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HISTORICAL REPORT

1 to 31 May 1972

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1-5 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RADIO BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C. W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
RLT FOUR	TU 79.1.2	COL R.J. PERRICH
HQ RLT 4 (HQ 33RD MAU)	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 3/4	TE 79.1.2.1	LTCOL W.R. VON HARTEN
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.1.2	LTCOL P.B. FRIEDRICHS
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL H.G. FISCHER
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6	COL W.G. KELLY
HQ PROV MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0	
HMM-165	TE 79.1.6.1	LTCOL P.D. MOREAU
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	CAPT S.D. HILL
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.6.5	MAJ M.A. MAKEEVER/CAPT S.D. HILL

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5-11 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1.	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
RLT-4	TU 79.1.2	COL R.J. PERRICH
HQ RLT-4	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	LTCOL P.B. FRIEDRICHS
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL H.G. FISCHER
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6	COL W.G. KELLY
HQ PROV MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0	
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	CAPT S.D. HILL
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
NGF SPQT DET	TE 79.1.6.5	CAPT S.D. HILL

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11-19 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
REDEYE PLATOON	TE 79.1.0.3	LT J.B. DOWLING
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
RLT-4	TU 79.1.2	COL R.J. PERRICH
HQ RLT-4	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	LTCOL P.B. FRIEDRICHS
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL H.G. FISCHER
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6	COL W.G. KELLY
HQ PROV V MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0	
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	CAPT S.D. HILL
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.6.5	CAPT S.D. HILL

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19-22 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BCEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W.AUSTIN
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
REDEYE PLATOON	TE 79.1.0.3	LT J.B. DOWLING
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
RLT-4	TU 79.1.2	COL R.J. PERRICH
HQ RLT-4	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	LTCOL P.B. FRIEDRICHS
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL H.G. FISCHER
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6	COL W.G. KELLY
HQ PROV MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0	
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	CAPT S.D. HILL
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.6.5	CAPT S.D. HILL
33RD MAU	TG 79.7	LTCOL P.D. MOREAU

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22-26 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
REDEYE PLATOON	TE 79.1.0.3	LT J.B. DOWLING
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
RLT-4	TU 79.1.2	COL R.J. PERRICH
HQ RLT-4	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	LTCOL P.B. FRIEDRICHS
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL H.G. FISCHER
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6	COL W.G. KELLY
HQ PROV MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0	
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	CAPT S.D. HILL
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.6.5	CAPT S.D. HILL
33RD MAU	TG 79.7	LTCOL MOREAU
BLT 2/9	TG 79.9	LTCOL J.P. TREHY

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26-29 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E.J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RADIO BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
REDEYE PLATOON	TE 79.1.0.3	LT J.B. DOWLING
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.0.4	
PROV SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR J.F. BORDERS
31ST MAU	TG 79.4	COL W.C. KELLY
HQ 31ST MAU	TU 79.4.0	
BLT 1/4	TU 79.4.2	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
HMM-164	TU 79.4.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
33RD MAU	TG 79.7	LTCOL P.D. MOREAU
HQ 33RD MAU	TU 79.7.0	
BLT 3/4	TU 79.7.1	LTCOL W.R. VON HARTEN
HMM-165	TU 79.7.2	LTCOL P.D. MOREAU
BLT 2/9	TG 79.9	LTCOL J.P. TREHY

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29-31 MAY 1972

TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN E. J. MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR H.W. AUSTIN
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	CAPT C.W. PHILLIPS
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	MAJOR J.E. UNDERWOOD
REDEYE PLATOON	TE 79.1.0.3	LT J.B. DOWLING
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.0.4	
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	CAPT R.J. BRUNELLE
31ST MAU	TG 79.4	COL KELLY/COL NEWTON
HQ 31ST MAU	TU 79.4.0	
BLT 3/4	TU 79.4.1	LTCOL W.R. WON HARTEN
HMM-165	TU 79.4.2	LTCOL P.D. MOREAU
33RD MAU	TG 79.7	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
HQ 33RD MAU	TU 79.7.0	
BLT 1/4	TU 79.7.2	LTCOL C.D. DEAN
HMM-164	TU 79.7.3	LTCOL F.C. HERTBERG
BLT 2/9	TG 79.9	LTCOL J.P. TREHY

2. LOCATION 1-31 MAY: SOUTH CHINA SEA VICINITY 17-00 N, 107-45 E

3. STAFF OFFICERS

CHIEF OF STAFF	COL S.A. VALE
ASST CHIEF OF STAFF G-1	LTCOL W.C. BRADLEY
ASST CHIEF OF STAFF G-2	MAJOR J.A. MILLER
ASST CHIEF OF STAFF G-3	LTCOL J.L. SHANAHAN
ASST CHIEF OF STAFF G-4	LTCOL F.S. CANNON
ASST CHIEF OF STAFF G-5	LTCOL G.B. OCRIST
CEO	LTCOL W.H. STOETZER

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4. Average Monthly Strength:	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
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HqCo 9th MAB	28	42	2	2
Prov Comm Spt Co.	4	47		
BLSG	6	17		1 (Note 1)
Det "A", HML 367	4	8		
Det 1st Radio Bn	2	31		
Redeye Platoon	1	41		
NGF Spot Team		<u>4</u>		
31st MAU	124	1572	6	65
33rd MAU	121	1567	6	65
BLT 2/9	55	1283	5	61
BLT 1/9	46	1243		

Note 1: BLSG deactivated 27May72

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 NINTH MAB COMMAND CHRONOLOGY MAY 72 PART II (U)
 THIS MSG FORWARDS PART II OF SUBJ CHRONOLOGY; REMAINDER IS OF
 LOWER CLASSIFICATION AND BEING FORWARDED BY COURIER."
 1. (TS) MAY 1972, FOUND THE 9TH MAB STEAMPKG ON STATION OFF THE
 COAST OF VIET NAM WITH THE HEADQUARTERS EMBARKED ON USS BLUE
 RIDGE. THE MONTH BEGAN WITH NUMEROUS PLANNING SESSIONS AND
 PROGRESSED INTO ACTUAL SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS ASHORE; PLANS WERE
 PREPARED FOR AN EVACUATION OF PHU BAI AND FOR A DEMONSTRATION
 LANDING OFF THE COAST OF NORTH VIET NAM, TWO REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
 MARINE CORPS (VMMB) OPERATIONS, SONG THAN 5-72 AND SONG THAN 6-72,
 WERE SUPPORTED BY THE MAB AND TF 76 ALONG WITH U.S. ARMY AND AIR
 FORCE UNITS; DURING MAY THE MAB TASK ORGANIZATION UNDERWENT SEVERAL
 CHANGES AS SUBORDINATE UNITS JOINED AND DEPARTED;
 2. (TS) THE PLAN FOR THE POSSIBLE EVACUATION OF PHU BAI IS
 CONTAINED IN 9TH MAB OPPLAN 7-72A (CTG 79.1 MSG 311615Z MAY 72).

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 THIS EVACUATION IS PLANNED TO BE CARRIED OUT BY TF 76/CG 79.1 FORCES.
 IN THE EVENT THE EVACUATION BY PRIMARY MEANS, U.S.A.F. C-130 AIRCRAFT,
 IS NOT POSSIBLE, THE CONCEPT IS FOR 9TH MAB UNITS TO LAND IN
 DESIGNATED LANDING ZONES, PROVIDE SECURITY FOR EVACUATION SITES IF
 REQUIRED AND PROCEED TO EVACUATE U.S. PERSONNEL AND SELECTED EQUIPMENT
 TO A DESIGNATED SAFE HAVEN. APPROXIMATELY 2240 PERSONNEL AND 65,300
 POUNDS OF CARGO WERE INITIALLY SLATED TO BE EVACUATED; THE MAB WILL
 PROVIDE AN ADVANCE PARTY CONSISTING OF A COMMAND GROUP, A FIRE
 SUPPORT COORDINATION ELEMENT, A COMMUNICATIONS TEAM, A HELICOPTER
 SUPPORT TEAM, A MEDICAL TEAM, A NAVAL GUNFIRE SPOT TEAM AND A
 FORWARD AIR CONTROL TEAM. ONCE ESTABLISHED ASHORE, THE COMMANDER ON
 THE SCENE WILL ASSUME OPCON OF ALL U.S. FORCES AND CONTROL THE
 EVACUATION. THE SECURITY OF THE AREA WOULD REMAIN THE RESPONSIBILITY
 OF THE U.S. ARMY FORCES AT PHU BAI WITH USMC FORCES ON STANDBY TO BE
 USED IF NECESSARY. NUMEROUS PLANNING SESSIONS WERE HELD WITH CG FRAC
 AND 8TH BRFS CONCERNING THIS EVACUATION PLAN.
 3. (S) A SECOND OPERATION WHICH WAS PLANNED BUT NOT EXECUTED IS
 OPERATION HEROIC ACTION, THIS INVOLVES A DEMONSTRATION OFF THE
 COAST OF NORTH VIET NAM IN THE DONG HOI/QUANG KHE AREA; HEROIC
 ACTION COMBINES A COMMUNICATIONS CPX, AIR STRIKES AND NAVAL GUNFIRE

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OPERATION OF THE OBJECTIVE AREA, CULMINATING IN TURN AWAY LANDING BY BOTH LANDING CRAFT AND HELICOPTERS; THE OPERATION IS DESIGNED TO LEAD THE ENEMY INTO EXPECTING A LARGE SCALE AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT INTO THE DONG HOI QUANG KHE AREA AND CAUSE HIM TO REPOSITION SOME NVA FORCES NORTHWARD, WHICH ARE NOW COMMITTED TO FIGHTING BELOW THE DMZ, PLANS WERE MADE AND ORDERS ISSUED BUT ON 11 MAY WORD WAS PASSED TO POSTPONE EXECUTION IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO RVNMC OPERATIONS.

U, (S) ON THE MORNING OF 13 MAY OPERATION SONG THAN 5-72 BEGAN; HELICOPTERS FROM HMM-164 PICKED UP VIETNAMESE MARINES OF THE 396TH BRIGADE AT LZ SALLY, WEST OF HUE AND LIFTED THEM INTO LANDING ZONES FURTHER NORTH. THE OPERATION WAS DESIGNED AS A SPOILING ATTACK AGAINST MASSING NVA UNITS. NAVAL GUNFIRE, B-52 RAIDS AND AIR STRIKES POUNDED THE AREA BEFORE U, S, MARINE HELOS DROPPED INTO THE LANDING ZONES. AT 2934H THE 6TH BATTALION WAS LANDED WITHOUT INCIDENT AND THE HELOS RETURNED TO THE SHIPS TO REFUEL. PICKING UP THE THIRD BATTALION AT LZ SALLY, THE HMM-164 HELOS LANDED AGAIN AT 1136H; TWO CH-46 HELICOPTERS WERE HIT BY HOSTILE FIRE BUT MANAGED TO RETURN TO ASS SHIPPING SAFELY; A CH-53 INCURRED A GROUND ACCIDENT WHILE TAKING EVASIVE ACTION AGAINST ENEMY FIRE IN THE LANDING ZONE; THE

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TAIL SECTION WAS BROKEN OFF AND AFTER GEAR HAD BEEN REMOVED, RADIOS DESTROYED, AND THE CREW RESCUED, THE HELO WAS DESTROYED IN THE LANDING ZONE. THIS WAS THE FIRST MAJOR MOVE BY THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE IN MRI AND THE FIRST TIME 9TH MAB HAD SUPPORTED OPERATIONS ASHORE; HMM-164, UNDER THE CONTROL OF PROV MAG-12 SUPPLIED THE LIFTING FORCE. THE MAB HEADQUARTERS SENT ONE LIAISON TEAM TO HUE UNDER LT COL G. B. CRIST TO WORK WITH FRAC; ANOTHER TEAM FOR FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION LED BY LT COL R. T. ROBERTS WORKED WITH THE 396TH MARINE BRIGADE; BOTH GROUPS PROVIDED IMPORTANT LINKS BETWEEN THE MAB HEADQUARTERS AND THE SUPPORTED UNITS FOR PASSING INFORMATION AND EFFECTING COORDINATION; TO N. S. NEELY FROM THE MAB PAD AND A MOTION PICTURE TEAM UNDER CAPT J. DOMINGUEZ PROVIDED COVERAGE OF THE COMBINED OPERATION. U, (S) WITHIN TEN DAYS OF THE END OF SONG THAN 5-72; ON 24-25 MAY; THE MAB PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72; AGAIN HELICOPTERS FROM HMM-164 WERE USED AND THEY WERE JOINED BY ANTRACS F

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EMBARKED GROUND UNITS ABOARD ARG SHIPS; MAJOR F. D. KELLY WAS IN COMMAND OF THE COMPOSITE UNIT OF LVT'S THAT HIT THE BEACH; AGAIN AIR AND NAVAL GUNFIRE SATURATED THE OBJECTIVE AREA AND LANDING ZONES BEFORE THE VIETNAMESE MARINES LANDED; WITH ONLY 4 COMBAT VETERANS OUT OF 40 DRIVING THE MARINE LVT'S, THE TRACS LANDED; DROPPED THEIR

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PERSONNEL UNDER SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE AND HEADED SEAWARD WITHOUT A LOSS; ONE ANTRAC BROKE DOWN MECHANICALLY ON THE WAY TO THE BEACH BUT WAS RECOVERED BY THE USS ANCHORAGE; THE VNHC TROOPS FROM FROM THE LVT WERE LATER HELD LIFTED TO THE BEACH; THE PILOTS AND

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CREWS OF HHM-164 HELOS, WITH ONE OPERATION BEHIND THEM, LANDED WITHOUT ANY LOSSES, AGAIN LTJG G.B. CRIST AND LTJG R.T. ROBERTS WERE ASHORE WITH LIAISON TEAMS TO PROVIDE COORDINATION AND TO KEEP THE MAB HEADQUARTERS FULLY INFORMED ON THE HAPPENINGS ASHORE; THE EMBARKATION OF VIETNAMESE TROOPS ON ARG SHIPPING WAS COVERED BY WO NEELY AND CAPT DOMINGUEZ AND THE MOPIC TEAM FILMED THE ASSAULT.

6. (S) G-2 RAN INTO PROBLEMS DURING THE GATHERING OF INFORMATION BOTH FOR THE OPERATIONS AND EVERYDAY USE BY THE 9TH MAB; INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION RECEIVED IN REGULAR MESSAGE TRAFFIC IS GENERALLY 48 HOURS OLD, SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE IS MORE TIMELY BUT CERTAINLY NOT UP TO THE MINUTE, SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH 11TH CAG AT MARBLE MT, TO PROVIDE THE MAB WITH TIMELY READOUTS OF REGULAR IR AND SLAR MISSIONS AND TO FLY SPECIAL PHOTO MISSIONS AT 9TH MAB REQUEST, THIS ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION HAS BEEN QUITE VALUABLE; THE ONE OTHER QUICK SOURCE OF INTELLIGENCE DISCOVERED IS A

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REGULAR LIAISON VISIT TO U.S. MARINE CORPS ADVISORS AND FRAC AT HUE; THIS CONSISTENTLY HOLD UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON THE HUE AREA; INTELLIGENCE ON NVN IS SCARCE AND RECEIVED WHEN AT LEAST 24 HOURS OLD, THE NIPS DATA BASE FOR NVN IS OUTDATED AND IN MOST CASES INFORMATION PERTAINS ONLY TO LARGE METROPOLITAN AREAS AND IS GENERALLY 12 OR MORE YEARS OLD;

7. (S) WHILE THE ACTUAL COMBAT OPERATIONS ATTRACTED MOST OF THE ATTENTION FOR THE MONTH, THE MAB WAS BUSY IN OTHER AREAS, THE HELO TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION CENTER SET UP BY G-3 CONTINUED TO ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE NEWS MEDIA ASSIGNED TO REPORT ACTIVITIES ABOARD SHIPS ALONG THE GUN LINE; THIS ACTIVITY CALLED FOR CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN MARINE UNITS AND THE NAVY, DURING MAY, A REDEYE PLATOON WAS ASSIGNED TO THE OPCOM OF THE MAB AND IN TURN ASSIGNED TO NAVAL GUNFIRE SHIPS ON THE GUN LINE; THESE MARINES WILL PROVIDE SECURITY AGAINST THE INCREASED ENEMY AIR THREAT IN THE AREAS ALONG THE COAST;

8. (S) THE MAB HAS MADE VARIOUS CHANGES IN ITS TASK ORGANIZATION DUE TO THE ROTATION OF SHIPS AND EMBARKED UNITS INTO SUBIC BAY FOR REPAIRS AND THE DEPARTURE OF UNITS FROM THE AREA, ON 5 MAY, 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) INCLUDING ITS HQ CADRE, BLT 3/4, HHM-165 AND THE GDS-80

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ORIGINAL 31ST MAU LSU DEPARTED MODLOC AND WERE RETURNED TO THE OPCON
OF CTG 79, THE REDEYE PLATOON MENTIONED ABOVE CAME UNDER 9TH MAB OPCON
ON 11 MAY, 33RD MAU RETURNED TO MODLOC AND OPCON WAS ASSUMED BY
CTG 79,1 ON 19 MAY, BLT 2/9 JOINED THE MAB 22 MAY, ANOTHER 9TH MARINE
UNIT, BLT 1/9, LEFT MODLOC FOR OKINAWA 25 MAY AND WAS SHIFTED TO
CTG 79 FOR OPCON, LANDING FORCE SHORE PARTY WAS DISESTABLISHED AND
RETURNED TO OKINAWA ON 25 MAY ALSO, ONE DAY LATER, 26 MAY, THE MAB
WENT THROUGH ANOTHER CHANGE OF ORGANIZATION, RLT 4 AND PROV MAG 10
WERE DEACTIVATED AT THIS TIME, 31ST MAU ASSUMED THE DESIGNATOR
TG 79,4 AND TOOK CONTROL OF BLT 1/4, HMM-164 AND THE LSU, FOR BLT
3/4, 33RD MAU ASSUMED THE DESIGNATOR TG 79,7 AND CONTROL OF BLT 3/4,
HMM-165 AND THE LSU FOR BLT 3/4, BLT 2/9 (BLT DELTA) BECAME TG 79,9.
BRIGADE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT GROUP WAS DISESTABLISHED AT THIS TIME AND
RETURNED TO OKINAWA, THE PRESENT TASK ORGANIZATION WAS ESTABLISHED
ON 29 MAY, 31ST MAU (TG 79,4) NOW INCLUDES BLT 3/4 (TU 79,4,1)

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ARE HMM-165 (TU 79,4,2) WITH 33RD MAU (TG 79,7) IN CHARGE OF BLT
1/4 (TU 79,7,2) AND HMM-164 (TU 79,7,3); BLT 2/9 STILL RETAINS
DESIGNATOR TG 79,7;
9. (C) MAY'S END SAW THE MAB LOOKING AHEAD; COL D.E. NEWTON TOOK
COMMAND OF 31ST MAU FROM COL W.G. KELLY ON 30 MAY, LIAISON WITH
MARINE ADVISORS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF FRAC KEPT THE MAB ABBREAST
OF ACTIVITIES ASHORE AND ACTIVE IN ALL OPERATIONAL PLANNING;
LT GEN NETZGER, CG III MAF, IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT MAB UNITS DURING
JUNE AND PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE, THE MAB HEADQUARTERS IS LOOKING
FORWARD TO A TRIP TO SUBIC BAY AFTER 2 MONTHS AFLDAD BUT WILL BE
PREPARED TO RETURN TO SOUTH CHINA SEA ON SHORT NOTICE FOR OPERATIONS.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 MAY SELECTED STAFF REPRESENTATIVES GO TO DANANG FOR LIAISON WITH MAG-15.
- 1 MAY TG 79.1 STAFF BRIEFS STAFF REPS FROM RLT-4 AND PROV MAG 10 ON REPORTS AND REPORTING PROCEDURES.
- 1 MAY 9TH MAB ON STANDBY READY TO BE ACTIVATED IF NEEDED TO ASSIST IN QUANG TRI EXTRACTION.
- 2 MAY AIR FORCE LTCOL KIRTPATRICK MACV PAO REP MAKES LIAISON VISIT WITH CTG 79.1 AND CTG 76 ABOARD BLUE RIDGE.
- 2 MAY GEO REP TO DANANG TO PICK UP CRYPTO GEAR.
- 3 MAY JOINED 12 BLSG PERSONNEL FROM USS OKINAWA.
- 3 MAY RLT-4, PROV MAG 10 AND S-3 ARRIVE BLUE RIDGE FOR LIAISON WITH CTG 79.1.
- 3 MAY G-3, SENIOR MARINE TF 76 STAFF, FRAC REP AND S-3A PROV MAG 10 GO TO PHU BAI FOR LIAISON AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING.
- 3 MAY EMBARKED UNITS ON TUSCALOOSA TRANSFERED TO CAYUGA DUE TO DEPARTURE OF MODLOC BY TUSCALOOSA FOR SUBIC TO REPAIR STERN GATE.
- 3 MAY OKINAWA STEAMS NORTH TO PARTICIPATE IN SAR/MEDEVAC MISSION. TWO MULTIPLE HELO SWEEPS CONDUCTED IN A DESIGNATED AREA FOR DOWNED A-6 CREW PROVIDE NEGATIVE RESULTS.
- 4 MAY CTE 79.1.6.2 ASSIGNED ADDITIONAL DUTY AS OIC NGF AIR SPOTTING ELEMENT (CTE 79.1.6.5) USING ASSIGNED ASSETS CURRENTLY ABOARD USS DENVER.
- 4 MAY CHIEF OF STAFF TG 79.1, COL S. A. VALE, LEAVES FOR SUBIC BAY FOR LIAISON AND BRIEFING WITH LTGEN METZGER, CG III MAF.
- 5 MAY VARIOUS CROSS DECK TRANSFERS WERE EFFECTED THIS DATE DUE TO DEPARTURE OF MODLOC BY TRIPOLI, DULUTH, SCHENECTADY AND ANCHORAGE FOR REPAIRS IN SUBIC. MODLOC 17-00N 107-45E.

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- A. HQ PROV MAG-10 (31ST MAU) EMBARKED ON OKINAWA WITH HMM-164.
- B. RLT-4 HQ TRANSFERRED TO BLUE RIDGE.
- C. 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) INCLUDING HQ CADRE, BLT 3/4, HMM-165 AND ORIGINAL 31ST MAU LSU DEPART MODLOC 051600Z ENROUTE TO SUBIC. OPCON CHANGED TO CTF 79 MSG: CTG 79.1 051120Z MAY (S).
- 5 MAY REPS FROM FRAC AND 8TH RRFs VISITED BLUE RIDGE FOR CONTINGENCY PLANNING.
- 5 MAY ESTABLISHED HF VOICE CIRCUIT TO 8TH RRFs.
- 6 MAY CEO DISTRIBUTED CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS ANNEX. SEE COMMUNICATIONS MESSAGES TAB O.
- 7 MAY COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE ON OPERATION HEROIC ACTION AND PHU BAI CONTINGENCY PLAN.
- 8 MAY- 0143H OKINAWA ENROUTE NORTH TO THE GULF OF TONKIN SAR STATION TO PROVIDE SAR BACKUP IN SUPPORT OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST HAIPHONG, NVN. ABSENCE OF SHIP LIMITS MODLOC HELO OPS.
- 9 MAY 79.1 CEO, RLT-4 COMMO, CO PROV COMM SPT CO, COMMO PROV MAG-10 ATTEND COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING CONFERENCE HELD FOR OPERATION HEROIC ACTION. SEE HEROIC ACTION MESSAGES TAB K.
- 10 MAY CHANGE NUMBER ONE PUBLISHED FOR CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS ANNEX. MSG CTG 79.1 101135Z MAY (C).
- 11 MAY 4 1ST RADIO BN PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED TO OKLAHOMA CITY.
- 11 MAY BLT 1/9 CONDUCTS COMEX ABOARD USS DENVER.
- 11 MAY TG 79.1 G-3, FSC, CEO, G-5, G-2, AND REPS FROM TACRON 11, FORCE MARINE OFFICER SEVENTHFLT, AND N-3 TF 76 MAKE LIAISON VISIT TO HUE FOR PLANNING/BRIEFING ON OPERATION SONG THAN 5-72.
- 11 MAY HEROIC ACTION CANCELLED. MSG CTG 79.1 110045Z MAY (S)
- 11 MAY TG 79.1 G-3A, LTCOL E.T. GARRETT, GOES TO DENVER AND OKINAWA FOR LIAISON WITH COMMANDING OFFICERS OF BLT 1/9, BLT 1/4, HMM 164 AND

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- 11 MAY CTG 79.1 ASSUMES OPCON OF REDEYE PLATOON MSG CTG 79.1 121445Z MAY (S).
- 12 MAY TG 79.1 G-3, CEO, CTU 79.1.6 AND STAFF GO TO HUE FOR PLANNING CONFERENCE WITH FRAC AND VNMC REPS.
- 12 MAY 9TH MAB COMMUNICATION LIAISON DETACHMENT TRANSFERRED TO HUE.
ESTABLISH HF COMMUNICATION WITH CTG 79.1 (VNMC DIVISION LIAISON NET).
- 12 MAY 3 MAN MOPIC TEAM PLUS PAO, WO R.G. NEELEY, GO TO OKINAWA THEN TO HUE AREA FOR OPERATION COVERAGE.
- 12 MAY OKINAWA RETURNS TO MODLOC FROM SAR STATION. 1700N 107-45E.
- 12 MAY 4 MEN 1ST RADIO BN TEAM TRANSFERRED TO NEWPORT NEWS.
- 13 MAY ARG SHIPPING MOVED TO THE VICINITY OF HUE IN SUPPORT OF VNMC 369TH BRIGADE OPERATION SONG THAN 5-72. PROV MAG 10 PROVIDED 13 CH-46, 5 CH-53 AND 4 UH-1E FOR THE OPERATION. LOSSES TO US FORCES INCLUDED: 1 CH-53 ABANDONED AND DESTROYED DUE TO A GROUND ACCIDENT UNDER HOSTILE FIRE MSG CTG 79.4 130935Z MAY (S); 1 UH-1E LOST OVERBOARD USS OKINAWA IN NON COMBAT ASSOCIATED ACCIDENT MSG CTG 79.4 130945Z MAY (S); AND 1 MAN SUFFERED METAL FRAGMENT IN CALF OF LEG DUE TO HOSTILE FIRE. SEE SONG THAN 5-72 MESSAGES TAB L.
- 13 MAY DURING OPERATION SONG THAN 5-72, 9TH MAB MONITORED THE FOLLOWING NETS: 1ST VNMC DIVISION ADVISOR NET, CTF 76 AIR AND NGF, HMM 164, BRIGADE TAC AND 1ST VNMC LIAISON.
- 13 MAY TG 79.1 G-5 TO HUE FOR LIAISON BETWEEN 7TH FLEET AND VNMC DURING OPERATION.
- 14 MAY DEACTIVATED NETS SUPPORTING OPERATION SONG THAN 5-72.
- 14 MAY TG 79.1 CEO, COMM DET, G-5, PAO AND MOPIC TEAM RETURN FROM HUE.
- 16 MAY CTG 79.1, G-3 AND G-5 GO TO HUE FOR OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING MEETING.
- 17 MAY REDEYE PLATOON COMMANDER EMBARKED ON THE PROVIDENCE. FOUR MAN

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REDEYE TEAMS EMBARKED ON MULLINIX, LARSON, PROVIDENCE, STODDERT, EVERSOLE, BERKELEY, HANSON, HULL AND BUCHANAN BY 19 MAY MSG CTG 79.1 210420Z MAY (S).

17 MAY CTG 79.1 REPS TO HUE/PHU BAI FOR LIAISON WITH FRAC HQ.

17 MAY SENIOR MARINE ADVISOR TO VNMC VISITS WITH CTG 79.1/CTF 76 CONCERNING IMPENDING OPERATION.

18 MAY: BLT 3/4 ELEMENTS ABOARD ANCHORAGE SAIL FOR MODLOC. 17-00N 107-45E.

18 MAY SPEED LETTER SUBMITTED TO NAVAL COMMUNICATION COMMAND BY CTG 79.1 CEO IAW JANAP 119 (F) TO CHANGE COMMAND TASK FORCE CALL SIGN FOR CTF 79.1. SEE COMMUNICATION SECTION MESSAGES TAB Q.

19 MAY CO.C 81 MORTAR PLATOON AND RECON PLATOON OF BLT 1/9 TRANSFERRED TO TUSCALOOSA.

19 MAY CTG 79.1 PAO STAFF AUGMENTED BY TWO ENLISTED PERSONNEL.

19 MAY ASSISTANT CEO CTG 79.1 MAKES LIAISON VISIT WITH MAG-15, 1972 COMM SQDRN (USAF) AND FRAC.

19 MAY 191600Z MAY, CTG 79.1 ASSUMES OPCON 33RD MAU. MSG CTF 79 180843Z MAY (S) AND CTG 79.1 190300Z MAY (S).

20 MAY CTE 79.1.2.3 SENDS ADVANCE PARTY TO SUBIC TO PREPARE FOR BLT'S FORTHCOMING PORT ENTRY.

20 MAY SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING CONFERENCE IN HUE. CTG 79.1 ATTENDEES INCLUDE CO RLT-4, G-3, CEO, G-5, FSC, G-2, TG 79.1 AND CO, S-3, AND S-2 OF HMM 164.

20 MAY 19 BLSG PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED TO TUSCALOOSA FOR TRANSIT TO SUBIC.

21 MAY CTG 79.1 EMBARKATION OFFICER GOES TO DANANG FOR LIAISON WITH MAG-15.

21 MAY CTG 79.1 G-3, FSC AND G-5 GO TO HUE FOR LIAISON WITH ADVISORS AND VNMC.

21 MAY FLEET MARINE OFFICER SEVENTHFLT, COL DIONISOPOLUS, COMES TO BLUE

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RIDGE FOR A CONFERENCE WITH CTG 79.1.

22 MAY OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING IN HUE. REPS OF 9TH MAB, CTF 76, RLT-4 AND PROV MAG 10 ATTEND.

23 MAY SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING CONTINUES.

23 MAY USS DULUTH AND BLT 3/4 (FWD) JOINED MAB IN MODLOC. 17-00N 107-45E.

23 MAY HMM 164 RECEIVED 1 CH-53 AND 1 UH-1E FROM DULUTH.

23 MAY TWO MAB LIAISON TEAMS DISPATCHED TO HUE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72. SEE SONG THAN 6-72 MESSAGE TAB M.

23 MAY ACTIVATED TAN MY EMBARKATION NET IN ORDER TO MONITOR EMBARKATION OF VNMC TROOPS ABOARD CTF 76 SHIPS.

23 MAY COMM DET FROM 1ST VNMC DIVISION AND MARINE ADVISORY UNIT (MAU) ARRIVE ABOARD BLUE RIDGE WITH COMMANDER 1ST VNMC DIVISION.

24 MAY LTCOL J.W. FRIBERG REPLACES LTCOL H.G. FISCHER AS CO 9TH MAB BLSG AND REMAINS ON ISLAND OF OKINAWA, SUBJECT TO RECALL. SEE MSG CTG 79.1 241515Z MAY (U).

24 MAY COMMANDANT VNMC ABOARD BLUE RIDGE TO OBSERVE PROGRESS OF ACTIVITY ASHORE.

24 MAY MAB IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 MONITORED OPS AND SUPPLIED HELO AND LVT SUPPORT. SEE SONG THAN 6-72 MSG TAB M.

24 MAY CTG 79.1 VISITED TG 79.1 UNITS INVOLVED IN OPERATION.

25 MAY LFSP HQ (CTG 79.1.3) IS DISESTABLISHED AND PERSONNEL WILL RETURN TO OKINAWA ABOARD ARG BRAVO SHIPS, MSG CTG 79.1 250215Z MAY (S).

25 MAY NGF SPOT TEAM SHIFTED TO BLUE RIDGE. MEMBERS RETURNED TO PARENT UNITS SUBJECT TO RECALL. MSG CTG 79.1 250215Z MAY (S).

25 MAY RLT-4 HQ DEPARTS MODLOC FOR OKINAWA. 17-00N 107-45E.

25 MAY TG 79.1 G-3A LTCOL E. T. GARRETT, MAJ KIRKHAM AND MAJ YOUNG DEPART

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MODLOC FOR CAMP PENDLETON AND ASIS CONFERENCE. LTCOL R.A. MONFORT ACTING G-3A. MAJ KIRKHAM WILL NOT RETURN DUE TO PCS.

25 MAY COL NEWTON ARRIVES ON USS OKINAWA AS PROSPECTIVE CO 31ST MAU.

25 MAY BLT 1/9 DEPARTS MODLOC FOR OKINAWA. OPCON SHIFTED TO TF 79 MSGS CTG 79.1 250215Z MAY (S) AND BLT 1/9 261156Z MAY (C).

25 MAY MAB LIAISON TEAMS RETURN TO BLUE RIDGE.

26 MAY DISESTABLISHED RLT-4 AND PROV MAG 10. 31ST MAU ASSUMES DESIGNATOR TG 79.4 AND OPCON OF BLT 1/4, HMM 164 AND LSU 1/4. 33RD MAU ASSUMES DESIGNATOR TG 79.7 AND OPCON BLT 3/4, HMM 165 AND LSU 3/4. BLT 2/9 (BLT DELTA) ASSUMES DESIGNATOR TG 79.9 MSG CTG 79.1 271700Z MAY (S).

26 MAY HMM 164 ASSISTED IN TRANSPORTING AIR CONDITIONER UNITS FROM DANANG TO CORAL SEA.

26 MAY 261300H BLT 2/9 ENTERS THE BDE TAC. CHANGE NUMBER TWO PUBLISHED FOR CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION ANNEX. MSG CTG 79.1 260615Z MAY (C).

26 MAY BLSG HQ (CTU 79.1.4) IS DISESTABLISHED MSG CTG 79.1 261700Z MAY (S).

27 MAY CTG 79.1 REPS GO TO HUE FOR PLANNING CONFERENCE.

28 MAY CG 9TH MAB GOES TO HUE FOR LIAISON WITH FRAC AND SENIOR MARINE ADVISOR VMMC.

29 MAY TASK ORGANIZATION CHANGED. 31ST MAU NOW INCLUDES BLT 3/4 TU 79.4.1 AND HMM 165 TU 79.4.2. 33RD MAU NOW INCLUDES BLT 1/4 TU 79.7.2 AND HMM 164 TU 79.7.3 MSG CTG 79.1 301215Z MAY (S).

29 MAY MARINE ADVISORS TO VMMC COME ABOARD BLUE RIDGE TO DISCUSS OPERATIONS ASHORE WITH MAB STAFF MEMBERS.

30 MAY CHANGE NUMBER THREE TO CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION ELECTRONICS ANNEX PUBLISHED. SEE COMMUNICATION MESSAGE TAB O.

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30 MAY COL NEWTON RELIEVES COL KELLY AS CO 31ST MAU, MSG CO 31ST MAU
281502Z MAY (S) AND CTG 79.4 300846Z MAY (U).

31 MAY CTG 79.1 G-2 BRIEFS VICE ADMIRAL HOLLOWAY COMSEVENTHFLT DURING
VISIT TO BLUE RIDGE.

31 MAY OPPLAN 7-72A PUT OUT IN MESSAGE DATE TIME GROUP 311615Z MAY 72. (TS)

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TAB E-	9TH MAB SITREPS, #26 - 29	
	CTG 79.1	081700Z MAY (S)
	CTG 79.1	151350Z MAY (S)
	CTG 79.1	221600Z MAY (S)
	CTG 79.1	291600Z MAY (S)
TAB F-		FORCE LEVELS AND CHANGE OF OPCON
	① CTG 79.1	041200Z MAY (S)
	② CTU 79.1.2	041450Z MAY (S)
	③ CTG 79.1	050120Z MAY (S)
	④ CTG 79.1	051120Z MAY (S)
	⑤ CTG 79.4	081405Z MAY (S)
	⑥ CTG 79.1	091500Z MAY (S)
	⑦ CTG 79.1	120715Z MAY (S)
	⑧ CTF 79	180843Z MAY (S)
	⑨ CTG 79.1	190300Z MAY (S)
	⑩ CTG 79.1	230604Z MAY (S)
	⑩A CTG 79.1	231111Z MAY (S)
	⑪ CTG 79.1	250215Z MAY (S)
	⑫ CTG 79.1	260830Z MAY (S)
	⑬ BLT 1/9	261156Z MAY (C)
	⑭ CTG 79.1	261700Z MAY (S)
	⑮ CTG 79.1	281500Z MAY (S)

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	⑫ CTG 79.7	290605Z MAY (S)
	⑬ CTG 79.1	301215Z MAY (S)
TAB G-		REPOSITIONING OF MAU HQ
	① CTG 79.1	040600Z MAY (S)
	② CTG 79.1	060850Z MAY (S)
TAB H-		33RD MAU EMPLOYMENT
	CTF 76	070144Z MAY (S)
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	① CINCPACFLT	171348Z MAY (S)
	② COMSEVENTHFLT	170824Z MAY (S)
	③ COMSEVENTHFLT	170756Z MAY (S)
TAB J-	RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ASSOCIATED WITH U.S. MINING OF NVN WATERWAY	
	COMSEVENTHFLT	091240Z MAY (S)
TAB K		HEROIC ACTION
	① CTF 76	071500Z MAY (S)
	② CTF 76	071515Z MAY (S)
	③ CTF 76	071530Z MAY (S)
	④ CTF 76	071553Z MAY (S)
	⑤ CTF 76	071630Z MAY (S)
	⑥ CTF 76	071655Z MAY (S)
	⑦ CTF 76	071700Z MAY (S)
	⑧ CTF 76	071730Z MAY (S)
	⑨ BLT 1/9	101030Z MAY (S)
	⑩ CTF 76	101055Z MAY (S)
	⑪ CTF 76	101220Z MAY (S)
	⑫ CTF 76	101445Z MAY (S)
	⑬ CTG 79.1	101615Z MAY (S)

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(14) BLT 1/4	101810Z MAY (S)
(15) CTF 77	102322Z MAY (S)
(16) RLT-4	110030Z MAY (S)
(17) CTG 79.1	110045Z MAY (S)
(18) CTF 76	110200Z MAY (C)

TAB L

	SONG THAN 5-72
(1) CTG 79.1	121845Z MAY (S)
(2) CTF 76	130157Z MAY (S)
(3) CTF 76	130325Z MAY (S)
(4) CTG 79.1 LIAISON	130540Z MAY (S)
(5) CTG 79.1	130545Z MAY (S)
(6) CTG 79.1	130716Z MAY (S)
(7) CTG 79.1	130930Z MAY (S)
(8) CTG 79.4	130935Z MAY (S)
(9) CTG 79.4	130945Z MAY (S)
(10) CTG 79.1	131630Z MAY (S)
(11) CTF 76	140035Z MAY (S)
(12) CTU 79.1.6	150300Z MAY (S)
(13) CTG 79.1	151330Z MAY (S)

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	SONG THAN 6-72
(1) CTG 79.1	220803Z MAY (S)
(2) CTG 79.1	221730Z MAY (S)
(3) CTG 79.1	231200Z MAY (S)
(4) TG 79.1C	231450Z MAY (S)
(5) CTG 79.1	240120Z MAY (S)
(6) CTG 79.1	240200Z MAY (S)
(7) CTG 79.1	240210Z MAY (S)

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	⑧ CTG 79.1	240318Z MAY (S)
	⑨ CTG 79.1	240324Z MAY (S)
	⑩ CTG 79.1	240340Z MAY (S)
	⑪ TG 79.1C	241330Z MAY (S)
	⑫ CTG 79.1	240535Z MAY (C)
	⑬ CTG 79.1	240540Z MAY (C)
	⑭ CTF 76	240630Z MAY (S)
	⑮ CTG 79.1	241615Z MAY (S)
	⑯ CTG 79.1	250330Z MAY (S)
	⑰ CTG 79.1	251710Z MAY (S)
	⑱ CTG 79.4	270251Z MAY (S)
	⑲ SENIOR MARINE ADVISOR HUE	271530Z MAY (C)
	⑳ COMUSMACV	280410Z MAY (C)
TAB N		REDEYE PLATOON
	① CTF 76	070406Z MAY (C)
	② COMSEVENTHFLT	071144Z MAY (C)
	③ CG III MAF	120017Z MAY (C)
	④ CTG 79.1	121445Z MAY (C)
	⑤ CTG 79.1	160635Z MAY (S)
	⑥ CTG 79.1	200811Z MAY (S)
	⑦ CTG 79.1	210420Z MAY (S)
TAB O		COMMUNICATIONS
	① CTG 79.1	GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS ANNEX
	② CTG 79.1	101135Z MAY (C)
	③ CTG 79.1	260615Z MAY (C)
	④ CHANGE NUMBER THERE TO CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS ANNEX	

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① SPEED LETTER REQUESTING CHANGE COMMAND TASK FORCE CALL SIGN COMM

② COORDINATION REPORT, USS BLUE RIDGE TO HUE

TAB P

KEY PERSONNEL

① CTG 79.1

241515Z MAY (U)

② CO 31ST MAU

281502Z MAY (S)

③ CTG 79.4

300846Z MAY (U)

TAB Q

OPPLAN 7-72A CTG 79.1 311615Z MAY 72 (TS)

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FM CTF SEVEN NINE PT ONE
TO RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE
INFO RUHHFMA/FMFAC
RUHGOAA/COMSEVENTHFLT
ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT TWO
RUAOKUA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREE
RUAOANA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SIX
RUHGOLA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX
RUHGOGA/CTF SEVEN SIX PT FOUR
RUHGOVA/CTF SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/CTF SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
RHMP00/TG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
RUMMWUA/III MAF LNO SUBIC
RUAOBMA/CTU SEVEN NINE PT THREE PT FIVE
RUMUJBA/CTU SEVEN NINE PT THREE PT ZERO
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9TH MAB SITREP NR026 AS OF 071600Z MAY 72 (U)
1. (S) TASK ORGANIZATION:

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9TH MAB	TG 79.1
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0
DET 1ST RADIO BN	TE 79.1.0.1
DET A HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1
RLT 4	TU 79.1.2
HQ RLT 4	TE 79.1.2.0
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4
PROV MAG-10	TU 79.1.6
HQ PROV MAG-10	TE 79.1.6.0
DET B HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3
NGF SPOT DET	TE 79.1.6.5

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- (C) 9TH MAB LOCATION: MODLOC
- (S) ACTION SUMMARY 300400Z APR - 071600Z MAY 72
A. 03 MAY OKINAWA STEAMED NORTH TO PARTICIPATE IN SAN/MEDEVAC MISSION. TWO MULTIPLE HELO SWEEPS UNDER POSITIVE RADAR CONT-

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ROL CONDUCTED SAR DESIGNATED AREA FOR DOWNED A-6 CREW FM CORAL SEA. AFTER 49.4 HOURS, NEGATIVE RESULTS. MEDEVAC STANDBY RESPONDED TO ONE MISSION TRANSFERRING ONE PATIENT TO USS OKINAWA FOR TREATMENT.

B. 01 MAY TG 79.1 STAFF BRIEFED STAFF REPS FROM TU 79.1.2 AND TU 79.1.6 ON REPORTS AND REPORTING PROCEDURES.

C. 9TH MAB ON STANDBY 1 MAY DURING QUANG TRI EXTRACTION.

D. PERSONNEL WITH APPROACHING RTD'S AND THOSE REQUIRING TRANSPORTATION OUT OF AREA WERE TRANSFERRED TO TRIPOLI 05 MAY, FFT OKINAWA.

E. EFFECTIVE 050800Z MAY COMPHIBRON SEVEN/CTG 76.7 ON USS OKINAWA ASSUMED GULF OF TONKIN PRIMARY ARG DUTY.

F. EMBARKED UNITS ON TUSCALOOSA TRANSFERRED TO CAYUGA 03 MAY. TUSCALOOSA DEPARTED MODLOC TO SUBIC FOR STERN GATE REPAIRS. ARRIVED SUBIC 05 MAY.

G. CROSS DECK TRANSFER: 05 MAY

(1) HQ PROV MAG-10 (31ST MAU) EMBARKED OKINAWA WITH HMM-164

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(2) 33RD MAU HQ CADRE EMBARKED TRIPOLI WITH HMM-165 MIX OF 14-4-2-2.

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(3) RLI 4 HQ TRANSFERRED TO BLUE RIDGE

(4) 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) CONSISTING OF A HEADQUARTERS CADRE, BLT 3/4, HMM 165 AND ORIG 31ST MAU LSU DEPARTED MODLOC 051600Z MAY ENROUTE SUBIC. OPCON CHANGED TO CTF 79.

H. TRIPOLI, DULUTH, SCHENECTADY AND ANCHORAGE DEPART MODLOC 05 MAY FOR REPAIRS IN SUBIC. TRIPOLI/ANCHORAGE ETA 09 MAY. DULUTH/SCHENECTADY ETA 08 MAY.

I. DENVER ON STANDDOWN FOR 24 HOURS. TIME USED BY BLT 1/9 FOR LIAISON VISITS TO MOBILE/CAYUGA TO EFFECT ADMIN, SUPPLY, AND OPERATIONAL COORDINATION.

J. 07 MAY 2 UH-1E AND 6 PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED FOR HMM-164 TO DENVER FOR NGF SPOTTING FOR INDEFINITE PERIOD.

K. 04 MAY CTE 79.1.6.2 ASSIGNED ADDITIONAL DUTY AS OIC NGF AIR SPOTTING ELEMENT (CTE 79.1.6.5) USING ASSIGNED ASSETS CURRENTLY ABOARD USS DENVER.

L. 05 MAY ON REQUEST COMSEVENTHFLT TEAM OF SIX NEWSMEN HELI LIFTED FROM DANANG TO STODDERT. RETRIEVED 06 MAY. PLAN VISIT TO HULL 03 MAY.

M. TRAINING BLT 1/4;

(1) CLASSES ON M-72 LAAW, 3.5 ROCKET, AT MINES, IMPROVISED AT

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DEFENSE, CALLS FOR FIRE, CONTROL OF CAS, AND RECON REPORTING.

(2) 211 MCI COURSES COMPLETED THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

(3) EACH UNIT LIMITED MAX OF 30 MINUTES PT PER DAY DUE EXTENSIVE AIR OPERATIONS.

N. TRAINING BLT 1/9:

AFLOAT TRAINING CONTINUES. SHIPBOARD AUGMENTATION CONTINUES WITH 430 BLT MARINES CARRYING OUT PART TIME DUTIES ABOARD SHIPS TO INCLUDE: UNREPS, CIC, COMM, GUN CREWS, AND DECK WATCHES.

O. SIGNIFICANT COMMAND LIAISON VISITS/EVENTS:

(1) 1 MAY: (A) BLSG PAY OFFICER TO USS OKINAWA TO PAY EMBARKED BLSG PERSONNEL.

(B) SELECTED STAFF REPS TO DANANG FOR LIAISON WITH MAG-15.

(C) PROV COMM REPS TO TUSCALOOSA FOR LIAISON AND PERSONNEL/ADMIN INSPECTION.

(2) 2 MAY:

(A) AF LTCOL KIRTPATRICK MACV PAO REP MADE LIAISON VISIT WITH CTG 79.1/CTG 76 ABOARD BLUE RIDGE.

(B) BLSG CMDR AND MAINTO TO ST. LOUIS FOR BLSG LIAISON.

(C) CEO REP TO DANANG TO PICK UP CRYPTO GEAR.

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(3) 3 MAY:

(A) JOINED 12 BLSG PERSONNEL FROM USS OKINAWA.

(B) RL1 4, PROV MAG-10 AND S-3 TO BLUE RIDGE FOR LIAISON WITH CTG 79.1

(C) G-3, TG 79.1, SENIOR MARINE TF 76 STAFF FRAC REP, AND S-3A TU 79.1.6 TO PHU BAI FOR LIAISON AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING.

(4) 4 MAY:

(A) TG 79.1 ADJ TO DANANG FOR LIAISON WITH MAIL REPS

(B) CHIEF OF STAFF TG 79.1 TO SUBIC FOR LIAISON/BRIEFING WITH LTGEN METZGER.

(5) 5 MAY:

(A) REPS FROM FRAC. PHU BAI INSTALLATION, AND 3TH RRFS VISITED BLUE RIDGE FOR CONTINGENCY PLANNING.

(B) ESTABLISHED HF, VOICE CIRCUIT TO 3TH RRFS, PHU BAI, RVN.

(6) 6 MAY:

(A) CEO DISTRIBUTED CTG 79.1 GOI STANDARD COMMUNICATION ELECTRONICS ANNEX.

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(A) COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE ON OPERATION HEROIC ACTION
AND PHU BAI CONTINGENCY PLAN.

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(B) CO, S-3 RLT 4 TO CO BLT 1/9 ABOARD DENVER FOR CONFER-
ENCE REGARDING OP PLAN DEVELOPED BY RLT 4 HEADQUARTERS
IN SUPPORT OF CURRENT CTG 79.1 OP PLAN.

(C) MOPIC TEAM AIRBORNE FOR DOCUMENTARY FILMS.

4. (S) COMMENTS:

A. DAILY C-130 MARLOG FLIGHTS TO DANANG HAVE EXPEDITIOUSLY FILLED
REQUISITIONS FOR SPARE PARTS AND SUPPLIES BY REDUCING REQ-
UISITION FILL TIME 7-10 DAYS. TIMELY MOVEMENT OF MAIL HAS A
POSITIVE IMPACT ON MORALE. MAIL AVERAGING 4 DAYS FROM CONUS.

B. FMFPAC MOPIC TEAM UNDER OPCON CTG 79.1 AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE
LIMITED DOCUMENTARY COVERAGE OF MAG 15 UNITS ON TEMPORARY BASIS
IF DESIRED/APPROVED.

C. IT HAS BEEN DIRECTED THAT MARCORPS PERSONNEL TRANSFERS
(EXCEPT MEDEVAC, EMERGENCY LEAVE, AND COURIERS) BE TRANSFERRED
VIA UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT SHIPPING. THIS ADDS APPROX 5 DAYS
TO TRANSIT TIME OKINAWA

D. AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY 070400Z MAY

TYPE A/C	ON BOARD	NORS A/C	NFE A/C
CH-46	14	1/1	1/4
CH-53	6	1/1	3/6

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REMARKS: (A) CH-46 NORS FOR CENTERING SPRING SINCE 2123.

- E. LSU 1/9 SUPPLY SUPPORT PROVIDED:
REQUISITIONS FOR REQUIRED WEAPONS, RIFLE, AND PISTOL PARTS PLACED ON ORDER SO THAT ORIGINAL LIMITED TECHNICAL INSPECTION PROBLEMS FOUND ABOARD MOBILE AND CAYUGA CAN BE CORRECTED.
- F. MAINTENANCE SUPPORT PROVIDED:
(1) COMMENCING OFFICE EQUIPMENT REPAIRS WHERE CAPABILITY EXISTS ON MOBILE AND CAYUGA.
(2) CONTINUING REPAIRS ON C.E.E.
(3) COMMENCED WORK ON M-274 (BROKEN AXLE) AND M151 (IGNITION)
(4) DEADLINED LVT(C) ON ANCHORAGE REPAIRED AND TRANSFERRED TO CAYUGA.
- G. COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED:
(1) BLT 3/4: 1 MRC-83, 2 PRC-25, 1 PRC-47, 4 M-60 MACHINE GUNS, 2 60MM MORTARS, 1 81 MORTAR, 1-106 RECOILESS RIFLE, 1 TD-15 TRACTOR, 1 M-37 TRUCK AND 1 M151A1 JEEP.
(2) BLT 1/4: 1 AN/PRC-77

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(3) BLT 1/9; 1 MRC-14, 1 4X4 PERSONNEL CARRIER, 1 M274 MULE, 1 M151 JEP.

(4) HMM-165: NONE.

H. HMM-164 OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

A/C	TASK	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
CH-46D	49	99	215	3.6	95.4
CH-53D	12	48	238	14.1	28.1
UH-1E	4	6	9	-	7.1
AK-1J	3	3	-	-	4.1

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(1) CTG 79.1	55		205	1		3
(2) CTE 79.1.2.0	7		28	-		-
(3) CTE 79.1.2.3	56		1,305	5		63
(4) CTE 79.1.2.2	53		1,242	5		59
(5) CTU 79.1.6.0:	NOT AVAILABLE					

5. (C) INTENTIONS:

- A. REMAIN MODLOC
- B. CONTINGENCY PLANNING TO CONTINUE.
- C. CONTINUE TRANSFERRING EMERGENCY LEAVE, MEDEVAC PERSONNEL AND

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DESIGNATED COURIERS VIA DANANG. ALL OTHERS THROUGH AVAILABLE SHIPPING TO SUBIC.

D. CONTINUE SHIPBOARD TRAINING, EMPHASIZING MCI/EST STUDY, MAINTENANCE, CARE AND CLEANING OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT, PHYSICAL FITNESS, AND PREPARATION FOR FUTURE OPS/EXERCISES.

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1. (S) TASK ORGANIZATION:

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- H&S CO 9TH MAB
- DET 1ST RADIO BN
- DET A HML 367
- REDEYE PLATOON
- PROV COMM SPT CO
- RLT-4
- HQ RLT-4
- BLT 1-9
- BLT 1-4
- LFSP HQ
- BLSG HQ
- PROV MAG 10
- HQ PROV MAG 10
- DET B HLM 367
- HMM-164
- NGF SPOT DET

- TG 79.1
- TU 79.1.0
- TE 79.1.0.1
- TE 79.1.0.2
- TE 79.1.0.3
- TU 79.1.1
- TU 79.1.2
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- TU 79.1.4
- TU 79.1.6
- TE 79.1.6.0
- TE 79.1.6.2
- TE 79.1.6.3
- TE 79.1.6.5

- 2. (U) 9TH MAB LOCATION: NO CHANGE
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A. 080143H MAY LPH-3 ENROUTE NORTH GULF OF TONKIN SAR STATION TO PROVIDE SAR BACKUP IN SUPPORT OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST HAIPHONG AREA NVN. ABSENCE OF LPH-3 LIMITED MODLOC HELO OPERATIONS. LPH-3 RETURNED MODLOC 120600H MAY.

B. NGF SPOTTING DET RECONSTITUTED 8 MAY. TWO UH-1E'S AND EIGHT PERSONNEL JOINED FROM HMM 164.

C. 10 MAY NEWS MEDIA RECOVERED FROM HULL AND RETURNED TO DANANG.

D. 11 MAY FOUR 1ST RADIO BN PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED TO OKLAHOMA CITY. FOUR EMBARKED ON NEWPORT NEWS ON 12 MAY.

E. 11 MAY BLT 1/9 CONDUCTED COMEX ABOARD DENVER.

F. EARLY 13 MAY ARG SHIPPING MOVED TO VICINITY HUE IN SUPPORT OF VNMC 369TH BRIGADE OPERATION SONG THANH 5/72. OPERATION CON-

SIDERED SUCCESSFUL. PROV MAG-10 PROVIDED 13 CH-46, 5-CH-53, AND 4 UH-1E FOR OPERATION. LOSSES TO U.S. FORCES INCLUDE 1 CH-53

ABANDONED AND DESTROYED DUE GROUND ACCIDENT UNDER OSTILE FIRE;

1 UH-1E LOST OVER BOARD USS OKINAWA IN NONCOMBAT ASSOCIATED ACCIDENT AND 1 MAN SUFFERED METAL FRAGMENT IN CALF OF LEG DUE HOSTILE FIRE TO CH-46 PARTICIPATING IN HELO LIFT.

G. SIGNIFICANT VISITS/EVENTS:

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(1) 9 MAY: COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING CONFERENCE HELD FOR OPERATION HEROIC ACTION. ATTENDEES: 9TH MAB CEO, COMM O RLT-4, CO PROV COMM SPT CO, COMM O PROV MAG-10.

(2) 10 MAY:
CHANGE NUMBER ON PUBLISHED FOR CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS ANNEX.

(3) 11 MAY:
(A) TG 79.1 G-3, FSC, CEO, G-5, G-2, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM TACRON 11, FORCE MARINE OFFICER, AND N-3 TF 76 LIAISON VISIT TO HUE FOR PLANNING BRIEFING OPERATION SONG THANH 5/72.

(B) TG 79.1 G-3A TO DENVER AND OKINAWA FOR LIAISON WITH COMMANDING OFFICERS OF BLT 1/9, 1/4, HMM 164, AND 31ST MAU.

(C) ASSUMED OPCON OF REDEYE PLATOON.

(4) 12 MAY:

(A) TG 79.1, G-3, CEO, CTU 79.1.6 AND STAFF TO HUE FOR PLANNING CONFERENCE WITH FRAC AND VNMC REPRESENTATIVES.

(B) 9TH MAB COMMUNICATION LIAISON DETACHMENT TRANSFERRED TO HUE ESTABLISHED HF COMMUNICATION WITH CTG 79.1 (1ST VNMC

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DIVISION LIAISON NET). FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT TAKEN: 1 AN/PRC 47, 1AN/MRC-124, 2 AN/PRC-77, AN 1 KY-38.

(C) 3 MAN MOPIC TEAM PLUS PAO TO LPH-3 THEN HUE AREA FOR OPERATION COVERAGE.

(5) 13 MAY:

(A) DURING OPERATION SONG THANH 9TH MAB MONITORED FOLLOWING NETS: 1ST VNMC DIV ADVISOR NET, CTF 76 AIR&NGF, HMM-165, BRIGADE TAC AND 1ST VNMC LIAISON.

(B) TG 79.1 G-5 TO HUE FOR LIAISON BETWEEN 7TH FLEET AND VNMC DURING OPERATION.

(6) 14 MAY:

(A) DEACTIVATED NETS SUPPORTING OPERATION SONG THANH 5/72.

(B) TG 79.1 CEO, COMM DET G-5, PAO, AND MOPIC TEAM RETURN FORM HUE.

4. (S) COMMENTS:

A. AIR CRAFT AVAILABILITY AS OF 14 MAY 72.

TYPE A/C	ONBOARD	NORS A/C	NFE A/C
CH 46	14	1/2	2/4
CH 53	5	1/3	3/4
UH 1E	3	0/0	1/2

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REMARKS: NFE ITEMS AGAINST NORS ACFT.

ICH 53 NORS SHAFT ASSEMBLY P/W 78286/65360-12010-042 SINCE 2127.

B. STATISTICAL SUMMARY

(1) HMM-164

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
CH-46	43	84	617	6.3	67.4
CH-53	10	20	606	5.0	27.0
UH-1E	20	36	10	1.4	32.0

(2) DET B HML 367

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
UH-1E	16	28	55	17.6	14.3

C. COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED:

(1) BLT 1/4: 1 AN/PRC 77, 1 ROUGH TERRAIN FORKLIFT.

(2) BLT 1/9: 1 M274 MULE; 1 PERSONNEL CARRIER, 4X4; 1MRC 134, 1 M53A1 MORTAR SIGHT.

(3) HMM-164: NONE

D. SUPPLY SUPPORT PROVIDED BY BLT 1/9 LSU:

ALL M60 AND M-16 PARTS HAVE BEEN REQUISITIONED AND FOLLOW UPS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THIRD PSR.

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E. MAINTENANCE SUPPORT PROVIDED:

M-274 MULE, LOCATED ABOARD CAYUGA REQUIRES AXLE REPLACEMENT.
INITIAL MAINTENANCE BEING CONDUCTED BY LSU.

F. TRAINING CONDUCTED:

(1) BLT 1/4: EMPHASIS ON FOLLOWING SUBJECTS-

M-72 LAAW, POW PROCESSING AT DEFENSE, CONTROL OF CASUALTIES
VOICE RADIO PROCEDURES, AMBUSH AND IMMEDIATE ACTION DRILLS,
3.5. INCH ROCKET LAUNCHER, HELO OPS, AND FAM FIRING OF .50
CAL MG BY SELECTED INDIVIDUALS. 307 MCI LESSONS COMPLETED
DURING WEEK.

(2) BLT 1/9: CLASSES CONDUCTED IN SUPPORTING ARMS. MARINES
CONTINUE TO VOLUNTEER TO MAN GUNS, UNREP STATIONS, CIC,
COMMUNICATIONS, HST STATIONS, AND DECK WATCHES.

5. (S) INTENTIONS:

- A. RECEIVE REDEYE PLATOON AND EMBARK ON DESIGNATED SHIPS.
- B. MAINTAIN FLEXIBILITY IN PLANNING AND CONDUCTING FUTURE OPERATIONS.
- C. UPON ARRIVAL TUSCALOOSA, SPREAD LOAD MARINES FROM DENVER TO REDUCE CROWDING.

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RUAOAJA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT TWO
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(S) TASK ORGANIZATION:

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H&S CO 9TH MAB

DET 1ST RADIO BN

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REDEYE PLATOON

PROV COMM SPT CO

RLT-4

HQ RLT-4

BLT 1/9

BLT 1/4

LFSP HQ

BLSG HQ

PROV MAG-10

HQ PROV MAG 10

DET B HML 367

HMM-164

NGF SPOT DET

33RD MAU

(U) 9TH MAB LOCATION: NO CHANGE

- TG 79.1
- TU 79.1.0
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3. (S) ACTION SUMM YFUX 141600 - 211600Z MAY 72

A. SIGNIFICANT LIAISON/EVENTS:

(1) 15 MAY:

(A) TG 79.1 MAINT OFF TO DANANG/MAG-15 AND USN FUEL DISPENSING UNIT TO ESTABLISH EVACUATION PROCEDURES FOR DEADLINED FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEM.

(2) 16 MAY:

(A) CTG 79.1, G-3, AND G-5 TO HUE FOR OPERATION SONG THANH 6/72 PLANNING.

(3) 17 MAY:

(A) REDEYE PLATOON COMMANDER EMBARKED ON PROVIDENCE. FOUR MAN REDEYE TEAMS EMBARKED ON MULLINIX, LARSON, PROVIDENCE, STODDERT, EVERSOLE, BERKELEY, HANSON, HULL, AND BUCHANAN BY 19 MAY.

(B) CTG 79.1 REPS TO HUE/PHUBAI FOR LIAISON WITH FRAC HQ.

(C) CTG 79.1 BLSG TEAM TO DANANG TO ASSIST IN REPAIR OF 3 DEADLINED USMC BULK FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEMS.

(D) SENIOR ADVISOR TO VMMC VISITED WITH CTG 79.1/CTF 76 CONCERNING APPROACHING OPERATIONS.

(4) 13 MAY:

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(A) RECEIVED 7 PEOPLE FROM DENVER FFT DANANG.

(B) BLT 3/4 ELEMENTS ABOARD ANCHORAGE SAILED FOR MODLOC.

(C) SPEED LETTER SUBMITTED TO NAVAL COMMUNICATION COMMAND BY CTG 79.1 CEO IAW JANAP 119 (F) TO CHANGE COMMAND TASK FORCE CALL SIGN FOR CTG 79.1.

(5) 19 MAY:

(A) CO "C", 81 MM MORTAR PLATOON, AND RECON PLATOON OF BLT 1/9 TRANSFERRED TO TUSCALOOSA.

(B) JOINED TWO ENLISTED PERSONNEL TO AUGMENT CTG 79.1 PAO STAFF.

(C) ASSISTANT CEO CTG 79.1 MADE LIAISON VISIT WITH MAG-15, 1972 COMM SQDRN (USAF) AND FRAC.

(D) CTG 79.1 ASSUMED OPCON 33RD MAU. EFFECTIVE 191600Z MAY.

(E) CO PROV COMM SPT CO VISITED DET ON CAYUGA.

(6) 20 MAY:

(A) COMPLETED CROSS DECKING OF DET C CO, 3RD SP BN PERSONNEL FROM USS OKINAWA AND VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT FROM PT DEFIANCE TO TUSCALOOSA.

(B) CTE 79.1.2.3 SENT ADVANCE PARTY OF 5 PERSONNEL TO SUBIC TO PREPARE FOR BLT'S FORTHCOMING PORT ENTRY.

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(C) SONG THANH 6/72 PLANNING CONFERENCE HELD IN HUE. CTG 79.1 ATTENDEES INCLUDE: CO RLI-4, G-3, CEO, G-5, FSC, G-2 IG 79.1, AND CO, S-3, AND S-2 HMM 164.

(D) 19 BLSG PERS TO TUSCALOOSA.

(7) 21 MAY:

(A) CTG 79.1 EMBARK OFFICER TO DANANG FOR LIAISON WITH MAG-15.

(B) CTG 79.1 G-3, FSC, AND G-5 TO HUE FOR LIAISON WITH ADVISORS AND VNMC.

(C) FLEET MARINE OFFICER, SEVENTHFLT TO BLUE RIDGE FOR CONFERENCE WITH CTG 79.1.

B. TRAINING CONDUCTED:

(1) BLT 1/9 AFLOAT TRAINING CONTINUED WITH CLASSES ON SUPPORTING ARMS, FAC, AND TACP.

(2) BLT 1/4 EMPHASIS ADJUSTING FIRE, RUBBER BOAT OPERATIONS, RULES OF ENGAGEMENT, MAP READING, STARLIGHT SCOPE, SQUAD DEFENSE, FIRST AID (SHOCK), VENEREAL DISEASE, ATTACK OF FORTIFIED POSITIONS, ATTACK OF BUILT-UP AREAS, AMBUSHES, LAAW, AND NGF. 352 MCI LESSONS COMPLETED. CONDUCTED BOXING SMOKERS ON 17 AND 20 MAY ON USS OKINAWA.

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(3) LSU 1/4 HELD CLASSES ON PHYSICAL CONDITIONING, HYGIENE, FIRST AID, AND VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT PM'S.

(4) BLT 3/4 MARINES PARTICIPATED IN CONDITIONING HIRES, LIVE FIRING ORGANIC WEAPONS, HELD CLASSES ON TANK INFANTRY TACTICS AND WATERBORNE OPERATIONS.

(5) LSU 3/4 HAD APPLICATION OF MOS SKILLS AND ADMINISTRATIVE BACKLOAD OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT.

(6) HMM 164 CONDUCTED ENLISTED CLASSES ON M-16, NBC DEFENSE, HANDLING OF PW'S, SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT, AND VENEREAL DISEASES. OFFICERS ATTENDED NATOPS BRIEFING ON LOW LEVEL FLYING, CUBI POINT COURSE RULES, CORROSION CONTROL, AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT WHILE OVERSEAS.

(7) HMM 165 EMPHASIZED NIGHT EVALUATION FLIGHTS AND INCREASED INSTRUMENT OPERATIONS.

4. (S) COMMENTS:

A. COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED:

(1) BLT 1/9 - 1 M 274 MULE, 1 PERSONNEL CARRIER 4 X 4, 1 MRC 134, 1 M53A1 MORTAR SIGHT.

(2) BLT 1/4 - NONE

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(3) BLT 3/4 - 1 MRC-83/123, 3 PRC-25, 1 PRC-47, 3 M151A1 JEEP,

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1 M-60 MACHINE GUN, 2 60MM MORTARS, 1 31MM MORTAR, 1 M-37
 TRUCK, AND 1 TD-15 TRACTOR.

- (4) LSU 3/4 - 1 RKF 060, 1 M543 WRECKER, AND 1 M151 JEEP.
 (5) HMM 164 - NONE
 (6) HMM 165 - 1 M-60 MACHINE GUN.

B. SUPPLY SUPPORT/MAINTENANCE PROVIDED:

- (1) LSU 1/9 - ALL M-60 AND M-16 PARTS HAVE BEEN REQUISITIONED
 AND FOLLOW-UPS HAVE BEEN MADE TO 3RD FSR.
 (2) LSU 1/4 - ISSUED ONE REPAIR PART FROM OPDEP BLOCK. REPAIRED
 ONE M-151 JEEP AND ONE PRC-77.
 (3) LSU 3/4 - SUBMITTED 10 MILSTRIP REQUISITIONS TO 3RD FSR,
 RECEIVED FOUR REPAIR PARTS FROM 3RD FSR, SHIPPED FOUR UNSER-
 VICEABLE ASSETS TO 3RD FSR, ISSUED THREE REPAIR PARTS FROM
 LSU OPDEP BLOCK, AND FABRICATED HARDWARE FOR 31MM MORTAR,
 M-60 MACHINE GUNS, AND M543 WRECKER. REPAIRED 1 M-54 TRUCK,
 4 M-60 MACHINE GUNS, 2 M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHERS, 1 M-16 RIFLE,
 1 M48A3 TANK, 1 TD-15 TRACTOR, 1 RT 505 RADIO AND 1 RT 841
 RADIO.

C. STATISTICAL SUMMARY: HMM 165 AND HMM 164.

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS

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(1) HMM 165	CH-46	72	117	199	20.5	72.8
	CH-53	12	16	10	1.7	13.2
	UH-IE	10	13	0	0.0	14.9
	AH-1J	3	3	0	0.0	3.6
(2) HMM 164	CH-46	51	137	538	10.5	73.9
	CH-53	15	52	453	26.0	33.2
	UH-IE	11	15	6	0.0	12.0

D. PERSONNEL STRENGTH SUMMARY:

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	USMC	USN	USMC	USN
(1) IG 79.1	46	3	146	3
(2) TU 79.1.2	116	10	2569	122
(3) TU 79.1.6	64	1	267	2
(4) IG 79.7	104	3	1413	73

E. HMM 165 RECEIVED 1 CH-53 AND 1 UH-IE FOR DELIVERY HMM 164 AS REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT, AND TWO CH-53'S TO REPLACE AIRCRAFT TO BE LEFT IN SUBIC FOR PAR.

5. (S) INTENTIONS:

- A. MAINTAIN CONTINGENCY POSTURE AND PLANNING.
- B. EXPECT TO JOIN BLT DELTA (2/9) ON 23 MAY IN GOT RESULTING

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IN A FORCE OF FOUR BLT'S AND TWO COMPOSITE HELO SQUADRONS, ONE COMPOSITE HELO SQUADRON AND PORTIONS OF BLT 3/4 AT SUBIC AWAITING REPAIRS TO TRIPOLI.

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RHMOGOA RUAOBMA RUMUJBA RUAOANA RHARSGG RUHGOKA.
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TO RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE

INFO RUHHFMA/CG FMFPAC

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RUHGOAA/COMSEVENTHFLT

RUAOAJA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT TWO

RHARSGG/CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREE

RUAOANA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SIX

ZEN/CTF SEVEN SIX ←

ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FOUR

RUHGOVA/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE

RUHGOKA/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN

RHMOGOA/III MAF LNO SUBIC

RUAOBMA/CTU SEVEN NINE PT THREE PT FIVE

RUMUJBA/CTU SEVEN NINE PT THREE PT ZERO

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S E C R E T //N03120// SECTION ONE OF TWO
9TH MAB SITREP NR 029 AS OF 281600Z MAY 72 (U)

1. (S) TASK ORGANIZATION:

9TH MAB

TG 79.1

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H&S CO 9TH MAB

TU 79.1.0

DET 1ST RADIO BN

TE 79.1.0.1

DET A HML-367

TE 79.1.0.2

REDEYE PLATOON

TE 79.1.0.3

DET NGF SPOT

TE 79.1.0.4

PROV COMM SPT CO

TU 79.1.1

31ST MAU

TG 79.4

HQ 31ST MAU

TU 79.4.0

BLT 1/4

TU 79.4.2

HMM-164

TU 79.4.3

33RD MAU

TG 79.7

HQ 33RD MAU

TU 79.7.0

BLT 3/4

TU 79.7.1

HMM-165

TU 79.7.2

BLT 2/9

TG 79.9

2. (U) 9TH MAB LOCATION: NO CHANGE

3. (S) ACTION SUMMARY: 211600Z-281600Z MAY 72.

A. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

(1) 22 MAY

(A) OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING IN HUE. REPRESENTATIVES

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OF 9TH MAB, CTF 76, RLT FOUR AND PROV MAG-12 IN ATTENDANCE.

(2) 23 MAY

- (A) SONG THAN 6-72 PLANNING CONTINUES.
- (B) USS DULUTH AND BLT 3/4 (FWD) JOINED MAB IN MODLOC
- (C) HMM-164 RECEIVED 1 CH-53 AND 1 UH-1E FROM DULUTH
- (D) TWO MAB LIAISON TEAMS DISPATCHED TO HUE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72.
- (E) ACTIVATED TAN MY EMBARKATION NET IN ORDER TO MONITOR EMBARKATION OF VNMC TROOPS ABOARD CTF 76 SHIPS.
- (F) COMM DEFS FROM 1ST VNMC AND MAW ARRIVED BLUE RIDGE WITH COMMANDER 1ST VNMC DIVISION.

(3) 24 MAY-25 MAY

- (A) MAB IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72. MONITORED OPS AND SUPPLIED HELO AND LVT SUPPORT.
- (B) 24 MAY CTG 79.1 VISITED TG 79.1 UNITS INVOLVED IN OPERATION.

(4) 25 MAY

- (A) NGF SPOT TM SHIFTED TO BLUE RIDGE.
- (B) RLT 4 HQS DEPARTED MODLOC FOR OKINAWA.

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- (C) TG 79.1 G-3A DEPARTED MODLOC FOR CAMP PENDLETON FOR ASIS CONFERENCE. LTCOL MONFORT ACTING G-3A.
- (D) COL NEWTON ARRIVED USS OKINAWA AS PROSPECTIVE CO 31ST MAU.
- (E) BLT 1/9 DEPARTED MODLOC FOR OKINAWA OPCON TO TF 79.
- (F) MAB LIAISON TEAMS RETURNED TO BLUE RIDGE.

(5) 26 MAY

- (A) BLT 2/9, TG 79.9 OPCON TO TG 79.1
- (B) DISESTABLISHED RLT-4 AND PROV MAG 10. 31ST MAU ASSUMED DESIGNATOR (TG 79.4) AND ASSUMED OPCON BLT 1/4, HMM-164, LSU 1/4. 33RD MAU ASSUMED DESIGNATOR (TG 79.7) AND ASSUMED OPCON BLT 3/4, HMM-165, AND LSU 3/4. BLT 2/9 (BLT DELTA) ASSUMED DESIGNATOR (TG 79.9)
- (C) HMM-164 ASSISTED IN TRANSPORTING AIR CONDITIONER UNITS FROM DANANG TO CORAL SEA.
- (D) TG 79.1 MOPIC TEAM OPCON ASSUMED BY MAG-15.

(6) 27 MAY

- (A) CTG 79.1 REPRESENTATIVES TO HUE FOR PLANNING.

B. TRAINING CONDUCTED:

- (1) 31ST MAU

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- (A) BLT 1/4--UNIT CLASSES PRESENTED ON MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS, M-63 MACHINE GUN, M-16A1 RIFLE, TECHNIQUES OF FIRE, MAP READING, .45 CAL PISTOL, PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF FIRE, COMMAND AND PROCEDURES, LAAW AND ANTI-TANK WARFARE, GUERRILLA WARFARE, ESCAPE AND EVASION, FIRST AID, ENGINEER OPS, AND DEMOLITIONS, RETROGRADE MOVEMENTS, M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHER, RAPPELLING, CODE OF CONDUCT, NIGHT ATTACK, RIVER CROSSING, AND RECONNAISSANCE. 217 MCI LESSONS COMPLETED.
- (B) HMM-164 OFFICERS RECEIVED UPDATED BRIEFING ON ENEMY SITUATION IN MR-1 PRIOR TO OP-SONG THAN 6-72, INTENSIVE TACTICS BRIEF INCLUDING LOW ALTITUDE-HIGH SPEED MANEUVERING, SAND ENVIRONMENT LANDING AND SA-7 MISSILE EVASION TACTICS. 31 ENLISTED PERSONNEL ATTENDED AERIAL GUNNER SCHOOL, 10 FIRED FROM AIR TO COMPLETE GUNNER TRAINING. OTHERS ATTENDED CLASSES ON EXTENSIVE CORROSION CONTROL, EMPHASIZED QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES AND FUNCTIONS.
- (2) 33RD MAU
(A) BLT 3/4 EMPHASIZED CONDITIONING HIKES, MAP AND COMPASS

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- FIELD TRAINING, ESSENTIAL SUBJECTS TRAINING, DAILY PT. 80 TO JEST SCHOOL.
- (B) HMM-165 HELD CLASSES ON JHP-33 HELMET, CORROSION CONTROL, FIRE DETECTION SYSTEMS OF CH-53, QUALITY ASSURANCE INSPECTION T-53 GE-10 INSTALLATION, SAFETY PRECAUTIONS (CREWMEN), END OF MONTH AIR CRAFT AND LOG BOOK CLOSEOUT, UH-1E ROTOR BRAKE SYSTEM, AND LPH NATOPS PROCEDURES.
4. (S) COMMENTS:
- A. COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED
- (1) 31ST MAU--NONE
- (2) 33RD MAU--ONE AN/MRC-33&123, THREE AN/PRO-25, ONE AN/PRO-47, THREE M151A1, THREE M-60 MACHINE GUNS, TWO 60MM MORTARS, ONE 81MM MORTAR, ONE RKF 262 AND ONE PU-709/G.
- B. SUPPLY SUPPORT/MAINTENANCE PROVIDED
- (1) 33RD MAU/LSU 3/4 SUBMITTED 14 MILSTRIP REQUISITIONS TO 3RD FSR, RECEIVED ONE REPAIR PART FROM 3RD FSR, ISSUED TWO REPAIR PARTS FROM LSU OPDEP BLOCK. REPAIRED ONE M-60 MACHINE GUN, ONE M-543 WRECKER, ONE M-37 TRUCK, ONE M PET TRUCK, AND ONE 81MM MORTAR.

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 (2) 31ST MAU/LSU 1/4---ISSUED THREE BATTERIES FSN6140-0572
 2554 FROM OPDEP BLOCK. CONTACT TEAM TO USS OKINAWA TO
 INSPECT M-151 JEEPS.

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 C. STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(1) HMM-154

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
CH-46	61	226	833	29.7	95.7
CH-53	20	73	417	45.0	37.2
UH-1E	10	12	5	.1	13.1

(2) HMM-165

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
CH-46	40	45	23	.1	73.4
CH-53	9	10	3	.0	13.7
UH-1E	8	03	03	.0	22.3
UH-1J	5	05	000	.0	6.0

(3) DET A HML-367 FOR 1-24 MAY

A/C	TASKS	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
UH-1E	70	178	356	5850LBS.	87.1

D. PERSONNEL STRENGTH SUMMARY:

	USMC OFF	USN	USMC ENL	USN
(1) 9TH MAB	44	02	204	02
(2) 31ST MAU	125	06	1,573	65
(3) 33RD MAU	97	03	1,335	61

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(4) BLT DELTA NEXT SITREP

5. (5) INTENTIONS:

- EXPECT TRIPOLI ARRIVE MODLOC 290700H MAY 72
- EFFECTIVE 291400H 31ST MAU HQ TO MOVE TO TRIPOLI AND ASSUME OP-
CON OF BLT 3/4, HMM-165, AND LSU 3/4. 33RD MAU HQ CADRE TO
USS OKINAWA AND ASSUME OPCON OF BLT 1/4, HMM-164, AND LSU 1/4
AND MAKE PREPARATIONS TO RETURN TO SUBIC.
- CTG 79.1 TO REMAIN IN MODLOC, MAINTAIN READINESS AND COAST-
LINE CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.
- EXPECT CG III MAF 1 JUNE 72 FOR VISIT.

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041200Z MAY 72
FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
TO CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO
CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX
CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT THREE
INFO CTF SEVEN SIX
CTG SEVEN SIX PT FOUR
CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
USS TRIPOLI
USS OKINAWA
USS BLUE RIDGE

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URGENT LEVELS (U)
A. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE 040600Z MAY 72 (NOTAL)
B. CTG SEVEN NINE 260527Z APR 72 (NOTAL)

1. (S) CURRENT SITUATION REQUIRES MODIFICATION OF REF A.
EFFECTIVE 5 MAY AT A TIME MUTUALLY AGREEABLE, AND ALSO CON-
VENIENT TO C.O.'S RESPECTIVE SHIPS, ACCOMPLISH FOLLOWING ACTION:

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- A. SHIFT LOCATION TE 79.1.6.0 TO USS OKINAWA.
 - B. SHIFT LOCATION TE 79.1.2.0 TO USS BLUE RIDGE (LESS PERS TO BE ASSIGNED HQ 33RD MAU).
 - C. SHIFT LOCATION CTU 79.1.3 AND ONE OTHER OFFICER TO USS BLUE RIDGE. REMAINING PERSONNEL REMAIN ABOARD USS OKINAWA.
 - D. CHANGE USS OKINAWA HELD MIX TO 14-6-4 IAW REF B.
2. (S) FOR CTU 79.1.2, WHEN DIRECTED, 33RD MAU (TG 79.7) WILL DEPART MODLOC FOR IMPORT MAINT. NOMINATE INDIVIDUAL TO BE ACTING C.O. 33RD MAU TO CTG 79.1 FOR APPROVAL. SUBMIT NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS (NOT TO EXCEED FOUR) TO CONSTITUTE MIN. STAFF REQUIRED TO ACCOMPANY 33RD MAU UNTIL DISESTABLISHMENT.
3. (S) FOR CTG 79.7 (WHEN DESIGNATED) ESTABLISH HQ 33RD MAU ABOARD USS TRIPOLI. ASSUME OPCON CTE 79.4.2.1 AND 79.1.6.1 AND CHANGE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF TG 79.7 TO CTF 79.
4. (U) FOR ALL: DIRLAUTH.

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 TO CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE

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 FORCE LEVELS (II)
 A. CTG 79.1 241200Z MAY 72
 1. IAW PARA 2 REF A, NOMINATE FOL INDIVS AS CADRE 33 MAU STAGE:
 LT COL J. MC LEWIS, NOMINATED ACTING MAU STAFF
 MAJ D. A. CAMERON
 MGYSGT T. O. MOGHEE 1125
 SSGT R. M. SIMMONS
 2. REF PARA-4.C. REF-A, REQUEST CONFIRM INTENDED TO BE CTG
 79.1.3/LFSP. IF SO, MAJ BOTEIHO ONLY OFF THAT UNIT ON BOARD.
 UNCDIR, WILL TRANSR MAJ BOTEIHO ONLY, FM OKINAWA TO BLUE
 RIDGE. LEAVING 14 ENL OF LFSP ON OKINAWA.

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(FORCE LEVELS) (U)

A. CTR SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO 041450Z MAY 72

1. (S) LTCOL P. L. MOREAU WILL BE DESIGNATED ACTING CMDR 330 MAU WHEN
UNIT IS DETACHED.

2. (C) IN ADDITION TO CMDR, THE MAU STAFF WILL CONSIST OF
FOLLOWING PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED BY REF A:

- LTCOL J. M. LEVIE
- MAJ D. A. CAMERON
- MSGT T. O. MCGEE
- SSGT R. M. SIMMONS

3. (C) INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING CHANGE OF OPERATIONAL CONTROL
WILL BE ISSUED.

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ZTISZYUW RUMGPTA0242 1261120-SSSS--RUAOAJA.

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Z 051120Z MAY 72

FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE

TO ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SEVEN

INFO RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE

ZEN/CTF SEVEN SIX

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A. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE 050120Z MAY 72 (S) (NOTAL)

B. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE 041200Z MAY 72 (S) (NOTAL)

C. CTG SEVEN NINE 260527Z APR 72 (S)

1. (C) LT COL P.L. MOREAU DESIGNATED ACTING C.O. 33RD MAU (TG 79.7) WITH STAFF OF FOUR PER REF A.

2. (C) BY REF B, ACTING C.O. 33RD MAU DIRECTED TO REPOSITION HQ TO USS TRIPOLY ON 5 MAY AND ASSUME OPCON BLT 3/4, HQM-165, AND LSG ON ORDER.

3. (S) IAW REF C, ASSUME OPCON UNITS DESIGNATED BY REF B, AND CHANGE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF TG 79.7 TO TF 79 EFFECTIVE 051600Z MAY 72.

4. (U) ACKNOWLEDGE

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P 081405Z MAY 72
FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT FOUR
TO ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE ✓
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CHANGE TO OPCON(U)

- A. CTG 79 260527Z APR 72 (S)
- B. YR 051120Z MAY 72 (S)
- C. YR 040600Z MAY 72 (S)
- D. YR 041200Z MAY 72 (S)

1. (C) IAW REF A, REF B AND C AS MODIFIED BY REF D ACCOMPLISHED CERTAIN TOUR ACTIONS CONTAINED IN PAR 2 AND 4 OF REF A.
2. (S) IN VIEW OF ABOVE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CTG 79.4/31ST MAU BE RECONSTITUTED WITH BLT 1/4, HMM-164, AND LSU ABD CURRENT ARG C SHIPPING IAW PAR 3 REF A.

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 INFO RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE
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CHANGE OF OPCON (U)

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- A. CTG 79.4 MSG 081405Z MAY 72 (S)
- B. CTF 79 MSG 260527Z MAY 72 (S)
- C. CTG 79.1 MSG 040530Z MAY 72 (S) (NOTAL)
- D. CTG 79.1 MSG 060655Z MAY 72 (C) (NOTAL)
- E. CTG 79.1 MSG 270912Z APR 72 (S)

1. (S) IN REPLY TO REF A THE ORGANIZATION DIRECTED BY REF B IS EFFECTIVE FOR REPORTING IAW REFS C & D. THE TASK ORGANIZATION CONTAINED IN REF E IS EFFECTIVE WITH DELETION OF FOLLOWING:

- A. HQ 33RD MAU DESIGNATION ASSOCIATED WITH TE 79.1.2.0
- B. BLT 3/4 TE 79.1.2.1
- C. HMM 165 TE 79.1.6.1

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P 120715Z MAY 72
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CHANGE OF OPCON (U)

- A. CTG 79.4 MSG 081405Z MAY 72 (S)
- B. CTF 79 MSG 260527Z APR 72 (S)
- C. CTG 79.1 MSG 040530Z MAY 72 (S) (NOTAL)
- D. CTG 79.1 MSG 060655Z MAY 72 (C) (NOTAL)
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- A. HQ 33RD MAU DESIGNATION ASSOCIATED WITH TF 79.1.2.0.
- B. BLT 3/4 TE 79.1.2.1.
- C. HMM-165 TE 79.1.6.1.

2. (U) THIS MSG CANCELS CTG 79.1 MSG 091500Z MAY 72 SAME SUBJECT WHICH WAS MISADDRESSED.

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 TO RUHGPTA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
 RUHGOLA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SEVEN
 INFO RUHGOAA/COMSEVENTHFLT
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 CHANGE OF OPCON (U)

- A. NWIP 10-1 (D)
- 1. (S) EFF 191600Z MAY 72 CTG 79.7 CHANGE OPCON TO CTG 79.1.
- 2. (U) SUBMIT MOVEREPS IAW REF A.

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 P 190300Z MAY 72
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 FORCE LEVELS (U)

- A. CTF 79 MSG 180843Z MAY 72 (S)
- B. CTG 79.1 MSG 171608; MAY 72 (S)
- C. CTG 79.1 MSG 270912Z APR 72 (S)
 - 1. (S) IAW REF A CTG 79.1 ASSUMES OPCON CTG 79.7 (33D MAU) EFFECTIVE 191600Z MAY 72.
 - 2. (S) HQ 33D MAU WILL BE AUGMENTED WITH PERSONNEL FROM CTU 79.1.0

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AND CTU 79.1.1. EFFECTIVE 200400Z MAY 72 COL KELLY MOVES TO USS TRIPOLI AND HQ 33D MAU ASSUMES TITLE OF PROV MAG 10 UNDER COMMAND COL KELLY.

- 3. (S) EFFECTIVE 191600Z MAY HMM 165 RESUMES DESIGNATION TE 79.1.6.1 AND BLT 3/4 RESUMES DESIGNATION TE 79.1.2.1.
- 4. (S) EFFECTIVE 200400Z MAY HQ 31 MAU UNDER ACTING CMD OF LTCOL BRADLEY ASSUMES OPCON TE 79.1.6.3, TE 79.1.2.3 AND ASSOCIATED LSU AND PROCEEDS IAW REF B. ASSUMES DESIGNATOR IG 79.4 AND AND REMAINS OPCON CTG 79.1.
- 5. (S) TASK ORGANIZATION EFFECTIVE 200400Z MAY 72. (REF C CANCELLED)

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	USS BLUE RIDGE BGEN MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	USS BLUE RIDGE
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	USS BLUE RIDGE
DET A HML 367	TE 79.1.0.2	USS BLUE RIDGE
RED EYE PLAT	TE 79.1.0.3	USS PROVIDENCE
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	USS BLUE RIDGE MAJ BORDERS
RLT 4	TU 79.1.2	USS BLUE RIDGE COL PERRICH
DET HQ CO 4TH MAR	TU 79.1.2.0	USS BLUE RIDGE
BLT 3/4	TE 79.1.2.1	USS TRIPOLI
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	USS DENVER

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TU 79.1.3

BLSG HQ

TU 79.1.4

PROV MAG 10

TU 79.1.6

HQ PROV MAG 10

TE 79.1.6.0

(HQ 33D MAU)

HMM 165

TE 79.1.6.1

DET B HML 367

TE 79.1.6.2

NGF SPOT DET

TE 79.1.6.5

31ST MAU

TG 79.4

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USS BLUE RIDGE MAJ BOTELHO

USS BLUE RIDGE LTCOL FISCHER

USS TRIPOLI COL KELLY

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- A. CTF 79 MSG 230812Z MAY 72
- B. CTG 79.1 MSG 270912Z APR 72
- 1. (S) IAW REF A, CTG 79.1 ASSUMES OPCON IG 79.9 (BLT DELIA) EFFECTIVE 230200Z MAY 72
- 2. (C) BLT 2/9 ASSIGNED TASK DESIGNATOR IG 79.1.2.4
- 3. (C) BLT 3/4 RESUME TASK DESIGNATOR IG 79.1.2.1.

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- 4. (C) HML 165 RESUME TASK DESIGNATOR IG 79.1.2.1.
- 5. (C) HQ 31ST MAU RETAIN ASSIGNMENT AS HQ PROV MAG 10.
- 6. (C) HQ 330 MAU MISSION TO BE ASSIGNED.
- (S) TASK ORGANIZATION EFFECTIVE 230200Z MAY 72. (REF B CANCELLED)

9TH MAB	IG 79.1	USS BLUE RIDGE	EGEN MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	USS BLUE RIDGE	
DET 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	USS BLUE RIDGE	
DET A HML 367	TE 79.1.0.2	USS BLUE RIDGE	
RED EYE PLAT	TE 79.1.0.3	USS PROVIDENCE	
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	USS BLUE RIDGE	MAJ BONDERS
RLT 4	TU 79.1.2	USS BLUE RIDGE	COL PERRICH
DET HQ CO 4TH MAR	TE 79.1.2.0	USS BLUE RIDGE	
BLT 3/4	TE 79.1.2.1	USS DELFT	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	USS DENVER	
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	USS OKINAWA	
BLT 2/9	TE 79.1.2.4	USS JUNEAU	
LFSP HQ	TU 79.1.3	USS BLUE RIDGE	MAJ BOY LHO
BLSG HQ	TU 79.1.4	USS BLUE RIDGE	LTCOL FUCHER
PROV MAG 10	TU 79.1.5	USS OKINAWA	COL KELLY
HQ PROV MAG 10 (HQ 31ST MAU)	TE 79.1.6.0	USS OKINAWA	

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DET B HML 367

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HQ 33D MAU

TE 79.1.6.1

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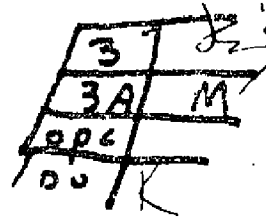
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~~CHANGE OF OPCON AND INTENTIONS~~

- A. CTG 79.1 250215Z MAY 72 (S)
- B. CINCPAC 152125Z JUL 71 (S) ~~W/ANILE~~ 79.1
- C. CTG 79.2 230734Z MAY 72 (C) (NOTAL)
- 1. (C) CTG 79 ASSUMED OPCON TO 79.5 (SLT 1/5) EFF 21000Z MAY 72. REF A APPLIES.
- 2. (C) CTG 07.5 UPON DEBARCATION OKINAWA, CHANGE OPCON DET-SHAWO, HNL-567 TO CIG 79.5 AND CHANGE OPCON BLT 1/9 TO CIG 79.5.
- 3. (S) BLT 1/9 WILL RETAIN TASK DESIGNATOR IG 79.5 AND RELATED CONTINGENCY MISSION/165 HOUR RESPONSE CAPABILITY PER REF B UNTIL RELIEVED BY BLT 3/4. TO 79.5 BE PREPARED

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 1. RELIEVE BLT 3/4 AND EMBARK ABOARD ARG-ALFA SHIPPER
 2. ON OR ABOUT 5 JUN 72 AS 330 MAU SLT.
 3. (S) UPON RELIEF AS 330 MAU BLT, BLT 3/4 WILL BE ASSIGNED TASK DESIGN IG 79.5 AND RELATED MISSION ON OKINAWA.
 4. (C) BLT 2/4 CURRENTLY SLATED TO BECOME 31ST MAU BLT ON OR ABOUT 22 JULY PER REF C.

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BLT ONE SLANT NINE SITREP NO 11 OF 25 MAY 72 (21-25 MAY) (C)
A. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE 060655Z MAY 72 (C)
B. BLT ONE SLANT NINE 210145Z MAY 72 (C)
C. BLT FOUR 1240800Z MAY 72 (C)
D. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE 250215Z MAY 72 (S)
LAW REF (A), THE FOL RPT IS SUBMITTED.

1. (C) ACTION SUMMARY

A. BLT HEADQUARTERS

- (1) REMAIN READY FOR OPS AS REQUIRED
 - (2) BLT 1/9 LVT'S PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION BONG
THANK 6-72, 24 MAY 72
 - (3) ~~REMOVED TO CTG 79 (REF D) EFFECTIVE 201200Z MAY 72~~
 - (4) RESUMED TO DESIGNATION 79.5 (REF D) EFFECTIVE 201200Z MAY 72
- B. BLT
- (1) AFLOAT TRAINING INCLUDED BLT FOUR 091000 MAY 72 (C).

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SUPPORTING ARMS, FAC AND TACP CLASSES WERE HELD. MARINES CONTINUE TO MAN GUNS, UNREP STATIONS, CIC, COMM, HST STATIONS, DECK WATCHES, ETC.

- (2) COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED AS OF 25 MAY 72:
ONE M274 MULE, (106RR PLAT); ONE PERSONNEL CARRIER, 4X4 (ENGR PLAT); ONE MRC 134, ONE M53A1 MORTAR SIGHT, (21MM MORTAR PLAT).
- (3) MISC: REF (C) DIR EXCHANGE TRANSFER OF LVT3 FM 1/9 TO 2/5 25 MAY 72. EXCHANGE COMPLETED. LVT RECOVERED FROM USS ANCHORAGE 25 MAY 72 AND REPAIRED SAME DAY.

C. HML 367 DET B

- (1) SAME AS PREVIOUS REPORT (REF B)
- (2) OPVN TO BLT 1/9 (REF D) EFFECTIVE 251200Z MAY 72

D. LSU

- (1) DJT
- (2) SUPPLY SUPPORT PROVIDED: NONE
- (3) MAINT SUPPORT PROVIDED: SAME AS PREVIOUS REPORT (REF B)
- (4) COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT DEADLINED: SAME AS B JMWLB
- (5) MISC: NONE

2. (C) PERSONNEL STRENGTH SUMMARY:

9th MARB 261156Z MAY 72

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MN BLT 1/9	USMC	USN
OFFICERS	52	5
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3. (C) INTENTIONS RETURN OT OKINAWA FOR OFFLOAD. WILL ALSO OFFLOAD
 DET HQ 9TH MAB AND DET PROV COMM CO 9TH MAB WHICH REMAINED ABOARD
 USS CAYUGA UPON DEPARTURE MOLOC. DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS WERE
 REQUESTED ON 19 MAY AND PRIOR TO DEPARTURE 25 MAY BUT NONE WERE
 RECEIVED. LAST SITREP THIS ORG.

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P 261700Z MAY 72

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A. CTG 79.1 231111Z MAY 72 (S)

B. CTG 79.1 250215Z MAY 72 (S)

C. BLT 3/4 250512Z MAY 72 (S) NOTAL

1. (S) REF A SETS FORTH TASK ORGANIZATION FOR 9TH MAB AND WAS CHANGED BY REF B. REF A IS HERewith CANCELED. THE BELOW TASK ORGANIZATION IS EFFECTIVE 261500Z MAY 72.

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| 9TH MAB | TG 79.1 | USS BLUE RIDGE | BGEN MILLER |
| H&S CO 9TH MAB | TU 79.1.0 | USS BLUE RIDGE | |
| DET 1ST RAD BN | TE 79.1.0.1 | USS BLUE RIDGE | |
| DET A HML 367 | TE 79.1.0.2 | USS BLUE RIDGE | |
| REDEYE PLAT | TE 79.1.0.3 | PROVIDENCE | |
| NGF SPOT DET | TE 79.1.0.4 | USS BLUE RIDGE | |
| PROV COMM SPT CO | TU 79.1.1 | USS BLUE RIDGE | |
| 31ST MAU | TG 79.4 | USS OKINAWA | COL KELLY |
| HQ 31ST MAU | TS 79.4.0 | USS OKINAWA | |
| BLT 1/4 | TU 79.4.2 | OKINAWA | LTCOL DEAN |
| HMM-164 | TU 79.4.3 | OKINAWA | LTCOL HERTBERG |
| 33RD MAU | TG 79.7 | TRIPOLI | LTCOL MOREAU |
| HQ 33RD MAU | TU 79.7.0 | TRIPOLI | |

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BLT 3/4	TU 79.7.1	DULUTH	LTCOL VON HARTEN
HMM-165	TU 79.7.2	TRIPOLI	LTCOL MOREAU
BLT 2/9	TG 79.9	JUNEAU	LTCOL TREHY

2. (S) IN VIEW OF THE DEPARTURE OF BLT 1/9 FROM GOT, THE CONTINUED REDUCTIONS IN STRENGTH OF THE MAB HQ AND THE ANTICIPATED ROTATION OF MAU/ARG ALFA AND CHARLIE IN THE GOT, THE FOLLOWING ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.

A. HQ RLT-4 (TE 79.1.2.0) PERSONNEL HAVE RETURNED TO OKINAWA AND TE 79.1.2 IS DISESTABLISHED. 31ST MAU TAKES OVER PLANNING FORMERLY ASSIGNED TO RLT-4 TOGETHER WITH RLT-4 TURNOVER FILES THE REPLIES REF C.

B. HQ RROV MAG-10 (TE 79.1.6.0) RESUMES 31ST MAU DESIGNATION (TG 79.4). CTG 79.4 ASSUMES OPCON HMM-164, BLT 1/4 AND ASSOCIATED LSU. TG 79.4 REMAINS OPCON CTG 79.1. TASK UNIT 79.1.6 IS DISESTABLISHED INCLUDING ELEMENTS THEREOF.

C. CO 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) ASSUMES OPCON HMM-165, BLT 3/4 AND ASSOCIATED LSU. TG 79.7 REMAINS OPCON CTG 79.1. ADVISE CTG 79.1 OF MINIMUM NUMBER PERSONNEL REQUIRED FOR STAFF TO FUNCTION.

D. BLT 2/9 DISESTABLISHED AS (TE 79.1.2.4). RESUMES BLT DELTA DESIGNATION (TG 79.9) AND REMAINS OPCON CTG 79.1.

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E. BLT 1/9 (TE 79.1.2.2) HAS RESUMED BLT BRAVO DESIGNATION (TG 79.5). CTG 79.5 HAS ASSUMED OPCON DET B HML 367, CHANGED OPCON TO CIF 79. AND HAS RETURNED TO OKINAWA.

F. BLSG HQ (TU 79.1.4) IS DISESTABLISHED.

G. NGF SPOT TEAM (TE 79.1.6.5) REDESIGNATED AS TE 79.1.3.4 AND MAINTAINED IN STANDBY STATUS. HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO PARENT COMMAND.

H. WHEN REQUIRED, TASK ORGANIZATION WILL BE MODIFIED FOR CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS.

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1. (C) FOLLOWING ACTIONS ARE DIRECTED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE MOST EFFECTIVE SUPPORT FOR GOI CONTINGENCY OPS:

- A. ~~FOR CTG 79.4~~ AFTER ARRIVAL USS TRIPOLI IN OP AREA,
 - (1) SHIFT HQ AND ADMIN RECORDS TO USS TRIPOLI.
 - (2) MAINTAIN DESIGNATION AS 31ST MAU (CTG 79.4).
 - (3) TRANSFER COPRA AVCAL TO USS TRIPOLI.

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- B. ~~FOR CTG 79.7~~ AFTER ARRIVAL USS TRIPOLI IN OP AREA,
 - (1) SHIFT HQ, ADMIN RECORDS AND DESIGNATION AS 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) TO CO, HMM 164 ABOARD USS OKINAWA.
- C. FOR CTG 79.4 AND CTG 79.7:
 - (1) COORDINATE AS REQUIRED TO ACCOMPLISH ACTIONS DIRECTED IN PARAS 1A AND B ABOVE.
 - (2) UPON COMPLETION OF SHIFT OF HQ AND AT A MUTUALLY AGREABLE TIME NOT LATER THAN 1424LZ OF MAY 72:
 - (a) CTG 79.4 ASSUME OPCON FLT 3/4, HMM 165, AND LCU, OTHER COMBAT, COMBAT SUPPORT, AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS FORMERLY UNDER OPCON OF CTG 79.7.
 - (b) CTG 79.7 ASSUME OPCON FLT 1/4, HMM 164, AND LCU, OTHER COMBAT, COMBAT SUPPORT, AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS FORMERLY UNDER OPCON OF CTG 79.4.
- D. FOR CO, HMM 164: ASSUME DUTIES AS CO, 33RD MAU (CTG 79.7) PRIOR TO ASSUMPTION OPCON IAW PARA 1C (2) ABOVE.
- E. FOR COMMANDING OFFICER, 33D MAU: UPON ASSUMPTION DUTIES OF CO, 33D MAU BY CO, HMM 164 IAW PARA 1D ABOVE, STAND RELIEVED OF SUCH DUTIES. CONTINUE DUTY AS CO, HMM 165.

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A. CIG 79.1 MSG 281500Z MAY 70 (C)

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE A, HAVE ASSUMED COMMAND SEN 1001 AND ORCON BLT 174, 100-100 AND LSU EFFECTIVE 0600Z.

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RUADAJA RUMGOGA RUMGOKA.
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~~ORGANIZATION (U)~~

A. CTG 79.1 261700Z MAY 72 (S)

1. (U) REF A IS CANCELLED.

2. (C) THE TASK ORGANIZATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS EFFECTIVE 1300Z
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PUBLISHED 9TH MAB OP PLANS.

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HMM-165

33RD MAU

HQ 33RD MAU

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SHIFTS TO USS TRIPOLI 31 MAY 72,

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REPOSITIONING OF MAU HEADQUARTERS (C)

- A. COMSEVENTHFLT 032522Z MAY 72 (IS SPECAT) (NOTAL)
- B. CTF SEVEN NINE 260527Z APR 72

1. (S) REF A (HELD BY CTG 76.7) INDICATES ASSIGNMENT USS OKINAWA TO INDEPENDENT OPERATIONS. TO INSURE CONTINUITY IN PLANNING AND OPS, HQS 31ST MAU/TE 79.1.6.0 AND HQS 33RD MAU/TE 79.1.2.0 WILL SHIFT LOCATIONS FROM USS TRIPOLI TO USS OKINAWA AND FROM USS OKINAWA TO USS TRIPOLI RESPECTIVELY. THIS SHIFT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED ON 5 MAY AT A TIME MUTUALLY AGREEABLE AND ALSO CONVENIENT TO C.C.'S RESPECTIVE SHIPS.

2. (S) ESTABLISH 16-6-4 HELO MIX ABOARD USS OKINAWA TAW REF B AT A LATER DATE AND WHEN DIRECTED. CTU 79.1.2 AND 79.1.6 COORDINATE DETAILS OF HELO MOVES.

3. (C) REPORT COMPLETION OF ACTION TO CTG 79.1

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A. CTF 76 050315Z MAY 72 (PASEP)

B. MARMEDHELRON 051115Z MAY 72 (PASEP)

1. (S) REF A DIRECTED PRIMARY MISSION FOR ARG ALFA AS PLANNING FOR REHAB AND PREPARATION FOR RETURN TO GOT AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

2. (C) REF B STATED AH-1J AVCAL REMAIN ABOARD USS OKINAWA AND REASONS THEREFOR.

3. (S) IN EVENT ARG ALFA AND EMBARKED USMC SQN RETURN GOT, LOCATION OF AH-1J AVCAL AND A/C ON SAME LPH WILL BE REQUIRED.

4. (S) CONSEQUENTLY REQUEST THREE ONE MAU RECOMMEND PLAN FOR

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TRANSFER AT MINIMUM RISK OF AH-1J AVCAL TO TRIPOLI UPON ARRIVAL TRIPOLI IN GOT.

5. (S) FOR CTF 79: IF ALTERNATE MISSION (RETROGRADE) OF TRIPOLI IS EXECUTED, COURSE OF ACTION CITED PARA 3, REF B FOR RETURN AH-1J AVCAL TO MAG-36 WILL BE IMPLEMENTED EARLIEST. REQUEST 33D MAU MAINTAIN MAX READINESS POSTURE UNTIL RETROGRADE MISSION FOR ARG ALFA DESIGNATED PRIMARY MISSION.

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33D MAU EMPLOYMENT (U)

1. (C) ARG ALPHA WITH BLT 3/4, HMM 165 AND LSU EMBARKED WILL ARRIVE SUBIC ON 9 MAY, TO REMAIN IN PORT FOR A WEEK TO TEN DAYS
2. (S) IN VIEW CURRENT UNSTABLE SITUATION RVN AND POTENTIAL COMMITMENT AMPHIBIOUS FORCES, REQ ADEES TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS DURING IN PORT PERIOD TO INSURE MAXIMUM READINESS BLT 3/4, HMM 165 AND LSU FOR RESUMPTION OPS IN GOT.

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CONTINGENCY PLANNING (U)
A. YOUR 170756Z MAY 72
1. REF A REQUESTED DIRECT LIAISON BE AUTHORIZED BETWEEN CTF 79,
CTG 79.1, SEVENTH USAF, AND EIGHTH RRFS FOR CONTINGENCY PLANNING.
DIRECT INTELLIGENCE LIAISON BETWEEN THESE COMMANDS IS AUTHORIZED.
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CONTINGENCY PLANNING (U)

1. (S) THE RECENTLY COMPLETED OPERATION WITH THE VNMC 1ST DIV WAS CHARACTERIZED BY AN EXTREMELY SHORT PLANNING PERIOD IN ORDER TO ENHANCE SECURITY. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT FUTURE COMMITMENTS WILL ALSO HAVE CURTAILED PLANNING PERIODS. HOWEVER, THIS SHORT-FUSED PLANNING IMPINGES ON THE TIMELY INTELLIGENCE AVAILABLE TO CTF 79 FORCES. INTELLIGENCE IS ESSENTIAL TO DEVELOP AND EVALUATE PLANS FOR THESE COMBINED OPERATIONS.
2. (S) TWO IN-COUNTRY SOURCES, THE SEVENTH USAF AND THE EIGHTH RRFS, HAVE INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION WHICH IS NEEDED BY CTF 79 NCRCS. SEVENTH AF HAS OPERATIONAL CONTROL OVER AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY MISSIONS IN RVN. THIS AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY IS ESSENTIAL

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FOR SELECTION/EVALUATION OF LZ'S. EIGHTH RRFS, PHU BAI, PROVIDES INTELLIGENCE OF A DIFFERENT NATURE BUT ESSENTIAL FOR OPERATIONS IN MILITARY REGION ONE.

3. (C) CURRENTLY, CTG 79.1 IS AUTHORIZED DIRECT LIAISON ONLY WITH CG, FRAC. THE ACQUISITION OF TIMELY INTELLIGENCE FOR FUTURE COMMITMENTS WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF DIRECT LIAISON WERE AUTHORIZED BETWEEN ALCON.

4. (C) REQUEST DIRECT LIAISON BE AUTHORIZED BETWEEN CTF 79, CTG 79.1, SEVENTH USAF, AND EIGHTH RRFS FOR CONTINGENCY PLANNING ON FUTURE MISSIONS.

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 CONTINGENCY PLANNING (S)
 1. (S) RECOGNIZING SHORT FUZE PLANNING REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINGENCY
 OPERATIONS WITH IN COUNTRY FORCES HAMPERS THE ACQUISITIONHTY
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 NCE, AUTHORITY FOR DIRECT LIAISON WITH 8TH RRFs,
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RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ASSOCIATED WITH U.S. MINING OF NVN WATERWAY (U)

- A. CINCPACFLT CINCPACFLT 082215Z MAY 72 NOTAL.
- B. CINCPACFLT 090225Z MAY 72 NOTAL
- C. CINCPACFLT 090753Z MAY 72 NOTAL

(S) REFERENCE A WAS AN EXECUTE MESSAGE FOR NVN PORT MINING. IN ADDITION, I PROVIDED FOR A NOTIFICATION LINE IN ORDER TO ADVISE MERCHANT SHIPS ENROUTE HAIPHONG OF THE EXISTENCE OF MINES IN APPROACHES TO NVN PORTS. REFERENCE B CHANGED THE TITLE OF WARNING WINE TO NOTIFICATION LINE.

(S) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE C THE FOLLOWING RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ARE PROVIDED FOR USE IN CARRYING OUT AIR/SHIPBOARD ACTIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINING OF NVN WATERWAYS.

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A. PURPOSE OF THE NOTIFICATION LINE IS TO NOTIFY SHIPPING OF THE EXISTENCE OF MINES IN APPROACHES TO NVN PORTS AND OTHER HAZARDS TO SHIPPING WHICH WILL RESULT FROM MEASURES 7EE US. ADNEEE AND RVN FORCES WILL TAKE IN INTERNATIONAL AND CLAIMED TERRITORIAL WATERS (12 MILES) OF NVN TO PREVENT THE DELIVERY OF SEABORNE SUPPLIES TO NVN. THESE SHIPS SHOULD ALSO BE ADVISED THAT THEY PROCEED AT THEIR OWN RISK.

B. USN SHIPS ON NOTIFICATION LINE WILL USE ALL APPROPRIATE MEANS INCLUDING RADIO TRANSMISSION ON 500 KCS, SIGNAL FLAGS, FLASHING LIGHT LOUD HAILERS AND SEMAPHORE TO ENSURE THAT ALL SHIPPING IN THIS AREA IS NOTIFIED OF THE ABOVE ACTIONS. IN MAKING SUCH NOTIFICATION, LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT AND EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE THAT THE SHIP MASTER UNDERSTANDS THE CONTENT OF THE NOTIFICATION.

C. ALL U.S. FORCES WILL BE ALERT AND PREPARED FOR HOSTILE ACTION. NOTHING IN THESE RULES SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS PREVENTING ANY COMMANDER FROM TAKING SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DEFEND HIS COMMAND.

D. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL RULES WILL APPLY:

(1) FOR VESSELS OFF-LOADING INTO LIGHTERS OUTSIDE NVN CLAIMED TERRITORIAL SEA: IF LIGHTERS UNDER ATTACK WHEN THEY ENTER 12 MILE LIMIT, NO ACTION IS AUTHORIZED AGAINST OFFLOADING VESSEL WITHOUT JCS

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APPROVAL. REPORT COMMENT OF ALL OFF-LOADING OPERATIONS.

(2) FOR VESSELS OFF-LOADING CARGO INSIDE NVN CLAIMED 12 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA: IF OFF-LOADING INTO ANY TYPE LIGHTERAGE, IF UNDER ATTACK LIGHTERS WHEN THEY CLEAR OFF-LOADING VESSEL. NO ATTACK AGAINST OFF-LOADING VESSEL IS AUTHORIZED WITHOUT SPECIFIC JCS APPROVAL.

E. TAKE ACTION IN A MANNER TO MINIMIZE PERSONNEL CASUALTIES AND RENDER ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE TO PERSONNEL IN DISTRESS.

F. RECORD BY ALL FEASIBLE MEANS, INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHY AND VOICE RECORDINGS, THE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS.

G. ESCORTING AIRCRAFT/SURFACE WARSHIPS WILL RECEIVE SAME TREATMENT AS MERCHANT SHIPS, NO ARMED ACTION AGAINST SUCH AIRCRAFT/WARSHIPS IS AUTHORIZED EXCEPT IN SELF-DEFENSE WITHOUT SPECIFIC JCS APPROVAL.

H. MAKE SITREP/OPREP REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CINCPACFLT INST 3480.1, INCLUDE CINCPACFLT, CINCPAC AND JCS AS ADDRESSEES

3. (U) ATTACH COPY OF THIS MESSAGE TO PAGE Y-VI-3 OF ANNEX Y TO COMSEVENTHFLT GREEN TWO.

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- (B) CTF 76 OPLAN 120
- (C) CTF 77 OPORD 320-YR
- (D) COMSEVENTHFLT OPORD 201

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1. (S) SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION. AT THE BEGINNING OF APRIL 1972, NORTH VIETNAM INVADED ACROSS THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE DIVIDING NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM. THE APPARENT INTENTION WAS TO GAIN CONTROL OF POPULATION CENTERS SUCH AS QUANG TRI, DESTROY ARVN FORCES, AND WIN A PSYCHOLOGICAL VICTORY BY CAPTURING HUE IN MID-MAY. IN LAUNCHING THIS DRIVE, NVN COMMITTED THE PREPONDERANCE OF ITS FIRST LINE REGULAR UNITS AND CONSIDERABLY LENGTHENED AND INCREASED DEMANDS ON THE LINES OF COMMUNICATION (LOC) AND LOGISTICS PIPELINES FROM THE NORTH. THE NVN ADVANCE HAS BROUGHT THEM TO THE HUE APPROACHES AND PREPARATIONS FOR ASSAULT ON HUE ARE NOW APPARENT. THE LOC TO THE REAR ARE VULNERABLE TO AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT, THEREFORE, AN AMPHIBIOUS FEINT OR TURNAWAY LANDING IN THE QUANG KHE AREA COULD CAUSE THE NVA TO DIVERT MAIN FORCE ELEMENTS INTO THE AREA AND/OR DELAY THE ASSAULT ON HUE.

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A. AREA OF OPERATION. LOCATED IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF NVN IN THE VICINITY OF THE CITY OF QUANG KHE. IT IS BOUNDED TO THE EAST BY THE GULF OF TONKIN; TO THE SOUTH BY DONG HOI; TO THE WEST BY RUGGED MOUNTAINS; AND TO THE NORTH BY THE TINH QUANG BINH HIGH GROUND. THIS AREA IS A LAND AND COASTAL TRANSHIPMENT POINT ALONG THE PRIMARY LOC LEADING TO SVN AND LAOS. THE AREA IS FLAT COASTAL PLAIN WITH CONCAVE COASTLINE. THE PLAIN CONSISTS OF SAND DUNES AND VEGETATED LOWLANDS. RIVER SYSTEMS ARE SONG GIANG AND SONG RON. AVENUES OF APPROACH ARE HIGHWAY 1A RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH THROUGH QUANG KHE AND THE TWO RIVERS. THE SEA AREA OF OPERATIONS IS SUITABLE FOR AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT. TIDES ARE MODERATE, CURRENT IS WEAK. BEACHES NORTH AND SOUTH OF QUANG KHE ARE USEABLE; GRADIENTS ARE EXTREMELY MILD. FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES, A SECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN BEACH IS CENTERED AT 17-39-57N/106-30-43E. THERE IS LITTLE PRECIPITATION WITH TEMPERATURES RANGING IN THE LOW 80'S. SUNLIGHT IS FROM 0630H TO 1930H WITH TWILIGHT EXTENDING THIS PERIOD FOR ONE-HALF HOUR IN THE MORNING AND EVENING. THERE ARE SUITABLE HELICOPTER LANDING AREAS NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE SONG GIANG.

S. MILITARY SITUATION. NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES WHICH MAY BE EMPLOYED:

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PAGE FOUR RUMFUF0339 S E C R E T

(1) STRENGTH AND COMPOSITION
(A) GROUND

1. STRENGTH IN THE ASSAULT AREA IS ESTIMATED AT 1 PROVINCIAL/LOCAL FORCE BATTALION AND THREE PARAMILITARY COMPANIES. TOTAL STRENGTH: 1200 PERSONNEL.

2. ENEMY STRENGTH IN THE AOA IS ESTIMATED TO BE ONE NVA ARMED PUBLIC SECURITY FORCE REGIMENT (APSF), TWO PROVINCIAL/LOCAL FORCE BATTALIONS AND TWO AIR DEFENSE REGIMENTS. TOTAL STRENGTH: 5400 PERSONNEL.

3. REINFORCEMENTS: THE ENEMY CAN REINFORCE IN THE OBJECTIVE AREA WITH THE FOLLOWING UNITS: ELEMENTS OF 325TH INFANTRY DIVISION; FOUR COMPANIES OF APSF AND MILITIA FORCES.

(B) NAVAL. APPROXIMATELY THREE SUB-CHASERS, 32 GUNBOATS, 12 TORPEDO BOATS. CRAFT ARE ORGANIZED INTO SQUADRONS, DIVISIONS, OR FLOTILLAS BY TYPE OR FUNCTION. (REPORTS HAVE INDICATED THAT TWO TO FOUR VESSELS WERE DESTROYED IN SURFACE ENGAGEMENTS DURING APRIL).

(C) AIR. 75 MIG-15/17, 34 MIG-19, 87 MIG-21 FIGHTERS; 4 IL-28 LIGHT BOMBERS. AIRCRAFT ARE ORGANIZED INTO TEN FIGHTER REGIMENTS AND ONE BOMBER COMPANY.

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(2) LOCATION AND DISPOSITION.

(A) GROUND. FORCES WITHIN THE OBJECTIVE AREA ARE UNLOCATED. REINFORCEMENTS: ELEMENTS OF THE 325TH DIVISION, VICINITY QUANG BINH/HA TINH PROVINCE BORDER. PARAMILITARY FORCES UNLOCATED; BELIEVED NEAR POPULATION CENTERS.

(B) NAVAL. UNITS ARE EMPLOYED IN THE HAIPHONG AREA. UNITS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED AS PERMANENTLY EMPLOYED SOUTH OF 20 DEGREES NORTH. ACTIVITY DURING APRIL INDICATES THAT SOME CRAFT ARE STAGED

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1000Z WITH NEAR SAM SON, VINH, AND QUANG KHE/DONG HOI.
(C) AIR.

- 1. VINH (18-43N/105-40E) - 1 MIG-17 (POSS DAMAGED)
- 2. KHE PHAT (17-40N/106-13E) - NONE
- 3. DONG HOI (17-31N/106-36E) - 1 MIG-21 POSSIBLE.
- 4. QUANG LANG (18-59N/105-02E) - 1 MIG-21 (POSS DAMAGED)
- 5. BAI THUONG (18-53N/105-23E) - 4 MIG-17, 4 MIG-21

NOTE: REMAINING AIRCRAFT ARE AT AIRFIELDS NORTH OF TWENTY DEGREES NORTH.

(3) MOVEMENT AND ACTIVITIES

(A) GROUND. INCREASED COASTAL TRANSPORT MOVEMENT, POSSIBLY RELATED TO TROOP MOVEMENT, HAS BEEN NOTED IN THE QUANG KHE AREA.

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(B) NAVAL. RECENT ACTIVITY HAS REFLECTED DEPLOYMENT OF NVN NAVAL CRAFT SOUTH OF 20 DEGREES NORTH. ON 11 APRIL DURING AN ATTACK BY A DESTROYER ON A COASTAL DEFENSE SITE, POTHEAD RADAR EMISSIONS WERE DETECTED IN THE VIC OF THE SONG GIANG (17-42N/106-41E) AND HON GIO (ISLAND) (17-55N/106-41E) ALONG WITH SIX HIGH SPEED CONTACTS. A MORE RECENT ENGAGEMENT OCCURRED ON 17 APR IN THE VICINITY SW OF HON ME ISLAND. SEVERAL UNITS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SORTIED FROM DONG HOI ON 19 APRIL WITH THE INTENT OF ATTACKING U.S. SHIPS.

(C) AIR. FIGHTERS HAVE RECENTLY ENGAGED U.S. AIRCRAFT OVER NORTHERN NVN. THEY ARE ALSO ACTIVE IN THE PANHANDLE AND ONE ENGAGED U.S. SHIPS OFF DONG HOI ON 19 APRIL. AIRCRAFT HAVE CONDUCTED OVER-WATER AIR-TO-SURFACE ATTACK TRAINING.

(4) OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY TO LAUNCH MISSILES. FIVE OPERATIONAL SA-2 SAM SITES WHICH COULD EFFECT FRIENDLY FORCES IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED. THE SAMs HAVE A 19 NM MAXIMUM RANGE AGAINST AIRCRAFT AND ARE CREDITED WITH A LOW ACCURACY, SURFACE/LOW FLYER CAPABILITY OF 16 NM BELOW 500 FEET ALTITUDE. SOME FIGHTER AIRCRAFT CARRY AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES. NO SAMLETS OR OTHER SSM'S ARE KNOWN TO BE IN THE AREA; HOWEVER THE THREAT CANNOT BE DISCOUNTED. ENEMY GROUND FORCES ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE SA-7 STRELLA WHICH IS A HEAT-SEEKING AA ROCKET EFFECTIVE AGAINST AIRCRAFT UP TO 9,000 FEET AT EFFECTIVE RANGES OUT TO TWO NM.

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 (5) SERVICEABILITY AND OPERATIONAL RATES OF AIRCRAFT.

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 IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 80 PERCENT OF ALL AIRCRAFT ARE AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AT ONE TIME. SUSTAINED OPERATIONS WOULD DECREASE AVAILABILITY TO 50-60 PERCENT. BOMBERS ARE marginally OPERATIONAL.

(6) OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY OF SHIPS. A MODEST OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY EXISTS AND ALL CRAFT ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN A READY STATUS. SOME CRAFT WILL BE SUBJECT TO MATERIAL CASUALTY PROBLEMS WHICH CANNOT BE CORRECTED EXCEPT AT HAIPHONG. PERSONNEL ARE ESTIMATED TO BE REASONABLY WELL TRAINED AND PROBABLY USE CHINESE TACTICS AND DOCTRINE. UNITS ARE CAPABLE OF OPERATING OFF OF SOUTHERN NORTH VIETNAM.

(7) ELECTRONIC WARFARE. THE MAJOR SURFACE SEARCH RADAR IS CROSSLOT, DEPLOYED WITH NO KNOWN GAPS IN COASTAL COVERAGE. (CROSSLOT CAN ALSO SERVE AS A LOW ALTITUDE EW RADAR). EW IS PROVIDED PRIMARILY BY FLATFACE, KNIFEREST B, SPOONREST A AND GCI SITES. GROUND CONTROL INTERCEPT IS CONDUCTED BY A VARIETY OF RADARS WITH NORMALLY BAR LOCK AT THE HUB. FIRE CAN AND WHIFF RADARS COMPRISE THE AA FIRE CONTROL WHILE THE FAN SONG B/F IS ASSOCIATED WITH GUIDANCE/FIRE CONTROL FOR THE SA-2 SYSTEM. THE PRIMARY DETECTION RADAR AGAINST THE AMPHIBIOUS TASK FORCE IS CROSSLOT. THERE ARE NINE CROSSLOT SITES BETWEEN 17N AND 20N. CROSSLOT RADAR

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 HAS BEEN CORRELATED TO ONE SITE NEAR DONG HOI AND A SECOND SITE NORTH OF QUANG KHE.

(8) AIR DEFENSE. A HEAVY VOLUME OF AA FIRE CONSISTING OF AUTOMATIC WEAPON, AA ROCKET, AAA AND SAM CAN BE EXPECTED IN THE AREA OF OPERATIONS. THIS REPRESENTS THE PRINCIPAL THREAT TO THE HELICOPTERS AND TO A MUCH LESSER DEGREE TO THE SURFACE UNIT. AAA CONSISTS OF 37MM, 57MM, AND 85MM WITH MAXIMUM RANGE FROM 4 NM TO 8.5 NM. AUTOMATIC WEAPONS HAVE A MAXIMUM RANGE OF 3-4 NM. THE FIVE SAM SITES PROVIDE MISSILE ENVELOPES WHICH EFFECTIVELY COVER THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(9) COASTAL DEFENSE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THERE ARE SEVENTY-TWO COASTAL DEFENSE SITES IN QUANG KHE AREA. INTELLIGENCE TO DATE INDICATES THAT APPROXIMATELY TEN OF THESE SITES ARE OCCUPIED. REMAINING SITES COULD BE MANNED ON SHORT NOTICE DEPENDING ON THE AVAILABILITY OF WEAPONS. ALL TYPES OF TUBE AND ROCKET ARTILLERY

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 TARGET THE MOST COMMON IS THE 122MM FIELD GUN WITH
 124,000 YDS. OTHER POSSIBLE WEAPONS ARE: 175MM
 GUN, 32,000 YDS; 130MM FIELD GUN, 29,500 YDS; 35MM FIELD GUN,
 120 YDS; 100MM FIELD GUN, 22,900 YDS; 76MM GUN, 14,550 YDS;
 100MM MORTAR, 8,800 YDS; 120MM MORTAR, 6,200 YDS; 122MM ROCKET,

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11,800 YDS; 140MM ROCKET, 10,400 YDS (ALL ROCKETS CAN BE LAUNCHED FROM SINGLE OR MULTIPLE LAUNCHERS). SPOTTING METHODS MAY INCLUDE ACQUISITION RADAR; OBSERVATION POSITIONS ASHORE AND AFLOAT IN FISHING CRAFT AND PRE-POSITIONED FISHING STAKES. (SEE APPENDIX I FOR OCCUPIED COASTAL DEFENSE LOCATIONS.)

C. ENEMY CAPABILITIES. (LISTED IN ORDER OF PROBABILITY OF ADOPTION).

(1) ATTACK HELICOPTERS OR LANDING CRAFT WITH NUMEROUS AAA, SAM FROM FIVE SITES, 122MM/130MM/175MM COASTAL DEFENSE GUNS, LIGHT ARTILLERY AND ROCKETS; AND ATTACK ATF SHIPS WITHIN RANGE WITH AT LEAST 12 COASTAL DEFENSE GUNS.

(2) ATTACK ATF SHIPS, HELICOPTERS, LANDING CRAFT AND FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT WITH FIGHTERS USING GUNS, ROCKETS, AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES AND BOMBS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS:

(A) UP TO TEN MIG FIGHTERS WITHIN SIXTY MINUTES OF THREAT DETERMINATION.

(B) UP TO THIRTY FIGHTERS WITHIN THREE HOURS AND UP TO FIFTY FIGHTERS WITHIN FIVE HOURS.

(3) ATTACK ATF SHIPS, HELICOPTERS AND LANDING CRAFT WITH UP TO FOUR PT 4/6 AND FOUR TO SIX SHANGHAI II/SWATOW PGM'S WITHIN

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THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

PORT	PT'S	PGM'S
HAIPHONG	6-3 HOURS	10-12 HOURS
X SONG MA	3 HOURS	5 HOURS
X VINH/HON NIEU	2 HOURS	3 HOURS

X ASSUMES PRE-POSITIONING OUT OF NORMAL AREA AND ONLY A PORTION OF NAVAL OOB WOULD BE COMMITTED.

(4) CONDUCT WATERMINING ACTIVITY TO AN UNSPECIFIED EXTENT.

2. (U) TARGET INFORMATION. SEE APPENDIX I.

3. (C) REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX CHARLIE TO REFERENCE B; ANNEX BRAVO TO REFERENCES C AND D; AND AS DIRECTED BY COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS TASK FORCE (CATF) IN FURTHER GUIDANCE.

4. (C) INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION, INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION, ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION, COLLECTION GUIDANCE, AND SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS AS PRESCRIBED IN ANNEX CHARLIE TO REFERENCE BRAVO.

5. (C) INTELLIGENCE UPDATE. FURTHER DETAILED INTELLIGENCE WILL BE PROMULGATED IN INTSHM, ESTIMATE, SPOT REPORT AND SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS AS AVAILABLE. SUPPORTING APPENDICES WILL BE PROMULGATED AS REQUIRED.

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COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS GROUP ONE

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RUGGOEA RUGGOXA RUGGOMA.
ZNY SSSSS

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TO RUMFRVA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/TG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/TG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
ZEN/USS BLUE RIDGE

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ADVANCE ROUTED TO COB

RUGGOSA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ZERO
RUMFRYA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ONE
RUMFUHA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SEVEN
RUGGOEA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT FOUR
RUGGOXA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX
RUGGOMA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE
RUGGOXA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX PT ONE
RUGGOMA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE PT ONE

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- A. TG 79.1 LANDING FORCE
- B. TG 76.1 SPECIAL OPERATION GROUP
 - 76.1.1 FLAGSHIP UNIT
 - 76.1.2 USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)
TACTICAL AIR CONTROL UNIT
 - 76.1.3 TACRON TWELVE
AREA DEFENSE/NGF UNIT
CLG/DLG/DDG/DD
AS ASSIGNED
 - 76.1.3.1 AREA DEFENSE ELEMENT
AS ASSIGNED
 - 76.1.3.2 NGF ELEMENT
AS ASSIGNED
 - 76.1.4 MOVEMENT UNIT

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CO, USS BLUE RIDGE

CDR J.O. WICKE
CO TACRON TWELVE

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COMPHIBRON SEVEN

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 USS ST LOUIS (LKA-116)
 USS PT DEFIANCE (LSD-31)
 USS DENVER (LPD-9)
 USS MOBILE (LKA-115)
 USS CAYUGA (LST 1186)
 USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)
 USS MANITOWOC (LST-1180)
 DLG/DDG/DD ASSIGNED
 AMPHIBIOUS ELEMENT

76.1.4.1

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 COMPHIBRON SEVEN

USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)
 USS ST LOUIS (LKA-116)
 USS PT DEFIANCE (LSD-31)
 USS CAYUGA (LST-1186)
 USS MANITOWOC (LST-1180)
 USS DENVER (LPD-9)
 USS MOBILE (LKA-115)
 USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)
 SCREEN ELEMENT
 DLG/DDG/DD ASSIGNED

76.1.4.2

AS ASSIGNED

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ASSAULT UNIT

CAPT J.L. MERRICK
 COMPHIBRON SEVEN

USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)
 USS ST LOUIS (LKA-116)
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 USS MANITOWOC (LST-1180)

76.1.5.1

WATERBORNE CONTROL
 ELEMENT

CAPT H.W. KINSLEY
 CO, PT DEFIANCE

USS PT DEFIANCE (LSD-31) (PCS)
 USS MANITOWOC (LST-1180) (SCS)

76.1.5.2

HELICOPTER CONTROL
 ELEMENT

CAPT W.A. SCOTT
 CO, USS OKINAWA

USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)

THIS IS ANNEX J (PROTECTIVE MEASURES IN THE OBJECTIVE AREA)
 TO CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)
 B. CTF 76 OPLAN 120

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- 1. FIVE MEMBERS OF THE TASK GROUP WILL BE CONSEQUENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE TASK ORGANIZATION.
- (C) STATE OF POSSIBILITIES DRAFT MAY BE...
- (D) MESSAGE OF THE...
- EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN ORDER TO...
- AND NEAR THE...
- (E) EXECUTIVE...
- A. FLAGSHIP...
- (1) THE...
- USING THE...
- NO. 75.1.
- 2. AREA...
- (1) THE...
- (2) THE...
- EXPECTED TO...

- 1. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND/OR AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...
- 2. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...
- 3. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...

- 1. SIX MEMBERS OF THE TASK GROUP WILL BE CONSEQUENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE TASK ORGANIZATION.
- (C) STATE OF POSSIBILITIES DRAFT MAY BE...
- (D) MESSAGE OF THE...
- EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN ORDER TO...
- AND NEAR THE...
- (E) EXECUTIVE...
- A. FLAGSHIP...
- (1) THE...
- USING THE...
- NO. 75.1.
- 2. AREA...
- (1) THE...
- (2) THE...
- EXPECTED TO...

- 1. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND/OR AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...
- 2. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...
- 3. SURFACE, SUBSURFACE, AND AIRBORNE... (A)...
- (B)...
- (C)...
- (D)...
- (E)...

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INCOMING MESSAGE

MRS

1655Z NPM DE C70G NR 028

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OTTSZYUW RUMFUFA0342 1281530-SSSS--RUMFRVA RUHGOSA RUMFRYA RUMFUHA
RUHGOEA RUHGOXA RUHGOMA.
ZNY SSSSS

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FM CTF SEVEN SIX
TO RUMFRVA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/TG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/TG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
ZEN/USS BLUE RIDGE

ADVANCE ROUTED TO SWD

ADVANCE ROUTED TO 79.1

RUHGOSA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ZERO
RUMFRYA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ONE
RUMFUHA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SEVEN
RUHGOEA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT FOUR
RUHGOXA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX
RUHGOMA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE
RUHGOXA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX PT ONE
RUHGOMA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE PT ONE

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THIS IS APPENDIX I (TARGET INFORMATION) TO ANNEX C TO CTF 76.

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(K) FMFR 7-1

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1. (C) GENERAL.
 - A. THIS APPENDIX CONTAINS TARGET INFORMATION AND THE TARGET LIST FOR USE BY THE AMPHIBIOUS TASK FORCE.
 - B. SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS SUBMIT NEW TARGETS BY MESSAGE REQUEST.
 - C. SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS REPORT RESULTS OF ATTACK ON TARGETS LISTED BY MEANS OF PERIODIC OPERATION REPORTS OR AIR ACTION REPORTS.
 - D. TARGET CLASSIFICATION AND PRIORITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE (E).
 - E. CHANGES TO THE TARGET LIST ARE PROMULGATED BY TARGET BULLETINS (TARBULS). TARBULS WILL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 - (1) TARGET BULLETIN (TARBUL) SERIAL NUMBER
 - (2) NEW TARGETS WITH SERIAL NUMBER, LOCATION, DESCRIPTION, CLASSIFICATION AND PRIORITY.
 - (3) DAMAGE ASSESSMENT WITH TARGET SERIAL NUMBER AND DAMAGE.
 - (4) CANCELLED OR REACTIVATED TARGETS WITH SERIAL NUMBER.
2. (C) TARGET DESIGNATION SYSTEM.

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A. GENERAL THE TARGET NUMBERING SYSTEM UTILIZED HEREIN IMPLEMENTS A NEW PROCEDURE WHICH WILL PROVIDE COMPATIBILITY WITH AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING SYSTEMS AND IDENTIFY THE PLANNING SOURCE FOR EACH TARGET. IN ADDITION, THE SYSTEM IS COMPATIBLE WITH FSCC TARGET DESIGNATIONS SET FORTH IN REFERENCES (E) AND (K).

B. SYSTEM.

(1) A TARGET IS DESIGNATED BY TWO ELEMENTS: TWO LETTERS AND FOUR NUMBERS. THE TWO LETTER GROUP DENOTES THE ORIGINATOR OF THE TARGET, WHILE THE NUMBERS REFER TO THE SPECIFIC TARGET. THE LETTERS I AND O WILL NOT BE USED.

(2) COMMANDERS WILL SUB-ALLOCATE ASSIGNED TARGET DESIGNATIONS AS APPROPRIATE TO ENSURE IDENTIFICATION OF SUBORDINATE UNIT TARGET NUMBERS.

(3) LETTER AND NUMERICAL DESIGNATION FOR THIS OPERATION ARE ASSIGNED AS FOLLOWS:

UNIT	1ST LTR	2ND LTR	NUMBER
CTG 76.1	N	N THROUGH Z	0001-9999
CTF 77	N	J THROUGH M	0001-9999
CTU 76.1.3	N	A THROUGH H	0001-9999
CTG 75.1	X	A THROUGH Z	0001-9999
	A	A THROUGH Z	0001-9999
	B	A THROUGH Z	0001-9999
	K	A THROUGH Z	0001-9999

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THIS IS ANNEX D (MOVEMENT) TO CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)

B. CTF 76 OPLAN 120.

1. (C) ANNEX D (MOVEMENT) IAW REF B EXCEPT AS MODIFIED BELOW:

A. APPENDIX I (CRUISING INSTRUCTIONS) IAW REF B.

B. APPENDIX II (ROUTE POINTS AND AREAS)

C. APPENDIXES III, IV, AND V NOT ISSUED.

APPENDIX II TO ANNEX D (ROUTE POINTS AND AREAS) TO CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)

1. (C) STAGING AREA SEAWARD OF HUE IS BOUNDED BY FOLLOWING POINTS:

17-00N 107-45E

17-16N 107-56E

16-56N 108-26E

16-40N 108-15E

2. (S) TG 76.1 WILL REMAIN IN STAGING AREA UNTIL ORDERED TO PROCEED TO HOLDING AREA TO COMMENCE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS. COMMUNICATIONS PROCEDURAL REHEARSAL WILL BE CONDUCTED IN STAGING AREA WHILE AWAITING ORDERS TO PROCEED. TE 76.1.4.2 JOINS.

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3. (S) TRANSIT FROM STAGING AREA TO HOLDING AREA:

A. TG 76.1 PROCEED FROM STAGING AREA TO HOLDING AREA WHEN ORDERED.

B. TG 76.1 WILL APPROACH NO CLOSER THAN 15 MILES TO NVN TERRITORY DURING TRANSIT TO HOLDING AREA.

C. TRACK TO BE PROMULGATED BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.

4. (S) HOLDING AREA SEAWARD OF DONG HOI IS BOUNDED BY FOLLOWING POINTS:

18-00N 107-00E

17-40N 107-00E

17-40N 107-20E

18-00N 107-20E

5. (C) TG 76.1 WILL PROCEED TO STAGING AREA ON COMPLETION OF DEMONSTRATION. TRACK TO BE PROMULGATED.

6. (C) FORMATION AND STATION ASSIGNMENTS TO BE ASSIGNED BY MOVEMENT CTR, COMPHIBRON SEVEN/CTU 76.4.1.

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COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS GROUP ONE

INCOMING MESSAGE

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RUGOEA RUGOXA RUGOMA.

ZNY SSSSS

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TO RUMFRVA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SEVEN
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
ZEN/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
ZEN/USC BLUE RIDGE

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RUGOSA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ZERO
RUMFRYA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ONE
RUMFUHA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SEVEN
RUGOEA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT FOUR
RUGOXA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX
RUGOMA/CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE
RUGOXA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT SIX PT ONE
RUGOMA/CTU SEVEN SEVEN PT THREE PT ONE

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THIS IS ANNEX G (NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT) TO CTF 76 OPORD 323.
(HEROIC ACTION)

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- B. CTF 76 OPLAN 120
- E. NWIP 22-2(87) W/SUPPL
- F. GUNSEVENTEEN

TASK ORGANIZATION:

- CTG 76.1 SPECIAL OPERATION GROUP
- CTU 76.1.3 AREA DEFENSE/NGF UNIT
 - DD1
 - DD2
 - DD3
 - CL1
- CTE 76.1.4.2 SCREEN ELEMENT
 - DD5
 - DD6
 - DD7

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COMPHIBFORSEVENTHFLT

1. (C) GENERAL SITUATION:
 - A. ENEMY FORCES: SEE ANNEX C (INTELLIGENCE)
 - B. FRIENDLY FORCES: SEE BASIC OP ORDER
2. (S) MISSION:
 - A. IN 26.1.3 PROVIDE NGFS.
 - B. IN PREPARATION FOR THE AMPHIBIOUS DEMONSTRATION, ASSIGNED TO...

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NGFS SHIPS WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE OFFENSIVE SHORE BOMBARDMENT OF ENEMY SHORE POSITIONS, TROOP ACTIVITIES, BEACHES AND LANDING ZONES FROM D-3 THRU D-DAY. SHIPS ARE ASSIGNED D-DAY AS FOLLOWS:

DD1: FSA I
DD2: FSA II
DD3: FSA III
CL1: FSA II

(S) EXECUTION:

X. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) FSA AS FOLLOWS:

FSA I: NORTH OF LINE EXTENDING DIRECTLY EAST TO SEA FROM SOUTHERN TIP OF MOUTH OF SONG GIANG RIVER.

FSA II: NORTH OF LINE EXTENDING DIRECTLY EAST TO SEAWARD FROM MOUTH OF QUI DUC RIVER, ALONG GRID LINE 50 AND SOUTH OF FSA I.

FSA III: SOUTH FROM SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF FSA II.

NOTE: FSA DOES NOT LIMIT DEFENSIVE MOVEMENT.

(2) NGF REPORTS:

SUBMIT GURF REPORTS EARLIEST TTY TO FACILITATE COMPUTERIZED AMMO STATUS REPORTING.

(3) COUNTERBATTERY DOCTRINE IAW APPENDIX IV TO ANNEX D TO REF F.

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(4) TARGET NUMBERS FOR SHIP SPOT TARGETS ALLOTTED AS FOLLOWS:

DD1: 0A0001 THRU 0499
DD2: 0A0500 THRU 0999
DD3: NA1000 THRU 1499
CL1: NA1500 THRU 1999

4. (C) ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. CTU 76.1.3 EFFECT RESUPPLY IAW ANNEX F TO REF F INFO CTG 76.1 ON REPORTS.

5. (C) COMMAND SIGNAL.

A. COMMUNICATIONS NETS AND CODES IAW ANNEX N. (COMMUNICATIONS) APPENDIXES:

I. SCHEDULE OF FIRES D-2, D-1, D-DAY

II. THRU VI NOT USED

VII. NGF REPORTS (SEE REF B)

THIS IS APPENDIX I (SCHEDULE OF FIRES D-2, D-1, D-DAY)

TO ANNEX GOLF TO CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)

1. (S) PRE-D-DAY SCHEDULE: THE BELOW LIST OF TARGETS TO BE ATTACKED BY NGF PRIOR TO D-DAY TO LEND CREDIBILITY TO THE AMPHIBIOUS DEMONSTRATION. CLASS, PRIORITY AND EFFECT ON TARGETS IAW APPENDIX I (TARGET LIST) TO ANNEX C. CTF 77 WILL PUBLISH DETAILED SCHEDULES

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FOR NGFS PRIOR TO D-DAY;

NZ0555	NZ0086	NZ0106	NZ0115
NZ0119	NZ0126	NZ0127	NZ0145
NZ0160	NZ0174	NZ0175	NZ0185
NZ0186	NZ0191	NZ0192	NZ0193
NZ0194	NZ0195	NZ0226	NZ0228
NZ0229	NZ0235	NZ0239	NZ0241
NZ0242	NZ0243	NZ0244	NZ0246
NZ0256	NZ0258	NZ0259	NZ0534
NZ0535	NZ0542	NZ0543	NZ0544
NZ0545	NZ0546	NZ0548	NZ0550
NZ0551	NZ0249	NZ0255	NZ0536
NZ0537	NZ0311	NZ0128	NZ0317
NZ0409	NZ0528	NZ0529	NZ0265
NZ0268	NZ0272	NZ0273	NZ0275
NZ0277	NZ0279	NZ0281	NZ0282
NZ0283	NZ0286	NZ0288	NZ0290
NZ0301	NZ0309	NZ0310	NZ0312
NZ0313	NZ0316	NZ0531	NZ0532
NZ0533	NZ0563	NZ0569	NZ0262
NZ0263	NZ0322	NZ0342	NZ0364

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NZ0365	NZ0366	NZ0367	NZ0368
NZ0369	NZ0370	NZ0374	NZ0314

2. (C) D-DAY SCHEDULE OF FIRES: (TO BE ISSUED)

GP-1

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CTG 76.1 OF UNDER INTERFERENCE.

7. (C) ON D -3 THRU D -1, NGF SHIPS MAINTAIN NORMAL FREEDOM
TRAIN COMMUNICATIONS. INCLUDE CTG 76.1/CTG 79.1 AS ADDEES
ON ALL TRAFFIC PERTAINING TO TARGETING, GDA AND AMMO STATUS.
CTG 76.1/79.1 WILL GUARD NGF ORESTES. ON D-DAY, NGF SHIPS
ACTIVATE CIRCUITS IAW APPENDIX I.

8. (C) AT 0600 D -3, CTG 76.1/79.1 WILL ENTER TF 77 ORESTES.
LINK 24 SKED (NOW 0050Z AND 0530Z) WILL BE EXTENDED AS
NECESSARY FOR TARGET INFORMATION AND GDA/BDA EXCHANGE.
THIS IS APPENDIX I (CIRCUIT PLAN) TO ANNEX M (COMMUNICATIONS)
TO CTF 76 OPORD 500 (MERCIC ACTION)

CIRCUIT	DESIGNATIONS	ARE BASED ON	GREEN TWO, ANNEX	FOXTROT, APPENDIX XV
CKT	FREQ	CRYPTO	GUARD	ACTIVATED
203L1	228.2	7190	CTG 76.1/SCREEN SHIPS	D-3
203L2	638.2	7340	SECONDARY. CTG 76.1/OTHERS AS DIR	
203LC1	255.4	7190	AMPHIB SHIPS/TU 76.1.5	CONT
203RS1	2254/3525	7190	CTG 76.1	CONT
205L1	422.	7190	ALL SHIPS WHEN DIR(100WPM)	WHEN DIR
209L	3208.5	305/132	WHEN DIR BY OTC	WHEN DIR
210L	344.2	305/132	DD TYPES WHEN DIR	BY OTC

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210LA	315.4	305/132	TU 76.1.4	CONT
214RS	2095.5	305/132	CTG 76.1	CONT
215LA	526.4	3098	TU 76.1.4	CONT
252RS1/2	VAR	305/132	CTG 76.1	CONT
375L1	805/132	310.5	NGF SHIPS, CTG 76.1	0600H D-DAY
375L3	353.6	3098	NGF SHIPS, CTG 76.1. COVERED NGF NET.	0600H D-DAY
377L	350.6	305/132	AO, NGLO, DD, CTG 76.1 AS NEEDED	WHEN DIR
378R	122.8	305/132	AREA DEFENSE ELEMENT WHEN ACTIVATED	ON ORDER
4001/2	1172.5/1380.5		CROSSSTELL, CTG 76.1, CTE 76.1.5.2	CONT
403RS	VAR	305/132	CTF 77, CTG 76.1	CONT
451LA1/2	VAR		HDC, HELOS, TACC AS REQUIRED	WHEN DIR HDC
451LA3	43.1	3098	HDC, TACC, HELOS WHEN REQUIRED	CONT
451LB1-3	VAR	305	HDC, HELOS, TACC AS REQUIRED	WHEN DIR HDC
451Z	385.2	305	ITINERANT HELOS, SHIPS W/O L/L	WHEN RORD
455Z1/2	VAR	7190	RASPBERRY, CTG 76.1	CONT
476L1	258.6	305	TACC, VA/VF A/C (NOTE FREQ CHANGE)	0600H D-DAY
477L1	8501.5	305/132	TACC, FSCC, TACP AS REQUIRED	0600H D-DAY

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477L2	41.60	805/132	TACC, FSCC, TACP AS REQUIRED	SECRET D-DAY
503L1-2	VAR	805	TACC, FAC, TAC(A), VA/VF (LI FREQ 386.2)	0600H D-DAY
503LA	371.6	805	TACC, FAC, TAC(A), VA/VF	0600H D-DAY
503RA-D	VAR	805	TACC, FAC, TAC(A), VA/VF	0600H D-DAY
506LC1/2	VAR	805	LF HELOS	AS RQRD
600RS1-3	VAR	3523	NTDS SHIPS	CONT
602L1	2830	COK11	TG 76.1 LINK 14, ALL SHIPS COPY	ON ORDER
602L2	6249	COK11	TG 76.1 LINK 14, ALL SHIPS COPY	ON ORDER
602RS1-3	VAR	COK11	TF 77 LINK 14. CTG 76.1 ONLY COPY	CONT
626R	FDUX	8098	AF GREEN. CTG 76.1, LPH, LPD	CONT
703L1	67.7	805	BEACHMASTER, PCS, SCS	T-90, D-DAY
706L	312.2	805	CATF, PCS, SCS	T-90, D-DAY
707L1	11221.5	805	BEACHMASTER, PCS, SCS, LF SK PTY	T-90, D-DAY
708L1	37.70	805	PCS, SCS, BOATS, CATF MONITOR	T-90, D-DAY
709L1	42.30	805	PCS, SCS, BOATS, CATF MONITOR	T-90, D-DAY
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J. COMSEVENTHFLT NOTE C3721 OF 19 FEB 1972

1. (S) GENERAL. ELECTRONIC WARFARE WILL BE EMPLOYED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSION STATED IN THE BASIC OPOD.
2. (S) CONTROL AND COORDINATION.

A. COMMANDER SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP WILL MAINTAIN OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR EW OPS WITHIN TG 76.1. SPECIAL EW FUNCTIONS INCLUDE:

- (1) PROMULGATION OF EMCON CONDITIONS
- (2) AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT OF ECM
- (3) DESIGNATION OF CKIS TO BE USED FOR EW COORDINATION
- (4) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES TO SUPPORT EW EFFORTS

B. CTG 76.1 FLAGSHIP IS DESIGNATED EW CONTROL SHIP (EWCS). FUNCTIONS OF THE EWCS INCLUDE:

- (1) COORDINATION AND CONTROL OF EW REPORTING
- (2) ASSIGNMENT OF RADAR AND ECM INTERCEPT GUARDS
- (3) MONITORING AND ENFORCING EMCON
- (4) PROVIDING CTG 76.1 WITH EVALUATED EW INFORMATION AND

RECOMMENDATIONS.

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3 (S) EMISSION CONTROL (EMCON)

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 PURPOSE OF EMCON IS TO PROVIDE FOR THE COORDINATED EMPLOYMENT OF RADIATING SYSTEMS AS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE ASSIGNED MISSION WITH MAXIMUM REALISM AND SECURITY.

B. EMCON CONDITIONS WILL BE ESTABLISHED FROM PLANS PROMULGATED BY CTG 76.1 AS APPROPRIATE FOR THE TACTICAL SITUATION. EMCON ORDERS OR CHANGES WILL BE DIRECTED BY APPROPRIATE SIGNAL FROM REF G. CHANGES TO EMCON CONDITIONS TRANSMITTED BY NONSECURE MEANS WILL BE AUTHENTICATED.

4. (S) ELECTRONIC SUPPORT MEASURES (ESM)

A. THE EW CONTROL SHIP WILL PROMULGATE INTERCEPT SEARCH GUARD ASSIGNMENTS AND CONTROL EW REPORTING. EW REPORTING WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED OVER THE TASK GROUP REPORTING NET (COVERED).

B. SURFACE UNITS WILL INTERCEPT, ANALYZE, IDENTIFY AND REPORT ELECTRO-MAGNETIC RADIATIONS FROM LAND BASED, SURFACE AND AIRBORNE EMITTERS.

5. (S) ELECTRONIC COUNTERMEASURES (ECM)

A. ACTIVE ECM (INCLUDING DECEPTION) WILL BE EMPLOYED ONLY AS DIRECTED BY CTG 76.1. ALL TRANSMISSIONS AUTHORIZING ITS USE WILL BE AUTHENTICATED.

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6. (S) ELECTRONIC COUNTER-COUNTERMEASURES (ECCM)

A. IN THE EVENT THAT ANY TYPE OF INTERFERENCE IS EXPERIENCED, EVERY EFFORT SHALL BE MADE TO READ THROUGH OR OVERCOME IT. PARTICULAR CARE SHALL BE TAKEN TO DENY THE ENEMY ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF HIS EFFORTS.

B. REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO CTG 76.1 TRUE BEARING, FREQUENCY, DESCRIPTION, AND EFFECTIVENESS OF ANY INTERFERENCE EXPERIENCED.

C. MIJI REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED IAW REF H, INFO CTG 76.1.

7. (S) EMPLOYMENT OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

A. RADAR. RADAR GUARDS WILL BE ASSIGNED BY THE EWCS AND WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ASSIGNMENT UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

B. RADIO. RADIO CKTS WILL BE ACTIVATED IAW ANNEX N (COMMUNICATIONS) AS PERMITTED BY THE EMCON CONDITION IN EFFECT.

C. IFF. IFF/SIF MODE AND CODE ASSIGNMENTS IAW REF I AND CURRENT UPDATES.

D. TACAN AND HOMER NAVAIDS. TACAN CHANNELS, ID CODES, AND HOMER FREQUENCIES IAW REF J.

E. ACOUSTICS. OPERATION OF SONARS, FATHOMETERS, AND UNDERWATER TELEPHONES WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE EMCON CONDITION IN EFFECT.

F. METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT. OPERATION OF RADIATING METRO

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EQUIPMENT (INCLUDING BALLOONS) WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE EMCON CONDITION IN EFFECT.

8. (C) EQUIPMENT CASUALTIES.

A. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT CASUALTIES PREVENTING OR HINDERING THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF ASSIGNED TASKS WILL BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO CTG 76.1 INFO THE EWCS AND OTC.

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F. APPENDIXES VI THROUGH X. NOT ISSUED
 G. APPENDIXES XI THROUGH XVII. NOT EFFECTIVE.
 APPENDIX I (TRANSPORT AREA OPERATIONS) TO ANNEX I TO CTF 76 OPORD 323
 (HEROIC ACTION)

1. (S) TRANSPORT AREA DIAGRAM:

- A. CENTER OF AOA: 17-40-00N 106-30-00E
 B. RADIUS OF CIRCLE CONTAINING AOA: 30 MILES
 C. RED BEACH CENTER: 17-39-57N 106-30-48E
 D. CHART: N.O. 93560
 E. HELICOPTER WAVE TURNAWAY POSITION FROM RED BEACH CENTER TENTATIVELY 061 5,000 YARDS (17-41-10N 106-33-15E), BUT MAYBE CHANGED DEPENDING ON EFFECTIVE RANGE OF CD SITES REMAINING IN THE AREA.

F. LCC AND LPH OPERATING AREAS:

AREA	SHIPS	LAT	LONG
A	OKINAWA	17-43-00N	106-43-30E
		17-48-20N	106-40-30E
		17-52-45N	106-40-45E
		17-47-30N	106-51-45E
B	BLUE RIDGE	17-42-05N	106-41-40E

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17-47-20N 106-38-40E
 17-48-20N 106-40-30E
 17-43-00N 106-43-30E

2. (C) FIRE SUPPORT AREA COORDINATES LISTED IN ANNEX B (NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT).

3. (S) SHIP MOVEMENTS IN TRANSPORT AREA.

A. WHEN FORMATION PASSES THROUGH POINT "ABLE" (17-47-30N 106-51-45E), ON SIGNAL OKINAWA DETACHED TO PROCEED TO ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA.

B. ON ARRIVAL POINT "ABLE" OTC ORDER SHIPS INTO TWO COLUMNS ABREAST. FORMATIONS PASS THROUGH POINT "BAKER" (17-45-45N 107-42-00E) AND PROCEED IN TWO COLUMNS TO POINT "TARE" (17-42-20N 107-35-40E) ON ARRIVAL POINT "TARE" COLUMNS TURN AWAY. RIGHT (NORTH) COLUMN TURN NORTH PARALLEL TO COAST; LEFT (SOUTH) COLUMN TURN SOUTH PARALLEL TO COAST FOR TWO MILES, THEN BOTH COLUMNS TURN SEAWARD AND PROCEED TO RENDEZVOUS WITH BLUE RIDGE AND OKINAWA. POINT "TARE" IS 10,000 YARDS FROM SHORE, BUT MAY BE CHANGED DEPENDING ON EFFECTIVE RANGE OF CD SITES REMAINING IN THE AREA.

(1) SHIPS ADJUST SPEED TO ARRIVE POINT "TARE" SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH ARRIVAL OF FIRST HELICOPTERS AT HELICOPTER WAVE TURNAWAY POINT.

(2) TURN AWAY TIME TO BE SIGNALLED.

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C. BLUE RIDGE PROCEED TO ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA WHEN FORMATION PASSES THROUGH POINT "BAKER" ENROUTE POINT "TARE".

D. OTC ORDER APPROPRIATE CRUISING FORMATION ON RENDEZVOUS AFTER DEMONSTRATION.

TAB C (HELICOPTER APPROACH LANE) TO APPENDIX V TO ANNEX I TO CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)

1. (S) A HELICOPTER APPROACH LANE 1000 YARDS WIDE IS ESTABLISHED FROM WAVE RENDEZVOUS POINT TO THE WAVE TURNAWAY POINT.

A. HELICOPTER WAVE RENDEZVOUS POINT: 17-47-10N0 106-44-45E4

B. HELICOPTER WAVE TURNAWAY POINT: 17-41-10N4 106-33-15E9

2. (C) THE HELICOPTER APPROACH LANE MAY BE ADJUSTED PRIOR TO THE ASSAULT DEMONSTRATION, AS UPDATED INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY DISPOSITIONS IS RECEIVED. HELICOPTER WAVE TURNAWAY POINT MAY BE CHANGED DEPENDING ON EFFECTIVE RANGE OF CD SITES REMAINING IN THE AREA.

A. CTE 76.1.5.2 INFORM CTG 76.1, CTU 76.1.5 AND CTU 76.1.3 OF ALL CHANGES IN HELICOPTER APPROACH LANE BY TADC.

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C. CTF 77 OPOD 320 (YR) (R D THREE)

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D. COMSEVENTHFLT OPOD 201

- 1. (S) SITUATION: IAW BASIC OPERATION ORDER.
- 2. (S) MISSION:

A. CONDUCT AIR OPERATIONS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN ORDER TO TO SUPPORT THE CREDIBILITY OF THE SIMULATED SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT.

B. CONTROL AIRCRAFT OF SUPPORTING FORCES WHEN DIRECTED, TO BOTH PROSECUTE THE SIMULATED OFFENSIVE ASHORE AND DEFEND THE ATG.

C. COORDINATE FIXED WING TRAFFIC WITH HELICOPTER OPERATIONS WITHIN THE AOA.

3. (S) EXECUTION: IN PREPARATION FOR THE AMPHIBIOUS SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT, AIRCRAFT OF TF 77 AND ASSIGNED NAVAL GUNFIRE SHIPS WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST COASTAL DEFENSE AND ANTI-AIR POSITIONS, BEACHES AND LANDING ZONES. FROM AN AREA ABOUT 14,000 YARDS FROM SHORE HELICOPTERS WILL BE LAUNCHED AND WILL HOLD POSITION. ON ORDER, HELICOPTER WAVES WILL MOVE TOWARD THE BEACH, TURNING AWAY AT 5000 YARDS OR WHEN IN RANGE OF THOSE SHORE BATTERIES STILL EFFECTIVE. UPON COMPLETION, ALL HELICOPTERS WILL BE RECOVERED AND THE ATG WILL WITHDRAW.

A. LANDING FORCE (TG 79.1).

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(1) PROVIDE AIRCRAFT TO, AND OPERATE FROM, HELICOPTER DECKS OF THE ATF AS REQUIRED TO MEET THE SIMULATED LANDING PLAN AND SUPPORT THE PROJECTED GROUND SCHEME OF MANEUVER.

(2) MAINTAIN ONE APPROPRIATELY EQUIPPED SAR HELICOPTER ON 15 MINUTE STAND BY ON DENVER, THROUGHOUT THE EVOLUTION.

B. MOVEMENT UNIT (TU 76.1.4)

(1) MAINTAIN ONE APPROPRIATELY EQUIPPED SAR HELICOPTER ON 15 MINUTE STAND BY ON DENVER, THROUGHOUT THE OPERATION.

C. HELICOPTER CONTROL ELEMENT (TE 76.1.5.2)

(1) SUPPORT THE OPERATION OF ALL ATF HELICOPTERS AS REQUIRED TO MEET THE SCHEDULE GENERATED BY CTG 79.1.

(2) COORDINATE HELICOPTER OPERATIONS WITH THE TADC IN ORDER TO ENSURE SAFETY AND PRECLUDE INTERFERENCE WITH FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

D. FLAGSHIP UNIT (CTU 76.1.1)

(1) PROVIDE PHYSICAL FACILITIES AND SUPPORT OPERATION OF THE TACTICAL AIR CONTROL CENTER (TACC) AND THE SUPPORTING ARMS COORDINATION CENTER (SACC).

(2) ESTABLISH GRIDLOCK ON ARRIVAL IN AOA AND, WHEN DIRECTED BY CTF 77, ENTER THE DATA LINK IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX J OF REFERENCE C.

(3) BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS OF TF 77 WITH INTERCEPT CONTROLLERS, IF REQUIRED.

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E. TACTICAL AIR CONTROL UNIT (CTU 76.1.2)

(1) MAN AND OPERATE THE TACC AND SACC AS REQUIRED TO COORDINATE AIR OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE ATF AND/OR TF 77.

(2) ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A TACTICAL AIR DIRECTION CENTER (TADC) ABOARD OKINAWA AND MAINTAIN A MANUAL AIR PLOT OF AIR OPERATIONS. ENSURE COORDINATION BETWEEN HELICOPTER AND FIXED WING TRAFFIC BY CORRELATING THAT MANUAL PLOT WITH HDC'S CONTROL OF HELICOPTERS.

F. DEFENSIVE AIR OPERATION. CTF 77 WILL BOTH PROVIDE CAP AIRCRAFT AND ASSUME ALFA WHISKEY. ANTI-CRUISE MISSILE DEFENSE WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPENDIX TWO OF ANNEX J OF REFERENCE C. HOWEVER, IF 76.1 UNITS MAY BE REQUIRED TO DEFEND AGAINST THAT THREAT SINGLY OR IN UNISON, AND THE SUPPORTING ARMS COORDINATION CENTER ABOARD BLUE RIDGE MAY BE TASKED TO CONTROL STRIKE AIRCRAFT AGAINST ANTI-AIR MISSILE PLATFORMS.

G. OFFENSIVE AIR OPERATIONS. OPERATING FROM DECKS OF TF 77, STRIKE AIRCRAFT WILL ATTACK THOSE TARGETS WHICH WOULD IMPEDE AN ACTUAL AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT. TARGETS WILL BE SELECTED JOINTLY BY CTF 77, CTG 76.1 AND CTG 79.1 FROM FILES PROVIDED BY CTF 77. THOUGH STRIKE OPERATIONS WILL BE SCHEDULED PRIMARILY BY TF 77, COORDINATION WITH HELICOPTER OPERATIONS WITHIN THE AOA WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE TACC/TADC OF THE ATF. ALL STRIKE AIRCRAFT WILL

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CHECK IN AND OUT WITH TACC ON TATC CKT (SEE ANNEX N) (COMMUNICATIONS)

X. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) SEARCH AND RESCUE, SOUTH OF 13N SAR PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY 7TH AIR FORCE APPLY. WITHIN THE SEA AOA, HOWEVER, THE INHERENT IN THE ATF MAY BE UTILIZED. DURING THE SHIP

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 HELICOPTER TROOPS. SUCH INCIDENTS WHICH MAY OCCUR, INVOLVING TG 79.1 AIRCRAFT, WILL BE COORDINATED BY TACC ABOARD BLUE RIDGE. IN ADDITION, THE SITUATION IN THE VICINITY OF THE SEA AOA MAY DICTATE UTILIZATION OF TG 76.1 SAR ASSETS IN SUPPORT OF TF 77 AIR CREWS. ACCORDINGLY, TG 79.1 AND TU 76.1.4 WILL EACH MAINTAIN A SAR HELICOPTER ON 15 MINUTE STAND BY FOR THE DURATION OF THE OPERATION, POSITIONED ON DENVER.

(2) AAW IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE C. MODIFICATIONS WILL BE PROMULGATED TO TG 76.1 UNITS ON RECEIPT FROM CTF 77.

(3) RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX YANKEE OF REF D.

(4) STRIKE AIRCRAFT ENTERING THE AOA MAY BE HELD AWAITING CLEARANCE INTO THE TARGET AREA. ORBIT POINTS ARE ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:

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BETTY 115/17NM CH 36, ID RG: HOLD SOUTHEAST

ALTERNATE TACAN REFERENCE WILL BE CH25, ID FW.

(5) COORDINATION OF NGF AND AIR STRIKES AT T-3 ON D-DAY WILL BE PROVIDED BY SACC ABOARD BLUE RIDGE, USING THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

(A) EACH AIR STRIKE WILL BE ASSIGNED A SPECIFIC TARGET, SHOWN WITH EVENT NUMBER AND TOS ON THE DAILY SORTIE INTENT MESSAGE FROM CTF 77.

(B) WHEN AIRCRAFT CHECK IN WITH TACC, SACC WILL COMPARE CURRENT NGF MISSIONS WITH AIR TARGETS AND EITHER CALL FOR CHECK FIRE OR PROVIDE VECTORS AS REQUIRED FOR SAFETY.

(6) HELO LANES IAW ANNEX I (SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT)

4. (C) ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

A. HELICOPTER AVAILABILITY WILL BE REPORTED TO CTG 76.1 AND CTG 79.1 BY THE TADC/MDC ON THE HC (SECURE VHF VOICE) CIRCUIT BY 1800 DAILY AND AS SIGNIFICANT CHANGES OCCUR, COMMENCING ON D-4.

B. SORTIE INTENT MESSAGE EXPECTED DAILY FROM CTF 77; CHANGES WILL BE PASSED TO CTG 76.1 BY MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS.

C. SAR REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX SIERRA OF REF C.

5. (S) COMMAND AND SIGNAL

A. ABBREVIATIONS AND CODEWORDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX FOXTROT OF REF C.

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B. USN/USAF CROSS TELL UTILIZATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANNEX FOXTROT OF REF C.

C. LOCAL TIME ZONE WILL BE USED IN ALL COMMUNICATIONS DEALING WITH AIR OPERATIONS.

D. IFF/SIF IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE C.

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TO SHORE MOVT HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED. DENVER NOT EXPECTED TO ARRIV. HOLD
AREA UNTIL IMMED PRIOR TO H-HOUR D-3. ACCORDINGLY, UNODIR, H-DAY,
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BOATING OF TROOPS 11-12 MAY (S)

A. CTG 76.5 100630Z MAY 72

1. THERE WILL BE NO RPT NO LVTS LAUNCHED ON 11-12 MAY REHEARSAL

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STANDARD CPX/REHEARSAL EXERCISE (U)

A. CTF SEVEN SIX OPORD 223 (HEROIC ACTION)

B. CTF SEVEN SIX 071445Z MAY 72 NOTAL

1. (S) TO EXERCISE NAVY AND MARINE UNITS IN AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS PROCEDURES PRIOR TO "HEROIC ACTION", THE FOLLOWING EVOLUTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED 11 MAY 72.

2. (S) COMMUNICATIONS CKTS (INCL D-DAY CKTS) WILL BE ACTIVATED IAW

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REF A AT 111500H. CTF 76/CTG 79.1 WILL CONDUCT RADIO CHECKS ON APPROPRIATE NETS.

3. (S) COMEX TIME FOR REHEARSAL IS 111330H/9 MAY. OTC FOR REHEARSAL IS CTG 76.7. COMMUNICATIONS REHEARSAL MESSAGES IAW REF B WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO AUGMENT THE FOLLOWING EVOLUTIONS.

4. (S) AIR OPERATIONS: OKINAWA LAUNCH HELICOPTERS USING SAME PROCEDURES WITH SAME WAVE COMPOSITION SKED FOR "HEROIC ACTION". OKINAWA MANEUVER AS NECESSARY TO CONDUCT FLIGHT OPERATIONS. EXERCISE HELOS IN RDVU, TRANSIT, AND TURNAWAY PROCEDURES. REHEARSAL T-40.1R IS 111500H3.

5. (S) SURFACE OPERATIONS:

A. TG 76.5: COMMENCING 111330H9 CLEAR FORMATION AS DIRECTED BY OTC, THEN LI-TO OR PROCEED AT BARE STEERAGE WAY. WHEN READY, CTG 76.5 CONDUCT AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISES. LAUNCH BOATS WITH TROOPS EMBARKED AND CARRY OUT EXERCISES TO TEST BLT LANDING PLAN. CIRCUITS 706LI AND 739LI TO BE USED FOR BOAT CONTROL/OPERATIONS. RECOVER ALL CRAFT NLT 111730H3.

B. TG 76.7: COMMENCING 111330H9, WHEN TG 76.5 CLEAR, LI-TO OR PROCEED AT BARE STEERAGEWAY. WHEN READY, LAUNCH LANDING CRAFT AS DESIRED TO EXERCISE SHIPS IN LAUNCH, CONTROL, AND RECOVER

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URES. ELT 1/4 IS NOT SKED TO PARTICIPATE. RECOVER ALL CRAFT NLT
111730H3. COMMUNICATIONS 1AW REF A EXCEPT RESTRICT 10AT CONTROL
COMMUNICATIONS TO CIRCUIT 703LI.

C. BLUE RIDGE: COMMENCING AT 111330H9 MANEUVER AS NECESSARY TO
STAY WITHIN VISUAL RANGE OF IG 76.5, IG 76.7 AND OKINAWA.
S. (C) ABOUT 111730H3, ON SIGNAL FROM CTG 76.7 REFORM CRUISING
FORMATION FOR NIGHT STEAMING.

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A. CTF 76 OPORD 323 (HEROIC ACTION)

1. (S) THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS BY CTG 76.7 SUPPLEMENT APPENDIX A TO ANNEX D (ROUTE POINTS AND AREAS) AND APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX E (TRANSPORT AREA OPERATIONS) TO REF A:

A. FORMATION WILL STEAM IN FORM 51 PRIOR TO REACHING POINT BAKER, OR, FOR REHEARSAL, THE EQUIVALENT POINT. STATION ASSIGNMENTS AS FOLLOWS; ZERO MOBILE, 51 PT DEFIANCE, 84 CAYUGA, 85 ST LOUIS, 83 MANITOWOC, C11 OKINAWA, C14 DENVER, C17 BLUE RIDGE.

B. UPON REACHING POINT ABLE, AND ST LOUIS DETACH AND REMAIN IN LCC OPERATING AREA. OKINAWA ASSUME TACTICAL COMMAND OF ST LOUIS AND STATION FOR PLANE GUARD DUTY. REMAINING SHIPS FORM IN TWO COLUMNS AT DOUBLE STANDARD DISTANCE, 1,000 YDS NORTH AND SOUTH OF BASE AND TRACK ON PT DEFIANCE AS FOLLOWS: NORTHERN COLUMNS, PT DEFIANCE, CAYUGA, BLUE RIDGE; SOUTHERN COLUMN, MANITOWOC, MOBILE, DENVER. PT DEFIANCE ASSUME OTC AND GUIDE. BASE COURSE FROM ABLE 209, UP TO ARRIVAL TIME AT POINT BAKER IS T-24 MINUTES. OTC ADJUST BASE COURSE NECESSARY TO MEET SCHEDULED ARRIVAL TIME.

C. UPON REACHING POINT BAKER, WHEEL THE COLUMNS TO 241 AND INCREASE BASE SPEED TO 13 KTS. BLUE RIDGE DETACH WITHOUT STOPPING AND TAKE STATION IN THE LCC OPERATING AREA. TIME OF ARRIVAL AT POINT BAKER IS T-24 MINUTES.

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WILL BE T HOUR. OTC ADJUST BASE SPEED AS NECESSARY TO MEET SCHEDULED
ARRIVAL TIME.

D. UPON REACHING POINT TARE, COLUMNS IORPEN NORTH AND SOUTH RESPECTIVE-
LY TO PARALLEL THE BEACH IAW REF A. THIS MANEUVER WILL BE EXECUTED BY
FLAGHOIST BY THE SINGLE FLAG TANGO. UPON EXECUTION (TANGO WAILED DOWN)
MOBILE WILL AUTOMATICALLY ASSUME OTC OF THE SOUTHERN COLUMN FOR THE
SEQUENT RETIREMENT. OTC (S) ARE AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT EVASIVE ACTION
INCLUDING, TURN AWAY IN THE EVENT HOSTILE FIRES ARE ENCOUNTERED.

E. RESPECTIVE COLUMN OTC'S WILL, UPON COMPLETION OF THE TWO MILE RUN
PARALLEL TO THE BEACH, MANEUVER THEIR SHIPS TO CLEAR THE AREA EXPL-
ORITIOUSLY AND RETURN TO RENDEVOUS AT POINT ABLE. REFORM ORIGINAL FORM
51, ST LOUIS GUIDE, ON RETIREMENT TRACK AT 15 KTS. ST LOUIS WILL ASSUME
OTC OF THE SHIPS IN THE FORM 51 UNTIL OKINAWA REJOINS AT WHICH TIME
CTU 76.1.4 WILL RESUME OTC BY SIGNAL.

F. SHOULD SAR ACTION BE REQUIRED, DENVER IS AUTHORIZED TO LEAVE
FORMATION WITHOUT SIGNAL TO PROCEED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DICTATES
OF THE SITUATION.

G. FOR REHEARSALS, TIME AND DISTANCE FACTORS AND RELATIVE COURSE
CHANGES WILL CORRESPOND TO THOSE FROM ABLE TO TARE. ST LOUIS
WILL TAKE STATION CORRESPONDING TO THE HELO TURNAWAY POINT FOR THE

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DEMONSTRATION. SPECIFIC REHEARSAL APPROACH POINTS WILL BE PROMULGATED
BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.

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A. 9TH MAR OPORD 2-7: HEROIC ACTION (TG)

B. CIG 79.1 GUT STANDARD COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONIC

1. (S) LANDING FORCE RADIO CIRCUITS IN SUPPORT OF HEROIC ACTION WILL BE ACTIVATED AT H-2 ON E AND D DAY.

2. (U) FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS IAW REFERENCE A

3. (S) THE FOLLOWING BRIGADE NETS WILL BE ACTIVATED:

NET	FREQ	DESIG
BDE CMD NR 1	2135.5 (2134)	B-201
	KHZ/5	

BDE TAC NR 1 (SECURE VOICE)	60.45 MHZ/5	B-131
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BDE IAD (SECURE VOICE)	57.35 MHZ/5	B-111
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LFSP CMD	4067.5 (4066)	B-045
	KHZ/5	

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4. (C) NESTOR (SECURE VOICE) KEYLIST WILL BE AXAC 110000Z.

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CRYPTOPERIOD 2201Z (0601H) DAILY.

5. (S) THE FIRST REHEARSAL WILL COMMENCE AT 1115. LAUNCH OF ALL AVAILABLE HELICOPTERS WILL BE COORDINATED WITH T-HOUR (1500).

6. (C) AS A SEPARATE EXERCISE BUT AT THE SAME TIME, BRIGADE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE THE SURFACE LANDING PLAN FOR T-1. LVT'S WILL NOT BE LAUNCHED.

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TO USS ST LOUIS
USS PT DEFIANCE
USS MANITOWOC
INFO RLT FOUR
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BLT ONE SLANT FOUR FRAG ORDER 8-72 TO BLT OP ORDER 3-72

(OPN HEROIC ACTION)

- A. RLT FOUR OP ORDER 3-72 (NOTAL)
- B. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS SERIES L7014, SHEETS 63411, 624411, 6344111
- C. CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS ANNEX 1. (S) SITUATION
- A. ENEMY FORCES. SEE CUR INTSUMS

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B. FRIENDLY FORCES. AS SPECIFIED IN REF A. HIGHER HQS HAS REQ FOR:

- (1) SMK SCREEN ON BEACH AND LZ'S AT H-30 MIN.
- (2) AD/NGF SPOTTER ON STATION D-DAY FROM H-HOUR TILL DARK
- (3) LZ NEUTRALIZATION FIRES COMMENCING H-60.

2. MISSION. COMMENCING AT H-2 ON R-DAYS AND D-DAY BLT ONE SLANT FOUR CONDUCTS CPX USING APPENDIX 9 (LANDING PLAN 4 (AIR)) TO ANNEX F (LANDING PLAN) TO OP ORDER 3-72 IN SUPPORT OF REF A.

3. EXECUTION

A. GENERAL

(1) ON ORDER AND AS SPECIFIED HEREIN DESIGNATED UNITS OF THE BLT WILL CONDUCT A CPX TO SIMULATE LANDING BY HELICOPTER AND CONDUCTING OPERATIONS ASHORE IAW PLAN WHICH FOLLOWS.

(2) THIS OPERATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN FOUR PHASES IAW REF A NAS AS DIRECTED HEREIN. COMMENCING AT 0830H (TENT) UNTIL 1130H (TENT) (REPRESENTING T-90 MIN TO T PLUS 90 MIN OF D-3, D-2 AND D-1) REHEARSALS WILL BE CONDUCTED TO INCLUDE NORMAL PRE H-HOUR COMM CHECKS AND REPORTS AND POST H-HOUR RADIO TRAFFIC EXERCISING IAC-LOG, HST, NGF SPOT AND TAB/TAD NETS USING MSG FORMATS WHICH SIMULATE THE TYPE TRAFFIC NORMAL

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 PASSED OVER THESE NETS AFTER H-HOUR.

(3) OND-DAY OPERATE RADIO NETS SIMILAR TO REHEARSALS EXCEPT
 TERMINATE TACTICAL TRANSMISSIONS ON ORDER. (AT ABOUT I-HOUR)

B. CO "A" (REIN)

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A
 HELICOPTER ASSAULT

C. CO "C" (REIN)

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A HELICOPTER
 ASSAULT.

D. CO "D" (REIN)

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A
 HELICOPTER ASSAULT.

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E. 81 MORTAR PLAT

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A
 HELICOPTER ASSAULT.

F. 106MM RECOILLES RIFLE PLAT

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A HELICOPTER
 ASSAULT.

G. 3D PLAT, CO "D", 3D RECON BN

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED
 IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED
 OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A
 HELICOPTER ASSAULT.

H. BTRY G, 3/12

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED

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IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A HELICOPTER ASSAULT.

I. BLT RESERVE, CO "B" (REIN)

(1) BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL RADIO NETS NORMALLY REQUIRED IN HELO LANDING AT L-2.

(2) WHEN DIRECTED, CONDUCT RADIO TRAFFIC NORMALLY CARRIED OUT DURING THE L-90 MIN TO L PLUS 90 MIN TIME FRAME OF A HELICOPTER ASSAULT.

J. COORD INST

(1) D-DAY - TO BE ANNOUNCED

(2) R-DAY - TO BE ANNOUNCED

(3) T-HOUR (TURN AWAY TIME) - TO BE ANNOUNCED

(4) REHEARSAL TIMES (TENT) - 0830H TO 1130H REPRESENTING T-90 TO T PLUS 90. L AND H-HOURS FOR R-DAYS 1000H (TENT)

(5) DO NOT USE ACTUAL COORD DURING REHEARSALS

(6) TROOPS WILL NOT BE LOADED IN HELOS

(7) NO PRE-L-HOUR TRANSFERS REQD

(8) NGF AND AIR SUPPORT IAW REF A

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(9) EMPLOY NORMAL COMM SECURITY

(10) THE FOL OPERATIONAL CONCEPT IS APPLICABLE FOR EXERCISE TRAFFIC ONLY:

BLT ONE SLANT FOUR LANDS BY HELO AT L-HOUR INTO LZ ROBIN, ATTACKS AND SEIZES LF OBJ 3 AND PREPARES TO CONTINUE ATTACK ON ORDER. AT H-HOUR LANDS RECON TM VIC HILL 290 (XE 4755) AND AT AT L-HOUR ON HILL AT (XE 5853) AND ESTABLISHES OP'S THEREON. CO "A" (REIN) LANDS IN THE ASSAULT INTO LZ ROBIN FOLLOWED BY CO "C" AND CO "D" IN SCHEDULED WAVES. ON ORDER CMD GP ALFA, #1

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MORTAR PLAT, 106 RR PLT AND BTRY G 3/12 LAND IN LZ ROBIN IN ON CALL WAVES. ON ORDER BLT LAUNCHES ATTACK TO SEIZE LF OBJ 3 WITH CO "A" (ON RIGHT) AND CO "C" (ON LEFT) AND CO "D" FOL IN TRACE. BTRY G 3/12, 81 MORTAR AND 106'S IN GS. MAX USE OF NGF AND GAS PLANNED. BLT RESERVE TO BE CALLED INTO LAND IN LZ ROBIN WHEN REQUIRED.

(11) REPORTS WILL BE IAW ANNEX M OF BASIC ORDER EXCEPT AS MOD BELOW:

(A) REPORT WHEN EACH WAVE TOUCHES DOWN IN LZ. (USE ANTICIPATED TIME SCHED)

(B) SUBMIT SIT REPS EVERY HALF HOUR AFTER (CONSTR) LANDING COMMENCING AT L-HOUR.

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(12) CODE NAME FOR THIS OPERATION IS "HEROIC ACTION"
 PREFACE ALL MESSAGES WITH "HEROIC ACTION" AS FIRST WORDS OF
 TEXT.

(13) PUBLIC AFFAIRS. RESPOND TO ANY MEDIA INQUIRIES WITH
 "NO COMMENT". REFER MEDIA REPS TO BLT-1/4 AND INFORM BLT-1/4 OF ANY
 SUCH INTEREST ASAP. IF BLT-1/4 CP NOT PRESENT DURING CPX, REFER
 ANY SUCH INTEREST ASAP TO NEXT HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. TAC-LAG AND HST'S TO BE ESTABLISHED ABOARD EACH SHIP FOR

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REHEARSALS AND D-DAY.

1. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

A. BE PREPARED TO ACTIVATE ALL COMM NETS AT H-2 ON REHEARSAL
 DAYS AND D-DAY.

B. FREQ AND CALL SIGNS IAW REF D AND FOL: BLT TAC - FANCY DAN
 63.05 B078 - TAC-LOG FANCY DAN PRODUCT 65.55 B101

C. COMMAND POST

(1) RLT-4 USS BLUE RIDGE

(2) PROV MAG 10 USS OKINAWA

(3) BLT ONE SLANT FOUR - USS OKINAWA

DM COMMAND RELATIONS - IAW LFM01. THE ATF HAS BEEN FORMED
 AND AN INITIATING DIRECTIVE ISSUED.

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RUMFUFA/CTF SEVEN SIX
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- B. CTF 77 OORDER 320-(YR) (RED THREE)

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1. (S) THIS LOI IS IN SUPPORT OF CTF 76 OPLAN 323, AND WILL BE EXECUTED ON D-2.
2. (TS) TASK FORCE SEVEN SEVEN AIR AND SURFACE UNITS WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR AN AMPHIBIOUS DEMONSTRATION (FEINT) AS PULGATED IN REF A, IN THE VICINITY OF DONG HOI/QUANG KHE. SUPPORT OPERATIONS WILL INCLUDE ALPHA STRIKES ON JOINTLY SELECTED

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TARGETS CONSIDERED VITAL TO THE LANDING FORCE AND OTHER TARGETS NECESSARY TO INSURE A PERMISSIVE AIR ENVIRONMENT ON D-DAY. THIS OPERATION WILL INCLUDE STRIKE AIRCRAFT, IRON H/WND (SHRIK AND STAR) ECM/ESM SUPPORT AND RESCAP.

A. FROM EXECUTE UNTIL TURNAWAY MINUS THREE FOUR (T-3), NORMAL GOT PROCEDURES WILL APPLY TO ALL OPERATIONS CONDUCTED BY CTF 77 FORCES IAW REF B.

B. FROM T-3 UNTIL DISESTABLISHMENT OF THE AOA, ALL AIRCRAFT OPERATING WITHIN THE SEAWARD AND/OR LANDWARD PORTIONS OF THE AOA PLUS ALL ON CALL STRIKE AIRCRAFT WILL BE CONTROLLED BY CTG 76.1.

3. (S) AMPHIBIOUS FORCE (TF 76) OPERATIONS:

A. FOLLOWING EXTENSIVE AIR STRIKES ON TARGETS IN THE AOA, TF 76 WILL CONDUCT AN AMPHIBIOUS DEMONSTRATION (FEINT) TO SIMULATE A RAID ON MILITARY TARGETS IN THE DONG HOI/QUANG KHE AREA OF NVN. ON D-DAY UNITS OF 76.1

AND 79.1 WILL COMMENCE A SIMULATED SHIP TO SHORE ASSAULT. AT T-HOUR AND PRIOR TO REACHING MAXIMUM RANGE OF THOSE SHORE DEFENSES STILL EFFECTIVE, ALL UNITS WILL TURN AWAY, RETURN TO PARENT SHIPS, BACKLOAD AND WITHDRAW.

(S) TF 77 OPERATIONS:

A. IN ORDER FOR THIS FEINT TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND CAUSE REDEPLOYMENT OF ENEMY GROUND FORCES, AIR STRIKES AND OTHER PREPARATIONS MUST

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BE CARRIED OUT AS IF AN ACTUAL LANDING WILL BE MADE. TF 77 WILL CONDUCT RECCE AND STRIKES AGAINST VARIOUS TARGETS COMMENCING ON D-2. AND CONTINUE CONSECUTIVELY THROUGH D-DAY. MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF EFFORT MUST BE DEVOTED TO NEUTRALIZING AIR AND COASTAL DEFENSES.

B. 48 HOUR NOTICE WILL BE

REQUIRE TO SECURE NECESSARY

COORDINATION WITH 7AF.

TCBM DURING BACKLOAD OF THE ASSAULT FORCE, MAXIMUM CONTINUOUS AIR COVER WILL BE PROVIDED DUE TO THE EXTREME VULNERABILITY OF THE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE DURING THIS PERIOD.

D. STRIKE PLAN:

(1) STRIKE OPERATIONS ON D-DAY AND SUBSEQUENT DAYS LEADING UP TO D-DAY WILL BE DEVOTED TO ESTABLISHING A PERMISSIVE AIR AND SURFACE ENVIRONMENT IN THE AOA AND AOA APPROACHES. THE CONCENTRATED AIR EFFORT IN THIS AREA SHOULD LEND CREDIBILITY TO THE IDEA THAT AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT IS CONTEMPLATED.

(2) STRIKE OPERATIONS ON D-DAY WILL CONSIST OF ATTACK AIRCRAFT WORKING COASTAL DEFENSE (CD) SITES ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS, THROUGH T-HOUR (TURN AWAY HOUR), UNTIL BACKLOAD IS COMPLETED. CONTINUAL ATTACK OF CD SITES DURING THE DAY IS DESIGNED TO PRODUCE THE CONCLUSION THAT AN AMPHIBIOUS LANDING IS IMMINENT.

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E. FORCE GENERATION AND WEIGHT OF EFFORT:

(1) TACAIR FROM ASSIGNED CVA'S:

DAY EFFORT

(A) D-2 4 ALPHA STRIKES

(B) D-1 4 ALPHA STRIKES

(C) D) D-DAY 2 CVA'S ON CYCLIC OPS USING NOT LESS THAN

DIVISION SIZE FLIGHTS.

CHGK5 NGFS FROM ASSIGNED UNITS:

(A) ASSIGNED ELEMENTS OF TU 76.1.3 WILL STRIKE TARGETS AS SCHEDULED BY CTG 77.0 IAW ANNEX GOLF (NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT) TO REF A DURING PERIOD D-3 UP TO T-3 HOUR ON D-DAY. MISSION SHOOT WILL BE SCHEDULED SO AS NOT TO INTERFERE WITH ALPHA STRIKE TOT'S.

(B) NGFS MISSION SHOOT WILL BE ASSIGNED AND CONTROLLED BY CTG 76.1/79.1 COMMENCING AT T-3 HOUR ON D-DAY.

F. CVA OPERATIONS:

(1) AT H-HOUR (0700H 11 MAY 72) 7 VIA (Y STA) WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT 19

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/ -07-30EWYF IAW ANNEX E RED THREE. DISPOSITION

IS 320T/5. TASK GROUPS TAKE STA NLT H-HOUR AS FOLLOWS:

OSCAR - CTG 77.7

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QUEBEC - CTG 77.3

RETURN TO ORIGINAL STATIONS ON COMPLETION OF HEROIC ACTION UNODIR.

(2) CVA OPERATIONS WILL PROVIDE EIGHT (8) ALPHA STRIKES (FOUR EACH ON D-2 AND D-1) TO NEUTRALIZE SAM AND CD SITES AND ATTACK LOCS, MILITARY AND LOGISTIC TARGETS IN OR NEAR THE AOA. ALPHA STRIKES AGAINST SAM SITES WILL BE SPLIT TO COVER APPROPRIATE SITES AND THOSE AGAINST CD SITES WILL BE SPLIT TO COVER ALL THREATENING CD SITES.

(A) SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS AGAINST TARGETS AS ASSIGNED:

A. D-2 AND D-1

ALPHA	TOT
1	0900
2	1300
3	0930

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I. D-DAY. CYCLIC OPS AS ASSIGNED BY CTG 77.0

G. TARGETING:

(1) FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF TARGETS WHICH CONSTITUTE A THREAT TO OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF THE AOA. THE TARGET LIST WILL BE UPDATED AND ADJUSTED AS NECESSARY TO REFLECT CURRENT ACTIVITY.

(A) LOGISTICS LOC AND MIL TGTS:

1. DONG HOI AFLD	617-8400	1731/10636
2. CU NAM TRUCK PK	617-A1034	1737/10626
3. PHUONG HA MIL CPLX	617-PC0265	1732/10632
4. DONG HOI CTSP	617-04717	1727/10638
5. CU HAP MIL CPLX	617-01394	1729/10631
6. QUANG KHE TSP	617-01044	PI 1742/10629
7. THANH YEN MIL PPS	617-00029	1741/10630
8. XUAN DUC PPS	617-05868	1720-10638
9. XUAN DUC TR	716-04576	1719/10638
10. PHONG NHA PET NR2	617-05534	1735-10409
11. HOANG LE VQG HWY SEG	617-05286	1759/10629

(2) ACTIVE CD SITES:

1. HOA LUAT BAC NR2	617-05070	1717/10651
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| 2. PHUOC XIE CD SITE | 617-06752 | 1722/10637 |
| 3. XOM NGOI CD SITE | 617-06133 | 1729/10636 |
| 4. XOM NGOI CD SITE | 617-05646 | 1730/10637 |
| 5. XOM NGOAI CD SITE NR1 | 617-04421 | 1731/10637 |
| 6. XOM NGOAICD SITE NR 2 | 617-04438 | 1731/10637 |
| 7. KE BANG FA/CD | 617-KI1406 | 1731/10638 |
| 8. QUNAG XHE | 617-06046 | 1740/10609 |
| 9. DONG DUNG CD SITE | 617-06138 | 1741/10624 |

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| 10. DIEN PHUOC CD SITE NR 3 | 617-04529 | 1744/10628 |
| 11. RON CD SITE | 617-06103 | 1747/10622 |
| 12. NCHIA NUONG CD SITE | 617-MD0114 | 1748/10627 |
| 13. CANH COUONG CD SITE NR3 | 617-06136 | 1752/10627 |
| 14. XOM NGOI CD SITE NR5 | 617-05646 | 1730/10637 |
| 15. DED GANG RADAR SITE | 617-15523 | 1757/10627 |
| 16. BA RON TSPEW/GCI SITEFN | 617-M1018 | 1750/10553 |
| 17. TRUNG NGHIA BKS | 617-05903 | 1726/10634 |
| 18. TUNG CHAT HWY BI/TSP | 617-03401 | 1752/10625 |

(3) ACTIVE SAM SITES:

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| 1. VN 421 | 1737/10627 | 8 MAY |
| 2. VN 430 | 1734/10629 | 8 MAY |
| 3. VN 111 (NEW) | 1737/10621 | 8 MAY |

H. WEATHER CRITERIA:

(1) AIR SUPPORT FOR THIS OPERATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN VMC WEATHER ONLY. VMC WEATHER IS DEFINED AS 12,000 FT CEILING, 5NM VISIBILITY, AND NOT MORE THAN 3/8 V GD COVER BELOW 12,000 FT.

I. NGFS SPOTTING:

(1) HELOS IF AVAILABLE.

J. ORDNANCE AND DAMAGE CRITERIA:

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(1) MK20, MK82, AND MK-83 WILL BE EMPLOYED AGAINST BOTH SAM AND CD SITES.

(2) MODERATE TO HEAVY DAMAGE TO SAM AND CD SITES AND/OR DISABLEMENT OF THEIR CREWS IS DESIRED.

(3) LOGISTIC, MILITARY AND LOC TGTS WILL BE WEAPONERED TO RECIEVE MAXIMUM DAMAGE WITHING THE WEIGHT OF EFFORT APPLIED.

5. (S) RECONNAISSANCE

A. PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THESE MISSIONS IS TO OBTAIN POST STRIKE INTELLIGENCE AND CONTINUAL UPDATE ON SAM SITES AND COASTAL DEFENSE SITES IN THE AOA. THIS PHOTOGRAPHY WILL BE REQUIRED TO ASSESS STRIKE DAMAGE AND OBTAIN INTELLIGENCE ON SUPPLY, TROOP BUILD-UP AND REPAIR EFFORT.

B. MISSION PLANNING AND EXECUTION. ONE RECONNAISSANCE MISSION WILL BE ASSIGNED TO EACH ALPHA STRIKE TOT. THIS MISSION WILL OBTAIN STRIKE BDA AND RECCE ADJACENT AREAS FOR NEWLY CONSTRUCTED SAM OR CD SITES, OR SIGNIFICANT TROOP BUILDUPS. RESIDUAL COVERAGE OR TARGETS IN LOW THREAT AREAS IS AUTHORIZED.

C. ALL REASONABLE PRECAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED TO REDUCE TO A MINIMUM THE RISKS INCURRED BY RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT AND ESCORTS. IN MOST CASES, A REDUCTION OF THE THREAT TO ECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SOUND AND IMAGINATIVE ROUTE PLANNING BY

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AIRCREWS.

D. THE NORMAL OICKP REPORTYWG SYSTEM WILL BE UTILIZED FOR ALL RECCE MISSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS PROVIDED AS NECESSARY PER PARA 9D.

E. FILM PROCESSING AND IPIR PREPARATION WILL BE ACCORDED THE HIGHEST PRIORITY AND UPON COMPLETION OF IPIR PREPARATION FILM WILL BE FORWARDED TO FICPACFAC AND CTF 76 BY THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS AVAILABLE.

6. (S) SAR:

A. ADDITIONAL SURFACE UNITS WILL NOT BE ALLOCATED FOR THIS OPERATION. DISPOSITION OF SAR ASSETS IS IAW CURRSHE YSTA (RECAP. REQUESTS FOR NAVY SAR ASSISTANCE WILL BE FORWARDED TO CTU 77.0.0 (HARBORMASTER) VIA AIR FORCE GREEN. AT NO TIME WILL DEDICATED SAR UNITS CLOSE NVN COAST BY MORE THAN 20 NM UNLESS NECESSARY FOR AN ACTUAL SAR.

B. A DEDICATED SAR HELO WILL BE PRE-POSITIONED AT SOUTH SAR STATION FOR CONTINGENCY PURPOSES. IN ADDITION TWO APPROPRIATELY EQUIPPED SAR HELICOPTERS ON 15 MINUTE STANDBY WILL BE MAINTAINED AS ASSIGNED BY CTF 76 FOR SAR WITHING THE AOA.

7. (S) COMMAND AND CONTROL:

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MTES ENTER THE AOA. ATTACK AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE OUTSIDE THE AOA WILL BE SENT TO THE TACC FOR CONTROL. ATTACK AIRCRAFT IN ALERT STATUS ABOARD THE CVAS DURING NON-FLYING HOURS CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE ON SHORT NOTICE.

8. (S) ESM/ECM SUPPORT:

A. A VQ-1 SIGINT AIRCRAFT, CALL SIGN DEEPSEA, WILL BE AIRBORNE DURING ALL ALPHA STRIKES ON D-2/D-1, AND FOR MOST OF THE CONTINUOUS TACAIR SUPPORT ON D-DAY. THE MISSION OF THIS ESM PLATFORM IS TO PROVIDE REAL-TIME INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY AIR DEFENSE REACTIONS TO

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THE FAAWC. AND TO ISSUE SAM AND MIG WARNINGS ON GUARD FREQUENCY. FREQUENCIES MONITORED BY THIS AIRCRAFT INCLUDE NAVY SERAC NET, RED CROWN 386.6, AND AIR FORCE GREEN COVERED CIRCUIT.

B. THE AIRBORNE ECM SUPPORT PACKAGE WILL CONSIST OF NAVY EA-38B'S AND MARINE EA-6A'S. TWO EKA-3B'S AND TWO EA-6A'S WILL BE PROGRAMMED FOR EACH ALPHA STRIKE. EKA-3B'S WILL BE PROVIDED AS AVAILABLE FOR STAND-OFF ECM SUPPORT ON D-DAY. ALL ECM AIRCRAFT WILL BE POSITIONED ADJACENT TO THE SAM ENVELOPE WITH JAMMING TRACKS ORIENTED FOR MAXIMUM EFFECTIVENESS AGAINST AAA AND SAM CONTROL RADARS. AT LEAST 1000 FEET ALTITUDE SEPARATION WILL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN ALL OTHER SUPPORT AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN THE SAME GEOGRAPHICAL AREA. THE EA-6A'S WILL BE ASSIGNED ALTITUDES OF 16,000 AND 18,000 FEET, AND THE EKA-3B'S WILL OPERATE AT FL 200 AND FL 220. ECM AIRCRAFT WILL MONITOR THE STRIKE GROUP FREQUENCY AND PROVIDE CONTINUOUS JAMMING SUPPORT UNTIL ALL AIRCRAFT ARE CONFIRMED FUEL SET AND OUTSIDE THE SAM ENVELOPE.

9. (S) COMMUNICATIONS AND OPERATIONAL REPORTING

A. DURING THE PLANNING AND PREPARATION PHASE, ESSENTIAL INFORMATION MAY BE DISSEMINATED DOWN ONLY TO THAT OPERATING LEVEL REQUIRED TO INSURE READINESS FOR EXECUTION WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED REACTION

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TIME.

B. COMMUNICATIONS AND OPERATIONAL REPORTING WILL BE IN THIS PLAN. ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE IS CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES:

- (1) CINCPACFLTINST 005480.40 (COMMANDER'S OPERATIONS REPORTS).
- (2) CINCPACFLTINST 03480.7 (PACOM EVENT/INCIDENT REPORT).

C. OPREP TRAFFIC FOR THIS SPECIAL OPERATIONS WILL BE PLACED IN GENERAL SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS (GENSER) AND CLASSIFIED SECRET LINDIS AND NOT DOWNGRADED UNTIL NOTIFIED BY CTF 77. ONLY THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSEES WILL BE USED: CJCS, JCS, CINCPAC, COMUSMACV, CINCPACFLT, CINCPACAF, CINCSAC, CINCUSARPAC, CG FMFPAC, COMSEVENTHFLT, CDR JAF, CTF-77, CTF-79, CTG-77.0, CTG 77.1, CTG-70.8, AND TG CDRS. OPREPS THAT REPORT SAM FIRINGS OR RHAW INDICATIONS WILL ALSO INXN AFSEP-COMMCEN. ALL OPREPS WILL BE TRANSMITTED VIA FLASH PRECEDENCE AND WILL

USE THE UNCLASSIFIED NICKNAME OF THE PLAN FLAG WORD WHEN ASSIGNED. DOUBLE ENCRYPTION WILL NOT BE USED. COMMUNICATION CENTER PERSONNEL SHOULD PROCESS THESE MESSAGES AHEAD OF TRAFFIC SHOWING EQUAL PRECEDENCE. OPREPS ORIGINATED BY CVA TASK GROUP CDRS SHALL UTILIZE FFN FOR DELIVERY OF OPREPS TO THOSE COMMANDS ADDRESSED AS SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FFN. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO NORMAL TEMPERATURE TRANSMISSION OF THE OPREP MESSAGES. PAGE 2 OF 3

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THE FOLLOWING OPREPS WILL BE TRANSMITTED:
 (1) OPREP-ONES (INCLUDING PHOTO) ARE REQUIRED FROM 7AF/77 LEVEL. OPREP-ONE IS TO BE TRANSMITTED IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO REACH CINCPAC BY 1200Z ON THE DAY PRECEDING THE DAY THE REPORT COVERS.

(2) OPREP-TWOS SPECIFIED IN ANNEX B CINCPACFLTINST S3480.4C ARE REQUIRED AS APPROPRIATE. THESE REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED BY CVA TASK GROUP CDRS ON UNSCHEDULED ATTACH MISSIONS OF AN EXTREMELY UNUSUAL OR HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT NATURE ONLY. IN ADDITION, FOR THIS OPERATION AN OPREP-TWO LAUNCH REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH STRIKE GROUP/WAVE PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING: TIME OF LAUNCH, NUMBER/TYPE OF A/C, AND OBJECTIVES LISTED IN CTG 77.8 OPREP-ONE AGAINST WHICH A/C WERE LAUNCHED.

(3) OPREP-THREES ARE REQUIRED FROM TASK GROUP CDRS FOR SIGNIFICANT EVENTS SUCH AS MIG ENGAGEMENTS, ENEMY SAM LAUNCHES, AIRCRAFT LOSSES, RECOVERY OF DOWNED AIRCREWS, U.S. SURFACE TO AIR MISSILE LAUNCHES, AND SIGNIFICANT BDA. SEPARATE OPREP-THREE REPORTS FOR BORDER CROSSINGS, DMZ VIOLATIONS AND PROTECTIVE REACTION STRIKES ARE NOT REQUIRED AS EXECUTION OF THIS PLAN REQUIRE SUCH PENETRATIONS.

(4) OPREP-FOURS ARE REQUIRED TO BE TRANSMITTED FROM EACH CVA TASK GROUP CDR AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE BUT NO LATER THAN THREE HOURS

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AFTER RECOVERY OF EACH STRIKE GROUP.

(5) OPREP-FIVES ARE REQUIRED TO BE TRANSMITTED FROM EACH CVA TASK GROUP. A PRELIMINARY OPREP-FIVE WILL BE SUBMITTED. THIS REPORT WILL INCLUDE ALL STR

NPRXCFORMATION AND BDA WHICH CAN BE COLLATED AND PREPARED FOR TRANSMISSION SO AS TO ARRIVE AT CJCS IN WASHINGTON PRIOR TO THE CHAIRMAN'S BRIEFINGS AT 0700 WASHINGTON TIME (EST OR EDT). TO THE MAX EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE REPORTS WILL INCLUDE A NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES AND BDA WHICH WILL ASSIST IN KEEPING AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON WELL INFORMED. ONLY ONE PRELIMINARY OPREP-FIVE WILL BE TRANSMITTED. IN ADDITION, A COMPLETE DAILY WRAP-UP MREP-FIVE CUT-OFF TIME (1600Z) WILL BE SUBMITTED. THIS LATTER REPORT WILL INCLUDE ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS OPERATION SUBMITTED IN PRELIMINARY OPREP-FIVES DURING THE 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD PLUS ALL NEW INFORMATION DEVELOPED UP TO CUT OFF TIME.

(6) WHENEVER OPREP REPORTS CAN BE FACILITATED OR EXPEDITED BY DEVIATING FROM THE NORMAL, COMPUTERIZED OPREP FORMAT, NARRATIVE REPORTS ARE AUTHORIZED FOR OPREPS, ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR AND PRELIMINARY FIVE. HOWEVER, ALL ESSENTIAL INFORMATION WHICH WOULD BE PROVIDED IN THE NORMAL FORMAT INCLUDING ESSENTIAL STATISTICS MUST ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE NARRATIVE REPORTS. THE DAILY 24 HOUR OPREP-

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FIVE WRAP-UP WILL BE TRANSMITTED IN THE STANDARD OPREP-FIVE FORMAT.

E. POST STRIKE INTELLIGENCE REPORTS (INCLUDING IPIR AND DISUM) WILL FOLLOW ESTABLISHED PATTERNS OF CLASSIFICATION AND FORMATING AND WILL BE TRANSMITTED VIA GENSER CHANNELS WITH "LIMDIS" HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS. DISTRIBUTION WILL BE CONFINED TO THE RESTRICTED LIST OF ADDRESSEES (SEE PARA C ABOVE) SMALL REPORTS, ANALYSIS, AND BDA PHOTOS PERTAINING TO THIS OPERATION WILL BE MARKED WITH THE FOLLOWING CAVEAT.

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(S) WE MUST USE THIS TIME TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS IN SHORT
-22- COLLECT AND LAST-MINUTE CHANGES.

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~~HEROIC ACTION (C)~~

- 1. 9TH MAE OPORD 2-72 (HEROIC ACTION) (IS)
 - 2. CTC 79.1 MSG 131615Z MAY 72 (S)
 - 3. (C) D-DAY AND RELATED R-DAY. FOR OPERATION HEROIC ACTION ARE POSTPONED. ALL ACTIVITY SCHEDULED BY REF 2 IS CANCELLED.
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A. CTF SEVEN SIX 101220Z MAY 72
 1. (C) EXERCISE OUTLINED REF A DEFERRED. HOLD REF A FOR
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9TH MAB OPOD 9-72

- A. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000, SERIES 701A; SHEETS: 6442I, 6442II
- B. CINCPAC 101911Z MAY 72 (IS)
- C. CINCPACFLT 102205Z MAY 72 (IS)
- D. COMSEVENTHFLT 110114Z MAY 72 (IS)
- E. CTF 76 OPOD 329

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F. CINCPACFLT/COMUSMACV AGREEMENT FOR US NAVAL SUPPORT OPERATIONS CONDUCTED IN RVN DTD 25 NOVEMBER 1966.

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TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	IG 79.1	BSGM MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJOR AUSTIN
DET, 1ST RADIO BN	TE 79.1.0.1	
DET A, HML-367	TE 79.1.0.2	
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJOR BORDERS
RLT-4	TU 79.1.2	COL PERRICH
HQ, 4TH MAR	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 1/9	TE 79.1.2.2	
BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	
PROV MAG 10	TU 79.1.6	COL KELLY
HQ, PROV MAG 10	TE 79.1.6.0	
DET B, HML-367	TE 79.1.6.2	
HMM-164	TE 79.1.6.3	
LFSP	TU 79.1.3	MAJOR BOTELHO
ELSG	TU 79.1.4	LTCOL FISCHER

1. (S) SITUATION BY REF (B) CINCPAC AUTHORIZED UTILIZATION OF THE

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 ARG IN CONDUCTING A SHORE TO SHORE VERTICAL ASSAULT EMPLOYING A TWO
 BATTALION VMC BRIGADE FROM VICINITY OF HUE. REFERENCE (B) DIRECTED
 COMSEVENTHFLT PROVIDE SUPPORT OF THE ARG IN CONDUCTING A SHORE TO
 SHORE VERTICAL ASSAULT. COMSEVENTHFLT, BY REFERENCE (C), GRANTED CTF
 79.1 AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY THE HELICOPTERS OF THE 31ST MAU IN THIS
 OPERATION.

A. ENEMY FORCES.

(C) ENEMY STRENGTH IN THE GENERAL AREA IS IN EXCESS OF ONE
 DIVISION. THE 66TH INFANTRY REGIMENT OF THE 304TH NVA DIVISION IS
 LOCATED IN THE AREA OF OPERATIONS WHILE THE 9TH AND 24B REGIMENTS
 OF THE 304TH ARE IN THE BA LONG VALLEY TO THE WEST, APPROXIMATELY
 14-18 KM. THE 303RD AND 312TH REGIMENTS OF THE 324B INFANTRY DIVI-
 SION ARE WITHIN 2-10 KM OF THE TAOR. THE 38TH ARTY REGIMENT AND THE
 202ND ARMORED REGIMENT ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 303RD AND 312TH
 REGIMENTS.

(2) SEE CURRENT INTELLIGENCE.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(C) COMMENCING H-HOUR 1ST DIV VMC LANDS 5D AND 6TH BNS OF THE
 369TH BRIGADE INTO LZ TANGO AND LZ BRAVO; SEIZES OBJECTIVES IMMEDIA-
 TELY ADJACENT TO THE LANDING ZONES AND CONTINUES ATTACK TO SEIZE

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 OBJECTIVES TO SOUTHEAST; AT H-1 9TH BN CROSSES LD TO NORTHWEST AND
 OCCUPIES BLOCKING POSITION VIC YD 4644. ON ORDER, 3RD AND 5TH BNS CON-
 TINUE THE ATTACK TO SOUTHEAST TO LINK UP WITH THE 9TH BN. ONE BATTA-
 LION RESERVE IN VIC BDE CP, PREPARED FOR HELO LIFT ON ORDER. 369
 BDE CMDR HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS SENIOR GROUND COMMANDER IN CONTROL OF
 THE OPERATION. SEE OPERATION OVERLAY.

(2) 7TH AF WILL SUPPORT WITH:

(A) 13 ARC LIGHT STRIKES. ARC LIGHT LZ TANGO 130815H MAY;
 ARC LIGHT LZ BRAVO 130910H MAY.

(B) PROVIDES PRE-H-HOUR LZ PREP, AERIAL BOMBARDMENT, CAP,
 CAS, AND TACP.

(C) PROVIDES 2 FAC ON STATION.

(3) TU 7Z 8.5 PROVIDES PRE H-HOUR NEUTRALIZATION AND DES-
 TRUCTION FIRES IN AREA OF OPERATIONS; LZ PREP, HELO APPROACH LANE
 SUPPRESSION, AND ON CALL NGFS. THERE WILL BE TWO DD(5"754) AND ONE
 CA(3") IN GS OF OPERATION. 2 CL AND ADDITIONAL DD'S AVAILABLE ON
 CALL.

(4) FOXHROT TROOP, 4TH AIR CAV PROVIDES 6 COBRAS FOR LZ PREP,
 HELO ESCORT, GUIDANCE TO LZ'S AND MARKS LZ BY SMOKE.

(5) CTF 76 CONDUCTS OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF VMC AIRMOBILE

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 OPERATION IN MR-1, RVN; PROVIDES LPH WITH HELO DIRECTION CENTER (CC);
 MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE FACILITIES; PROVIDES ALTERNATE HELO DECKS AS
 AVAILABLE; PROVIDES SAR BOATS AND HELOS.
 (C) ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. NONE.

9TH MAB (TCV) PROVIDES HELICOPTERS FOR ASSAULT TROOP LIFT, EMERGENCY RESUPPLY, AND MEDEVAC IN SUPPORT OF A 1ST VNMC DIVISION INITIATED OPERATION IN THE VICINITY OF HAI LANG (YD 4243), MR-1 SVN.

3. (S) EXECUTION

A. GENERAL--AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY 9TH MAB HELICOPTERS LAND 3RD BN 369 RVNMC BDE INTO LZ TANGO. AT L-HOUR 9TH MAB HELICOPTERS LAND 6TH BN RVNMC BDE INTO LZ BRAVO. FOLLOWING ASSAULT, HELICOPTERS WILL BE ON CALL TO LIFT THE RESERVE BN INTO AN LZ TO BE DESIGNATED AND PROVIDE EMERGENCY RESUPPLY AND/OR MEDEVAC.

B. H&S CO, 9TH MAB

(1) PROVIDE PERSONNEL AS REQUIRED FOR LIAISON PARTY TO 1ST VNMC DIVISION FOR DURATION OF OPERATION.

(2) DET A, HML-367 PROVIDES 2 UH-1E'S FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL AND LIAISON AS DIRECTED BY CG 9TH MAB.

C. PROVISIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT COMPANY. PROVIDE PERSONNEL

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AND EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED FOR 9TH MAB LIAISON PARTY TO 1ST VNMC DIVISION FOR DURATION OF OPERATION.

D. PROVISIONAL MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-10.

(1) PROVIDE HELICOPTERS TO SUPPORT 1ST VNMC DIVISION HELICOPTERBORNE ASSAULT INTO LZ'S TANGO AND BRAVO OR ALTERNATE LZ'S COCA AND DELTA.

(2) PROVIDE HELICOPTERS IN SUPPORT OF RESUPPLY AND MEDEVAC OF 1ST VNMC DIVISION ELEMENTS.

(3) PRESCRIBE TACTICS, METHODS AND PROCEDURES TO BE EMPLOYED BY SUPPORTING HELICOPTER ASSETS.

(4) BE PREPARED TO SUPPLY HELICOPTERS TO SUPPORT LIFT OF RESERVE BN INTO DESIGNATED LZ.

E. COORDINATION INSTRUCTIONS

(1) D-DAY 13 MAY 1972 (TO BE CONFIRMED)

(2) H-HOUR LZ TANGO 2930, L-HOUR LZ BRAVO 1100 (TO BE CONFIRMED)

(3) PICKUP POINT FOR VNMC TROOP HELICOPTER LIFTS FSB SALLY (YD 537275)

(4) LANDING ZONES:

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LZ TANGO (YD 423482)

ALT LZ COCA (YD 435487)

LZ BRAVO (YD 455509)

ALT LZ DELTA (YD 460500)

(5) VNMC OBJECTIVES

OBJ NR 1- YD 422478

OBJ NR 2- YD 447505

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OBJ NR 3- YD 456475

OBJ NR 4- YD 475487

BLOCK NR 1- YD 465447

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(6) OPERATION OVERLAY TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY COURIER.

(7) HELICOPTER APPROACH AND RETIREMENT LANES AS DESIGNATED BY CO., PROV MAG 10.

(8) FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION WILL BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF 369 VNMC BDE. 9TH MAB PROVIDES LN OFFICER WITH VNMC FSCC.

(A) USN ANGLICO NGLO COORDINATES NGF.

(B) USMC ARTILLERY ADVISOR TO VNMC BDE COORDINATES ARTY.

(C) USAF FAC COORDINATES TACAIR. USAF TACP (TRAIL) AT 1ST

VNMC DIV HQ

(9) OVERWATER SAR HELO WILL BE PROVIDED BY CTG 76.7

(10) DISPOSITION OF HELOS DOWNED IN COMBAT AREA SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH IN-COUNTRY PROCEDURES. AFTER RECOVERY OF CREW AND PASSENGERS AND UPON DETERMINATION BY THE COMMANDER ON THE GROUND THAT RECOVERY OF A/C IS NOT FEASIBLE, RECOMMENDATION REGARDING DESTRUCTION OF DOWNED HELO WILL BE MADE TO CG 9TH MAB BY FASTEST COMMUNICATION MEANS AVAILABLE.

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 APPROVED BY CG 9TH MAB. CARE OF MEDIVAC PATIENTS WHILE IN THE HELICOPTER WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY UNMC PERSONNEL.

(2) COMMAND AND SIGNAL
 COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

(1) CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH THE 9TH MAB LIAISON PARTY WITH UNMC UTILIZING THE FOLLOWING NET:

NET	FREQUENCY	STATION/CALL SIGN
LIAISON NET	(P) 2488.5 (2487)	9TH MAB/ STAPLETON
	(S) 9255.5 (9254)	PROVMAG 10/ OPTION HOLDER LIAISON/ ROUGH CLOUD

NOTE: STATIONS WILL USE OPERATION/AUTHENTICATION CODE AXAC 801.

(2) MEDIVAC REQUESTS WILL BE PASSED FROM 369TH UNMC BDE HQ TO 9TH MAB LIAISON PARTY WHO WILL SUBMIT REQUEST TO PROVMAG 10 OVER LN NET. REQUESTS WILL INCLUDE IDENTIFICATION OF LZ AND RADIO FREQUENCY TO CONTACT LZ.

(3) EMERGENCY LOGISTICS REQUESTS WILL BE PROCESSED TO PROVMAG 10 THE SAME AS MEDIVAC REQUESTS. LOGISTICS PICKUP WILL BE AT CAMP EVANS. CONTACT WILL BE ESTABLISHED ON THE FOLLOWING NET:

NET	FREQUENCY	STATION CALL SIGN
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 LOGISTICS 3P-88

369TH UNMC BDE/SAVAGE JACKET
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(4) TROOP LIFT HELICOPTERS WILL ESTABLISH RADIO CONTACT WITH THE LZ FOR TROOP LIFT ON THE FOLLOWING NET:

NET	FREQUENCY	STATION/CALL SIGN
369TH BDE TAC	(P) 09.59	6TH BN/SAVAGE JACKET "COCOA"
	(S) 61.03	3RD BN/SAVAGE JACKET "ZULU"
		369TH BDE/SAVAGE JACKET
		HC (A) SPANISH FLY CONTROL

(5) HELICOPTER COORDINATOR (A) (PROV) UNMC (A) WILL MONITOR THE FOLLOWING NET:

NET	FREQUENCY	STATION/CALL SIGN
HC (A) (SECURE VOICE)	(P) 62.15	HC (A) (PROV) SPANISH FLY CONTROL
	(S) 62.18	9TH MAB/STAPLETON
		PROVMAG 10/OPTION HOLDER
		9TH MAB LIAISON PARTY/ROUGH

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STAFF OFFICER...
(3) PROVIDED BY THE HELICOPTER AND THE HELICOPTER...
BY COMMANDER... OPERATION.

B. COMMANDER'S SID

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C. COMMANDER'S RELATIONS... PARA 10076 AND
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SONG THANH 5/72
CTF 76/SITREP SONG THANH 5/72 SERIAL 043/03 OF 4133 002 001
PART I
1. (S) ALL TG 79.1 HELOS ON YOUNG, PSET WET, AND VICTORIA ISLANDS
180945H MAY 72. HELOS REFUELED ON OKINAWA, NORTH ISLAND, LORAIN
MANITOWOC.
2. (S) TG 79.1 HELOS COMMENCED FLIGHT TO LZ DAILY AT 1100 LOCAL TIME
TO PICK UP SECOND VNMN BATTALION.
3. (S) PRELIMINARY PILOT REPORTS INDICATE NEGLIGIBLE GROUND
FIRE DURING FIRST LIFT.
4. (S) ALL AIRCRAFT ARRIVED AT LZ DAILY AT 1315 LOCAL TIME.

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SECOND VNMN BATTALION IN WRE LIFT.
PART II
1. (S) CONTINUE SUPPORT OPERATIONS.
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1. OPERATION SO FAR VERY SUCCESSFUL ENEMY APPARENTLY COMPLETELY BY SURPRISE. SOME ENEMY FLEEING TO NORTH. EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS.
2. NINTH BATTALION MET HEAVY RESISTANCE CROSSING. INITIAL REPORT APPROX. 87EN KIA. 2MORTAR, 3 MACHINE GUNS, TWO RECOILLESS RIFLES CAPTURED OR DESTROYED. NOW ON
3. SIXTH BN CLEARED HAI LANG. INITIAL REPORT 26PLCS DESTROYED, 7MACHINE GUNS, 1AA GUN, 7TRAILERS, 29 OR DESTROYED.
4. USAF REPORTED ONE TANK DESTROYED 5 SECONDARIES, 12EN IN CREW STRUCK. NO AIR REMAINING AFTER CAP EXPLOSTED.
5. DIV FWD CP HIT BY 130 THIS PM.

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VNMC AIR MOBILE OPERATIONS (U)

1. (S) OPNS IN SUPPORT OF VNMC 1ST DIV INITIAL ASSAULT COMPLETED AT 131144H MAY. OPERATION CONTINUES FOR RESUPPLY AND MED/VAC SUPPORT AND LIFT OF RESERVE IF REQUIRED.
 2. (S) THREE CH-46 HEL'S RECEIVED DAMAGE FROM ENEMY FIRE. ONE MO. AND TWO LIGHT DAMAGE.
 3. (S) ONE CH-53 LOST TAIL ROTOR ON LANDING AND WILL BE DEPLOYED IN ZONE.
 4. (C) NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES.
 5. (C) A/C AVAILABILITY FOR ASSAULT AND FLIGHT CREW PERFORMANCE OUTSTANDING.
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~~THIS MESSAGE IS INTERIM SITREP AS OF 130930Z MAY 72 (09Z)~~

1. (CS) AT 0600 12 CH-46, 2 CH-53, AND 2 OH-1E HELICOPTERS LAUNCHED USS OKINAWA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THANH 5/72. APPROX. 1,100 VNMC AIRLIFTED IN TWO HELICOPTER WAVES. ONE CH-53 DAMAGED AND ABANDONED DURING SECOND WAVE. CREW RECOVERED. NO INJURIES TO US MARINES.

2. (CS) THE INITIAL, UNCONFIRMED, VNMC SITREP INDICATES FOLLOWING AS RESULT OF FIRE SUPPORT/GROUND ACTION.

A. 205 ENEMY KIA, AND 4 POW CAPTURED

B. FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED:

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(1.) MACHINE GUN--15

32MM MORTAR--04

PT-76 TANK--03

TRLR-----07

GUN (POSS-122)--02

B-47-----01

B-40-----02

B-41-----02

AKA-47-----05

57MM RR-----01

75MM RR-----01

RADIO-----01

MEDICAL KIT--01

3. (CS) COMPREHENSIVE SITREP TO FOLLOW.

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 N. DOWNED HELICOPTER

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 N1. SER 001 130435Z MAY 72 (5) CH-1
 N2. 130351Z MAY 72
 N4. ONE MARINE CH-53, BUONO 157147, WHILE ON TACTICAL LIFT INTO ZONE AT YD 470483 WHERE HOSTILE FIRE WAS BEING RECEIVED IMPACTED TAIL ROTOR, ROTATED NINETY DEGREES AND SETTLED HARD. TAIL ROTOR SYSTEM DAMAGED BEYOND FLIGHT, AIRCREW EVACUATED. TWO PRECEDING AIRCRAFT HIT BY HOSTILE FIRE, CREW RECOVERED UNINJURED, A/C GUNS REMOVED. 2 BY 28'S ZEROIZED BUT NOT REMOVED. A/C REPORTED BURNING AT 1414H MAY AS RESULT OF ORDERS TOX DESTROY IN PLACE.
 Z. LAST OP REP -3 THIS INCIDENT.

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RHARSGG RUASNA.

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1. (S) OPERATION SUMMARY:

- A. 3TH MAB MOVED TO HOLDING AREAS TO COMMENCE SUPPORT OF VMMC OPERATION CONG THANH 5/72.
- B. AG PREPARED BY MCF, AIR STRIKES AND AHC LIGHTS.
- C. FIRST WAVE TO 79.1 HELOS DEPARTED OKINAWA 130800H MAY 72 TO FSB SALLY (YD 637275) TO PICK UP VMMC BN OF 369TH BRIGADE.
 - (1) OKINAWA LAUNCHED 13 CH-46, 5 CH-53 AND 2 UH1E IN SUP-PORT OF OPERATION.

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- (2) FROM FSB SALLY HELOS VECTORED OVER INLAND ROUTE TO LZ TANGU (YD 423402).
- (3) HELD AT ORBIT POINT IN ROUTE WHILE USA COBRAS IN ESCORT COORDINATED FIXED WING AIRSTRIKES ON AA POSITIONS VIC 4545. PROCEEDED WITH LANDING WITHOUT INCIDENT. FIRST HELO TOUCHED DOWN 130940H; ALL A/C OUTBOUND BY 130943H.
- (4) AIRCRAFT REFUELED ON OKINAWA, MOBILE, ST. LOUIS, AND HANITONOC AND RETURNED TO FSB SALLY FOR SECOND VMMC BATTALION 131032H.
- (5) SECOND WAVE PROCEEDED INLAND ROUTE CLOSER TO COAST THAN FIRST WAVE.
- (6) LANDING ZONE CHANGED FROM (YD 455509) TO (YD 470483) ENROUTE.
- (7) 131157H FIRST HELO INTO ZONE. REPORTED RECEIVING GROUND FIRE BUT ABLE TO UNLOAD TROOPS AND DEPART.
- (8) THREE CH-46 DAMAGED BUT RETURNED LPM-S. ONE CH-53 BUHO 137147. SUFFERED EXTENSIVE ROTOR DAMAGE WHILE EXERCISING EVASIVE ACTION IN HOSTILE FIRE. TAIL ROTOR CAME IN CONTACT WITH GROUND. A/C ABANDONED. CREW RECOVERED BY ACCOMPANYING AIRCRAFT. NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES. ALL OTHER

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- AIRCRAFT HELD NO LANDING ZONE BY 131144H.
- (9) MISSION TERMINATED ONE CH-46 EXERCISE DAMAGE. SEVERE DAMAGE ONE CH-53 ABANDONED. CREW RECOVERED BY HELICOPTER. OPERATION SUPPORTED BY 2 F-4E, 2 F-105 AND 10 ARMY GUNSHIPS.
- 3. NO COMBAT ASSOCIATED A-S LOSSES.

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- (1) ONE UH-1E LOST OVER SIDE LFR-3 UPON LAUNCH AT 13124H
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- (2) SAR LAUNCHED AT 1246H.
- (3) CREW SAFELY RECOVERED BY RESCUE BOAT AT 1248H.
- (4) ONE CREW MEMBER RECEIVED MINOR SUPERFICIAL SCRATCHES ON
BACK. NO OTHER CASUALTIES.
- E. 131330H FIRST REDEVAC REQUEST RECEIVED THIS COMMAND.
- F. DESTRUCTION OF ABANDONED CR-33:
- (1) DESTRUCTION MISSION PASSED TO CUSTOM HOUSE 26 OSCAR AT
1350H. 1414H WOUGH CLOUD REPORTED AIRCRAFT BURNING.
- (2) TWO 50 CAL MACHINE GUNS WERE REMOVED BY CREW.
- (3) TWO HY-20'S BLENDED BUT NOT RECOVERED.
- (4) DAMAGE TOO EXTENSIVE AND DISASSEMBLY TIME TOO GREAT TO
WARRANT HELD REMOVAL.
- G. GROUND ACTION SUMMARY:

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- (1) OPERATION CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL. ENEMY APPARENTLY CAUGHT
BY SURPRISE. SOME ENEMY FLEEING TO NORTHWEST, ABANDONING
EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS.
- (2) EIGHTH BATTALION, WITH BLOCKING MISSION, MET HEAVY RE-
SISTANCE CROSSING RIVER AT 481435. INITIAL REPORT AP-
PROXIMATELY 57 ENEMY KIA. FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT CAPTURED
OR DESTROYED: TWO 82MM MORTAR, THREE MACHINE GUNS, TWO
B-49, ONE B-41, 33 AKA-47, TWO RR(157MM AND 175MM)
MOVING ON OBJECTIVE BR. 3.
- (3) SIXTH BATTALION CLEARED MAE LANG. INITIAL REPORT 52
ENEMY KIA, 4 POW, THREE PT-76 TANKS DESTROYED. FOLLOWING
EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED: SEVEN MACHINE GUNS,
ONE AA GUN, SEVEN TRAILERS, 29 AKA-47, THREE 82MM MOR-
TARS AND TWO GUNS (POSSIBLY 122MM).
- (4) HEAVY REPORTED ONE TANK DESTROYED, FIVE SECONDARIES, ONE
LARGE FIRE, TROOPS IN OPEN.
- (5) THIRD BATTALION AT LANDING ZONE BRAVO REPORTS 66 ENEMY
KIA. FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED: 33 AKA-47
ONE B-47, ONE B-41, FIVE MACHINE GUNS, ONE RADIO, AND
ONE MEDICAL KIT.

PAGE FIVE RUMOPTASGAS S E C R E T

H. OKINAWA ON CONTINUOUS REDEVAC ALERT. AS OF 131330H 13
REDEVACS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED.

I. AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD, VMCB UNITS REPORTED OCCUPYING
DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ALONG RIVER BETWEEN (YD433426) AND
(YD 520477).

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 PART I
 1. (S) NEDEVAC FLIGHT DISPATCHED 140735H MAY 72 TO 3RD VNMC BAT
 AREA TO PICK UP FIVE WOUNDED.
 2. (S) AT 140220H MAY 72 VNMC UNITS INSIDE FRIENDLY FRONT LINES AND
 PROCEEDING TO WIND DOWN OPERATION
 PART II
 1. (S) TERMINATION WILL BE REPORTED WHEN ALL CLEAR.
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VNMC AIRMOBILE OPERATION FINAL SITREP CH 1

A. MY 140730Z MAY 72 (S)

1. (S) MAKE FOL CHANGE TO REF A:
 A. PAR 3.C FRIENDLY CASUALTIES; DELETE THE WORD QUOTE NONE UNQUOTE
 AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFORE THE WORDS; WAINE ONE (USMC)

B. (S) ADD FOL PAR 4;

D. TACTICS EMPLOYED TO MINIMIZE LOSSES:
 (1) SINGLE WAVE HELI-LIFT INTO EACH ZONE ALLOWED NO TIME FOR
 ENEMY TO SET UP AA DEFENSE.
 (2) APPROACH AND RETIREMENT TO/FROM LZ'S CONDUCTED AT OR BELOW
 TWO HUNDERED FEET AGL.

E. DUE TO LIMITED DECK SPACE (LACK OF LPD), SIX CH-46 AIRCRAFT WERE LAUNCHED TO PICK UP ZONE AND SHUT DOWN TO AVOID EXCESS DELTA

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TIME PRIOR TO LOADING. THIS EVOLUTION OCCURRED BOTH LIFTS.

F. REPORT FROM MARINE ADVISOR WITH UNIT WHICH DESTROYED DOWNED CH-53 (PAR 3.A.(7) ABOVE) INDICATED TAIL SECTION AND ROTOR HIT BY HOSTILE FIRE.

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OPERATION SONG THANK 5/72
9TH MAB FINAL OPERATION SITREP (U)

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- 1. (S) OPERATION SUMMARY:
 - A. HELO OPERATION SUMMARY: HMM-164

A/C	SORTIES	PAX	CARGO	HOURS
CH-46	42	536	800	48.0
CH-53	10	600	0	15.0
UH-1E	17	2	300	16.5
 - B. FOUR MEDEVAC REQUESTS WERE ANSWERED RESULTING IN 18 VNMC EVACU

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ATED TO HUE HOSPITAL.

- C. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES:
 - (1) ONE CH-46 CREW MEMBER SUFFERED MINOR WOUND. STEEL SPLINTER IN CALF OF LEG 13 MAY DURING OPERATION. TREATED AND RETURNED TO DUTY
 - D. TACTICS EMPLOYED TO MINIMIZE LOSSES:
 - (1) SINGLE WAVE HELI-LIFT INTO EACH ZONE ALLOWED MINIMUM TIME FOR ENEMY TO SET UP AA DEFENSE.
 - (2) APPROACH AND RETIREMENT TO/FROM LZ'S CONDUCTED AT OR BELOW TWO HUNDRED FEET AGL.
 - E. DUE TO LIMITED DECK SPACE (LACK OF LPD), SIX CH-46 AIRCRAFT WERE LAUNCHED TO PICK UP ZONE AND SHUT DOWN TO AVOID EXCESS DELTA TIME PRIOR TO LOADING. THIS EVOLUTION OCCURED BOTH LIFTS.
 - F. REPORT FROM MARINE ADVISOR WITH UNIT WHICH DESTROYED DOWNED CH-53 INDICATED TAIL SECTION AND ROTOR HIT BY HOSTILE FIRE.
2. (C) COMMENTS: SENIOR MARINE ADVISOR REPORTED QUOTE, "COMMANDANT VNMC GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF OUTSTANDING SUPPORT AND PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE OF ALL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATED WITH HELO OPERATIONS AS WELL AS ALL OTHER SUPPORT PROVIDED," UNQUOTE

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 SUBJ: VMMC HELO BORN/AMPHIP OPERATION
 1. (S) SUBJ OPER. IS CURRENTLY A GO WITH NO CHANGE IN SCHEDULED D-DAY PLANNING AND PERPARTITION WILL CONTINUE. CG FRAC WILL NOTIFY ALL PARTICIPANTS OF ANY CHANGE IF AND WHEN REQUIRED.

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 2. (U) ACKNOWLEDGE REQUIRED SOONEST.
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 9TH MAB OPOD 10-72 (OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72)
 A. MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000, SERIES L7014; SHEETS: 6442 I, II, III, IV
 B. CINCPAC 210539Z MAY 72 (IS)
 C. COMSEVENTHFLT 220600Z MAY 72 (IS)

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 D. CTF SEVEN SIX OPOD 330 (IS)
 E. CINCPACFLT/COMUSMACV AGREEMENT FOR US NAVAL SUPPORT OPERATIONS CONDUCTED IN RVN DTD 25 NOVEMBER 1966. (U)
 F. CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS ANNEX (S)
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TASK ORGANIZATION

9TH MAB	TG 79.1	BGEN MILLER
H&S CO 9TH MAB	TU 79.1.0	MAJ AUSTIN
DET, 1ST RAD BN	TE 79.1.0.1	
DET A, HML 367	TE 79.1.0.2	
PROV COMM SPT CO	TU 79.1.1	MAJ BORDERS
RLI FOUR	TU 79.1.2	COL PERRICH
HQ, 4TH MAR	TE 79.1.2.0	
BLT 3/4	TE 79.1.2.1	
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BLT 1/4	TE 79.1.2.3	
BLT 2/9	TE 79.1.2.4	
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TU 79.1.6.3

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TU 79.1.4

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1. (S) SITUATION. BY REF (B) CINCPAC, UNODIR, AUTHORIZED UTILIZATION OF THE ARG SHIPPING AND THE HELO AND LVT ASSETS (INCLUDING CREWMEN) OF CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE IN CONDUCTING AN ASSAULT EMPLOYING [THREE] BATTALIONS VNBC. COMSEVENTHFLT, BY REF (C), GRANTED CTF 76/CTG 79. AUTHORITY, UNODIR BY HIGHER AUTHORITY, TO EMPLOY FORCES LISTED ABOVE IN THIS OPERATION.

A. ENEMY FORCES.

(1) ENEMY STRENGTH IN THE AOA IS ESTIMATED AT ELEMENTS OF UP TO ONE BN OF THE 24TH REGT, 304TH DIV NEAR HLZ AND ELEMENTS OF UP TO TWO CO'S FROM EITHER THE 9TH REGT, 304TH DIV OR THE 102ND REGT, 308TH DIV, PLUS ONE CO FROM THE 164TH ARTY REGT, VICINITY OF LANDING BEACH. THE 9TH AND 24TH REGT'S BELIEVED TO HAVE UNITED AS ONE UNIT. OTHER FORCES LOCATED NEAR THE AOA ARE THE 66TH REGT, 304TH DIV; 27TH AND 31ST INDEP REGT'S; ELEMENTS OF THE 38TH, 164TH, AND 106TH ARTY REGT'S; ELEMENTS OF THE 202ND AND 203RD ARMOR REGT'S; DC-10, DC-35, AND DC-35 SAPPER BN'S; AND K-8 AND K-14 QUANG TRI LOCAL FORCE BN'S. THE ENEMY CAN PROBABLY MASS UP TO THREE REGIMENTS IN THE IMMEDIATE

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AOA WITHIN TWO HOURS.

(2) SEE CTG 79.1 SUP INTEL REP 003-72

(3) SEE CURRENT INTELLIGENCE

B. FRIENDLY FORCES

(1) COMMENCING AT H HOUR, 1ST DIV VNBC LANDS [3RD AND 7TH BN'S] OF THE 147TH BRIGADE BY LVT ACROSS BEACH RED 1 AND 2, SEIZES OBJECTIVES ASSIGNED AND PREPARES TO CONTINUE ATTACK TO SOUTH ON ORDER. AT L-HOUR 2D BN 147TH BRIGADE LANDS IN LZ COLUMBUS SEIZES OBJECTIVE ASSIGNED AND PREPARES TO CONTINUE ATTACK TO SOUTH ON ORDER.

(2) 7TH AF WILL SUPPORT WITH:

(A) ARC LIGHT STRIKES. LOCATION OF ARC LIGHT STRIKES PROVIDED BY COURIER.

(B) PROVIDES PRE-H-HOUR LZ PREP, AERIAL BOMBARDMENT, CAP, CAS, AND TACP.

(C) PROVIDES 2 FAC ON STATION.

(3) TU 70.8.9 PROVIDES PRE H-HOUR NEUTRALIZATION AND DESTRUCTION FIRES IN AREA OF OPERATIONS, LZ PREP, HELO APPROACH LANE SUPPRESSION, AND ON CALL NGFS.

(4) FOXTROT TROOP, 4TH AIR CAV PROVIDES COBRAS FOR LZ PREP, HELO ESCORT, GUIDANCE TO LZ'S AND MARKS LZ BY SMOKE.

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(S) CTF 76 CONDUCTS OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF VNMCTF 101 AIRBORNE AND SURFACE ASSAULT IN MR-1, RVN; PROVIDES LPH WITH HELO LIFT/RECOVERY CENTER (HDC), MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE FACILITIES, ALTERNATE HELO DECKS AS AVAILABLE, SAR BOATS AND HELOS; EMBARKS VNMCTF SURFACE ASSAULT FORCES AND CONTROLS AND COORDINATES LVT LAUNCH/RECOVERY.

2. (S) MISSION. 9TH MAB (TG 79.1) PROVIDES HELICOPTERS AND LVTP-5'S FOR ASSAULT LANDING AND HELICOPTERS FOR EMERGENCY RESUPPLY, AND MED-EVAC IN SUPPORT OF FIRST DIVISION VNMCTF INITIATED OPERATION EAST OF QUANG TRI (VIC 4755).

3. (S) EXECUTION

A. GENERAL--AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY 9TH MAB LVT'S LAND 3RD AND 7TH BN'S 147TH VNMCTF BDE ACROSS BEACHES RED 1 AND 2. AT L-HOUR 9TH MAB HELICOPTERS LAND 2D BN 147TH VNMCTF BDE INTO LZ COLUMBUS. FOLLOWING THE ASSAULT, HELICOPTERS WILL BE ON-CALL TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY RESUPPLY AND/OR MEDEVAC.

B. H&S CO, 9TH MAB (CTU 79.1.0)

(1) PROVIDES PERSONNEL AS REQUIRED FOR LIAISON PARTIES TO 1ST VNMCTF DIVISION FOR DURATION OF OPERATION.

(2) DET A, HML-367 PROVIDES 2 UH-1E'S FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL AND LIAISON AS DIRECTED BY CG 9TH MAB.

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C. PROVISIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT COMPANY (CTU 79.1.1). PROVIDES PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED FOR 9TH MAB LIAISON PARTIES TO 1ST VNMCTF DIVISION FOR DURATION OF OPERATION.

D. RLI FOUR (CTU 79.1.2)

(1) PROVIDES LVT'S AND CREWS TO SUPPORT 1ST VNMCTF DIVISION SURFACE ASSAULT ACROSS BEACHES RED 1 AND 2. LVT'S WILL DISCHARGE VNMCTF PERSONNEL AT DRY RAMP POINT ON THE BEACHES AND LVT'S WILL RETURN TO AMPHIBIOUS SHIPPING IMMEDIATELY AFTER UNLOADING. LVT'S WILL NOT PROCEED INLAND.

E. PROVISIONAL MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-10. (CTU 79.1.6)

(1) PROVIDE HELICOPTERS TO SUPPORT 1ST VNMCTF DIVISION HELICOPTERBORNE ASSAULT INTO LZ COLUMBUS OR ALTERNATE LZ'S IF REQUIRED.

(2) PROVIDE HELICOPTERS IN SUPPORT OF RESUPPLY AND MEDEVAC OF 1ST DIVISION VNMCTF ELEMENTS.

(3) PRESCRIBE TACTICS, METHODS AND PROCEDURES TO BE EMPLOYED BY SUPPORTING HELO ASSETS.

F. COORDINATION INSTRUCTIONS

(1) D-DAY 24 MAY 1972 (TO BE CONFIRMED)

(2) H-HOUR 0830H

(3) L-HOUR 0930H

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- (4) TROOP PICKUP POINT FOR VNMC HELO LIFTS-140 MY (LZ TANGO 8231)
- (5) LANDING ZONE COLUMBUS (461531)
- (6) BEACH, CENTER POINT RED BEACH IS 466571.
RED ONE: NORTH OF CENTER POINT
RED TWO: SOUTH OF CENTER POINT
- (7) VNMC OBJECTIVES AT FOLLOWING COORDINATES. IDENTIFICATION TO BE PROMULGATED.
- 476572
- N 492562 35 310
- E 523536
- 461528
- A 479519
- 520502
- (8) HELICOPTER APPROACH AND RETIREMENT LANES:
HUE RENDEZVOUS POINT OVERHEAD LPH TO POINT DAYTON 63737 TO LZ TANGO 8231 RETURN TO POINT DAYTON THEN TO POINT TOLEDO 5658 THEN FEET DRY POINT AKRON 509553 THEN TO LZ COLUMBUS 461531. RETIREMENT FROM LZ TO POINT BUCKEYE 437556 THEN TO POINT TOLEDO THEN RETURN TO LPH.
- LSIERNATE ROUTE:
FROM HUE RENDEZVOUS TO POINT DAYTON TO POINT TANGO TO LZ SALLY 637275 TO POINT DALLAS 661363 TO POINT CANTON 7247 THEN TO POINT TOLEDO THEN TO POINT AKRON, POINT BUCKEYE OR LZ COLUMBUS IF NECESSARY.

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(9) SURFACE PICKUP. PERSONNEL TO CONDUCT SURFACE LANDING WILL BE PICKED UP AT TAN MY (8231) AT 231500H BY LCM'S AND TRANSPORTED TO ASSIGNED SHIPS TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT.

(10) OPERATION OVERLAY TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY COURIER

(11) FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION WILL BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF 147TH VNMC BDE. 9TH MAB PROVIDES LN OFFICER WITH VNMC FSCC.

(A) USN ANGLICO NGLO COORDINATES NGF.

(B) USMC ARTILLERY ADVISOR TO VNMC BD COORDINATES ARTY.

(C) USAF FAC COORDINATES TACAIR. USAF TACP (TRAIL) AT HQ 1ST DIV VNMC.

(12) OVERWATER SAR HELO WILL BE PROVIDED BY CIG 76.7.

(13) DISPOSITION OF HELOS DOWNED IN COMBAT AREA SHALL BE IAW IN-COUNTRY PROCEDURES. AFTER RECOVERY OF CREW AND PASSENGERS AND UPON DETERMINATION BY THE COMMANDER ON THE SCENE THAT RECOVERY OF A/C IS NOT FEASIBLE, RECOMMENDATION REGARDING DESTRUCTION OF DOWNED HELO WILL BE MADE TO CG 9TH MAB BY FASTEST COMMUNICATION MEANS AVAILABLE. NO USMC GROUND FORCES WILL BE INSERTED FOR PROTECTION/RECOVERY OF SUCH HELOS.

(14) LANDING PLAN--AS MUTUALLY AGREED UPON BY CO PROV MAG 12, CO RLT 4, AND CG, 1ST VNMC DIVISION.

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(15) PUBLIC AFFAIRS

(A) RELEASE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN THIS OPERATION WILL NOT BE MADE UNLESS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY COMSEVENTHFLT.

(B) QUERIES WILL BE ANSWERED WITH QUOTE "NO COMMENT" UNQUOTE.

(C) COMSEVENTHFLT, INFO CTG 76.1 AND 79.1 WILL BE ADVISED IMMEDIATELY OF ANY PRESS INTEREST INCLUDING NATURE OF SPECIFIC QUERIES AND/OR REQUESTS FOR MEDIA INFORMATION.

(16) REPORTS.

(A) SUBMIT HOURLY SITREP OVER BDE TAC NET WITH FIRST REPORT AT H-1.

(B) ADMIN REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED FOLLOWING END OF OPERATION.

4. (C) ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

A. MATERIAL AND SERVICES

(1) ON CALL HELICOPTER EMERGENCY RESUPPLY OF AMMUNITION. NO OTHER RESUPPLY SUPPORT ANTICIPATED.

(2) AMMUNITION RESUPPLY WILL BE PREPARED WITH SLINGS FOR EXTERNAL LIFT. NO USMC HST SUPPORT TO BE EMPLOYED.

B. MEDICAL EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

(1) EVACUATION

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(A) VNMC CASUALTIES WILL BE EVACUATED TO THE I CORPS MILITARY HOSPITAL AT HUE BY HELICOPTER, VICINITY 752241.

(B) USMC CASUALTIES WILL BE EVACUATED TO THE DESIGNATED CASUALTY RECEIVING SHIP (USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)).

(C) ONLY EMERGENCY MEDEVAC WILL BE CONDUCTED AFTER DARK.

(D) HELICOPTERS CARRYING A MIXED GROUP OF MEDEVAC'S (I.E. VNMC AND US) WILL BE EVACUATED TO THE CASUALTY RECEIVING SHIP (USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)). VNMC CASUALTIES WILL BE TREATED AS REQUIRED IN PREPARATION FOR FURTHER EVACUATION TO THE I CORPS MILITARY HOSPITAL AT HUE.

(E) US MEDICAL PERSONNEL WILL NOT FLY MEDEVAC MISSIONS UNLESS APPROVED BY CG 9TH MAB. CARE OF MEDEVAC PATIENTS WHILE IN THE HELICOPTER WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY VNMC PERSONNEL.

5. (S) COMMAND AND SIGNAL

A. COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS

(1) FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE F AND THIS OPERATION ORDER.

(2) PROVMAG-10 (CTU 79.1.6)

(A) ESTABLISH COMMUNICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE F AND THIS OPERATION ORDER.

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- (E) PREPARE APPROPRIATE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN IN SUPPORT OF THIS OPERATION ORDER.
- (C) ENTER THE 9TH MAB (VNMC) LIAISON NET (IF).
- (5) REL-4 (CTU 79.1.2)
 - (A) ESTABLISH COMMUNICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE F AND THIS OPERATION ORDER.
 - (B) PREPARE APPROPRIATE COMMUNICATION PLAN IN SUPPORT OF THIS OPERATION ORDER.
 - (C) ENTER THE 9TH MAB BRIGADE TAC NET (60.45), SECURE VOICE, (SKAK 8159)
- (4) MEDVAC REQUESTS WILL BE PASSED FROM THE VNMC TO 9TH MAB. LIAISON PARTY (ROUGH CLOUD) WHO WILL SUBMIT REQUESTS TO PROVNAF-10 OVER THE 9TH MAB (VNMC) LIAISON NET. REQUESTS WILL INCLUDE IDENTIFICATION OF LZ AND RADIO FREQUENCY TO CONTACT LZ.
- (5) CODES/KEYLISTS
 - (A) OPERATION/AUTHENTICATION CODE AKAC 301 WILL BE USED ON UNCOVERED NETS.
 - (B) NESTOR KEYLIST AKAK 8159 WILL BE USED ON SECURE VOICE NETS.

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(6) THE FOLLOWING NETS, FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS ARE LISTED FOR INFORMATION IN ADDITION TO THOSE CONTAINED IN REFERENCE F.

(A) NETS:

FREQ	USE
68.20	COBRA GUNSHIPS (COVEY/BILK)

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61.45	PICKUP ZONE (BUTANE XRAY 34/CUSTOM HOUSE DATA)
60.45	NINTH MAB TACTICAL NET
63.00	147 BDE TAC (ADVISORS) ✓
63.55	MAU DIV TAC 1 (ADVISORS)
43.10	ICEPACK LN
61.55	LVI CO CMD (P)
59.30	LVI CO CMD (S)
236.2	LPH-3 L/L
241.9	COBRA GUNSHIPS HC (A) (P)
246.7	COBRA GUNSHIPS HC (A) (S)
243.0	AIR DISTRESS
389.0	HELO ITINERANT L/L
275.3	HD1 LPH-3 TO BEACH (FEETDRY)
258.6	HD2 OVERBEACH TO FEETWET
343.9	AF TATC (TRAIL CTL)
375.0	AF TAC (BILK)
275.0	AF TAC (MIKE)
275.2	AF TAC (COVEY)
364.0	AF TAC (RUSTIC)

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364.9	AF TAC (NAIL)	
364.2	SAR COMMON	
2488.5	NINTH MAB LN (P)	
2135.5	NINTH MAB LN (S)	
(B) CALL SIGNS		
CALL SIGNS		
NINTH MAB/TG 79.1	STAPLETON	
CG NINTH MAB (PERSONNAL)	KING GUSTY	
RLT-4	EAGLE EYE	
PROV MAG-10	OPTION HOLDER	
HMM 164	SPANISH FLY	
LVI CO	FOOTBALL STAR	
CTF 76	ILLUSION	
TACC (LCC-19)	ICEPACK	
HDC (LPH-3)	FAIRMONT	
COBRA GUNSHIPS	CENTAUR II	
HML 367	SCARFACE	
NINTH MAB LN (FWD)	ROUGH CLOUD	
NINTH MAB LN (FIRST VNMC)	STAPLETON CHARLIE	
MAU DIV TAC	SAMOVAR EUIANE	

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147 BDE TAC	GOLDEN RAMPAGE
MAU SENIOR ADVISOR	XRAY
SA 147 BDE	35

B. COMMAND POSTS

9TH MAB	USS BLUE RIDGE
RLT-4	USS DENVER
PROVMAG-10	USS OKINAWA
1ST VNMC DIV	TBA
147 VNMC BDE	TBA

C. COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS IAW JCS PUB2, PARA 30275 AND 30270 AND REFERENCE (E). THE DECISION TO DELAY, CANCEL, OR CEASE HELICOPTER SUPPORT OPERATIONS ONCE BEGUN MAY BE MADE BY CO PROV MAG 10.

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ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE

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A. CTG 79.1 221730Z MAY 72.

1. (S) REF A CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

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A. PARA 1 LINE THREE; CHANGE NO OF BATTALIONS TO TWO.

B. PARA 1 B (1) LINE ONE DELETE 3D BN.

C. PARA 3A LINE ONE DELETE 3D BN

LINE TWO CHANGE BEACHES RED 1 AND 2 TO BEACH RED.

D. PARA 3D (1) LINE TWO CHANGE BEACHES RED 1 AND 2 TO BEACH RED.

E. PARA 3F (7) DELETE ALL COORDINATES AND SUBSTITUTES THE

FOLLOWING:

- 479519 OBJ ALFA
- 500502 OBJ BRAVO
- 520488 OBJ CHARLIE
- 523536 OBJ ECHO
- 540527 OBJ FOXTROT
- 492562 OBJ KILO
- 545493 OBJ QUEBEC
- 461528 OBJ TANGO

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F. PARA 5.A.(4). ADD THE FOLLOWING: "HELICOPTER IN-BOUND FOR MEDEVAC WILL CALL "CENTAUR CONTROL" ON FREQUENCY 67.40 AND ARRANGE RENDEZVOUS OVER TAN MY FOR ESCORT INTO LZ".

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G. PARA 5.A. ADD THE FOLLOWING UNDER NETS:

FREQ USE
36.90 147 BDE TAC 2 (HELOS USE FOR LZ CONTROL)

H. PARA 5C ADD: UNDER PROVISION PARA 274 LFM-01 THE DECISION TO DELAY, CANCEL, OR CEASE LVT SUPPORT OPERATIONS ONCE BEGUN MAY BE MADE BY CO RLT-4.

2. (S) D-DAY CONFIRMATION WILL BE PASSED OVER BDE TAC NET

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SITREP NUMBER ONE

1. ARC LITE TARGET 19269 APPROVED FOR 0815. TARGET 19273 REQUESTED FOR DIVERT AT 0620. NEW TARGET REQUESTED FOR DIVERT. NUMBER 19279, SCHEDULED FOR 0715 FROM YD 477537 TO 477527 TO 447537 TO 447527. DIVERTS AT SAAGON FOR FINAL APPROVAL.
2. 39TH RANGER BATTALION IN LIGHT CONTACT FROM YD 507440 TO 506435. RANGER BATTALIONS ADVANCED TO VICINITY YD 5549 WITHOUT CONTACT. 147 BRIGADE

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CP AT YD 570427. 6TH BN HELO

ASSAULT FORCE VICE 2D.

3. COMMANDING GENERAL AND FOUR SET FOR PICKUP AT 0700.

4. FORCE IN CONTACT HAS BEEN MECHANIZED INFATRR MOUNTED AND ATTACKING IN APC.

INFANTRY 16 TO 20 EACH APC ARMED WITH 1971 MANUFACTURE RUSSIAN AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. TWO SA-7

CAPTURED INTACT BY 39TH RANGERS SOUTH OF MY CHANH. PT 85 ALSO CAPTURED. PT 85 IS

NEW CHINESE LIGHT TANK WITH 85 MM GUN MOUNTED ON PT 76 CHASSIS. TANKS ARE EQUIPPED WITH INFRA RED.

5. F TROOP REPORTS MANY APC HIDDEN IN VILLAGES VICINITY YD 5050.

6. VNMC PROPOSE ALTERNATE LZ AT YD 5000550. THIS PASSED TO F TROOP BUT NOT TO 4MM 164. F TROOP DOES NOT LIKE ZONE BECAUSE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY THERE.

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7. F-4 AIRCRAFT REPORTED HIT AT APPROXIMATELY
2200 OVER WUNDERBEACH ROAD BY POSSIBLE MISSILE.
8. STAPLETON CHARLIE JEEP RADIO BROKEN.
ATTEMPTING TO REPAIR.

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9TH AB SPECIAL SITREP N0001 AS OF 240059Z MAY 72 (U)

1. (U) AT 240007Z 20 LVT P-5 FLUS COMMAND TRACTORS WERE LAUNCHED FROM THE USS CAYUGA AND THE USS DLLUTH, WITH APPROX 580 VNMC IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG/THAN 6/72. FIRST WAVE 9 LVT P-5'S OF 10 LANDED AT BEACH (YD 465571) AT 240032Z. ONE LVT P-5 HAD MECHANICAL PROBLEMS IN FIRST WAVE AND DID NOT LAND AND HAS BEEN RECOVERED. SECOND WAVE 10 LVT P-5'S LANDED AT 240038Z. ALL LVTS CLEARED THE BEACH AT 240012Z AND ARE IN ROUTE TO MOTHER SHIPS.

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2. (U) AT 240045Z 11 CH-46 LANDED TAN MY (YD 324310) TO PICK UP ELEMENT 1 OF 580 VNMC FOR HELO LIFT TO LZ COLUMBUS (YD 465526). TWO ADDITIONAL CH-46'S AND FIVE CH-53'S ARE READY TO LAUNCH FOR PICKUP AT TAN MY.

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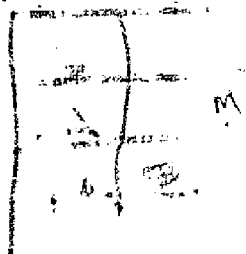
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SITREP MAB SPECIAL SITREP N0002 AS OF 24 MAY 72 (U)

1. (S) THE 30 SVMC IN THE LVIP-5 WITH MECHANICAL PROBLEMS ARE ON BOARD THE USS ANCHORAGE. THEY WILL BE LANDED VIA LOG OR MEDICAL FLT SOONEST. DULUTH RECOVERED LVT'S LAUNCHED FROM HER. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES REPORTED BY SURFACE ASSAULT ELEMENT AS OF 240137Z.
2. (S) VMFC COMPLETED LOADING IN 13 CH-46 AND 5 CH-53 FROM TAM MY AT 240115Z.
3. (S) 240120Z AIR PREP COMMENCED ON LZ COLUMBUS (YD 465526). SCHEDULED NGFS WERE LIFTED. LZ PREP COMPLETED AT 240133Z.
4. (S) FIRST HELO ASSAULT WAVE TOUCHED DOWN IN LZ COLUMBUS AT 240141Z.
5. (S) LAST WAVE ASSAULT HELOS OUT OF LZ COLUMBUS AT 240148Z. 8 FEET WET AT 240150Z.

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9TH MAB SPECIAL SITREP NO 003 AS OF 240155Z/MAY 72

1. (S) FOLLOWING REPORT AS OF 0940H 2 MAY RECEIVED FROM 1ST VMC
AT YD 425567: 52 VC KIA 200 BAGS RI L BLED MAD. IN RED C INA
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9TH MAB SPOIREP AS OF 240300Z/MAY 72

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9TH MAB SITREP N0004 AS OF 240310Z MAY 72(U)

1. (S) ONE VNMC NON-SERIOUS NON-BATTLE INJURY IN LVT DURING MOVEMENT TO SHORE. NOW ON USS DULUTH(2402157) WILL BEDEVAC FIRST OPPORTUNITY.

2. (S) ALL LVT'S REEMBARKED USS CAYUSA AND USS DULUTH.

3. (S) ALL HELICOPTERS SAFELY RECOVERED ABOARD SHIPPING. ONE CH-53 RECEIVED MINOR DAMAGE. CAUSE OF DAMAGE UNKNOWN. DETAILED REPORT WILL FOLLOW.

4. (S) USS HANSON REC'D FIRE FROM CD SITE VIC YD 422612. SITE HIT BY

TANK AIR AND LARGE SECONDARY EXPLO NOW OBSERVED. CD SITE VIC YD 379-1 AND ARTY SITE AS TOWN VIC 4955 ENGAGED WITH NGF, NO BDA. 30-40 NV KIA IN OBJ KILO BRINGING TOTALS TO 9. BN KIA.

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9TH MAB SPOTREP AS OF 240320Z MAY 72

1. (S) VNMC 1ST DIV REPORTS ONE ENEMY P-26 TANK DESTROYED BY
AIR AT 0815H PSN YD 453514. VNMC ELEMENT IN THE AREA KIA SIX
NVA AND CAPTURED ONE 82MM MORTAR SAME LOCATION.

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1. (C) FOLLOWING NEWS RELEASE SUBMITTED FOR CLEARANCE:
RELEASE NO: 072-24-03

ABOARD THE USS BLUE RIDGE -- AMPHIBIAN TRACTORS AND HELICOPTERS OF THE USMC 9TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE, ABOARD SHIPS OF THE U. S. FLEET, ASSISTED THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MARINE CORPS IN THE FIRST AMPHIBIOUS LANDING SINCE THE HOSTILITIES IN INDOCHINA RESUMED ON EASTER WEEKEND.

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AMPHIBIAN TRACTORS OF THE 1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION, U. S. MARINE CORPS, TRANSPORTED ELEMENTS OF THE 7TH BATTALION 147TH BRIGADE, RVNMC, TO A BEACH LANDING ZONE SOUTH OF THE CITY OF QUANG TRI. FOLLOWING B-52 AIR STRIKES, NAVAL GUNFIRE FROM U. S. NAVY SHIPS OFF-SHORE, AND U. S. MARINE AND AIR FORCE AIR SUPPORT, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE LEATHERNECKS HIT THE BEACH AND SWEEP INLAND.

BACK ON BOARD THE BLUE RIDGE, THE 9TH MAB COMMANDING GENERAL, BGEN. E. J. MILLER AND HIS STAFF, AND THE COMMANDANT OF THE VIETNAMESE MARINE CORPS, COL. BUI THE LAN WERE CLOSELY CONTROLLING THE PROGRESS OF THE AMPHIBIOUS LANDING. AS THE REPORTS FROM AMERICAN MARINE ADVISORS ON THE BEACH BEGAN FILTERING IN TO THE COMMAND CENTER, IT BECAME OBVIOUS THAT THE AIRSTRIKES, NAVAL GUNFIRE AND MARINE FIREPOWER HAD OVERCOME THE ENEMY ON THE BEACH AND IN THE LANDING ZONE.

REPORTS FROM THE BEACH, WITHIN ONE HOUR OF THE BEGINNING OF THE OPERATION, REPORTED 50 ENEMY KIA, 200 BAGS OF RICE CAPTURED ALONG WITH 5 B-40 ROCKETS, 12 AK-47 RIFLES AND MOST IMPORTANT NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

AT 10:15, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE MARINES REPORTED ONE ENEMY TANK DESTROYED BY AIRCRAFT AND LESS THAN ONE HOUR LATER ANOTHER P-76 TANK WAS DESTROYED. THE VIETNAMESE MARINES ALSO REPORTED 6 MORE NVA KILLED AND THE CAPTURE OF AN 82 MILLIMETER MORTAR.

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ALL U. S. MARINE CORPS AMPHIBIAN TRACTORS AND HELICOPTERS RETURNED
SAFELY TO THEIR SHIPS. ONLY ONE HELICOPTER SUSTAINED MINOR DAMAGE.
THERE WERE NO AMERICAN CASUALTIES.

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1. (C) FOLLOWING NEWS RELEASE SUBMITTED FOR CLEARANCE:

RELEASE NO: 072-24-04

USS CAYUGA -- MEMBERS OF THE 1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION,
 5TH MAB, ABOARD THIS 7TH FLEET SHIP, WERE U.S. MARINES WHO ASSISTED
 IN THE FIRST BRIGADE SIZED AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT ASSAULT BY THE REPUBLIC
 OF VIETNAM MARINE CORPS.

"IT WAS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING I'VE EVER SEEN, RELATED |STLT
 R. L. WILLIAMS (OCEANSIDE, CA.) THE PLATOON LEADER OF ONE WAVE OF

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THE AMPHIBIAN TRACTORS THAT TOOK PART OF A BATTALION OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE
 MARINES ASHORE THIS MORNING SOUTH OF QUANG TRI CITY. "MY DRIVERS
 AND CREWMEN PERFORMED JUST LIKE THEY HAD BEEN TRAINED TO DO. THEY
 DID THE TRICK WITH NEAR PERFECTION. WE DIDN'T TAKE ONE SINGLE
 CASUALTY. IT WAS JUST GREAT."

THE "AMIRACKERS" SUPPORTED THE VIETNAMESE MARINES IN THE
 AMPHIBIOUS PORTION OF THE TWO-PART OPERATION...THE OTHER PART
 BEING A HELICOPTER ASSAULT LAUNCHED A FEW MILES FROM THE BEACH
 LANDING ZONE.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GARY R. GOBLE (DOWNEY, CA.) SAID, "I WAS
 REALLY TENSE, BUT WHEN I LOOKED AROUND ME, SO WAS EVERYBODY ELSE
 AND AS WE GOT INTO THE BIG "SWEAT" (HEADED TOWARD THE BEACH), IT
 ALL TURNED OUT PERFECTLY. I'D DO IT AGAIN IN A MINUTE...THIS WAS
 MY FIRST...BUT I'LL NEVER FORGET IT."

"I WAS KINDA WORRIED TOO," SAID PFC F.A. ECCLESTON (BEDFORD, MASS.)
 "BUT AFTER WE HEADED FOR THE BEACH, IT PASSED. THESE GUYS (THE
 VIETNAMESE MARINES) REALLY HAD IT ALL IN ONE BAG." ECCLESTON
 SAID HIS TRACTOR TOOK A LITTLE SMALL ARMS FIRE BUT "IT WAS NOTHING
 TO GET EXCITED ABOUT."

THE TRACTORS ALL RETURNED TO THE SHIP WITH NO DAMAGE...AND BEST
 OF ALL NO CASUALTIES.

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CTF 76/SITREP SONG THANH 6-72/SERIAL 005/AS OF 240600Z MAY 72
PART I

1. TWO TG 79.1 HELOS DEPARTED OKINAWA AT 1325H TO PICK UP 3 VNMC MED. EVACS AND 2 POWS FOR DELIVERY TO HUE.

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2. AT 1340 TG 79.1 HELO PICKED UP VNMC PERSONNEL FROM ANCHORAGE FOR DELIVERY TO HUE.

3. COL LAAN AND PARTY RETURNED HUE FROM FLAGSHIP.

PART II

1. CONTINUE SUPPORT FOR VNMC OPERATION.

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9TH MAB SPECIAL SITREP NR005 AS OF 241600Z MAY 72 (U)

1. (S) FROM STANDPOINT OF 9TH MAB OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 IS GENERALLY CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL.

- A. THIRTEEN CH-46'S AND FIVE CH-53'S LAUNCHED IN SUPPORT OF THE VERTICAL ASSAULT ELEMENT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR MISSION AND ALL HELICOPTERS WERE SAFELY RECOVERED. ONE CH-53 SUFFERED MINOR DAMAGE TO TIPS OF ITS TAIL ROTOR BLADES. BLADES REPLACED AND AIRCRAFT NOW IN UP STATUS.

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- B. TWENTY LVT'S LAUNCHED AND RECOVERED SAFELY. LVT DISABLED DUE BROKEN WOBBLE STICK: TO BE TRANSFERRED TO CAYUGA FOR REPAIRS IN OKINAWA.

C. OPERATION DOCUMENTED BY TG 79.1 PAO AND MOPIC TEAM.

2. (S) SYNOPSIS OF TODAY'S ACTION:

A. ENEMY PERSONNEL LOSSES:

- (1) 75 KIA
- (2) 112 KBA
- (3) 2 PW'S

B. VMMC LOSSES:

- (1) 6 KIA
- (2) 22 WIA
- (3) 1 VNAF HELO DOWNED CREW LOST.

C. ENEMY EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED:

- 2 P 76 TANKS DESTROYED
- 200 BAGS OF RICE
- 1 82 MM MORTAR
- 3 MACHINE GUNS
- 36 AK-47
- 4 B-40

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VARIOUS ASSORTMENT OF SMALL ARMS AND AMMO.

D. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

1210H- COMMANDER 1ST VNMC DIVISION RETURNED TO CP ANHORE FROM
BLUERIDGE

1247H- HEAVY CONTACT FROM 2 ENEMY COMPANIES REPORTED. YD 465475.

1252H- YD 465525, 22 FRIENDLY WIA, 2 ENEMY PW

1325H- HMM 164 RESPONDED TO TWO MEDEVAC REQUESTS AND MOVED 5 KIA
AND 22 WIA TO HUE.

1715H- YD 5745, 7TH BN AT OBJECTIVE ECHO, HEAVILY ENGAGED. BRING
FOLLOWED SOUTH BY APPROXIMATELY 5000 REFUGEES.

1930H- VNAF RESPONDING TO MEDEVAC, HMM 164 ON CALL FOR
EMERGENCIES ONLY.

4. (S) AT THE CLOSE OF THIS REPORTING PERIOD ALL MAC PERSONNEL WITH
THE EXCEPTION OF TWO LIAISON TEAMS ARE ABOARD ARC SHIPPING. NO REPORTS
AT THIS TIME OF VNMC NIGHT POSITIONS.

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9TH MAB SPECIAL SITREP NR006 AS OF 242400Z MAY 72

- (S) LATEST REPORTS FROM 9TH MAB LIAISON TEAMS ESTABLISHES THE FOLLOWING VNMC NIGHT POSITIONS: 7TH BN VIC YD523536, 6TH BN VIC YD540527, 4TH BN VIC YD 5451, 39TH RANGER VIC YD535473, 1ST BN VIC YD455375, 3RD BN VIC YD530435, 21 RANGERS VIC YD562212, AND 37TH RANGER VIC YD550475.
- (S) UNCONFIRMED REPORTS BRINGS THE ENEMY BODY COUNT TO OVER 400. 7TH BN REPORTS 103 VC KIA, 6TH BN REPORTS 112 VC KIA, 1ST BN

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- REPORTS 32 VC KIA, 3RD BN REPORTS 37 VC KIA, AND 112 OF THE 1ST BN 66TH REGIMENT WERE KILLED BY AIR (ARC LIGHTS).
 - (S) THE COMMANDANT VNMC EXPECTED THE NVA TO REINFORCE IN DIRECTION 460525 TO 510435 DURING THE NIGHT. HE HAS REQUESTED NGF TO COVER THIS AVENUE AS ARTY WILL BE USED FOR DEFENSIVE FIRES. HE HOPES TO CATCH THE NVA IN THE POCKET CREATED BY THE 6TH, 7TH, 4TH BATTALIONS AND THE RANGER GROUP AND ATTACK THEM 25 MAY. IN THE NORTHWESTERN CORNER OF THE AREA OF OPERATION FRAC STATES NVA ARE STRONGLY RESISTING ANY PROBES WEST OF RAKASAN.
 - (C) THE COMMANDANT EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY AND SUPPORT AVAILABLE THROUGH U.S. SHIPPING. HE WAS ALSO HIGHLY COMPLIMENTARY OF THE PROFESSIONALISM DISPLAYED BY THE MARINE LIAISON TEAMS.
 - (C) CHANGE ONE TO MY 240324Z (S). DELETE FIRST SENTENCE PARAGRAPH ONE, AND IN ITS PLACE READ: ONE VNMC WOUNDED BY SHRAPNEL WHILE DEBARKING LVT ASHORE. NON SERIOUS INJURY.
 - (C) CONCERNING RESISTANCE ON BEACH DURING AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT 24 MAY, SCATTERED MORTAR ROUNDS HIT AROUND THE LVT'S AND KILLING VNMC WITH ONLY ONE PERSONNEL INJURY MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH ONE. MY 240324Z (S).

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- 9TH MAB FINAL SITREP OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 AS OF 250650Z MAY 72 (U)
1. (S) CTG 79.1 SUPPORT OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 ENDED AT 251450H MAY WITH THE RETURN OF THE TWO LIAISON TEAMS TO BLUE RIDGE.
 2. (S) LIAISON TEAMS ASHORE WITH THE VNMC 1ST DIVISION WERE COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING USMC PERSONNEL:

A. FSCC LIAISON TEAM:

LOCATION: 147TH BDE CP AT YD 583422
PERSONNEL: LTCOL ROBERTS, R.T. (413-40-6282/0802)

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S/SGT WILKERSON, R.V. (542-46-8375/2537)
LCPL SULLIVAN, J.M. (017-42-2673/2533)
PFC MOORE, D.G. (261-19-2397/2531)

B. HQ, VNMC 1ST DIVISION CP:

LOCATION: HUE CITADEL
PERSONNEL: LTCOL CRIST, G.D. (263-60-4607/0302)
GYSGT ALEXANDER, M.J. (452-48-7672/2591)
LCPL WHITNEY, J.M. (277-54-1146/2533)
LCPL IVEY, I.J. (429-02-3405/2531)

3. (S) SYNOPSIS OF ACTION:

ENEMY PERSONNEL LOSSES - 396 KIA
VNMC PERSONNEL LOSSES - 35 KIA 120 WIA

4. (S) SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 2000-5000 REFUGEES ATTACHED THEMSELVES TO THE VNMC ASSAULT FORCES IN ORDER TO ESCAPE NVA CONTROL. THE TACTICAL ACTIONS OF THE VNMC FORCES WERE HAMPERED BY THE NECESSITY TO SCREEN THE REFUGEES FROM NVA REACTION. AT THE CLOSE OF OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72, REFUGEES WERE STILL COMING SOUTHWARD DOWN THE BEACH INTO THE AREA CONTROLLED BY RVNAF.

B. COORDINATION OF AIR, ARTILLERY, AND NGF WITH GROUND MANEUVER ELEMENTS WAS SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED OVER THAT OBSERVED IN SONG THAN

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C. TWO PW'S CAPTURED IN THE VICINITY OF YD 465532 ON 24 MAY WERE 20-24 YEARS OLD, HEALTHY AND WELL FED. THEIR UNIFORMS AND ALL ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT WERE NEW. THEY IDENTIFIED THEIR PARENT UNIT AS BEING THE C-82 MORTAR COMPANY, 18TH REGIMENT, 325TH DIVISION. THEY CLAIMED TO HAVE CROSSED THE DMZ ON 15 APRIL AND TO HAVE CLOSED ON QUANG TRI AT THE END OF APRIL.

D. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPERATION THE ENEMY WAS MOUNTING ATTACKS IN INCREASING STRENGTH CENTERED ON MY CHANH (YD 4640) AND ALONG THE NORTH EAST LINE MY CHANH - SONG O GIANG AND SOUTHEAST ALONG THE LINE MY CHANH - SONG O LAU. THESE ATTACKS WERE SUPPORTED BY MODERATE TO HEAVY 130MM AND LESSER CALIBER ARTILLERY FIRES, MORTAR FIRE, AND TANKS ACCOMPANIED BY INFANTRY IN THE ASSAULT.

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OPERATION SONG THAN 6-72 CTU 79.1.6 FINAL SITREP

- 1. (U) TASK ORGANIZATION: NO CHANGE
- 2. (U) LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
- 3. (S) ACTION SUMMARY

A. SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS

(1) PROV MAG TEN/CTU 79.1.6 ISSUED 231115Z MAY.

(2) 240630- COMMENCED A/C PREPOSITION AS FOL:

USS JUNEAU	2 CH-53
USS MANITOWAC	1 CH-53
USS ST LOUIS	1 CH-53
USS MOBILE	1 CH-53
USS SCHENECTADY	1 CH-46

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USS SUMTER	1 CH-46
USS DENVER	1 UH-1E

(3) HC (A) LAUNCH 0750

(4) A/C LAUNCH AS FOL FOR TRP PICKUP TAN MY

240820 6 CH-46

240845 5 CH-46

240850 2 CH-46 5 CH-53 (MULTI PACK)

(5) 240915 - ALL A/C HOLDING IN APPROACH LANE BETWEEN PT TOLEDO AND PT DAYTON AWAITING COMPLETION LZ PREP.

(6) 240933 - AIR PREP COMPLETE. A/C ENROUTE HOVU WITH CENTAUR GUNSHIPS.

(7) 240941 - COMMENCED UNLOAD 6TH UNMO BX IN LZ COLUMBUS.

(8) 240951 - ALL A/C FEET WET. 1 CH-53 SUSTAINED MINOR TAIL ROTOR DAMAGE IN ZONE. ALL A/C RECOVERED SAFELY.

(9) 241300 - MEDEVAC MISSION 01 AND 02 LAUNCHED. HELOS RECOVERED 1528.

(10) 241840 - MEDEVAC MISSION 03 RECEIVED. CANCELLED 201800.

(11) MAINTAINED READINESS POSTURE FOR MEDEVAC AND EMERG RESUPPLY THROUGHOUT OPERATION.

(12) 251350 - RECOVERED 9TH MAG LIAISON PARTY W/VEHICLE FROM

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7 BDE CP. RECOVERED LSN PARTY FROM HUE. VEHICLE NOT RECOVERED DUE TO A/C AVAIL.

(13) 261015 - RETURNED COMM VEHICLE FROM HUE TO BLUE RIDGE.

(14) 261045 - TERMINATION OF OPERATION PASSED VERBALLY TO TE 79.1.6.2 AND TE 79.1.6.3 RELAXED MEDEVAC AND EMERG RESUPPLY POSTURE.

B. HELO OPS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS.

	CH-46	CH-53	UH-1E
SORTIES	35	14	5
TASKS	22	11	6
PAX	259	325	2
MEDEVAC	22 (VNMC)WIA		
HOURS	24.6	12.3	7.4

C. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES: NONE

D. SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

E. LOGISTICS

(1) N/A

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

4. (S) COMMENTS

A. ANNEX A TO CTF 76 OPORD 330 ASSIGNED SHIPS TO AIR TRANSPORT

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ELEMENT (TE 76.1.3.1) AS FOL:

USS OKINAWA (LPH-3)

USS TRIPOLI (LPH-10)

USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)

USS JUNEAU (LPD-10)

USS ST LOUIS (LKA-116)

USS MOBILE (LKA-115)

USS ANCHORAGE (LSD-36)

UNILATERAL CHANGE TO THIS ASSIGNMENT BY CTF 76 RESULTED IN DELETION OF TRIPOLI AND ANCHORAGE WITH NO ADDITIONAL SHIPS PROVIDED.

THROUGH EFFORTS OF CIG 76.7 AIR TRANSPORT ELEMENT WAS INCR TO INCL SHIPS NAMED PARA 3 A (2) ABOVE. LAUNCH AND RECOVERY OF HELOS FOR ASSAULT LIFT FROM SEVEN READY DECKS WAS CONDUCTED SMOOTHLY AND EFFICIENTLY BY EACH SHIP, WITH EFFICIENCY OF FLIGHT DECK EVOLUTIONS ABOARD USS OKINAWA NOTEWORTHY. COORDINATION BY HOC ABOARD USS OKINAWA CONTRIBUTED SIGNIFICANTLY TO EFFICIENT OPERATION.

B. CIRCUIT DISCIPLINE ON BDE TACTICAL AND LIAISON NETS WAS LACKING. POOR RADIO PROCEDURE AND FAILURE TO OBSERVE STANDARD COMSEC PRACTICES REDUCED THE EFFICIENCY OF RADIO COMMUNICATIONS AND UNNECESSARILY OFFERED THE ENEMY THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLOIT

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 FRIENDLY COMMUNICATIONS.

C. SINGLE WAVE LIFT WITH APPROACH AND RETIREMENT BELOW FIFTY FEET
 USED TO MINIMIZE LOSSES PARTICULARLY TO SA7. WHILE NO KNOWN GROUND
 FIRE WAS RECEIVED BY MARINE HELOS, CENTAUR II REPORTED LIGHT S/A
 FIRE AROUND ZONE. 6TH UNMC BN BECAME ENGAGED SHORTLY AFTER
 CLEARING LZ.

D. AIR TRANSPORT ELEMENT (TE 76.1.3.1) DID NOT PROCEED TO RECOVERY
 AREA IMMEDIATELY AFTER LAUNCH. WHILE LPH WAS IN FACT IN SE EDGE OF
 RECOVERY AREA WHEN HELOS RETURNED, EARLIER MOVEMENT TO THAT AREA
 WOULD HAVE INSURED MINIMUM DISTANCE/FLIGHT TIME FOR A/C UPON RECOVERY,
 ESPECIALLY IN AN EMERGENCY.

5. (U) INTENTIONS: CONT OPS AS DIR
 (U) MAR BY HIGHER HQ

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY VNMIC FROM 261800H TO 271800H
1 (C) SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

A. BRIGADE 142
(1) COMPOSED OF 6TH AND 7TH INF BN
(2) AT 271520H ELEMENTS OF 7TH BN VIC
YD 580459 CONTACTED EST ENEMY COMPANY
RESULTS: FRIENDLY NO CASUALTIES; ENEMY 29
8- 2 AK-47 MG, 1 CARBINE
1M-16 CAPTURED AND 2 PT-76 DAMAGED

P (3) AT 271700H ELEMENTS OF 6TH BN AT YD 57;45(.)3663 570453, EFD YD
73488
DESTROYED 3 PT-76. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

B. BRIGADE 258
(1) COMPOSED OF 1ST 2ND 4TH 5TH AND 9TH
INF BN AND 1ST ARTY BN

(2) AT 271025H ELEMENTS OF 1PST BN CONTACTED
EST NEMY CO VIC YD 445370. RESULTS :
FRIENDLY 2 KIA
2 VIA; ENEMY 28 KIA, 7 AK-47, 1 MG AND 3 B-40
CAPTURED.

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957 310H ELEMENTS OF 2ND BN CONTACTED
EST ENEMY COMPANY VIC YD 446406
RESULTS: FRIENDLY 19WIA ENEMY 50KIA 2 POW 2 B-40 1 B41 5 AK47 AND 1 82MM
RR
CAPTURED. 205-76DAMAE
D AND ABANDONED.

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AT 271420 EL TS OF 5TH BN CAOT ACTED
 UNKN SIZE ENEMY FOR VIC YD 496425
 RESULT FRIENDLY 1 W/ ENEMY 1 POW
 C. BRIGADE 369

(1) COMPOSED OF 3RD AND 8TH INF BN 39TH
 RANGER BN AND 3RD ARTY

(2) AT 271010H "C" BUKON CO CONTACTED
 EST ENEMY SQUAD AT YD 4442 RESULTS:
 FRIENDLY :NO CASUALTIES ENEMY 2KIA 1
 AUTOMATIC RIFLE CAPTURED.

D. 1ST RANGER GROUP

(1) COMPOSED OF 21ST AND 37TH RANGER

(2)AR APPROXATELY 271430H COMMUNICATION
 WITH AND CONTROL OF THE 21ST RANGER

~~BN WAS LOST. THE BN HAD BEEN~~
 IN CONTACT WITH USEF REINFORCED WITH TAKNS.

(3) AT APPROXIMATELY 271554H THE 21ST
 RANGER BN WAS REPORTED BY THE F/4
 AIR CAV SQDRN TO BE FLEEING IN
 THE AREA OF YD TYTIG THE REPORT
 INDICATED THEY WERE COMANDERING
SANPANS.

(4) (4) F / 4 AIR CAV REPORTS

(A) 271230H - 271300H

YD 5004390- 2 ARC DESTROYED BY COBRA ANEUSAF

1 TANK SEATROUED BY SS-11

YD 540485- 12 KBH 15 KBA

YD 535485- 4 KBH

YD 5201.483- 15 KBH 25 KBA

YD 535485-YD 515481 25 KBA

YD 500500- YD 515487 REINF DEF POS ,3

MOTAR PITS 3 .51 CAL GUNS 1 (DESTROYED)

YD 535485- YD 550480 35 TO 40 ARVN KIA

REC 37MM FIRE THROUGHOUT AREA

(B) 271530H TO 271600H

YD 532505 YD 560502 YD 580486 YD 513473

SCATTERED FIRENDLY EQUIPT , PACKS , ECT

E. F/4 AIR CAV SQDRN AKND NAVAL GUNFIRE

SHIPS PROVIDED DIRECT SUPPORT TO VNMC DIV

F. CECAPE OF FRIENDLY CASUALTIES

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G. ENEMY CASUALTIES: 109

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2. (C) SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE.

A. POW'S CAPTURED BY 2ND BN (YD 446406)
IDENTIFIED AS FROM 66TH REGT

B. INTERIGATION OF POWS AND STUDY
9 OF CAPTURED DOCUMENTS CONTINUES

3. (C) COMBAT EFFIECTIVNESS:

ALL VNMAC UNITS ATE CONSIDERED COMBAT EGGECTIVE . OF THE FIRST
RANGER GROUP ONLY IEOTH RANGERS CONSVFERED COMBAT EFFECITIVE

4. (C) PLANS FR 28 MAY ACTIVAITIESC

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- 43)3,178 90:9, 91 1ST RANGER GROUP
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5. (C) NIGHT POSITIONAS

A. DIV CP YD 759221

B. BRIGADE 147 CP YD 634427

I 6TH BN YD 598480

7TH BN YD 583460

C. BRIGADE -258 CP YD 529347

1ST BN YD RUIEUT

2ND BN YD 463393

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4TH BN YD 477407

5TH BN YD 494415

60ST ARTY BN AYD 529347

D. BRIGADE 369 CP YD 588408

3RD BN YD 5264438

8TH BN YD 572424

39TH RANGER BN YD 508436

3ARD ARTY BN YD 588408

E. 1ST RANGER GROUP 637427

21ST RANIGER BN 643428

37TH RANGER BN 637427

F. 2ND ARTY BN HQ YDA 759 221EEGWAKE ZPIOP

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RHMKAAA/IV DASC CAN THO RVN

RUMUMGA/SECOND COASTAL ZONE INTELL OFF
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RUMOROA/49TH TXW TAKHLI AFLD THAILAND

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INFORMATION AND INTERPERTATIOMM INCLUDED IN THIS DISUM
ARE PRELIMINARY AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION IN LIGHT
OF LATER, MORE COMPETE INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS. (ALL
TIMES HOTEL)

DIR OF INTEL, MACV, DISUM 149-5 FOR THE PERIOD 270600
TO 280600 MAY 72.

SOUTH VIETNAM DEVELOPMENTS: (C)

A. MR 1: (C)

(C) IN MR 1 DURING THE NIGHT OF 27-28 MAY, THERE WERE
NO ABFS AND NO GND ATKS REPORTED AS OF 0600 HRS.
IN THE B-5 FRONT, ACTIVITY CONTINUES AT A HIGH LEVEL IN THE
EASTERN QUANG TRI/THUA THIEN PROVL BORDER AREA. ON 27 MAY
BETWEEN 0645 AND 1030 HRS, 3 SIGNIFICATN FRD INTIATED
GND CONTACTS, AND 1 EN GND ATK ACCOMPANIED BY AN ABF TOOK
PLACE SOUTH OF FSB NANCY. CUMULATIVE RESULTS OF THESE
OPNS WERE: FRD: 4 KIA, 18 WIA; EN: 197 KIA. NO
CONVENTIONAL ARTY FIRE WAS REPORTED AND NIN EN ARMOR WAS
ENCOUNTERED. THE EN UNITS ACTIVE IN THIS AREA WERE
PROBABLY ELMS OF THE 304TH AND 308TH NVA DIVS, ALONG WITH

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 SUFORDINATES OF THE B-5 FRONT. FURTHER TO THE EAST, THE
 ARVN 21ST AND 37TH RANGERS BNS WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN
 IN CONTACT WITH EN TROOPS SUPPORTED BY TANKS THROUGHOUT
 THE DAY. BOTH BNS TOOK HEAVY CASUALTIES AND REPORTEDLY HAD
 WITHDRAWN BY 1900 HRS TO THE SE. NO ACCURATE CASUALTY
 FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE; HOWEVER, AN EST 100 FROD TROOPS WERE
 EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL FACILITIES IN HUE. EN CASUALTIES ARE
 UNK; BUT ONE EN TANK WAS DESTROYED EAST OF THE O LAU RIVER
 (XD 550 460) BY A HELICOPTER MOUNTED SS-11. THE EN
 UNIT INVOLVED IN THIS ATK WAS PROBABLY AN ELM OF THE 304TH
 NVA DIV.

TWO PWS CAPTURED IN APR WEST OF DONG HA CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN
 MEMBERS OF THE 2ND BN, 48TH REGT, 320B NVA DIV HAD BEEN ORGANIZED TO
 REPLACE THE 320TH NVA DIV WHICH HAD DEPLOYED TO THE "HIGH-
 LANDS". THE SOURCE FURTHER REPORTED THAT THE 320B NVA
 DIV WAS COMPOSED OF THE 48TH, 52ND, AND 64TH REGTS;
 SIGNIFICANTLY, HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO MENTION OF THE 52ND
 AND 64TH REGTS AS HAVING DEPLOYED TO NORTHERN MR 1.
 ALTHOUGH NO OTHER PWS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED FROM THE 48TH

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 NVA REGT, A PW FROM THE 25TH SAPPER BN, B-5FRONT
 INDICATED THAT THE FORCES COMMITTED DURING THE CURRENT
 OFFENSIVE IN NORTHERN MR 1 INCLUDE THE 304TH, 308TH AND
 320B NVA DIVS. ADDITIONALLY, A NORTH VIETNAMESE WAR
 CORRESPONDENT WHO HAD BEEN ATTACHED TO THE 308TH NVA DIV
 INDICATED THAT THE SONG DA GROUP, A CODE WORD FOR THE 49:5#
 43&5, WAS OPERATING WITH THE 308TH NVA DIV. FINALLY,
 UNIFORM MARKINGS ON ENEMY DEAD IN THE FSB BASTOGNE AREA OF
 THUA THIEN PROV DURING APR IDENTIFIED THE 320TH NVA DIVISION.

BECAUSE OF THE WIDE GEOGRAPHICAL DISPERSION OF REPORTS,
 REFERENCING THE 320TH OR 320B NVA DIV, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT
 THE 48TH NVA REGT WAS A SOURCE OF INDIVIDUAL FILLERS FOR
 NVA UNITS IN NORTHERN MR 1, AND FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE
 REQUIRED BEFORE THE REGT CAN BE ACCEPTED INTO MACV ORDER
 OF BATTLE.

AERIAL RECON CONTINUES TO DETECT EN LOGISTICAL ACTIVITY IN
 WESTERN QUANG TRI PROV. A 26 MAY PHOTO MISSION LOCATED WHAT
 APPEARED TO BE A LARGE STORAGE SITE 8 KM NNE. OF K. C. SANK
 (APPROX XD 81 48). THE SITE REPORTEDLY CONTAINED 10
 CONFIRMED PARKED TRUCKS (XD 808 490), APPROX 85 BARRLES.

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 OF POL STOPPED IN BOMB CRATERS, AND NUMEROUS STACKS OF
 SUPPLIES (XD 808 475).

IN NORTHERN VC MR 5, THE EN IS CONTINUING OPNS AGAINST FRD
 POSITIONS ALONG RTES 535 AND 534. ON 26 MAY AT 1630 HRS,
 ARVN ELMS LOCATED 8 KM NE OF QUE SON DIST TOWN (BT 096
 398) RECEIVED AN ABF CONSISTING OF 100 MIXED MORT AND RR
 RDS, FOLLOWED BY A GND ATK FROM AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE.
 ADDITIONALLY, ON 17 MAY, FRD ELMS ENG AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE
 5 KM SSE OF QUE SON SIST TOWN (BT 053 314). CUMULATIVE
 RESULTS OF THESE ACTIVITIES WERE: FRD: 6 KIA, 24 WIA;
 EN 35 KIA. THE EN UNITS INVOLVED WERE PROBABLY ELMS OF
 THE 711TH NVA DIV.

B. MR 2. (C)

(C) IN MR 2 DURING THE NIGHT OF 27 - 28 MAY, THERE WERE
 2 ABFS, 1 OF WHICH CONSISTED OF 20 RO MORE RDS, AND NO
 GND ATKS REPORTED AS OF 0600 HRS.

IN THE B-3 FRONT, ENEMY FORCES CONTINUE TO ADVANCE ON
 KONTUM CITY. DURING THE NINGH OF 26-27 MAY, EN FORCES
 REINFORCED SALIENTS PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED NE AND SE OF
 KONTUM CITY. BEGINNING AT APPROX 0430HRS YESTERDAY (27

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 MAY), FRD POSITIONS BEGAN RECEIVING HEAVY ABFS, FOLLOWED
 BY GND ATKS ALONG THE NORTHERN DEFENSIVE PERIMETER AND
 THROUGH THE SOUTHEASTERN SALIENT. A MAJOR ATK AGAIN
 OCCURRED FROM THE NE, NEAR THE AFLD, WITH PROBABLE ELMS
 OF THE 1ST VC REGT, 2ND NVA DIV REINFORCED BY TANKS (NFI).
 CONCURRENTLY, ELMS POSSIBLY OF THE 28TH NVA REGT, B-3 FRONT
 AND ELMS OF THE 320TH NVA DIV, ATKD FRD POSITIONS NW OF THE
 CITY. THE EN SUCCEEDED IN BYPASSING FSB NOVEMBER AND
 ESTABLISHING A SALIENT TO WITHIN A KILOMETER OF THE CITY'S
 PERIMETER. LATER IN THE DAY (1230 HRS), FSB NOVEMBER
 WAS ORDERED ABANDONED, WITH ALL ARTY PIECES DESTROYED.
 THROUGHOUT THE DAY FRD SOURCES REPORTED DESTROYING 5 TANKS;
 THEREFORE, UPDATED RESULTS INDICATED THAT A TOTAL OF 12
 EN TANKS MAY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED SINCE THE ATK BEGAN ON
 25 MAY (2 PT-76'S, 6 T-54'S, AND 4 U/I'S). AT 1730 HRS,
 THE K-3 BN (AKA 40TH VC BN), 1ST VC REGT, 2ND NVA DIV,
 REINFORCED BY THE 406TH SAPPER BN, KONTUM PROV L UNIT
 (IDENTIFIED AS SUCH BY ARVN SOURCES THROUGH PRELIMINARY
 INTERROGATION REPORTS) RENEWED CONTACTS ON THE SOUTHERN
 FLANK OF THE CITY. THIS ATK, ACCOMPANIED BY AVFS, AND THE
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 CONTINUING CONTACT FROM THE NE, EXPANDED THE EN'S, SE AND
 NE SALIENTS TO WITHIN SMALL ARMS RANGE OF KONIUM AFLD.
 DURING THE ENSUING WITHDRAWAL OF FRD FORCES NORTH OF THE
 AFLD, THE AMMO DUMP WAS DESTROYED, ON ORDER. THE RESULTANT
 FIRE SPREAD TO A POL DUMP. CONTACT, PARTICULARLY ON THE
 NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN SIDES OF THE CITY CONTINUED
 THROUGHOUT THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY. AT 0215 HRS, 28 MAY,
 AFTER A LULL IN ACTIVITY, EN FORCES COMMENCED HEAVY ABFS
 DIRECTED AT THE CPS OF 23 RD DIV AND THE 44TH REGT.
 INCOMING WAS RECEIVED EVERY 2 TO 4 MINUTES UNTIL IT
 SUBSIDED AT 0400 HRS. PRELIMINARY REPORTS INDICATED
 B-40 RDS AND AK-47 FIRE WERE ALSO BEING RECEIVED AT THE CP
 OF THE 44TH REGT, JUST SW OF THE AFLD. ALL ACTIVITY HAD
 REPORTEDLY CEASED AT 0400HRS. CUMULATIVE RESULTS FOR
 THE 24 HR PERIOD 26-27 MAY: FRD: 25 KIA; EN: 195 KIA.
 IN PLEIKU PROV, FRD ELMS CONTINUE TO ENG ENE FORCES FOR CONTROL
 OF KONIUM PASS. ON 27 MAY, RANGER AND ARVN CAV ELMS ENG
 AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE 2 KM SOUTH OF FSB 41 (ZA 199 696).
 ARTY AND TACAIR WERE EMPLOYED. CONTACT WAS BROKEN WHEN
 EN UNITS, PROBABLY ELMS OF THE 49TH NVA REGT, 320TH

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DIV, WITHIN REPORTED RESULTS FOR THE PASS OPN DURING THE PAST 24 HRS: 5 KIA, 1 WIA, 3 MIA, AND 1 M41 TANK DESTROYED; 188 IIA, 2 I/WPNS AND 21 CS/WPNS CAPTURED. ON THE MORNING (0530 HRS) OF 27 MAY, AN EST 2 COS OF SAPPERS ATK RF ELMS AT THE CHU XANY MOUNTAIN CAMP, 16 KM NW OF PLEIKU CITY (ZAC 14 560). EN ELMS INFILTRATED INTO THE CAMP AND BEGAN BLOWING UP BILLETTS BEFORE BEING DETECTED. WITH SUPPORT FROM ARVN ARTY AND U.S. GUNSHIPS, THE EN WAS REPELLED FROM THE CAMP. RESULTS: FRD: 9 FR KIA, 6 ARVN KIA, 17 RF WIA; EN: 5 KIA, 1 X I/WPN AND 2 CS/WPNS CAPTURED. EN ELMS INVOLVED WERE POSSIBLY FROM THE K-20TH SAPPER BN, 400TH SAPPER REGT.

IN BINH DINH PROV, SOUTHERN VC MR 5, THE EN APPEARS TO BE SYSTEMATICALLY EXTENDING HIS PRESENCE AND INCREASING THE TACTICAL POSTURE OF LF UNITS IN ORDER TO ATTRITE AND DEMORALIZE RF AND PF UNITS. AFTER THE FALL OF THE 3 NORTHERN DISTIS OF HOAI AN, HOAI NHON, AND TAM QUAN FROM MID APR TO EARLY MAY THERE HAS BEEN A NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN ENM ACTIVITY IN THE DISTIS TO THE SOUTH. THE NUMBER OF EN INITIATED INCIDENTS IN PHU MY, TUY PHUOC, AND AN NHON

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DISTIS HAS STEADILY INCREASED FROM 5 TO 10 RD ABFS TO A 150 RD ABF ON 26 MAY (CONSISTING OF 82 MM MORT RDS) DIRECTED AGAINST FRD ELMS 10 KM ESE OF PHU MY DIST HQ (CR 955 673), AND AN ABF ON 27 MAY CONSISTION OF 200 MIXED 82 MM AND 60 MM MORT RDS DIRECTED AT A RF CO 15 KM NW OF QUI NHON CITY (CR 035 350). GND ATKS HAVE INCREASED IN NUMVER AND SIZE FROM SQUAD AND PLT SIZE CONTACTS TO AN EST EN BN SIZE CONTACT 6 KM EAST OF PHU MY ON 23 MAY (CR 955 673). ACTIVITY OF THIS MAGNITUDE BY LF ELMS MAY PRESAGE THE INTRODUCTION OF MAIN FORCE UNITS INTO THE SOUTHERN BINH DINH PROV BATTLEFIELD.

C. MR 3: (C)

IC) IN MR 3 DURING THE NIGHT OF 27-28 MAY, THERE WERE 2 ABFS, BOTH OF WHICH CONSISTED OF LESS THAN 20 RDS, AND NO GND ATKS REPORTED AS OF 0600 HRS.

ON 27 MAY, EN INITIATED ACTIVITY IN THE AN LOC AREA (XT 755 885) OF BINH LONG PROV WAS AT LOW LEVEL FOR THE 4TH STRAIGHT DAY. DURING A 36 HR PERIOD ENDING AT 0600 HRS ON 27 MAY, AN LOC RECEIVED OVER 1100 RDS (1159) OF MIXED MORT, RKT AND ARTY FIRE. DURING THIS

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WAS ONLY 1 SMALL GND CONTACT EAST OF THE CITY REPORTED. RESULTS: FRD: 8 KIA, 31 WIA; EN: 6 KIA, 2 CS/WPNS AND 4 X I/WPNS CAPTURED. THE EN UNITS INVOLVED WERE PROBABLY ELMS OF THE 5TH VC DIV, SUPPORTED BY ELMS OF THE 69TH ARTY COMMAND. SOUTH OF AN LOC ALONG RTE 13, THERE WAS 1 SMALL GND CONTACT AND 1 ABF REAGORTED ON 27 MAY. AT 1115 HRS, ARVN FORCES ON SEARCH OPNS 12 KM SOUTH OF AN LOC (XT 764 768) ENG AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE. FINALLY, AT 1145 HRS, THE 33RD ARVN REGTL CP LOCATED 11 KM SOUTH OF AN LOC (XT 767 772) RECEIVED AN ABF CONSISTING OF 20 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: FRD: 3 WIA, (1 US); EN: 5 KIA, AND 2 X I/WPNS CAPTURED. THE EN UNITS INVOLVED WERE PROBABLY ELMS OF THE 7TH NVA DIV. INITIAL INTERROGATION OF A PW CAPTURED ON 21 MAY IN DAT DO DIST, PHUOC TUY PROV REVEALED THAT HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF INFILTRATION GP 2014 B WHICH ARRIVED IN PHUOC TUY PROV ON 15 MAY. ACCORDING TO THE PRISONER, GP 2014B CONSISTED OF APPROX 400NVA SOLDIERS OF WHICH 100 WERE ASSIGNED TO THE D445 VC LF BN, BA RIA SR.

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 ADDITIONALLY, A DOCUMENT TAKEN FROM THE BODY OF A VC SOLDIER KILLED IN DAT DO DIST ON 21 MAY INDICATED THAT HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF THIS SAME INFILTRATION GROUP. THIS INFORMATION TENDS TO CONFIRM OTHER RECENT REPORTS DEALING WITH THE INFILTRATION OF REPLACEMENT TROOPS INTO BA RIA SR.

ACCORDING TO DELAYED RELORTS, AT 2145 HRS ON 26 MAY, DUC THANH SUB-SECTOR (YS 462 775) RECEIVED AN ABF CONSISTING OF GTU MIXED 82MM MORTHAND B-40 RDS. FRD ARTY REACTED WITH COUNTER BATTERY FIRE. NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED. THE EN UNIT INVOLVED MAY HAVE BEEN AN ELM OF THE 33RD NVA REGT, BA RIA SR.

D. MR 4 (C)

(C) IN MR 4 DURING THE NIGHT OF 27-28 MAY, THERE WERE 4 ABFS, ALL OF WHICH CONSISTE OF LESS THAN 20 RDS, AND NO GND ATKS REPORTED AS OF 0600H RS IN DINH TUONG PROV ON 26 AND 27 MAY. ARVN FORCES APPROX 12 KM NORTH AND NW OF CAI BE (XS 054 467, XS 095 529, XS 116 536) ENG UNK SIZE EN FORCES IN 3 SEPARATE CONTACTS. CUMULATIVE RESULTS :FRD: 6 KIA, 15

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 WIA; EN: 45 KITG, 3 X I/WPNS AND 4 CS/WPNS CAPTURED.
 THE EN FORCES INVOLVED WERE POSSIBLY ELMS OF THE 88TH
 NVA REGT.
 IN KIEN GIANG PROV ON 26 MAY ARVN FORCES APPROX 6 ().
 3 91 - 583, (VS 474 437, VS 497 427) ENG UNK SIZE
 EN FORCES IN 2 SEPARATE CONTACTS. CUMULATIVE RESULTS:
 FRD : 3 KIA, 10 WIA; EN: 12 KIA, 5 X I/WPNS CAPTURED.
 THE EN FORCES INVOLVED MAY HAVE BEEN ELMS OF THE 52ND
 NVA REGT, 1 ST NVA DIV.

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O 122217Z MAY 72
FM CTF SEVEN NINE
TO RUHGPTA/CTF SEVEN NINE PT ONE
O 010403Z MAY 72
FM ADMIN EMP

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TO RUACALE/CO III MAF
RUWJGFB/CO THIRD MAF
INFO RUECFIA/CMC
RUENAAA/CNO
RUHHBRA/COMVCPACFLT
RUHKOAA/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUWNCMA/COMFIRSTFLT
RUWJNWA/CO I MAF
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REDEYE DEPLOYMENT (U)

COMVCPACFLT 071177Z MAY 72 (C) (PASEP)
INFO FOR CG III MAF. REQ TAKE PAR 3 REF A FORAC.
DIRECT CMDR, REDEYE PLATOON TO REPORT TO CG III MAF
FOR OPCON UPON ARRIVAL OKINAWA. COMMAND LESS OPCON
REMAIN WITH CG III MAF. CITE LOCALLY AVAILABLE
FIND FOR REDEYE EM COSTS INVOLVED.

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2. (C) FOR CG III MAF: REQ REPORT THIS HQ WHEN
OPCON REDEYE PLATOON ASSUMED; SUBSEQUENTLY,
PROVIDE REDEYE PLATOON AS REQUIRED TO COMSEVENTHFLT.
COORDINATE WITH COMSEVENTHFLT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE/
LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF THE REDEYE PLATOON AND DETACH-
MENTS THEREOF. PROVIDE PERTINENT REDEYE PLATOON
ACTIVITY IN APPROPRIATE CTF SEVEN NINE HISTORICAL REPORTS.

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O 071144Z MAY 72

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TO RUHJBWA/CINCPACFLT

INFO RUENAAA/CNO

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RUHFMA/CG FMFPAC

RUWJMUA/COMNAVAIRPAC

RUWJAIA/COMCRUDESPAC

RUMFRBA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN

RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE

RUMFRYA/CTG SEVEN ZERO PT EIGHT

RUHGPTA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE

RUAKUA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREE

RUWJGFB/CTG FIVE ONE PT FIVE

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REDEYE DEPLOYMENT (U)

A. CINCPACFLT 070117Z MAY 72

B. ADMIN FMFPAC 070406Z MAY 72

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1. (C) PARAS 2 AND 3 OF REF A REQUESTED IMMEDIATE CNO APPROVAL TO DEPLOY REDEYE FOR USE ON NGFS UNITS AND REQUESTED CG FMFPAC, PENDING CNO APPROVAL, TO MAKE AVAILABLE A PLATOON TO INCLUDE 40 USMC REDEYE GUNNERS FOR DEPLOYMENT TO SEASIA. PARA 4 REF A REQUESTED COMSEVENTHFLT RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF REDEYE PLATOON. REF B DIRECTS REDEYE PLATOON TO REPORT TO CG III MAF FOR OPCON. COMMAND LESS OPCON REMAINS WITH CG 3D MAW.
2. (C) OPIC RECOMMENDS THAT UPON CNO APPROVAL OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF REDEYE FOR NGFS UNITS THAT CTF 79 ASSUME OPCON AS PER PARA 1 REF B AND SIMULTANEOUSLY CHOP OPCON TO CTG 79.1 FOR EMPLOYMENT BY CTG 70.8 AS REQUIRED WITH PLATOON COMMANDER ASSIGNED TO CTG 70.8 ON BOARD USS PROVIDENCE.

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CONSIDERATIONS:

TOT# PERS/WPNS INVOLVED

DISTRIBUTION PERS/WPNS AMONG SHIPS.

CAPABILITY OF SHIPS TO ACCOMMODATE PERS/

PROV SECURITY FOR WPNS.

CONCEPT OF EMPLOYMENT BY STG 70.8:

WATCHES, RULES OF ENGAGEMENT,

LOGISTICS, WPNS RESUPPLY

REDEYE PLT LORS RIGHTS FOR OPERATION.

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M-5	✓		
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O 120017Z MAY 72
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 TO RUHHFMA/CG FMFPAC ✓
 RUNGPTA/CG NINTH MAB ✓
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 RUHKBRA/CINCPACFLT
 RUHGOAA/COMSEVENTHFLT
 RUWNCMA/COMFIRSTFLT
 RHARSGG/CG FIRST MAW ✓
 RUWJGFB/CG THIRD MAW ✓
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REDEYE PLATOON (U)

A. ADMIN FMFPAC 070406Z MAY 72(C)

1. (C) AS DIRECTED REF A, OPGON 3D REDEYE PLATOON, H&HS-38,
 MACG-38, ASSUMED EFFECTIVE 112010Z AND SIMULTANEOUSLY PASSED
 CG 9TH MAB (CIG 79.1) MOVED

2. (C) FOR CG 9TH MAB: TAKE REMAINDER PAR 2 REF A

FOR ACT. (Include Activity in SITREP/HISTORICAL
 GP-4 REPORTS)
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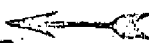
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O 160635Z MAY 72
FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
TO RUHGPVA /USS PROVIDENCE
INFO RUAOAJA /CTF SEVEN NINE
RUHGOAA /COMSEVENTHFLT



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PASS TO REDEYE PLATOON LEADER
REDEYE PLATOON OPERATIONS (U)

A. COMSEVENTHFLT FLT 071144Z MAY 72

1. IAW REF A, ASSUMED OPCON YOUR PLAT EFFECTIVE 112010Z MAY 72.
PLAT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TASK DESIGNATOR TE 79.1.0.3. CTG 79.1 HAS
BEEN TASKED TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE /LOGISTIC SUPPORT
AS YOU MAY REQUIRE. YOUR ACTIVITIES ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN CTG 79.1
(9TH MAS) SITREPS AND HISTORICAL REPORTS.

2. REQUEST YOU CALL ON CTG 79.1 AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE ABOARD USS
BLUE RIDGE. REQUEST WEEKLY SITREP AS OF 1200 SUNDAY TO REACH CTG 79.
BY 0900 MONDAY. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS SHOULD BE FORWARDED BY SPECIAL
REPORT AS THEY OCCUR.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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 FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE ← 6491
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 P 210404Z MAY 72
 FM CTG SEVEN SEVEN PT ONE/CTG SEVEN ZERO PT EIGHT
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 P 200816Z MAY 72
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 USS BERKELEY
 USS EVERETT F LARSON
 USS EVERSOLE
 USS HANSON
 USS HULL
 USS BUCHANAN
 USS DENNIS J BUCKLEY
 USS MULLINNIX
 USS BENJAMIN STODDERT
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REDEYE NOTES (U)

- (S) ORIGINAL SEVENTHFLT CONCEPT FOR USE OF REDEYE WAS DEVELOPED WHEN LINEBACKER (FORMERLY FREEDOM TRAIN) STRIKES WERE CARRIED OUT DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS WITHOUT AIR COVER. REDEYE WAS TO PROVIDE CLOSE-IN AIR DEFENSE AGAINST HIGHLY MANEUVERABLE JET TARGETS OR POSSIBLE MISSILE ATTACK. REDEYE CAN BE EFFECTIVELY USED AT NIGHT IF THE TARGET IS VISIBLE TO GUNNER. FULL TECHNICAL DETAILS AND TRAINING IN WEAPON USE WILL BE PROVIDED BY USMC REDEYE TEAMS EMBARKED AND VISITING GENERAL DYNAMICS REPRESENTATIVES.
- (S) EXCEPT FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS CURRENT LINEBACKER OPERATIONS ARE CONDUCTED AT NIGHT. SINCE THE AAW THREAT IS CONSIDERABLY LESS AT NIGHT, RESPONSE TIME MUST BE WEIGHED AGAINST UNNECESSARY EXPOSURE OF THE REDEYE GUNNERS TO HOSTILE SHORE FIRE, PARTICULARLY AIR BURSTS. WHEN ACTUALLY ON A NIGHT NGF RUN WITHIN RANGE OF SHORE BATTERIES, RECOMMEND REDEYE GUNNERS BE STATIONED IN A SHELTERED AREA IN PROXIMITY TO THEIR FIRING STATIONS AND WITH ALL EQUIPMENT READY FOR INSTANT USE.

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WHEN ESM, RADAR, VISUAL, OR OTHER INDICATIONS ARE RECEIVED THAT AIR OR MISSILE ATTACK IS IMMINENT, THEY SHOULD MAN THEIR FIRING STATIONS IMMEDIATELY. AT OTHER TIMES IN AN AAW THREAT AREA AS DETERMINED BY INDIVIDUAL CO'S THEY SHOULD BE ON STATION, EITHER IN A CONDITION WATCH OR AT GENERAL QUARTERS. REDEYE GUNNERS SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH HELMET AND BODY ARMOR.

3. (S) REDEYE-EQUIPPED SHIPS WILL INTEGRATE THE REDEYE WEAPONS SYSTEMS INTO THEIR DOCTRINE. PROVISION WILL BE MADE FOR EMPLOYMENT AGAINST AIR OR MISSILE ATTACK, FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL, FOR PROTECTION OF GUNNERS, AND FOR TRAINING.

4. (S) ALL REDEYE NON-EXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING OWLEYE DELIVERED TO SHIP BY USMC TEAMS EMBARKED BECOMES PART OF SHIP'S EQUIPAGE AND IS ACCOUNTABLE MATERIAL. SHIPS RECEIVING REDEYE EQUIPMENT FORWARD MESSAGE INVENTORY OF ALL MATERIAL RECEIVED INCLUDING SERIAL NUMBERS AND A ROSTER OF USMC PERSONNEL EMBARKED TO CTG 70.8 WITH PASSING INSTRUCTIONS TO CTE 70.1.0.3, USMC COORDINATOR FOR TEAMS EMBARKED IN TG 70.8 SHIPS.

5. (S) FOR D.J. BUCKLEY: INTEND EMBARK REDEYE TEAM UPON YOUR ARRIVAL LINEBACKER OPS.

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CTG SEVEN ZERO PT EIGHT PT ONE

MOTU-THIRTEEN

USS PROVIDENCE

USS BERKELEY

USS EVERT F. LARSON

USS EVERSELE

USS HANSON

USS HULL

USS BUCKLEY

USS MULLINNIX

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REDEYE PLATOON EMPLOYMENT REPORT (S)

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B. CTG 77.1 200316Z MAY 72

(1) (S) TIME TEAM IN PLACE

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- SKIP
- MULLINNIX
- E.F. LARSON
- PROVIDENCE
- STODDERT
- EVERSELE
- BERKELEY
- HANSON
- HULL
- BUCHANAN

(2) (S) TEAM FOR BUCKLEY IS EMBARKED CAMDEN.

(3) (S) REDEYE PLATOON COMMANDER IN PLACE IN USS PROVIDENCE 17 MAY 72.

(4) (S) GENERAL DYNAMIC REPS HAVE VISITED REDEYE TEAMS ON MULLINNIX, E.F. LARSON, PROVIDENCE, STODDERT, AND BUCHANAN. DICK HUFFMAN AND RAY

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LUBECK ARE PRESENTLY IN USS PROVIDENCE AWAITING TRANSPORTATION TO REDEYE TEAMS NOT YET VISITED. DICK HAMAMOTO IS IN E.F. LARSON. ED L'INCALATA IS WORKING WITH CTU 70.3.1 IN SUBIC.

(5) (S) PROCEDURES FOR EMPLOYMENT ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE 8.

(6) (S) EACH 4- MAN REDEYE TEAM HAS FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT:

4 XM-41 E-2 WEAPONS

1 XM76 TRAINER

1 OWL EYE

(7) (S) NO REPORTS OF WEAPONS FIRINGS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

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HEADQUARTERS
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
P.O. San Francisco 96602

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23 Apr 1972

From: CTG 79.1
To: Distribution List

Subj: GOT Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

Encl: (1) CTG 79.1 GOT Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded as planning guide for future operations. Modifications and additions to this enclosure (i.e., frequency assignments) will be promulgated by message as the tactical situation dictates/permits.

2. The overall classification of enclosure (1) is SECRET; extracts may be removed and downgraded to CONFIDENTIAL.

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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
 and Landing Force (TG 79.1)
 Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
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CTC 79.1 GCT Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex ____ (Intelligence) and current INTSUS.
- (2) The enemy has the capability to:
 - (a) Conduct electronic countermeasures and electronic counter-countermeasures.
 - (b) Conduct wire tapping.
 - (c) Conduct imitative deception, jamming and radio interception on both radio and radio relay circuits.
 - (d) Insert deceptive traffic on any uncovered communication circuits.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) See Annex ____ (Task Organization).
- (2) Amphibious Task Force (TF 76) provides communication and cryptographic guard for embarked landing force units throughout the operation.
- (3) Command Posts
 - (a) Afloat

UNIT

ATF (TF 76)

LOCATION

USS BLUNT RIDGE

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
9th MAB (TG 79.1)	USS BLUE RIDGE
RLT-4 (TU 79.1.2)	USS OKINAWA
PRCVIMAG-10 (TU 79.1.6)	USS TRIPOLI

(b) Ashore. All Landing Force elements report command post locations when established.

2. MISSION. When directed, 9th MAB (TG 79.1) communication-electronics elements provide communication and electronics support for the landing, subsequent operations ashore and tactical withdrawal.

3. EXECUTION

a. Provisional Communications Support Company (TU 79.1.1)

- (1) Provide personnel for 9th MAB Headquarters Communications (Afloat) during landing, operations ashore and tactical withdrawal.
- (2) Provide personnel for the 9th MAB Headquarters multi-channel terminals. See Appendix 2 (Multichannel Radio Plan).
- (3) Be prepared to provide personnel and equipment for ship to shore multichannel links as required.
- (4) Be prepared to provide messenger personnel for helicopter messenger service.

b. RLT-4 (TU 79.1.2)

- (1) Be prepared to assume communications guard on Landing Force circuits in the event 9th MAB Headquarters becomes a communications casualty.
- (2) Prepare and disseminate a communication-electronics plan in support of assigned operations.
- (3) Provide personnel and equipment to establish multichannel systems in accordance with Appendix 2 (Multichannel Radio Plan).

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- c. PROVMAG-10 (TU 79.1.6)
- (1) Provide personnel to establish multichannel systems afloat in accordance with Appendix 2 (Multichannel Radio Plan).
 - (2) Provide helicopter messenger service between 9th MAB Headquarters and subordinate elements as required.
- d. BLSG (TU 79.1.4). See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- e. Landing Force (TU 79.1.). See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- f. Det, 1st Radio Bn (TE 79.1.0.1). Provide support as directed by separate instructions.
- g. Landing Force Artillery Communications
- (1) See Annex ____ (Fire Support Coordination).
 - (2) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- h. Naval Gunfire Communications
- (1) See Annex ____ (Naval Gunfire).
 - (2) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- i. Air Support Communications
- (1) See Annex ____ (Air Operations).
 - (2) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- j. Coordinating Instructions
- (1) Communications will be in accordance with known doctrine and as modified by this annex.
 - (2) In the event of a communication casualty to 9th MAB Headquarters, communication/crypto guard will be assumed by RLT-4.
 - (3) Communication Center
 - (a) ZULU (GMT) will be used as the date-time group (DTG) for all messages entering the world wide Naval Communication System. Local (HOTEL) time will be used in all other message traffic i.e., tactical messages.

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- (b) Tactical CW call signs will be used to route message traffic in accordance with ACP-126 and Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
 - (c) Report establishment and subsequent changes in CP locations to 9th MAB Communication Center.
- (4) 9th MAB will establish special helicopter messenger service as required.
- (5) Radio
- (a) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
 - (b) Radio silence will be lifted at H-3.
 - (c) Net Control Station on each net will maintain strict circuit discipline. The BEADWINDOW Program is in effect.
 - (d) Interference and jamming will be immediately reported to this headquarters.
 - (e) Excessive transmitter output is prohibited.
 - (f) Tactical Call Signs in accordance with JANAP 119 (F) and Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
 - (g) Secure voice, authentication, operational codes/ciphers will be used to the maximum extent feasible.
- (6) Multichannel
- (a) See Appendix 2 (Multichannel Radio Plan).
 - (b) Multichannel links afloat will be established when directed.
 - (c) Senior headquarters on each ship will ensure that switchboards remain operational throughout the operation.
- (7) Visual and Sound. See Appendix 4 (Visual and Sound Signals).
- (8) Communication Engineering
- (a) Each organization will establish a Facilities Control for Communication Coordination.

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(b) Facilities Controls will maintain a station on the Communication Coordination Net. See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Land with sufficient equipment and batteries to support operations ashore.

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APPENDIXES:

1. Radio Plan
2. Multichannel Radio Plan
3. Communication Security
4. Visual and Sound Signals

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Appendix 1 (Radio Plan) to GOF Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

1. Concept

- a. The 9th MAB radio plan is designed to provide effective command and control of a task organization in accordance with doctrine and/or current practices. Some doctrinal nets have been eliminated as the full panoply of nets would demand more assets and frequencies than are required or available to exercise effective command and control.
- b. The optimum goal is continuous communications by all stations on all nets; however, loss of contact on radio nets will occur at times. All units must give prime consideration to their physical locations to enable optimum siting antennas for maintaining radio contact; and take swift effective remedial action when radio contact is lost.

2. Power

- a. All radio sets will be operated with the minimum power necessary, regardless of the authorized power.

3. Frequencies

- a. A small number of spare frequencies are available and will be assigned only by the 9th MAB CEO (Systems Control Center). Every effort must be made to use the assigned frequency of a net prior to request for an alternate frequency.
- b. Requests for alternate frequencies due to interference or other reasons will be made to the 9th MAB Systems Control Center via the Communication Coordination Net.

4. Contact

- a. A unit is considered as being in communication contact if it can be contacted on any net. Message traffic is not limited by its content to one functional net.

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- b. Messages that cannot be passed on one functional net due to loss of contact, may be passed over another net. Operational necessity of the traffic to be transmitted over an alternate net will be the determining criteria.

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TABS:

- A - Frequency Plan
- B - Frequency Assignment
- C - Call Signs

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Tab B (Frequency Assignments) to Appendix 1 (Radio Plan) to GCF
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1. Decode B-Designators

<u>DESIG</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>NET</u>
B-001	(P) 2135.5 (2134)	Bde Cmd #1
B-002	(P) 57.70	Bde Tac #2
B-003	64.55	Spare
B-004	(P) 37.80	Bde Arty Cmd/FD
B-005	35.80	RLT Cmd #1
B-006	58.95	BLT 1/9 Tac
B-007	38.85	1st Tank Plt, B Co Cmd
B-008	64.20	Spare
B-009	64.45	Spare
B-010	64.30 66.95/c	Spare
B-011	52.75	BLT 3/4 Mortar
B-012		Bde Intel
B-013		Spare
B-014	58.10	LZ Cont #1
B-015	62.95	LZ Local #2
B-016		Spare
B-017	(P-1) 70.80	Link #1
B-018		Spare
B-019	63.10	BLT 3/4 Co M Tac
B-020		Spare
B-021		Spare
B-022	(S) 63.85	Bde TAC
B-023		Spare
B-024		Spare
B-025		Spare
B-026	37.55 40.70/i	BLT 3/4 Co K Tac
B-027		Spare
B-028		____ Tank Plt ____ Cmd
B-029		Spare
B-030	(P-1) 37.20	Link #2
B-031		Spare
B-032	(S) 46.55	Bde Arty Cmd/FD
B-033		Spare
B-034		Spare
B-035	4481.5 (4480)	Bde NGF Support

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<u>DESIG</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>NET</u>
B-036	(S-2) 43.50	Link #2
B-037		Spare
B-038	36.75	Comm Coord
B-039	(S) 68.40	BLT 1/9 Tac
B-040		RLT Cmd #2
B-041	36.55	LZ Local #1
B-042	(S-2)	Link #1
B-043	57.60	BLT 3/4 Co I Tac
B-044	62.50 64.80/B	LZ Cont #2
B-045		Spare
B-046	(S) 9301.5 (9300)	Bde Cmd #1
B-047		Spare
B-048	36.45	Radar Beacon
B-049	4067.5 (4066)	Jan For SP Cmd
B-050	(P-2) 35.85	Link #1
B-051		Spare
B-052		Spare
B-053	368.5	TAD #1
B-054	(S) 7617.5 (7616)	Bde Cmd #2
B-055		Spare
B-056	(P) 57.45	RLT Tac #1
B-057		Spare
B-058	(P-1) 66.25	Link #4
B-059		G/S Btry CCF
B-060		Spare
B-061	(S) 8246.5 (8245)	HST Log
B-062	60.65	BLT 1/9 Co B Tac
B-063		Spare
B-064	(S-1)	Link #4
B-065		LZ Cont #3
B-066		Engr Co Cmd
B-067	(S) 65.80	BLT 1/4 Tac
B-068	57.80	RLT Tac #2
B-069	57.95	I Btry CCF
B-070	(P-2) 36.50 43.50	Link #4
B-071		Spare
B-072		Spare
B-073		Spare
B-074		Spare
B-075	(S-2)	Link #4
B-076		Spare
B-077	39.65	RLT FD/Arty Bn FD
B-078	(P) 63.05	BLT 1/4 Tac
B-079		Spare
B-080	(P) 4425.5 (4424)	HST Log
B-081	356.2	TAD #2

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<u>DESIG</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>NET</u>
B-082	59.20	BLT 1/9 Co D Tac
B-083		Btry COF
B-084	(S-1)	Link #3
B-085		Spare
B-086	(S-1)	Link #1
B-087		Spare
B-088	58.70	BLT 1/9 Co C Tac
B-089	(S) 60.55	RLT Tac #1
B-090	62.60	BLT 1/9 Co A Tac
B-091	62.20 59.10/5	G Btry COF
B-092		Spare
B-093		Spare
B-094	60.95	BLT 1/9 Mortar
B-095		Spare
B-096		Spare
B-097	62.80 67.35/1	D Btry COF
B-098	(S-2)	Link #3
B-099		LZ Local #3
B-100	(P-2) 68.05	Link #2
B-101	65.55	BLT 1/4 Co A Tac
B-102	60.15 58.05/8	BLT 2/9 Mortar
B-103		Tank Co Cmd
B-104	(S)	Recon Co Tac
B-105	(P) 65.00	BLT 3/4 Tac
B-106	(P-2)	Link #7
B-107		Beach SP Cont
B-108	(P) 43.70	Bde Tac #1
B-109	65.20	1st Tank Plt C Co Cmd
B-110		Spare
B-111	(P) 37.30	Bde TAO
B-112		Spare
B-113	39.80	BLT 1/4 Mortar
B-114		Link #6
B-115	66.00	BLT 1/4 Co C Tac
B-116		Spare
B-117	(P-1) 36.50	Link #3
B-118	58.55	BLT 2/9 Co E Tac
B-119	(P-2)	Link #5
B-120		Amtrac Plt Cmd
B-121		Spare
B-122		Spare
B-123	62.00	BLT 2/9 Co G Tac
B-124		Spare
B-125	(S-1) 65.95	Link #2
B-126	(P) 63.95	BLT 2/9 Tac

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<u>DESIG</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>NET</u>
B-127	(P-1)	Link #8
B-128	66.20	3d Amtrac Plt A Co Cmd
B-129	(P)	Recon Co Tac
B-130	(P-1)	Link #7
B-131	(S) 60.45	Bde Tac #1
B-132	65.40	Lth Amtrac Plt, B Co Cmd
B-133	61.80	Amtrac Plt, G Co Cmd
B-134	68.35	BLT 1/4 Co B Tac
B-135	(S)	BLT 2/9 Tac
B-136	63.75	BLT 2/9 Co F Tac
B-137	61.35	Amtrac Co Cmd
B-138	59.65	2nd Tank Flt, C Co Cmd
B-139	(S) 59.85	BLT 3/4 Tac
B-140	(P-2)	Link #6
B-141	60.10	Red Beach SP Cont
B-142	(P-2) 66.30	Link #3
B-143	(P-1)	Link #5
B-144	(P) 2488.5 (2487)	Bde Cmd #2
B-145	(P-2)	Link #8
B-146		Spare
B-147	62.20	PRCV MAG-10 Cmd
B-148	62.35	BLT 1/4 Co D Tac
B-149	65.95	Spare
B-150	63.15	BLT 2/9 Co H Tac
375L2	3048.5 (3047)	NGF Control
376LA1	56.60	SFC Spot #1
376LA2	67.55	SFC Spot #2
376LB1	42.60	SFC Spot #3
376LB2	45.90	SFC Spot #4
377L	350.6	NGF Air Spot
451L1	370.6	HD/Helo Cont #1
451L2	356.2	HD/Helo Cont #2
451LA3	43.10	HD/Helo Cont #3
476D1	260.1	TATC #1
476L2	385.8	TATC #2
477L1	8266.5 (8265)	TAR/HR #1
477L2	41.00	TAR
477L3	2391.5 (2390)	Helo Request #1
477L4	35.90	Helo Request #2
506LA1	256.2	HMM-165 Common
506LA2	49.80	HMM-165 Common
506LC1	356.6	HMM-164 Common
506LC2	35.60	HMM-164 Common
708L1	37.70	Red Beach Boat Cont
709L1	42.30	Red Beach Boat Ops

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Note: All HF Circuits using AN/TRC-75 and URT-23 Radios will use frequencies annotated in parenthesis and set radios in USB Mode. This permits transmission and reception on the assigned frequency.

2. Decode Nets

<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DESIG</u>
Bde Cmd #1 (P)	2135.5 (2134)	B-001
Bde Cmd #1 (S)	9301.5 (9300)	B-046
Bde Cmd #2 (P)	2438.5 (2487)	B-144
Bde Cmd #2 (S)	7617.5 (7616)	B-054
Bde Tac #1 (P)	43.70	B-108
Bde Tac #1 (S)	60.45	B-131
Bde Tac #2 (P)	57.70	B-002
PROV MAG-10 Cmd	62.20	B-147
Bde TAO (P)	37.30	B-111
Bde TAO (S)	39.60	B-022
Bde Intel		B-012
Bde Arty Cmd/FD	37.80	B-004
Bde Arty Cmd/FD	46.55	B-032
Bde NGF Support	4481.5 (4480)	B-035
NGF Control	3048.5 (3047)	375L2
NGF Air Spot	350.6	377L
SFC Spot #1	56.60	376LA1
SFC Spot #2	67.55	376LA2
SFC Spot #3	42.60	376LB1
SFC Spot #4	45.90	376LB2
Radar Beacon	36.45	B-048
HD/Helo Control #1	370.6	451L1
HD/Helo Control #2	356.2	451L2
HD/Helo Control #3	43.10	451LA3
Helo Request #1	2391.5 (2390)	477L3
Helo Request #2	35.90	477L4
TATC #1	260.1	476L1
TATC #2	385.8	476L2
TAR/AP #1	8266.5 (8265)	477L1
TAP	41.00	477L2
TAD #1	368.5	B-053
TAD #2	356.2	B-081
Comm Coordination	36.75	B-038
Lan For SP Cmd	4067.5 (4066)	B-049

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<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DES</u>
HST Logistics (P)	4425.5 (4424)	B-080
HST Logistics (S)	8246.5 (8245)	B-064
Red Beach SP Control	60.10	B-144
Beach SP Control		B-107
LZ Control #1	58.10	B-014
LZ Control #2	61.50 64.80/8	B-044
LZ Control #3		B-065
LZ Local #1	36.55	B-041
LZ Local #2	62.95	B-015
LZ Local #3		B-099
Red Beach Boat Cont	37.70	708L1
Red Beach Boat Cps	42.30	709L1
Beach Boat Cont		
Beach Boat Cps		
HMM-164 Common UHF	356.6	506L01
HMM-164 Common FM	35.60	506L02
HMM-165 Common UHF	256.2	506L01
HMM-165 Common FM	49.80	506L02
RLT Cmd #1	35.80	B-005
RLT Cmd #2		B-040
RLT Tac #1 (P)	57.45	B-056
RLT Tac #1 (S)	60.55	B-089
RLT Tac #2	57.80	B-068
RLT FD/Arty Bn FD	39.65	B-077
"I" Btry CCF	57.95	B-069
"D" Btry CCF	62.80 67.35/1	B-097
"G" Btry CCF	60.20 59.10/5	B-091
Btry CCF		B-083
G/S Btry CCF		B-059
BLT 3/4 Tac (P)	65.00	B-105
BLT 3/4 Tac (S)	59.85	B-139
Co "K" Tac	37.55 40.70/1	B-026
Co "L" Tac	57.60	B-043
Co "M" Tac	63.10	B-019
BLT 3/4 Mortar	57.75	B-011
BLT 1/2 Tac (P)	58.95	B-006
BLT 1/2 Tac (S)	68.40	B-039
Co "A" Tac	62.60	B-090
Co "B" Tac	60.65	B-062
Co "C" Tac	58.70	B-088

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<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DESIG</u>
Co "D" Tac	59.20	B-082
BLT 1/9 Mortar	60.95	B-094
BLT 1/4 Tac (P)	63.05	B-078
BLT 1/4 Tac (S)	65.80	B-067
Co "A" Tac	65.55	B-101
Co "B" Tac	68.35	B-134
Co "C" Tac	66.00	B-115
Co "D" Tac	62.35	B-118
BLT 1/4 Mortar	39.80	B-113
BLT 2/9 Tac (P)	68.95	B-126
BLT 2/9 Tac (S)		B-135
Co "E" Tac	58.55	B-118
Co "F" Tac	63.75	B-136
Co "G" Tac	62.00	B-123
Co "H" Tac	63.15	B-150
ELT 2/9 Mortar	60.15 <i>58.05/8</i>	B-102
Amtrac Co Cmd	61.35	B-137
Amtrac Plt "G" Co Cmd	61.80	B-133
3d Amtrac Plt "A" Co Cmd	66.20	B-128
4th Amtrac Plt "B" Co Cmd	65.40	B-132
_____ Amtrac Plt		B-120
Tank Co Cmd		B-103
1st Tank Plt "C" Co Cmd	65.20	B-109
2nd Tank Plt "C" Co Cmd	59.65	B-138
1st Tank Plt "B" Co Cmd	39.85	B-007
_____ Tank Plt		B-028
Recon Co Tac (P)		B-129
Recon Co Tac (S)		B-104
Engineer Co Cmd		B-066

3. Decode Multichannel Links

<u>LINK</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DESIG</u>
Link #1 (P-1)	70.80	B-017
Link #1 (P-2)	35.85	B-050
Link #1 (S-1)		B-086
Link #1 (S-2)		B-042
Link #2 (P-2)	68.05	B-100
Link #2 (P-1)	37.20	B-030

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Tab C (Call Signs) to Appendix 1 (Radio Plan) to GCT Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

Ref: (a) JANAP 119 (F)
(b) 3d MarDiv PO2000.2I (CGI)

Time Zone: H

1. Voice Call Signs. Voice call signs not otherwise designated will be generated in the following manner.
 - a. Headquarters Companies, Headquarters and Service Companies, and Headquarters Batteries not otherwise assigned a specific call sign in this order - voice call sign of parent battalion or regiment followed by "YANKEE".
 - b. Service and support companies - parent unit call sign followed by "ZULU".
 - c. Naval Gunfire Liaison Officers - call sign of supported unit followed by "TWO SIX OSCAR".
 - d. Naval Gunfire Spotters - call sign of supported unit followed by "TWO SIX CHARLIE".
 - e. Tactical Air Control Parties - call sign of supported unit followed by "ONE FOUR".
 - f. Fire Support Coordination Centers - unit call sign followed by "BAILEY".
 - g. Shore Party units - Shore Party basic call sign followed by beach color designation (number if applicable).
 - h. Helicopter Support Teams - call sign parent unit followed by "ALUMROOT".
 - i. Tactical-Logistical Groups - unit call sign followed by "PRODUCT".
 - j. Helicopter Landing Zones - unit call sign of service element followed by landing zone name.

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- k. Air Spotters - call sign of unit for which spotting, followed by "FOUR ZERO".
- l. Air Observers - call sign of unit for which observing, followed by "ZERO FIVE".
- m. Detachments will use parent unit or designated call sign followed by the detachment designation suffix e.g. "G" Entry, 3d Bn, 12th Mar is "FLIGHT TIME GOLF" and 1st Plt, Co "D", 3d Tk Bn is "COMING EVENT BRAVO ONE".
2. Landing Force call signs will be used on all Landing Force circuits. Task Force call signs, derived from reference (a), are listed in the event Navy units not having access to Landing Force Call signs require voice transmissions with Landing Force units.
3. Encode Voice Call Signs.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LF CALL SIGN</u>	<u>TF DESIGNATOR</u>	<u>TF CALL SIGN</u>
		CTF 76 (Command)	ILLUSION
		CTF 76 (Collective)	TARNISH
		CTG 79.1	LAUNDRY
CG 9th MAB	STAPLETON		
CG 9th MAB(Personal)	KING GUSTY		
9th MAB(Collective)	MUSTER	TG 79.1	IMPOSITION
9th MAB(Net)	DATE LINE		
H&S Co, 9th MAB	STAPLETON YANKEE	TU 79.1.0	OCCAN DRIVE
FSCC, 9th MAB	STAPLETON BAILEY		
Det, 1st Rad Bn	RADIANCE	TE 79.1.0.1	OCCAN DRIVE ONE
Prov Comm Spt Co	GAY LEGEND	TU 79.1.1	ROUGH CLOUD
RLT-4	EAGLE EYE	TU 79.1.2	DARK GLASSES
Hq, RLT-4	EAGLE EYE YANKEE	TE 79.1.2.0	DARK GLASSES ZERO
3d Bn, 4th Mar	HAYRIDE	TE 79.1.2.1	DARK GLASSES ONE
1st Bn 9th Mar	SIDE DISH	TE 79.1.2.2	DARK GLASSES TWO
1st Bn 4th Mar	FANCY DAN	TE 79.1.2.3	DARK GLASSES THREE
2nd Bn 9th Mar	COFFEE CUP	TE 79.1.2.4	DARK GLASSES FOUR
PROV Mag - 10	MYSTERY STORY	TE 79.1.6	RUNNING WAVE
Hq Prov Msg - 10	MYSTERY STORY YANKEE	TE 79.1.6.0	RUNNING WAVE ZERO

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LF CALL SIGN</u>	<u>TF DESIGNATOR</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>
HMM-165	LADY ACE	TE 79.1.6.1	RUNNING WAVE ONE
Det A, HML-367	SCARFACE ALFA	TE 79.1.0.2	RUNNING WAVE TWO
Det B, HML-367	SCARFACE BRAVO	TE 79.1.6.2	
HMM-164	SPANISH FLY	TE 79.1.6.3	RUNNING WAVE THREE
Det _____		TE 79.1.6.4	RUNNING WAVE FOUR
BLSG	KENTUCKY	TU 79.1.4	RUNNING WAVE OVERPOWER
LSP	CURATOR	TU 79.1.5	

4. Encode Voice Call Signs (Detachments)

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LF CALL SIGN</u>
3d Engr Bn	PISTON ROD _____
2nd Bn 12th Mar	HATCHCOCK _____
3d Bn 12th Mar	FLIGHT TIME _____
4th Bn 12th Mar	ANDREW _____
1st Amtrac Bn	FOOTBALL STAR _____
3d Tank Bn	COMING EVENT _____
Radar Beacon Team	(BLT) - CARBURATOR
9th MT Bn	BELVEDERE
3d FSR	RAINBELT _____
3d SP Bn	RINGLET _____
3d Med Bn	TARZAN _____
3d Dental Co	APRIL SHOWERS _____
Supply Bn	PYREX _____
Maint Bn	G.I. JOE _____
3d Service Bn	TEMPLE LAKE _____

5. Encode Voice Call Signs (Ships)

<u>SHIP</u>	<u>VOICE CALL SIGN</u>
BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)	BOOK CASE Q
DENVER (LPD-9)	LIMESTONE
TRIPOLI (LPH-10)	CAMERA BUG
OKINAWA (LPH-3)	GALLANT MAN
OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5)	FIREBALL
ANDERSON (DD-786)	MASKED RIDER
BADGER (DE-1071)	TIDE MARSH
BAUSELL (DD-845)	NAVIGATE
BUCHANAN (DDG-14)	SHARP NOTE
CECIL (DD-835)	LIMBO

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CRAIG (DD-885)
 DAVID (DE-1050)
 DAVIDSON (DE-1045)
 EDWARDS (DD-950)
 FOX (DD-829)
 GURKE (DD-783)
 HAMMOND (DE-1067)
 HAMNER (DD-718)
 HIGBEE (DD-806)
 JONES (DDG-32)
 LARSON (DD-830)
 LOCKWOOD (DE-1064)
 MACKENZIE (DD-836)
 MAHAN (DLG-11)
 PARSONS (DD-949)
 ROARK (DE-1053)
 ROWAN (DD-782)
 SAMPLE (DE-1048)
 STERETT (DLG-31)
 STODDERT (DDG-22)
 STRAUSS (DDG-16)
 THOMAS (DD-746)
 WADDELL (DDG-24)
 WHIPPLE (DE-1062)

VOICE CALL SIG

ASSASSIN
 LOCKPORT
 HUSKY PUP
 PARKLAND
 DREADNAUGHT
 ROAD HOUSE
 COSMIC SHIP
 GUY WIRE
 TRUCK
 BLUE BOLT
 WALTER
 SMOKELESS
 TEMPEST
 SEA POWER
 CENTER FIELD
 COALHAVEN
 VICAR
 EDGARVILLE
 VOLO SONG
 RANGE FINDER
 FLEET FOX
 BAIT HOOK
 FROGMAN
 FLAG WATER

6. Encode Tactical CW Call SignsUNIT

CTF 76 (Command)
 CTF 76 (Collective)
 CG 9th MAB
 CG 9th MAB (Personal)
 9th MAB (Collective)
 9th MAB (Net)
 FSCC 9th MAB
 RLT-4
 RLT-4 (Collective)
 3d Bn 4th Mar
 1st Bn 9th Mar
 1st Bn 4th Mar
 2nd Bn 9th Mar
 Prov Mag-10

CW CALL SIGN

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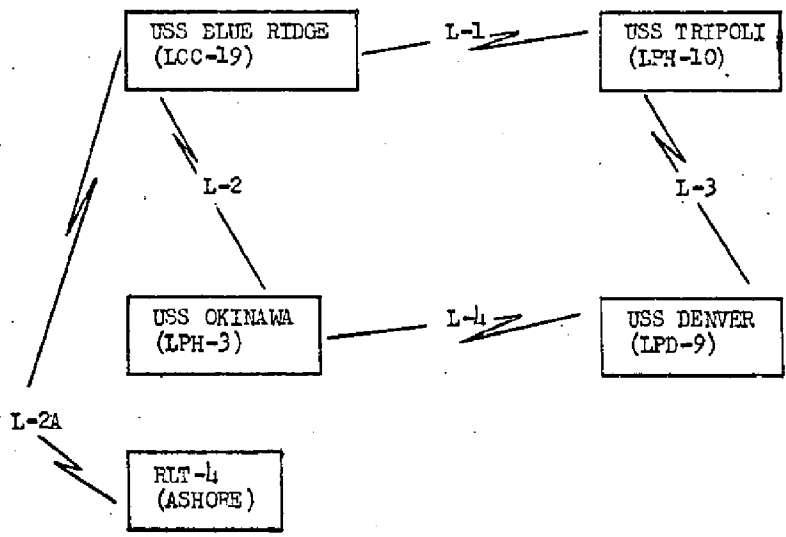
Appendix 2 (Multichannel Radio Plan) to GOT Standard Communication-
Electronics Annex

Ref: None

Time Zone: H

1. General. This appendix provides a diagram of the multichannel systems which will be established and utilized in support of Landing Force operations.

a. Multichannel Radio Link Diagram



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TAB:

A - Multichannel Radio Channelization

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Tab A (Multichannel Radio Channelization) to Appendix 2 (Multichannel
Radio Plan) to GOT Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

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Link #1

	<u>B-DESIG/FREQ</u>	<u>LCC-19</u>	<u>LPH-10</u>
	B-050/35.80	TX (P-2)	RX
	B-017/70.80	RX (P-1)	TX
	B-042/	TX (S-2)	RX
	B-086/	RX (S-1)	TX
Chnl:	1	CU	CU
	2	CU	TO LPD-9
	3	SACC	HDC
	4	SACC	TADC
	5	LFC	TROOP OPS
	6	FM RLT-4	HDC
	7	FM LPH-3 SWBD	CU
	8	FM LPH-3 SWBD	CU

Link #2

	<u>B-DESIG/FREQ</u>	<u>LCC-19</u>	<u>LPH-3</u>
	B-100/68.05	TX (P-2)	RX
	B-030/37.20	RX (P-1)	TX
	B-125/	TX (S-1)	RX
	B-036/	RX (S-2)	TX
Chnl:	1	CU	CU
	2	LFC	RLT-4
	3	SACC/FSCC	SACC/FSCC
	4	MIL OPS	TAC LOG
	5	CU	CU
	6	FM HDC (LPH-10)	RLT-4
	7	FM LPH-10 SWBD	CU
	8	FM LPH-10 SWBD	CU
TTY 1 (HDX 100 WPM)		TRP SECURE COMM	RLT-4

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Link #3

	<u>B-DESIG/FREQ</u>	<u>LPH-10</u>	<u>LPD-9</u>
	B-117/36.50	TX (P-1)	RX
	B-112/66.30	RX (P-2)	TX
	B-084/	TX (S-1)	RX
	B-098/	RX (S-2)	TX
Chnl:	1	CU	CU
	2	FM LCC-19 SWBD	CU
	3	MEDICAL	MEDICAL
	4	HDC	FLT OPS
	5	CU	CU
	6	CU	TO LPH-3 SWBD
	7	CU	TO LPH-3 SWBD
	8	HDC	TO LPH-3 HDC

Link #4

	<u>B-DESIG/FREQ</u>	<u>LPH-3</u>	<u>LPD-9</u>
	B-070/43.50	TX (P-2)	RX
	B-058/66.25	RX (P-1)	TX
	B-064/	TX (S-1)	RX
	B-075/	RX (S-2)	TX
Chnl:	1	CU	CU
	2	CU	CU
	3	CU	CU
	4	CU	CU
	5	MEDICAL	MEDICAL
	6	CU	TO LPH-3 SWBD
	7	CU	TO LPH-3 SWBD
	8	HDC	TO LPH-3 SWBD

Link #2A

	<u>B-DESIG/FREQ</u>	<u>LCC-19</u>	<u>RLT-11 (ASHORE)</u>
	B-100/38-05 68.05	TX (P-2)	RX
	B-030/37.20	RX (P-1)	TX
	B-125/	TX (S-1)	RX
	B-036/	RX (S-2)	TX
Chnl:	1	CU	CU
	2	LFC	COC
	3	SACC/FSCC	FSCC
	4	MIL OPS	TAC LOG
	5	CU	CU
	6	FM HDC (LPH-10)	FSCC

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B-DESIG/FREQ

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LCC-19

RLT-4 (ASHORE)

FM LPH-10 SWBD CU
CU

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Appendix 3 (Communication Security) to GPT Standard Communication-
 Electronics Annex

Ref: (a) Annex 2, COMSEVENTHFLT OpOrd 201
 (b) 3d MarDiv PO2000.2I (CGI)

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1. Transmission Security. That component of communications security which results from all measures designed to protect transmissions from unauthorized interception, traffic analysis and imitative deception.
 - a. General. While the possibility of hostile exploitation of covered voice radio nets is remote, uncovered voice nets can be an extremely valuable source of information. To reduce the amount of information available to an unauthorized recipient, use of proper radio procedure and maximum possible use of authorized paper codes, i.e., authentication, numeral codes, etc, is mandatory.
 - b. Radio Procedure. Voice radio procedure used by personnel on all uncovered radio nets will be in accordance with but not limited to the following procedures to provide effective countermeasures:
 - (1) Thorough indoctrination in radio operating procedures, equipment capabilities/limitations, circuit discipline, and transmission security.
 - (2) Stressing use of minimum transmission, tuning and testing.
 - (3) Monitoring of circuits on a "spot check" basis and taking remedial action for security violations.
 - (4) When interference occurs, action should be taken, in the following order:
 - (a) Determine the source, if possible.
 - (b) If the source is local, endeavor to reduce the interference or eliminate by direct action.

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- (c) If local action is impractical or unsuccessful, report the circumstances to this headquarters.
 - (5) Operators should be especially alert against imitative deception. Foreign accent, unauthorized call signs, inability to authenticate, excessive tuning or keying may be indications of imitative deception. Should the "bogey" station(s) be unable to obtain intelligence it may resort to jamming.
 - (6) No plain language radio transmission shall be made over uncovered circuits without code protection, which reveals the time, place or force involved in a specific U.S. tactical operation, except to protect U.S. or Allied lives otherwise in jeopardy.
- c. The following are expressly prohibited:
- (1) Routine radio checks and tests counts.
 - (2) Units checking in and out of uncovered radio nets except upon establishment or securing of the net.
2. Beadwindow Program
- a. General. BEADWINDOW is a method by which a net control station (commonly referred to as NCS) will notify stations on his net that an essential element of friendly information (EEFI) has been disclosed. BEADWINDOW applies to all operations, exercises and other tactical voice communications utilizing uncovered radio nets.
 - b. Procedures
 - (1) A list of EEFI's will be provided at all positions from which uncovered radios are operated.
 - (2) When any station on the net commits a disclosure of an EEFI, the NCS will call that station and say the word "BEADWINDOW" followed by the number denoting the EEFI(s) that have been disclosed. The reply to a "BEADWINDOW" message will be the call sign of the violating station followed by "ROGER, OUT". Remedial action will be taken to prevent recurrence.
 - c. Essential Elements of Friendly Information (EEFI)
 - (1) Disclosure of tactical unit location(s)/movement(s).

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- (2) Disclosure of movement of VIP's and Commanders of battalion/squadron size and larger organizations.
 - (3) Disclosure of unit mission(s)/objective(s).
 - (4) Disclosure of any information which indicates an organization is vulnerable or has a reduced capability to accomplish its mission.
 - (5) Disclosure of presence/location of sensitive units such as reconnaissance teams, VMCA aircraft, etc.
 - (6) Disclosure of composition of, and major changes in, task organization.
 - (7) Disclosure of illuminative information regarding present or impending operations.
 - (8) Reference to EMCON.
 - (9) Disclosure of logistics requirements.
 - (10) Disclosure of COMSEC personnel, units, or activities.
 - (11) Compromise of current Joint/Navy operations/numerical codes.
 - (12) Compromise of call sign or frequency assignment.

3. Crypto Paper Codes

- a. Maximum use possible will be made of paper codes on all uncovered radio nets. The codes will be immediately available at all times when uncovered radio nets are being operated, they will be available at all locations from which stations on the net operate.
- b. Only authorized codes will be utilized. The use of homemade codes and authentication systems and the use of thrust points is absolutely prohibited.
- c. Coordinates of all positions known or suspected to be known to the enemy WILL NOT be coded.

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- d. Only the following systems are authorized for use in the operation area:

	SYSTEM	USE	CRYPTOPERIOD
#	AKAC 801	Circe Wheel (I Corps)	2201Z (0601H) Daily
	AKAC 802	Circe Wheel (II Corps)	1601Z (0001H) Daily
	AKAC 803	Circe Wheel (III Corps)	1601Z (0001H) Daily
	AKAC 804	Circe Wheel (IV Corps)	1601Z (0001H) Daily
#	AKAC 805	Circe Wheel (7th FLT)	1601Z (0001H) Daily
# *	USKAK 8055	Nestor (Secure Voice) Landing Force	1001Z (1801H) Daily
#	AKAK 8098	Nestor (Secure Net) COMUSMACV - WESTPAC Air/Grd - Air/Air	2201Z (0601H) Daily
#	AKAK 8159	Nestor (Secure Net) I Corps	2201Z (0601H) Daily
	AKAK 8160	Nestor (Secure Net) II Corps	2301Z (0701H) Daily
	AKAK 8161	Nestor (Secure Net) III	1601Z (0001H) Daily
	AKAK 8162	Nestor (Secure Net) IV Corps	1601Z (0001H) Daily
	AKAC 62	OPCODE (Unsecure Net) WESTPAC Ships	0001Z (0801H) Daily
#	AKAC 132	OPCODE (Unsecure Net) PACFLT Commands	0001Z (0801H) Every 30 Day
	USKAC 692	OPCODE (Unsecure Net) MR-1 (limited dist.)	As Directed
#	USKAK 7146	CRESTES (TTY) Amphib Ship/Shore	0400Z (1200H) Daily
	USKAK 7150	CRESTES (TTY) PACFLT Common Tactical Ship/Ship and Air/Ground	0401Z (1201H) Daily
	USKAK 7159	CRESTES (TTY) Primary Ship/Shore Also MCF Ship Nets	0401Z (1201H) Daily
	USKAK 7470	CRESTES (TTY) MR-1 (FRAC)	0401Z (1201H) Daily

Systems most likely to be used; should be held by all concerned.

* Day used is next day e.g., 010001Z (011801H) set day 2.

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Appendix 4 (Visual and Sound Signals) to GOC Standard Communication-
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Ref: None

Time Zone: H

1. General

- a. The visual signals contained within this paragraph will be employed by 9th MAB.
- b. CW call signs will be used in visual communications.

2. Pyrotechnic Signals

- a. Meanings assigned to pyrotechnic signals will not be altered. Special signal meanings not specially assigned will be requested from this Headquarters.
- b. Any single red pyrotechnic light displayed singly or in succession is an international signal meaning aircraft in distress.
- c. The listed pyrotechnic signals and assigned meanings are as follows:

<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
Green Star (Cluster)	Fire prearranged fire according to schedule.
Red Star (Cluster)	Suspend firing/Lift air strike/Lift arty fire.
White Star (Cluster)	Identify yourself.

- d. The below listed pyrotechnic signals with assigned meanings (except as noted above) are standard within this command when fired by ground troops.

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<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
White Star, Parachute	Illumination only
Double Star Red-Red	Aircraft in distress (International Signal)
1 Green Pyrotechnic, any type, or 1 Green Smoke Streamer	"Are you friendly"
1 White Star Cluster or 1 Red Smoke Streamer	"Friendly troops here "

3. Smoke Signals. The below listed smoke signals with assigned meanings are to be used as follows:

<u>COLOR</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
Green	Commence firing
Yellow	Drop supplies here
Red	Suspend firing
White	I am friendly (or) understand your message

Note: One or more white phosphorous shells fired on a target indicates an assigned target.

4. Miscellaneous Visual Signals

- a. Flag Signal displayed from tank turret:

<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
Red	Tank in distress; requires infantry assistance
Orange	Tank is low on fuel or ammunition-pulling back to replenish

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<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
Green	Request infantry contact on telephone at rear of tank

b. Aircraft Maneuver Signals

<u>AIRCRAFT MANEUVER</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
Rock Wings	Message or display understood
Sharp S-turn	Will support you, mark target
Circle right - rocking wings	Am trying to contact you by radio

5. Warning Signals

a. Air Attack and Alert Warning Signals

<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>HOW DISSEMINATED</u>
* (1) Air Defense Warning Red	Air Attack Imminent or Taking Place	Siren sounds for ten seconds followed by five second interval for a period of two minutes.
(2) Air Defense Warning Yellow	Air Attack Probable	Radio Message or Word of Mouth.
(3) All Clear	Air Attack Over	Siren sounds for one minute.

* Sirens will not be used for any other signals within the objective area.

b. Anti-Mechanized Conditions

<u>CONDITION</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>HOW DISSEMINATED</u>
(1) I	Friendly Units Are Seriously Endangered by Hostile Attack in Progress	Radio Message or Word of Mouth

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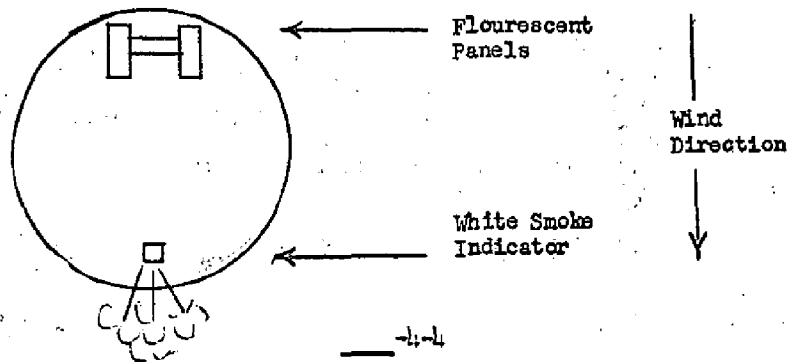
<u>CONDITION</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>HOW DISSEMINATED</u>
(2) II	Friendly Units Are Under Attack by Hostile Armor	Radio Message or Word of Mouth
(3) III	Hostile Armor Approaching Our Force And Contact Is Imminent. Time And Place of Contact Can Be Predicted With Reasonable Accuracy.	Radio Message or Word of Mouth

c. Flare Signals

<u>SIGNAL</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
One Red Flare	Request for emergency evacuation for group or troops (radio confirmation required). Or request for medical evacuation. Or aircraft, boat or survivors in distress.
Two or more Red Flares	Area not secure/ not safe to land.
One White Flare	Cease/stop illumination or shelling.
One Green Flare	Area secure or safe to land.
Two or more Green Flares	Radio breakdown.

6. Visual Marking of Helicopter Landing Site

a. Visual Marking of Helicopter Landing Site by Day



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INSTRUCTIONS

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INTRODUCTION

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PTTCZYUW RUHCPTA0466 1311135-CCCC--RUADAJA RHARSEG.
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P 101135Z MAY 72
FM CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE
TO ZEN/CTF SEVEN SIX
RUADAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE
RUADAJA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT TWO
RHARSEG/CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREE
ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT ONE
ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX
ZEN/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT THREE
ZEN/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT TWO
ZEN/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX PT THREE
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CALL 2314

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CHANGE 1 TO CTG 79.1 COT STANDARD COMM-ELECT ANNEX (C)
A. CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMM-ELECT ANNEX
1. (C) MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO REFERENCE A:
A. CHANGE TAD 2 FREQUENCY TO READ 285.8/5 VICE 356.2/6.
CHANGE TAR 1 FREQUENCY TO READ 8501.5 (3500)/2 VICE
3266.5 (8265)/8.
CHANGE TAR 2 FREQUENCY TO READ 41.80/3 VICE 41.00/5
FREQUENCY DESIGNATORS REMAIN THE SAME.

PAGE TWO RUHCPTA0466 C O N F I D E N T I A L

- B. ADD FOLLOWING CALL SIGNS PAGE 1-C-2:
UNITS CALL SIGN
HDC FAIRMONT
TACC ICEPACK
- C. PAGE 1-B-2 CHANGE FREQUENCY OPPOSITE DESIG BRAVO 7-17
TO READ 43.50/2 VICE 36.50/4.
- D. PAGE 2-A-2 LINK 2A OPPOSITE DESIG BRAVO 100/1 CHANGE
FREQUENCY TO READ 61.05/9 VICE 33.05/6.

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 UHGOFA RUHGOLA.
 INY CCCCC
 P 260615Z MAY 72

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~~BY CTG SEVEN NINE PT ONE~~

TO ZEN/CTF SEVEN SIX
 RUAOAJA/CTF SEVEN NINE
 RUAOAJA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT TWO
 RHARSGG/CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREE
 ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT ONE
 ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX
 ZEN/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT THREE
 RUHGOLA/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT TWO
 ZEN/CTE SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX PT THREE
 ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT ONE
 ZEN/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT TWO PT FOUR
 RUHGOLA/CTU SEVEN NINE PT ONE PT SIX PT ONE

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~~INDEX 2 TO CTR 7501 GCP STANDARD COMM-ELECT ANNEX (U)~~

- A. CG FRAC 181810Z MAY 72 (NOTAL)
- B. CTG 79.1 GOT STANDARD COMM-ELECT ANNEX (PASEP)
- 1. (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE A MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES

PAGE TWO RUHGPTA2285 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 TO REFERENCE B:

DESIGNATOR	DELETE FREQ	ADD FREQ
B-010	64.30/3	66.95/6
B-026	37.55/0	40.70/1
B-044	61.50/2	64.80/8
B-091	60.20/8	59.10/5
B-097	62.80/6	67.35/1
B-102	60.15/2	58.05/8

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From: CTG 79.1
To: Distribution List

Subj: Change Number 3 to CTG 79.1 GCF Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

Ref: (a) CG FPAC msg 260000Z May 72 (C)(NOTAL)
(b) CTG 79.1 GCF Standard Communication-Electronics Annex

Encl: (1) - Encode Voice Call Signs
(2) - Checklist of valid frequencies
(3) - Distribution List

1. In accordance with reference (a), delete the following frequencies from reference (b):

<u>DESIGNATOR</u>	<u>FREQ</u>
B-011	58.10
B-039	60.10
B-056	57.15
B-060	57.95
B-091	60.95
B-097	67.35
B-118	58.55
B-125	65.95
B-131	60.15
B-136	60.75
B-137	61.35
B-147	62.20

2. Due to the fluid nature of GCF Operations, frequencies authorized in reference (b) will have to be reassigned from time to time to meet contingencies. Valid requests for additional frequencies will be addressed to CTG 79.1 (ATTN: GEC).

3. Enclosure (1) provides a revised listing of Encode Voice Call Signs which replace those listed in reference (b) (Tab C, paragraph 3).

ENCLOSURE (1)

Enclosure (2) is provided as checklist of frequencies which are currently authorized for TG 79.1 use in the GCI Area.



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3. Knocke Voice Call Signs

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>RF CALL SIGN</u>	<u>TYPE OF SERVICE</u>	<u>ORIGIN OF UNIT</u>
		OTA 78 (Command)	FLINTON
		OTA 78 (Collective)	TAMMICK
CO 2nd MAE	STAPLETON	OTA 79.1	IANHONY
CO 9th MAE (Personnel)	KIND WISPY		
8th MAE (Collective)	IRSTER	OTB 79.1	I. POSITION
9th MAE (MVT)	PAVE LINE		
H&S Co, 9th MAE	STAPLETON	OTB 79.1.0	CORAN DRIVE
	YAREE 2		
FSCC 9th MAE	STAPLETON		
	BATLEY		
Det, 1st Rad Bn	RADIANCE	OTE 79.1.0.1	CORAN DRIVE
			OTB
Det "A", H&L-367	SCARFACE ALPHA	OTE 79.1.0.2	CORAN DRIVE
			TED
Red Eye Plt.	TEA	OTE 79.1.0.3	CORAN DRIVE
			THOMAS
H&S Spot Det	TEA	OTE 79.1.0.4	CORAN DRIVE
			FORN
Prov Comm Spt Co	GAY LEGEND	OTU 79.1.1	WORTHINGTON
TACC	ICE PACK		
H&C	SAFETYNET		
31st MAU	OPTION HOLDER	OTE 79.4	MINNIE
HQ 31st MAU	OPTION HOLDER	OTE 79.4.0	FORN
	YAREE		
BLT 1/A	FANCY DAN	OTE 79.4.2	ICE SHIP
H&L-161	SPANISH FLY	OTU 79.4.3	WORTHINGTON
33d MAU	TEA	OTC 79.7	BETHSOM
HQ 33d MAU	TBA	OTU 79.7.0	MARSHALL
BLT 2/A	HAYRIDE	OTU 79.7.1	PERFORMANCE
H&L-155	LADY ACE	OTU 79.7.2	GAY BOND
BLT 2/9	COPPER CUP	OTG 79.9	REINFORCED
BLT 1/9	SIDE DISH	OTG 79.5	HEARSAY

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ENCLOSURE (2)

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CHECKLIST OF VALID FREQUENCIES

<u>DESIG</u>	<u>FREQ</u>
B-001	2135.5(2134)
B-002	57.70
B-003	61.55
B-004	37.80
B-005	35.80
B-006	58.95
B-007	38.85
B-008	64.20
B-009	64.45
B-010	66.95
B-011	52.75
B-015	62.95
B-017	70.80
B-019	63.10
B-022	63.85
B-026	40.70
B-030	37.20
B-032	46.55
B-035	4480.5(4480)
B-036	43.50
B-038	36.75
B-041	36.55
B-043	57.60
B-044	64.80
B-046	9301.5(9300)
B-048	36.45
B-049	4067.5(4066)
B-050	35.85
B-053	360.5
B-054	7617.5(7616)
B-058	66.25
B-061	8246.5(8245)
B-062	60.65
B-067	65.80
B-068	57.80
B-070	43.50
B-077	39.65
B-078	63.05
B-080	4425.5(4424)
B-081	225.6
B-082	59.20
B-086	58.70
B-089	60.55
B-090	62.60
B-091	59.10

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<u>TYPE</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
B-100	63.00
B-101	65.50
B-102	65.00
B-103	65.00
B-104	65.00
B-105	65.00
B-106	65.00
B-107	65.00
B-108	65.00
B-109	65.00
B-110	65.00
B-111	37.30
B-112	39.80
B-113	66.00
B-114	36.50
B-115	62.00
B-116	63.25
B-117	66.20
B-118	65.40
B-119	61.80
B-120	63.25
B-121	59.65
B-122	59.85
B-123	60.10
B-124	65.30
B-125	2488.5(2487)
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17 May 1972

COMMANDER
NAVAL COMMUNICATION COMMAND (N33)
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Subj: Call Sign Change

Ref: (a) JANAP 119 (F)

(C) Reference (a) (page 1-161 ENCODE; page 8-3 DECODE) has designated the Commander Call Sign "LAUNDRY" for A9.1 This call sign currently assigned to CTG 79.1.

(C) During recent operations this call sign was unsatisfactory. First, the concise nature of this word is susceptible to garbling over HF and marginal FM circuits. Secondly, the connotation derived from the term is not implicit to the military posture of a Command. Finally, COMSEC reports clearly revealed that this call sign has been compromised.

(C) It is requested that a new Commander Call Sign be designated for A9.1. The following call signs are recommended: CUTTING EDGE, THUNDER BELT, MATMAN.

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10/WAS/wdc
2000
29 May 1972

MEMORANDUM ENDORSEMENT

From: Communication-Electronics Officer
To: Chief of Staff

1. Attached is provided for information on communications liaison trip this date.

Very respectfully,


W.H. STOTZER

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Enclosure (5)

HEADQUARTERS
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
APO San Francisco 96602

10/CRM/wdc
2000
29 May 1972

MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Communication-Electronics Officer
To: Communication-Electronics Officer

Subj: Hue' Communications

Ref: (a) N-5 Memorandum, Communications to Hue', of 29 May 1972

Encl: (1) Diagram of Hue' Communications

1. Reference (a) provides additional information on a communications liaison visit to Hue' made on this date.
2. The following information is provided on Hue' communications:
 - a. The most direct means of communication with Marine Advisors at Hue' is over FRAC #3 (PATT). This net includes DaNang (MCS), Marine Advisors (Hue'), USS BLUE RIDGE (Troop Comm), 8th RRFS, ABW Div (Hue' Area). The Marines have been provided contingency equipment by MACV to enter FRAC #3 (Note: This equipment could be pulled from Marines for a contingency). The operators are Army. The Marine and DaNang terminals will come up for a communications check every other hour.
 - b. Should the Marine terminal (FRAC #3) fail we can have the DaNang station pass messages to the Marine Advisors by providing the passing instructions: "PASS TO MARINES, HUE'". The Marines (Hue') have a "back up" VHF radio relay system they can activate to DaNang. In addition, they are close enough to FRAC (Hue') and "I" PASC (Hue') to have these units guard for them. We can send traffic to DaNang (FRAC) over ANTODIN where manual relay can route it to Hue' (see reference (a)).
 - c. The Hue' advisor will check into our 8th RRFS liaison net three times a day using call sign "BACKFIRE XRAY".
 - d. The USMC Communication Advisor (Hue') can be contacted on the 1st VMC TAC - 60.15. This net terminates in the TCC. His call sign is "BACKFIRE XRAY".

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e. Lieutenant Colonel LEVINE, FRAC, mentioned using FRAC TAC #1 (FM-Secure Voice) as a means of talking to Hue'. To compensate for distance an airborne relay could be used (i.e. when ship is over 20 miles from Hue'). The ABN Relay was briefly discussed without serious planning.

3. Enclosure (1) ~~2~~ provides a visual picture of Hue' communications.

V/R
C.R. Mitchell
C.R. MITCHELL

Copy to: N-5 (Commander ELDER)

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28 FEB 1972

From: [redacted]
 To: [redacted]
 Via: [redacted]

Subj: Communications to Hue (U)

1. (C) A visit to Hue this date developed the following information:

a. MACV (J-6 personally overriding his staff) has provided to FRAC an HF TTY rig. This is one of two MACV contingency sets, and is on loan until MACV has a "contingency" situation. It is operated by FRAC; located 5 min walk from Marine HQ. It is in the FRAC TAC #3 net.

b. USAF operates a TTY circuit from Daang to Hue.

c. I DASC since relocation from Danang no longer operates on AF GREEN.

2. (C) Summary of communications to Hue:

a. AUTODIN to FRAC Danang, manual relay to Hue circuit terminating in building with FRAC HQ, I DASC and AF HQ.

b. AUTODIN to AF Danang, manual relay to Hue circuit terminating in same building as (a) above.

c. FRAC TAC 3 Hue direct, terminating as in 1 a. above

d. FRAC TAC 3 Danang, manual relay to Hue as 2.a. above.

e. Marine SA has field HF radio (voice) making 3 times daily checks into 9 MAB HF TAC, and available full time in event of emergency.

f. NGLO Control circuit (CUSTOMHOUSE 260) HF voice to same building as 2.a. above. Full period.

g. (When in VHF range of Hue, say 20 miles) FRAC TAC #1 secure voice.

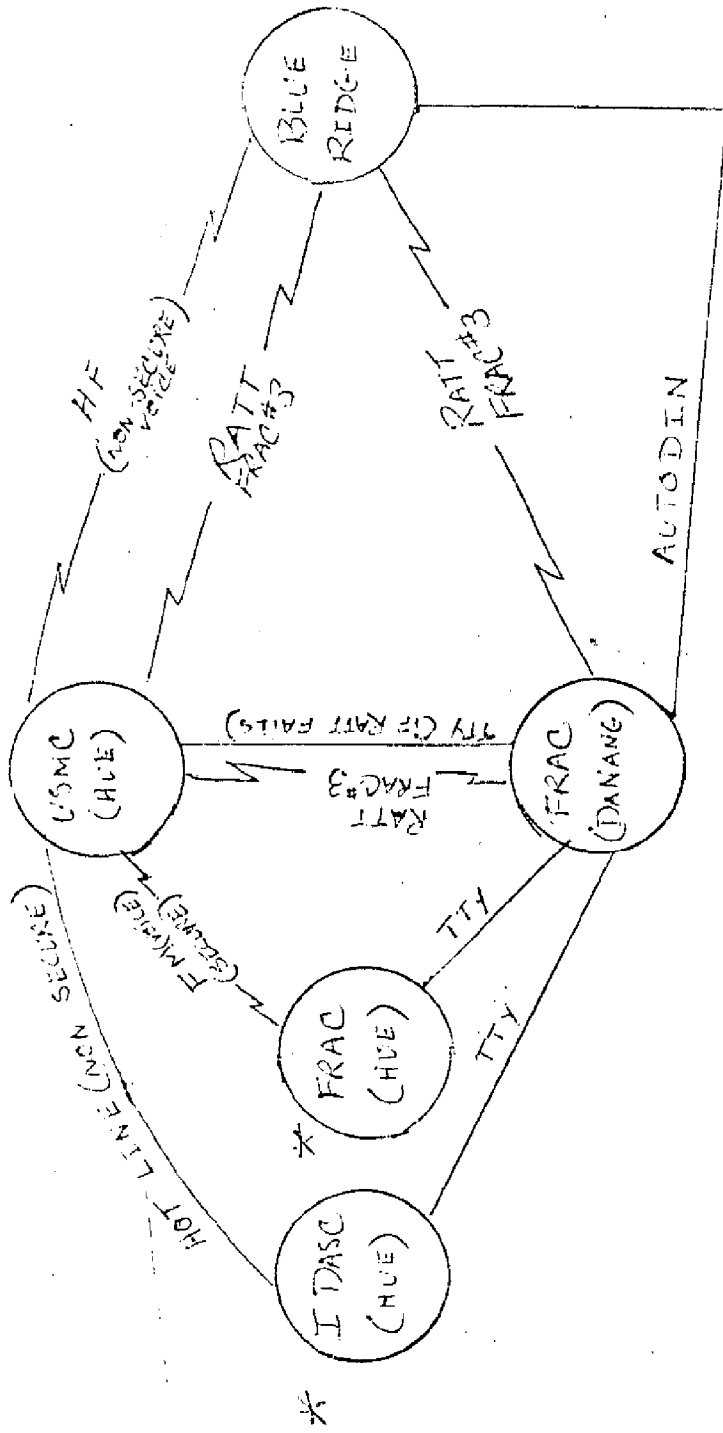
3. The most reliable route will be AUTODIN: delay depends on manual relay loading at the moment. Next most reliable and fastest will be the new TTY rig (para 1.a).

Ref. a.

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Very respectfully,

J.C. ELDER



* Both units within 5 minute drive of USMC (HUE).

Enclosure (1)

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COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS GROUP ONE

INCOMING MESSAGE

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 TO RUOANA/CTG SEVEN NINE PT SIX
 INFO RUOAJA/CTG SEVEN NINE

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REPLACEMENT FOR LTCOL H.G. FISCHER

- AL CTG 79.6 240318Z (NOTAL)
1. REF A DESIGNATED LTCOL J. J. FRIBERG AS REPLACEMENT FOR LTCOL H.G. FISCHER AS CO 9TH MAB BLSG.
 2. INTENTION THIS HQ TO RETURN HQ BLSG SOONEST WITH REQUEST PERSONNEL BE EARMARKED FOR RETURN IF REQUIRED.
 3. NO REQ FOR LTCOL FRIBERG TO RPT THIS HQ.

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COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS GROUP ONE

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 I USS PT DEFIANCE
 I USS ST LOUIS
 R 300846Z MAY 72

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 ZEN/TS SEVEN NINE PT ONE
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