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 9 H.H.	S.F.
0545	-	6	310500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 32 H.H.	S.F.
0730	0740	7	010100H	H 2/5 PIT. AMB A.T. 955517. UNIT OBS. APPROX. 15 - 20 NVA NEAR ITS AMB. SITE. INITIATED CON. WITH S/A, A/W, M-79 & EN. RET'D S/A & GRENS. FOUR USMC WERE WOUNDED & EVACKED. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG. RES.	S.F.D.
1035	1050	8	010945H	I 3/5 CO S&C A.T. 952509. UNIT FND. 49 US MADE 60 MM RND, 1 81 MM RND & ASSORTED DOCUMENTS ROUNDS WERE DES. & DOC. TO BE FORWARDED TO S-2	S.F.D.
1045	-	9	011100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 33 H.H.	S.F.
1130	-	10	011100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 10 H.H.	S.F.
1140	-	11	011100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 35 H.H.	S.F.
1215	1300	12	011135H	M 3/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT945505. UNIT FD 3 TONS RICE LOC AT ABOVE COORD.	S.F.D.
1300	1330	13	011141H	A 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT898505. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE FM EST 3-5 VC. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC UNIT MOVING TO DEVELOPE CONTACT.	S.F.D.
1400	1430	14	011205H	I 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT953517. UNIT FD 100 RDS AK-47 AMMO AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS AT ABOVE COORD. RDS DESTROYED. DOCUMENTS TO BN S-2.	S.F.D.
1445	1530	15	011230H	F 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT998518. UNIT OBS 1 VC RUNNING SW FR LZ CONDOR & 20 VC CROSSING BLUE LINE TO THE NORTH. FIRED S/A & A/W FIRE KILLING (1) VC AND CALLED MARINE ARTY & AIR ON 20 VC.	S.F.D.
1600	1700	16	011537H	G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT960506. USMC DET M-26 GREEN SUR EXPL DEV. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC.	S.F.D.
1800	1805	17	011100H	L.I.M 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT938598. OBS ENEMY IN SMALL GPS RUNNING OUT OF TREELINE. FIRED ON ENEMY AS THEY EMERGED FM TRL KILLING 15 VC.	S.F.D.
1830	1900	18	011635H	AO 15 SUPPORTING 2/5. RAN FIXED WING AIR STRIKE ON VC LOC AT975517. RES: 2 VC KIA.	S.F.D.
1845	1900	19	011645H	H&S 1/5 SQD OP LOC AT909506. OBS TWO GPS OF VC LOC AT905507. FIRED S/A KILLING 1 VC.	S.F.D.

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0001	-	1	020001H	JOURNAL OPENED.	S.F.
0100	0030	2	011430H	E 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 964507. UNIT REC'D S/A. A/W. & B-40 ROCKETS FM. 966507. UNIT REP'D S/A. A/W M-79 & ROCKET F IRE. CALLED MAR. ARMY MSN THEN SWEEP PART OF OBJ. AREA. PULLED BACK TO DEFEND POST BECAUSE OF DARKNESS. RES. 1 USMC KIA, 12 WIAE, 5 WIANE, 11 NVA KIA, 2 DET, 4 IWC, 1 CSWC	S.F.D.
0100	0030	3	011510H	G 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 966506. WHILE ATTACKING NE UNIT REC'D S/A. A/W. ROCKET FIRE FM. VIC. ABOVE GRID. REP'D FIRE. CALLED MAR. ARMY MSN OF 17 RND & 4 FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING. CONTINUED ATT. UNTIL DUSK. WILL SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT. RES. 3 USMC WIANE, 1 NBCE	
0000	0030	4	011512H	H 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 961521. UNIT ENGAGED EN. PLT. IN FORTIFIED POSITS. REC'D S/A. A/W & ROCKET RND. ENEMY FIRE WAS VERY ACCURATE & CAME FROM WELL CONCEALED POSITS. REP'D FIRE & CALLED 1 FLIGHT FIXED WING. CONTACT CONT'D TO DUSK. UNIT PULLED BACK TO SET UP DEF. PERIM WILL SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT. RES. 6 USMC KIA, 10 WIAE, 1 WIANE 6 NVA KIA, 1 DET., 1 AK-47	S.F.D.
0100	0030	5	011530H	F 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 990515 UNIT OBS. 2 NVA RUNNING FM. TREE LINE. FIRED 50 RND S/A KILLING 1 NVA & WOUNDING OTHER. SEARCHED AREA & APP. 2ND NVA FURTHER SEARCH REV. ANOTHER DET.	S.F.D.
0100	0030	6	012015H	B 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 956517. UNIT OBS. 4 NVA NEAR ITS POSIT. ENEMY FLED INTO BUSHES. ONE RAISED HIS ARMS & SURRENDERED.	S.F.D.
0100	0030	7	012030H	G 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 976510. UNIT REC'D 7 RND 60 MM FM. ENEMY AT 971517. CALLED FOR MAR. 81 MSN. A SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS OBS. FIRE CEASED.	S.F.D.
0335	0345	8	020125H	G 2/5 CO DEF. POSIT. A.T. 987510. 60MM RND FELL SHORT ON FRIENDLY POSIT. WOUNDING 3 USMC. RND WAS APPARENTLY DEFECTIVE AS IT WAS 8TH RND OF 10 RND VOLLEY. ALL OTHER RND ON TARGET. MED EVAC CALLED & COMPLETED FOR 3 USMC NBCE.	S.F.D.
0800	0740	9	011530H	F 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 990515. ONE VIA DET. DIED OF WOUNDS. CHANGE TOTALS TO READ: 2 NVA KIA, 1 DET	S.F.D.
0800	-	10	020500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 38 H.H.	S.F.
0800	-	11	020500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 36 H.H.	S.F.
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0820		12	020125H	G 2/5 CO DE F. POSIT. A.T. 987510. LINE E TO FOLLOW UP READ: BECAUSE WOUNDS WERE SUSTAINED DURING EN. CONTACT, CHANGE 3 NEECE TO 3 WIAE.	S.F.D.
0820		13	011510H	G 2/5 CO S&C A.T. (966506) LINE E TO READ: ONE FOLLOW UP NEECE CHANGE TO ADDITIONAL WIAE. WOUNDS WERE SUSTAINED DURING CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY.	S.F.D.
0915		14	020730H	F 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 995515. USMC DET. M-26 GREN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. MED EVAC CALLED & COMPLETED FOR 2 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1125		15	020730H	F 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 987518. UNIT REC'D APPROX. 40 RND S/A FIRE FM. ABOVE EN. COORD. RET'D S/A & M-79 FIRE. SEARCHED AREA & FOUND 1 VC KIA. 1 DET., 3 SKS'S. 1 RPD MACHINE GUN.	S.F.D.
1125	-	16	021100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 39 H.H.	S.F.
1125	-	17	021100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 37 H.H.	S.F.
1300	1400	18	021229H	2/5 CP LOC AT971507. UNIT FD 2 TONS RICE AND 1 NVA SP PACK. RICE DESTROYED.	S.F.D.
1400	1430	19	021030H	1/5 CO C CP LO C AT942500. USMC DET DUD M-79 RD WOUNDING TWO USMC. MED. EVAC CALLED.	S.F.D.
1830	1900	20	021735H	1/5 HAS CP W/SNIPE. UNIT REC'D 3-4 RDS SNIPE FIRE FM 2 VC LOC AT904502. SNIPE RET'D S/A FIRE KILLING 1 VC.	S.F.D.
1645	1900	21	021445H	F 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT984516. UNIT FD 1 RPD & ASSORTED PERSONAL ITEMS. FWD TO BN S-2.	S.F.D.
1845	1900	22	021530H	1/5 B VEHICLE TRANSPORT LOC AT907500. VN MALE ON MTR CYCLE THREW ONE CHICOM GREN AT VEHICLE. UNIT APPREHENDED TWO VN MALES AS VC SUSPECT.	S.F.D.
1800	-	23	021800H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #41 H.H.	S.F.
1800	-	24	021800H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #38 H.H.	S.F.
1900	1930	25	021610H	F 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT988517. UNIT FD 1 SKS AND WILL FWD TO BN S-2.	S.F.D.
2000	2045	26	021231H	C 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT943503. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE WHO WAS WOUNDED. FWD TO BAS AND THEN WILL BE FWD TO REGT S-2 FOR CLASS BY ITT.	S.F.D.
2300	-	27	020915H	F 2/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT866493. 3 DTNE'S CLASS BY ITT AS 3 INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2300	-	28	241700H	G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT807477. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA RTNE.	S.F.D.
2300	-	29	251030H	D 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT945528. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2300	-	30	251210H	H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT815483. 3 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 3 INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2300	-	31	261410H	G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT809468. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2300	-	32	261455H	E 2/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT806498. 2 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV AND 1 CIV DEF.	S.F.D.

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0600	-	3	030500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. #40 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	4	030500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. #2 H.H.	S.F.
1100	-	5	030930H	H 2/5 PLT S&C A.T. 928528. UNIT OBS VN MALE HIDING IN THE BUSHES. APP. HIM & SENT HIM TO CO. CP FOR INITIAL INTERROGATION.	S.F.D.
1100	1200	6	030745H	2/5 CP S&C A.T. 976523 VN MALE WALKED INTO CP CLAIMING KNOWLEDGE OF VC/NVA MOVEMENT IN THE AREA. HE WILL BE FORWARDED TO REGT S-2.	S.F.D.
1100	1200	7	022130H	H 2/5 CO DEF. POSIT. A.T. 979525. UNIT OBS. MOVEMENT NEAR ITS POSIT. FIRED S/A & A/W. SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT REV. 1 NVA KIA & 1 AK-47.	S.F.D.
1110	-	8	031100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. #3 H.H.	S.F.
1110	-	9	031100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. #41 H.H.	S.F.
1130	-	10	031100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. #44 H.H.	S.F.
1130	1200	11	031005H	A 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PFL A.T. 903490. USMC DET. BOUNCING BETTY TYPE MINE WOUNDING 3 MARINES. MED EVAC CALLED & COMPLETED.	S.F.D.
1150	1200	12	030600H	C 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 944501. UNIT LOCATED 4 VN CIV WHO HAD BEEN WOUNDED DURING 02 NOV. CONTACT. MED EVAC CALLED FOR WOUNDED PEOPLE.	S.F.D.
1300	1315	13	031000H	F 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT986518. APPREHENDED 1 MALE DET AS NVA SUSPECT. MAN HAD 4 CHICOM GREN. 1 NVA GAS MASK.	S.F.D.
1300	1315	14	031000H	H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT980518. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 MALE DET AS NVA SUSPECT. MAN HAD 3 GRENADES AND MISC OTHER GEAR.	S.F.D.
1400	1500	15	031030H	E 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT975516. CONTROLLED AIR STRIKE DROPPED BOMBS ON E1 AND E2 POSIT. RES: 6 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA EVAC, 2VN CIV WIA EVAC.	S.F.D.
1400	1500			E 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT975516. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 MALE DET AS NVA SUSPECT. MAN WAS WOUNDED.	S.F.D.
1520	1530	16	031230H	A 1/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT911487. USMC HAD ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE WOUNDING 1 USMC NBC.	S.F.D.
1630	1700	17	031420H	F 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT988524. UNIT OBS 4 VC FIRED S/A, A/W FIRE KILLING 1 VC. APPREHENDED REMAINING 3 AS VC SUSPECT.	S.F.D.
1700	-	18	031700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #45	S.F.
1700	-	19	031700H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #42	S.F.
1700	-	20	031700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #4	S.F.
1800	2000	21	031720H	2/5 CP CO S&C LOC AT987507. RESUPPLY HELO DROPPED NET BEFORE IT HIT THE GROUND, IT FELL DOWN A HILL HITTING ONE USMC. RES: 1 USMC NBC EVAC.	S.F.D.
1830	2000	22	031830H	H 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT006497. USMC DET CHICOM GREN SET W/TRIP WIRE AS SUR EXPL DEV. RES: 1 USMC WIA MINOR.	S.F.D.

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IN	OUT				
0001	-	1	040001H	JOURNAL OP ENDED	S.F.
0500	-	2	040500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 44 H.H.	S.F.
0500	-	3	040500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 47 H.H.	S.F.
0500	-	4	040500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 6 H.H.	S.F.
1035	1130	5	040750H	B 1/5 SQD. BLOCKING FORCE A.T. 953515. UNIT ACTING AS BLOCKING FORCE FOR SWEEP OBS. 1 VC. FIRED S/A & KILLED HIM. ALSO CAPT. 1 M45 CAL PISTOL. MAGAZINES. PENCIL FLARES & FLARE GUN.	S.F.D.
1035	1130	6	040830H	L 3/5 PLT. CMHT. PTL A.T. 933444. USMC DET M-33 GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. 1 MARINE WAS KILLED & 1 M-60 WAS RENDERED NON OPERATIONAL. MED EVAC CALLED FOR KIA & GUN.	S.F.D.
1100	-	7	041100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 48 H.H.	S.F.
1100	-	8	0411 00	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 45 H.H.	S.F.
1130	1130	9	041100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 7 H.H.	S.F.
1400	1410	10	041100H	B1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT942518. USMC DET M-26 RIGGED AS SUR EXPL DEV RES 1 USMC WIA EVAC.	S.F.D.
1445	1500	11	041330H	L 3/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT941442. UNIT OBS 2 NVA LOC AT945442. FIRED S/A KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.D.
1555	1700	12	041200H	E 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT986517. UNIT FD 1 NVA KIA DISC AND ASSORTED GEAR.	S.F.D.
1700	-	13	041430H	1ST RECON BN INSERT "SADDLE BAG". UNIT OBS 24 VC/NVA LOC AT815472 WITH WPND. PACKS. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 3 VC. 5 NVA.	S.F.
1700	-	14	041700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #48 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	15	041700H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #46 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	16	041700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #8 H.H.	S.F.
1745	-	17	041625H	1ST RECON BN INSERT "SADDLE BAG". UNIT OBS 12 VC WITH PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT807477. CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 2 VC.	S.F.
2000	2100	18	271030H	D 1/5 S&C LOC AT929491. 2 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 2 NVA POW.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	19	011430H	H 2/5 S&C LOC AT964507. 2 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 2 NVA POW.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	20	011512H	H 2/5 S&C LOC AT961521. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	21	011530H	F 2/5 S&C LOC AT990515. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA RTNE.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	22	020730H	F 2/5 S&C LOC AT987518. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA POW.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	23	021231H	C 1/5 PLT S&C LOC AT943503. DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 VC POW.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	24	030745H	CP 2/5 S&C LOC AT976528. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV.	S.F.D.
2000	2100	25	030930H	H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT928528. 1 DET CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA POW.	S.F.D.

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0001	-	1	050001H	JOURNAL OPENED. OPN HENDERSON HILL	S.F.
0045	0200	2	042330H	C 1/5 CO NIGHT ATTACK A.T. 938527. USMC DET.	S.F.D.
				WHITE PHOSPHORUS TYPE GREN. SET AS SUR. EX. DEV	
				MED EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIAE.	
0600	0745	3	050330H	C 1/5 CO NIGHT ATTACK A.T. 953542. UNIT REC'D	S.F.D.
				APPROX. 50 S/A RND FROM THE NE WOUNDING 1 USMC	
				RET'D S/A & CONTINUED PREP FIRE ON OBJECTIVES.	
				CALLED & COMP. MED EVACS.	
0600	-	4	050500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 50 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	5	050500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 48 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	6	050500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 10 H.H.	S.F.
1035	1050	7	050955H	K 3/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 905466. UNIT END.	S.F.D.
				M-79 RND. SET AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN	
				PLACE.	
1045	-	8	051100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 49 H.H.	S.F.
1130	-	9	051100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 51 H.H.	S.F.
1130	-	10	051100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 11 H.H.	S.F.
1155	1400	11	050730H	B 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT968538. UNIT FD 4 RDS	S.F.D.
				B-40 ROCKETS AND DESTROYED THEM.	
1200	1400	12	050902H	B 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT970544. UNIT CAME UNDER	S.F.D.
				A/W AND S/A FIRE. RET'D FIRE. RES: 1 USMC	
				KIA, 2 USMC WIA EVAC, 3 NVA KIA, 2 DET, 2	
				AK-47. 1 SKS ALSO CAPTURED.	
1205	1400	13	050850H	A 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT887502. USMC DET M-26	S.F.D.
				RESULTING IN 2 USMC WIA EVAC.	
1200	1400	14	050900H	A 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT895511. UNIT APPREHENDED	S.F.D.
				2 DETAINEES WITHOUT ID CARDS.	
1210	1400	15	051115H	F 1/2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT87002540. UNIT FD 120	S.F.D.
				RDS 12.7 MM AA AMMO. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	
1730	1830	16	051530H	G 2/5 CO S&C LOC BT015519. UNIT FD 1500 LBS	S.F.D.
				POLISHED RICE. FWD TO REGT CP.	
1730	1830	17	051600H	G 2/5 CO S&C LOC BT015518. USMC DET M-26	S.F.D.
				DET PRESS TYPE. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC.	
1700	-	18	051530H	1ST RECON BN INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 40	S.F.D.
				NVA WITH CREW SERVED WPN. CALLED MAR ARTY	
				MSN KILLING 1 NVA.	
1700	-	19	051700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #51 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	20	051700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #12 H.H.	S.F.
1915	-	21	051700H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #50 H.H.	S.F.
1930	1945	22	051500H	B&C 1/5 CO S&C'S LOC AT970542 & AT967550. UNIT	S.F.D.
				ATTACKING AREA HIT A WELL INT 25-30 NVA WITH	
				A/W, S/A, B-40 & RPG'S. CALLED MARINE ARTY	
				AND MARINE FIXED WING. RES: 7 USMC KIA,	
				8 USMC WIA EVAC.	
2000	2130	23	051815H	H&S 2/5 CO S&C LOC BT015517. UNIT FD 3500 LBS	S.F.D.
				RICE AFTER SWEEPING ABOVE OBJ.	

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0001	-	1	060001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0030	-	2	052300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 53 H.H.	S.F.
0120	0140	3	051120H	H&S 3/5 BASE SEC. AN HOA. USMC SUSTAINED GSW TO LEFT LEG WHEN PISTOL HE WAS CLEANING ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED. MED EVAC CALLED & COMP.	S.F.D.
0120	0140	4	050902H	B 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 970544. LINE E TO READ: DEL- FOLLOW UP ETE 2 DET'S ON PREVIOUS SPOT REPORT AS THEY WERE ERRONEOUSLY SUBMITTED.	S.F.D.
0545	-	5	060500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 52 H.H.	S.F.
0700	-	6	060500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 54 H.H.	S.F.
0700	-	7	060500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 14 H.H.	S.F.
0700	0610	8	051500H	B & C 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 970542 & 967550. UPDATE FOLLOW UP LINE E TO READ: CASUALTY TOTALS: 6 USMC KIA AND 13 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1035	1055	9	060501H	C 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 958544. UNIT REC'D APPROX. 50 60MM RNDZ FROM THE N. REP'D COUNTER MORTAR FIRE OF 90 RNDZ 105 & 60MM. RES. 3 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1035	1055	10	060930H	A 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 894502. USMC DET. M-26 GREN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. RES. 1 USMC WIAE WHO WAS ECACKED.	S.F.D.
1040	-	11	061000H	RECON INSERT HIRELING. UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING E TO W AT A.T. 795489. TWO CARRIED WENS. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN KILLING 3 NVA.	S.F.D.
1100	-	12	061100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 15 H.H.	S.F.
1110	-	13	061100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 53 H.H.	S.F.
1800	-	14	061800H	(LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO M CO S&C LOC AT904475. UNIT WAS APPROACHED BY A VN CIV WHO SAID A MARINE WITH WHOM HE WAS RIDING WAS KILLED ON LIB ROAD TO THE NORTH OF AN HOA BY 25 VC WHO STEPPED IN FRONT OF THE JEEP. MARINE WAS REPORTEDLY KILLED VIC AT909499. VN CIV SAID MARINE ATTEMPTED TO TURN VEHICLE AROUND WHEN VC SHOT HIM. VN CIV THEN JUMPED FROM VEHICLE AND RAN BACK DOWN LIB ROAD TO THE SOUTH UNTIL SPOTTED BY CO M 3/5 AT902472. VN CIV GAVE HIS NAME AS NGUYEN THANH LIEN. HE HAS A GOVT OPERATORS PERMIT ISSUED FROM NSA #9729. UNIT IMMED DISPATCHED SEARCH PARTY LED BY VN CIV. WENT TO AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. A RECOVERY TM SENT FROM 5TH MARINES ON 6 NOV 68 LOCATED VEHICLE AND 1 USMC KIA. WHILE ATTEMPTING TO GET TO VEHICLE, UNIT DET A LAND MINE 5 METERS OFF THE ROAD RESULTING IN 8 USMC WIA EVAC. MED-EVAC CALLED AND COMPLETED.	S.F.
125	-	15	061745H	1/5 CO H&S DET POSIT LOC AT926527. 1 VN MALE CAME TO CP FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. HE WAS DETAINED BECAUSE HIS NAME APPEARED ON S-2 BLACK	S.F.

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				LIST AS A VC SUSPECT. UNIT WILL FWD TO NSA DANANG.	
1740	-	16	061230H	RECON INSERT HIRELING LOC AT801478. UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING E TO W LOC AT814479 WEARING KHAHI UTILITIES, HELMETS AND CARRYING WENS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA. UNIT THEN OBS 2 OTHER NVA DRAGGING NVA KIA INTO WOODED AREA. UNIT CALLED FOR A REPEAT MAR ARTY MSN. UNIT COULD NOT OBS.	S.F.
1741	-	17	061335H	RECON INSERT GUNSMOKE. UNIT OBS 40 NVA WAITING AROUND STREAM BED LOC AT213535 WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. WEARING KHAHI UNIFORMS. UNIT CALLED MAR FIXED WING AIR STRIKE KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.
2020	-	18	061300H	1/5 CO A CO S&C LOC AT887503. USMC DET M-26 SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MED EVAC.	S.F.
2022	-	19	061400H	2/5 CO E CO S&C LOC AT988517. UNIT FOUND 1 ASSAULT WPN WITH MAG, 4 CHICOM GREN, 1 AK-47 MAG, AND 1 HAMMOCK. UNIT DESTROYED GREN AND SENT OTHER EQUIP TO REGT S-2.	S.F.
2024H	-	20	061400H	2/5 CO E CO S&C LOC AT988517 (FOLLOW UP). CHANGE TO READ: FOUND 1 RPD VICE ASSAULT WPN.	S.F.
2026	-	21	061420H	2/5 CO H CO S&C LOC AT012518. WHILE SEARCHING AREA, VN MALE SURRENDERED WITH CHOI HOI LEAPLEH. DETAINEE WILL BE SENT TO REGT S-2.	S.F.
2028	-	22	061420H	3/5 CO I CO S&C LOC AT936516. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE WITH NO ID CARD. WILL INTERROGATE WITH CO C S-2 PERSONNEL.	S.F.
2031	-	23	061505H	1/5 CO A CO S&C LOC AT875506. USMC DET BOX MINE. UNIT CALLED MED EVAC.	S.F.
2033	-	24	061730H	2/5 CO E CO DEF POSIT LOC AT015509. UNIT DISC 173 HUNDRED POUND BAGS OF RICE. RICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO REGT S-2.	S.F.
2035	-	25	061715H	2/5 CO G CO DEF POSIT. LOC AT980525. USMC DEF CHICOM GREN SET WITH TRIP AS SUR EX DEVICE. USMC WILL BE EVACED ON SUPPLY CHOPPER.	S.F.
2130	-	26	061704H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #15 H.H.	S.F.
2132	-	27	061728H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #56 H.H.	S.F.
2134	-	28	061734H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #54 H.H.	S.F.
2240	-	29	062235H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #55 H.H.	S.F.
2255	-	30	061815H	TIGER 6 CAP UNIT LOC AT910487. PC TRAVELING SOUTH WAS AMBUSHED BY 20-25 VC WOUNDING 3 USMC NON-EVACS. LIGHT DAMAGE TO PC. UNIT RET'D FIRE. TRUCK DRIVEN TO 3/5 CP.	S.F.
2256	-	31	062248H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #16 H.H.	S.F.
2345	-	32	062331H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #57 H.H.	S.F.
2345H	-	33	062400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	S.F.

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2350	-	1	062350H	JOURNAL OPENED.	S.F.
0145	0155	2	062345H	E 2/5 CO NIGHT DEF. POSIT. E CP REC'D 2 INCOMING GREN. FROM UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE WOUNDING 3 MARINES. RET'D 4 GRENS. & 100 RND S/A. WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. COORD. 002544.	S.F.D.
0655	-	3	080500H	1/5 SPEC. SITREP # 58 H.H.	S.F.
0655	-	4	080500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 56 H.H.	S.F.
0655	-	5	080500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 18 H.H.	S.F.
0830	-	6	070800H	RECON INSERT HIHELING A.T. 819463. UNIT OBS. 4 NVA AT A.T. 805463. THEY WERE MOVING E TO W AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. NVA MOVED INTO STRUCTURE AND MARINE ARMY MSN WAS CALLED KILLING 3 NVA.	S.F.
1030	-	7	070840H	RECON INSERT HIHELING OBS. 3 NVA AT A.T. 817469 SITTING IN BOMB CRATER. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING ALL THREE.	S.F.
1100	-	8	071100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 57 H.H.	S.F.
1110	-	9	071100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 18 H.H.	S.F.
1110	-	10	071100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 59 H.H.	S.F.
1400	1500	11	062345H	H 2/5 SQD AMB LOC BT012519. UNIT SEARCHED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT AFTER BEING PROBED AND FOUND 1 VC KIA.	S.F.D.
1330	1500	12	070530H	G1/5 CO S&C LOC AT958545. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 WOMAN WHO SAID SHE IS A VC WIFE.	S.F.D.
1545	1720	13	070645H	D 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT900505. UNIT OBS 12 VC LOC AT903505. FIRED S/A & A/W KILLING 8 VC.	S.F.D.
1744	-	14	071743H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #58 H.H.	S.F.
1745	-	15	071745H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #60 H.H.	S.F.
1745	-	16	071745H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #20 H.H.	S.F.
2000	2030	17	071645H	F 2/5 SQD S&C LOC AT982524. AO OBS 3 NVA LOC ATABOVE COORD. UNIT WAS SENT TO INVESTIGATE AREA. OBS 3 NVA. UNIT FIRED 50 RDS S/A, AND ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO FLEE. UNIT CAPTURED 1 MALE DETAINEE.	S.F.D.
2000	2030	18	071935H	AO IN SUPPORT OF FIFTH MAR OBS 1 VC TRYING TO CROSS RIV ER LOC AT945475. AO FIRED AT ENEMY KILLING 1 VC.	S.F.D.
2000	2037	19	071700H	H 2/5 CO S&C LOC BT010518. UNIT FD 5 100 LBS BAGS OF RICE. MSICH DOCUMENTS. WILL BWD TO BN 24	S.F.D.
2145	2150	20	072000H	L 3/5 SQD AMB LOC AT933743. UNIT SET AMB ON 2 NVA KILLING 1 NVA. PULLED BACK AND WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.	S.F.D.
2130	2150	21	071800H	L 3/5 SQD OP LOC AT933473. UNIT OBS 8 NVA CS RIVER. FIRED A/W FIRE AND CALLED FIXED WING AIR STRIKE. 60MM MSN AND TWO AO ON STATION SPT WITH ROCKETS AND A/W FIRE KILLING 5 NVA.	S.F.D.
2300	-	22	072300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #21 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	23	072300H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #61 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	24	072300H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #59 H.H.	S.F.
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0600	-	3	080500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 60 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	4	080500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 22 H.H.	S.F.
0720	0810	5	080301H	2/11 ARTY BATTERY. 155MM HOWITZER EXPLODED IN- XXXXXXXXXX JURING THREE MARINES. BN. SURGEON. ORD. OFFICER XXXXXXXXXX BN. CO ON SCENE. FIRE CREW FROM AIR STATION ON XXXXXXXXXX SCENE TO FIGHT FIRE IN AMMO BUNKER. MED EVAC CALLED. INVESTIGATION IN PROCESS.	S.F.D.
0800	0810	6	080530H	F 2/5 CO DEF. POSIT. A.T. 992542. UNIT REC'D 1 INCOMING GREN. WOUNDING 1 USMC. REF'D 150 S/A AND SE ARCHED AREA WITH NEG. RESULTS. MAN TO BE EVACUATED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
1005	-	7	080915H	RECON INSERT HIRELING OBS. 4 NVA MOVING W TO E AT A.T. 799465. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULT- ING IN 2 NVA KIA. REMAINING EN. MOVED INTO TREELINE WHERE OBSERVATION WAS IMPOSSIBLE.	S.F.
1045	-	8	080940H	K 3/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 901437. UNIT FOUND WELL CAMOUFLAGED PUNJI PTT. DESTROYED WITH C-4.	S.F.D.
1045	-	9	081100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 23 H.H.	S.F.
1050	-	10	081100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 61 H.H.	S.F.
1120	-	11	081100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 63 H.H.	S.F.
1440	-	12	080810H	1/5 CO H&S OP LOC AT913508. WHILE SETTING IN OP. UNIT REC'D AK-47 RDS SAME VIC. UNIT ALSO REC'D 4 CHICOM GREN WOUNDING 1 USMC. UNIT REF'D FIRE WITH S/A AND CALLED MAR 81MM MSN. CALLED MEDEVAC.	S.F.
1445	-	13	081100H	3/5 CO I PLAT RD SWP SEC LOC AT960534. WHILE MOVING SOUTH TO 1/5 CP UNIT FOUND 1 105MM RD RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.
1446	-	14	081115H	3/5 CO I PLAT RD SWP SEC LOC AT934531. WHILE MOVING TO 1/5 CP UNIT FOUND 1 CHICOM GREN RIG- GED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.
1447	-	15	081215H	RECON INSERT HIRELING. UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST LOC AT811465. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.
1449	-	16	081245H	RECON INSERT HIRELING. UNIT OBS 13 NVA STAND- ING STILL WITH WENS. A/W. CREW SERVED WENS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 5 NVA.	S.F.
1450	-	17	081300H	1/5 CO H&S CP LOC AT923522. CIVILIANS BROUGHT 1 EN MALE WITH SHRAPNEL WOUNDS IN HIS LEG TO 1/5 CP. S-2 INTERROGATION REVEALED MAN ON BLACK LIST. BUT DISTRICT AND VILLAGE DO NOT CORRESPOND. DET BEING SENT TO REGT S-2 FOR FURTHER INTERROGATION. MED AID GIVEN.	S.F.

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1500	-	18	081410H	RECON INSERT HIRELING. UNIT OBS 6 NVA WEARING KHAKE AND BLACK PJ'S STOP IN HOOTCH LOC AT805 485. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 5 NVA.	S.F.
1630	-	19	081530H	RECON INSERT HIRELING. UNIT OBS 7 NVA MOVING ALONG RIVER BED WEST TO EAST WITH PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT825475. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 2 NVA.	S.F.
1715	-	20	081708H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #64 H.H.	S.F.
1730	-	21	080301H	DELETE JOURNAL ENTRY 080301H T BATTERY 2/11.	S.F.
2030	-	22	081715H	1/5 CO C PLAT BLOCK POSIT LOC AT964555. WHILE IN BLOCK POSIT. UNIT CAME ACROSS FOLLOWING GEAR 1 FEED PLATE FOR 12.7MM MACHINE GUN, 1 HOMEMADE MORTAR TUBE, ASSORTED 782 GEAR, NVA SHORTS, NVA TROUSERS, AND 1 NVA FLAG. ALSO APPREHENDED 1 DETAINEE. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO 1/5 S-2 REAR TOMORROW.	S.F.
2032	-	23	081820H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 15 NVA MOVING SOUTH TO NORTHEAST WITH LARGE PACKS, AMMO AND WEPS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 9 NVA.	S.F.
2315	-	24	081930H	1/5 CO B CO DEF POSIT LOC AT976545. UNIT OBS 6 NVA SETTING UP 82MM MORTAR TUBE POINTING WEST. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 6 NVA AND DESTROYING 82MM.	S.F.
2325	-	25	082304H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #65 H.H.	S.F.
2326	-	26	082315H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #63 H.H.	S.F.
2405	-	27	082318H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #64 H.H.	S.F.
2406	-	28	082400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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2400	-	1	090001H	JOURNAL OPENED.	S.F.
0445	0455	2	090130H	K 3/5 SQD. AMB. A.T. 892437. WHILE SETTING UP CLAYMORE MINE, USMC ACCIDENTALLY DETONATED THE BLASTING CAP. MINOR INJURIES WERE TREATED IN FIELD.	S.F.D.
0445	0455	3	081930H	B 1/5 CO. DEF. POSIT. A.T. 976545. LINE E: ADD DISREGARD 1 CSWC TO CUMULATIVE CASUALTY TOTALS -- 1.82 DISREGARD MM MORTAR TUBE.	S.F.D.
0445	-	4	090500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 64 H.H.	S.F.
0500	-	5	090500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 66 H.H.	S.F.
0520	-	6	090500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 26 H.H.	S.F.
1045	-	7	091010H	1ST RCN. BN. HIRELING. A UNIT OBS. 8 NVA & VC AT A.T. 816467. THEY WERE MOVING W TO E & 2 HAD WPNS. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 1 NVA	S.F.
1045	-	8	090530H	D 1/5 SQD. AMB. A.T. 962554. UNIT HEARD MOVEMENT NEAR ITS POSIT & THREW GREM. GREM HIT FOLIAGE & FELL NEAR MARINES WOUNDING 2. MEN WERE TREAT ED IN FIELD.	S.F.D.
1045	-	9	090940H	A 1/5 PLT. RD. SWP. S. EC. A.T. 927521. UNIT FND BOX MINE SET IN ROAD AS SUR. EX. BEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1045	-	10	031047H	E 2/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 975516. DTNE CLASSIFIED BY FOLLOW UP ITT AS NVA POW.	S.F.D.
1045	-	11	041800H	A 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL A.T. 892511. DTNE CLASSIFIED FOLLOW UP BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV & 1 CIV DEF.	S.F.D.
1045	-	12	050900H	A 1 /5 CO S&C A.T. 895511. 2 DTNES CLASSIFIED BY FOLLOW UP ITT AS 1 INN CIV. & 1 CIV DEF.	S.F.D.
1045	-	13	061420H	H 2/5 CO S&C A.T. 012518. DTNE CLASSIFIED BY FOLLOW UP ITT AS VC DTNE.	S.F.D.
1045	-	14	061420H	I 3/5 CO S&C A.T. 936516. DTNE CLASSIFIED BY ITT FOLLOW UP A S INN CIV.	S.F.D.
1045	-	15	070530H	C 1/5 PLT. AMB. A.T. 958545. DTNE CLASSIFIED BY FOLLOW UP ITT AS INN CIV.	S.F.D.
1045	-	16	071645H	F 2/5 SQD. S&C A.T. 981524. DTNE CLASSIFIED BY FOLLOW UP ITT AS NVA POW	S.F.D.
1045	-	17	081300H	CP 1 /5 A.T. 927526 DTNE CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS FOLLOW UP CIV. DEF.	S.F.D.
1055	-	18	091100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 67 H.H.	S.F.
1100	-	19	091100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 65 H.H.	S.F.
1100	-	20	091100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 27 H.H.	S.F.
1455	-	21	090950H	1/5 CO A SQD RD SWP SEC LOC AT 914512. UNIT FND 1 81MM SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. UNIT BLEW IN PLACE.	S.F.
1456	-	22	091000H	1/5 CO C PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT 968588. UNIT FND FRESH GRAVE. UNIT DUG UP GRAVE AND FND 1 BODY WITHOUT HEAD. BODY HAD ON GREEN NVA UTILITIES. BODY SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS.	S.F.

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2400	-	1	100001H	JOURNAL OPENED.	S.F.
0500	-	2	100500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 30 H.H.	S.F.
0530	-	3	100500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 68 H.H.	S.F.
0550	-	4	100500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 70 H.H.	S.F.
0735	0755	5	091715H	C 1/5 SQD. CMPT. PTL A.T. 965558. UPDATE LINE FOLLOW UP ECHO TO READ: DELETE 2 NVA POW & ADD 2 DENE'S PENDING CLASSIFICATION BY ITT.	S.F.D.
0945	0955	6	100700H	B 1/5 PLT. OP A.T. 977560. UNIT OBSERVED 40 NVA MOVING N. AT A.T. 981564. THEY CARRIED PACKS, WEAPONS & POSSIBLE 82MM MORTAR TUBE. CALLED & ADJUSTED MAR. ARTY ON TARGET. NVA SPLIT N. & S. OBSERVED 3 KIA ON INITIAL IMPACT.	S.F.D.
1045	-	7	101100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 69 H.H.	S.F.
1150	-	8	101100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 31 H.H.	S.F.
1205	-	9	101100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 71 H.H.	S.F.
1715	-	10	101046H	1/5 CO D CO S&C LOC AT 927534. UNIT OBS 1 DEAD NVA FLOATING WEST IN RIVER. NVA WEARING GREEN UTILITIES.	S.F.
1725H	-	11	101635H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 4 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING WEST TO EAST LOC AT 808479. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 2 NVA	S.F.
1730	-	12	101645H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #70 H.H.	S.F.
1731	-	13	101655H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #32 H.H.	S.F.
1732	-	14	101658H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #72 H.H.	S.F.
2330	-	15	102230H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #71 H.H.	S.F.
2333	-	16	102301H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #33 H.H.	S.F.
2335	-	17	102307H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #73 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	18	102400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	S.F.

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0001H	-	1	110001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0030	0110	2	102301H	C 1/5 CO. DEF. POSIT. A.T. 959547. USMC OBS'D 2 TO 3 VC ON TRAIL AT ABOVE COORD. HE OPENED FIRE ON ENEMY & SLIPPED WHILE FIRING. HITTING HIMSELF. MED EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
0500	-	3	110500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 74 H.H.	S.F.
0530	-	4	110500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 72 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	5	110500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 34 H.H.	S.F.
1 115	-	6	110920H	G 2/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 975503. UNIT FND. 4 M-26 GRENS. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1 115	-	7	111015H	G 2/5 CO. S&C A.T. 971516. UNIT FND. 100 60LB. BAGS OF RICE AT ABOVE COORD. TO BE LIFTED TO AN HOA.	S.F.D.
1115	-	8	111100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 75 H.H.	S.F.
1115	-	9	111100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 73 H.H.	S.F.
1115	-	10	111100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 35 H.H.	S.F.
1420	-	11	111000H	1/5 CO A PLAT COMBAT PATROL LOC AT907517. UNIT FOUND 1 60MM MORTAR RIGGED AS SUR EX DEVICE. UNIT BLEW IN PLACE.	S.F.
1422	-	12	111200H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 2 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES AND WEARING GREY UTILITIES. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.
1424	-	13	111300H	2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT971516, 964515, 963507. UNIT FOUND 74 HUNDRED POUND BAGS OF RICE AT AT ABOVE LOC. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO AN HOA.	S.F.
1700	-	14	111335H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 12 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST WITH PACKS. CREW SERVED WPNS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 8 NVA.	S.F.
1702	-	15	111430H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 5 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST WITH PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT816470. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 3 NVA.	S.F.
1704	-	16	081715H	(FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C PLAT BLOCKING FORCE LOC AT964555. DETAINEE CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS INN CIV.	S.F.
1706	-	17	091715H	(FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C SQD CBT PAT LOC AT965558. 2 DETAINEES CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS 2 INN CIV.	S.F.
1708	-	18	111657H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #36 H.H.	S.F.
1720	-	19	111640H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #76 H.H.	S.F.
1945	-	20	111657H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #76	S.F.
1946	-	21	111545H	2/5 CO F SQD S&C LOC AT982487. USMC DET M#26 GREN RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. MEDEVAC CALLED FOR 6 USMC WIA.	S.F.
1952	-	22	111545H	2/5 CO E XXX CO S&C LOC AT971516 (FOLLOW UP) UNIT FOUND A TOTAL OF 301 (100# BAGS OF RICE) AT ABOVE LOC FOR 11 NOV. RICE AWAITING TRANS TO AN HOA.	S.F.

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0001	-	1 120001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2 120500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 78 H.H.	S.F.
0545	-	3 120500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 76 H.H.	S.F.
0545	-	4 120500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 38 H.H.	S.F.
0925	0955	5 111745H	F 2/5 PIP. S&C A.T. 976501. CONTINUED SEARCH OF FOLLOW UP AREA PRODUCED MORE BODY PARTS INDICATING A 2ND MARINE HAD BEEN KILLED. PLATOON MUSTER VERIFIED EACT. ADD 1 USMC KIA TOTAL OF 2	S.F.D.
0935	0955	6 120025H	B 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 955525. WHILE SEARCHING EN. BUNKERS. UNIT APP. 2 DIVE'S IN AREA WHERE 15 SNIPER ROUNDS HAD BEEN REC'D FROM. DEP'S TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
0935	0955	7 120830H	B/ 1/5 CO. S&C A.T. 954525. UNIT OBS. A NUMBER OF NVA ON A HILL AT A.T. 957533. CALLED MARINE AIR STRIKE & OBS. 6 NVA RUNNING NE. ALSO OBS'D 3 NVA KIA ON HILL.	S.F.D.
1050	-	8 120945H	F 2/5 PIP. CMET. PPL. A.T. 952483. USMC DET. M-26 GREEN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. MED EVAC CALLED FOR 2 USMC WIAE. ONE MAN TREATED IN FIELD FOR MINOR WOUNDS.	S.F.D.
1125	-	9 121100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 79 H.H.	S.F.
1135	-	10 121100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 39 H.H.	S.F.
1145	-	11 121100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 77 H.H.	S.F.
2025	-	12 120830H	(LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO M GP LOC AT904484. UNIT STOPPED AND QUESTIONED CIV. FOUND 1 VN WOMAN AND 1 VN BOY CARRYING OVER \$100 IN VN MONEY. ALSO APPREHENDED 1 VN MAN. UNIT FWD TO 3/5 S-2. INTERP BELIEVED CIV BRINGING FOOD FOR ENEMY IN AN HOA AND DELIVERING IT TO SURROUNDING VILLAGES.	S.F.
2026	-	13 111810H	(LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO I SQD OP LOC AT864452. UNIT OBS 6 NVA WITH ONE PACK SETTING UP MORTAR TUBE. UNIT OPENED FIRE WOUNDING 1 NVA. ENEMY FLED. UNIT THEN FIRED 60MM MSN. SEARCHED AREAR WITH NEG RESULTS.	S.F.
2027	-	14 121200H	1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT950524. USMC DET 105 MM RD OR LARGER RD SET AS SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.	S.F.
2028	-	15 121210H	1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT950524. USMC DET M-26 GREEN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 3 USMC WIA.	S.F.
2029	-	16 121245H	1/5 CO A PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT883510. USMC DET PRESSURE TYPE BOX MINE. UNIT CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.	S.F.
2030	-	17 121445H	1/5 CO A PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT900514. UNIT REC'D 75-100 RDS MACHINE GUN FIRE FROM LOC AT897507. UNIT RET'D S/A AND M-79 FIRE AND CALLED MAR ARTY	S.F.

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2034	-	18	121300H	MSN. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT965514. USMC DET UN KNOWN TYPE SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.	S.F.
2035	-	19	121300H	1/5 CO C CO S&C LOC AT942517. IIT AT THIS POST QUESTIONED 1 VN WOMAN. WOMAN REVEALED HER HUSBAND HAD WORKED FOR VC IN THE PAST AND WAS MISSING AND PROBABLY WITH VC OR NVA. DETAINEE TO BE SENT TO IIT ON NEXT RESUPPLY.	S.F.
2037	-	20	121515H	RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 20 NVA MOVING EAST LOC AT805485 WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 7 NVA.	S.F.
2038	-	21	121545H	2/5 CO F CO S&C LOC AT973474 TO AT974496. ENGINEERS BLEW FOLLOWING BOOBY TRAPS: 1 105MM WITH TRIP WIRE. 2 M-26 GREN WITH TRIP WIRE. 9 60MM PRESSURE DET AND 1 30 POUND BOX MINE PRESSURE DET. ALSO BLEW 2 BUNKERS. UNIT DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND BUNKERS IN PLACE.	S.F.
2042	-	22	121650H	2/5 SPEC SITREP # 78 H.H.	S.F.
2043	-	23	121700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #40 H.H.	S.F.
2044	-	24	121740H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #79 H.H.	S.F.
2150	-	25	121145H	2/5 CO H PLAT S&C LOC AT995514. UNIT FOUND 1 250 POUND BOMB AT ABOVE COORD. ALSO FND 1 M-26 GREN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE AND 1 DUD ILLUM RD. ORDNANCE BLOWN IN PLACE.	S.F.
2152	-	26	121320H	2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT961510 TO AT971517. UNIT FND 4 1/2 TO 5 TONS OF RICE VIC OF ABOVE LOC. UNIT DESTROYED 600 POUNDS. OTHER TO BE SENT TO AN HOA.	S.F.
2218	-	27	122223H	2/5 SPEC SITREP #79 H.H.	S.F.
2315	-	28	122250H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #80 H.H.	S.F.
2320	-	29	122306H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #41 H.H.	S.F.
2425	-	30	122400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	S.F.

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0001	-	1	130001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0530	-	2	130500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 81 H.H.	S.F.
0530	-	3	130500H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 79 H.H.	S.F.
3/5	-	4	130500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 42 H.H.	S.F.
1000	1045	5	121920H	L 3/5 SQD. CMET. PTL. A.T. 867460. MARINE SQD. REIN. WITH 3 VN CIV. GD. MOVING TO AMB. SITE OBS. 3 VN ARMED & ON HIGH GROUND TO SW. SQD. HALTED & DEPLOYED. RADIOED CO L TO CHECK FOR FRIENDLY TROOPS IN AREA. GOT NEG. ANSWER. OPENED FIRE WITH 80 S/a. FORCE FIRED ON RET'D 1000 S/a 20 M-79 RNDs AND 6 GREN. MARINE SQD. LEADER CHECKED SQD'S FIRE. HE HAD CIV. GD'S YELL TO FORCE FIRED ON. OTHER FORCE IDENT. ITSELF AS SEC. PATROL FROM DELTA FORCE PROJECT. ALL FIRE CEASED. RES. 1 DE KIA, 1 DE WIA. INVESTIGATION IS NOW UNDERWAY.	S.F.D.
1050	-	6	130715H	L 3/5 SQD. CMET. PTL. A.T. 897467. UNIT FOUND LAAW IN COCKED POSITION AT ABOVE COORD. ENG. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1055	-	7	130900H	B 1/5 SQD. CMET. PTL. A.T. 912495. USMC DET. 82 MM RND. SET WITH TLLUM. CANNISTER AS SUR. EX. DEV. MED EVACED TO REGT CP BY VEHICLE.	S.F.D.
1115	-	8	131100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 43 H.H.	S.F.
1115	-	9	131100H	2/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 80 H.H.	S.F.
1200	-	10	131200H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 82 H.H.	S.F.
1425	1445	11	131040H	B 1/5 PLAT SEC LOC AT943500. USMC DET UNK TYPE ANTI-PERS MINE WOUNDING 1 USMC VIA EVAC.	S.F.D.
1425	1445	12	130900H	B 1/5 SQD MINE SWEEP LOC AT912495. UNIT FD 155 RD SET WITH TRIP WIRE & BLASTING CAP. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1425	1445	13	130930H	B 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT954512. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 MALE DET AS VC SUSPECT WHO HAD A SPLINT ON HIS LEG. FWD TO BN S-2.	S.F.D.
1700	-	14	131700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #83 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	15	131700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #44 H.H.	S.F.
1800	1900	16	130900H	C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT941515. UNIT FD CACHE WITH 50 TONS RICE, 1 LAAW, ASSORTED 782 GEAR, TOOLS CLOTHING AND DOCUMENTS. FWD TO REGT CP.	S.F.D.
2300	-	17	132330H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #84 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	18	132300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #45 H.H.	S.F.
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0001	-	1	140001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0530	-	2	140500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 85 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	3	140500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 46 H.H.	S.F.
0900	1000	4	140230H	C 1/5 PLT. AMB. A.T. 936516. MAN LEFT HIS POSIT. WITHOUT TELLING ANYONE AND WHEN HE WAS RE-ENTERING HIS LINES, HE WAS SHOT BY FRIENDLY POSIT. MED EVAC CALLED AND COMPLETED. 1 USMC WIAE	S.F.D.
0900	1000	5	140730H	B 1/5 CO. S&C A.T. 949502 & 946503. UNIT END. 6000 - 9000 LBS. OF RICE AT ABOVE COORD. RICE PRESENTLY BEING BAGGED AND LISTED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
1105	-	6	141100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 47 H.H.	S.F.
1145	-	7	141100H	1/5 SPEC. S. IT. REP. # 86 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	8	141700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #87 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	9	141700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #48 H.H.	S.F.
2130	2210	10	142130H	5th MAR CP. (1) RD ENEMY 82MM LANDED IN PHU DA (1). FRDLY VILLAGE ADJACENT TO AN HOA. SEARCHED AREA AND HAD NEGATIVE RESULTS.	S.F.D.
2125	2215	11	142125H	3/5 H&S CO CP. USMC KILLED IN DRIVING ACCIDENT IN CP AREA. RES: 1 NAC KILLED.	S.F.D.
2300	-	12	142300H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #88 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	13	142300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #49 H.H.	S.F.
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0001	-	1	150001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0600	-	2	150500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 89 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	3	150500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 50 H.H.	S.F.
1125	-	4	110830H	M-3/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 904484. 3 DEF'S CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS INN. CIV'S.	S.F.D.
1125	-	5	121300H	C 1/5 CO. S&C A.T. 942517. DET. CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS INN CIV.	S.F.D.
1125	-	6	130930H	B 1/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 957503. DET. CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS CIV. DEF.	S.F.D.
1125	-	7	120025H	B 1/5 CO. S&C A.T. 955525. 2 DEF'S CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS CIV. DEF'S.	S.F.D.
1130	-	8	151100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 90 H.H.	S.F.
1130	-	9	151100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 51 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	10	151700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #91 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	11	151700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #52 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	12	152300H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #92 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	13	152300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #53 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	14	152400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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0001	-	1	160001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2	160500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 93 H.H.	S.F.
0530	-	3	160500H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 54 H.H.	S.F.
1115	-	4	161100H	3/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 55 H.H.	S.F.
1155	-	5	160915H	L 3/5 PLT. CMET. PTL A.T. 897483. UNIT APP. VN WHO HAD NO ID & WAS ACTING IN A SUSPICIOUS WAY. FORWARDED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
1155	-	6	160900H	1/5 CP S&C A.T. 941516. UNIT END 40 LB BOX MINE LYING IN VILLAGE. IT WAS NOT SET AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1200	-	7	161100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 94	
1200	-	8	161050H	1ST RECON BN INSERT "SAND HURST". UNIT OBS 4 NVA LOC AT 792476. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.
1700	-	9	161700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #56 H.H.	S.F.
1700	-	10	161700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #95 H.H.	S.F.
1930	2000	11	161400H	D 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT 950505. UNIT APPREHENDED 3 MALE DETAINEES. FWD TO REGT CP FOR CLASS.	S.F.D.
1830	-	12	161830H	AN HOA TOWER OBS AIRCRAFT IN SUPPORT OF FIRST RECON INSERT "LUNGE POINT" TAKING HEAVY A/W FIRE FM ENEMY LOC ZC19354593. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN AND OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.	S.F.
2300	-	13	162300H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #96 H.H.	S.F.
2300	-	14	162300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #57 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	15	162400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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1530	1600	18	171420H	L 3/5 PLAT SEC LOC AT898489. UNIT FOUND 1 82MM RD RIGGED AS SUR EXPL DEVICE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1700	-	19	171700H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #99 H.H.	S.F.
1700	1730	20	171505H	A 1/5 CO SEC LOC AT941515. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 FEMALE DEF. CLAIMS TO BE 10 YRS OLD, APPEARS AT LEAST 18. FD BLOODY BANDAGES IN HER BOOTCH. DEF HAD BADLY SPRAINED LEG & WAS UNABLE TO WALK BELIEVED TO BE NURSE. FWD TO ITT WITH GUARD.	S.F.D.
1700	-	21	171700H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #50 H.H.	S.F.
2100	2230	22	172100H	B 1/5 SQD AMB LOC AT945524. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE AND GRENADES FM ENEMY LOC IN IMMED VIC. RET'D S/A, M-79 AND CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. RES: 1 VC KIA; 1 USMC WIA EVAC.	S.F.D.
2300	-	23	172300H	1/5 SPEC SITREP #100 H.H.	S.F.D.
2300	-	24	172300H	3/5 SPEC SITREP #61 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	25	172400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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0001		1	170001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0900	0510	2	170200H	B 1/5 CO. DEF. POSIT A.T. 925538. UNIT REC'D INCOMING ROUND OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN WOUNDING 8 USMC AND KILLING ONE. MED EVAC CALLED FOR EMERGENCY CASES AND BEST TO BE EVACUATED AT FIRST LIGHT.	S.F.D.
0500		3	170500H	3/5 SPEC. SUP. REP. # 58 H.H.	S.F.
0545		4	170500H	1/5 SPEC. SUP. REP. # 97 H.H.	S.F.
0710	0710	5	170713H	G 1/5 PLT. CP SEC. A.T. 910512. UNIT OBS. 15 NVA APPROACHING ITS POSIT. INITIATED AN AMB. WITH S/A & M-79 FIRE. EN. RET'D S/A, A/W, AND B-40 ROCKET FIRE. UNIT CALLED 60MM, 81 MM AND MARINE ARTY FOR SUPPORT AND FOR BLOCKING ROUTES OF REGRESS SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT REV. 4 NVA KIA & 1 AK-47. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES: 2 KIA - 5 WIAE	S.F.D.
1100		6	171100H	1/5 SPEC. SUP. REP. # 98 H.H.	S.F.
1100		7	171100H	3/5 SPEC. SUP. REP. # 59 H.H.	S.F.
1130		8	160945H	L 3/5 PLT. CMBT. PTL A.T. 897483. DET. CLASSIFIED BY IPT AS INN. CIV.	S.F.D.
1130		9	161400H	D 1/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 938504. 3 DET'S CLASSIFIED BY IPT AS 2 CIV. DEF. & 1 INN. CIV.	S.F.D.
1230	1300	10	170515H	C 1/5 (FOLLOW UP). CONT'D SEARCH AND FOUND 1 VC KIA, 17 CHICOM GRENADES, OBS HEAVY BLOOD TRAILS AND NUMEROUS COMM WIRES.	S.F.D.
1230	1300	11	170513H	C 1/5 (FOLLOW UP). CONT'D SEARCH AND FOUND 2 IWC (1 M-16, 1 AK-47), 9 CHICOM GREN, 1 M-33 GREN, 2 M-26 GREN, ASST 782 GEAR, NVA CLOTHING, AND 1 ROLL COMM WIRE, AND 288 RDS AK-47 AMMO.	S.F.D.
1200	1230	12	170530H	B 1/5 CO DEF POS LOC AT949506. UNIT REC'D 3-4 RDS B-40 ROCKET INCOMING. RET'D FIRE WITH M-79, S/A AND CALLED 81MM MSN. CALLED FOR FIXED WING AIR STRIKE AT FIRST LIGHT. FOLLOWING AIR STRIKE UNIT SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 2000 LBS RICE. TO BE FWD TO REGT CP.	S.F.D.
1200	1230	13	171000H	K 3/5 SQD CMBT PTL LOC AT863454. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE DET WHO HAD NO I.D. CARD. TO BE FWD TO BE CP.	S.F.D.
1545	1600	14	171025H	D 1/5 PLAT SEC LOC AT942499. UNIT FD 2 M-26 GRENADES SET WITH TRIP WIRES AS SUR EXPL DEV. BOTH DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1500	1600	15	171330H	D 1/5 PLAT SEC LOC AT951512. UNIT OBS 4 VC WITH WPMS LOC AT956516. FIRED A/W FIRE KILLING 1 VC.	S.F.D.
1500	1600	16	171400H	D 1/5 PLAT SEC LOC AT950500. UNIT APPREHENDED 3 MALE DETAINEES. FWD TO REGT CP FOR CLASS.	S.F.D.
1530	1600	17	171400H	C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT904515. UNIT FOUND 1 NVA KIA IN AREA OF PREVIOUS AIR STRIKE.	S.F.D.

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0001	-	1	180001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S. F.
2345	2400	2	182030H	AN HOA RECD 6 RDS 82 MM AND TOWER OBS A/W FIRE BEING FIRED AT MARINE SPOOKY. AT891489, AT845485, AT895500, AT848485, AT839519, AT845475, AT805475, AT905494. UNIT FIRED COUNTER MTR FIRE ON EN POISTS.	S.F.D.
0530	0350	3	172235H	L 3/5 AT915480 UNIT OBS 2 EN MOVING TOWARD THEIR POIST. UNIT TOOK EN UNDER FIRE WITH S/A RES IN 2 VC KIA.	S.F.D.
0510	0700	4	180510H	AN HOA COMBAT BASE RECD 5 RDS INCOMING UNK TYPE FM UNK POIST. UNIT FIRED COUNTER MTR PLAN, NO CAUSALITYS SUSTAINED.	S.F.D.
0600	-	5	180500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #101 H.H.	S.F.
0600	-	6	180500H	3/5 SEPC SIT REP #62 H.H.	S.F.
1135	-	7	181100H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #63 H.H.	S.F.
1200	-	8	180915H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS. 80 EN. MOVING W. AT A.T. 801483. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. RES. IN 20 NVA KIA.	S.F.
1200	1215	9	171400H	D 1/5 PLT. S&C A.T. 950500. 3 DET'S CLASSIFIED FOLLOW UP BY ITT AS 3 INN. CIV.	S.F.D.
1200	1215	10	171000H	K 3/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 863454. DET. CLASS- FOLLOW UP IFIED BY ITT AS INN. CIV.	S.F.D.
1305	1310	11	181100H	1/5 S&C A.T. 942517. UNITS COMPLETE RETROGRADE OF RICE. TOTAL TO DATE IS 104 TONS. INDICATIONS ARE THAT MORE CACHES REMAIN IN AREA. TO CONT. SEARCH	S.F.D.
1540	1630	12	181100H	A 1/5 PLT. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 933519. USMC DET. M-26 GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. MAN EVACKED BY VEHICLE TO AN HOA.	S.F.D.
1540	-	13	181420H	RECON INSERT SANDHURST A.T. 805479. UNIT OBS. 3 NVA MOVING NE AT ABOVE COORD. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA.	S.F.D.
1645	-	14	181700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 103 H.H.	S.F.
1720	1720	15	18 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION	S.F.D.
1820	1820	16	181500H	C 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 901508. WHILE MOVING INTO TREELINE TO SEARCH AREA, USMC WAS SHOT BY EN. SNIPER. MED EVAC CALLED & SEARCH CONT. RES. 1 AK-47 RIFLE, CHICOM GREN, 782 GEAR & MED. SUPP.	S.F.D.
1930	181520	17	181520H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS. 75 NVA AT A.T. 805479. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 28 NVA KIA AND 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.	S.F.
2000	-	18	181600H	RECON INSERT EMPIRE STATE OBS 3 NVA AT A.T. 976529. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 3 NVA KIA.	S.F.
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0001	-	1	190001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2	190500H	1/5 SPEC SIT REP #105	S.F.
0630	0700	3	190350H	C 1/5 SQD LP A.T. 910516 LP DET MOVEMENT FM NE AND RECD 3ORDS AK-47 RES IN 1 USMC KIA AND 4 USMC EVAC EN ATTEMPTED TO BREAK CONTACT TO THE NORTH RES IN 3 VC KIA.	S.F.D.
0800	0830	4	190350H	FOLLOW UP C 1/5 SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 5 ADD FOLLOW UP VC KIA, 5 AK-47, 1 (.38CAL) HOLSTER AND NUMEROUS MAPS. ALSO THERE WERE 2 ADDITIONAL WIA USMC EVAC.	S.F.D.
0935	0945	5	190350H	FOLLOW UP C 1/5 DELETE 2 USMC EVAC FM PREVIOUS FOLLOW UP REPORT AND CHANGE THE 5 VC KIA TO NVA KIA, ALSO UNIT FD ASSORTED DOC, MED GEAR, 782 GEAR. AND 10 AK-47's MAG.	S.F.D.
1300	-	6	191100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 106 H.H.	S.F.
1340	1450	7	190350H	C 1/5 SQD. LP A.T. 910516. DURING CONTACT, 3 MAN FOLLOW UP M/G POSITION SUFFERED 2 WIA & 1 KIA & M/G WAS DAMAGED. AFTER MEN WERE EVACUED, A SEARCH FOR THE GUN PROVED IT TO BE MISSING & PRESUMED CAPTURED. A THOROUGH SEARCH IS BEING CONDUCTED.	S.F.D.
1340	1450	8	191045H	H&S 1/5 PLT. BRIDGE SEC. A.T. 926525. SECTION LEADER, AFTER REPRIMANDING MAN FOR LOADING PISTOL IN SECURE AREA, TOOK IT FROM HIM & PROCEEDED TO CLEAR IT. PISTOL DISCHARGED WOUNDING ANOTHER MARINE. INVESTIGATION BEING HELD.	S.F.D.
1430	1450	9	191330H	C 1/5 SQD. OP A.T. 927523. USMC DET. CONCUSSION TYPE GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX DEV. TRANSPORTED TO CP FOR FURTHER EVACUATION. 1 WIAE	S.F.D.
1645	-	10	191435H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS APPROX. 55 NVA WITH PACKS & RIFLES AT A.T. 804483. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 33 NVA KIA & 1 SECONDARY EX.	S.F.
1700	1900	11	191315H	C 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 902508. USMC DET. M-26 GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. MED EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1725	-	12	191700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 107 H.H.	S.F.
1840	-	13	191625H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS. 35 VC AT 803485. THEY WERE MOVING WEST. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 23 VC KIA.	S.F.
1845	1845	14	19 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION	S.F.D.
2330	-	15	192300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 108 H.H.	S.F.
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0001	-	1	210001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2	210500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #113	S.F.
1100	-	3	211100H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #114	S.F.
1130	1150	4	201300H	C 1/5 FOLLOW UP 2 DETS CLASS AS INN CIV'S BY ITT.	S.F.D.
1330	-	5	211220H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS. 21 NVA MOVING E AT A.T. 812496. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 6 CONFIRMED KIA AND ONE STRUCTURE DESTROYED.	S.F.
1715	-	6	211700H	1/5 SEPC. SIT. REP. # 115 H.H.	S.F.
1815	1815	7	211310H	CAP UNIT 291 S&C A.T. 889494. UNIT WHILE CON- DUCTING SWEEP, REC'D S/A & 50 CAL. FIRE FROM 885473. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. SWEEPED AREA AND FOUND 10 VC KIA, MORTAR SITES, AND TRENCHES.	S.F.D.
1920	1815	8	21 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION	S.B.D.
2000	-	9	211815H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OBS. 15 VC MOVING E. AT A.T. 805554. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA.	S.F.
2200	-	10	211530H	C 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 916523. RF'S FROM CAP 291 FND 1000 LBS RICE AND APP. 1 FEMALE DET. AS VC SUS- PECT. RICE & DET. TURNED OVER TO CO. C. BOTH TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
2215	-	11	211055H	CAP 291 A.T. 918513. UNIT FND. M-26 GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
2400	-	12	212230H	C 1/5 CO DEF. POSIT. AT. 910515. UNIT REC'D 6-7 B-40 RND'S & SPORADIC S/A FIRE FROM A.T. 903515. REC'D 30 CAL. 60 MM. 81MM. & MAR. ARTY MSN. 1 VC WAS KILLED BY M-79 FIRE. 1 USMC PLANE	S.F.D.
2400	-	13	212400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	S.F.

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0001	-	1	220001H	JOURNAL OPENED HENDERSON HILL	S.F.
0400	0500	2	212101H	D 1/5 AT924506 UNIT RECD 3 RDS 60 MM, 200 RSD S/A FIRE, AND 5 INCOMING GRENS. RES 1 USMC KIA. UNIT RECD FIRE WITH 60MM AND 81 MM MSN EN FIRE CHASED.	S.F.D.
0430	0530	3	220200H	RF 116 UNIT AT908523 RECD S/A FIRE AND INCOMING GRENS FM 2 - 4 EN. UNIT RECD FIRE WITH S/A AND A/W FIRE RES 1 NVA KIA NAD 1 SKS.	S.F.D.
0430	0530	4	222230 TO 220330H	AN HOA COMBAT BASE RECD 60MM INCOMING GRENS, S/A FIRE AT EAST SIDE OF PERIM. ALSO AT 2335 CAP 291 CAME UNDER ATTACK. SPOOKY WAS CALLED ON STATION AND AN RECTION FORCE OF 2 TANKS AND 3 LVTS, 1 PAT WAS DEPLOYED TO CAP 291 FOR RESUPPLY OF AMMO. AT 0245 AN HOA RECD 7 RDS OF 57 MM RECDLESS FIRE ON EAST SIDE. MARINE ARTY MSN WAS CALLED AND 4.2 MSN SPOOKY AND HUBY GUNSHIPS AND S/A FIRE WERE ALL DEPLOYED. AN SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS OBSERVED. SERACH AT FIRST LIGHT.	S.F.D.
0500	-	5	220500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #117	S.F.
0815	0820	6	212101H	D 1/5 FOLLOW UP UNIT RECD 8 RDS 60 MM AT 1/50500 RESULTING IN 3 USMC EVAC. UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN AND 81 MM AND REQ AIR AT FIRST LIGHT.	S.F.D.
0930	0940	7	220800 H	RF 116 UNIT SEARCH OF CONTACT AREA PD 6 NVA KIA AND 1 AK-47. UNIT CONT TO SERACH AREA.	S.F.D.
1115	1130	8	220615H	RF 116 UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN ON AT910525 3 RDS LANDED 100-125 METERS SHORT IN RF CP RES 4 RF KIA 3 RF WIA E 1 USMC WIA E 1 USA WIA E MED-EVAC CALLED AND INVESTION BEING FIELD.	S.F.D.
1130	-	9	221100 H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #118	S.F.
1715	-	10	221700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 119 H.H.	S.F.
1900	1940	11	221315H	D 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 910498. UNIT FOUND 81 MM RND. SET WITH TRIP WIRE & 1 HOME MADE SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1900	1940	12	221615H	C 1/5 CO S&C A.T. 890505. UNIT OBS. 4 NVA WITH WEAPONS AT A.T. 890502. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. SWPT. AREA & APP. 1 DET. AS PROBABLE. POW.	S.F.D.
1900	1940	13	220200H FOLLOW UP	RF 116 CO S&C. SEARCH OF AREA REV. 12 ADDITIONAL NVA KIA AND MISC. 782 GEAR.	S.F.D.
1949	1940	14	22 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY CALLED TO DIVISION	S.F.
2350		15	222215H	AN HOA COMBAT BASE DEF POSIT. WHILE TRAVELING FM GER. QUARTERS TO GERMAN HOSPITAL, VEHICLE WAS AMB. BY UNKNOWN # OF VC. AMB INIT. BY SATCHEK CHARGE THROWN INTO VEHICLE. REACTION FORCE OF LVT & RIFLE SQD. SUPPORTED BY FIXED POSITIONS ALONG THE ROUTE WAS DISPATCHED TO RECOVER THE WOUNDED. GERMANS WERE TAKEN TO BAS & MED EVAC WAS CALLED.	S.F.
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0001	-	1	230001H	JOURNAL OPENED HENDERSON HILL	S.F.
0600	-	2	230600H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #121	S.F.
0900	0915	3	230800H	D 1/5 AT925507 UNIT AMMO CAN CONTAINING 1 RUSS FLAG 1 PROP POSTER, TAX RECORDS, AND OTHER DOC. FORWD TO S-2.	S.F.D.
1100	1115	4	212230H	C 1/5 AT910515 FOLLOW UP CHANGE VC KIA TO NVA	S.E.D.
1130	-	5	231100H	KIA. 1/5 SEPC SIT REP #122	S.F.
1705	-	6	231530H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 5 VC BUILDING BUNKERS AT A.T. 833545. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 3 VC AND DESTROYING BUNKER.	S.F.
1710	-	7	231700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 123 H.H.	S.F.
1915	-	8	231725H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT. UNIT OBS. 5 NVA MOVING EAST AT A.T. 821486. ENEMY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 3 NVA.	S.F.
1939	1939	9	23 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY PASSED TO DIVISION.	S.F.D.
2300	-	10	232300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 124 H.H.	S.F.
2335	2400	11	232200H	AN HOA COMBAT BASE A.T. 875475 ENEMY FORCE OF NVA & VC ENTERED MAU CHANH 2 A.T. 890473 AND SET FIRE TO THE HAMLET. LOCAL POPULACE EVACUATING BY 2200. CALLED FOR SPOOKY WHICH CAME ON STATION AT 2245. REQ. CLEARANCE FOR ARTY & WILL FIRE AS REQUIRED.	S.F.D.
2400	-	12	232400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	S.F.

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0001	-	1	240001H	JOURNAL OPENED HENDERSON HILL	S.F.
0500	-	2	240500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #125	S.F.
0200	0740	3	240145H	C 1/5 AT891512 UNIT OBS EN FORCE MOVING INTO KILLING ZONE. UNIT INT CONTACT W/CLAYMORES AND RECD 5 RDS E-40 AND S/A FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT FLARESHIP ON STATION.	S.F.D.
0830	0840	4	240145H	C 1/5 FOLLOW UP SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 9 NVA KIA. AND NUMEROUS DRAGS MARKS. ALSO 1 USMC NON EVAC	S.F.D.
0830	0840	5	232330H	D 1/5 AT925509 WHILE ENROUTE TO AMB SITE UNIT OBS 9 TO 12 ENHW/ WPNS MOVING TOWARD THEM. UNIT TOOK EN UNDER FIRE WITH S/A RES IN 2 VC KIA.	S.F.D.
1030	-	6	240930H	STATION BRAKE RECON INSERT OBS 6 EN MOVING WEST IN OPEN. UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN RES 1 NVA KIA AT796462.	S.F.D.
1130	-	7	241100H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #126	S.F.D.
1300	-	8	241000H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT. OBS. 5 VC WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST IN VILLAGE AT 209553. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 1 VC AND DESTROYING 7 STRUCTURES.	S.F.
1300	1320	9	232200H FOLLOW UP	AN HOA COMBAT BASE. PATROL SEARCHED VILLAGE AT 890473. REPORTED 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED BY FIRE AND 1 RICE HUSKING MACHINE ALSO DESTROYED. FIRE CAUSED BY VC/NVA WHO WARNED INHABITANTS TO LEAVE VILLAGE. ENEMY FURTHER THREATENED VILLAGERS WITH MORE DESTRUCTION UNLESS THEY PROVIDED MORE ASSISTANCE TO ENEMY FORCES. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES. 5TH MARINES WERE UNABLE TO REACT DUE TO LACK OF FORCES.	S.F.D.
1400	-	10	241300H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 5 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES AT A.T. 812496. THEY WERE MOVING E. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING ONE NVA.	S.F.
1630	-	11	241600H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 5 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST AT A.T. 811496. CALLED MARINE ARTY. MSN. KILLING 2 NVA.	S.F.
1700	-	12	241700H	1/5 SEPC. SIT. REP. # 127 H.H.	S.F.
2000	-	13	241745H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 60 NVA/VC MOVING NE AT A.T. 819502. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND WPNS AND WORE HELMETS. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. KILLING 18 NVA AND 2 VC.	S.F.
2130	0215	14	232200H	FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALS ONE ADD. STRUCTURE DES. BY FIRE & 3 PARTIALLY DES. THERE ARE 25-30 STRUCTURES IN HAMLET. THERE WERE NO CIV. CAS. INTERVIEW OF CAP 291 PERSONNEL REV. THAT THERE WAS NO POSS. OF THE FIRE BEING FRIENDLY INIT. 5TH MAR. DID NOT PLACE ANY FIRES OF ANY TYPE IN THE VILLAGE DURING NIGHT OF NOV. 23. THOUGHT THE DUC VILLAGE CHIEF CLEARED THE AREA FOR FRIENDLY FIRES. RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE WERE INTERVIEWED AND REV. FOLLOWING: APPROX. 15 VC ENTERED HAMLET YESTERDAY EVENING AND SET FIRE TO THE RICE MILL. VC HAD THREATENED TO HARRASS AN HOA AND VIC. FOR 26 DAYS COMMENCING 21 NOV. MAJORITY OF VC STATE THEY GO IN BUNKERS AT NIGHT AND THEREFORE KNOW NOTHING. HOWEVER, IN THIS CASE VILLAGERS BEGAN LEAVING THE HAMLET AT ABOUT 231800H. PASSING BY CAP 291 ON THE WAY OUT. VILLAGERS WHO HAD RETURNED TO MAU CHANH 2 DENIED HAVING LEFT.	S.F.D.

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0000	-	1	250001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2	250500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP # 129	S.F.
1055	-	3	251100H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP # 130	S.F.
1245	-	4	251100H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 13 NVA MOVING SOUTH WEST ON A TRAIL VIC. AT819502. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING ONE NVA.	S.F.
1245	1300	5	250400H	M 3/5 CO. DEF. POSIT. A.T. 907503. DUE TO HEAVY RAINFALL DURING THE NIGHT, LIBERTY ROAD WAS WASHED OUT AT THE ABOVE COORD. MAKING THE ROAD BETWEEN AN HOA AND LIBERTY BRIDGE IMPASSABLE.	S.F.D.
1245	1420	6	251220H	M 3/5 CO. DEF. POSIT. A.T. 907503. ENGINEERS FROM AN HOA REPAIRED WASHED OUT SECTION OF ROAD MAKING IT PASSABLE FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE.	S.F.D.
1645	-	7	251700H	1/5 SEPC. SIT. REP. # 131 H.H.	S.F.
1705	1930	8	251655H	MAYFLY 12 AO IN SUPPORT OF 5 TH MARINES OBS. 5 NVA ON TRAIL AT 200453. CALLED FOR AND DIRECTED MARINE ARTY MSN. KILLING 1 NVA.	S.F.D.
1939	1930	9	25 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION.	S.F.D.
2005	-	10	251805H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 18 NVA MOVING NE AT A.T. 812496. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES AND WORE HELMETS. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 5 NVA.	S.F.
2400	-	11	252400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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HEADQUARTERS, 5TH MARINES
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25 Nov 1968

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Special Situation Report 21 to 25 Nov 68

212220H Enemy attack commenced on An Hoa with 1 grenade falling near bunker on east perimeter via AT878469 wounding 1 Marine. Holding garrison returned grenades and M79 fire. Initial grenade followed by heavy volume of enemy 60mm and 82mm fire along eastern perimeter. Enemy fire poorly aimed falling mostly outside of perimeter to the east and over defensive positions to the west. 1 fighting bunker with overhead protection received a direct hit by 82mm 1 Marine wounded. Heavy enemy automatic and small arms fire accompanied by more mortar fire opened up along a line from AT888477 to AT892466. CAP 291 (AT888469) came under heavy enemy small arms and automatic fire. Commenced immediate arty illum and countermortar fire.

212230H Enemy mortar, small arms, and automatic fire continued. 3 squad sized enemy units sighted under illum via AT884466 (200 meters from perimeter). Tanks and LVTs commenced machinegun fire, observed 6 enemy KIA. Platoon sized force herding water buffalo and following in protection via AT885466. Tank took target under fire with 90mm firing 3 rounds. Enemy troops disappeared in explosion. Observed 3 secondary explosions from friendly fire.

212300H CAP 291 reported heavy fire from enemy position set up as mortar and machinegun firebase via AT890473, directed arty fire on position. Arty position AT877475 (east perimeter) reported 3 platoon sized enemy units advancing via AT885474. Took under direct fire with 105mm beehive. Enemy troops disappeared in explosion. SPOCKY on station receiving heavy automatic fire from AT890473. Control of SPOCKY turned over to CAP 291 directing fire on enemy formations and positions with primary target of enemy firebase. Tanks continued to fire 90mm and .50 Cal at fire line of muzzle flashed. 90mm fire set off extra large secondary explosion, small arms ammo continued to explode from resulting fire for 2 hours, fire continued until first light.

220001H Enemy squad sized units continued advancing along front. Tank 90mm and Arty 105mm direct fire delivered, direct hits resulted in formations disappearing, no confirmed enemy KIAs observed from such fire due to blast effect. Tanks and LVTs continued to deliver fire on close in enemy troops moving away from perimeter observing 7 enemy KIA. Observed 4 secondary explosions as result of 90mm fire.

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- 220100H CAP 291 pinned down by enemy fire, 1 PF wounded and 1.30 Cal machinegun destroyed. SPOCKY still on station delivering observed fire. Search light UH1E helicopters on station firing on observed enemy troops moving behind enemy firing line. Platoon sized enemy force observed vic AT883464 taken under machinegun fire by tanks and LVTs as enemy attempted to pull back away from perimeter. Tank and LVT fire resulted in 8 enemy KIA. Tank 90mm continued to fire at enemy muzzle blasts along front. CAP 291 reported down to less than 500 rounds. Organized relief force of 2 tanks, 3 LVTs, and 1 platoon of clerks and supply personnel. Relief force transported resupply of ammunition and machinegun to CAP 291, received heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire. Delivery made with no casualties and returned to An Hoa. Tank hit by 2 enemy M79 rounds, 1 Marine wounded. Received 7 rounds of enemy 57mm RR fire AT878470, AT877472, and AT879474, no damage or casualties. Observed 1 secondary explosion from friendly fire.
- 220300H Enemy fire ceased. Reports by SPOCKY that enemy withdrawing in three columns to the northeast toward Liberty Road. Commenced heavy arty interdiction of Lib Road and known and suspected egress routes. Enemy observed to be VC, assume VC Mainforce unit. Estimate force to be 3 companies. Of note was the inaccuracy of enemy mortar fire and the poor timing and coordination of enemy supporting fires. Estimate 50 to 75 rounds of enemy mortar fire delivered the bulk of which fell outside the An Hoa perimeter. Results of action: 3 USMC WIA; 1 PF WIA; 21 VCKIA.
- 220200H RF Co 116 located AT908523 began receiving probes accompanied by small arms fire and grenades. At about 0500H a large force of VC attempted passage through area occupied by Co 116. 116 engaged enemy force. Enemy pressed close using B40 rockets. Marine arty called in position by RF Co Cdr when VC penetrated. Results of action: 4 RF KIA; 21 VCKIA. It is believed that the enemy force was the same unit that attacked An Hoa. RF Co thwart route used by enemy force to withdraw from the area.
- 220700H 2d Plat, Co M, 3/5 commenced patrol through battle area east of An Hoa. No enemy bodies or weapons found. Numerous pools of blood and body parts found.
- 222215H While driving from quarters to German Hospital on Liberty Road in the An Hoa Industrial Complex hospital vehicle, clearly marked with flashing red light, was ambushed by VC firing small arms and throwing 1 satchel charge resulting in 2 German Civilians WIA. Incident occurred AT875462. 5th Marines dispatched 1 LVT with squad of clerks. Rescue vehicle covered by positions in the An Hoa perimeter. Wounded civilians recovered and evacuated.

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232200H VC entered hamlet of Mau Chanh (2) AT875475 threatened the populace, who evacuated the hamlet, and set fire to 5 structures. Results: 2 structures and 1 rice husking machine totally destroyed, 3 structures damaged.

242300H (Estimated time) VC destroyed culvert in Liberty Road AT908505 by demolitions.

J. F. COBY, JR.
By direction

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HEADQUARTERS, 5TH MARINES
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 25 Nov 1968

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), IMF
 (G-3)

Subj: Enemy Attacks on Non-Military Targets

Reel: (1) CG, 5th Mar Ltr JBO:bew of 25 Nov 68 Incident Report on German Hospital Staff, An Hoa

1. Reported herein are 2 incidents of enemy attacks on non-military targets in the 5th Marines AO.

a. 222215H Nov 68: While driving from quarters to An Hoa German Hospital on Liberty Road in the An Hoa Industrial Complex hospital vehicle (clearly marked with flashing red light, painted yellow, and bearing large markings) was ambushed by VC unit. VC fired small arms, threw 2 hand grenades and 1 antechamber charge resulting in 2 German civilian hospital personnel KIA. Incident occurred at A1875462. 5th Marines dispatched 1 LVT with headquarters personnel squad covered by fixed positions in An Hoa perimeter. Wounded civilians recovered and evacuated. 1 German civilian DOW on 24 Nov 68.

b. 232200H Nov 68: VC platoon entered hamlet of Hai Chanh (2) A1875475, threatened the populace that they would destroy the entire hamlet unless more aid was given, and set fire to 5 structures. Populace evacuated the hamlet. Results 2 structures and the hamlet rice husking machine destroyed, 3 structures damaged. Hamlet originally 30 structures.

J. B. ORD, JR.

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25 Nov 1968

From: Commanding Officer
To: Baron T. BLPZ, Team Leader, Malteser Aid Service, Hoi An,
Quang Nam, Province Hospital

Subj: Incident Report on German Hospital Staff, An Hoa

Encl: (1) Diagram of Incident

1. The following report of events that occurred on the night of 22 November 1968 is provided, pursuant to your verbal request of 24 Nov 1968:

a. On 22 November 1968, at 2215H a German hospital vehicle, while moving north on Liberty Road with flashing red light on, was attacked by approximately nine Viet Cong (VC).

b. The attack consisted of a possible satchel charge, a B-40 rocket, and small arms and hand grenades.

c. Attack was of short duration; no attempt was made by the VC to exploit the results of the attack. Both occupants of the vehicle, German Nationals, were left where they fell following the vehicle's abrupt departure from the road.

d. A reaction force of one Marine amphibious tractor (LVT) with one rifle squad and two hospital corpsmen, and covered by fixed positions along the route, was dispatched to recover the wounded. The two Germans were taken to the nearest Battalion Aid Station at An Hoa Combat Base, where a Navy doctor saw the wounded and called for emergency medical evacuation.

e. The two wounded, one with severe head wounds, the other with light shrapnel wounds, were moved to the Regimental Aid Station at once, where they were picked up by the emergency medical evacuation helicopter and transported immediately to the Army Station Hospital at Danang, where a neuro-surgical specialist was available.

2. The search of the area of the ambush resulted in recovery of the following:

a. Two home-made Bangalore Torpedo explosive devices with friction fuses, tied together by heavy vine.

b. One unexploded VC concussion grenade with friction pull string removed.

c. One fin assembly of detonated B-40 (RUC-2) rocket round.

d. Parts of two other hand grenades, probable concussion type.

e. A spent AK-47 automatic rifle round.

3. The following additional facts are noted:

a. The vehicle was on a regularly scheduled run, and properly identified as an emergency vehicle. It was traveling with headlights on and the emergency red flasher operating.

b. The attack was impromptu with no follow up as is normally the pattern. By this is meant that the wounded were not killed, the vehicle and surrounding area was not booby trapped, there was no attempt to ambush or attack the reaction force.

c. The ordnance recovered indicates that the attack troops were local VC guerrillas. All ordnance was of VC origin.

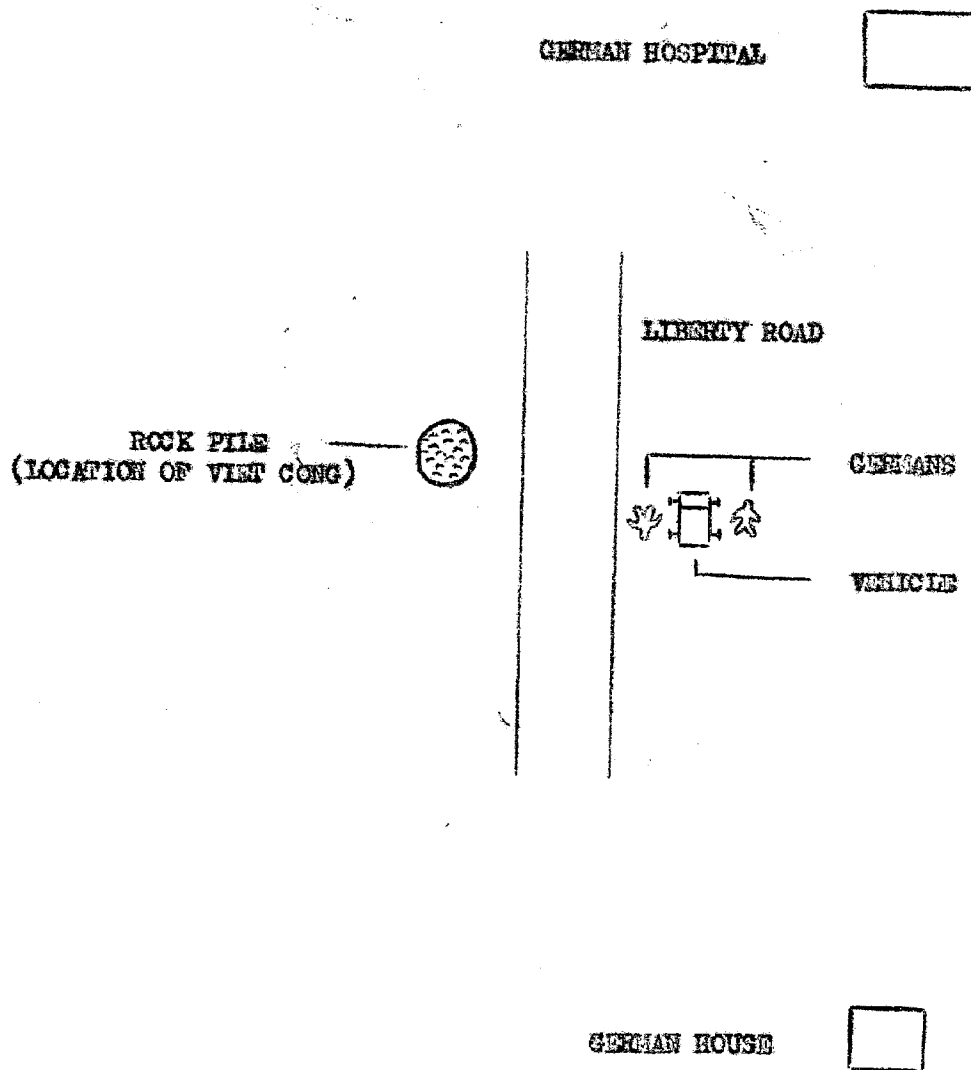
d. The bangalore torpedo explosive devices recovered are not normally used for ambushes.

e. There were other VC elements in the area at the time, moving generally from south to north across Liberty Road. The discovery of bangalore torpedoes at the ambush site is an indicator that these elements were prepared to attack nearby friendly defensive positions north of the road.

f. The German Hospital and the German House are both south of Liberty Road. Neither of these structures were attacked.

J. B. GIB, JR.
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Copy to:
CG, 1st Mar Div



1. Bodies were next to vehicle as shown.
2. Vehicle was upright, headlights on, red light flashing, motor off.
3. Listed items in letter found by the rock pile.
4. Vehicle destination, German house to German Hospital.

ENCLOSURE (1)

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0001	-	1	260001H		JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0030	-	2	262400H		1/5 SPEC SIT REP # 132 H.H.	S.F.
0400	0420	3	260230H		D 1/5 AT914508* UNIT RCED 2 INCOMING GRENS RES 1 USN EVAC.	S.F.D.
0500	-	4	260500H		1/5 SPEC SIT REP # 133 H.H.	S.F.
0830	-	5	260745H		LUNGE POINT RECON INSERT OBS 11 EN MOVING WEST. IN OPEN AT	
1000	-	6	260910H		LUNGE POINT RECON INSERT OBS 2 EN IN BOAT AT196 542 GUNSHIP TOOK EN UNDER FIRE RES 2 VC KIA.	S.F.
1015	1020	7	220200H		RF 116 FOLLOW UP DELETE 4 RF KIA, 3 RF WIAE, 220800H 1 USAE, 19 NVA KIA, 2 AK-47, 1 SKS FROM OPERATION 220615 H HENDERSON HILL.	S.F.D.
1020	1025	8	212220H to		AN HOA COMBAT BASE FOLLOW UP ADD 21 VC KIA TO 220330H CASUALTY FIGURES OF ORIGINAL SPOT REPORT.	S.F.D.
1100	-	9	261100H		1/5 SPEC SIT REP #134 H.H.	S.F.
1415	1425	10	260945H		D 1/5 PLT. COMBT. PTL A.T. 901509, 902507. UNIT FOUND 155 RND. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. ALSO, USMC DET 60 MM RND. SET WITH TRIP WIRE. 155 RND. DESTROYED IN PLACE. MED EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1720	1815	11	261130H		A 1/5 PLT. COMBAT PTL. A.T. 963521. UNIT FOUND 4 MAPS OF AN HOA AREA BELIEVED TO BE ENEMY ARTY REGISTRATIONS. ALSO FOUND MISC. DOCUMENTS. ALL DOCUMENTS TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT. S-2.	S.F.D.
1720	-	12	261700H		1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 135 H.H.	S.F.
1810	-	13	261715H		RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT FOUND 2 NVA BODIES AT A.T. 799531. THEY HAD BEEN KILLED BY M-79 ROUNDS APPROX. 5 DAYS EARLIER. UNIT CONTINUED MSN.	S.F.
1820	-	14	261730H		RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 9 NVA MOVING SE THROUGH OPEN AREA AT A.T. 803484. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 3 NVA.	S.F.
1820	1815	15	26 NOV.		SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION.	S.F.D.
2035	-	16	261815H		RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS 4 NVA MOVING SE INTO TRIMELINE AT A.T. 810475. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING 2 NVA. KILLS CONFIRMED BY ANOTHER INSERT.	S.F.
2330	-	17	262300H		1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 136 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	18	262400H		JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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0001	-	1	270001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0600	-	2	270500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 137 H.H.	S.F.
0830	0840	3	270715H	D 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 905516. UNIT FOUND 155 RND. SET WITH PRESS. DET. AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1200	-	4	271100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 138 H.H.	S.F.
1345	1350	5	271145H	D 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 904520. UNIT FOUND 81MM ROUND AND M-26 GREEN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S.F.D.
1416	-	6	271300H	RECON INSERT FIG NEWTON OBS. 2 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING NORTH EAST AT A.T. 806479. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. KILLING ONE NVA.	S.F.
1445	1450	7	271340H	D 1/5 SQD. CP A.T. 909506. USMC DET. M-26 GREEN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. MAN EVAC- UATED BY VEHICLE TO AN HOA. 1 USMC WIA.	S.F.D.
1445	1450	8	271030H	D 1/5 PLT. COMBAT PTL. A.T. 904521. UNIT FOUND BODY OF ONE VC AT ABOVE COORD. ENEMY HAD BEEN KILLED BY RIFLE FIRE. BURIED BODY AND CONTINUED MISSION.	S.F.D.
1630	-	9	271515H	RECON INSERT FIG NEWTON OBS. 11 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST AT A.T. 810475. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. AND OBS. 4 NVA KIA.	S.F.
1700	-	10	271700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 139 H.H.	S.F.
1830	1830	11	27 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION	S.F.D.
2100H	2115	12	272021H	D 1/5 SQD. CMBT. PTL. UNIT OBS. 2 VC ATTEMPTING TO SET MINE AT A.T. 909503. INITIATED CONTACT WITH M-79, S/A, A/W KILLING BOTH VC. THEN REC'D HEAVY S/A FIRE FROM S. & E. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCHED AREA WITH NED RES. 1 USMC WIA.	S.F.D.
2100	2115	13	271500H	A 1/5 PLT. CMBT. PTL. A.T. 953514. UNIT FOUND ENEMY DOCUMENTS INDICATING THAT THERE IS VC HOSPITAL IN VICINITY. DOCUMENTS TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT. CP.	S.F.D.
2310	-	14	272300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 140 H.H.	S.F.
2335	2340	15	272200H	AN HOA COMBAT BASE. VIETNAMESE CIVIL GUARD UNIT REC'D APPROX. 100 RND. S/A AND 5 INCOMING 60 MM RND. INCIDENT TOOK PLACE APPROX. 600M FROM AN HOA COMBAT BASE. UNIT RET'D S/A AND AN HOA FIRED FIVE ILLUMINATION MISSIONS IN SUPPORT. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.	S.F.D.
00	-	16	272400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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0001	-	1	280001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0600	-	2	280500H	1/5 SPEC SIT REP #141 H.H.	S.F.
1100	-	3	281100H	1/5 SPEC SIT REP #142 H.H.	S.F.
1140	-	4	280920H	LUNGE POINT RECON INSERT OPS 6 EN MOVING SW IN THE OPEN. UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN RES IN 3 VC KIA.	S.F.
1200	1210	5	281120H	5 MARINES S-3 JEEP ON ROAD RECON OF LIBERTY BRIDGE RECD 1 60 MM RD. 5 METERS FROM REAR OF VEH RES 1 USMC NON EVAC.	S.F.D.
1340	1350	6	281000H	D 1/5 PLT. RD. SWP. SEC. A.T. 909501. USMC DET. M-26 GREN. SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR. EX. DEV. WOUNDED MAN TAKEN BY VEHICLE TO 1/5 CP TO AWAIT MED EVAC. 1 USMC WIAE.	S.F.D.
1700	-	7	281415H	RECON INSERT LUNGE POINT OPS. 3 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING NE AT A.T. 802486. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING ONE NVA.	S.F.
1820	-	8	281700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 143 H.H.	S.F.
1830	1830	9	28 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION	S.F.
1930	2000	10	281400H	D 1/5 PLT. CMET? PTL. A.T. 890501. UNIT REC'D SPORATIC S/A & A/W FIRE FROM A.T. 888504. ONE USMC WAS KILLED. RET'D S/A, M-79 FIRE. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN & FIXED WING AIRSTRIKE. WILL SEARCH AREA UPON COMPLETION OF AIRSTRIKE.	S.F.D.
2135	2240	11	281630H	D 1/5 SQD. OP A.T. 915510. UNIT APPREHENDED 2 DETAINERS AS VC SUSPECTS. THEY CARRIED MISC. MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND HAD VERY OLD ID'S. DET'S FORWARDED TO REGT. CP FOR INTERROGATION.	S.F.D.
2330	-	12	282300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 144 H.H.	S.F.
2400	-	13	282400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
0001	-	1	290001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S.F.
0500	-	2	290500H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 145	S.F.
0700	-	3	281400H	D 1/5 PLT. CMPT. PTL. A.T. 890501. SEARCHED AREA	S.F.D.
				FOLLOW UP WITH NEG. RESULTS.	
1030	1045	4	211530H	C 1/5 ONE DETAINEE CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS ONE	S.F.D.
				FOLLOW UP CIVIL DEPENDENT.	
1030	1045	5	281630H	D 1/5 TWO DETAINEES CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS TWO	S.F.D.
				FOLLOW UP INNOCENT CIVILIANS.	
1100	-	6	291100H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 146	S.F.
1530	-	7	291300H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 22 NVA WITH PACKS,	S.F.
				RIFLES AND HELMETS MOVING NW IN OPEN AT A.T.	
				835509. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN KILLING 12 NVA	
1530	-	8	291245H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 2 NVA CARRYING	S.F.
				PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING FROM SW TO E AT A.T.	
				819502. CALLED MAR. ARTY MSN. KILLING ONE NVA.	
1540	-	9	291500H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 3 NVA MOVING EAST	S.F.
				IN OPEN RICE PADDY. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. AND	
				CONFIRMED 2 NVA KIA.	
1710	-	10	291625H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 10 NVA WITH PACKS	S.F.
				RIFLES AND HELMETS MOVING EAST AT A.T. 811496.	
				CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. KILLING 1 NVA.	
1715	-	11	291700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 147	S.F.
1735	1735	12	29 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION.	S.F.D.
1930	1935	13	291130H	1/5 CP. 12 TRUCK CONVOY AT A.T. 908495 ENROUTE	S.F.D.
				FROM LIBERTY BRIDGE TO AN HOA REC'D SPORATIC	
				S/A FIRE FROM A.T. 909492. RET'D S/A FIRE AND	
				CONTINUED TO DESTINATION.	
2130	2140	14	292100H	H&S 1/5 DEF. POSIT. A.T. 927527. UNIT FIRED 200	S.F.D.
				RND. 81MM H&I ON A.T. 942516. OBS. LARGE SEC-	
				ONDARY EXPLOSIONS. CONT. TO FIRE THROUGHOUT NITE	
2330	-	15	292300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 148	S.F.
2400	-	16	292400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	S.F.

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TIME		SER	DATE TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION
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0001	-	1	200001 H	JOURNAL OPENED HENDERSON HILL	S.F.
0400	-	2	281840 H	LUNGA POINT RECON INSERT OBS 6 CRAFTS CROSSING RIVER AT 1955 MARINE ARTY MSN WAS CALLED RES IN 5 NVA KIA.	S.F.
0500	-	3	300500H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP # 149 H.H.	S.F.
0745	-	4	300700H	LUNGA POINT RECON INSERT OBS 20 EN MOVING S.E. UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN RES IN 5 NVA KIA	S.F.
0015	1030	5	300935H	A 1/5 AT936504 UNIT RECD 20 RDS S/A FIRE FM AT 939498 UNIT RECD FIRE EN BROKE CONTACT TO THE SOUTH EAST.	S.F.D.
1050	-	6	301005H	LUNGA POINT RECON INSERT OBS 18 EN SITTING UNDER TREE AT819502 UNIT CALLED IN MARINE ARTY MSN RES IN 18 NVA KIA.	S.F.D.
1130	-	7	301100H	1/5 SEPC SIT REP #150	S.F.
1700	-	8	301700H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 151	S.F.
1810	1810	9	30 NOV.	SMALL UNIT SUMMARY SUBMITTED TO DIVISION.	S.F.D.
1915	-	10	301745H	RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT OBS. 12 NVA CARRYING PACKS, RIFLES AND RICE MOVING NORTH EAST AT A.T. 812496. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING ONE NVA.	S.F.
2340	2335	11	302115H	M 3/5 SQD. AMB. A.T. 874460. UNIT OBS. 5 VC MOVING WEST AT ABOVE GRID. FIRED CLAYMORE MINES AND PULLED BACK TO FIRE 60MM MORTARS ON ENEMY POSITION. WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.	S.F.D.
2340	-	12	302300H	1/5 SPEC. SIT. REP. # 152	S.F.
2400	-	13	302400H	JOURNAL CLOSED. HENDERSON HILL	S.F.

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. E. COOY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #35 FROM 010000H TO
 010600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #30.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 511530H (LATE ENTRY) 2/5 CO 1 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT956513. UNIT ROUNDED 1 WOUNDED VN MALE HIDING IN TALL GRASS SAME VIC. UNIT MED-EVACED VN MALE TO AN HOA WITH GUARD. RES: 1 DETAINEE.
 - B. 511030H (LATE ENTRY) 2/5 CO 1 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT956513. UNIT OBS 1 NVA CROSSING RIVER IN NEAR VIC. UNIT TOOK SNIPER UNDER FIRE WITH S/A FIRE. UNIT SCOUT TREELINE AND FOUND WOUNDED NVA. MED-EVACED TO AN HOA WITH GUARD. RES: 1 DETAINEE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE UP 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #30.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

5 USMC KIA	60 NVA KIA
77 " VIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
9 " VIA MINOR	1 " POW
4 " NBC EVAC	77 VC KIA
1 USMC VIA EVAC	1 VC KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES KIA	22 DETAINEES
	2 INN CIV
	5 IIC
	1 CSIC

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 TO RUMHQA/CG FIRST MARDIV (REIN)
 INFO TEN/FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP 36 FROM 010601H TO
 011200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL
 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO L AT922498 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
 SPEC SITREP 34.
 3. CONTACTS:
 A. 210120H CO R 2/5 PLAT A-6 LOC AT955517. UNIT OBS APPROX 15-20
 NVA NEAR AAMB SITE. INITIATED CONTACT WITH S/A, A/W AND M-73
 FIRE. ENEMY RET'D S/A & GRENADES. RES. + USMC WIA EVAC.
 UNIT SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
 B. 210945H CO I 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT985549. VC UNIT FD R9 US MADE 60MM
 RDS AND 1 81MM RD AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. RDS DESTROYED AND

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 DOCUMENTS FWD TO BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE UP 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN-HOA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH
 MARINES SPEC SITREP 34.
 6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

5 USMC KIA	60 NVA KIA
81 USMC WIA EVAC	3 NVA KIA DISC
9 USMC WIA MINOR	1 NVA POW
2 USMC NBC EVAC	77 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 VC KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES WIA	12 DETAINEES
	2 INN CIV
	5 IWC
	1 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #37 FROM 011201H TO
011800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT926527	2/5 CP AT957515	3/5 BN AT873473
CO A AT911489	CO E AT957515	CO K AT894466
CO B AT944519	CO F AT998517	
CO C AT914495	CO G AT962500	
CO D AT926527	CO H AT968521	

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #34.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 011100H TO 011710H CO I, CO L & CO M 3/5 BN S&C LOC AT938498. UNIT OBS GROUPS OF ENEMY LOC AT936502, 937504 AND 932502 RUNNING FM TREE LINE. AS EACH GROUP EMERGED FM TREE LINE, UNIT TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE WITH S/A, A/W, 60MM AND 81MM FIRE. RES: 15 VC KIA.
- B. 011135H CO M 3/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT945505. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, UNIT FD 3 TONS OF RICE LOC IN AND AROUND HOOTCH.
- C. 011141H CO A 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT898505. UNIT REC'D 35 RDS S/A FIRE FM EST 3-5 VC. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN AND IS MOVING TO DEVELOP CONTACT. RES: 1 USMC VIA EVAC. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
- D. 011205H CO I 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT953517. UNIT FOUND 100 RDS AK-47 AMMO AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS LOC AT ABOVE COORD. DOCUMENTS FWD TO BN S-2.
- E. 011230H CO F 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT998518. UNIT OBS 1 VC RUNNING SW FROM LZ CONDOR AND 20 VC CROSSING RIVER TO THE NORTH. FIRED S/A AND A/W AT (1) VC. CALLED FIXED WING AIR STRIKE & MARINE ARTY MSN ON 20 VC. RES: 1 VC KIA; 1 CHICOM GRENADE; 2 AK-47 MAGAZINES AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS CAPTURED.
- F. 011400H 11TH MTRS RESUPPLY VEHICLES. USMC WAS INJURED BY VEHICLE DRIVEN BY ANOTHER MARINE LOC AT925534. RES: 1 NBJ EVAC.

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- G. 011537H CO G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT960506. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, USMC DET M-26 GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
- H. 011635H AO 15 IN SUPPORT OF 2/5. AO CONTROLLED (1) FIXED WING AIR STRIKE ON GROUP OF VC MOVING ACROSS RIVER LOC AT975517. RES: 2 VC KIA.
- I. 011645H H&S CO 1/5 SQD OP LOC AT909506. UNIT SPOTTED 2 VC MOVING IN TREE LINE LOC AT905507. ALSO OBS 7-VC TO NORTH OF THE FIRST 2. UNIT FIRED S/A AT BOTH ENEMY POSITS. ENEMY REM'D 20 RDS S/A FIRE AND BROKE CONTACT. RES: 1 VC KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE UP 7 FEET AND FLOODING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
- | | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| 5 USMC KIA | 60 NVA KIA |
| 88 " WIA EVAC | 3 " KIA DISC |
| 9 " WIA MINOR | 1 " POW |
| 5 " NEC EVAC | 96 VC KIA |
| 1 USN WIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| 1 VN FORCES WIA | 22 DEFAUNTES |
| | 5 IWC |
| | 1 CSWC |

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SUBJ: FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP NR 38 FROM 011801H TO 012400H
NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND
CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 011540H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "CITATION" LOC AT950427. UNIT
WHILE ON COMB PTL WAS AMBUSHED BY EST 12-15 NVA LOC IN LIMED
VIC. UNIT RET'D FIRE KILLING 3 NVA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT.

RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC, 3 NVA KIA.

B. 011630H AD 2 IN SUPPORT OF 2/5. OBS 4 NVA, WITH PACKS AND RIFLES,
CROSSING RIVER LOC AT971523. TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE KILLING 2 NVA.

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C. 011730H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "PARKER PEN". UNIT OBS 4 NVA, WITH
PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT810523. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE UP 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO

LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

E. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONTINUES AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES IN PHU NHUAN
(AT6949) TO INTERCEPT ENEMY MOVEMENT. CO C CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT VIC
CHAU PHONG (AT9450). CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB
ROAD NORTH.2/5 (REIN) - CO F MAINTAINS BLOCK VIC BT0052. BN HQ, CO B, CO E, CO G
AND CO H ATTACK EAST FROM AT9652 TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES IN ZONE.3/5 - CO I RELIEVES CO K IN POSIT AND CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD
SOUTH, AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES, AND SCREENS SOUTH APPROACHES
TO AN HOA. CO K ASSUMES ALERT AS REACTION FORCE PREPARED FOR DE-
PLOYMENT IN 30 MIN. CO L AND CO M CONDUCT AGGRESSIVE PATROLS AND
AMBUSH OPNS IN AP.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

5 USMC KIA	66 NVA KIA
64 USMC WIA EVAC	3 NVA KIA DISC
9 USMC WIA MINOR	1 NVA POW
5 USMC NBC EVAC	96 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 VC KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES WIA	22 DETAINEES
	5 IWC
	1 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST IN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND IN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD IN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #39 FROM 020001H TO
020600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #30.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 2/5 CO H CO S&C LOC AT964507. UNIT REC'D S/A, A/W, AND B-40
ROCKETS FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY LOC AT966507. UNIT RET'D
S/A, A/W, M-79, LAWS, AND 3.5 ROCKET FIRE. UNIT CALLED MAR
ARMY HSH THEN SUBJECT PART OF OBJ AREA. PULLED BACK TO DEF
POSIT DUE TO DARKNESS. RES: 1 USMC KIA, 12 USMC VIA EVAC,
5 USMC NON-EVAC, 11 NVA KIA, 2 DETAINEES, 4 IND WPNS CAPTURED,
AND 1 CS WPN CAPTURED. DTG 011430H.
- B. 011510H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT966506. UNIT REC'D S/A, A/W,
7 B-40 ROCKETS, AND 8 60MM RDS FROM ESTIMATED PLAT OF NVA IN
NEAR VIC. UNIT RET'D S/A, A/W, M-79, AND 24 RDS 60MM. UNIT
CALLED MAR ARMY AND MAR AIR HSH. UNIT CONTINUED CONTACT UNTIL
DUSK. UNIT WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. RES: 3 USMC VIA
NON-EVAC AND 1 USMC IND EVAC.
- C. 011512H 2/5 CO H CO S&C LOC AT961521. UNIT ENGAGED AN ENEMY
PLAT LOC AT962522 IN FORTIFIED POSIT IN TREELINE AND TALL GRASS.
UNIT REC'D S/A, A/W, AND 9 B-40 ROCKETS. ENEMY FIRE WAS VERY
ACCURATE AND CAME FROM WELL CONCEALED SPIDER HOLES AND BUNKERS.
UNIT RET'D S/A, A/W, AND M-79 FIRE. UNIT CALLED MAR AIR HSH.
CONTACT CONTINUED UNTIL DUSK. UNIT PULLED BACK TO DEF POSIT
TO DELIVER MORE SUPPORTING ARMS. UNIT WILL SEARCH AT FIRST
LIGHT. RES: 6 USMC KIA, 10 USMC VIA EVAC, 1 USMC NON-EVAC,
6 NVA KIA, 1 DETAINEE, AND 1 IND WPN CAPTURED.

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- D. 011530H 2/5 CO F CO S&C LOC AT990515. UNIT OBS 2 NVA RUNNING FROM ORIGIN IN NEAR VIC. UNIT FIRED S/A KILLING 1 NVA AND WOUNDING THE OTHER. UNIT SEARCHED AREA AND APPREHENDED WOUNDED MAN. UNITS FURTHER SEARCH REVEALED A SECOND DETAINEE. RES: 1 NVA KIA AND 2 DETAINEES.
- E. 012015H 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT956517. UNIT OBS 4 NVA IN VIC OF FORWARD POSIT. ENEMY FLED INTO BUSHES WHILE 1 NVA RAISED HIS ARMS AND SURRENDERED. DETAINEE FORWARDED TO IN S-2. RES: 1 DETAINEE.
- F. 012030H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT976510. UNIT REC'D 7 RDS OF 60MM FROM ENEMY LOC AT971517. UNIT CALLED FOR COUNTER MORTAR MSN RESULTING IN 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. ENEMY FIRE CEASED.
- G. 020125H 2/5 CO G CO DEF POSIT LOC AT987510. UNIT HAD 60MM RD TO FALL SHORT ON FRIENDLY POSIT WOUNDING 3 USMC. RD WAS APPARENTLY DEFECTIVE AS IT WAS 6TH RD OF 10 RD VOLLEY. ALL OTHER RDS ON TARGET. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC. RES: 3 USMC MED EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #38.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
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|-----------------|--------------|
| 12 USMC KIA | 84 NVA KIA |
| 106 " WIA EVAC | 3 " KIA DISC |
| 18 " WIA MINOR | 1 " POW |
| 9 " NBC EVAC | 96 VC KIA |
| 1 USMC WIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| | 28 DETAINEES |
| | 10 IWC |
| | 2 CSWC |

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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021200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO B AT961510 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO E AT967514
CO G AT974509
CO H AT968518

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPNO SITREP #38.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 011510H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO G CO SAG LOC AT966506. BECAUSE WOUNDS
WERE SUSTAINED DURING CONTACT WITH ENEMY UPDATE TO READ: 1 USMC
WIA EVAC VICE 1 NMC EVAC.
- B. 011530H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO F CO SAG LOC AT990515. ONE WIA
DETAINED DIED OF WOUNDS. UPDATE TO READ: 2 NVA KIA AND
1 DETAINED.
- C. 020125H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO G CO DMF POSIT LOC AT987510. BECAUSE
WOUNDS WERE SUSTAINED DURING CONTACT WITH ENEMY UPDATE TO READ:
3 USMC WIA EVAC VICE 3 NMC EVAC.
- D. 020730H 2/5 CO F CO SAG LOC AT987518. UNIT REC'D APPROX 40 RDS
S/A FROM ENEMY LOC AT986518. UNIT REC'D S/A AND M-79 FIRE.
UNIT SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 1 VO KIA, 1 DETAINED, 3 SKS'S, AND
1 RPD LIGHT MACHINE-GUN.
- E. 020730H 2/5 CO F CO SAG LOC AT995515. USMC DET M-26 GREEN SET
WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED.
RES: 2 USMC WIA EVAC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION HOUR CONTINUOUS.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #38.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

12 USMC KIA	85 NVA KIA
112 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
18 " WIA MINOR	1 " POW
5 " NEC EVAC	97 VC KIA
1 USMC WIA EVAC	27 DETAINEES
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	13 INC
	3 CSWG

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P. 021610H CO F 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT988517. UNIT FD (1) SKS LAYING IN THE WATER LOC AT ABOVE COORD. WILL FWD TO BN S-2. RES: 1 IWC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

12 USMC KIA	85 NVA KIA
114 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
16 " WIA MINOR	1 " POW
5 " NBO EVAC	98 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	29 DETAINEES
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	14 IWC
	4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINESRELEASER: *[Signature]*
PREX: ACTION - CP LIMITED
INFO - ROUTINE

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #42 FROM 021801H TO
022400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CO A AT913495

2/5 CP AT976514

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CO C AT947503

CO E AT977514

CO F AT939519

CO G AT937523

CO H AT928515

CO B AT975511

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 240915H FOLLOW UP CO F 2/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT866493. 3 DETAINEES
CLASS BY IPT AS 3 INN CIV'S.B. 241700H FOLLOW UP CO G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT807477. 1 DETAINEE CLASS
BY IPT AS 1 NVA REPR.C. 251030H FOLLOW UP CO D 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT945528. 1 DETAINEE CLASS
BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV.D. 251210H FOLLOW UP CO H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT815483. 3 DETAINEES CLASS
BY IPT AS 3 INN CIV.E. 261410H FOLLOW UP CO G 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT809468. 1 DEF CLASS BY
IPT AS 1 INN CIV.F. 261455H FOLLOW UP CO E 2/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT806498. 2 DETAINEES
CLASS BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV AND 1 CIV DEF.G. 271030H FOLLOW UP CO D 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT829491. 2 DETAINEES CLASS
BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV AND 1 CIV DEF.H. 281115H FOLLOW UP CO L 3/5 CO S&C. 2 DETAINEES CLASS BY IPT AS
2 INN CIV.I. 290915H FOLLOW UP CO B 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT954524. 1 DETAINEE
CLASS BY IPT AS 1 NVA REPR.

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- J. 311530H CO E 2/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT956513. FOLLOW UP. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA POW.
- K. 311815H FOLLOW UP CO I 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT954508. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA POW.
- L. 311830H FOLLOW UP CO E 2/5 CO DEF PCS LOC AT956513. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY ITT AS 1 NVA POW.
- M. 012015H CO B 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT956517. FOLLOW UP. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY ITT AS 1 VC POW.
- N. 021231H CO C 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT943503. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE DETAINEE WHO WAS WOUNDED. FWD TO BAS AND WILL BE FWD TO REGT S-2 FOR CLASS BY ITT.
- O. 021630H CO H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT950517. UNIT FD (1) US MADE M-1 CARBINE SN #1590357 IN A PLASTIC BAG. WILL FWD TO BN S-2. RES: 1 IWC.
- P. 021645H CO F 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT988517. UNIT FD (1) UNK FIRE SCOPE AND 50 RDS AK-47 AMMO LOC AT ABOVE COORD. FWD TO BN S-2.
- Q. 021800H CO C 1/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT943503. WHILE IN DEF POSIT, 3 VN CIVILIANS CAME INTO CP AND REQUESTED MEDICAL AID FOR THEMSELVES AND 3 MORE CIVILIANS IN A VILLAGE CLOSE BY. ALL 6 HAD BEEN BADLY BURNED BY NAPALM. MED-EVACED ALL 6 TO DANANG BY HELICOPTER.
- R. 021830H CO C 1/5 SQD CMB PPL LOC AT953492. WHILE ENROUTE TO NIGHT AMB SITE, UNIT SPOTTED 6 VC DRESSED IN GREEN TROUSERS AND BLACK SHIRTS MOVING SOUTH. UNIT INITIATED CONTACT WITH M-79, S/A, A/W FIRE KILLING 1 VC. WILL SEARCH AREA FURTHER AT FIRST LIGHT. ALSO CAPTURED 1 NVA CARTRIDGE BELT, 1 WRIST WATCH, 1 WALLET, 1 GELCON GRENADE.
- S. 021805H CO C 1/5 PLAT CMB PPL LOC AT955495. WHILE ENROUTE TO NIGHT AMB SITE, USMC DET M-26 GRENADE RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPL DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
- T. 021945H CO F 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT988517. USMC DET UNK TYPE SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RES: 2 USMC WIA NON EVAC. TREATED IN FIELD BY CORPSMAN.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONTINUES AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES IN PHU NHUAN AREA (AT8949) TO INTERCEPT ENEMY MOVEMENT. CO B CHOPS BACK TO 1/5 FROM 2/5 AT 030700H AND SWEEPS FROM AT974512 TO AREA BLOCKED BY CO C VIC AT940500. CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CO F REIN WITH 106MM RR SEC MAINTAINS CPB VIC AT997513. REMAINDER OF BN CONDUCTS SEARCH IN DETAIL IN SOA UL AT9854, LR BT0249.

3/5 - CONTINUES AMBUSH AND PATROL ~~ON~~, AND SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH, AND EXECUTES CO RINCON IN FORCE VIC AT9347.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

12 USMC KIA	85 NVA KIA
115 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
20 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
5 " NBC EVAC	2 " RITNE
1 USN WIA EVAC	99 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	1 " POW
	30 DETAINNEES
	14 INN CIV
	2 CIV DEF
	15 IWC
	4 CSWC

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #43 FROM 030001H TO
030600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPER ACTION HENDERSON III

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #42.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #42.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

12 USMC KIA	85 NVA KIA
115 " VIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
20 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
5 " NEC EVAC	2 " REMS
1 USMC VIA EVAC	99 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	1 " POW
	30 DETAINEES
	14 INN CIV
	2 CIV DEF
	15 INC
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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

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THIRD BN FIFTH MARINESRELEASES: *[Signature]*
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CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #44 FROM 030601H TO
031200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CO A AT912487 CO F AT989517 CO L AT903472
CO B AT958506 CO G AT002528
CO C AT941500

ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #42.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 022130H CO H 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT979525. UNIT OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT NEAR THEIR POSIT. FIRED S/A AND A/W FIRE. SEARCHED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. RES: 1 NVA KIA; 1 AK-47 IWC.
- B. 030600H CO C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT944501. UNIT LOCATED 4 VN CIVILIANS WHO HAD BEEN WOUNDED DURING 02 NOV CONTACT. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR WOUNDED PEOPLE.
- C. 030745H 2/5 CP DEF POSIT LOC AT976523. VN MALE WALKED INTO CP CLAIMING KNOWLEDGE OF VC/NVA MOVEMENT IN THE AREA. MAN TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT S-2. RES: 1 MALE DETAINEE.
- D. 030930H CO H 2/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT928528. UNIT OBS 1 VN MALE HIDING IN BUSHES. MAN APPREHENDED AND SENT TO BN S-2. RES: 1 MALE DETAINEE.
- E. 031005H CO A 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT903490. USMC DET "BOUNCING BERTY" TYPE MINE WOUNDING 3 USMC. MED-EVAC CALLED. RES: 3 USMC WIA EVAC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: REFERENCE SPEC SITREP #33 ENTRY 311145H CO E 2/5.
ADD 4 NVA KIA TO CUM TOTALS OF SITREP.

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- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINGES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- 5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #42.
- 6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES;

12 USMC KIA
 118 " WIA EVAC
 20 " WIA MINOR
 5 " NEC EVAC
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

90 NVA KIA
 3 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 2 " RETNE
 99 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 1 " POW
 32 DETAINEES
 14 INN CIV
 2 CIV DEF
 16 IWC
 4 CSWC

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- E. 031230H CO A 1/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT911487. USMC HAD ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE WITH .45 CAL PISTOL WHILE CLEANING WPN, WOUNDING ANOTHER MARINE IN THE ARM. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC NBC EVAC. INVESTIGATION BEING HEED.
- F. 031420H CO F 2/5 PIAT S&C LOC AT988524. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, UNIT OBS 4 VC LOC IN IMMED VIC IN THE BRUSH. UNIT FIRED S/A AND A/W FIRE KILLING 1 VC. THE 3 REMAINING ENEMY WERE CAPTURED. 3 MALE DETAINEES (VC SUSPECT) TO BE FWD ASAP TO HN S-2. ALSO CAPTURED 1 CARP BELT, 3 CHICOM GRENADES, ASSORTED DOCUMENTS, 1 BLK TNT, AND 1 CONCUSSION GRENADE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

REFERENCE SITREP #41: C 2/5 261410H FOLLOW UP - DELETE ENTIRE ENTRY, RAN ON PREVIOUS SITREP. E 2/5 261455H FOLLOW UP - DELETE ENTIRE ENTRY, RAN ON PREVIOUS SITREP. 281115H CHANGE TO READ 271740H.

SITREP #40 F 2/5 CO S&C 020730H - ADD 1 DETAINEE TO CUM TOTALS.
SITREP #30 B 1/5 290915H - DELETE ENTIRE ENTRY, RAN PREVIOUSLY.

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

18 USMC KIA	90 NVA KIA
126 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
20 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
6 " NBC EVAC	2 " RTNE
1 USN WIA EVAC	100 VC KIA
1 VN FORCE WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	1 " POW
	37 DETAINEES
	12 INN CIV
	1 CIV DEF
	16 IWC
	4 CSWC

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46 FROM 031800H TO
032400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO L AT933444 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

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3. CONTACTS:

- A. 031720H CO GP 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT987507. WHILE RESUPPLY WITH 81MM AMMO BEING UNLOADED, CH-46 HELO RELEASED NET BEFORE PALLET REACHED THE GROUND. PALLET ROLLED DOWN SIDE OF HILL STRIKING 1 USMC. MAN MED-EVACED ON CH-46 TO DANANG. RES: 1 USMC NBC EVAC.
- B. 031830H CO H 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT006497. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, USMC DET CHICOM GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MARINE TREATED BY CORPSMAN IN FIELD. RES: 1 USMC WIA MINOR.
- C. 031700H CO E,F,G 2/5 CO'S S&C LOC AT975514. AT AT975514, UNITS FOUND 1 M-14 SN #425234 AND 1 BOLT ACTION IWC OF UNK TYPE. ALSO FOUND 1 NVA PACK, 3 CASES KOREAN BEER, 500 LBS OF SARDINES AND CANNED MEAT, 50 PINTS CAN MILK, 2 FIVE GAL WATER CANS, 100 LBS BLASTING CAPS FOR CHICOM GRENADES, 89 CHICOM GRENADES, 1 M-26 GRENADE, 11 CHICOM GRENADES WITHOUT BLASTING CAPS, 30 CHICOM STOPPERS, 100 FT NVA TIME FUSE, 1 CHICOM GRENADE PACK, 1 NVA SONG BOOK, AND 2200 LBS RICE. FWD TO BN S-2.
- D. 031700H CO B 1/5 PLAT BLOCK POSIT LOC AT947526. WHILE SWEEPING AREA, UNIT OBS 4 VC CROSSING OPEN AREA LOC AT948528. UNIT INITIATED CONTACT WITH S/A FIRE KILLING 1 VC. UNABLE TO CALL FIRE MSN DUE TO CHECK FIRE. ALSO CAPTURED 1 US .45 PISTOL, 2 MAGAZINES, CLEANING GEAR, CARTRIDGE BELT, ASSORTED PAPERS AND PERSONAL ITEMS. FWD TO BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

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B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CONTINUES S AND C OPNS IN AO AND SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CONTINUES S AND C OPNS IN SOA.

3/5 - CONTINUES AMBUSH AND PATROL OPNS, AND SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH; AND EXECUTES CO RECON IN FORCE VIC AT9347.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

18 USMC KIA	90 NVA KIA
126 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
21 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
7 " NEC EVAC	2 " RETNE
1 USN WIA EVAC	101 VC KIA
1 VN FORCE WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	1 " POW
	37 DETAINEES
	12 INN CIV
	1 CIV DEF
	19 IWC
	4 CSWC

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 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #47 FROM 040000H TO
 040600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATION IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

18 USMC KIA	90 NVA KIA
126 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
21 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
7 " NBO ENDC	2 " RETIE
1 USN WIA EVAC	101 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	2 " POW
	57 DETAINEES
	12 INN CIV
	1 CIV DEF
	19 MC
	4 CSWC

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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46 FROM 040600H TO
041200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 040750H 1/5 CO B SQD BLOCKING POST LOC AT 933515. UNIT OBS 1 VC IN IMMED VIC. UNIT FIRED S/A KILLING HIM. UNIT CAPTURED 1 .45 CAL. PISTOL, MAGAZINES, PENCIL FLARES, AND FLARE GUN.
 - B. 040830H 3/5 CO L PLAT CMBT PAT LOC AT 933444. USMC DET M-33 GREY SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. 1 USMC KILLED AND 1 M-60 MACHINEGUN WAS RENDERED NON- OPERATIONAL. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

19 USMC KIA
126 " WIA EVAC
21 " WIA MINOR
7 " NBC EVAC
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

90 NVA KIA
3 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
2 " RETN
102 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
1 " POW
57 DETAINEES
12 INN CIV
1 CIV DEF
19 IWC
4 CSWC

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 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

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 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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 RELEASER: S-3A
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #49 FROM 041201H TO
 041800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT926527	2/5 CP AT937507	3/5 CP AT873473
CO A AT912487	CO E AT948517	CO I AT873473
CO B AT943518	CO F AT958526	CO M AT873473
CO C AT942502	CO G AT956511	CO L AT933444
CO D AT926527	CO H AT958496	CO K AT896467

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #46.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 041100H CO B 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT942518. USMC DET M-26 GRENADE RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
- B. 041200H CO E 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT986517. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, UNIT FOUND 1 NVA KIA DISCOVERED KILLED BY SHRAPNEL WOUNDS. ALSO FOUND 4 PACKS, 3 SETS NVA CLOTHING, 1 GAS MASK, ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR, MISC DOCUMENTS AND 1000 FT COMM WIRE. GEAR TO BE FWD TO REGT S-2.
- C. 041330H CO L 3/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT941442. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPNS, UNIT OBS 2 NVA, 1 WITH WPN AND 1 WITH PACK MOVING ALONG TRAIL LOC AT945442. UNIT INITIATED CONTACT WITH 30 RDS S/A FIRE KILLING 1 NVA KIA.
- D. 041430H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "SADDLE BAG". UNIT OBS 24 VC AND NVA MIXED MOVING EAST TO WEST, WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND DARK UTILITIES, WITH PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT815472. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN, OBS EXCELLENT COVERAGE, KILLING 3 VC AND 5 NVA KIA.
- E. 041625H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "SADDLE BAG". UNIT OBS 12 VC, WITH PACKS AND RIFLES, MOVING WEST TO EAST LOC AT807477. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN, OBS EXCELLENT COVERAGE, KILLING 2 VC.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

19 USMC KIA	96 NVA KIA
127 " WIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
21 " WIA MINOR	4 " POW
7 " NEG EVAC	2 " RINE
1 USN WIA EVAC	107 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	1 " POW
	37 DETAINEES
	12 INN CIV
	1 CIV DEF
	19 IWC
	4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

RELEASES: *[Signature]*
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #50 FROM 041800H TO
042400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 271030H (FOLLOW UP) CO D 1/5 S&C LOC AT929491. 2 DETAINEES CLASS BY IPT AS 2 NVA POW'S.
 - B. 011430H (FOLLOW UP) CO H 2/5 S&C LOC AT964507. 2 DETAINEES CLASS BY IPT AS 2 NVA POW'S.
 - C. 011512H (FOLLOW UP) CO H 2/5 S&C LOC AT961521. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV.
 - D. 011530H (FOLLOW UP) CO F 2/5 S&C LOC AT990515. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 NVA ~~POW~~.
 - E. 020730H (FOLLOW UP) CO F 2/5 S&C LOC AT987518. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 NVA POW.
 - F. 021231H (FOLLOW UP) CO C 1/5 S&C LOC AT943503. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 VC POW.
 - G. 030745H (FOLLOW UP) CO 2/5 CP S&C LOC AT976523. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV.
 - H. 030930H (FOLLOW UP) CO H 2/5 S&C LOC AT928528. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 NVA POW.
 - I. 031000H (FOLLOW UP) CO F 2/5 S&C LOC AT986518. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 NVA POW.
 - J. 031000H (FOLLOW UP) CO H 2/5 S&C LOC AT980518. 1 DETAINEE CLASS BY IPT AS 1 INN CIV.

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- K. 031420H (FOLLOW UP) CO F 2/5 S&C LOC AT988524. 3 DETAINEES CLASS BY IIT AS 2 VC POW'S AND 1 CIV DEF.
- L. 041700H CO A 1/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT877507. WHILE SETTING IN DEF POSIT, USMC DET M-33 GRENADE RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
- M. 041800H CO A 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT892511. WHILE CONDUCTING PATROL, UNIT APPREHENDED 2 FEMALE DETAINEES WHO WERE CARRYING A FIRST AID AND MEDICAL PACK. WILL FWD TO REGT S-2 FOR CLASS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: REF SPEC SITREP #48 & #49 - IWC SHOULD READ 20.
- RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:
- 1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROLS AND NIGHT AMBUSHES IN THE THU DON (3) AREA (AT9850). CO B CONDUCTS DETAILED HOLE HUNT IN PHU DONG (2) AREA (AT965543). CO C CONDUCTS DETAILED HOLE HUNT IN PHU TAY (2) AREA (AT9655). CO D PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.
- 2/5 - CO G AND CO H ATTACK NORTH FROM CHIEM SON (3) (BT0157) TO SONG CHIEM SON (BT015523). CO F CONDUCTS PATROLS AND NIGHT AMBUSHES IN XUAN DAI (1) (BT0053). CO E MAINTAINS FIRE BASE AND CONDUCTS PATROLS FROM LZ CORDON (AT998578).
- 3/5 - CO M PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO L CONTINUES RECON IN FORCE IN AREA UL AT9346, LR AT9544. CO I STANDS BY AS ALERT FORCE AND REHABS. CO K CONSTRUCTS DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
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| 19 USMC KIA | 96 NVA KIA |
| 128 " WIA EVAC | 4 " KIA DISC |
| 21 " WIA MINOR | 11 " POW |
| 7 " NEC EVAC | 3 " REHE |
| 1 USN WIA EVAC | 107 VC KIA |
| 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| | 4 " POW |
| | 39 DETAINEES |
| | 12 INN CIV |
| | 2 CIV DEF |
| | 20 IWC |
| | 4 CSWC |

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #50.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 042330H 1/5 CO C CO NIGHT ATTACK LOC AT938527. USMC DETONATED WHITE PHOSPHORUS TYPE GREN SET AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
 - B. 050330H 1/5 CO C CO NIGHT ATTACK LOC AT953542. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE FROM THE NE WOUNDING 1 USMC. UNIT RET'D FIRE AND CALLED MED-EVAC. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #50.

19 USMC KIA
130 " WIA EVAC
21 " WIA MINOR
7 " NBC EVAC
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

96 NVA KIA
4 " KIA DISC
11 " POW
3 " RUINE
107 WC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
39 DETAINEES
12 INN CIV
2 CIV DEF
20 IWC
4 CSWC

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

INFO: FIRST IN FIFTH MARINES
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 THIRD IN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #52 FROM 050600H TO
 051200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO B AT961549 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
 CO C AT965543
 CO K AT900459
 CO L AT936452
 CO M AT896467
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
 SPEC SITREP #50.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT968538. UNIT OBS 4 VC LOC AT968539. UNIT
 ENGAGED ENEMY WITH S/A AND THEY FLED NORTH. UNIT SWEEP AREA
 FINDING 4 B-40 RDS AND DESTROYED THEM.
 - B. 050850H 1/5 CO A SQD CMPT PTL LOC AT887502. USMC DET M-26 GREN
 SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT CALLED
 MED-EVAC FOR 2 USMC VIA EVAC.
 - C. 050900H 1/5 CO A CO S&C LOC AT895511. UNIT SWEEPING VILLAGE
 APPREHENDED 2 DETAINEES AS VC SUSPECTS. DETAINEES TRIED TO RUN
 FROM UNIT AND HAD NO ID'S. UNIT FORWARDED TO REPT CP WITH GUARD.
 - D. 050902H 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT970544. WHILE PURSUING ENEMY TO
 NORTH, UNIT CAME UNDER INTENSIVE S/A AND A/W FIRE. UNIT SUSTAINED
 1 KIA AND 2 USMC VIA EVAC. UNIT RET'D FIRE KILLING 3 NVA AND
 CAPTURING 2 NVA. UNIT ALSO CAPTURED 2 AK-47'S, 1 SKS AND ASSORTED
 782 GEAR.
 - E. 050955H 3/5 CO K SQD CMPT PTL LOC AT905466. UNIT FOUND M-79
 RD SET AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.

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F. 051115H 2/5 CO F PLAT S&C LOC BT002540. WHILE SWEEPING AREA, UNIT FOUND 200 RDS 12.7 MM ANTI-AIRCRAFT AMMO HIDDEN IN BUSHES. UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: INN CIV SHOULD READ 15 VICE 12 AND CIV DEF SHOULD READ 3 VICE 2.

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES. SPEC SITREP #50.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

19 USMC KIA	99 NVA KIA
134 " WIA EVAC	4 NVA KIA DISC
21 " WIA MINOR	11 " POW
7 " NBC EVAC	80 " RUM
1 USN WIA EVAC	107 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	43 DETAINEES
	15 INN CIV
	3 CIV DEF
	23 IWC
	4 CSW

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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RMM)INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINESBT
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051800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT926527
CO A AT082501
CO B AT967549
CO C AT973546
CO D AT9265272/5 CP AT937507
CO E AT996515
CO F AT002527
CO G BT010516
CO H BT0175143/5 CP AT896467
CO I AT896467
CO J AT962551
CO K AT950460
CO L AT9044482. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN FIFTH
MARINES SPEC SITREP #50.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 051530H FIRST BACON IN INSERT "THIRLING". UNIT OBS 40 NVA MOVING WEST TO NE WITH 4 MORTAR TUBES, 6 CREW SERVED WEAPONS, AND 1 AUTOMATIC WEAPON. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY BSN, OBS GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET, KILLING 1 NVA. UNIT COULD NOT OBS COMPLETE RESULTS BECAUSE OF TRAILLINE.
- B. 051530H CO G 2/5 CO SAC LOC BT015519. WHILE CONDUCTING SAC OPS, UNIT FOUND 1500 LBS OF POLISHED RICE LOC AT ABOVE COORD. WILL FWD TO REGT CP.
- C. 051600H CO G 2/5 CO SAC LOC BT015518. WHILE CONDUCTING SAC OPS, USMC DET H-26 GRADE SET WITH PRESS DET RECCED AS SUR EXPL DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC VIA EVAC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

19 USMC KIA
 135 " VIA EVAC
 21 " VIA MIFOR
 7 " HBC EVAC
 1 USN VIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

100 NVA KIA
 4 " KIA DISC
 11 " POW
 3 " RETIRE
 107 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 43 DEATHS
 15 INN CIV
 3 CIV DEF
 23 IAC
 4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RMH)

DRAFTER:

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #54 FROM 051000H TO
052400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 051300H CO F 2/5 CO S&C LOC AT995542. WHILE SWEEPING ABOVE AREA, CO REC'D SNIPER FIRE, THEN HEAVY S/A AND A/W FIRE FROM EST SQUAD OF VC. LEAD ELEMENT REC'D S/A, A/W AND M-79 FIRE. UNIT CALLED MARINE FIXED WING AIR STRIKES, BOTH HSH, A D 4.2 HSH. CO SWEPT AREA FINDING 4 INC'S (2AK-47, 1 AK-50, & 1 SKS) ALL DRENCHED IN BLOOD. ALL VMS AND EQUIPMENT TO BE FWD TO REGT S-2. ALSO CAPTURED 2 NVA PACKS, 2 CHICOM GRENADES, 100 RDS AK-47 AND 30 RDS 12.7 MM.
 - B. 051810H CO G 2/5 CO S&C LOC DT013510. WHILE SWEEPING AREA, UNIT FOUND 5000 LBS RICE LOC AT ABOVE COORD. FWD TO REGT CP.
 - C. 051815H H&S CO 2/5 CO S&C LOC DT015517. UNIT ATTACKED OBJ "A" AT ABOVE COORD. UNIT REC'D 50 RDS S/A FIRE FROM ENEMY LOC AT SAME COORD. UNIT REC'D S/A, A/W AND M-79 FIRE. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 3500 LBS RICE. WILL FWD TO REGT CP.
 - D. 051500H CO B AND CO C 1/5 CO S&C'S LOC AT970542 AND AT967550. UNITS CONTINUING ATTACKS ON BN OBJ'S 1 AND 2 WITH HEAVY RESISTANCE FROM A WELL INMUNISHED ENEMY FORCE OF 25-30 NVA WITH A/W, S/A, B-40 AND RPG'S. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY HSH AND FIXED WING AIR STRIKES ON ENEMY POSIT. UNIT WILL CONTINUE ATTACK. RES: 7 USMC KIA; 8 USMC VIA EVAC.
 - E. 051800H CO A 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT081501. WHILE CONDUCTING SEARCH, UNIT FOUND (1) BOUNCING BOMBY TYPE MINE WITH PRESSURE DET, WITH A 105MM HE RD BURIED BENEATH SET WITH FRICTION FUSE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.

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F. 051930H CO I 3/5 CO DEF PO IT LOC AT964544. WHILE SETTING IN NIGHT DEF POSIT, UNIT OBS 1 NVA APPROACHING THEIR POSIT LOC AT ABOVE POSIT. UNIT OPENED FIRE WITH APPROX 30 RDS S/A AND 1 M-26 GRENADE. RES: 1 USMC WIA MINOR, 1 NVA KIA, 1 AK-47 I/C, 782 GEAR AND CARTRIDGE BELT CAPTURED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO I, CO B, AND CO C ATTACK FROM EW GL 54 NORTH TO DESTROY MINEY FORCES IN REGT OBJ ELEVEN (AT9755). CO D PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO A CONDUCTS S&D IN HHU NHUAN (B)(AT095500).

2/5 - CO F AND CO G ATTACK NORTH TO DESTROY MINEY FORCES IN REGT OBJ TWELVE (BT000545). CO E MAINTAINS SECURITY OF FIRE BASE AT LZ CONDOR (AT990518) AND CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO H ATTACKS TO DESTROY MINEY FORCES IN REGT OBJ THIRTEEN (BT010519).

3/5 - CO H PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB ROAD SOUTH AND THE SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO K (AT905450) AND CO L (AT936460) CONDUCT AGGRESSIVE DECON IN FORCE IN CANOPY.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	101 NVA KIA
143 " WIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
22 " WIA MINOR	11 " POW
7 " NDC EVAC	3 " RETIR
1 USMC WIA EVAC	107 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIAE	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	43 DETAINEES
	15 INN CIV
	3 CIV DIED
	28 I/C
	4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RAIN)
INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC STREP #55 FROM 060000H TO
060600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO B AT969544 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO C AT958944
CO E AT969544
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC STREP #54.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 050900H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT970544. DELETE 2
DETAINERS ON PREVIOUS SPEC REPORT AS THEY WERE MURDERED
SUBMITTED.
 - B. 051120H 3/5 H&S CO BASE SECURITY LOC AT966467. USMC SUSTAINED
GUNSHOT WOUND LEFT LEG WHEN PISTOL HE WAS CLEANING ACCIDENTALLY
DISCHARGED. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC. MED: 1 USMC REG EVAC.
 - C. 051500H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT970542 AND CO C CO
S&C LOC AT967550. UPDATE REPORT TO ROAD: DELETE 1 USMC KIA
FOR A TOTAL OF 6 USMC KIA. ADD 5 USMC VIA EVAC FOR A TOTAL
OF 13 USMC VIA EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC STREP #54.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

26 USMC KIA	101 NVA KIA
148 " WIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
22 " WIA MINOR	11 " POW
8 " NEC EVAC	3 " RETIRE
1 USN WIA EVAC	107 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	43 DETAINERS
	15 INN CIV
	3 CIV DEF
	28 DMC
	4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-THOMAS J. F. CODY

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #56 FROM 060600H TO
061200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CG K AT906439 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #54.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 060300H 1/5 CG C GO S&C LOC AT958544. UNIT REC'D APPROX 50 60MM MORTAR RDS FROM THE NORTH LOC AT958570. UNIT RET'D COUNTER MORTAR FIRE. RES: 3 USMC VIA COM-EVAC.
 - B. 060930H 1/5 CG A GO S&C LOC AT894502. USMC DET M-26 GREN SENT WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC FOR 1 USMC VIA.
 - C. 061000H RECON INSERT "HIRELING" LOC AT901478. UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST LOC AT795489. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MEN KILLING 3 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #54.

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26 USMC KIA
 149 " WIA EVAC
 25 " WIA MINOR
 8 " HEC EVAC
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

104 NVA KIA
 4 " KIA DISC
 11 " POW
 3 " RETN
 107 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 43 DETAINEES
 15 INN CIV
 3 CIV DEF
 28 INC
 4 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RHHN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN, FIFTH MARINES
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #57 FROM 061201H TO
061800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HETTERMAN HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526
CO A AT802301
CO B AT975538
CO C AT968534
CO D AT927526

2/5 CP AT973507
CO E AT003545
CO F AT984530
CO G AT981530
CO H AT019719

3/5 CP AT897466
CO I AT973507
CO L AT934474
CO K AT922429
CO H AT897466

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #54.

3. CONTRACTS:

A. 061145H 1/5 CO HAS DEF POSIT LOC AT926527. 1 VI HAIT GATE TO CP FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. HAIT WAS DETAINED BECAUSE HIS NAME APPEARED ON S-2 BLACK LIST AS A VC SUSPECT. UNIT WILL FWD TO NSA DANANG.

B. 061230H RECON INSERT HIRLING LOC AT801478. UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST LOC AT814479 WEARING KHAKI, HUNTER, AND CARRYING WINS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA. UNIT THEN OBS 2 OTHER NVA DRAGGING BODY INTO WOODED AREA. UNIT CALLED FOR A REPEAT MAR ARTY MSN. UNIT COULD NOT OBS.

C. 061300H 1/5 CO A CO SEC LOC AT897503. USMC DEF M-26 GREN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC FOR 2 USMC WIA.

D. 061335H RECON INSERT GUNSMOKE. UNIT OBS 40 NVA WAITING AROUND STREAM BED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS LOC AT8213535. UNIT CALLED MARINE FIXED WING AIR STRIKE KILLING 1 NVA.

E. 061400H 2/5 CO E SQD SEC LOC AT988517. UNIT FOUND 1 ASSAULT WEN WITH MAGAZINE, 4 CHICOM GREN, 1 AK-47 MAGAZINE, AND 1 HAMMOCK. UNIT DESTROYED GREN AND SENT OTHER EQUIP TO REGT S-2.

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- F. 061400H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO E SQD S&C LOC AT988517. CHANGE TO READ: FOUND 1 RPD VICE ASSAULT WPN.
- G. 061420H 2/5 CO H CO S&C LOC BT012518. WHILE SEARCHING AREA, VN MALE SURRENDERED WITH CHOI NOI LEAFLET. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO REPT S-2.
- H. 061420H 3/5 CO I CO S&C LOC AT936516. UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE WITH NO ID CARD. UNIT WILL INTERROGATE WITH CO G S-2 PERSONNEL.
- I. 061505H 1/5 CO A CO S&C LOC AT875506. USMC DETONATED BOX MINE AT ABOVE LOC. UNIT CALLED MED-EVAC.
- J. 061730H 2/5 CO E CO DEF POSIT LOC BT015509. UNIT DISC 173 HUNDRED POUND BAGS OF RICE AT ABOVE LOC. UNIT WILL FWD RICE TO REPT S-2.
- K. 061715H 2/5 CO G CO DEF POSIT LOC AT980525. USMC DEF CHIECHI GREN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. USMC WILL BE EVACED ON SUPPLY CHOPPER.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: CHANGE 5 VC TO READ 5 NVA FOR RECON.
 A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FET AND HOLDING.
 B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
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|----------------------|--------------|
| 26 USMC KIA | 131 NVA KIA |
| 153 " VIA EVAC | 4 " KIA DISC |
| 25 " VIA MINOR | 11 " POW |
| 8 " NBC EVAC | 3 " RETN |
| 1 USN VIA EVAC | 107 VC KIA |
| 1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| | 4 " POW |
| | 46 DETAINEES |
| | 15 INN CIV |
| | 3 CIV DEF |
| | 20 INC |
| | 5 CSMC |

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC STRIP #58 FROM 061801H TO
062400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 051800H (LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO M CO S&C LOC AT904475. UNIT WAS APPROACHED BY A VN CIV WHO SAID A MARINE WENT DOWN WHO HE WAS RIDING WAS KILLED ON LIBERTY ROAD TO THE NORTH OF AN HOA BY 25 VC WHO STOPPED IN FRONT OF THE JEEP. MARINE WAS REPORTEDLY KILLED VIC AT909499. VN CIV SAID MARINE ATTEMPTED TO TURN JEEP AROUND WHEN VC SHOT HIM. VN CIV THEN JUMPED FROM VEHICLE AND RAN BACK DOWN LIB ROAD TO THE SOUTH UNTIL SPOTTED BY CO M 3/5 AT902472. CIV GAVE HIS NAME AS NGUYEN THANH LIEN. HE HAS A GOVT OPERATORS PERMIT ISSUED FROM NSA #9729. UNIT IMMEDIATELY DISPATCHED SEARCH PARTY LED BY VN CIV. WENT TO AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. A RECOVERY TEAM SENT FROM FIFTH MARINES ON 6 NOV 68 LOCATED VEHICLE AND 1 USMC KIA. WHILE ATTEMPTING TO GET TO VEHICLE UNIT MET A LAND MINE 5 METERS OFF THE ROAD RESULTING IN 8 USMC VIA EVAC. MED EVAC CALLED AND COMPLETED.
 - B. 061815H TIGER 6 CAP UNIT LOC AT910487. PC TRAVELING SOUTH WAS AMBUSHED BY 20-25 VC WOUNDING 3 USMC NON-EVAC. LIGHT DAMAGE TO VEHICLE. UNIT RPT'D FIRE AND TRUCK WAS DRIVEN TO 3/5 CP.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO B, CO C, AND CO I MAINTAIN BLOCKING POSITIONS FROM AT9353 ALONG SOUTH BANK OF SONG THU DON TO AT9854 IN SUPPORT OF SEVENTH MAR OPS. CO D MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROL AND AMBUSH OPS VIC PHU NHUAN (1) (AT9152).

2/5 - CO E AND CO G MAINTAIN BLOCKING POSITIONS FROM AT9854 ALONG SOUTH BANK OF SONG THU DON TO BT0250 IN SUPPORT OF SEVENTH MAR OPS. CO E CONDUCTS PATROLS AND MAINTAINS SECURITY OF FIRE BASE/LZ CORDON (AT998518). CO H CONTINUES DETAILED SEARCH VIC BT0151.

3/5 - CO H PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB ROAD SOUTH AND THE SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO K (AT912429) AND CO L (AT934474) CONDUCT AGGRESSIVE RECON IN FORCE IN CANOPY.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USN KIA
161 " VIA EVAC
20 " VIA MINOR
8 " INC EVAC
1 USN VIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

111 NVA KIA
4 " KIA DISC
11 " POW
3 " RETIR
102 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
46 DETAINERS
15 INN CIV
3 CIV DEF
28 INC
5 CSWC

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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RGIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 J. F. GODY

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SECOND IN FIFTH MARINES
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070600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS:
 - 062345H CG B 2/5 CG NIGHT DEF POSIT LOC DT002544. UNIT REC'D 2 BOMBING CRATER'S PREC UNKNOWN SIZE IMPLY FORCE INCLUDING 3 UAC. UNIT REC'D 4 GR MILES AND S/A FIRE. ALL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. RES: 3 UAC VIA EVAC.
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 MILES AND HOLDING.
 - SPOT CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #50.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	111 NVA KIA
164 " VIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
20 " VIA MINOR	11 " POW
8 " NDC EVAC	3 " MINE
1 USMC VIA EVAC	102 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES WIAE	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	46 DETAINEES
	15 INN CIV
	3 CIV DEF
	28 INC
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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #68 FROM 070600H TO
071200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO G BT000540 CO F AT900539 CO K AT907439
CO B AT998546 CO H BT015515
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #58.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 070800H FIRST RECON BN DESERT "THIRLING". UNIT OBS 4 NVA WITH PACKS
& RIFLES MOVING E TO W LOC AT905463. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARMY HSN
KILLING 3 NVA.
 - B. 070040H FIRST RECON BN DESERT "THIRLING". UNIT OBS 3 NVA SITTING
IN A BOMB CRATER LOC AT917469. CALLED MARINE ARMY HSN KILLING
3 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR C CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #58.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
164 " WIA EVAC
28 " WIA MINOR
8 " NBC EVAC
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

117 NVA KIA
4 " KIA DISC
11 " POW
3 " RETN
102 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
46 DEATHS
15 INN CIV
3 CIV DEF
28 INC
5 CSAC

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #61 FROM 071201H TO 071800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526	2/5 CP AT973507	3/5 CP AT897466
CO A AT905503	CO E AT992513	CO I AT973547
CO B AT975546	CO F AT983537	CO L AT934474
CO C AT957548	CO G BT004554	CO K AT907439
CO D AT927526	CO H BT010517	CO N AT897466
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #58.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 062345H CO H 2/5 CO AMB LOC BT012519. WHILE SETTING IN NIGHT AMB SITE, UNIT WAS ATTACKED BY UNK SIZE MURKY FORCE. UNIT FIRED S/A FIRE AND MURKY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH OF AREA AT FIRST LIGHT REVEALED 1 VC KIA HIDDEN IN BUSHES 100 METERS FROM AMB SITE. ALSO FOUND 1 PACK WITH ASSORTED CLOTHING.
 - B. 070530H CO C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT958545. WHILE MOVING INTO NEW BASE CAMP, UNIT FOUND 4 ADULTS AND 10 CHILDREN LOC AT ABOVE COORD. QUESTIONED CIVILIANS AND WERE TOLD THERE WERE 25 NVA/VC IN THIS AREA. THEY HAD MOVED TO THE NORTH, AND HAD WEPS AND 1 MORTAR. ONE FEMALE DETAINEE WAS TAKEN BECAUSE SHE CLAIMED TO BE VC WIFE.
 - C. 070645H CO D 1/5 PLAT AMB SITE LOC AT900505. WHILE SETTING IN AMB SITE, UNIT OBS 12 VC MOVING SOUTH THROUGH TREELINE. UNIT INITIATED CONTACT WITH S/A AND A/V FIRE KILLING 8 VC. THE REMAINING FOUR VC FLED TO THE NORTH.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27	USMC KIA	117	NVA KIA
164	" WIA EVAC	4	" KIA DISC
28	" WIA MINOR	11	" POW
8	" NBC EVAC	3	" MINE
1	USN WIA EVAC	111	VC KIA
1	VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1	" KIA DISC
		4	" POW
		47	DETAINEEES
		15	INN CIV
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		5	CSWC

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B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO I 3/5 CHOPS BACK TO 3/5 AT 081400H AND DISPLACES TO AN HOA BY MER VEH. CO B AND CO C CONTINUE BLOCKS SOUTH OF SONG THU DON/KY LAM FROM AT930530 EAST TO AT990540, FRONT NORTH, IN SUPPORT OF 7TH MAR. CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROLS AND ABUSIVES VIC AT9051. CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CO G BLOCKS SOUTH OF SONG KY LAM FROM AT980540 EAST TO HPO20550, FRONT NORTH, IN SUPP OUT OF 7TH MARINES. CO F CONDUCTS INFILTR INTO LZ SHUMIED (AT966460) AND ATTACKS NE TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES. CO H CONTINUES HOLD HUNT VIC AT90152. CO E CONDUCTS PATROLS AND PROVIDES SECURITY FOR PHU BASE/LZ CONDOR.

3/5 - CO I RETURNS OPCON TO 3/5 AND ASSUMES 30-MIN REACTION STATUS 081400H. CO L CONTINUES RECON IN FORCE VIC AT9347. CO K CONTINUES RECON IN FORCE VIC AT9143. CO M CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	123 HVA KIA
164 " VIA EVAC	4 " KIA DI C
28 " VIA MINOR	11 " POW
8 " NEC EVAC	3 " RETIE
1 USN VIA EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	48 DETAINEES
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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. GODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #63 FROM 080000H TO
020600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. CONTACTS: NONE
3. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #62.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #62.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	123 NVA KIA
164 " VIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
28 " VIA MINOR	11 " POW
8 " NEG EVAC	3 " REMD
1 USN VIA EVAC	122 W3 KIA
1 VN FORCES MED EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	48 DETAINEES
	15 INN CIV
	3 CIV DEF
	28 INC
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D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC STREP #62.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
165 " WIA EVAC
28 " WIA MINOR
10 " NDC EVAC
1 " NDC NON-EVAC
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

125 NVA KIA
4 " KIA DISC
11 " POW
3 " RETIE
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
48 DETAINEES
15 INN CIV
3 CIV DEF
28 IAC
5 CSWC

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #65 FROM 001200H TO
001000H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526	2/5 CP AT973503	3/5 CP AT896466
CO A AT905503	CO E AT992522	CO I AT875474
CO B AT975547	CO F AT973473	CO K AT893433
CO C AT957548	CO G BT002535	CO L AT923478
CO D AT927526	CO H BT012518	CO M AT896466

2. CONTACTS:

- A. 080810H 1/5 CO HAS SQD OP LOC AT913508. WHILE SETTING IN OP, UNIT REC'D AK-47 RDS FROM SAME VIC. BOUNDING 1 USMC. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE AND CALLED MAR 81MM MSN. CALLED MEDEVAC.
- B. 081100H 3/5 CO I PLAT RD SWP SEC LOC AT960534. WHILE MOVING SOUTH TO 1/5 CP, UNIT FOUND 1 105MM RD RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- C. 081115H 3/5 CO I PLAT RD SWP SEC LOC AT934531. WHILE MOVING SOUTH TO 1/5 CP, UNIT FOUND 1 CHICOM GREN RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- D. 081215H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST LOC AT811465. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.
- E. 081245H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 13 NVA STANDING STILL WITH A/W WENS AND CREW SERVED WENS LOC AT825523. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 5 NVA.
- F. 081300H 1/5 CO HAS CP LOC AT927527. CIVILIANS BROUGHT 1 VN MALE WITH SCHRAPNEL WOUNDS IN HIS LEG TO 1/5 CP. S-2 INTERROGATION REVEALED MAN ON BLACK LIST BUT DISTRICT AND VILLAGE DO NOT CORRESPOND. DET BEING SENT TO REGT S-2 FOR FURTHER INTERROGATION. MEDICAL AID GIVEN.

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G. 081410H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 6 NVA WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S STOP IN HOOTCH LOC AT805485. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 5 NVA.

H. 081530H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 7 NVA MOVING ALONG RIVER BED WEST TO EAST WITH PACKS AND RIFLES LOC AT825475. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 2 NVA.

3. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #62.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: DELETE SPOT REPORT 080301H.

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	138 NVA KIA
166 " VIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
28 " VIA MINOR	11 " POW
8 " NEC EVAC	3 " RETNE
1 USN VIA EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
	4 " POW
	49 DETAINEES
	15 INN CIV
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	28 IAC
	5 CSWC

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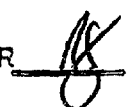
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #66 FROM 081800H TO
082400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION ROYALSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. CONTACTS:
 - A. 081715H 1/5 CO C PLAT BLOCK POSIT LOC AT964555. WHILE IN BLOCK POSIT, UNIT GAVE ACROSS 1 FEED PLATE FOR 12.7MM MACHINE GUN, 1 HOME MADE MORTAR TUBE, ASSORTED 782 GEAR, NVA SHOOTS, NVA TROUSERS, AND 1 NVA FLAG. UNIT ALSO APPROACHED 1 DETAINEE. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO 1/5 S-2 REAR TOMORROW.
 - B. 081820H RECON INSERT "HIRELIDIG". UNIT OBS 15 NVA MOVING SOUTH TO NORTHEAST WITH LARGE PACKS, AMMO, AND WEAPONS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MEN KILLING 9 NVA.
 - C. 081930H 1/5 CO B GO DEF POSIT LOC AT976545. UNIT OBS 6 NVA SHOOTING UP 82MM MORTAR TUBE POINTING WEST. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MEN KILLING 6 NVA AND DESTROYING 1 82MM MORTAR.
3. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO B AND CO C CONTINUE TO HOLD BLOCKS ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG THU BON/KY LAM FROM AT9353 EAST TO AT9854. CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES MY LOC (1) ARMA VIC (AT9252). CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CO G (REIN) AND CO H MAINTAIN BLOCKS FROM AT998546 SOUTH TO BT003543, FRONT EAST, AND FROM THAT POINT EAST TO BT020520, FRONT NORTH, TO SUPPORT ATTACK BY 1ST ARVN RANGAR GROUP FROM EAST TO WEST ON GO NOI ISLAND. CO E (-) MAINTAINS SECURITY OF FIRE BASE/LZ CONDOR. CO F CONDUCTS HOLD HUNT VIC AT968468.

3/5 - CO I BELIEVES CO M OF SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO M CONDUCTS S&G OPS VIC AT8948. CO K CONTINUE RECON IN FORCE VIC AT8946. CO L ASSURES 30 MIN REACTION DUTY AT AN HOA.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
166 " WIA EVAC
28 " WIA MINOR
8 " NBC EVAC
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

153 NVA KIA
4 " KIA DISC
11 " POW
3 " MINE
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
50 DETAINEES
15 INN CIV
3 CIV DEF
28 IWO
5 CSWC

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #67 FROM 090001H TO
090600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. CONTACTS:
 - A. 090130H 3/5 CO K SQD AMB LOC AT892437. WHILE SETTING UP
CLAYMORE MINE, USMC ACCIDENTLY DETONATED BLASTING CAP.
USMC TREATED FOR INJURIES IN FIELD.
3. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #66.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: ADD SPOT REPORT 080301H.
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #66.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA 166 " WIA EVAC 28 " WIA MINOR 11 " NBC EVAC 1 " NBC HOME EVAC 1 USN WIA EVAC 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	153 NVA KIA 4 " KIA DISC 11 " POW 3 " MINE 112 VC KIA 1 " KIA DISC 4 " POW 50 DETAINEES 15 INN CIV 3 CIV DEF 28 INC 5 CSWC
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SP-6 SHERIP #68 BUREAU OF COM. TO
091000H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION AMERICAN 1-11.

1. TIME LOCATIONS: 2/5 CO AT 090550G. ALL OTHERS TO BE IN
CO H AT 0900485
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPER. FIFTH MAR DIV MARINES
SP-6 SHERIP #68.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 031047H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO B BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK POW.
 - B. 041800H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO A BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS 1 UNK CIV AND 1 UNK POW.
 - C. 050900H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO A CO BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS 1 CIV AND 1 UNK CIV.
 - D. 061420H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO H CO BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK CIV.
 - E. 061420H (FOLLOW UP) 3/5 CO A CO BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK CIV.
 - F. 070550H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK CIV.
 - G. 071645H (FOLLOW UP) 2/5 CO D BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK POW.
 - H. 081300H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO E BUREAU LOC AT 090550G. DETAILS
CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS UNK CIV.

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- I. 090530H 1/5 CO D 80D AIB LOC AT962554. UNIT HEARD HOWLTYPE
HEAR ITS POSIT AND HEARD 1 GRN. GRN HIT VOLTAGE AND FUEL
HEAR HARBIES WOUNDING 2 USMC. MEN WERE TREATED IN FIELD.
RMS: 2 USMC DEC NON-EVAC.
- J. 090940H 1/5 CO A PLAT RD SWP SMC LOC AT927521. UNIT FOUND
BOX HIDE SET IN ROAD AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT
DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- K. 091010H RECON INSECT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 8 NVA RUNNING
WEST TO EAST LOC AT816467. TWO WERE CARRYING WEAP. UNIT
CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: CHANGE DETAINEES TO READ 40 VIEW 50 DUE TO
CLASSIFICATION BY ITT.
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WELD CONTINU : OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH HARBIES
SPEC SITREP #66.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	154 NVA KIA
166 " WIA EVAC	4 " KIA DISC
28 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
11 " IDC EVAC	3 " RETN
3 " IDC NON EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	4 " POW
	1 " RETN
	40 DETAINEES
	19 INN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 INC
	5 CSWC

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #69 FROM 091200H TO
 091800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526	2/5 CP AT988508	3/5 CP AT896467
CO A AT900510	CO E AT990517	CO I AT896467
CO B AT975547	CO F AT976474	CO K AT892433
CO C AT957548	CO G AT000540	CO L AT874474
CO D AT927526	CO H AT012518	CO M AT897488

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #66.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 090950H 1/5 CO A SQD ROAD SWEEP SECURITY LOC AT914512. UNIT FOUND 1 GREN RD SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT BLEW IN PLACE.
- B. 091000H 1/5 CO C PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT968588. UNIT FOUND FRESH GRAVE. UNIT DUG UP GRAVE AND FOUND 1 BODY WITHOUT HEAD. BODY HAD ON GREEN NVA UTILITIES. BODY SEARCHED WITH NEG RESULTS.
- C. 091255H 1/5 CO A PLAT OP LOC AT913508. USMC DEF PRESSURE TYPE M-26 SET AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. USMC MANDACED TO AN HOA BY VEHICLE.
- D. 091445H 2/5 CO E CO S&C LOC BT005524. USMC DEF M-26 GREN RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. USMC CREATED BY CORPSMAN. RES: 2 USMC VIA NON-SEVAC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: ADD 10 DEATHS THAT WERE DETERMINED 091200H SITREP.

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH FIGHT POSITIONS AND GRADIENT SHALL CONTINUE COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
- | | |
|----------------------|--------------|
| 27 USMC KIA | 154 NVA KIA |
| 167 " VIA EVAC | 3 " KIA DISC |
| 30 " VIA MINOR | 13 " POW |
| 11 " NHC EVAC | 3 " MINE |
| 3 " NHC NON-EVAC | 112 W3 KIA |
| 1 USN VIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| 1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC | 4 " POW |
| | 1 " RINE |
| | 50 DEATHS |
| | 19 INN CIV |
| | 6 CIV MDP |
| | 28 INC |
| | 5 CSIC |

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNIT'S ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/S CURRY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 091605H 2/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT988518. WHILE ON S&C, UNIT FOUND 10 CHIEF 60MM MORTAR RDS, 1 NVA PACK, MISC CIV CLOTHES, 50 AK-47 RDS, AND 12 BUNKERS. UNIT DESTROYED MORTAR RDS, ALMO AND BUNKER.
 - B. 091715H 1/5 CO C SQD CHE PAT LOC AT965558. WHILE ON PATROL, UNIT OBS 1 NVA HIDING IN GRASS WHO IMMEDIATELY SURRENDERED. A SECOND NVA NEAR BY ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE BUT WAS CAPTURED. PRISONERS BEING HELD AT PLAT CP. UNIT WILL DELIVER TO 1/5 CP TOMORROW FOR TRANS TO REGT S-2. UNIT CAPTURED 2 NVA UNIFORMS, DOCUMENTS, AND NARCOTICS.
 - C. 091745H 1/5 CO A SQD CHE PAT LOC AT901510. WHILE MOVING TO NIGHT POSIT, UNIT RET'D APPROX 125 RDS AK-47 FROM 6 VC IN TREELINE LOC AT905508. WHILE MANEUVERING TO TREELINE, USMC DET 60MM MORTAR RD SET AS SUMMERISH EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT RET'D FIRE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. UNIT CALLED MEDEVAC. RES: 4 USMC VIA EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDIT ON FOU CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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5. EVENTS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO B AND CO C CONTINUE TO HOLD BLOCKS ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG THU RIVER/RY LAI FROM AT9353 EAST TO AT9854. CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROL AND VIETNAM ACTIVITIES BY LOC (1) AREA VII (AT9252). CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LTB BRIDGE AND LTB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CO G (LTH) AND CO H MAINTAIN BLOCKS FROM AT998546 SOUTH TO BT003543, FRONT EAST, AND FROM THAT POINT EAST TO BT020520, FRONT NORTH, TO SUPPORT ATTACK BY 1ST ARVN RANGE GROUP FROM EAST TO WEST ON GO NOE ISLAND. CO E (L) MAINTAINS SECURITY OF FIRE BASE/LZ GONDER. CO F CONDUCTS HOLD HUNT VIC AT968468.

3/5 - CO I MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LTB ROAD SOUTH AND CONDUCTS ARMED AND PATROL ACTIVITIES TO CURE IN SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO K CONDUCTS ARMED IN FORCE VIC AT8943. CO L REHAB AND STANDS BY AS 30 LINE REACTION FORCE FROM AN HOA. CO M CONDUCTS SAC OPS VIC AT8948.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	154 NVA KIA
171 " WIA EVAC	5 " KIA DISC
30 " WIA MINOR	15 " POW
11 " NVA EVAC	3 " MINE
3 " NVA NON-EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 USMC WIA NVA	1 " KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	4 " POW
	1 " MINE
	50 DEATHS
	19 MIN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 INC
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- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT NORMAL HIGH ACTIVITY CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS: NONE
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: CHANGE 2 NVA TO READ 2 DETAINEES.
A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 9 FEET 4 INCHES AND RISING.
B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC STREP #70.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	154 NVA KIA
171 " VIA EVAC	5 " KIA DISC
30 " VIA MINOR	13 " NVA POW
11 " NEC EVAC	3 " NONE
3 " NEC NON-EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 USN VIA EVAC	1 VC KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC	4 " POW
	84w 1 " RETIRE
	52 52 DETAINEES
	19 INN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 IWC
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #72 FROM 100601H TO
101200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDRICK HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: COM AT893484 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #70.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 100700H 1/5 CO B PLAT OP LOC AT977335. UNIT OBS APPROX 40 NVA MOVING NORTH LOC AT981564 CARRYING PACKS, WEPS, AND POSSIBLY AN 82MM MORTAR TUBE. UNIT CALLED AND ADJUSTED MAR ARTY FSN. NVA SPLIT GOING NORTH AND SOUTH. UNIT OBS 3 NVA KIA ON INITIAL IMPACT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE UP 3 FEET AND RISING. RIVER SPEED 3 KNOTS.
 - B. STORM CONDITION ^{THREE} CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION ^{THREE} CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #70.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
171 " VIA EVAC
30 " VIA MINOR
11 " NEC EVAC
5 " NEC NON-EVAC
1 USN VIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

157 NVA KIA
5 NVA KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " NONE
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " NONE
52 DETAINEES
19 " CIV DEF
6 CIV DEF
28 " CIV DEF
5 CSMS

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINERS
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

RELEASER: *J. F. Cody*
 PREC: ACTION - OP INTD
 INFO - ROUTINE

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #73 FROM 101200H TO
 101800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT928527

2/5 CP AT989509

3/5 CP AT895467

CO A AT913514

CO E HT000517

CO I AT895467

CO B AT975547

CO F AT977474

CO K AT893430

CO C AT956537

CO G AT987517

CO L AT876475

CO D AT928527

CO H HT008512

CO M AT906485

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #70.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 101046H 1/5 CO D CO SEC LOC AT927534. UNIT OBS 1 DEAD NVA FLOATING WEST IN RIVER. NVA WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. RES: 1 NVA KIA DISCOVERED.

B. 101535H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 4 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING WEST TO EAST LOC AT808479. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 2 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND RISING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
 171 " WIA EVAC
 30 " WIA MINOR
 11 " NEC EVAC
 5 " NEC NON-EVAC
 1 USMC WIA EVAC
 1 VT FORCES WIA EVAC

159 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RETIRE
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 2 " POW
 1 " RETIRE
 52 DETAINEES
 19 INN CIV
 6 CIV DEF
 28 INC
 45 CSWC

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RDM)

DRAFT R: S-3 MAJ J. F. COLE

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

RELEASER: *R. G. G.*
 FROM: ACTION - OP INTD
 INFO - ROUTINE
 CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SIEREP #74 FROM 101800H TO
 102400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND RISING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO B AND CO C CONTINUE TO HOLD BLOCKS ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SOG THU DON/KY LAH FROM AT9353 EAST TO AT9854. CO A CONDUCTS AGGRESSIVE PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN LOC AREA VIC (AT9252). CO D CONTINUES SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CO D AND CO H CONDUCT DETAIL HOLE HUNT VIC BT0051. CO G SWEEPS WEST FROM AT9651 TO AT9550. CO F SWEEPS NE FROM AT9747 TO BT0040.

3/5 - CO I MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES TO SCREEN SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO K CONDUCTS RECON IN FORCE VIC AT8943. CO L REHAB AND STANDS BY AS 30 MIN REACTION FORCE FROM AN HOA. CO M CONDUCTS S&C OPS VIC AT8948.

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27 USMC KIA
 171 " WIA EVAC
 30 " WIA MINOR
 11 " NEC EVAC
 5 " NEC NON-EVAC
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 2 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

159 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " MINE
 112 VN KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " MINE
 52 DETAINMENTS
 19 NON CIV
 6 CIV DEPT
 28 IWC
 5 CSWC

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150 100 KIA
6 " EZA DISC
85 " POW
5 " MINE
122 100 KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
52 100A 100S
10 100A CIV
6 CIV DISC
20 100A
4 100A

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

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111200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO F AT990482 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO G AT971516
CO H HT008506
CO M AT923477
CO K AT991444
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #74.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 110920H 2/5 CO G PLAT S&C LOC AT975503. UNIT FOUND 4 M-26 GREX
RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT DESTROYED
IN PLACE.
 - B. 111015H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT971516. UNIT FOUND 66 HUNDRED POUND
BAGS OF RICE. RICE TO BE FORWARDED TO AN HOA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #74.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA
 172 " WIA EVAC
 30 " WIA MINOR
 11 " HEC EVAC
 3 " HEC NON-EVAC
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

159 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RETN
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RETN
 52 DETAINERS
 19 INN CIV
 6 CIV DEF
 28 IAC
 5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

DRAFTER: S-3

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #77 FROM 111200H TO
121600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 GP AT928527	2/5 GP AT969509	3/5 GP AT896467
CO A AT913514	CO E H2000517	CO I AT896467
CO B AT970540	CO F AT990482	CO K AT891444
CO C AT950537	CO G AT971516	CO L AT876475
CO D AT928527	CO H H2006512	CO M AT928476

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #74.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 081715H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C PLAT BLOCKING FORCE LOC AT964555. DETAINEE CLASSIFIED BY IFT AS INN CIV.
- B. 091715H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C SQD CBT PAT LOC AT965558. TWO DETAINEES CLASSIFIED BY IFT AS TWO INN CIV.
- C. 111000H 1/5 CO A PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT907517. UNIT FOUND 1 60 MM MORTAR MD RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- D. 111200H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 2 NVA WITH PACKS, RIFLES AND WEARING GREY UTILITIES LOC AT801473. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.
- E. 111300H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT971516. UNIT FOUND 74 HUNDRED POUND BAGS OF RICE. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO AN HOA.
- F. 111335H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 12 NVA LOC AT809493 WITH PACKS, CREW SERVED WEBS AND AUTOMATIC WEBS. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 8 NVA.
- G. 111430H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 5 NVA LOC AT816470 WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 3 NVA.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS:SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

27 USMC KIA	171 NVA KIA
172 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DENG
30 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
11 " NEC EVAC	3 " RTNE
3 " NEC NON-EVAC	112 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
1 IN FORCES WIA EVAC	4 " POW
	1 " RTNE
	52 DETAINERS
	21 INN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 IWC
	5 CSWC

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (R&IN)

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SECRET #78 FROM 111800H TO
 112400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO F BT08494 ALL OTHER NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 111545H 2/5 CO F SQD S&C LOC AT982487. USMC DET H-26 RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 6 USMC WIA.
 - B. 111545H 2/5 CO F SQD S&C LOC AT982487. (FOLLOW UP) ADD 2 USMC WIA.
 - C. 111600H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT973516. UNIT FOUND A TOTAL OF 301 HUNDRED POUND BAGS OF RICE AT ABOVE LOC FOR 11 NOV. RICE AWAITING TRANS TO AN HOA.
 - D. 111630H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 10 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST LOC AT807478 WEARING CAMF UTILITIES, KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S. NVA CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 4 NVA.
 - E. 111640H 2/5 CO H CO S&C LOC BT007511. UNIT FOUND 9000 POUNDS OF RICE (UNHUSKED). UNIT DESTROYED IN PLACE.
 - F. 111745H 2/5 CO F PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT976501. USMC TRIPPED 105MM RIGGED AS SUR EX DEVICE. UNIT CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC KIA.
 - G. 111745H 2/5 CO F PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT976501. (FOLLOW UP) ADD 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
 - H. 111800H RECON INSERT "HIRELING". UNIT OBS 35 NVA LOC AT809485. NVA WEARING KHAKIS AND CARRYING A&W, 1 MORTAR TUBE (60MM) AND RIFLES. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MSN KILLING 8 NVA.

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1. 211900H 2/5 CO HAS CO DEF POSIT LOC AT975483. USMC REC'D WOUNDS FROM BLASTING CAP OF CLAYMORE MINE. USMC TREATED AT BAS. RES: 1 USMC NTC NON-EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: ADD 1 DETAINEE DUE TO TYPHOGRAPHICAL ERROR.
- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:
- 1/5 - CO A PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN THE MY LOC AREA NEAR LIB RD (VIC AT9151). CO B AND CO C SWEEP SOUTH AND SEARCHES LA THAP AREA (VIC AT9452). CO D CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN SECURITY OF LIB RD NORTH AND LIB BRIDGE.
- 2/5 - BN DISESTAB FIREBASE/LZ CONDOR (AT998536) DISPLACES 4.2 MIRS AND 105 RR TO AN HOA, AND COMMENCES SWEEP SW ALONG HIGHGROUND VIC AT975500).
- 3/5 - CO I MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES TO SCREEN SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO K CONDUCTS RECON IN FORCE VIC AT9943. CO L REHAB AND STANDS BY AS 30 MIN REACTION FORCE FROM AN HOA. CO M CONDUCTS SEC OPS VIC AT8948.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
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|----------------------|--------------|
| 28 USMC KIA | 189 NVA KIA |
| 180 " WIA EVAC | 6 " KIA DISC |
| 30 " WIA MINOR | 15 " POW |
| 11 " NTC EVAC | 3 " MINE |
| 4 " NTC NON-EVAC | 112 VC KIA |
| 1 USN WIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DISC |
| 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC | 4 " POW |
| | 1 " MINE |
| | 52 DETAINEES |
| | 22 INN CIV |
| | 6 CIV DEF |
| | 28 IVC |
| | 5 CSAC |

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. E. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #79 FROM 120000H TO
120600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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Scol NCO	
Rng NCO	
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- UNIT LOCATIONS: CO B AT 957523 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO C AT 945517
CO G AT 962508
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES
CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS: NONE
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 3 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC
SITREP #79.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

28 USMC KIA
190 " VIA EVAC
30 " VIA MINOR
11 " NEC EVAC
4 " NEC NON-EVAC
1 USMC VIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

183 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MINE
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
52 DETAINEES
22 INN CIV
6 CIV DEF
28 INC
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FROM: FIFTH MARINE
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (RSM)

DATE: 8-5 HAS J. P. COM

INFO: FIRST IN FIFTH MARINE
SECOND IN FIFTH MARINE
THIRD IN FIFTH MARINE

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINE SPEC SEARCH #70. FROM 121500H TO
121200H NOVEMBER OPERATIONS UNDER THE RIM

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CG 1 A2852455 AND OTHERS NO CHANGE
CG 1 A2890457
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINE SPEC SEARCH #70.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 111745H 2/5 CG 1 PLAT 501 LOC A2876501. (FOLLOW UP) UNIT CONTINUED SEARCH AND PRODUCED MORE MCV PARTS INDICATING DATE OF A 2ND WING. PLAT HUSTON VERIFIED FACT.
 - B. 120825H 3/5 CG 1 CO 502 LOC A2877525. WHILE SEARCHING BUILDINGS, UNIT APPEARED 2 DETAINERS IN AREA WHERE UNIT HAD RECD SMITH FIRE. DETAINERS TO BE FORWARDED TO REGT 3-2.
 - C. 120835H 3/5 CG 1 CO 501 LOC A2874525. UNIT OBS 1 NUMBER OF HVA ON HILL LOC A2877525. UNIT CALLED MAR 1ST SQUAD AND OBS 5 HVA ALL AND 6 NVA RUNNING NE.
 - D. 120945H 2/5 CG 1 PLAT 501 LOC A2874525. UNIT OBS 1 NUMBER OF HVA ON HILL LOC A2877525. UNIT CALLED MAR 1ST SQUAD AND OBS 5 HVA ALL AND 6 NVA RUNNING NE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FULLY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINE SPEC SEARCH #70.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA
 182 " WIA BTAC
 51 " WIA HINCH
 11 " REG BTAC
 4 " REG HON-BTAC
 1 USMC WIA BTAC
 1 VI FORCES WIA BTAC

305 WIA KIA
 6 " KIA BTAC
 13 " POW
 3 " MIA
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA BTAC
 4 " POW
 1 " MIA
 34 REMAINS
 22 IDN GRV
 6 GUY DEF
 25 IDN
 3 OTH

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

INFO: FIRST IN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND IN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD IN FIFTH MARINES

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AsstOpnChief		
AOpn / Trng		
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #81 FROM 121200H TO
121800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT928527	2/5 CP AT950481	3/5 CP AT896467
CO A AT913514	CO E AT963489	CO I AT859462
CO B AT951512	CO F AT928467	CO K AT875475
CO C AT944518	CO G AT959507	CO L AT896467
CO D AT928527	CO H AT948481	CO M AT928476

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #78.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 110830H (LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO M CB LOC AT904484. UNIT STOPPED AND QUESTIONED CIV. UNIT FND 1 VN WOMAN AND 1 VN BOY CARRYING OVER 100 DOLLARS IN VN MONEY. ALSO APPREHENDED 1 MAN. UNIT FND TO 3/5 S-2. INTERPRETER BELIEVED CIV BUYING FOOD FOR ENTRY IN AN HOA AND DELIVERING IT TO SURROUNDING VILLAGES.
- B. 111610H (LATE ENTRY) 3/5 CO I SQD OP LOC AT864452. UNIT OBS 6 NVA LOC AT862457 WITH 1 PACK SETTING UP MORTAR TUBE. UNIT OPENED FIRE WOUNDING 1 NVA. ENTRY FILED. UNIT WHEN FIRED 60MM ISN WITH NEG RESULTS.
- C. 121200H 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT950524. USMC DET 100MM RD OR LARGER RD SNE AS SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.
- D. 121210H 1/5 CO B CO S&C LOC AT950524. USMC DET M-26 GREEN SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MED EVAC FOR 3 USMC WIA.
- E. 121245H 1/5 CO A PLAT CPT PAT LOC AT883510. USMC DET PRESSURE DET BOX MINE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.
- F. 121300H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT965514. USMC DET UNKNOWN TYPE SUR EX DEVICE. CALLED MEDEVAC FOR 1 USMC WIA.
- G. 121515H RECON INSERT "HINDLEH". UNIT OBS 20 NVA LOC AT805485. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY ISN KILLING 7 NVA.

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- H. 121545H 2/5 GO F GO S&C LOC AT973474 TO AT974496. ENGINEERS DESTROYED FOLLOWING BOOBY TRAPS: 1 105MM RD WITH TRIP WIRE, 2 M-26 GREEN WITH TRIP WIRE, 9 60MM MORTAR RDS PRESSURE DET AND 1 30 POUND BOX MINE PRESSURE DET. ORDNANCE AND BUNKERS (2) DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- I. 121445H 1/5 GO A PLAT CRT PAT LOC AT900514. UNIT REC'D 75-100 RDS MACHINE GUN FIRE FROM EST 2 WC LOC AT897307. UNIT RET'D S/A AND M-79 FIRE AND CALLED MAR ARTY BSN. UNIT SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.
- J. 121300H 1/5 GO G GO S&C LOC AT942517. INT AT ABOVE POSIT QUESTIONED 1 VN WOMAN. WOMAN REVEALED HER HUSBAND HAD WORKED FOR VC IN PAST AND WAS MISSING AND PROBABLY WITH VC OR NVA. DETAINEE TO BE SENT TO RTN ON NEXT RESUPPLY.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 FEET AND GOING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN BOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:
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|----------------------|--------------|
| 29 USMC KIA | 193 NVA KIA |
| 188 " WIA EVAC | 6 " KIA DESC |
| 31 " WIA MINOR | 13 " POW |
| 11 " NBS EVAC | 3 " RTHB |
| 4 " NBS NON-EVAC | 112 VC KIA |
| 1 USMC WIA EVAC | 1 " KIA DESC |
| 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC | 4 " POW |
| | 1 " RTHB |
| | 38 DETAINEES |
| | 22 INN CIV |
| | 6 CIV DEF |
| | 28 IVC |
| | 5 GSWC |

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

DRAFTER: S-1 MAJ J. F. GODY

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PART: ACTION - OP IMM
INFO - ROUTINE
CLASS: CONFIDENTIALHP
CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SETREP #62 FROM 121800H TO
122400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. CONTACTS: CO B AT951501 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO C AT951515
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 121145H 2/5 CO H PLAT S&C LOC AT995514. UNIT FOUND 1 250 POUND BOMB BURIED AT ABOVE LOC. UNIT ALSO FOUND 1 M-26 GREN RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EX DEVICE AND 1 ILLUM RD DUD.
 - B. 121320H 2/5 CO G CO S&C LOC AT961510 TO AT971517. UNIT FOUND 4 1/2 TO 5 TONS OF RICE AT ABOVE LOC. UNIT DESTROYED 600 HUNDRED POUNDS. ORDER TO BE SENT TO AN HOA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS DAYLIGHT S&C VIC BHU NIUAN (3) (AT905505) AND NIGHT AMBUSH IN SAME AREA AND ALONG SONG THU BON. CO D PROVIDES SECURITY FOR LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO B CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT VIC AT940503. CO C CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT VIC AT950501.

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2/5 - BN CONTINUES SWEEP SW ALONG HIGHGROUND VIC AT920460. RETURNS TO AN HOA TO REHAB AND PREPARE FOR FUTURE OPNS.

3/5 - CO I CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL OPNS ON HIGH GROUND SOUTH OF AN HOA (AT860450). CO K STANDS BY ON 30 MIN ALERT. CO L MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LTB ROAD SOUTH AND CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES. CO M CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH OPNS IN CANOPY (VIC AT9247).

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

429 USMC KIA	19	193 NVA KIA
188 " WIA EVAC		6 " KIA DISC
131 " WIA MINOR	13	13 " POW
411 " NBC EVAC	14	3 " NONE
34 " NBC NON-EVAC	11	112 VC KIA
31 USN WIA EVAC	15	1 " KIA DISC
31 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	4	4 " POW
		1 " NONE
		58 DETAINEES
		22 INN CIV
		6 CIV DEF
		28 IWC
		5 CSMC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES

TO: CG 1ST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 MA F. CODY

INFO: FIFTH MARINES
SECOND IN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD IN FIFTH MARINESRELEASER: *Sam P. Capule*
PRG: ACTION - OP TRIED
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CLASS: CONFIDENTIALBT
CONFIDENTIALSUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #84 FROM 130600H TO
131200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HIDE BOY HILL1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO I AT852463 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
CO H AT9284762. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #82.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 130715H 3/5 CO L S&D GBT PAT LOC AT897467. UNIT FOUND 1 LAAV IN
COOKED POSITION AT ABOVE LOC. ENGINEERS DESTROYED IN PLACE.B. 130900H 1/5 CO B S&D GBT PAT LOC AT912495. USMC DET 82MM RD S&T
AS SURVIVOR DEVICE. USED IMMOBILIZED BY VEHICLE TO REPT CP.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING. RIVER SPEED 8 KNOTS.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THIRTY CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SITREP #82.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA
189 " WIA EVAC
31 " WIA MINOR
11 " NBC EVAC
4 " NBC MINOR
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VII FORCES WIA EVAC193 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " RTHE
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " RTHE

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #85 FROM 131201H TO
131800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT926527
CO A AT912514
CO B AT951503
CO C AT943515
CO D AT926527

2/5 BN AT873473

3/5 CP AT896466
CO L AT896466
CO H AT929478
CO I AT852454
CO K AT873473

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #82.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 121920H (LATE ENTRY) CO L 3/5 SQD CHB PFL LOC AT867460. MARINE SQD REIN WITH 3 VN CIV GUARDS MOVING TO AND SITE OBS 3 ARMED VN ON HIGH GROUND TO SW. SQD HALTED AND DEPLOYED. SQD LEADER CALLED CO L TO CHECK FOR POSSIBLE FRIENDLY UNITS IN AREA. AFTER CLEARANCE WAS GIVEN, SQD OPENED FIRE WITH 80 RDS S/A. FORCE FIRED ON REP'D 1000 RDS S/A, 20 RDS M-79 AND 6 GRENADES. MARINE SQD LEADER BECAME SUSPICIOUS OF HEAVY VOLUME OF M-79 FIRE AND CHECKED HIS SQD'S FIRE. SQD LEADER THEN HAD VN CIV GUARD WITH HIM YELL TO FORCE FIRED ON. OTHER FORCE IDENTIFIED ITSELF AS SECURITY PATROL FROM ADJACENT DELTA FORCE. ALL FIRE CEASED. ACTION RESULTED IN 1 KIA AND 1 WIA FROM DELTA FORCE. NO MARINE OR ATTACHED VN CASUALTIES. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

B. 130900H CO B 1/5 SQD MINE SWEEP LOC AT912493. UNIT FOUND (1) 155 RD IN HEDGE LINE NEAR ROAD WITH TRIP MINE AND BLASTING CP FROM GRENADE IN NOSE OF 155 RD. DESTROYED IN PLACE.

C. 130930H CO B 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT954512. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPS, UNIT FOUND VN MALE (VC SUSPECT) WHO HAD A SPLINT ON HIS LEG, LOC AT ABOVE COORD. FWD 1 MALE DETAINEE TO BN S-2.

D. 131040H CO B 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT943500. WHILE CONDUCTING S&C OPS, USMC DET UNKNOWN TYPE ANTI-PERSONNEL MINE WOUNDING 1 USMC. 12ND EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	193 NVA KIA
190 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
11 " NEC EVAC	3 " MINE
4 " NEC MINOR	112 VC KIA
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	4 " POW
	1 " MINE
	59 DEFAUNCES
	22 INN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 INC
	5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIFTH MAR DIV (REF)

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #84 FROM 141000Z TO
332400Z NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION LAMARCA HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO A AT911514, CO B AT955506, CO C AT945546
ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS REEMPOWERED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 130000Z CO C 1/5 CO S23 LOC AT945515. WHILE CONDUCTING S23 OPS, UNIT
FOUND ENEMY SACKS CONTAINING 50 TONS OF RICE, 1 KAW, ASSORTED T82 GRENADES,
TOOLS, CLOTHING AND DOCUMENTS. ALL GEAR TWO TO THREE CT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE IS FLOODING AND LOGGING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HQ TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLES CONDITION THREE - INTERMEDIATE.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:
 - 1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS DAYLIGHT S23 VIL AND S23 HUNT (3) (AT935503) AND STAYS
AMBUSH IN SAME AREA AND ALONG WITH THE S23. CO B PROVIDES SECURITY FOR
LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD WORK. CO C CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT VIL AT945503.
CO G CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT VIL AT955501.
 - 2/5 - CONDUCTS REELAT AT AN HOA COMBAT BASE.
 - 3/5 - CO I CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL OPS ON HIGH GROUND NORTH OF AN
HOA (AT960450). CO K STAYS BY ON 30 MIN ALERT. CO L MAINTAINS SECURITY
OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND CONDUCTS AMBUSH AND PATROL ACTIVITIES. CO M CONDUCTS
PATROL AND AMBUSH OPS IN CANOPY VIL (AT9247).

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA 19
 190 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR 2
 11 " NEC EVAC 1
 4 " NEC MINOR 3
 1 USN WIA EVAC 1
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

193 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RTRE
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RTRE
 59 DETAINEES
 22 INN CIV
 6 CIV DEF
 25 IWC
 3 GSWC

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O R 132303Z NOV 68

FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: C. J. L. (H)
 INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
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REPORT: J. P. CODY
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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SECT P #37 FROM 140000H TO
 140600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL BATTLE ACTIVITIES. SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS: NONE
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM CI HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN FIFTH MARINES SPEC SECT P #36.
- CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	195 NVA KIA
190 " VIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " VIA MINOR	13 " POW
11 " NMC EVAC	3 " RETNG
4 " NMC MINOR	112 VC KIA
1 USN VIA EVAC	1 " KIA DISC
1 VI FORCES VIA EVAC	4 " POW
	1 " RETNG
	59 DETAIN EEN
	22 RNN CIV
	6 CIV DET
	28 IAG
	5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. GODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #88 FROM 140600H TO
141200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CO C AT942516

CO I AT847447

CO B AT925535

CO M AT915483

CO D AT938507

ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #86.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 090130H (FOLLOW UP) CO K 3/5 SQD AMB LOC AT892437. UPDATE TO READ:
DELETE 1 USMC NBC MINOR AND ADD 1 USMC NBC EVAC.

B. 140230H CO C 1/5 PLAT AMB LOC AT936516. MARINE LEFT POSIT WITHOUT
TELLING ANYONE AND WHEN RETURNING TO FRIENDLY LINES HE WAS SHOT. MED-
EVAC CALLED AND COMPLETED. RES: 1 USMC VIA EVAC.

C. 140730H CO B 1/5 CO SSG LOC AT949502. UNIT FOUND 6000 TO 9000 LBS
OF RICE LOC AT ABOVE COORD. UNIT PRESENTLY BAGGING RICE AND LIFTING
IT TO REGT CP.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #86.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA
 191 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR
 12 " NEC EVAC
 3 " NEC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

193 NVA KIA
 6 " KRA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RENE
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RENE
 59 DETAINERS
 22 INN CIV
 6 CIV DEF
 28 IAC
 5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES

TO: C. DIST

DRAFTER: MAJ J. P. GODY

CONFIDENTIALINFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #89 FROM 141200H TO
141800H NOVEMBER 1966 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526

2/5 BN AT073473

3/5 BN AT096417

CO A AT911513

CO K AT073473

CO B AT927526

CO I AT068447

CO C AT940515

CO M AT915405

CO D AT948502

CO L AT096466

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN FIFTH
MARINES SPEC SITREP #86.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM C NDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HIA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT
COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA

193 NVA KIA

191 " WIA EVAC

6 " KIA DISC

31 " WIA MINOR

13 " POW

12 " NBC EVAC

3 " MINE

3 " NBC MINOR

112 VC KIA

1 USN WIA EVAC

1 " KIA DISC

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

4 " POW

1 " MINE

59 DETAINERS

22 INN CIV

6 CIV DEF

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CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 142130H 5TH MARINES CP. (1) 82M RD ENEMY FIRE LANDED IN HU DA (1), FRIENDLY VILLAGE ADJACENT TO AN HOA. PATROL CHECKED AREA, NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE.
 - B. 142125H H&S CO 3/5 LOC AT CP FORWARD. (1) USMC WAS KILLED IN A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT. HE WAS DRIVING A MULE AND RAN OVER AN MEDICINE, MULE OVERTURNED KILLING HANDED. RES: 1 USMC DECK.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIB RTY BRIDGE 8 DEPT AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:
 - 1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT AND SEARCH VIC AT 905520. CO C CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT AND SEARCH VIC AT 940515. CO D CONDUCTS HOLE HUNT AND SEARCH VIC AT 950515. CO B MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE, LIB ROAD NORTH, AND CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC AT 943528.
 - 2/5 - BN CONDUCTS REHAB AND TRAINING. PREPARED FOR DEPLOYMENT.
 - 3/5 - CO I RETURNS TO AN HOA TO ASSUME REACTION FORCE. CO K AND CO L CONDUCT RECON IN FORCE SOUTH OF AN HOA. CO M ASSURES SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SECURES SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	193 NVA KIA
191 " VIA EVAC	6 " KIA DIED
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTHE
12 " NBC EVAC	112 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DIED
1 USMC VIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC	1 " RTHE
	59 DETAINEES
	22 INN CIV
	6 CIV DEF
	28 INC
	5 CSVC

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 TO: CC, FIRST IN
 INFO: FIFTH MARINES
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 THIRD IN FIFTH MARINES

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DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. JODY

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #91 FROM 150000H TO
 150600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #90.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA
 191 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NBC KIA
 12 " NBC EVAC
 3 " NBC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

193 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " REME
 212 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " REME
 59 DETAINEES
 22 INN CIV
 6 CIV DEF
 28 DMC
 5 CSUS

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #92 FROM 150601H TO

151200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO I AT875473, CO L AT915483, CO H AT 96467

ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS 14W FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #90.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 110830H (FOLLOW UP) CO M 3/5 CO S&C LOC AT904484. 3 DETAINEES CLASS BY ITT AS 3 INN CIV'S.

B. 120025H (FOLLOW UP) CO B 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT955525. 2 DETAINEES CLASS BY ITT AS 2 CIV DEF'S.

C. 121300H (FOLLOW UP) CO C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT942517. 1 DETAINEE

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CLASS BY ITT AS 1 INN CIV.

D. 130930H (FOLLOW UP) CO B 1/5 RLAT S&C LOC AT957503. 1 DETAINEE

CLASS BY ITT AS 1 CIV DEF.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS 14W FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #90.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA

193 NVA KIA

191 USMC WIA EVAC

6 NVA KIA DISC

31 USMC WIA MINOR

13 NVA POW

1 USMC NEC KIA

3 NVA RTNE

12 USMC NEC EVAC

112 VC KIA

3 USMC NEC MINOR

1 VC KIA DISC

1 USMC WIA EVAC

4 VC POW

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

1 VC RTNE

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59 DETAINEES

26 INN CIV

9 CIV DEF

28 IWC

5 CSWC

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OR 15/1103Z NOV 68
 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

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SUBJ: FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #93 FROM 151200H TO
 151800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526

2/5 BN AT873473

3/5 CP AT896467

CO A AT942516

CO H AT896467

CO B AT925535

CO I AT873473

CO C AT911512

CO L AT915483

CO D AT950503

CO K AT866460

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #90.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 3 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA

193 NVA KIA

191 " WIA EVAC

6 " KIA DEGC

31 " WIA MINOR

13 " POW

1 " NEC KIA

3 " RETN

12 " NEC EVAC

112 VC KIA

3 " NEC MINOR

1 " KIA DEGC

1 USN WIA EVAC

4 " POW

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

1 " RETN

59 DEFAUNTES

26 INN CIV

26 INN CIV

26 INN CIV

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FIFTH MARINES SPAN SETREP #94 FROM 151800H TO
152400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIGHTY BRIDGE 3 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORMY CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FIERY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION REMAINS CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE LA CHAP AREA
(VIC AT9154). CO C CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE MY HOA
AREA (VIC AT9451). CO D CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE
CHAU PHONG AREA (VIC AT9550). CO B MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LEB BRIDGE AND
LEB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - ALL UNITS CONDUCT TRAINING AND MANUE AT AN HOA.

3/5 - CO L CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE MY SON (2) AREA
(VIC AT9142). CO H MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LEB ROAD SOUTH AND HAYS SLACK
POINTS A, B, C, AND D. CO K SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO I
30 MIN REACTION FORCE.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

329 USMC KIA	195 FVW KIA	59 DEPARTURES
5191 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DEX	26 HAY CIV
431 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW	9 CIV DEF
1 " NDC KIA	3 " FVW	28 HAY
12 " NDC EVAC	112 VC KIA	5 PSUC
3 " NDC MINOR	1 " KIA DEX	
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW	
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " FVW	

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MA DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 Maj J. P. JOY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SETREP #95 FROM 160000H TO
160600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SETREP #94.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	193 NVA KIA
191 " VIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " VIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NTC KIA	3 " NTC
12 " NTC EVAC	112 VC KIA
3 " NTC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN VIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VI FORCES VIA EVAC	1 " NTC
	59 DETAINED
	26 INN CIV
	9 CIV DEF
	5 CSWC

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 TO: CG FIRST DIV
 INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
 SECOND BN FIFTH MAR
 THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #96 FROM 160600H TO
 161200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #94.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 160900H 1/5 CP S&C LOC AT941516. UNIT FOUND 40 LB BOX MINE LYING IN VILLAGE. IT WAS NOT SET AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MINE DESTROYED IN PLACE.
 - B. 160915H CO L 3/5 PLAT GMB PTL LOC AT897483. UNIT APPREHENDED VN WHO HAD NO ID AND WAS ACTING IN A SUSPICIOUS MANNER. YED 1 DETAINEE TO REPT CP FOR CLASS BY ITT.
 - C. 161050H FIRST B&CON BN INSERT "SAND HURST". UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING NORTH TO EAST WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, WITH PACK. LOC AT792476. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY HQT KILLING 1 NVA. AO ON STATION OBS KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OP N. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #94.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	194 NVA KIA	60 DETAINEES
191 " VIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC	26 INN CIV
31 " VIA MINOR	13 " POW	9 CIV DEF
1 " HBC KIA	3 " RETN	28 IAC
12 " HBC EVAC	112 VC KIA	5 CSAC
3 " HBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC	
1 USN VIA EVAC	4 " POW	
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC	1 " RETN	

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OpnChief	[initials]	
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Rng NSOP	AT96467	
GO K AT96440		
FILE CO L AT915435		
GO I AT873475		

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC STRIP #97 FROM 141200H 161300H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927526

2/5 CP IN AT873475

CO A AT942516

CO B AT925535

CO G AT911512

CO D AT950503

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN FIFTH MARINES SPEC STRIP #94.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE IS DEEP AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK V HIGH CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 UNITS KIA
 291 " VIA EVAC
 31 " VIA MINOR
 1 " HNC KIA
 12 " HNC EVAC
 3 " HNC MINOR
 1 USN VIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

194 HVA KIA
 6 " KIA DING
 13 " POW
 3 " REMN
 112 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DING
 4 " POW
 1 " REMN

60 DEFATIES
 26 HNC CIV
 9 CIV DEF
 28 INC
 5 COWG

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TO: CG FIRST MAR DIVINFO: FIRST IN FIFTH MAR
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162400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 161400H CO D 1/5 PLAT S&C LOC AT938504. WHILE SEARCHING AREA, UNIT APPREHENDED 3 MALE DETAINEES. ONE MAN ADMITS TO BE VC AND SAYS HE HAS 2 SONS FROM VILLAGE LOC AT947462 WHO ARE ALSO VC. OTHER TWO DEF WILL NOT ADMIT BEING VC, BUT WERE APPREHENDED APPROX 8 CLUCKS FROM THEIR OWN VILLAGES. 3 DETAINEES FWD TO REGT CP FOR CLASS BY MPT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 F.MET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:
 - 1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE LA THAP AREA (VIC AT9154). CO C CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE LY LOG AREA (VIC AT9451). CO D CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE CHAU HONG AREA (VIC AT9350). CO B MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LI BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.
 - 2/5 - ALL UNITS CONDUCT TRAINING AND REHAB AT AN HOA.
 - 3/5 - CO L CONDUCTS PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITIES IN THE MY SON (2) AREA (VIC AT9142). CO H MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND MANS STRONG POINTS A, B, C, AND D. CO K SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HOA. CO I 30 MIN REACTION FORCE.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

29 USMC KIA	194 NVA KIA
191 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NEC KIA	3 " RETNE
12 " NEC EVAC	112 VC KIA
3 " NEC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " EOU
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RETNE
	69 DETAILERS
	26 INN CIV
	9 CIV DEF
	28 IAC
	5 COMC

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIVINFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MARINES
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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #99 FROM 170000H TO
170600H November 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 170200 1/5 CO B CO DEF POSIT LOC AT 925558. UNIT REC'D 1 INCOMING
RD OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN WOUNDING 8 MARINES AND KILLING 1. MEDEVAC
CALLED FOR 8 MARINES AND 1 KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATION IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #98.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

30 USMC KIA
199 " VIA EVAC
31 " VIA MINOR
1 " NEC KIA
12 " NEC EVAC
3 " NEC MINOR
1 USMC VIA EVAC
1 VI FORCES VIA EVAC

194 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " RETIR
112 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " RETIR
63 DEFATIGUES
26 INN CIV
9 CIV DPT
28 IMC
5 CSWG

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 FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

INFO: FIRST BN-FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN-FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN-FIFTH MARINES

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC STREP #100 FROM 170600H TO
 171200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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18	NECD	6001
18	Onn	6001
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18	AO	6001
18	Scal	6001
18	Rng	6001
18	FILE	6001

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 1/5 CP AT927328
 CO A AT941515
 CO B AT925533
 CO C AT910512
 CO D AT949503

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES
 SPEC STREP #98.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 160915H (FOLLOW UP) 3/5 CO L PLAT GET PAT LOC AT897483. DETAILED
 CLASSIFIED BY TPT AS INN CIV.
- B. 161400H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO D PLAT S&C LOC AT930504. 3 DETAILED
 CLASSIFIED BY TPT AS 2 CIV DEF AND 1 INN CIV.
- C. 170313H 1/5 CO C PLAT AMB LOC AT910512. UNIT OBS APPROXIMATELY 15
 NVA APPROACHING ITS POSIT. UNIT INITIATED AMB WITH M-79 AND S/A.
 ENEMY RET'D S/A, A/W AND B-40 FIRE. UNIT CALLED COM, 81MM, AND
 MAR ARTY MEN FOR EFFECT AND BLOCKING OF ROUTES OF EGRESS. SEARCH
 AT FIRST LIGHT REVEALED 4 NVA KIA AND 1 AK-47 RIFLE. RES: 2 USMC
 KIA, 3 USMC VIA EVAC, 4 NVA KIA AND 1 AK-47 RIFLE.
- D. 270313H 1/5 CO C PLAT AMB LOC AT910512 (FOLLOW UP). UNIT CONTINUED
 SEARCH OF AREA AND FOUND ADDITIONAL 1 VC KIA AND 17 CHICOM GR NADS.
 UNIT OBS HEAVY BLOOD TRAILS AND NUMEROUS COM WIRES.
- E. 170313H 1/5 CO C PLAT AMB LOC AT910512 (FOLLOW UP). UNIT CONTINUED
 SEARCH OF AREA AND FOUND ADDITIONAL: 1 AK-47, 1 M-16 (DESTROYED),
 8 AK-47 MAGAZINES, 288 RDS AK-47 AMMO, 9 CHICOM GRENADES, 1 ROLL
 COM WIRE, 2 M-26 GRENADES, 1 M-33 GRENADE, ASSORTED NVA 762 GEAR,
 2 NVA FIRST AID PACKS, AND 2 NVA UNIFORMS.
- F. 170330H 1/5 CO B GO DEF POSIT LOC AT949506. WHILE SETTING IN NIGHT
 DEF POSIT, UNIT REC'D 3-4 INCOMING B-40 ROCKETS FROM ENEMY LOC AT949507.
 UNIT RET'D FIRE WITH M-79, S/A, CALLED MAR FIXED WING AIR STRIKE MEN AT
 FIRST LIGHT AND CALLED MAR BATT BN. FOLLOWING AIR STRIKE AT FIRST
 LIGHT, UNIT SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND 2000 LBS OF RDX WHICH WILL BE FWD
 TO REVT CP.

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G. 270000H 3/5 CO K SQD CHE PAT LOC AM663454. WHILE CONDUCTING CHE PAT OPNS, UNIT APPREHENDED 1 VN MALE DETAINEE WHO HAD NO ID CARD. DETAINEE TO BE HWD TO HN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE C FERT AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNIT'S CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MARINES SPE, SETBACK #58.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 USMC KIA
202 " WIA EVAC
31 " WIA MINOR
1 " NCS KIA
12 " NCS WIA EVAC
3 " NCS MINOR
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORGERS WIA EVAC

198 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MINE
113 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
64 DETAINEES
29 INN CIV
12 CIV DEF
32 INC
5 CSNG

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B. SIGHT CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE ENTRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. FOLD FROM AN HCA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS POSSIBLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION REMAINS CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IF ASSIGNED AQ.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 USMC KIA
202 " VIA EVAC
21 " VIA MINOR
1 " MDC KIA
12 " MDC EVAC
3 " MDC MINOR
1 USMC VIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES VIA EVAC

193 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " IPRB
114 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
3 " POW
1 " NAME
60 REFUGEES
20 INN CIV
11 CIV REF
21 INC
5 CSWC

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OR 171530Z NOV 68

FROM: FIFTH MAR

TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: 3-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
 SECOND BN FIFTH MAR
 THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

RELEASED: *J. F. Cody*

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INFO - ROUTINE

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FIFTH MARINES SP4 SITREP #102 FROM 172001H TO
 172400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION MENDENSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO A AT942517, CO B AT925535, CO C AT909517,
 CO D AT951506 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
 SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 172100H CO B 1/5 SQD AND LOC AT945524. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE AND
 GRENADES FM ENEMY LOC IN IMMED VIC AND AT947526. UNIT REP'D S/A
 FIRE, M-79 AND CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. SEARCHED AREA UNDER HEAVY
 ILLUM AND FOUND NUMEROUS BLOOD TRAILS. ~~MSN~~ 1 USMC KIA EVAC,
 1 VC KIA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN MOA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CHOP CO B TO 3/5 AT 181200H. CO C CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES
 VIC AT9051. CO D CONTINUES S AND C VIC AT9550. CO A CONTINUES S AND C
 VIC AT9453. HAS CO MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

2/5 - CONDUCTS TRAINING. PREPARES TO DEPLOY AND CHOP TO FIRST MARINES.

3/5 - CHOP CO M TO 5TH MAR AT 180900H. BN HQ, CO I, CO K, AND CO L
 PREPARES TO DEPLOY AND CHOP TO FIRST MARINES.

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTHERN
 APPROACHES TO AN MOA.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 USMC KIA
 203 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR
 1 " MHC KIA
 12 " MHC EVAC
 3 " MHC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

199 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RETN
 115 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RETN
 60 DETAINEES
 28 INM CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 31 IWC
 5 CSWC

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OR 172231Z NOV 68

FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CO, FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: 2-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
SECOND BN FIFTH MAR
THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #103 FROM 180001H TO
180600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 172030H 5TH MARINES CP LOC AT873473. AN MOA REC'D 6 RDS INCOMING 82MM MORTARS WITH NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE. TOWER OBS SPOOKY RECEIVING A/W FIRE FROM LOC AT891489, AT905494, AT895500, AT895519, AT805445, AT845485, AT843497, AND AT845475. UNIT FIRED COUNTER MORTAR FIRE ON ALL ABOVE ENEMY POSITS.
 - B. 172335H 3/5 CO L PLAT AMB LOC AT914480. UNIT OBS 2 ENEMY MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSIT LOC AT915480. UNIT TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE WITH S/A RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA. WHILE THE UNIT WAS ADVANCING TO CHECK THE ENEMY KIA, THEY REC'D SPORADIC S/A FIRE FROM ENEMY POSIT. UNIT CALLED NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES SUSTAINED. UNIT CALLED 60MM MORTAR MEN.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN MOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #102.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 USMC KIA
 203 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NEC KIA
 12 " NEC EVAC
 3 " NEC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

199 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " REME
 117 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " REME
 68 DETAINEES
 28 IDN CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 31 IWC
 5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MAR

TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. GODY

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THIRD BN FIFTH MARINES

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #104 FROM 180600H TO
181200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #102.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 171000H (FOLLOW UP) 3/5 CO K SQD CMT PAT W/C AT063454. DETAILS CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS AN INN CIV.
 - B. 171400H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO D PLAT SAC LOC AT950500. 3 DETAINEES CLASSIFIED BY IIT AS 3 INN CIV.
 - C. 180510H AN HOA COMBAT BASE LOC AT063473. UNIT REC'D 5 INCOMING RDS OF UNKNOWN SIZE OUTSIDE DEFENSIVE WIRE. ENEMY LOC UNKNOWN.
 - D. 180910H RECON INSERT "LUNGE POINT" LOC AT797527. UNIT OBS 20 ENEMY MOVING WEST AT LOC AT001483. UNIT CALLED MAR ARMY MISSION RESULTING IN 20 VC KIA.
 - E. 181100H 1/5 CP LOC AT942317. 1/5 COMPLETE RETROGRADE OF RICE. TOTAL TO DATE IS 104 TONS. INDICATIONS ARE THAT MORE CACHES REMAIN IN THE AREA. UNITS CONTINUE TO SEARCH.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #102.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 USMC KIA
 203 " WIA EVAC
 31 " WIA MINOR
 1 " MRC KIA
 12 " MRC EVAC
 3 " MRC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

199 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " MINE
 137 VS KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " MINE
 60 DETAINEES
 32 INN CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 31 IWS
 5 CSW

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181600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION NEUDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 OP A1927527

2/5 BN A1873473

CO A A1927527

CO B A1873473

CO C A1909517

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH
MARINE SPEC SITREP #102.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 181100H CO A 1/5 PLAT OBS TEL HQS A1955545. USMC DEU M-26 GRENADE
SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RES: 1 USMC WEA
INVADED TO AN HOA BY VEHICLE.B. 181400H FIRST BN INSECT "SAND HURF". UNIT OBS 3 MVA MOVING NE
LOS A1805479. CALLED MARINE ARTY MVA HOLDING 2 EVA.4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: INTERFERENCE SPEC SITREP #104, PARAGRAPH 3D. CHANGE
2D TO KIA TO READ 20 MVA KIA.

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. BAND FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS REEVALUATE NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT
COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IF ASSIGNED AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES

21 USMC KIA
 21 " WIA EVAC
 21 " WIA MINE
 12 " MIA KIA
 12 " MIA EVAC
 3 " MIA MINE
 1 TEN WIA EVAC
 1 TH FORCED WIA EVAC

21 MIA KIA
 6 " MIA MINE
 13 " POW
 1 " MIA
 117 VC KIA
 1 " MIA MINE
 4 " POW
 1 " MIA
 61 DETAINEE
 32 INN CIV
 11 CIV POW
 31 MW
 1 CHWC

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 TO: CO FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: 3-3 MAY J. P. CODY

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FIFTH MAR SP4C SITREP #106 FROM 181600H TO
 182400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
 SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 181500H CO C 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT901508. WILL BE MOVING INTO
 TRAILLINE TO SEARCH AREA USMC WAS SHOT BY ENEMY SNIPER FIRE FM
 VIC AT901509. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC. SEARCHED
 AREA AND FOUND 1 AK-47 IWC, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 782 GEAR AND
 MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

B. 181520H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGE POINT" LOC AT905479. UNIT OBS
 APPROX 75 NVA LOC VIC AT905479. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 28
 NVA AND 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

C. 181600H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "EMPIRE STATE". UNIT OBS 3 NVA W/TF
 PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING SOUTH TO NORTH LOC AT976529. CALLED MARINE
 ARTY MSN KILLING 3 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

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5. PHASE SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO C CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC A39051. CO D CONTINUES S AND C VIC A39050. CO A CONTINUES S AND C VIC A39453. HAS CO MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIE BRIDGES AND LIE ROAD WASTE.

2/5 - CONDUCTS TRAINING. PREPARES TO DEPLOY AND CHOP TO FIRST MARINES.

3/5 - BN HQ, CO I, CO K, AND CO L PREPARES TO DEPLOY AND CHOP TO FIRST MARINES.

CO H 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIE ROAD SCENES AND SCREENS SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO AN HQ.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

32 UNK KIA
205 " WIA BVAC
32 " WIA MING
1 " HEC KIA
12 " HEC BVAC
3 " HEC MING
1 USN WIA BVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA BVAC

232 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
15 " POW
3 " REME
217 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " UNK
62 DETAINEES
32 INE CIV
11 CIV DEF
32 INE
5 CSW

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TO: CG, FIRST MAR

DRAFTER: MAJ J. F. GODE

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CONFIDENTIALFIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #107 FROM 190001H TO
190600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AQ.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 182230H 1/5 BN CP DEF POSIT LOC AT927528. UNIT REC'D 3 COMM RDS
AND 1 M-79 RD. UNIT OBS MORTAR SITE AND FIRED 90 RDS 81MM HL.
UNIT OBS SECONDARY EXPLOSION WHICH BURNED FOR APPROX 20 MIN.B. 190350H 1/5 CO C SQD LP LOC AT910516. UNIT DETECTED MOVEMENT FM THE
NE AND REC'D 30 RDS AL-47 FROM EST 20 MINUTY RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA AND
4 USMC WIA EVAC. UNIT REC'D FIRE WITH CLAYMORES AND M-26 GRENADES, AND
RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MEN AND SPOCKY WAS
WORKING THE AREA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #106.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA

209 " WIA EVAC

31 " WIA MINOR 9

1 " REC KIA 8

12 " REC WIA 10

5 " REC MINOR 4

1 " WIA EVAC 11

1 " FORCE WIA EVAC

252 EVA KIA

6 " KIA DISC 6

13 " POW 12

5 " WIA 1

120 VC KIA

1 " KIA DISC

4 " POW

1 " WIA

68 DETAINEES

32 INN CIV

11 CIV DEF

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DRAFTERS: S-3 MAJ J. P. COVY

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THIRD BN FIFTH MARRELEASES: [Signature]
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191200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #106.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 190350H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CG C SQD LP LOC AT910516. ADD 2 USMC WIA EVAC TO LINE C AND SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 5 ADDITIONAL VC KIA, 5 AK-47'S, 1 .30 CAL. HOLSTER, 10 CHICOM GREN, AND NUMEROUS MAPS.

B. 190350H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CG C SQD LP LOC AT910516. DELETE 2 USMC WIA EVAC REPORTED ON PREVIOUS FOLLOW UP REPORT AND CHANGE THE 5 VC KIA TO 5 NVA KIA. ALSO AFTER UNIT COMPLETED SEARCH OF AREA HAD ACCUMULATED ASSORTED 782 GEAR, DOCUMENTS, MEDICAL GEAR, AND 10 AK-47 MAGAZINES. CUMULATIVE TOTALS FOR INCIDENT ARE AS FOLLOWS: 1 USMC KIA, 4 USMC WIA EVAC, 3 VC KIA, 5 NVA KIA, AND 5 AK-47'S CAPTURED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #106.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	257 NVA KIA	69 DETAINEES
209 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC	32 INN CIV
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW	11 CIV DEF
1 " NBC KIA	3 " MINE	37 IWC
12 " NBC EVAC	120 VC KIA	5 CSWC
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC	
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW	
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " MINE	

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FROM: FIFTH MAR
 TO: CG FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. COMY

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
 SECOND BN FIFTH MAR
 THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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 INFO - ROUTINE
 CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #109 FROM 191201H TO
 191800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927527 2/5 BN AT873473 3/5 (-) AT873473
 CO A AT927527 CO M AT897468
 CO B AT873473
 CO C AT909517
 CO D AT930505

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW
 FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #106.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 190350H FOLLOW UP CO C 1/5 SQD LP LOC AT910516. AFTER WOUNDED MEN WERE EVACED, A SEARCH FOR THEIR MACHINE GUN SHOWED IT TO BE MISSING AND PRESUMED CAPTURED. A THOROUGH SEARCH IS PRESENTLY BEING CONDUCTED.
- B. 191045H HAS CO 1/5 PLAT BRIDGE SEC LOC AT926525. SECTION LEADER AFTER REPRIMANDING MAN FOR LOADING PISTOL IN SECURE AREA, TOOK IT FROM HIM AND PROCEEDED TO CLEAR WPB. PISTOL DISCHARGED WOUNDING ANOTHER MARINE. RES: 1 USMC NBC EVAC. INVESTIGATION BEING HELD.
- C. 191315H CO C 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT902508. USMC DET M-26 GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. MED-EVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.
- D. 191330H CO C 1/5 SQD CP LOC AT927523. USMC DET CONCUSSION TYPE GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVACED BY VEHICLE TO REGT CP.
- E. 191435H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGE POINT". UNIT OBS APPROX 55 NVA WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC AT804483. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 33 NVA KIA AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.
- F. 191625H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGE POINT". UNIT OBS 35 VC MOVING IN OPEN LOC AT803485. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 23 VC.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	280 MVA KIA
211 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNL
13 " NBC EVAC	143 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RTNL
	68 DETAINEES
	32 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	37 INC
	5 CSWC

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FROM: FIFTH MAR
TO: CG, FIRST IAR DIV

DATE: 2-3 MAY 1967, COMV

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
SECOND BN FIFTH MAR
THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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FIFTH MARINE: SP4 BETTER #118 FROM 191801H TO
190400H NOVEMBER 1963 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
SMALL UNIT COINTEL/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. COMMENTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE S FART AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE PARTLY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHIC CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO 3 CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC A9051. CO D CONTINUES
S AND G VIC A9051. CO A CONTINUES S AND G VIC A9053. HAS CO
MAINTAINING SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH.

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTHERN
APPROACHES TO AN HOA.

2/5 AND 3/5 - INFO TO FIRST MARINES 230000H NOV 68.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

13 USMC KIA	280 NVA KIA	68 DETAINERS
211 " WIA NVA	6 " KIA DISC	32 INN CIV
11 " WIA DISC	13 " POW	11 CIV DEF
1 " NBO KIA	3 " NVA	31 INC
13 " NBO NVA	143 VU KIA	5 CSWG
3 " NBO DISC	1 " KIA DISC	
1 USN KIA NVA	1 " POW	
1 VN FORCES WIA NVA	1 " POW	

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FROM: FIFTH MAR
 INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
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 THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP ALL FROM 200001H TO
 200600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: GO C AFB90509 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AO HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP AIO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	280 NVA KIA
211 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
31 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNE
13 " NBC EVAC	143 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USMC WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RTNE
	68 DETAINEES
	32 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	37 IAC
	5 CSVD

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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

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THIRD BN FIFTH MAR

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #112 FROM 200601H TO
201200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #110.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 192130H AN HOA COMBAT BASE LOC ATB65475. UNIT REC'D 5 INCOMING 82MM FM LEMMY LOC ATB54486 AND ATB95458. NO CASUALTIES SUSTAINED. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS LAUNCHED WITH 200 RDS 105MM. LEMMY CEASED FIRE.
- B. 200445H 1/5 CO G CO DEF POSIT LOC ATB91514. USMC WAS HIT BY FALLING PIECE OF 4.2 AIR CANNISTER RESULTING IN BROKEN SHIN BONE. MEDVAC CALLED AND INVESTIGATION BEING HELD.
- C. 200945H 1/5 CO G SQD SEC LOC ATB98508. USMC DET UNKNOWN TYPE SUR EX DEVICE. USMC TREATED BY CORPSMAN AND UNIT COM'T MSN. MGS: 1 USMC KIA NON-EVAC.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: CHANGE TO READ 290 NVA KIA VICE 280 NVA KIA.
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
 - E. 2/5 AND 3/5 CHOPPED TO FIRST MAR AT 200800H NOV 1968.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #110.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA
 211 " WIA EVAC
 32 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NBC KIA
 14 " NBC EVAC
 3 " NBC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

250 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RTMS
 143 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RTMS
 68 DETAINEES
 32 LAN CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 37 IWC
 5 CSBG

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #115 FROM 201201H TO 201800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927527 CO 1 AT897468

CO A AT927527

CO C AT909515

CO D AT930505

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #110.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 201300H CO C 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT909515. UNIT APPREHENDED 2 MALE VN WHO WERE IN POSSESSION OF TWO TOLLS OF TRIP WIRE. MEN

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TRIED TO HIDE FROM PATROL. 2 DETAINEES FWD TO REGT CP.

B. 201500H CO D 1/5 SQD CP LOC AT918513. USMC DET M-26 GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVACED TO 1/5 CP BY VEHICLE.

C. 201500H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "TURF CLUB". UNIT CAME UNDER HEAVY S/A FIRE FROM APPROX 30 NVA LOC AT879354. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY 1SN AND MARINE FIXED WING AIR STRIKES KILLING 11 NVA. UNIT ALSO CAPTURED 1 AK-47 IWC. UNIT WAS EXTRACTED AFTER CONTACT.

D. 201600H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGE POINT". UNIT OBS 25 NVA LOC AT803485. 15 NVA WERE DIGGING TRENCHES. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY 1SN KILLING 5 NVA AND RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: FIFTH MARINES CHOPPED 2/5 AND 3/5 TO FIRST MARINES 200800H NOV 68.

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	316 NVA KIA
212 USMC WIA EVAC	6 NVA KIA DISC
32 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	143 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
	70 DETINEES
	32 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	38 IWC
	5 CSWC

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TO: CG FIRST MAR DIV

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC STREP #114 FROM 201800H TO
202400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 201630H CO D 1/5 S&D CP LOC AT909501. USMC DET M-26 ORANGE SET WITH TRIP WIRE RIGGED AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RES: 2 USMC WIA EVACUATED TO REVT CP BY VEHICLE.
 - B. 201750H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 35 EVA MOVING SE LOC AT25495. BERRY CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES AND 82MM MORTAR. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MEN KILLING 10 EVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 3 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH AND CONDUCTS LIMITED PATROLS. CO C GORDONS PHU MYUAN (2) FOR SEARCH BY RF CO 116. CO D CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN CHAU PHONG AREA (AT9550).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA
 214 " WIA EVAC
 32 " WIA MINOR
 1 " MDC KIA
 14 " MDC EVAC
 3 " MDC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

316 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RTNE
 143 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RTNE
 70 DETAINEES
 32 INN CIV
 11 CIV DRP
 38 IWC
 9 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #115 FROM 210001H TO

210600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #114.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA

214 USMC WIA EVAC

32 USMC WIA MINOR

1 USMC NBC KIA

14 USMC NBC EVAC

3 NBC WIA MINOR

1 USN WIA EVAC

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

316 NVA KIA

6 NVA KIA DISC

13 NVA POW

3 NVA RTNE

143 VC KIA

1 VC KIA DISC

4 VC POW

1 VC RTNE

70 DETAINEES

32 INN CIV

11 INN CIV

38 IWC

5 CSWC

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 TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

INFO: FIRST BN FIFTH MAR
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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #116 FROM 210601H TO
 211200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #114.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HQA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #114.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	316 NVA KIA
214 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
32 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTMC
14 " NBC EVAC	143 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RTMC
	70 DETAINEES
	32 IMM CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	38 IWO
	5 OSWO

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ZEN/THIRD BN FIFTH MAR
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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #117 FROM 211201H TO
211800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL
1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO C AT 27527 CO M AT 897468
CO A AT 927527
CO C AT 910516
CO D AT 924506

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS
IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #114.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 201300H FOLLOW UP CO C 1/5 PPT LOC AT 909515. 2 DETAINEES
CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS 2 INN CIV.

B. 211310H CAP 2-9-1 LOC AT 889494. UNIT WHILE CONDUCTING SWEEP REC'D

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S/A FIRE AND 50 CAL FIRE FROM ENEMY LOC AT 885473. UNIT CALLED
MARINE ARTY MSN AND REC'D S/A FIRE. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 10 VC
KIA, NUMEROUS TRENCHES, FIGHTING HOLES AND MORTAR SITES.

C. 211220H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 21 NVA
MOVING EAST INTO TREELINE LOC AT 812496. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN
KILLING 6 NVA AND DESTROYING ONE STRUCTURE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA

214 USMC WIA EVAC

32 USMC WIA MINOR

1 USMC NBC KIA

14 USMC NBC EVAC

322 NVA KIA

6 NVA KIA DISC

13 NVA POW

3 NVA RTNE

153 VC KIA

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3 USMC NBC MINOR

1 USN WIA EVAC

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

1 VC KIA DISC

4 VC POW

1 VC RTNE

70 DETAINEES

34 INN CIV

11 CIV DEF

38 LWC

5 CS WC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #118 FROM 211801H TO
212400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 211055H CAP 2-9-1 LOC AT918513. UNIT FOUND M26 GRENADE SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. RD DESTROYED IN PLACE.

B. 211815H FIRST RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 15 VC MOVING EAST LOC AT805554. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN KILLING 5 VC.

C. 211530H CO C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT916523. PF'S FROM CAP 2-9-1 FOUND 1000 LBS RICE AND APPREHENDED 1 FEMALE DETAINEE AS VC SUSPECT. RICE

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AND DETAINEE TURNED OVER TO CO C. FWD TO REGT CP FOR CLASS.

D. 212230H CO C 1/5 CO DEF POSIT LOC AT910515. UNIT REC'D 6-7 RDS

B-40 ROCKET RDS AND SPORATIC S/A FIRE FROM ENEMY LOC AT903515. UNIT RET'D A/W, S/A FIRE AND CALLED MARINE 81 MM MSN AND MARINE ARTY MSN. RES: 1 VC KIA; 1 USMC WIA MINOR.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH AND CONDUCTS LIMITED PATROLS. CO C CORDONS PHU NHUAN (8) FOR SEARCH BY RF CO 116. CO D CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN CHAU PHONG AREA (AT9350).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA

322 NVA KIA

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214 USMC WIA EVAC

6 NVA KIA DISC

33 USMC WIA MINOR

13 NVA POW

1 USMC NBC KIA

3 NVA RTNE

14 USMC NBC EVAC

159 VC KIA

3 USMC NBC MINOR

1 VC KIA DISC

1 USN WIA EVAC

4 VC POW

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

1 VC RTNE

71 DETAINEES

34 INN CIV

11 CIV DEF

38 IWC

5 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #119 FROM 220001H TO
220600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:

A. 212101H TO 1/2 CO D CO DEF POSIT LOC AT 924506. UNIT REC'D 3 RDS 60MM 200 RDS AK-47 AND 5 INCOMING GREN FROM THE SOUTHEAST FRI UNKNOWN ENEMY SITE. UNIT RET'D FIRE WITH S/A, 60MM AND 81MM MORTAR & SNS. ENEMY FIRE CEASED.

B. 212200H - 220330H AN HOA COMBAT BASE DEF POSIT LOC AT 875475. ENEMY FORCES COMMENCED ATTACK WITH 60MM MORTARS, GRENS AND S/A

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EAST SIDE OF PERIMETER WAS HIT BY GROUND FORCES. ENEMY MADE SECONDARY ATTACK ON CAP 2-9-1 APPROX 2335H EMPLOYING HEAVY A/W FIRE. SPOOKY WAS CALLED ON STATION AT THAT TIME PROVIDING SUPPRESSIVE FIRE FOR BOTH AN HOA AND CAP 2-9-1. A REACTION FORCE OF (2) TANKS, (3) LVT'S AND LINE PLAT DEPLOYED TO CAP 2-9-1 AT 220115H TO RESUPPLY AMMO WITH (2) HUEY GUNSHIPS IN DIRECT SUPPORT. AT 0245H AN HOA REC'D (7) RDS 57 RECOILESS FIRE FIRECTED AT EAST SIDE OF PERIMETER. MAR ARTY, 4x2 mm, SPOOKY GUNSHIPS, HUEYS AND S/A WERE EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT THE CONTACT AND (9) SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED. ENEMY CASUALTIES AS YET UNDETERMINED. A SWEEP WILL BE CONDUCTED AT FIRST LIGHT. RES: 3 USMC WIA MINOR AND 1 PF WIA MINOR.

CC. 220200H RE UNIT 116 SQD AMB LOC AT 908523. UNIT REC'D S/A FIRE AND INCOMING GREN FIRE EST 2-4 ENEMY. UNIT RET'D FIRE WITH S/A AND A/W AND M-26 GREN RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA AND 1 SKS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

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0. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS 1AW FIFTH MARINES
SPEC SSITREP #118.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

33 USMC KIA	323 NVA KIA
214 USMC WIA EVAC	6 NVA KIA DISC
36 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	159 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	71 DETAINEES
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
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221200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION MANDERSON

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS
SITREP #118.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 212001H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO D CO DEF POSIT LOC AT924006. UNIT
REC'D SPORADIC S/A FIRE THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT AND AT 220500H
REC'D 8 RDS 60MM MORTARS RESULTING IN 3 USMC EVAC. UNIT CALLED
IN MAR 8144 HSN AND MAR ARTY HSN AND REQUESTED FLYING WING AT
FIRST LIGHT. UNIT WILL SEARCH AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. UNIT CALLED
MEDEVAC.

B. 220615H RF UNIT 116 LOC AT914518. RF UNIT IN HEAVY CONTACT AT
220415H. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY HSN THROUGH 1/5 CO C FO. USA
LT WAS ADJUSTING AND ADJUSTED 7 TIMES BEFORE HE CALLED A FIRE
FOR EFFECT. 3 RDS LANDED ON TARGET AND 3 RDS IMPACTED 100-125
METERS SHORT LANDING IN RF CP RESULTING IN 4 RF KIA, 3 RF WIA
EVAC, 1 USMC WIA EVAC AND 1 USA WIA EVAC. UNIT CALLED MEDEVAC
AND INVESTIGATION IS BEING HELD.

C. 220800H RF UNIT 116 LOC AT914518. UNIT SEARCHED AREA OF CONTACT
AND FOUND 6 NVs KIA AND 2 AK-47'S. UNIT CONTINUED SEARCH OF AREA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR
SPEC SITREP #1185

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA

218 " WIA EVAC

36 " WIA MINOR

1 " NBC KIA

14 " NBC EVAC

3 " NBC MINOR

1 USA WIA EVAC

1 USN WIA EVAC

2 VN FORCES KIA

4 " " WIA EVAC

1 " " MINOR

329 NVA KIA

6 " KIA DISC

13 " POW

3 " REMA

159 VC KIA

1 " KIA DISC

4 " POW

1 " REMA

72 DETAINEES

34 INN CIV

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #121 FROM 221201H TO
 221800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL
 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 1/5 CP AT927527 CO H AT897468

10 A AT927527

CG C AT890508

CO D AT924506

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS 1A FIFTH
 MARINES SPEC SITREP #18.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 220200H (FOLLOW UP) RF 116 LOC AT908523. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED
 12 ADDITIONAL NVA KIA AND DISC 782 GEAR.

B. 221315H CO D 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT910498. UNIT FOUND 81MM RD

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SET WITH TRIP WIRE AND (1) HOME MADE SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE
 MADE WITH A TIN CAN FILLED WITH EXPLOSIVE LOC AT ABOVE COORD.
 BOTH DESTROYED IN PLACE.

C. 221615H CO C 1/5 CO S&C LOC AT890505. UNIT OBS 4 NVA WITH WPNS
 LOC AT890502. CALLED MARINE ARTY MSN. SWEEP AREA AND APPREHENDED
 1 DETAINEE AS VC SUSPECT. DET FWD TO CP FOR CLASS BY ITT.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL
 UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
 218 USMC WIA EVAC
 36 USMC WIA MINOR
 1 USMC NBC KIA
 14 USMC NBC EVAC

341 NVA KIA
 6 NVA KIA DISC
 13 NVA POW
 3 NVA RTNE
 100 VC KIA

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 3 USMC NLC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 USA WIA EVAC
 4 VN FORCES KIA
 4 VN FORCES WIA EVAL
 1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR
 1 VC KIA DISC
 4 VC POW
 1 VC RTNE
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 11 CIV DEF
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FIFTH IARINES SPEC SITREP #123 FROM 230001H TO

230600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES
CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 222215H AN HOA COMBAT BASE DEF POSIT LOC AT 875462. WHILE
TRAVELING FROM GERMAN QUARTERS TO GERMAN HOSPITAL, VEHICLE WAS AM-
BUSHED BY UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. AMBUSH INITIATED BY SATCHEL CHARGE
THROWN INTO VEHICLE SERIOUSLY INJURING TWO GERMAN OCCUPANTS. REAC-
TION FORCE OF AN LVT WITH ONE RIFLE SQUAD AND COVERED BY FIXED
POSITIONS ALONG THE ROUTE, WAS DISPATCHED TO RECOVER THE WOUNDED.PAGE TWO RUHHLA 0388 **CONFIDENTIAL**

GERMANS WERE TAKEN TO BAS AND EMERGENCY MEDEVAC WAS CALLED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA
TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS. IAW FIFTH IARINES
SPEC SITREP #122.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	341 NVA KIA
218 USMC WIA EVAC	6 NVA KIA DISC
36 USMC WIA MINOR	1 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NEC EVAC	159 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
1 USMC WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 USA WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
4 VN FORCES KIA	72 DETAINEES
4 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	34 INN CIV
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF

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FROM: FIFTH MAR
TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. P. CODY

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #124 FROM 230601H TO
231200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #122.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 212230H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C DEF POSIT LOC AT910515. CHANGE 1 VC KIA TO READ 1 NVA KIA.
 - B. 230800H 1/5 CO D CP LOC AT925507. UNIT FOUND AMMO CAN CONTAINING 1 RUSSIAN FLAG, 1 PROPAGANDA POSTER, TAX RECORDS, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS. UNIT WILL FORWARD TO BN S-2.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #122.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
218 " WIA EVAC
36 " WIA MINOR
1 " NBC KIA
14 " NBC EVAC
3 " NBC MINOR
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 USA WIA EVAC
4 VN FORCES KIA
4 " " WIA EVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR

342 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " RIME
159 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " RIME
72 DETAINED
34 IMM CIV
11 CIV DEF
41 INC
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FIFTH MARINES SP4 STREIF #125 FROM 231201L TO
231600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON KILL1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 1/5 CP AT927527 CO M AT897469
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CO D AT920505

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW
FIFTH MARINES SP4 STREIF #125.

3. CONTINUED:

A. 231500H FIRST RECON BN LOCATED "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 5 VC LOC
AT835545. CALLED MAC ARTY PLAN KILLING 3 VC AND DESTROYING BUNKERS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 FEET 3 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING HENDERSON KILL. ROAD FROM AN H.C. TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT
COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IF ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

54 USMC KIA	342 NVA KIA
218 " WIA NVA	6 " KIA DISC
36 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " MOC KIA	3 " MFM
14 " MOC NVA	161 VC KIA
3 " MOC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USMC WIA NVA	4 " POW
1 USA WIA NVA	1 " MFM
4 VN FORDISS KIA	72 DEFAINERS
8 " " WIA NVA	34 INF CIV
1 " " WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF
	41 IAC
	5 CSMB

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #A26 FROM 231801H TO
232400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 251725H FIRST REGON BN INSERT "LONGA POINT". UNIT OBS 5 MVA MOVING
EAST IN OPEN LOC ATB21486 CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED MARINE
ARMY MEN KILLING 3 MVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 6 FEET 5 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS CLOSED. ROAD FROM AN HOATO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO C CONDUCTS SWEEP EAST AND NORTH FROM PHU NHUAN TO LIB BRIDGE.
RELIEVES CO A OF SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO A CONDUCTS
SWEEP EAST FROM LIB BRIDGE TO CU BAN, ESTABS CPB AND CONDUCTS PATROLS AND
AMBUSHES. CO D SWEEPS WEST FROM CHAU PHONG TO PHU NHUAN, ESTABS CPB AND
CONDUCTS AMBUSHES AND PATROLS.

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH APPROACHES
TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
218 " WIA AVAC
36 " WIA MINOR
1 " MBO KIA
14 " MBO AVAC
3 " MBO MINOR
1 USN WIA AVAC
1 USA WIA AVAC
4 VN FORCES KIA
4 " " WIA AVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR

345 NVAKIA
6 " KIA DISC

13 " POW

3 " MRE

161 VC KIA

1 " KIA DISC

4 " POW

1 " MRE

72 DETAINERS

34 INN CIV

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #127 FROM 240001M TO
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 232200H AN HOA COMBAT BASE LOC AT875475. ARMY FORCE OF NVA AND VC ENTERED MAU CHANH (2) LOC AT890473 AND SET FIRE TO THE HOUSES. HAMLET PRESENTLY BURNING AND LOCAL POPULACE EVACUATING. UNIT CALLED FOR SPOOKY. SPOOKY ON STATION AT 2245 COVERING AREA. UNIT REQUESTED CLEARANCE FOR MARIARTY AND WILL FILE AS REQUIRED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #126.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	345 NVA KIA
218 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
36 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTM
14 " NBC EVAC	161 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 USA WIA EVAC	1 " RTM
4 VN FORCES KIA	72 DETAINERS
4 " " WIA EVAC	34 INN CIV
1 " " WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF
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TO: CG, FIRST MAR DIV

DRAFTER: S-3 MAJ J. F. CODY

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FIFTH MAR SPAC SITREP #128 FROM 240601H TO
241200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION MANDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPAC
SITREP #126.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 232200H AN HOA COMBAT BASE LOC AT875475 (FOLLOW UP). PATROL SEARCHED VILLAGE LOC AT890473. REPORTED 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED BY FIRE AND HIGH MOUNTING MACHINE DESTROYED BY FIRE. FIRE CAUSED BY VC/NVA WHO WARNED VILLAGERS TO LEAVE VILLAGE. THE VC/NVA FURTHER THREATENED THE PEOPLE WITH MORE DESTRUCTION UNLESS THEY GRATEFULLY ASSISTED ENEMY FORCES. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES. 5TH MARINES UNABLE TO REACT DUE TO LACK OF FORCES.
- B. 232330H 1/5 CO D SQUAD GET PAT LOC AT925509. WILL BE ROUTED TO AMB SITE. UNIT OBS 9-12 ENEMY WITH WPNS MOVING TOWARD THEM. UNIT SET UP AMB AND TOOK AN AMB UNDER FIRE WITH S/A AND LAAG. ENEMY IMMEDIATELY FLED. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 2 VC KIA AND NUMEROUS BLOOD TRAILS.
- C. 240145H 1/5 CO C PLAT AMB LOC AT891512. UNIT OBS ENEMY FORCE MOVING SOUTHWEST INTO KILLING ZONE. UNIT INITIATED CONTACT WITH CLAYMORES AND R/C'D 5 RDS E-40 AND S/A FIRE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLAME-SHIP WAS CALLED ON STATION. AREA OF CONTACT WILL BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.
- D. 240145H 1/5 CO C PLAT AMB LOC AT891512. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 9 NVA KIA, ASSORTED NVA 762 GREN, CHICOM GREN, AND NUMEROUS DRAG MARKS. RES: 1 USMC KIA MINOR AND 9 NVA KIA.
- E. 240930H RECON INSERT "STATION BRAKE" LOC AT824454. UNIT OBS 6 ENEMY MOVING WEST IN OPEN. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY FOR KILLING 1 NVA.
- F. 241000H RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 5 VC WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST IN VILLAGE LOC ZG209553. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY FOR KILLING 1 VC AND DESTROYING 7 STRUCTURES.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE S FELL AND MORNING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FIRST CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HON TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPLO SITREP #A26.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	355 NVN KIA
218 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
37 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NEG KIA	3 " REMS
14 " NEG EVAC	164 VC KIA
3 " NEG MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 USA WIA EVAC	1 " REMS
4 VN POWS KIA	72 DETAINEES
2 " " WIA EVAC	34 LHM CIV
1 " " WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF
	41 MGS
	5 GENS

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TO: CG FIRST MAR DIV

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FIFTH MARINES SP4 SITREP #129 FROM 241201H TO
 241800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 1/5 CP AT927527 COM AT897468
 CO A AT953526
 CO C AT926528
 CO D AT915519
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SP4 SITREP #126.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 241300H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 5 NVA WITH PACKS & RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC AT812496. CALLED MAR ARTY BSN KILLING 1 NVA.
 - B. 241600H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 5 NVA WITH PACKS & RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC AT811496. CALLED MAR ARTY BSN KILLING 2 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 6 INCHES AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE. FERRY CROSSING REMAINS CLOSED. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	358 NVA KIA
218 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
37 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNE
14 " NBC EVAC	164 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 USN WIA EVAC	1 " RTNE
4 VN FORCES KIA	72 DETAIN-ES
4 " " WIA EVAC	34 INN CIV
1 " " WIA MINOR	12 CIV DEF
	41 IWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #130 FROM 241801H TO
 242400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 232200H (FOLLOW UP) AN HOA COMBAT BASE. FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALS ONE ADDITIONAL STRUCTURE DESTROYED BY FIRE AND THREE PARTIALLY DESTROYED. THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 25-30 STRUCTURES IN THE HAMLET. THERE WERE NO KNOWN CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. INTERVIEW OF CAP 2-9-1 PERSONNEL REVEALED THAT THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF THE FIRE BEING FRIENDLY INITIATED. 5TH MARINES DID NOT PLACE ANY FIRES OF ANY TYPE IN MAU CHANH (2) OR IMMEDIATE VICINITY DURING THE NIGHT OF 23 NOV, THOUGH THE DUC DUC DISTRICT CHIEF CLEARED THAT AREA FOR FRIENDLY FIRES. RESIDENTS OF MAU CHANH (2) WERE INTERVIEWED AT 241500H AND REVEALED THE FOLLOWING. APPROX 15 VC WERE IN THE HAMLET ON THE 23RD OF NOV AND SET FIRE TO THE RICE MILL. VC HAD THREATENED TO HARASS AN HOA AND GENERAL VICINITY FOR 26 DAYS COMMENCING 21 NOV. MAJORITY OF VN STATE THAT THEY GO INTO THEIR BUNKERS AT NIGHT AND THEREFORE KNOW NOTHING. HOWEVER, IN THE CASE OF THIS PARTICULAR INCIDENT, VILLAGERS BEGAN LEAVING THE HAMLET AT ABOUT 231800H PASSING BY CAP 2-9-1 ON THE WAY OUT. VILLAGERS WHO HAD RETURNED TO MAU CHANH (2) DENIED HAVING LEFT.
 - B. 241745H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS GO VC/NVA MOVING NE CARRYING PACKS AND WEPS AND WORE HELMETS LOC AT819502. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY MEN KILLING 18 NVA AND 2 VC.
 - C. 242015H GO A 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT929504. UNIT FOUND M-16 RIFLE WHICH WAS IN WORKING CONDITION. WPN TO BE FORWARDED TO REPT CP.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 6 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS CLOSED. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU BAN (3) (AT9552).
 CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO D
 CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC MY LOC (AT9151).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH
 APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
 218 " WIA EVAC
 37 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NBC KIA
 14 " NBC EVAC
 3 " NBC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 USA WIA EVAC
 4 VN FORCES KIA
 4 " " WIA EVAC
 1 " " WIA MINOR

376 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RETN
 166 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RETN
 72 DETAIN
 34 INN CIV
 11 CIV DRF
 41 INC
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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #131 FROM 250001H TO
 250600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EV NTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SURVIVABILITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 8 INCHES AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE TRAIL CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #130.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
 218 " WIA EVAC
 37 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NBC KIA
 14 " NBC EVAC
 3 " NBC MINOR
 1 USN WIA EVAC
 1 USA WIA EVAC
 4 VN FORCES KIA
 4 " " WIA EVAC
 1 " " MINOR (WIA)

376 NVA KIA
 6 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " RTNE
 166 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " RTNE
 72 DETAINEES
 34 INN CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 41 INC
 5 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #132 FROM 250601H TO
 251200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW
 FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #130.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: CHANGE TO READ 42 IWC VICE 41 IWC.

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STOCK CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA
 TO LIBERTY BRIDGE IS CLOSED.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

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E. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE CLOSED DUE TO WASHOUT
 LOC VIC AT 910480.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR
 SPEC SITREP #130.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	376 NVA KIA
218 USMC WIA EVAC	6 NVA KIA DISC
37 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	166 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 USA WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
4 VN FORCES KIA	72 DETAINEES
4 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	34 INN CIV
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF
	42 IWC
	5 CSWC

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #233 FROM 251201Z TO
251800Z NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #230.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 251100H MASON DESERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 13 NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL LOC AT819502. ALREADY ARMED WITH RIFLES AND WEARING PACKS. UNIT CALLED FOR ARTY MEN KILLING 1 NVA.
 - B. 251220H 3/5 CO IN DEF POSIT LOC AT910480. ENGINEERS FROM AN HOA REPAIRED WASHED OUT SECTION OF ROAD MAKING IT PASSABLE FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE.
 - C. 251655H MAYFLY AERIAL OBSERVER. AO IN SUPPORT OF 5TH MAR OBS 5 NVA ON TRAIL LOC AT200453. AO CALLED FOR AND DIRECTED MAR ARTY MEN KILLING 1 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND RISING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	378 NVA KIA
218 " WIA EVAC	6 " KIA DISC
37 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNE
14 " NBC EVAC	166 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
1 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 USA WIA EVAC	1 " RTNE
4 VN FORCES KIA	72 DEATHS
4 " " WIA EVAC	34 INN CIV
1 " " WIA MINOR	11 CIV DEF
	42 IWC
	3 USMC

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TO: CG PACAF HONOLULU

SUBJECT: 251610Z 11/68

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FIFTH MARINES SP3 HITLER #134 FROM 251601H TO
252400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS RE-POSITIONED NIGHT POSITIONS AND COMPLETED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 251601H FIRST BATTAL BN INSURE "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS IS NVA WITH PACKS AND WPNS MOVING NW LOC AB212496. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARMY MEN KILLING 5 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVLE AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONNECTION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION TRACK CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU BAN (3) (AT9552).
CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIE BRIDGE AND LIE ROAD NORTH. CO D CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC MY LOC (AT9151).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIE ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SCENE APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
216 " WIA EVAC
37 " WIA MINOR
1 " NBC KIA
14 " NBC EVAC
3 " NBC MINOR
1 USN WIA EVAC
1 USA WIA EVAC
4 VN FORCES KIA
4 " " WIA EVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR

383 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MIA
166 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MIA
72 DETAINEES
34 VN CIV
11 CIV DRE

42 DISC
5 EVAC

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TO: CG FIRST MAR DIV

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- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES WITH SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS:
 - 260230H CG D 1/5 CG HQD AB LOC 15914503. UNIT REC'D 2 INCOMING GRENADES. UNIT REC'D 5 M-26 GRENADES AND CATCHED 31MM ILLUM MRS. RES: 1 USN KIA EVAC.
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. BOAT FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PRESHALE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINER SPEC SITREP #134.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 UNMC KIA
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37 " WIA MINOR
1 " NBC KIA
14 " NBC EVAC
3 " NBC MINOR
2 USN WIA EVAC
1 USA WIA EVAC
4 VN FONGES KIA
4 " " WIA EVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR

383 NVA KIA
6 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MINE
166 VC KIA
1 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
72 DEF. LIONS
34 LHM CIV
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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #136 FROM 260060H TO

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• UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

• SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW

FIFTH MARINES SPEC #134.

• CONTACTS:

• 212200H TO 220330H (FOLLOW UP) AN HOA COMBAT BASE LOC AT875475.

• 21 VC KIA TO CASUALTY FIGURES OF ORIGINAL SPOTREP.

• 220200H, 220615H, 220800H (FOLLOW UP) RF UNIT 116 LOC AT908523

AND AT914518. DELETE FM OPERATION HENDERSON HILL THE FOLLOWING

FRIENDLY AND ENEMY CASUALTIES FOR THE ABOVE DTC'S: 4 RF KIA, 3

RF WIA EVAC, 1 USA WIA EVAC, 19 NVA KIA, 2 AK-47'S, AND 1 SKS.

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• 260725H RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT LOC AT796528. UNIT OBS 11 ENEMY

MOVING WEST IN OPEN LOC AT802485. UNIT CALLED IN MAR ARTY MSN.

KILLING 2 NVA.

• 260910H RECON INSERT LUNGA POINT LOC AT796528. UNIT OBS 2 ENEMY

N BOAT ROWING SOUTH LOC AT196542. UNIT CALLED TARGET TO GUNSHIP

N AREA WHO IMMED TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE WITH A/W. GUNSHIP DEST-

OYED BOAT AND KILLED 2 VC.

• SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

• RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

• STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

• LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA

TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

• TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

• PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR

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• CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA

218 USMC WIA EVAC

37 USMC WIA MINOR

1 USMC NBC KIA

366 NVA KIA

6 NVA KIA DISC

13 NVA POW

3 NVA RTG

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3 USMC NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	72 DETAINEES
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IWC
	5 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #137 FROM 261201H TO

261800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CO AT927527 CO B AT897468

CO A AT941515

CO D AT912514

CO C AT928536

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS

1AW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #134.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 260945H CO D 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT901509. UNIT FOUND 155 ROUND SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. ALSO, USMC DET

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601. RD SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. 155 RD DESTROYED IN PLACE AND MEDEVAC CALLED FOR 1 USMC WIA EVAC.

B. 261130H CO A 1/5 PLT CMB PTL LOC AT963521. UNIT FOUND 4 MAPS OF AN HOA AREA BELIEVED TO BE ENEMY ARTY REGISTRATION. ALSO FOUND MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS. ALL DOCUMENTS FWD TO REGT S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA

219 USMC WIA EVAC

37 USMC WIA MINOR

1 USMC NBC KIA

14 USMC NBC EVAC

3 USMC NBC MINOR

366 NVA KIA

6 NVA KIA DISC

13 NVA POW

3 NVA RTNE

133 VC KIA

10 NVA DISC

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2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VM FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VM FORCES WIA MINOR	72 DETAINEES
	34 INN ICIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IWC
	5 CSWC

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262400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL VIET

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. COMMENTS:
 - A. 261715H FIRST REGON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT FOUND 2 NVA KIA DISCOVERED LOC AT799531. NVA HAD BEEN KILLED BY M-79 RDS APPROX 5 DAYS EARLIER. UNIT CONTINUED MSH.
 - B. 261730H FIRST REGON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 9 NVA MOVING SE THROUGH OPEN AREA LOC AT803484. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY ISN KILLING 3 NVA.
 - C. 261815H FIRST REGON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 4 NVA MOVING SE INTO TIGERLINE LOC AT810475. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY ISN KILLING 2 NVA. KILLS CONFIRMED BY ANOTHER REGON BN.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 4 INCHES AND RISING SLOWLY.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN MOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU BAY (3) (AT9552).
CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIE BRIDGE AND LIE ROAD NORTH. CO D CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC BY LOC (AT9151).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIE ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH APPROACHES TO AN MOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
 219 " WIA EVAC
 37 " WIA MINOR
 1 " NBC KIA
 14 " NBC EVAC
 3 " NBC MINOR
 2 USN WIA EVAC
 1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC
 1 " " WIA MINOR

371 NVA KIA
 8 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
 3 " MINE
 189 VC KIA
 1 " KIA DISC
 4 " POW
 1 " MINE
 72 DETAINERS
 34 INN CIV
 12 CIV DEF
 39 IWC
 5 CSWS

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #139 FROM 270000H TO
270600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

- UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
- CONTACTS: NONE
- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 4 INCHES AND HOLDING.
 - STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.
 - LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUOUS.
- PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #138.
- CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	372 MVA KIA
239 " WIA MVA	8 " KIA DISC
37 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNE
14 " NBC BVAC	189 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	1 " KIA DISC
2 USN WIA BVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA BVAC	1 " RTNE
1 " " WIA MINOR	72 DETAINEES
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 INO
	5 CSWG

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #140 FROM 270601H TO
 271200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL
 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO A AT942515, CO C AT928536, CO D AT912513
 2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IAW
 FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #138.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 270715H: CO D 1/5 SQD CIB PTL LOC AT905516. UNIT FOUND 155 RD
 BURIED IN GROUND WITH END UP, SET WITH PRESSURE TYPE FIRING DEVICE.
 RD DESTROYED IN PLACE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 4 INCHES AND HOLDING.
 B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

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C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA
 TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONTINUE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS
 IAW FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #138.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	371 NVA KIA
219 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC
37 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	189 VC KIA
3 NBC MINOR	1 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	72 DETAINEES
	34 INN CIV.
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IWC
	5 CSWC

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2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN FIFTH
 MARINES 271300H 271300H

3. CONTACTS:

- 271300H 271300H 271300H 271300H. UNIT FOUND 1 VC KIA
 DISCOVERED LOC AT ABOVE COORD. THERE WAS KILLED BY RIFLE FIRE.
 BODY BURIED AND UNIT CONTINUED ADV.
- 271345H 271345H 271345H 271345H. UNIT FOUND 81MM ROUND
 AND M-26 GRENADE SET TOGETHER WITH 500P WITH 25 SURPRISE EXPLOSIVE
 DEVICE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.
- 271350H 271350H 271350H 271350H. UNIT OBS 2 NVA WITH
 PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC 271300H. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY
 FOR KILLING 1 NVA.
- 271350H 271350H 271350H 271350H. UNIT OBS 2 NVA WITH
 PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC 271300H. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY
 FOR KILLING 1 NVA.
- 271350H 271350H 271350H 271350H. UNIT OBS 11 NVA WITH
 PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING EAST LOC 271300H. UNIT CALLED MARINE ARTY
 FOR KILLING 4 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 11 FEET AND RISING.
- SPECIM COLLECTION FOUR CONTINUES.
- LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN MCA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
- TRACK VEHICLE COLLECTION THREE CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT STALL
UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA
220 " WIA EVAC
37 " WIA MINOR
1 " NBC KIA
14 " NBC EVAC
3 " NBC MINOR
2 USN WIA EVAC
1 VII FORCES WIA EVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR

375 NVA KIA
3 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MINE
189 VC KIA
2 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
72 DEFAMERED
34 INN CIV
11 CIV DEF
39 IWS
5 OWS

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP NR 142 FROM 271801H TO
272400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL
1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 271500H CO A 1/5 PLAT CMB PTL LOC AT953514. UNIT FOUND ENEMY
DOCUMENTS INDICATING THERE IS A VC HOSPITAL IN VIC. FWD TO REGT S-2.
B. 272021H CO D 1/5 SQD CMB PTL LOC AT909503. UNIT OBS 2 VC ON ROAD
ATTEMPTING TO SET MINE. INITIATED CONTACT WITH M-79, S/A, A/W
KILLING 2VC. THEN UNIT REC'D HEAVY S/A FIRE FROM S AND E. CALLED
MAR ARTY MSN AND EN BROKE CONTACT. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

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RES: 2 VC KIA; 1 USMC WIA MINOR.

G. 272200H AN HOA COMBAT BASE. VN CIVIL GUARD AMBUSH REC'D APPROX 100
RDS S/A AND 5 INCOMING 60MM RDS. INCIDENT TOOK PLACE APPROX 600
METERS FROM AN HOA COMBAT BASE. UNIT RET'D S/A AND AN HOA FIRED
ILLUMINATION 15N IN SUPPORT.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 11 FEET AND HOLDING.
B. STORE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUOUS.
C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU BAN (3) (AT9552).
CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO D
CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC MY LOC (AT9151).
CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH
APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	376 NVA KIA	72 DETAINEES
220 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC	34 INN CCV

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38 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW	11 CIV DEF
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE	39 IWC
14 USMC NBC EVAC	191 VC KIA	5 CSWC
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC	
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW	
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE	
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR		

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FIFTH MAR SPEC STRIKE #143 FROM 280001H TO
280600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND RISING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN MOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MAR SPEC STRIKE #142.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

34 USMC KIA	376 NVA KIA
220 " WIA EVAC	8 " KIA DISC
38 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNL
14 " NBC EVAC	191 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	2 " KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RTNL
1 " " WIA MINOR	72 DETAINÉES
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IAC
	5 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #144 FROM 230601H TO
 201200H NOVEMBER 1968.

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #142.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 280920H RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT796528. UNIT OBS 6 ENEMY
 MOVING SOUTHWEST IN OPEN LOC AT807487. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN
 KILLING 3 VC.

B. 281120H 5TH MAR (HQ) LOC AT906475. S-3 JEEP ON RECON OF LIBERTY
 ROAD RECEIVED 1 60MM RD FROM UNKNOWN ENEMY POSIT. RD LANDED 5 METERS
 TO REAR OF VEHICLE RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA NON-EAC. UNITS IN AREA
 ALERTED.

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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 2 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORE CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS LAW FIFTH MAR SPEC
SITREP #142.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

31 USMC KIA	376 NVA KIA
220 USMC WIA	8 NVA KIA DISC
39 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	72 DEC

34 INN CIV
 11 CIV DEF
 39 IWC
 5 CSWC

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #145 FROM 281201H TO
281800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927527 CO M AT897468

CO A AT942505

CO C AT927535

CO D AT913513

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW
FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #142.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 281000H CO D 1/5 PLAT RD SWP LOC AT929501. USMC DET N-26 GREEN
SET WITH TRIP WIRE AS SUR EXP DEV. RES: 1 USMC WIA EVACED TO

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1/5 CP BY VEHICLE.

B. 281415H FIRST RECON BN INSERT "LUNGA POINT". UNIT OBS 3 NVA
WITH PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING NE LOC AT802486. UNIT CALLED MAR
ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 2 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA
TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES.

34 USMC KIA	377 NVA KIA
221 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC
39 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW

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1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	12 DETAINEES.
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IVC
	5 CSWC

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP A46 FROM 251801N TO
262400N NOVEMBER 1966 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNIT'S ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 231400H GO D 1/5 THAT ONE PTL LOC AT2890501. UNIT REC'D SPORADIC S/A AND A/V FIRE FROM LOC AT2885504 RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. UNIT REC'D S/A, M-79 FIRE, CALLED MAN ARMY DEH AND MAN FIXED WING AIR STRIKE. UNIT WILL SEARCH AREA AFTER COMPLETION OF AIR STRIKES.
 - B. 231630H GO D 1/5 SMD OF LOC AT915510. UNIT APPREHENDED 2 DEF'S AS VC SUSPECTS. DEF'S CARRIED MISC MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND HAD VARIOUS OLD I.D.'S. FWD TO NEXT CP FOR CLASS BY ITT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND RISING.
 - B. STORM WEATHER FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - GO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND RECONNAISSANCE VIC CU BAN (3) (AT9552). GO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIE BRIDGE AND LIE ROAD NORTH. GO D CONDUCTS PATROLS AND RECONNAISSANCE VIC MY LOC (AT9151).

GO H 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIE ROAD SOUTH AND SHELTERS SOUTH APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND RECONNAISSANCE.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA
 221 " WIA MIA
 79 " WIA MINOR
 1 " MIA KIA
 14 " MIA MIA
 5 " MIA MINOR
 2 USN WIA MIA
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377 MIA KIA
 8 " KIA DISC
 13 " POW
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FIFTH MAR SPEC SIGEP #147 FROM 290001H TO
 290600H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES
 CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
 LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.
 - D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC
 SITREP #146.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA	377 NVA KIA
221 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC
39 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	74 DETAINEES
	34 INN CIV
	11 CIV DEF
	39 IWC
	5 CSWC

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #148 FROM 290601H TO
291200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CO A AT937507 ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR
SPEC SITREP #146.

3. CONTACTS:
A. 211530H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO C CO S&C LOC AT916523. DETAINEE

CLASSIFIED BY ITT AS CIV DEF.

B. 281400H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO D PLAT CBT PAT LOC AT897501. SEARCHED
AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. 281630H (FOLLOW UP) 1/5 CO D SQD OP LOC AT915510. 2 DETAINEES
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4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 1 INCH AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA
TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC
SITREP #146.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

5 USMC KIA	377 NVA KIA
221 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC
39 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR	74 DETAINEES
	36 INN CIV
	12 CIV DEF

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #149 FROM 291201H TO
291800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: 1/5 CP AT927527 CO M AT897468
CO A AT942515
CO C AT927535
CO D AT913513

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNIT'S CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC
SITREP #146.

3. CONTACTS:

- A. 291245H RECON INSERT "LUNCA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 2 NVA
CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES MOVING SOUTHWEST TO EAST LOC AT819502.
UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.
- B. 291300H RECON INSERT "LUNCA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 22 NVA
WITH PACKS, RIFLES AND HELMETS MOVING NORTHWEST IN OPEN LOC AT835-
509. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 12 NVA.
- C. 291500H RECON INSERT "LUNCA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 3 NVA
MOVING EAST IN OPEN LOC AT812496. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILL-
ING 2 NVA.
- D. 291625H RECON INSERT "LUNCA POINT" LOC AT797528. UNIT OBS 10 NVA
WITH PACKS, RIFLES AND HELMETS MOVING EAST LOC AT811496. UNIT
CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 1 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 6 INCHES AND RISING.
- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE, but marginal.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

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5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA	393 NVA KIA
221 " WIA EVAC	3 " KIA DISC
39 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " MINE
14 " NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 " NBC MINOR	2 " KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " MINE
1 " " WIA MINOR	74 DETAINEES
	36 INN CIV
	12 CIV DEF
	39 IVC
	3 CSWS

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292400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 291130H 1/5 CP DEF POSIT LOC AT909495. 12 TRUCK CONVOY ENROUTE FROM LIBERTY BRIDGE TO AN HOA REC'D STORMIC S/A FIRE FROM LOC AT909492. REC'D FIRE AID CONTINUED TO DESTINATION.
 - B. 292100H 1/5 CO HAS GO DEF POSIT LOC AT927527. UNIT FIRED 200 RDS 81MM H&I ON GRID AT942516. UNIT OBS 2 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, ONE OF WHICH BURSTED APPROX 10 MIN. UNIT WILL CONTINUE TO FIRE THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 6 INCHES AND HOLDING.
 - B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
 - C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS MARGINAL AND DETERIORATING.
 - D. TRUCK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU BAN (3) (AT9552).
CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIB BRIDGE AND LIB ROAD NORTH. CO D
CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC MY LOC (AT9151).

CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIB ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENING SOUTH
APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

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6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA	393 NVA KIA
221 " WIA EVAC	8 " KIA DISC
39 " WIA MINOR	13 " POW
1 " NBC KIA	3 " RTNE
14 " NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 " NBC WIA MINOR	2 " KIA DISC
2 USM WIA EVAC	4 " POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 " RTNE
1 " " WIA MINOR	74 DETAINERS
	36 INN CIV
	12 CIV DEF
	39 INC
	5 CSMC

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FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP NR 151 FROM 300300H TO
300600H NOV 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED NORMAL NIGHT ACTIVITIES
CONDUCTING SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.
3. CONTACTS:
 - A. 281840H (LATE ENTRY) RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT 196528.
 - UNIT OBS 6 CRAFT MOVING NORTHEAST ACROSS RIVER LOC AT 198555.
 - UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN DESTROYING 1 CRAFT AND KILLING 5 NVA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 8 FEET 3 INCHES AND HOLDING.

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- B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.
- C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE BUT MARGINAL.
- D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.
5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCT OPERATIONS TAW FIFTH MAR SPEC
SITREP NR 150.
6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA
221 USMC WIA EVAC
39 USMC WIA MINOR
1 USMC NBC KIA
14 USMC NBC EVAC
3 USMC INBC MINOR
2 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR

398 NVA KIA
8 NVA KIA DISC
13 NVA POW
3 NVA RTNE
104 VC KIA
2 VC KIA DISC
4 VC POW
1 VC RTNE
74 DETAINEES
36 INN CIV
12 CIV DEF
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5 CSWC

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #152 FROM 300601H TO

301200H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #150.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 300700H RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT 796528. UNIT OBS 20 ENEMY MOVING SOUTHEAST WITH WPNS LOC AT 803485. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 5 NVA.

B. 300935H 175 CO A SQD CBT PAT LOC AT 936504. UNIT REC'D 20 RDS S/A FIRE FROM ENEMY LOC AT 939498. UNIT RET'D FIRE WITH S/A AND A/W. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO THE SOUTHEAST.

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C. 301005H RECON INSERT "LUNGA POINT" LOC AT 796528. UNIT OBS 18 ENEMY SITTING UNDER TREE LOC AT 819502. UNIT CALLED MAR ARTY MSN KILLING 18 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 11 INCHES AND HOLDING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE, BUT MARGINAL.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IAW FIFTH MAR SPEC SITREP #150.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA	421 NVA KIA
221 USMC WIA EVAC	8 NVA KIA DISC
39 USMC WIA MINOR	13 NVA POW
1 USMC NBC KIA	3 NVA RTNE
14 USMC NBC EVAC	194 VC KIA
3 USMC NBC MINOR	2 VC KIA DISC
2 USN WIA EVAC	4 VC POW
1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC	1 VC RTNE

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1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR 74 DETAINEES

36 INN CIV

12 CIV DEF

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FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #153 FROM 301201H TO 301800H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/5 CP AT927527 CO M AT897468

CO A AT942515

CO C AT927535

CO D AT913513

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNITS CONTINUED TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS - FIFTH MARINES SPEC SITREP #150.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 7 INCHES AND HOLDING.

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B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE, BUT MARGINAL.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONDITION THREE CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS ESTABLISH NIGHT POSITIONS AND CONDUCT SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA

221 USMC WIA EVAC

39 USMC WIA MINOR

1 USMC NBC KIA

14 USMC NBC EVAC

3 USMC NBC MINOR

2 USN WIA EVAC

1 VN FORCES WIA EVAC

1 VN FORCES WIA MINOR

421 NVA KIA

8 NVA KIA DISC

13 NVA POW

3 NVA RTNE

194 VC KIA

2 VC KIA DISC

4 VC POW

1 VC RTNE

74 DETAINEES

35 INN CIV

12 CIV DEF

39 IWC

5 CSWC

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302400H NOVEMBER 1968 OPERATION HENDERSON HILL

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS: UNIT ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS AND
SMALL UNIT COMBAT/SECURITY MISSIONS IN ASSIGNED AO.

3. CONTACTS:

A. 301745H FIRST RECON AN INTRUDER "LARGE POINT", UNIT ON 12 NOV. WITH
PACKS, RIFLES, AND RICE MOVING NORTH ARL2496. CALLED MARINE BATT
MIN KILLING 1 NVA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. RIVER AT LIBERTY BRIDGE 7 FEET 7 INCHES AND RISING.

B. STORM CONDITION FOUR CONTINUES.

C. LIBERTY BRIDGE FERRY CROSSING REMAINS OPEN. ROAD FROM AN HOA TO
LIBERTY BRIDGE REMAINS PASSABLE, BUT MARGINAL.

D. TRACK VEHICLE CONVICTION TESTS CONTINUES.

5. PLANS SUMMARY:

1/5 - CO A CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC CU LITH (1) (479352).

CO C MAINTAINS SECURITY OF LIT BRIDGE AND LIT ROAD NORTH. CO D

CONDUCTS PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC ~~AR 100~~ (479151). THU 60V (2) (408750)CO M 3/5 - CONDUCTS SECURITY OF LIT ROAD SOUTH AND SCREENS SOUTH
APPROACHES TO AN HOA BY PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

35 USMC KIA
221 " WIA EVAC
39 " WIA MINOR
1 " NBC KIA
14 " NBC EVAC
3 " NBC MINOR
2 USN WIA EVAC
1 VN FORCIB WIA EVAC
1 " " WIA MINOR422 NVA KIA
8 " KIA DISC
13 " POW
3 " MINE
194 VC KIA
2 " KIA DISC
4 " POW
1 " MINE
74 DETAINEES
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12 CIV DEF
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5 GSW

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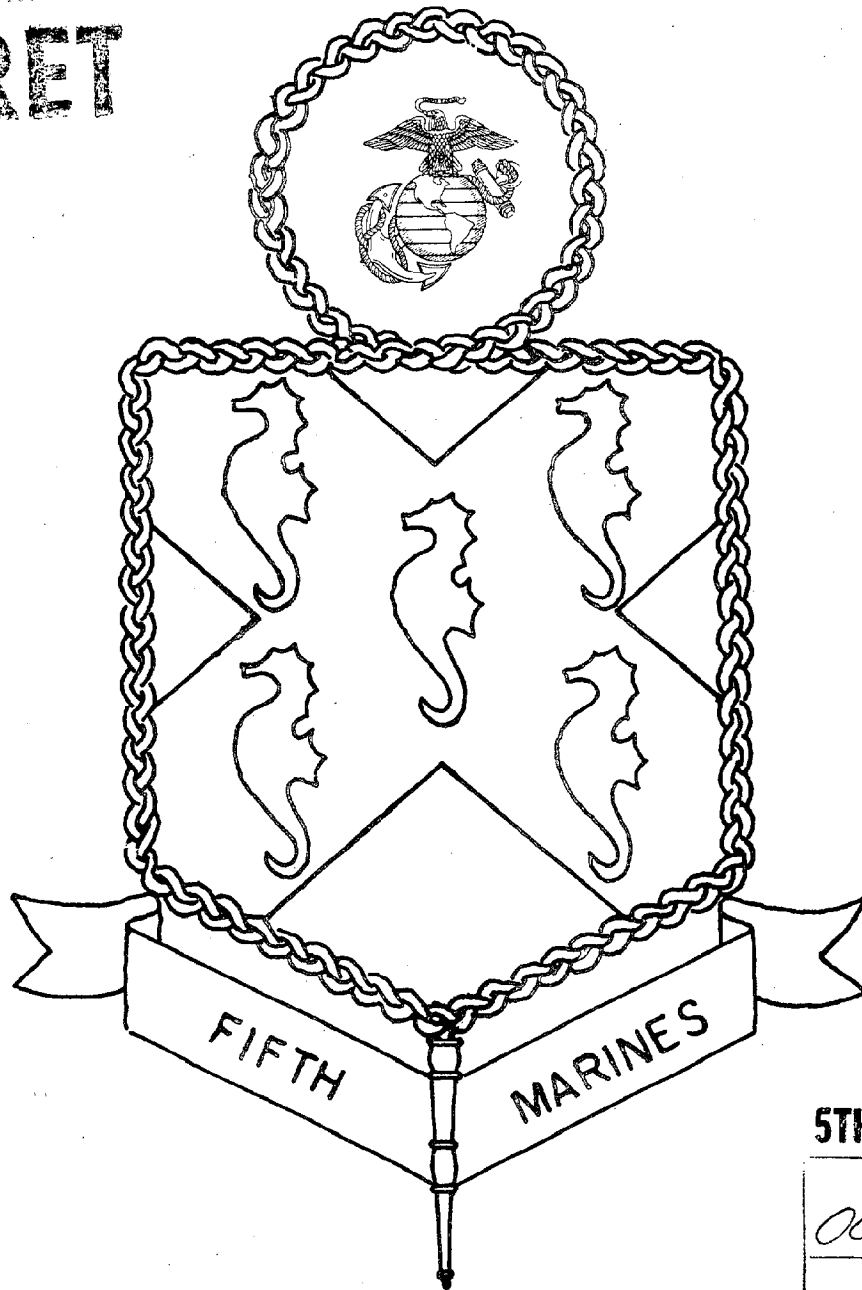
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From: Commanding General
To: Commander, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam
(Attn: MACJ 343) APO, U. S. Forces 96222
Via: Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
Subj: Combat Operation After Action Report for Operation HAMELUXE THRUST
Ref: (a) COMUSMACV Dir J35-8
(b) CG, 1st MarDiv ltr 3/JLO/jjm over 3480 Ser No: 00295-68 of 25Sep68
(c) CG, 1st MarDiv ltr 3/JLO/jjm over 3480 Ser No: 00299-68 of 28Sep68
(d) CG, 1st MarDiv ltr 3/AMH/rog over 3480 Ser No: 00312-68 of 14Oct68

Encl: (1) Subject Combat Operation After Action Report

1. In accordance with reference (a) enclosure (1) is submitted. Previous after action reports for HAMELUXE THRUST have been forwarded by references (b) through (d).
2. The recommendation for a balanced detachment of transport and armed helicopters to be located at An Hoa is not feasible. The purpose, however, is accomplished in the daily assignment of 4 CH-46 and 2 UH-1E helicopters to report to An Hoa for direct support of the 5th Marines.
3. The recommendation for use of radioactive material in the explosive filler of U.S. munitions has merit and could prove highly satisfactory in recovering duds and detection of surprise firing devices. Accordingly, this recommendation is being forwarded to CG, MACDEC for evaluation.
4. It is noted in the basic report that subparagraph 6c, Air Support, includes a further subparagraph (3) entitled Special Operations. This subparagraph describes two helicopter-borne assault actions which were conducted as part of Operation HAMELUXE THRUST. It is not considered that these air/ground actions should be identified as "Special Operations". Helicopter-borne assaults of this character are conducted regularly within the framework of standard operating procedure of the 1st Marine Division and Marine Corps air/ground team doctrine.

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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
Subj: Combat After Action Report for Operation MAMELUKE THRUST

Ref: (a) 1st Mar DivO 3480.1A
(b) 5th Marines OpPlan 6-68
(c) 5th Marines FragO 72-68
(d) 5th Marines FragO 73-68
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(2) Second Battalion, Fifth Marines After Action Report
(3) Third Battalion, Fifth Marines After Action Report

1. Code Name. Operation MAMELUKE THRUST
2. Dates of Operation. 231200H July 1968 to 231200H October 1968

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3. Location of Operation. Thua Thien and Quang Nam Province's Republic of Viet Nam.

4. Control or Command Headquarters

Fifth Marines

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COL J. B. ORD JR

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Co C, 1st Bn, 5th Marines

Co D, 1st Bn, 5th Marines

LTCOL R. H. THOMPSON

LTCOL R. F. DALEY

2nd Bn, 5th Marines

231200H Jul to 312400H Jul 1968

010001H Aug to 231200H Oct 1968

H&S Co, 2nd Bn 5th Marines

Co E, 2nd Bn, 5th Marines

Co F, 2nd Bn, 5th Marines

Co G, 2nd Bn, 5th Marines

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231200H Jul to 152400H Oct 1968

160001H Oct to 231200H Oct 1968

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Co I, 3rd Bn, 5th Marines

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Co L, 3rd Bn, 5th Marines

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6. Supporting Forces

a. Artillery:

(1) At 261400H July 1968 1st FAG transferred OpCon of this battalion to the 11th Marines. The battalion displaced to the vicinity of An Hoa (AT 875475) arriving 271400H July 1968. Since arrival in An Hoa the battalion has provided fire support for the 5th Marines in Operation MAMELUKE THRUST. In addition Operation SUSSEX BAY was conducted simultaneously during the

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period 290900H August to 091200H September 1968. This operation was the subject of previous After Action Report. On 050600H August 1968 E/2/11 was heli-lifted to a fire base at grid AT86893601. The battery remained at this fire base, co-located with F/2/27 for security, until 200800H August 1968 when it was heli-lifted back to the An Hoa Combat Base. During this period of time E/2/11 did not engage any targets of significance, most of their firing being devoted to unobserved fires or in support of elements of the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. On 271200H September 1968 this battalion was given OpCon of Provisional Battery, 11th Marines. On 15 October 1968 Provisional Battery, 11th Marines was disbanded. The four 155mm Towed Howitzers of the Provisional Battery and their crews were transferred to this battalion. During Operation MAMELUKE THRUST the 5th Marines concentrated the majority of their operations in the western two thirds of the Regimental AO. This allowed maximum artillery support to be available at all times. The battalion was able to mass in almost any area of infantry operation as well as call upon the general support elements of the 11th Marines to provide added reinforcing fires as required. Increased infantry contacts and aggressive action by the 5th Marines resulted in increased effectiveness of artillery fire in regards to confirmed KIA'S as well as the increasing use of general support artillery in firing preparation fires and targets developed by the intelligence sources of the 5th Marines. At 010100H October 1968 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines chopped OpCon to the 7th Marines and at 060800H October 1968 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines chopped OpCon to the same regiment. In addition E/2/11 was chopped OpCon to 3/11. All of these units were involved in Operation MAUI PEAK. This action resulted in a considerable reduction in the number of artillery missions fired in support of the Operation MAMELUKE THRUST. In addition, heavy rains from 12 through 20 October 1968 reduced visibility and the number of observed missions. Ammunition expenditure remained at approximately 75% of normal due to an increase in the number of unobserved missions fired. Increased unobserved fires including daytime Harassing and Interdiction fires were considered mandatory to discourage the freedom of movement available to NVA/VC forces under cover of the reduced visibility. At 191415H October 1968 2nd Bn, 5th Marines and 3rd Bn, 5th Marines were returned to the control of the 5th Marines and E/2/11 was chopped to this battalion at 211200H October 1968. After two days of minor actions Operation MAMELUKE THRUST was terminated. Second Battalion units fired a total of 8379 missions expending 90686 rounds and accounting for 146 confirmed enemy kills.

b. Naval Gunfire. Naval Gunfire Support was not utilized during this operation.

c. Air Support

(1) General

(a) The Fifth Marines was supported by a direct support package furnished by MAG-16 and 36, consisting of two UH-1E gun ships and four CH-46 transport helicopters lifting a total of 3,580 troops, and 2,540,000 pounds of cargo in support of the companies in the field.

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(b) Tactical Air Strikes were preplanned and on call during this reporting period. A total of 967 fixed wing close air support sorties were flown in support of the 5th Marines.

(c) Med-evacs were normally handled by the division med-evac aircraft for a total of 624 missions with 1600 patients, 272 of which were classified emergency priority.

(2) Quick Reaction Package. During operation MAMELUKE THRUST there were no sparrow hawk/bald eagle insertions.

(3) Special Operations. During operation MAMELUKE THRUST the Fifth Marines executed two special air/ground operations.

(a) On 7 August the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines executed a helicopter-borne assault into the Arizona area to commence a battalion sweep to interdict enemy infiltration routes, and harbor-sites. The lift was supported by 12 CH-46 and four UH-1E helicopters lifting 740 troops. In addition 20 fixed wing close air support sorties were provided in support of the operation.

(b) On 23 October the 2nd Battalion executed a helicopter-borne assault into the Arizona area at AT828485 to interdict infiltration routes, and establish contact with a large sighting of enemy movement. The lift was supported by eight CH-46 and four UH-1E helicopters lifting 440 troops. In addition 16 fixed wing close air support sorties were provided in support of the operation.

7. Intelligence

a. Estimate of enemy strength, location, disposition and situation prior to operation.

(1) Enemy order of battle information maintained at the commencement of operation.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CAT</u>	<u>STR</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
GP-44	NVA	PR	400	Goi Noi Island
31st Regt	NVA	C	1,580	ZC1959
102nd Bn	NVA	C	380	ZC1456
103rd Bn	NVA	C	450	Vic Thuong Duc
36th Regt	NVA	C	1,370	Unknown
1st Bn	NVA	C	330	ZC2062
2nd Bn	NVA	C	330	AT9553
3rd Bn	NVA	C	310	AT9553
38th Regt	NVA	PO	490	Unknown
1st Bn	NVA	PO	205	AT8158
2nd Bn	NVA	PO	285	AT9652
141st Regt	NVA	PR	1,550	ZC1645
1st Bn, 68B Regt	NVA	C	350	ZC1925
368B Regt	NVA	C	1,115	ZC2062

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CAT</u>	<u>STR</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1st Bn	NVA	C	310	ZC2062
2nd Bn	NVA	C	305	ZC2062
3rd Bn	NVA	C	310	ZC2060
R-20 Bn	LF	C	345	Goi Noi Island
V-25 Bn	LF	C	340	Goi Noi Island
D-7 Bn	NVA	PR	325	Goi Noi Island
T-89 Sapper Bn	MF	C	375	AT7960
3rd Sapper Bn	NVA	C	280	BT0255
Q-81 Co	LF	C	155	BT1053
Q-82 Co	LF	C	175	BT0563
Q-83 Co	LF	C	175	Vic Dai Loc
105th Co	LF	C	135	AT9136

(2) This OOB information was that actually developed during the course of operation MAMELUKE THRUST prior to the deployment of the 5th Marines to the An Hoa AO, through contact, interrogations of detainees, translation of captured documents and various agent reports.

b. Enemy strength, location, disposition and situation actually found.

(1) The receipt of intelligence developed through contacts, interrogation of detainees, translation of captured documents, and various agent reports indicated that the following units were operating within the area of operation.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CAT</u>	<u>STR</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
141st Regt	NVA	C	1,550	AT7952
21st Regt	NVA	C	750	AT8453, 8354, 8852
2nd Bn, 36th Regt	NVA	C	225	AT9551
R-20 Bn	LF	C	345	AT9450
V-25 Bn	LF	C	340	AT9452
3rd Sapper Bn	NVA	C	280	Arizona Area
Q-81 LF Bn	LF	C	155	AT8744
Q-83 LF Bn	LF	C	175	AT7948
14th AA Co, 21st Regt	NVA	C	110	AT8452
31st Trans Bn,				
21st Regt	NVA	PR	200	AT8853
41st Const Co	NVA	PR	120	ZC1547
T-89 Sapper Bn	MF	C	375	AT9551, 9553

(2) This OOB information was that actually developed during the course of operation MAMELUKE THRUST (25Jul-24Oct68), through contact, interrogations of detainees, exploitation of captured documents, and various agent reports.

(3) Heavy to moderate contacts were experienced within 24 hours after the commitment of the Regiment's first elements to the north of An Hoa fire

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base in the vicinity of Phu Nhan (9) (AT898505). Moderate to light contact continued through the end of July as Marine elements sought out enemy platoon/company size elements operating astride the lines of communications from An Hoa fire base to Liberty Bridge and Thuong The Song, Thu Bon River.

(4) During the month of August, enemy activity throughout the Regimental AO increased in intensity and frequency. This period was highlighted by the enemy's initiation of the Third Offensive. Local activity was characterized by probes on the ground and the use of indirect fire weapons, against the Thanh My (AT871478) New Life Hamlet, Cap 2-9-1, company positions of the Regiment's maneuver battalions and the An Hoa fire base. These actions, however, were limited in scope and apparently designed to supplement his main effort, the penetration of the Danang vital area by sapper/infantry attacks.

(5) General attacks against isolated outposts and District Headquarters, throughout Quang Nam Province began on 19 August and continued through 31 August. These attacks were highlighted by the maneuver during the nights of 22-23 August of elements of three battalions (T-89, R-20, and Q-82) one Sapper, and two light infantry main force battalions. These units had the mission of attacking the town of Hoa Vang District Headquarters, Danang Radio Station, and other key US/ARVN installations. The enemy's capability to initiate and support this thrust north into the Danang vital area were seriously hampered, however, when on 16 August 1968, a major enemy forward logistic base Vic Chau Phong #2 (AT937498) was detected, attacked, and taken by 5th Marine elements. Large stores of ammunition, explosives, medical supplies, and rice were captured. Eighty-eight tons of rice were recovered, enemy personnel losses were recorded at 139 NVA and 2 VC KIA's. This action seriously deprived the enemy's attack maneuver elements with logistical support thus main attacks on the 23-24 August were decisively repulsed in each instance and the enemy sustained heavy losses of men and equipment.

(6) Moderate to light attacks continued through the end of August as 5th Marines units sought out enemy platoon/company size elements attempting to withdraw south from Dien Ban District through the "Dodge City" area. At the end of the month the enemy shifted his forces to areas adjacent to the north and south of the 5th Marines AO; along the peripheral areas of Quang Nam Province and along the western boundary of the Division AO. Acute food shortages among enemy main and local forces were also apparent.

(7) During the same period while counter-operations were conducted in the north eastern sector of the AO, enemy platoon/company size base camps were uncovered in the south sector of the Arizona area by other 5th Marines units. Penetration by friendly forces into peripheral areas of the canopy in this sector were for the most part unopposed efforts by the enemy to fortify hamlets throughout the central and northern Arizona area continued to be evident. Enemy contacts encountered were light to moderate.

(8) APD missions, Low Level Agent reports, and Recon sightings/contacts along the southern peripheral areas of the Regimental AO at the end of August tended to indicate that U/I battalion size enemy forces were moving north into the 5th Marines AO. These indicators were later substantiated by the identifi-

cation of subordinate elements of the 21st NVA Regiment, 2nd NVA Division, through the interrogation of POW's captured in action in the Arizona Area.

(9) The month of September was highlighted by three heavily contested enemy initiated night actions against positions occupied by the Regiment's maneuver battalions operating in the northern and central sectors of the Arizona Area. In each instance the enemy activity was characterized by ground attacks and the use of indirect fire weapons against company positions. In at least two of these attacks the enemy utilized human wave formations. In all instances the enemy's forces were repulsed with heavy losses in personnel and material. On 21 September a strong night ground attack was also sustained by an outpost of the An Hoa Industrial Complex. The OP was overrun and temporarily occupied by a platoon size enemy force. Five vehicles in a near-by truck depot were also destroyed. On 30 September a daylight heavy contact was encountered by maneuver elements during the course of search and clear operations in the vicinity AT950523, Thu Bon (6) hamlet.

(10) Intelligence derived from multiple unrelated sources during the month of September indicated possible future attempts by Local Force units to apply pressure against population and economic centers in support of rice harvest, tax collection, and communist elections. During this period the enemy's efforts to procure rice and other food items for the resupply of major units in mountainous terrain to the west and east of the AO continued to be frustrated by the intensification of friendly rice denial operations. Acute food shortages among enemy main and local forces continued. The enemy continued to show no willingness to risk the defeat of his major units in an all out effort against District outposts and Marine maneuver elements. The penetration of the Danang area by sapper/infantry continued to be the enemy's main effort.

(11) The period 1-24 October light to moderate contacts with the enemy were experienced by maneuver elements. An increase in enemy sightings in the southern sector of the Arizona Area was detected during early October and at the termination of Operation MAMELUKE THEREUST. Predominant direction of movement was to the north-northeast of the Arizona Area. This increase in enemy movement was highlighted on 23 October when Recon elements sighted estimated 200 NVA carrying packs, weapons, 122 rockets, 82 and 60mm, one anti-aircraft gun and two 50 caliber machine guns in the open vicinity (AT804489). Artillery and fixed wing accounted for 156 NVA KIA's as the result of this action.

(12) From the onset of friendly counter operations in July, it was quite apparent that the enemy was placing considerable emphasis on AA defense. Air photo readouts, coupled with AO sightings detected numerous unoccupied AA positions throughout the AO. Through August there was a definite rise in AA interdiction of Holo and fixed wing support missions and resupply of the An Hoa Combat Base. The interrogation of a NVA Rallier captured in the Arizona sector in August revealed that he was a member of an AA company, consisting of (12) 12.7 AA guns, which had recently moved into the AO as a separate company of the 21st NVA Regiment. Source indicated that his units mission was to provide AA training for the local forces units and establish AA defenses. The exploitation of captured documents recovered during the same period revealed that increased emphasis was to be placed on AA training by hamlet/village guerilla cadre. A

marked decrease in AA incidents occurred following the capture of the AA ordnance and the continuance of counter operations throughout the AO. Flak suppression missions by artillery in support of tactical air operations also appeared to have an effect on the enemy's utilization of his AA weapons. It follows however that the enemy has probably curtailed his activity in favor of the northeast monsoon period when the conduct of air operations in support of An Hoa Combat Base is more critical. There was sufficient evidence to conclude that the enemy's introduction of AA personnel and equipment during the summer months was in preparation for this contingency.

(13) Mine incidents. A total of 315 explosive devices were encountered during operation MAMELUKE THRUST. 158 Mines/booby traps were detonated and 157 discovered and destroyed. Explosive device incidents were principally restricted the LOC's and primary trails, of the An Hoa Combat Base and astride the Liberty Road Extension.

(14) The combat effectiveness of troops encountered was generally fair to marginal. Detainees and ralliers were usually young and inadequately trained South Vietnamese and NVA conscripts. Enemy morale continued to be described as poor to fair by detainee sources. Supporting arms coupled with food shortages continue to have a deteriorating effect on enemy morale.

8. Mission

a. Northern Phase Mission. Conduct far ranging offensive operations in the Troui Mountain and Troui Valley area to locate and destroy or capture enemy forces, material, weapons,, and positions.

b. Southern Phase Initial Mission. In the An Hoa AO: Secure and protect routes of ingress and egress for movement of friendly logistical support, Support and protect U.S and R.V.N. installations, units, and convoys, and secure and hold the An Hoa Combat Base in order to conduct offensive operations

c. Primary and Final Mission. Conduct far ranging offensive operations in the An Hoa AO to locate and destroy or capture enemy forces, material, weapons and positions.

9. Concept of Operations

a. Northern Phase On 1D-Day one battalion helilifts into blocking positions south of objective area and sweeps north to blocking positions. On 2D-Day one battalion helilifts into objective area and attacks south to pre-established blocks.

b. Initial Southern Phase. One battalion deploys by air from Phu Bai to An Hoa to secure and hold An Hoa Combat Base, Liberty Road, and Liberty Bridge Ferry Crossing, followed by Regt Hq and additional battalions.

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c. Primary and Final Phase From base of operations at An Hoa Combat Base, one battalion conducts helilift into the Arizona Area (west of Song Thu Bon) and one battalion attacks east to conduct far ranging offensive operations. One battalion continues offensive operations in the vicinity of An Hoa to pacify and stabilize the friendly base area and LOC.

10. Execution

a. Northern Phase

(1) 1st Bn, 5th Marines. On 1D-Day 1/5 executed a heliassault into Troui Valley and attacked northward making heavy contact on the first day. By 2D-Day 1/5 had broken enemy resistance and achieved its objective setting in blocking positions.

(2) BLT 2/7. On 2D-Day BLT 2/7 executed a heliassault onto the northern slope of Troui Mountain and attacked southward making heavy contact the first day. Contact remained heavy until all objectives had been achieved. Operations in the objective area continued with a series of company maneuvers against preset blocks driving enemy forces into the blocks and destroying them by fire. The entire area was searched in detail evacuating captured weapons and material, and destroying enemy ammunition and positions.

b. Initial Southern Phase

(1) 2d Bn, 5th Marines. On 23 Jul 68 2/5 deployed by air to An Hoa Combat Base, assumed the responsibility for the defense of that position and attacked north with its left flank along the Song Thu Bon and its right flank 200 meters east of Liberty Road, engaging and destroying enemy forces in zone. The area between An Hoa and Liberty Bridge was traversed, but not completely secured, by D+4 days.

(2) Hq, 5th Marines. On 26 Jul 68 Regiment headquarters deployed by air to An Hoa and assumed control of all operations in that AO.

c. Primary and Final Phase

(1) 1st Bn, 5th Marines. On 1 Aug 68 1/5 deployed to An Hoa by air. On 2 Aug 68 that battalion executed a heliassault into the Arizona Area (west of the Song Thu Bon) and commenced far ranging offensive operations destroying enemy forces and positions in detail.

(2) 2d Bn, 5th Marines. 2/5 maintained security of Liberty Bridge Ferry Crossing and Liberty Road, and continued aggressive concentric operations to destroy enemy forces in the immediate An Hoa area.

(3) 3d Bn, 5th Marines. On 16 Aug 68 3/5 deployed to An Hoa. That same night that battalion executed a night covert move into the eastern area of the An Hoa AO. Attacking at first light 3/5 made heavy contact with enemy forces destroying them in their positions. 3/5 continued aggressive, far ranging, offensive operations throughout the eastern area of the An Hoa AO destroying enemy forces, positions, and ammunition; and capturing and evacuating enemy weapons and material.

11. Results

a. These figures reflect cumulative figures for Operation MAMELUKE THRUST:

(1) USMC Personnel

133 USMC KIA
 2 USMC NBC KIA
 744 USMC WIA EVAC
 147 USMC WIA MINOR
 1 USMC MIA
 61 USMC NBC EVAC
 4 USMC NBC MINOR

(2) USN Personnel

6 USN WIA EVAC
 1 USN WIA MINOR

(3) USA Personnel

1 USA KIA
 4 USA WIA EVAC

(4) Kit Carson Scout Personnel

1 KCS KIA
 3 KCS WIA EVAC
 1 INTERPRETER WIA EVAC

12. Administration

a. Resupply. FLC maintained 10 days of Classes I, III and V at An Hoa LSA. Resupply to the field was accomplished almost entirely by helicopter through the use of HST. Receipt of supplies and equipment from FLC became more and more dependent on air as time passed. Convoys ran regularly during July and early August, but as the river dropped operation of the ferry became impossible.

b. Maintenance. First and second echelon maintenance was performed by units. FLC provided a maintenance unit as part of the LSU which performed complete 3rd Echelon maintenance for comm-elec, ordnance, motor transport and engineer equipments. Contact teams for generators and office machinery were furnished on two occasions.

c. Casualty Treatment. Battalions established very light BAS's in the field, moving with the command groups. A BAS area was established at An Hoa complete with LZ to handle patients from the field if necessary. Normal evacuation was to 1st Hospital Company, 1st Medical Battalion or NSA Hospital, all in Danang.

d. Transportation. Truck support at An Hoa varied from 3 to 12 trucks in direct support. Liberty Road in the 5th Marines TAOR was open and heavily traveled. Transportation to and from Danang was primarily by air.

e. Communications

(1) Radio communications were highly reliable throughout the operation. During MAMELUKE THRUST the AN/PRC-77's with the KY-38 cipher devices were tested and proved to be extremely reliable and easily maintained. The AN/PRC-77/KY-38's were utilized to provide secure voice communications on Division TAC #1 and Regimental TAC #1.

(2) Radio Relay communications were considered satisfactory. On 10 Oct 68 the AN/TRC-97 replaced the AN/TRC-27 on the radio relay shot to First Marine Division which greatly improved radio relay communication. The generator sets PU-278 hampered the reliability of the AN/TRC-27. The PU-278's did not hold up under sustained operation and had to continually be evacuated to third echelon maintenance facility.

(3) On 27 July the Fifth Marines displaced from Phu Bai to An Hoa Combat Base and re-established its normal internal and external radio communications. The following Radio Relay shots were established: AN/MRC-62 to Seventh Marines; AN/MRC-62 to First Marine Division; and AN/TRC-27 to First Marine Division.

(4) Friendly frequency interferences on F.M. continues to be a problem throughout the operation on both Radio and Radio Relay. A means of "sole user" frequencies is considered mandatory to increase the quality of Radio and Radio Relay communications.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques.

As operations in the Arizona area (west of the Song Thu Bon) extended in time, it became necessary to find a means, other than helicopter, to transport troops and supplies across the major river that separated that area from the base of operations. Because of steep river banks, constantly shifting sand bars, and the attendant noise of operations, it was found that the use of LVT's was less than satisfactory. After one river crossing by LVT's the enemy was able to detect the preliminary movement and preparations of such a crossing. The second LVT crossing attracted heavy enemy small arms and automatic weapons, reinforced by light and medium mortars. Because of the many villages along the river with ample, light, native boats; it was simple enough to affect river crossings of company sized units by employing such craft. Only minutes prior to the scheduled crossing a recon party would gather the native boats and establish compensation for the work, and execute the crossing with two to four natives per boat.

The native boat crossings took from fifteen to thirty minutes as opposed to about three hours for the LVT crossing. The rapidity with which the native boat crossings could be prepared, and their swiftness of execution limited enemy reaction to the maneuver. Of four LVT crossings, three had to be executed under heavy enemy fire. Of the fourteen native boat crossings only one drew enemy fire, it is noteworthy that during that incident one platoon of the crossing unit maneuvered against the enemy killing four VC and capturing four individual weapons.

14. Commander's Analysis.

Operation MAMELUKE THRUST was characterized by :

- a. Maximum offensive action, with pacification and defensive operations limited to that necessary for the security for LOC and base operations.
- b. Far ranging offensive operations with two or more battalions dependent of helicopter resupply at all times.
- c. Maximum use of recon OP.s and AO aircraft to sight enemy forces for rapid engagement by heliborne Marine forces, and air and artillery strikes.
- d. Maximum daylight tactical deployment of Marine forces to develop enemy engagements..
- e. Maximum covert night foot movement by Marine forces to entrap, encircle, and block enemy forces.
- f. Rapid deployment of supporting artillery to temporary fire bases to further develop enemy contacts.

15. Recommendations

a. Background. The An Hoa AO covers an area of some 364 square kilometers. The entire AO is served by a secondary road 10 kilometers in length. The road runs north to south from Liberty Bridge to An Hoa. The AO stretches 12 kilometers south of the terminus of the road, and 13 kilometers east, and 13 kilometers west its axis. The only means of resupply or movement through 96% of the AO is by foot or helicopter. The current concept of helicopters in general support severely limited the reaction capability of the Regiment. The long and cumbersome means for communicating plans through several layers of command, and the daily commitment of ever changing helicopter crews unfamiliar with the tactical situation leaves much to be desired.

b. Recommendations. That a balanced detachment of transport and armed helicopters be placed in direct support of the 5th Marines at the An Hoa airstrip.

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