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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
01 January to 31 January 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Ninth Marines
3d Marine Division (-) (Rein)

1-31Jan68 Col R. B. SMITH

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

1-31Jan68 1stLt E. W.
HENDERSON

1stBn, 4th Marines

1-31Jan68 LtCol E. A.
DEPTULA

BLT, 2dBn, 4th Marines

27-31Jan68 LtCol W.
WEISE

3dBn, 4th Marines

1-24Jan68 LtCol L. R.
BENDELL

3dBn, 3d Marines

1-21Jan68 LtCol R. C.
NEEDHAM
22-31Jan68 LtCol J. W.
MARSH

2dBn, 9th Marines

1-31Jan68 LtCol W. M.
CRYAN

2dBn, 1st Marines

1-8Jan68 LtCol E. L.
PARKER, Jr.
9-31Jan68 LtCol B. R.
DUNCAN

2. 1-31 January 1968: Dong Ha, RVN

3. Executive Officer

1-12Jan68 LtCol W. F.
GATELY, Jr.
13-21Jan68 Major C. TYE
Acting
22-31Jan68 LtCol R. C.
NEEDHAM

S-1

1-31Jan68 1stLt D. J.
MOSSEY

S-2

1-31Jan68 Major P. J.
KIESELBACH

S-3

1-31Jan68 LtCol J. C.
STUDT

I-1

S-4

1-31Jan68 Maj C. TYE

S-5

1-31Jan68 Capt G. L.
BARLOW

Chaplain

1-31Jan68 Cmdr J. V.
BORECZKY

4.

USMC	
OFF	ENL
23	206

USN	
OFF	ENL
1	3

OTHER	
OFF	ENL
0	0

PART II

S-1 CHRONOLOGY1. Personnel

a. Casualties. Headquarters Company sustained the following casualties during the month of January 1968.

	USMC	
	OFF	ENL
Battle (KIA)	0	0
Battle (WIA)	0	2
Non-Battle	0	2

b. Rotation during January

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAV OFF	NAV ENL
1	31	0	0

c. Replacements received during January 1968

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAV OFF	NAV ENL
1	40	0	2

2. Informational Services. Hometown news releases were filled out and submitted on personnel receiving the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and Purple Hearts, also on those who were promoted. Headquarters Company had one Corporal meritoriously promoted to Sergeant and one Lance Corporal meritoriously promoted to Corporal.

3. Special Services. Personnel of Headquarters, 9th Marines received the following: 100 writing kits; 2 game kits; 100 pocket books; 1 Gym set; 1 TV set; 1 Badminton set; 8 Badminton rackets with presses; 4 Boxing gloves; 1 Striking Bag; 10 Footballs.

4. Discipline.

a. No unusual problems.

b. Courts-Martial

	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Pending</u>
GCM	0	0
SPCM	1	0
SCM	0	0

c. Regimental Commander's Office Hours-0

d. Company Commander's Office Hours-7

5. Morale, P.X., Postal Affairs and R&Ra. Morale. Morale within Headquarters, 9th Marines remains excellent.b. Post Exchange Facilities. P.X. facilities are excellent.c. Postal affairs. Postal services are good.d. R&R. Headquarters, 9th Marines was allocated the following quotas for R&R during the month of January 1968, 5 of which were not filled.

Okinawa - 1	Penang - 1
Bangkok - 4	Tokyo - 2
Hong Kong- 3	Hawaii - 4
Taipei - 3	Sydney - 2
Manila - 1	
Singapore- 1	

Returnee's from R&R reported no problems and expressed satisfaction with the program.

6. Administration. This command is presently short 3 OI41's. No other critical shortages exist.7. Chaplain.

<u>Protestant Services</u>	<u>Catholic Masses</u>
18 Sunday	16 Sunday
10 Weekday	68 Weekday

S-2 CHRONOLOGY1. AREA OF OPERATIONS

a. Location. The 9th Marines AO is situated on the east coast of South Vietnam in northeast QUANG TRI Province. The northern border of the AO is the southern boundary of the DMZ from the east at Rt #4 (YD 207758) to the west along the southern boundary of the DMZ to (YD 085687). The western boundary follows the stream from (YD 085687) to (YD 080660); then the western boundary follows a straight line down the 08 grid line to the stream at (YD 080614), following the stream to (YD 100604), then proceeding in a straight line to (YD 100588). The southern boundary then proceeds to the river at (YD 135545) following the river (SONG VINH PHUOC) to the railroad tracks at (YD 274577). The eastern boundary follows the railroad tracks from this point to Rt #4 at which time it runs north along the railroad bend then along Rt #9 to the SONG HIEU GIANG and follows the river to (YD 170606). The eastern boundary then proceeds straight up the 17 grid line to (YD 170700) and follows a straight line to GIO LINH at (YD 213732) and goes down Rt #4 to (YD 215726). The eastern boundary then follows a pattern of a semi-circle by connecting Rt #4 with the following coordinates: (YD 220725), (YD 230730), (YD 230741) and (YD 220748). It finally proceeds up Rt #4 to the southern boundary of the DMZ.

b. Description of the Area.

(1) The AO encompasses an area of approximately 150 square miles. There are two distinct topographic regions represented;

(a) Coastal lowland. The coastal lowland consists primarily of poorly drained flat areas of rice cultivation. Rice cultivation extends inland for approximately 20km but may extend further along river valleys. A continuous strip, approximately 4 km wide along the coast consists of well drained sand dunes and sand beaches. Elevations in this area rarely exceed 5 meters. Large areas of open grassland and sand dunes occur on the gently rolling plains between the beach and paddy land and National Route #4. The elevation of these rolling plains is less than 5 meters. Large areas of open grassland and sand dunes occur on the gently rolling plains between the beach and paddy land and National Route #4. The elevation of these rolling plains is less than 5 meters.

(b) Piedmont Region. Further inland west of Route #4, the flat coastal plains grade into rolling plains and hills. The elevation ranges from 10 meters to generally less than 200 meters; the ground slopes range from 10 to 30 percent, but may be as high as 50 percent. The topography is coarse textured. The streams are generally 3 to 4km apart so that in the rolling plains and hills, the topography affords large areas for dispersion. The hills become increasingly rugged toward the west and the BO DINH River constitutes the only natural pass, and is generally followed by Highway #9.

c. Population. The AO includes a population of approximately 75,000 people concentrated around the major population centers of CAM LO, DONG HA and GHO LINE. Statistical data reflecting the ethnic and religious make-up of the population is limited, but available sources indicate that ethnic Vietnamese make up approximately 90% of the population, 9% are Montagnards and 1% a mixture of Cambodians, Chinese and others. Roughly 85% of the population is Buddhist, 15% Catholic and a smaller number of the CAO DAI and CONFUCIUS sects. Approximately 75% of the population are subsistence farmers, 20% are employed in some type of family industry, 5% work for the government of Vietnam.

d. Waterways and LOC's. The AO has numerous waterways. Most of the large rivers, used as LOC's and supply routes, flow into the CUA VIET River, which empties into the Gulf of TONKIN. The waterways have great tactical significance, emphasized by the fact that they reach into all sections of the AO. National Route #9 runs from DONG HA west to the LAOTIAN Border, is used as a main east-west LOC for the AO. Route #661 generally running NS along grid line 13 connects COM THIEU with route #9.

e. Weather. The weather throughout the month of January was characterized with mostly sunny weather and a few brief periods of light rainfall. This change in weather is a result of a Winter-Spring Transition. During the first part of the month, the eastern coast was under the influence of the north easterly monsoonal flow but when the Winter-Spring transition arrived, sunny weather was predominate throughout the rest of the month. The average high temperature for the month was 74° while the low was 64°. Relative humidity averaged 84% and a total of 1.36 inches of rainfall was recorded for the month.

2. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. Operation KENTUCKY

(1) Operation KENTUCKY continued throughout the month of January. Five significant contacts highlighted the month and small unit contacts were continuous. The following is a summary of significant events in 9th Marines AO from 31 December - 31 January 1968.

From 311152H - 311512H Dec 67, 3/4 patrol at (YD 151741) spotted and engaged 4 to 5 NVA at (YD 153743), called mortar mission, as increasing numbers of NVA appeared to front and right flank of position. I 3/4 returned fire with S/A, M-79 and 60mm mortars. AO adjusted mortar mission on enemy mortar position in bomb crater. Friendly S/A, A/W fire caught enemy in open as they were firing at AO and gunships. AO called in artillery and contact was broken. Results of action were 27 NVA KIA (Conf), 1 AK-47 captured along with documents and other gear.

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From 071416H - 072325H, 3/4 elements engaged an estimated NVA Company at (YD 107742). NVA utilized many snipers and took patrol under fire with s/A and A/W fire. Enemy had freshly dug sniper holes and holes inside deep bomb craters across unit's front. Patrol returned fire and called in artillery mission accounting for 2 secondary explosions and 28 NVA KIA (CONF).

From 180730H - 181730H: "M" Co (-) 3/4 moved into right and left flank blocking positions at 0730H. "L" Co spotted 5 NVA at (YD 148 726) at 0845H moving across front. "L" Co found and destroyed 1 155mm dud at (YD 145722) and a satchel grenade in the same vicinity. "L" Co made contact with an estimated reinforced NVA platoon at (YD 143726). At 0945H, "L" Co deployed all units on lines to gain fire superiority as enemy fire increased intensity, a right blocking unit was directed to move on "L" company's right flank. "M" Co was ordered to move to a right blocking position from perimeter disposing all of "M" and "L" company north of the trace. Around 1015H, approximately 67 rounds of estimated 100mm artillery were received on "M" company's west blocking position and battalion CP. An AO working with "L" company received .50 caliber fire from right flank. "L" and "M" company started delivering accurate fire on NVA across north and northeast front. As "L" and "M" company were taking 60mm mortar fire and RPG fire, they over-ran at least 3 mortar position and several MG's and fighting holes. Contact increased to at least a reinforced company with enemy mortar, RPG's, and many automatic weapons. "L" and "M" company received about 60 - 75 60mm mortar rounds during entire engagement and about 5 - 10 RPG rounds. They destroyed a 60mm mortar tube, but did not attempt to recover weapons or equipment due to requirement for evacuation of friendly casualties, exposure to continued fire, and northern deployment of units. It is believed that a combination of ground action plus air and artillery support severely hurt enemy. Results of action were 162 NVA KIA (CONF). Totals for Operation KENTUCKY as of 31 January were 735 NVA KIA (CONF), 60 individual weapons and 16 crew served weapons. Total detainees were 61 consisting of 3 NVA PW, 2 NV PW, 1 NVA returnee, 1 VC returnee, 1 civil defendant and 53 innocent civilians.

3. VC/NVA TACTICS. VC/NVA tactics remained generally the same as they continued their constant reconnaissance of 9th Marines AO. Interdiction along main LOC's was prevalent with more intensity than in previous months. Enemy probes were numerous around Con Thien as many breaks in their perimeter wire were reported. Other Marine outposts in 9th Marines AO observed extensive enemy activity outside their perimeter. The enemy continued their use of mortars/artillery/rockets with a slight increase but nothing paramount.

4. NVA/VC OOB.

a. 324B Division

Strength: 9,600
Weapons: Unknown
Commander: Gen TRAN DO
Location: DMZ

b. 803d Regiment, 324B Division

Strength: 1,725
Weapons: 82mm mortars, 75mmRR, 60mm mortars, 12.7mm AAMG, MGs
Commander: Maj VO THIEP
Location: DMZ

c. 812th Regiment, 324B Division

Strength: 1,940
Weapons: 82mm mortars, 75mmRR, 60mm mortars, 57mmRR, 12.7mm AAMG, MG's
Commander: Lt Col NGUYEN MUNH HE
Location: DMZ

d. 90th Regiment, 324B Division

Strength: 2,040
Weapons: 82mm mortars, 75mmRR, 60mm mortars, 57mmRR, 12.7mm MG, MG's
Commander: THIEP
Location: DMZ

e. 101st Regiment, 325C Division

Strength: 1,590
Weapons: Unknown
Commander: Unknown
Location: DMZ

f. 27th Independent Battalion

Strength: 290
Weapons: B-40's, 60mm mortars, 120mm mortars, MG, AK's
Commander: Sr Capt HOA
Location: CAM LO District

g. CAM LO Company, LF

Strength: 60
Weapons: Unknown
Commander: NGHIA
Location: YD 1058

h. K-400 Company, LF

Strength: 75
Weapons: 5-60mm mortars, 2 B-40's, 6 BAR'S
Commander: 1st Lt DAN
Location: GIO LINH District

S-3 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. The 9th Marine Regiment continued its assigned mission of responsibility in its AO for the construction of the Anti-Infiltration barrier and the security of the LOC's. Operation KENTUCKY continued throughout the month.
2. Operation KENTUCKY. Activity during the month was limited to security patrols, spoiling attacks, reconnaissance and surveillance patrols, and interdiction of infiltration routes and harboring sites leading to or within the 9th Marines' AO. Additional alert and defense forces were provided by units of the 9th Marines for convoy security, Sparrow Hawk and similar operations.
 - a. Units OPCON to the Regiment during the reporting period were as listed on page 1-1, Organizational Data.
 - b. During the month of January there were five significant engagements as follows:
 - (1) On 1 January, 2/1 received incoming grenades, A/W fire, and mortars from what appeared to be 3 squads. Engaged enemy with supporting arms.
 - (2) On 7 January, L/3/4 made contact with an unknown number of enemy, which utilized S/A, MG's, chicom grenades, and claymores from dug-in positions.
 - (3) On 18 January, L/3/4 engaged an estimated enemy reinforced company, firing A/W, mortars and supported by artillery.
 - (4) On 25 January, 3 USMC vehicles were ambushed by what appeared to be an enemy squad with RPG's and S/A.
 - (5) On 26 January, a D/1/4 ambush spotted and fired on a small force of NVA which was apparently the point elements of an enemy company. The enemy fired 60mm mortars on the ambush position.
3. Operations conducted by 9th Marines were devoted to the construction and improvements of the anti-infiltration barrier. The mission of the Regiment resulted in the employment of all available supporting arms including saturation bombings by B-52's, Naval Gunfire, varied calibers of artillery, and

a wide assortment of ground combat weapons, equipment and surveillance devices.

a. The results of Operation KENTUCKY during the month of January were:

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| (1) | USMC KIA | 33 |
| (2) | USMC WIA (Modovac) | 149 |
| (3) | USMC WIA (Minor) | 57 |
| (4) | Enemy Casualties- See S-2 Chronology | |

FIRE SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY1. Artillery

a. General. The 2d Bn, 12th Marines (Rein) provided direct support artillery fires to the 9th Marines throughout the month of January. The following batteries provided the afore-mentioned support under the operational control of 2d Bn, 12th Mar during the indicated periods: D/2/12 (1-31Jan); E/2/12 (1-31Jan); F/2/12 (1-31Jan); Mortar btry 2/12 (1-31Jan); B/1/13 (15-21Jan); H/3/12 (27-31Jan); Mortar btry 3/12, 27-31Jan. 2d Bn, 12th Mar assumed OpCon of the two SLF batteries (H/3/12 and Mortar btry 3/12) from CG, 3d Mar Div on 27 Jan. The Mortar battery was airlifted to the A-3 position and H/3/12 occupied a position in DONG HA. Although M/4/12 was chopped from OpCon 2/12 to OpCon 4/12 on 21 Jan, it remained in a reinforcing role with L/4/12, and often provided fires in support of 9th Marines. B/1/13 displaced to KHE SANH and chopped OpCon from 9th Marines 21 Jan 68.

b. Significant Events. Infantry Battalions OpCon to the 9th Marines conducted daily company and platoon sized patrol and sweep operations, and were always supported by artillery preparation and/or on call fires. In addition, an active mortar suppression plan was executed daily in the A-4 position AO. Artillery support included an active H&I program, counter battery fires, daily preplanned fires, and fires on targets of opportunity.

c. Types of Missions Fired

Observed	2188
Unobserved	1665
H&I	2803

d. Number of Rounds Fired

105mm	54,420
107mm	15,892
155mm	10,085
Total	80,397

e. Significant Surveillances

76	KIA (Confirmed)
68	WIA
63	secondary explosions
14	bunkers destroyed

2. Naval Gunfire. Although Naval Gunfire was not available to 9th Marines on a direct support basis, it was occasionally integrated into fire plans and was often very helpful in supporting the H&I program.

AIR SUPPORT CHRONOLOGY1. Helicopter Support

a. During the month of January, 3d Bn, 4th Marines was helo-lifted from the PHU OC Area, via YD 148691, to Camp CARROLL, utilizing one (1) CH-53 and nine (9) CH-46 helicopters. Second Bn, 4th Marines was lifted from the SLF to the C-2 area where they debarked and proceeded on foot to the PHU OC area. "W" Battery was helo-lifted into the A-3 position. After two (2) days in position, 3 companies of 2/4 and "W" Battery were again helo-lifted to Camp CARROLL.

b. Total resupply for January was 2,494,200 pounds.

c. Medovac missions evacuated 132 personnel.

2. Fixed Wing Support

a. Fixed Wing Aircraft were utilized in close air support, deep air support, TPQ-10, aerial reconnaissance, photography, ECM, flare drop, TAC (A), artillery spotting, and helicopter support operations.

b. Another month of unusually fair weather enabled Fixed Wing to conduct 222 close air support sorties.

c. There were 442 TPQ-10 missions flown in support of the 9th Marine Regiment, delivering 2,544,750 pounds of ordnance.

d. Tactical Air Observers flew 181 sorties compiling 365.8 hours in direct support.

e. There were 10 targets hit under the ARC LIGHT program.

3. Personnel and Equipment

a. All OPCON battalions have one (1) ALO and one (1) FAC assigned.

b. ALO/FAC's controlled 46 airstrikes within their assigned areas of operation. The majority of them being controlled in the A-4 (CON THIEN) area.

c. There still hasn't been any relief from the shortage of BB451 power packs, AN/PRC-41 radios, or MRC-87 jeeps, available to the battalions.

4. Bomb Damage Assessment

- a. KBA (c) - 128; KBA (p) - 37
- b. Bunkers destroyed - 116; Damaged - 17
- c. Military structures destroyed - 4
- d. Automatic weapons/mortar positions destroyed - 5
- e. Fighting holes destroyed - 25; Trench-line destroyed -
635 meters
- f. Secondary explosions - 13

S-4. CHRONOLOGY1. Supply and Distribution

a. Force Logistic Support Group Bravo was the primary source of supply and maintenance support for Headquarters Company, Ninth Marines and infantry battalions serving under the operational control of Commanding Officer, Ninth Marines.

b. Supply point distribution was in effect.

2. Transportation

a. Highway transportation utilized Route 1 between Quang Tri and Gio Linh, Route 9 between Dong Ha and Cam Lo, and Route 561 between Cam Lo and Con Thien during the period. Major traffic flow was conducted between unit rear areas at Dong Ha and tactical positions along Route 561. Organic vehicles supported unit needs within the capability of the vehicles. Vehicles for tactical and nontactical troop movements, resupply and "household" commitments were provided by Ninth Motor Transport Battalion.

b. Air transportation was restricted to helicopter support provided by MAG-36 and MAG-16. Helicopters from MAG-36 were utilized for resupply, medical evacuation, and troop lifts under both emergency and routine conditions. CH 53 aircraft from MAG-16 were used for routine resupply missions coordinated through the Dong Ha ISA. Resupply of stationary positions was restricted to SFPB A-3. Total transportation support for all units maneuvering in the Ninth Marines AO was provided by helicopter.

3. Engineer Support. Company "C", Third Engineer Battalion provided direct combat support during the period. This support has been marginal due to the low personnel strength of the unit. Eleventh Engineer Battalion provided direct combat and combat service support for Project 972, "DYEMARKER", activities during the period. General maintenance support for Ninth Marine elements located at Dong Ha Combat Base was coordinated through the Base Facilities Coordinator.

4. Medical. Casualties requiring treatment beyond the organic BAS level were evacuated to Company "D", Third Medical Battalion for treatment and, when required, further evacuation.

MEDICAL CHRONOLOGY1. Significant Events:

a. Headquarters Company, Ninth Marine Regiment is geographically located at Dong Ha, Republic of Viet Nam. The Regimental Aid Station is located within the company area. The treatment and disposition of all Regimental personnel is being made by this facility. A dental unit is available at Sub Unit #2, 3rd Marine Division (RTIN), for use by all personnel in this area. Patient referrals are being seen by Dr. Andrews at Company D, 3rd Medical Battalion.

2. New Developments:

a. HMC Harold H. JOHNSON transferred to 3rd Medical Battalion, Phu Bai, Republic of Viet Nam on 18 January.

b. HMC Kevin C. LOWE transferred to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment on 25 January.

c. HMC Richard L. BREWER reported to Headquarters Company, Ninth Marine Regiment on 22 January.

d. HMC Dennis M. MUDD reported to Headquarters Company, Ninth Marine Regiment on 25 January.

3. Problem Areas:

a. None.

4. Patient Statistical Data:

a. Breakdown of patient data: Number of patients seen-150
Referrals: 37 Admissions: 7 Dental: 5

b. The majority of treatment was for common colds, sore throat, and minor infections.

c. Emergency treatment was administered for lacerations.

5. Innoculations and Prophylactic Medicines Administered:

a. During the month of January, 340 immunizations and innoculations were given.

b. A total of 900 Chloroquine-Primaquine Phosphate tablets were administered as prophylactic against malaria.

S-5 CHRONOLOGY1. Civil Affairs.

a. During the month of January, food stuffs and commodities were issued by S-5, 9th Marines and OPCON units to hamlets and villages in the 9th Marine's Civil Affairs Area of Operations.

b. During the month of January, S-5 was custodian/coordinator of a Piaster Fund. This fund was used for the hiring of local refugees for filling sandbags for the Dye-Marker Project. A total of 242,430 piasters have been paid for the filling of 242,430 sandbags.

c. The following distribution was made by S-5, 9th Marines in relationship to Tet:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PIASTERS</u>	<u>TOYS</u>
CAM LO District Headquarters	0	1,200
2nd Battalion, 9th Marines	5,000	300
FLSG-B	1,250	300
1st Amtrac Battalion	5,500	500
9th Motor Trans. Battalion	2,500	1,000
MCB #5	2,000	500
3d Shore Party Battalion	1,375	200
2nd ARVN Regiment	0	500
Headquarters Co. 9th Marines	375	0

The total piasters and toys distributed was 18,000 piasters and 4,500 toys, all of which were given to Vietnamese children at parties held by the units mentioned herein according to Vietnamese Tet customs.

d. MedCaps were conducted throughout the month by CAC-P, 1st Amphibious Tractor Battalion, 9th Motor Transport Battalion, 7th Communications Battalion, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines and MCB #5.

e. The following data is relative to the Regiment's Civil Affairs Program for the month of January 1968:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
MedCap totals	3,197 persons treated
Food distributed	5,000 pounds
Tin sheeting distributed	75 sheets
Roofing nails distributed	1 case
Cement distributed	150 bags

2. Psychological Warfare.

a. On the 1st of January 1968 the 9th Marine Regiment was utilizing eight Kit Carson Scouts. Three new Scouts were transferred to 9th Marines from Camp J. J. CARROLL and one Scout was released from the hospital, which brings the total number of Scouts in the Regiment to twelve. All Kit Carson Scouts are employed by OPCON units in the field and, with the exception of one Scout, reports indicate their work is outstanding.

b. HB Teams #5 and #7, working in support of the 9th Marine Regiment, completed a total of 146½ hours of ground broadcasting.

c. Leaflets dropped in support of 9th Marine Regiment totaled 9,600,000.

d. Aerial broadcasting for the month of January totaled 8 hours 55 minutes.

COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS CHRONOLOGY

1. General. Comm/Elect support for Operation KENTUCKY continued through January. Repairmen continued to provide technical assistance and equipment repair for Project 972.

2. Communications Center. Normal operations continued during December. Two communication center personnel augmented the Division Communication center. Outgoing messages were prepared on spirit process duplicating mats and distribution effected to battalion rears in the area. 1503 messages were processed during the month.

3. Wire. Underground installation of cable between C-3 and C-2 was completed. The cable used, #20 two pair annealed copper, covered steel, plastic underground gopher protected service wire (spec. GUA-204-TSCW), is not suitable for voice communication due to induction between the pair. The project was held in abeyance pending analysis of the installed cable. An attempt was made to install wire between C-3 position and Cam Lo District Headquarters. The wire was cut and removed in numerous places the first day.

4. Radio.

a. Normal operations continued during the month. Regimental TAC #3 net was placed in a standby status.

b. Antenna locations were changed during January due to interference from Recon Bn. Antennas installed in close proximity.

5. Radio Relay. Facilities for the Dong Ha terminal of A-4 were continued with Division Radio relay platoon in order to utilize a common 400 CPS power source.

6. Personnel and Equipment.

a. Personnel shortage continued to be critical for MOS 2861 (ML-2, CH-0) and 2831 (ML-10, CH-4).

b. Ass'ts of 400 CPS power continued to be a problem. Partial allowance of three PU-549 generators were obtained during the month.

c. Selected REDBALL items were repaired by FLSC-BRAVO. The problem of REDBALL equipment at maintenance facilities external to Dong Ha remains a problem. All combat essential radio relay equipment was placed in a REDBALL status.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 Jan 68- At 2130H, 2/1 received incoming grenades, A/W fire, and (4) 60mm mortar rounds from an enemy force estimated to be (1) 60mm mortar sqd, 1 mg sqd, and 1 rifle sqd. resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 1 USMC WIA. Illumination was called for and returned fire w/s/a, 81mm mortars, and artillery. The enemy broke contact and fled while artillery fired on suspected withdrawal route. (Sit Rep 247)
- 5 Jan 68 At 0945H, 2/1 received 37 rounds of mortar fire in 3 to 5 round groups. After ceasing fire for several minutes the next group would be fired again. The caliber of 5 of the rounds was estimated to be 120mm mortars; the remainder was estimated to be 82mm mortars. Fired artillery, 81mm mortars, and conducted air strikes on suspect positions. Sustained 1 USMC KIA and 8 USMC WIA including the commanding officer of the battalion. (Sit Rep 260)
- 7 Jan 68 At 1100H, a plt patrol from L/3/4, while returning to IP, dropped off (2) 6-man teams to ambush snipers that had been firing at the 3/4 perimeter. A sniper fired and struck a 3/4 Marine. The ambush parties linked up to flush out the sniper. An exchange of fire took place between the patrol and the enemy which resulted in 5 NVA KIA. As fire increased, an additional plt was committed to aid the contact. Link-up took place at 1515H. The enemy was apparently building up forces as s/a fire increased intensity. The NVA were observed in freshly dug spider-holes and deep bomb craters across the units' front. The remainder of Company L linked up to insure an adequate sized force. At 1630H all elements were at the point of breaking contact. Two plts from K/3/4 were sent to establish a covering position. While attempting to break contact L Company received casualties from s/a and chicom claymores. Artillery and air strikes saturated the contact area until extraction was accomplished. Resulting casualties were 6 USMC KIA, 29 USMC WIA, and 28 NVA KIA. (Sit Rep 270)

- 11 Jan 68 At 0845H, while on a sweep, K/3/4 made contact with snipers and numerous surprise firing devices. The enemy was engaged with s/a and M-79's resulting in 1 NVA KIA. At 1010H another contact was made with 8 to 10 dug-in NVA. Small arms, M-79's, and artillery were fired and the enemy broke contact. The contact resulted in capturing 2- AK-47's and one Chicom claymore, and 4 NVA KIA. Two Marines were wounded. At 1105H, NVA living bunkers with signs of a hasty exit were discovered. One RPG, 1 carbine, 1 MG, and 1 sniper rifle were captured. (Sit Rep 284)
- 15 Jan 68 The Dycmarker bunker construction requirements were completed at C-3 position in accordance with schedule. (Sit Rep 302)
- 18 Jan 68 At 0945, L/3/4 made contact with an estimated enemy reinforced company. The enemy fired a/w and 20 rds mortar fire. Fire was returned with s/a, mg fire, and artillery. At 1120H contact was still maintained, receiving s/a and 50 cal. mg fire. Gunships were employed and the situation came under control. The action was broken by reinforcing with one company (M/3/4) and blocking with another (I/3/3). The contact resulted in 9 USMC KIA, 22 USMC WIA, and 119 NVA KIA by infantry and 46 NVA KIA by gunships. (Sit Rep 312 and 313)
- 22 Jan 68 At 0841H, 2/1 patrol received heavy s/a and a/w fire and mortars. Returned fire and called artillery mission. Contact was broken and patrol returned to A-4. A-4 received a total of 100 rds 82mm mortar and 130 rounds of 152mm artillery. Returned fire with heavy artillery on suspected enemy locations. The contact resulted in 2 USMC KIA, 16 USMC WIA and 3 NVA KIA. (Sit Rep 327 and 328)
- 23 Jan 68 At 2300H, 2/1 received 41 rounds of 82mm mortar, 20 rounds of 60mm mortar and 10 rounds of 152mm artillery inside their perimeter. Returned fire with 81mm mortars and artillery mission on suspected enemy firing positions. Sustained 6 USMC WIA. (Sit Rep 333 and 334)

- 24 Jan 68 At 1430H, a vehicle from 2/12 was ambushed on Route 561, south of C-2. A platoon from 1/4 was sent to the site and no enemy was found. There were 2 USMC KIA and 1 WIA. The survivor reported seeing 4 persons w/camouflage helmet covers and no flak jackets, on the road, just prior to being hit. Vehicle was apparently struck by RPG round. (Sit Rep 336)
- 25 Jan 68 At 1635H, two 6x6 trucks and one M42 were ambushed by an estimated force of 10 NVA utilizing RPG's and S/A. The drivers and riders immediately jumped from the vehicle and returned fire with S/A. A reaction force was sent to area with no contact and an artillery mission was called. Action resulted in 1 USMC WIA and 1 NVA KIA. (Sit Rep 340 and 341)
- 26 Jan 68 At 2200H, a D/1/4 ambush sighted 7 to 8 NVA and opened fire with S/A. The NVA returned fire with 8 to 10 60mm mortar rounds. The ambush called for artillery support. Area was searched in the morning and blood trails were found leading into a nearby village. At 271000H a task force of one platoon of tanks, one platoon from D/1/4, and National Police members searched the village with negative results. However, questioning of the villagers revealed that the NVA suffered 20 casualties. The contact was estimated to be a point for an NVA Company. (Sit Rep 348)
- 28 Jan 68 At 2145H, a G/2/9 ambush was sprung using a claymore and S/A's fire. Enemy returned with a heavy volume of S/A and Chicom grenades in order to break contact. Contact resulted in 1 USMC KIA and 2 USMC WIA. (Sit Rep 354)

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. The following documents are submitted with the 9th Marines Command Chronology for January 1968.

✓TAB A SITREPS, #244 - 365, Opn KENTUCKY, 31 Dec 67 - 31 Jan 68

✓TAB B INTSUMS, #60 - 91, Opn KENTUCKY, 31 Dec 67-1 Feb 68

✓TAB C AO Overlay

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✓Tab D Operation Order 1-68

✓Tab E Operation Order 2-68

✓Tab F Msg 251430Z Subj: Counter Ambush Measures for Security of Route 561

✓Tab G Spot Report dtd 241630H Jan 68 WIA by Enemy Sniper, Med Evac

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SITREP NR 244 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 312400H Dec 67-010600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOC TIONS: EXCHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMB'S ES AND MAINTAINED POSTURE IAW

COMUSCAGV 201150Z AND 300603Z DEC67.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. MAXIMUM CONSTRUCTION AND POLICE EFFORT SCHEDULED TRUCE
 PERIOD AT A-3 AND A-4 SITES. ALL AVAILABLE MANPOWER AND EQUIPMENT
 WILL BE EMPLOYED WITH EMPHASIS ON FORWARD SLOPES OF A-4 WHERE
 EXPOSE TROOPS ARE NORMALLY SUBJECTED TO EN FIRE, TRENCHERS,
 BULLDOZERS AND TRUCKS PREPOSITIONED 31DEC.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 67
WIA 492 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 195 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NV KIA 373 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET: 54
(1) 3 POW
(2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 58 57
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SITREP NR 245 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 010600H-011200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSTURE IAW COMUSMACV 300603Z DEC67.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. A TOTAL OF 9.6 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P)
BY DONG HA AO'S ON 30 AND 31 DEC67. AT YD 16487499 AO OBS 2 NVA
IN A TRENCHLINE COMPLEX, RAN AS ACCOUNTING FOR 3 BUNKERS DEST, 1
STRUCTURE DEST, AO OBS 3 NVA RIN HVY BUNKERED AREA AT YD
144735. AT YD 155724 AO OBS 3 NVA MOVING NORTH RAPIDLY FROM
FRIENDLY SWEEP. AO CONDUCTED A/S ON FORTIFIED FIELD COORDS UNK

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ACCOUNTING FOR 3 BUNKERS DEST, 200 METERS OF TRENCHLINE
UNCOVERED, ^{AND} 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

B. AT 010955H 3/3 AT A-3 REPTD THAT A 155MM ARTY CANNISTER
LYING BESIDE BURN PIT EXPLODED RESULTING IN 3 USMC WIA (3 MINOR).
INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSTURE IAW COMUSMACV 300603Z DEC67.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 67
WIA 492 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 192 (MINOR)

B. PNEY: NVA KIA 374 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DFT 54
(1) 3 POW
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(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS WHILE MAINTAINING DEF POSTURE LAW COMUSMACV 300603Z DEC67.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 010955H 3/3 AT A-3 HAD 3 MARINES INJURED WHEN A 155MM ARTY CANNISTER EXPLODED (REF PARA 4B OF SITREP #245 FOR OPN

KENTUCKY.) MARINES WERE ERRONEOUSLY INCLUDED IN CUMULATIVE LOSSES

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TOTALS REFLECTED THIS SITREP.

B. AT 011400H I/3/3 PATROL FOUND 4 BUNKERS AND 1 AP MINE AT YD 168723. MINE DESTROYED.

C. AT 011615H K/3/4 PATROL TOOK VN INTO CUSTODY (1 DETAINEE) AT YD 181738. DETAINEE WILL BE BROUGHT TO DONG HA FOR INTERROGATION.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES WHILE MAINTAINING DEFENSIVE POSTURE IAW COMUSMACV ~~XXXXXX~~ 300603Z DEC67.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 67
WIA 492 (MEDEVAC)
195 WIA 192 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 374 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET: 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37
CSVC: 14

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NO OF TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/4	4	4	YD 170730	REF PARA 3A OF SITREP NR 239 FOR OPN KENTUCKY.

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SITREP NR 247 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 011800H-012400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. C-4, D-13, J-15, AA-4, CC-7.

B. MAINTAINED CEASEFIRE POSTURE, SENT OUT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 012130H JAN68 2/1 AT YD 117693 RECD INCOMING GRENADES, AW
AND 4 RDS 60MM FROM YD 113688 AND YD 121689. CALLED ILLUM, REPTD
FIRE WITH SA, 81MM AND ARTY, GOOD TGT COVERAGE. EN BROKE CONTACT,
FIRED ARTY ON SUSP WITHDRAWAL ROUTE YD 097680. EN STRENGTH EST
1 60MM SQD, 1 MG SQD AND 1 RIFLE SQD. 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC MEDEVAC.
EN CASUALTIES UNK AT THIS TIME.

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AO REPORT A TOTAL OF 13.2 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) B DONG HA AO'S ON 30 AND 31 DEC67. AO OBS 10 NVA AND MORT (82MM) AT YD 156743 ONLY 100 METERS FROM FRIENDLIES, CALLED FOR GUNSHIP (CADAVER 4-3 AND 4-4) ACCOUNTING FOR 8 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA KIA (PROB). AT YD 145730 AO OBS 2 HEAVILY USED TRAILS COMING FROM THE NORTH TO BUNKERS, ACCOUNTED FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. PLANS:

- A. D-13, J-15, AA-6, CC-4.
B. MAINTAIN CEASEFIRE POSTURE, CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 68
WIA 493 (MEDEVAC)
175 WIA 192 (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: NVG KIA 383 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 RETURNEE
(4) 2 CIVIL DEFENDANT
C. IWC: 37
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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES AND MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSTURE IAW COMUSMACV 300603Z DEC67.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 012245H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS MOVEMENT AT EN YD 121699
 W/AN/PPS-6 RADAR, FIRED 30 RDS 60MM MORTAR AND MOVEMENT CEASED.

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND
CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 68 KIA

493 WIA (MEDEVAC)

195-192 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 383 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 DETAINEES
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. K/3/3 YD 173722
 B. K/3/4 YD 170730

6. ALL OTHER UNITS REMAINED THE SAME AS REPORTED

SITREP NR 234.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITIONS,
 CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND ESTABLISHED AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 020230H 2/1, OP SPOTTED TRUCK AT YD 114732. SUBSEQUENT TO TERMINATION OF TRUCE AT 020615H A TOT WAS FIRED BY 12TH MARINES; OP REPORTED LARGE FLASH RESULTED.

B. AT 020705H F/2/9 AT YD 134636 REPORTED ROAD SWEEP GOING NORTH FOUND 3 BOX TYPE MINES APPROX 50 FT APART.

C. AT 020830H 1/4 REPORTED ROAD SWEEP FOUND ONE BOX TYPE MINE AT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING COORDS: YD 133625 132626, AND 135628. MINES HAD PRESSURE TYPE FIRING DEVICE AND ONE APPRAED TO HAVE 40MM RD UNDER IT. RT OF APPROACH USED BY NVA APPEARED TO BE DRAW WEST OF RD. MINES BLOWN IN PLACE.

D. AT 020915H L/3/4 PATROL AT YD 184735 FOUND 3 CHICOM CLAYMORE MINES ATTACHED W/WIRE, HANGING FROM TREE ABOUT 3 FT OFF GROUND. MINES BEING DISMANTLED AND FORWARDED TO S-2.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITIONS AND

CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 68 KIA

493 WIA (MEDEVAC)

145192 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 383 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 021150H L/3/4 FOUND 2 HOUSES 10'x15' OF WOOD AND STRAW CONST, AND A BUNKER 4x12x4 FT OF METAL AND LOGS AND CONCRETE RECENTLY USED AT YD 190743, ALL

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B. AT 021205H 1/3/4 REC'D 7 RDS S/A FIRE
FR YD 170739. FIRED 81MM MSN W/EXCELLENT TGT
COVERAGE, NO FURTHER FIRE REC'D.

C. AT 021300H 1/3/4 FOUND 8 CHICOM 82MM
RDS AT YD 188736. FORWARDED TO S-2.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POS AND TAKE
SECURITY MEASURES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 68 KIA

493 WIA (MEDEVAC)

192 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 383 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
(2) 49 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 DETAINEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37
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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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SITREP NR 254 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 021800H-022400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS
AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 1 NVA KIA (CONF) FROM A/S WAS REPORTED TWICE
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 NR 242) DELETE 1 NVA KIA (CONF). CORRECT TOTALS
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B. AT 021957H 3/4 AT YD 1707³⁵ HAD 2 EXPLOSIONS
SUSPECTED TO BE ENEMY GRENADES INSIDE PERIMETER RE-
SULTING IN 2 USMC WIA (1 MEDEVAC); INVESTIGATION
BEING CONDUCTED.

C. AT 022030H 1/4 AT 0-2 SPOTTED 7 NVA IN BRUSH
ALONG MSR AT EN YD 145640 WHILE USING SEARCHLIGHT.
FIRED 81 MSN MORTAR W/EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE. WILL
CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND MAINTAIN
LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 68 KIA

494 WIA (MEDEVAC)

193 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 382 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEPENDANT

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CH NGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: MAINTAIN POSITS, CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: CONDUCT PATROLS, OP'S IN AO AND MAINTAIN POSITS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 68
WIA 494 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 196 (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 382 (COBP) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
 - (1) 3 POW
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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS.
3. FNEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 010955H 3/3 AT A-3 R PTD THAT A 155 CANNISTER NEAR BURN PIT EXPLODED RESULTING IN 3 USMC NBC (MINOR) PREVIOUSLY REPTD (REF PARA 4B OF SITREP NR 245). INVESTIGATION WAS UNABLE TO PINPOINT CAUSE OF EXPLOSION AND DETAILED EXAMINATION SHOWED THAT EXPLOSION COULD NOT DEFINITELY BE ATTRIBUTED TO 155 CANNISTER.

B. AT 021957H 3/4 AT YD 170735 HAD 2 EXPLOSIONS W/IN PERIMETER SUSPECTED TO BE FN GRENADE WHICH RESULTED IN 2 USMC WIA (1 MEDEVAC).

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED REF PARA 4B OF SITREP NR 251). INVESTIGATION
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WAS UNABLE TO PRODUCE ANY FACTS NOT ALREADY REPORTED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 68

WIA 494 (MEDEVAC)

WIA 196 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

NVA KIA 382 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)

DET 55

(1) 3 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 VC RETURNEE

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SITREP NR 254 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 031200H-031800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 031156H 2/1 AT A-4 RECD 20 RDS 60MM MORTAR INSIDE PERIMETER. RETD FIRE ON SUSPECTED MORTAR POST W/30 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 127708, 40 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 111710, 10 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 121710, 20 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 105708, AND 24 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 106715. REACTION TIME WAS 4 MIN.

B. AT 031220H 3/4 PATROL FOUND 2 TUNNELS 1 1/2' IN DIA AND 10' DEEP W/CONNECTING TUNNELS LEADING BOTH N AND S. TUNNEL DEST.

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C. AT 031245H 1/3/4 PATROL AT YD 153731 SPOTTED 15-20 NVA AT EN YD 150731. CALLED ARTY MSN W/EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE AND NVA SCATTERED. ON CHECKING AREA PATROL DISCOVERED 4 BUNKERS 3x5x4 OF LOG AND DIRT CONSTRUCTION. BUNKERS MARKED FOR FUTURE DEST.

D. AT 031255H 2/1 AT A-4 RECD 10 RDS 82MM MORTARS/INSIDE PERIMETER RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). RETD FIRE ON SUSPECTED MORTAR POS W/18 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 103715, 66 RDS 105MM ARTY ON EN YD 125725, 10 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 113715, 15 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 121710, 20 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 091701, 50 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 116713, AND 35 RDS 81MM ARTY ON EN YD 121710. REACTION TIME WAS 4 MIN.

E. AT 031430H 2/1 AT A-4 RECD 3 RDS SA FIRE FROM EN YD 121707. RETD FIRE W/10 RDS 60MM MORTAR.

F. AT 031440H 3/4 AT YD 170730 RECD 7 RDS 130MM ARTY FR 6000MILS. RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). RETD FIRE W/16 RDS 175MM ARTY ON EN YD 173779, 11 RDS 175MM ARTY ON EN YD 175785, 20 RDS 175MM ARTY ON EN YD 154819, AND 20 RDS 175MM ON EN YD 14627826. REACTION TIME WAS 15MIN.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND

AMBUUSHES.
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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 68
WIA 494 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 197 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 382 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
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- C. IWC: 37
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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

INFO: THIRD MARDIV FWD, DECH
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. MAINTAIN POSIT, CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

B. D-12, J-16, AA-6, CC-5

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 031812H JAN68 3/4 RECD 8-10 RDS INCOMING 60MM. RETD
FIRE ON YD 142749, YD 143743, YD 147738, YD 149732, YD 151727,
YD 152738 W/81MM (18 RDS) 105MM ON YD 158728 (51 RDS). 5 MIN
REACTION. RES UNK.

B. 032145H JAN68 2/1 AT YD 124692 RECD 3 RDS POSSIBLY 60MM.

RETD FIRE W/81MM (25 RDS) ON YD 124692. RES UNK.

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C. 032230H JAN68 2/1 RES-6 SPOTTED MOVEMENT. FIRED ~~MM~~
81MM (30 RDS) AND 60MM (5 RDS) AT YD 127007. MOVEMENT CEASED.
RES UNK.

5. PLANS:

A. MAINTAIN POSIT, CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

B. D-12, J-15, AA-3, CC-11

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 68
WIA 494 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 198 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 382 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED AMBUSHES, AND ESTABLISHED LP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS. NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 032230H 2/1 AT YD 119703 USING AN/PB-6 SPOTTED SUSPECTED VC AT YD 127707. FIRED 30 RDS 81MM AND 5 RDS 60MM MORTAR, MOVEMENT CEASED.

B. AT 040010H 1/3/4 AT YD 170730 OBS MOVEMENT WHAT

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APPEARED TO BE ONE MAN MOVING TOWARD FRIENDLY LINES EAST TO WEST AT YD 165731. ILLUM AND M-79 WAS FIRED AND MAN WAS OBS TO FLEE TO DEFILADED AREA. FURTHER SURVEILLANCE CONTINUED.

C. AT 040142H 21/ AT YD 114701 REC'D 1 RD 60MM MORTAR FR YD 101701. RET'D FIRE W/6 RDS 60MM MORTAR WITH REACTION TIME OF 10 MIN AND UNK RESULTS.

D. AT 040445H 3/3 AT YD 173720 REC'D 9 RDS ESTIMATED 105MM FR 5900 MILS COOR YD 152772. FIRED CTR BTRY W/6 MIN REACTION TIME. CRATER ANALYSIS TO BE CONT'D AT DAYLIGHT.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, ~~CONTINUE~~ SECURITY PATROLS, AND ESTABLISH AMBUSHES AND OP'S.

B. CONTINUE SECURITY AND RESUPPLY ALONG MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

A. FRIENDLY: 68 KIA
494 WIA (MEDEVAC)
198 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 382 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: MAINTAIN POSITION, CONDUCT PATROLS, OP'S AND CONTINUE TO IMPROVE POSITIONS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 032000H JAN68 THE BOUNDARY BTWN 9TH MAR AND 2D ARVN REGT WAS READJUSTED. FR YD 170695 TO

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YD 185690 TO YD 190690 TO YD 190710 EAST TO THE
RAILROAD AT YD 215710 THEN NORTH ALONG THE RR
TO THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE DMZ. NO OTHER CHANGE.
CHANGE NECESSITATED BY MOVEMENT OF 2/2 ARVN FR
POSITION AT YD 2171 TO VIC DONG HA.

B. 040800H CNOF OPCON BLT 1/3 ONTOS PLT TO
3D MARINE DIVISION.

C. 040935H 2/1 REC'D 30 RDS 60MM AND 5 RDS
82MM INSIDE PERIMETER. RET'D 81MM 20 RDS ON YD 117717,
30 RDS YD 116710, 20 RDS ON 099710, 10 RDS YD 122710,
29 RDS 4.2 YD 105715, 51 RDS 4.2 ON 105715, AND 12 RDS
155 ON YD 123674. REACTION TIME 3 MINUTES.

D. 041005H JAN 68 RECON PATROL 6-1 TRIPPED BOOBY
TRAP AT YD 152658. 4 MEDEVAC (RECON), B11/4 PATROL
MOVING OUT TO ASSIST.

E. 041038H 2/1 REC'D 10 RDS OF 82MM INSIDE
PERIMETER, RET'D FIRE W/81MM AND ARTY. REACTION TIME 3 MIN.

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5. PLANS: CONDUCT PATROLS, OP'S, MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. 68 KIA

494 WIA (MEDEVAC)

198 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 383 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

(1) 3 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 VC RETURNEE

(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37

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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD MAR DIV FWD, DEGB
SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
FIRST MARINES
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SITREP NR 258 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 041200H-041800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. CONDUCTED PATROLS, OP'S, AND IMPROVED POSITIONS.

B. 041230H TRAIL DUSSEER RAN FR YD 0870 TO YD 2173.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER TO OP KENTUCKY SIT REP NR 257 PARA 4D

DISTRIBUTION ADD 4 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) TO CUMULATIVE TOTALS. THIS
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SITREP SHOWS CORRECTED TOTALS.

B. 041115H 1/4 PATROL FOUND 2 BUNKERS AND
VARIOUS ITEMS OF EQUIP AT YD 115676.

C. 041250H 1/4 REC'D 3 ADS OF 82MM TO NORTH
OF C-2 BRIDGE AT YD 125675 FROM 5600 MILS, NEG
CASUALTIES, RET'D 81MM AND ARTY.

D. 041346H 3/4 REC'D SEVERAL ADS SNIPER FIRE
FR YD 170739 AND 175742. RET'D FIRE W/AN AND 105 RR.
CALLED 81MM, ARTY, GUNSHIP, 1 USMC KIA (MEEVAG).

E. 041512H 3/4 MARINE INSIDE PLT POSITION
AT YD 171732 DETONATED MINE OR BDD. 1 USMC KIA.
3 USMC WIA (MEEVAG); INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

F. 041545H 1/4 AT C-2 SAW 3 EN CARRYING
WEPS AT YD 167665. CALLED ARTY WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE.
RESULTS UNKNOWN.

5. PLANS: CONDUCT LP'S, AMBUSHES, AND MAINTAIN POSITION.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

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A. FRIENDLY: 60 KIA

502 WIA (MEDEVAC)

190 WIA (MEDEVAC)

B. ENEMY: 302 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INJURED CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 VC RETURNED
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IVC: 37
CSWS: 14

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

UNIT	NO TRANS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
TOTAL SNIPER TRANS 9TH MARINES		9		
2/1		2		
3/4		4		
3/3		2		

ONE NOT EMPLOYED.

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD MAR DIV FWD DHCB
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THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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SITREP NR 259 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 041800H-042400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED SECURITY PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED AMBUSHES.

B. D-13, J-14, W-1, AA-2, CC-12

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 041732H 2/1 AT YD 114701 REC'D 3 EDS 82MM

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MORTARS INSIDE PERIMETER W/NEG CASUALTIES. FIRED
71 RDS HE 81MM AT YD 109709, 55 RDS HE 4.2" AT YD
110730, 15 RDS HE 4.2" AT YD 143731, AND 30 MIXED
RDS 105MM ARTY AT YD 095723 W/3 MIN REACTION TIME.

B. 1/4 AT 041750H VIC YD 135624 REPORTED A SHORT
WP 81MM MORTAR RD, RD LANDED APPROX 30 METERS FR THE
TUBE, AMMO LOT NR WAS MA5112. FIRING WAS NOT OVERHEAD
OF FRIENDLIES.

C. 3/4 AT 042015H VIC YD 177732 A SQD AMBUSHED
4 NVA ACROSS A RICE PADDY, WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST
LIGHT.

D. 1/4 AT 042230H VIC YD 133646 OBS 1 NVA DIGGING
VIC YD 117653, CALLED 81MSN W/EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE,
WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

E. (DELAYED ENTRY) ON 040737H VIC YD 095614 RECON
TM 1C3 ENGAGED APPROX 5 NVA, BOTH UNITS RET'D S/A RE-
SULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

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P. 1/4 AT 2230Z VIC YD 133646 OBS 1 EVA THROUGH WOD *(NCS)*
 AT YD 117653. CALLED SIMM MSN, HDS IMPACTED ON TGT. *(NCS)*
 RESULTS WERE ~~UNKNOWN~~ UNKNOWN, WILL CHECK AREA *(NCS)*
 AT FIRST LIGHT. *(NCS)*

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS ^{will} MAINTAINED POS, ^{and} CONDUCT AMBUSH
 PATROLS AND ESTABLISH LP'S.

A. D-13, I-2, J-14, W-1, AA-2, CC-10
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 69 KIA

502 WIA (MED/VAC)

198 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 383 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DHT

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

INFO: THIRD MARDIV (FWD), DHCB
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THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
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SITREP NR 260 FOR CPM KENTUCKY FR 042400H, 050600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 042230H 1/4 AT C-2 OBS 1 NVA DIGGING AT EN YD 117653.

CALLED 81MM MORTAR MSN W/EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE AND SAW NVA BLOWN INTO AIR BY CONCUSSION. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

B. AT 042330H 1/4 AT C-2 OBS 1 NVA AT EN YD 127656. FIRED 60MM

MORTAR MSN W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

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C. AT 042345H 1/4 AT C-2 SPOTTED LIGHT AT EN YD 147651.
FIRED 60MM MORTAR ILLUM AND SAW 2 NVA. FIRED 81MM MORTAR MSN. WILL
CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

D. ~~RECEIVED~~ BETWEEN 050020H AND 050300H 1/4 AT C-2 RECD
EN YD
3 RDS SNIPER FIRE. RETD FIRE W/A RTY ON SUSPECTED POSIT AT 145649.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. KIA 69
WIA 502 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 198 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 383 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37
CSWC: 14

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

051200H JAN 68

TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

INFO: THIRD MARDIV (FWD), DMCB

2/1	1/44 ARTY, USA
3/3	1st Mar
1/4	3rd Mar
3/4	4th Mar
2/9	12th Mar

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. All units maintained positions, conducted patrols, and established OP's.

B. Continued security and resupply along MSR.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: *None.*

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

4. ~~OTHER~~ SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. At 05⁰⁷⁴⁵~~0530~~H 1/4 obs 4 TO 5 unidentified personnel crossing a bomb-crater, moving NW. A 60mm and 81mm Mortar msn was fired with good TGT coverage. Patrol checking area.

B. at 050945H, 2/1, ^{and 051015H} ^{at 40114701} recd 37 RDS of mortars ~~and Artillery~~ in 3 TO 5 ~~round~~ round groups. after ceasing for several minutes, the group would be fired again. Caliber of 5 of the RDS is established as 120mm mortars. Returned fire with: Arty, 81mm Mortars, and A/S with 2 min reaction time. Resulted in 1 USMC KIA

and 8 USMC WIA (medevac). One of the medevacs was the CO, 2/1; LTCOL E. L. PARKER, JR. 056530 was sent to Co D, 3^d MED Bn at 051020 H.

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5. PLANS: A. All units maintain positions, conduct patrols, and establish OP's.
B. Continue resupply.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

Friendly: KIA 70 ~~69~~ + 1
WIA 510 ~~500~~ (Medevac) + 8
WIA 198 ~~191~~ (Minor)

Enemy: NVA KIA 383 ~~388~~ (Conf) VC KIA 0 (Conf)
NVA KIA (Prob) VC KIA (Prob)
Det: 55

- (1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 DETAINEES VC Returnee
(4) 1 Civil Defendant

IWC: 37
CSWC: 14

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

Unit	No of Teams	No Employed	Coords	Results
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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NR 261 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 051200H TO 051800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. ALL UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS, ESTABLISHED AMBUSHES, AND OP'S.
- B. CONTINUED SECURITY AND RESUPPLY ALONG MSR.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CHANGE PARA 4B OF SITREP #260 TO READ 2 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC)
AND 6 USMC WIA (MINOR) VICE 8 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC). CUMULATIVE
LOSSES THIS SITREP REFLECT CHANGES.

B. A TOTAL OF 20.1 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG

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		INFO								

2 WP RDS 105MM ON 064677, 7 HE RDS 105MM ON 078768, 13 HE RDS 105MM ON 125755, 6 RDS 105MM ON 074722, 67 HE RDS 4.2 ON 107732, 3 WP AND 3 HE RDS ~~ON~~ 105MM ON 127776. REACTION TIME 2 MIN.

5. PLANS: UNITS MAINTAIN POSITS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND AMBUSHES, AND ESTABLISH LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 70
WIA 504 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 204 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 393 (CONF) VC KIA 0 C(ONF)
DET: 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNEE
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
- C. IWG: 37
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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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		INFO				XXXXX

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

INFO: THIRD MARDIV (FWD), DHCB
 SECONC BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
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SITREP NR 262 FOR OPH KENTUCKY FR 051800H-052400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITS AND CONDUCTED LPS AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LPS AND AMBUSHES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 70
 WIA 504 (MEDEVAC)
 WIA 201 (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: MVA KIA 393 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
 DET: 55
 (1) 3 POW
 (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
 (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 060005H 1/4 C-2 BRIDGE OBS MOVEMENT AT YD 135670

FIRED 60MM ILLUM, M-79, CALLED ARTY MSN AND 81MM MSN, WITH

GOOD TGT COVERAGE.DISTRIBUTION:
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B. 060055H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D 1 RD OF 60MM FR YD 118684.
FIRED 10 RDS 81MM WITH REACTION TIME OF 1 MIN, NEG CASUALTIES.

C. 060140H 2/9 B AT CAM LO BRIDGE HEARD MOVEMENT
TO THEIR FRONT, THREW M-26 GRENADES AND HAND ILLUM.
MOVEMENT CEASED, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

D. 060410H 3/4 AT YD 170730 HEARD MOVEMENT ESTIMATED
4-5 ENEMY OUTSIDE PERIMETER AT YD 168733, ENGAGED MOVEMENT
WITH S/A AND M-79. SAW OBJ'S FALL IN FRONT OF WIRE.
ATTEMPT TO CHECK AREA DREW S/A. WILL FURTHER CHECK OUT
AT FIRST LIGHT. ALERT POSTURE MAINTAINED.

5. PLANS: IMPROVE POSITIONS, RUN PATROLS AND POST OP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 70 KIA

504 WIA (MEDEVAC)

204 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 393 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

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- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 DETAINEE
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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H.C. 1-5
Cpl. Jones

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SITREP NR 264 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 060600H-061200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS

AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 3/4 AT 060820H VIC YD 172743 REC'D S/A SNIPER FIRE
 FR EN YD 180739. RET'D S/A AND CALLED ARTY MSN, UNK RESULTS,

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. 3/3 AT 051430H VIC YD A-3 REC'D 1 RD WP INSIDE PERIMETER, CHECK FIRE CALLED AND INSIDENT INVESTIGATED. RD LANDED 1900 METERS (OVER SHOT) CO 2/12 TOOK CORRECTIVE MEASURES, INCLUDING RELIEF OF BRTY CMDR.

B. 3/4 AT 060830H VIC YD 168733, CHECKED OUT AREA WHERE SUSPECTED MOVEMENT OCCURRED, FOUND EVIDENCE OF 4-5 NVA PROBING LINES, IMPROVING WIRE AND SETTING OUT MORE TRIP FLARES.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 70 KIA

504 WIA (MEDEVAC)

204 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 393 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

(1) 3 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 DETAINEE

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JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF PERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS AND
CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. AT 201000H RECON TM MADE CONTACT AT
YD 090653 W/UNK SIZE EN UNIT. CONTACT RESULTED IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

AQ AT 061000H K/3/4 PATROL FOUND 4 BUNKERS 5x4x4 FT
AND CONNECTING TRENCHES.

DISTRIB W/DOGS AND DIRT OVERHEAD AT YD 145720.
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B. AT 061030H 2/1 PATROL FOUND 26 MORTAR POS
W/5 AIMING STAKES EACH AND 2 TUNNELS AT YD 129686.

C. AT 061152H 2/1 PATROL FOUND 6 UNFIRED 90MM
SHELLS W/EXPLOSIVE REMOVED AT YD 130689.

D. AT 061330H BULLDOZER AT A-4A HIT MINE, TRACK
WAS DAMAGED AND OPERATOR REC'D SMALL CUT WHEN JUMPING OFF.

E. AT 061442H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D 6 RDS 82MM 107MM RR
GUN. 20 RDS 82MM MORTAR, AND 12RDS 120MM MORTAR. ALL RDS
IMPACTED W/IN PERIMETER, RET'D FIRE ON SUSPECTED EN POSIT
W/25 RDS 81MM MORTAR AT EN YD 092723, W/60 RDS 81MM MORTAR
ON EN YD 115735, W/60 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 104719.
W/40 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 087727, W/395 RDS 81MM
ON EN YD 093696, 097704, 105719, 123724, AND W/42 RDS
4.2" MORTARS ON EN YD 116728, W/36 RDS 105MM ARTY ON
EN YD 078740, AND 26 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 090715.
REACTION TIME WAS 3 MIN, INCOMING RESULTED IN 3 USMC WIA (MINOR)

F. A TOTAL OF 24.2 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN
QT (P) ON 5 JAN BY DONG HA AO'S. AT YD 158742 AO SPOTTED
5 NVA IN KHAKI, FIRED ARTY (ISTHMUS K) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA

-----KIA (CONF), AT YD 124718 AO OBS 6 NVA IN GRN BS. FIRED ARTY
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(ISTHMUS E) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), RAN A/S
 (DECRATE 176) AT YD 124718 ON 6 NVA IN THE LINE ACCOUNTING
 FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF) AT YD 153738 AO OBS 2 NVA IN GREENS
 HIDING UNDER HEAVY BRUSH, RAN A/S (HELBORNE 531) ACCOUNTING
 FOR 5 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION, 2 BUNKERS
 DESTROYED, 4 FIGHTING HOLES UNCOVERED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT
 LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 70 KIA
 504 VIA (MEDEVAC)
 207 VIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 403 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 DETAINEES
- (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEPENDANT

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

A. NO CHANGE

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SITREP NR266 FOR CPN KENTUCKY DR 061800H-062400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANCE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AG.

B. C-3, D-13, AA-3, J-15, CC-6, EE-2

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 1/3/4 AT 061810H VIC YD 170730 REC'D 3 SNIPER RDS FR EN YD 173744, FIRED 105MSN (23 RDS) WITH 3 MINUTE REACTION TIME.

B. 2/1 AT 061900H VIC YD 114701 REC'D 5-7 RDS OF 82MM MORTARS FR SUSPECTED EN YD'S 095694, 133693, 144695, AND 119726; RET'D 81 AND 4.2 MSNS ON ALL EN TGTS-- 4 MINUTE REACTION TIME.

C. 1/4 AT 062000H VIC YD 127665 OBSERVED ONE PERSON MOVING TOWARDS THEIR LINES, FIRED M-79, PERSON DISAPPEARED.

D. 2/1 AT 062130H VIC YD 114701 REC'D 5 RDS OF 82MM MORTARS FR EN YD 125709, FIRED 81 (10 RDS) AND 105 (90 RDS) MISSIONS--REACTION TIME OF 2 MINUTES.

E. (LATE ENTRY) AT 021215H, PLT 2C3 (3D RECON) VIC YD 105643 EXCHANGED S/A AND A/W FIRE WITH AN EST 12 NVA RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND
CONTINUE TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND MAN LP'S.

A. D-13, I-2, J-15, AA-4, CC-7

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 70 KIA

504 WIA (MEDEVAC)

207 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 405 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

(1) 3 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 DETAINEE

(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND CONTINUED TO CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND LP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 062100H 1/4 AT C-2 OBS 3 NVA APPROX 100 M TO FRONT OF LINES HEADING SOUTH. FIRED 60MM ILLUM, 81 HF, SA AND M-79. UNK RESULTS.

B. (LATE ENTRY) 062105H 2/1 AT YD 114701 OBS MOVEMENT APPROX 85 METERS SW OF LINES. CALLED 60MM MSN OBS INDIVIDUAL RUNNING IN

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SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. UNIT CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

C. (LATE ENTRY) 062355H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 OBS MAN APPROX 100 M
FROM LINES. FIRED 10 RDS M-79, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RES.
YD 114701

D. 070001H 2/1ALP HEARD SUSP MORTAR FIRE AT YD 135699. DID NOT
OBS IMPACT. FIRED 20 RDS 60MM AT SUSP COORDINATE. RES UNK.

5. PLANS: IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT PATROLS IN AO.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 70
WIA 504 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 207 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 405 (CONF) VC KIA 4 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PLATOON AND SQD SIZE PATROLS IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 1/4 AT 070810H VIC YD 135645 REPTD THAT PIECES OF ORDNANCE IMPACTED APPROX 100 METERS INSIDE THE WIRE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (MEDICAL) AND 3 USMC KIA (MINOR). POD CURRENTLY MAKING ANALYSIS--DETAILED RPT TO FOLLOW UPON INVESTIGATION.

B. 3/3 AT 071058H VIC YD 197720 POUND SEVERAL M-16 MINES.

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SQD MOVED OUT TO DESTROY SAME.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITS AND CONDUCT PATROLS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 70
WIA 505 (MEDEVAC) + 1504
WIA 210 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 405 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
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TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NR 269 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 071200H TO 071800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

3/4/L/K/I/M - YD 170730

3/3 I/K/L - YD 174723

3/3/M - YD 214743

2/1/H - YD 115693

2/1/E/F/G - YD 115701

1/4/C/D - C2B 127662 124720

1/4/A/B - YD 134615 (C-2)

2/9/P/G(-) - YD 144615 (CAM LO ARTY)

2/9/G(-) - YD 144615 (CAM LO BRIDGE)

E/F/2/12 - YD 135646 C-2

K/4/13 - YD 135646 C-2

B/2/12 - YD 143613 C-3

W/2/12 - YD 116701 Con Thien

M/4/12 - YD 212597 Dong Ha

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND CONDUCTED
 FLT AND SQD SIZE PATROLS IN AD'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 071400H IN THE VIC OF YD 170730 A PLATOON OF L/3/4

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MADE CONTACT W/2-3 EN SNIPERS. WHILE MANEUVERING TO ENGAGE SNIPERS THE PLT RECD AN INCREASED VOLUME OF FIRE. AT 071530H AN ADDITIONAL PLT OF L/3/4 WAS COMMITTED AND AT 071630H L-6/3/4 ~~WAS RECD~~ PLUS ONE PLT WAS COMMITTED TO BREAK CONTACT VIC YD 170738. CUMULATIVE LOSSES AT THE PRESENT TIME ARE 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA MINOR, AND 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT THE PRESENT, UNIT STILL IN CONTACT-EFFORT BEING MADE TO BREAK CONTACT. DETAILED RPT TO FOLLOW.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 071100H IN VIC YD 115693 A PFS-6 PICKED UP PERSONNEL WALKING IN SW DIRECTION, FIRED 60MM AND 81MM MORTAR MSNS W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE.

B. AT 071130H WHILE CONDUCTING 81 FO TRAINING, 1 SHORT RD OF 81MM WP FELL 110 METERS FR THE TUBE. LOT NO MA5112A HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.

C. AT 071200H 3/1/3/3 FOUND 40 M-16 MINES, 16 FIRING DEVICES FOR M-16 AND 3-81MM ILLUM RDS IN VIC YD 197720. ALL ORDNANCE WAS BLOWN IN PLACE.

D. AT 071312H 3/4 RECD SEVERAL INCOMING SNIPER RDS FR VIC

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YD 170742 RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC). A MANEUVER SQD FR
07374 WAS SENT TO VIC OF SNIPER.

R. A TOTAL OF 26.3 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG
TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 6 JAN 68. AT YD 122717 OBS 12 NVA
CARRYING 2 BODIES FROM A PREVIOUS ACTION, NVA MOVED INTO BUNKERS,
FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 122717 AO
RAN AS ON BUNKER COMPLEX AND NVA TROOPS WHO RAN NORTH, ACCOUNTING
FOR 60 METERS OF TERNCHLINE DESTROYED, AND 2 NVA KIA (CONF),
AT YD 248008 AO RAN ARTY MSN (ISHERWOOD) "A" ON NVA IN BUNKERS
ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 BUNKER DESTROYED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES
AND ESTABLISH LP'S IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 70
WIA 506 (MEDEVAC)
WIA 210 (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 105 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55 ~~409~~
- (1) 3 POW
 - (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - (3) 1 DETAINEE
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7. SCOUT SNIPER NO CHANGE

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SITREP NR 270 FOR O N KENTUCKY FR 071800H TO 072400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. D-13, I-2, J-4, AA-4, CC-7

B. SUPPRESSIVE MORTAR FIRES DELIVERED IN SUPPORT OF 2/1 AT
 CON THIEN 070700H TO 071900H: 4.2 - 148 RDS, 105 - 38RDS, 155-
 7 RDS, 175 - 15 RDS, 8" - 22 RDS, 81MM - 1,023 RDS, 60MM - 621 RDS,
 40MM (DUSTER) - 200 RDS.

C. CORRECTIVE ENTRY. DELETE 1 NVA KIA (CONF) RECORDED SITREP
 265 PARA 4A. CORRECT TOTALS REFLECTED THIS SITREP.

D. MAINTAINED POSIT CONDUCT LP'S AND AMPUSSES.

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E. COMPLETED ACTION INVOLVING L/3/4, SEE PARA 3 FOR DETAILS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 3/4 AT 072325H VIC YD 170742 AT 071100H L/3/4 FLT PATROL DROPPED OFF SIX MAN UNITS IN TWO LOC VIC GRID 178738 IN AN ATTEMPT TO AMBUSH SNIPERS THAT HAVE BEEN FIRING AT 3/4 PERIMETER. SNIPER FIRED ON PERIMETER HITTING 3/4 MARINE. (1 PREV REPTD PRIORITY MEDEVAC NOT INCLUDED IN BELOW TOTALS). AMBUSH TEAMS LINKED UP TO INVESTIGATE SNIPER AT GRID 170742. TOOK 1 3/4 KIA AND MINOR WIA FROM EST THREE NVA W/AK-478 AT 071440H. EXCHANGE OF FIRE TOOK PLACE W/PATROL ACHIEVING 5 NVA KIA (C). AS HEAVIER FIRE RECD, ADDITIONAL FLT COMMITTED TO AID BREAKING CONTACT, LINKING UP AT 1515H. EN APPARENTLY BUILDING UP, -ONE AS INTENSITY OF SA FIRE INCREASED. NVA BS IN FRESHLY DUG SNIPER HOLES AND HOLES INSIDE OF DEEP BOMB CRATERS ACROSS UNITS FRONT. AT 071600H L-6/3/4 TOOK REMAINDER OF L/3/4 TO CONTACT TO INSURE ADEQUATE FORCE. L-6 W/AO USED ARTY AND AS WITHIN 100 METERS OF FR LINES BUT EN SA CONTINUED. AT 1630H ALL ELEMENTS OF L/3/4 AT POINT OF CONTACT. THE INITIAL FLT IN

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CONT CT HAD DIFFICULTY BREAKING CONT CT, BEING PINNED DOWN ON FORWARD SLOPE. L-6 PROVIDING COVERING SA AND ARTY FIRE TO BREAK CONTACT. AT 1730H K-6 W/2 PLTS SENT TO BLOCKING/COVERING POSIT AT GRID YD 175736. L TOOK CASUALTIES AS THEY BROKE CONTACT FROM ACCURATE SNIPER FIRE, AW AND ONE APPARENT CHICOM CLAYMORE WHILE RETURNING. L, CARRYING CAS AND COVERING REAR, RETD TO PERIMETER VIA K POSIT. NVA KIA (C) INFLECTED BY SA, GRENADES, AND 60MM FIRES W/UNK NUMBER OF CAS INFLECTED BY EXCELLENT ARTY, NAPALM AND SNAKE-EYE STRIKE. HURY GUNSHIP COVERAGE DURING LAST STAGES OF CONTACT CLAIMED ADDITIONAL 2 NVA KIA (CONF) NOT INCLUDED IN BELOW 3/4 TOTALS. NO INCOMING MORTARS RECD. EN EST AS COMPANY, W/MANY SNIPERS. IT IS NOTED THAT AREA HAS BEEN RECENTLY PATROLLED BY 3/4 UNITS. 2 NVA KIA (C) CREDITED TO FR SNIPERS (INCLUDED IN TOTALS). REQUESTED MEDEVAC TO 3/4 LZ, HRY ARTY SATURATED CONTACT AREA, INCLUDING 562 RDS 155MM; ARTY CAUSED TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND DESTROYED TWO AW. TPQ'S AND G/S ARTY REQUESTED ON CONT CT AREA DURING NIGHT. THE ACTION RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING CUMULATIVE LOSSES: 6 FR KIA TOTAL, 21 ~~IMMEDIATE MEDEVAC, APPROX 8 ADDITIONAL MEDEVACS AS OF 08 JAN 68. FOR~~

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TOTAL OF 29, 7 TOTAL MINOR. IN CASUALTIES WERE 26 NVA KIA CONF PLUS
2 NVA KIA (CONF) BY AIR TOTAL 28.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: D-13, J-14, AA-3, CC-9

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 76
WIA 535 (MED VAC)
WIA 219 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 436 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
DET 55
(1) 3 POW
(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
(3) 1 VC RETURNER
(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37
CSWC: 14

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NONE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: AEL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 071945H CAP-1 AMBUSH AT YD 108598 SPOTTED 6 VC
AT YD 105598. OPENED FIRE W/S/A, M-79 AND HAND GRENADES
WHILE SWEEPING AREA, AMBUSH REC'D 3 RDS 60MM MORTARS PR
EN YD 112598 AND 20 RDS 81A PR YD 107593. CONTACT RESULTED

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IN CAPTURE OF 1 RIFLE (1 IWC) AND 1 ~~HELMET~~ HELMET.4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

535 WIA (NBEVAC)

217 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 436 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

(1) 3 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 VC RETURNEE

(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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SITREP NR 272 FOR OTH KENTUCKY PR 080600H-081200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: CONDUCT PATROLS, ESTABLISH OP'S AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. DELETE 1 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA (MEEFVAG) AND 1 USMC KIA (COMP), FOR SITREP NR 269. PARA 3A ABOVE FIGURES ALSO

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INCLUDED IN SITREP 270 AND DOUBLE COUNTED. TOTALS SHOWN SITREP NR 270 3A FOR L/3/4 CONTACT ARE CORRECT. CUMULATIVE TOTALS THIS SITREP FOR OPN KENTUCKY ARE CORRECT.

5. PLANS: CONDUCT 1 COMPANY PATROL TO SITE OF YESTERDAYS L/3/4 CONTACT, WITH ARE ADDITIONAL COMPANY IN SUPPORT/BLOCKING FORCE.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

217 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 436 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
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SITREP NR 273 FOR SFC KENTUCKY PR 081200H-081800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 081416H L/3/4 WITH ONE OTHER COMPANY IN SUPPORT
MOVED OUT AS SOON AS VISIBILITY ALLOWED AG UP TO RECOVER
BODY 1 USMC KIA NOT RECOVERED ON 7 JAN 68. UPON APPROACH
TO AREA OBS 12 NVA IN OPEN AT YD 177742. AIR ALSO OBS
BODY OF MARINE HAD BEEN MOVED INTO DMZ AND AMBUSH

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ESTABLISHED HEAVILY DUB IN WITH A/W AND AK-47'S. RAN
GUNSHIP STRIKE AND 155MM. LITTLE EFFECT, CMDR DETERMINED
FURTHER EFFORTS WOULD BE TOO COSTLY AND RETURNED TO
POSITION AT 1600. BODY NOT RECOVERED ON 7 JAN. (1)
ON EXPOSED FORWARD SLOPE (2) COVERED BY ENEMY FIRE.
(3) DARKNESS. FOLLOWING FACTS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED:

- (1) MAN WAS DEAD.
- (2) FIRST MAN KILLED IN CONTACT
- (3) DOG TAGS REMOVED
- (4) FRIENDLIES INITIALLY MOVED BODY IN A ATTEMPTED
RECOVERY.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED
OP'S AND IMPROVED POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: SEE (A) UNDER SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 081130H 6/1/4 SQD PATROL AT YD 118675 FOUND
BUNKERS, 1 BUNKER 15x4x5 FT W/OPENINGS FACING NORTH

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AND SOUTH AND 1 BUNKER 4x5x5 FACING EAST. DESTROYED
BOTH BUNKERS.

B. AT 081230Z A/1/4 AT YD 105647 FOUND FLT
BUNKER COMPLEX AND MISC ORDNANCE. ORDNANCE DESTROYED.

C. A TOTAL OF 22.6 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE BY DONG HA AG'S ON 6-7 JAN 68. AT
YD 115744 AG OBS 5 NVA CA RYING OBJECT, POSSIBLE MORT.
TROOPS WERE MOVING EAST ALONG TRAIL, RAN A/S (HILBORNE
505) AND LOVEBUD 504) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF)
3 BUNKERS DESTROYED. AT YD 121657 AG OBS NVA WHO WERE
IN PURSUIT OF RECON TEAM FR S UTH, RAN A/S ACCOUNTING
FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), AND 1 BUNKER DESTROYED.

5. PLANS: MAINTAIN POSITIONS, ESTABLISH AMBUSHES
AND LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

535 NVA (MEDEVAC)

247 NVA (MINOR)

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B. ENEMY: 439 NVA KIA (CONF) VS KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
- (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
- (4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 37
CSMC: 14

7. SCOUT SQUAD REPORT.

UNIT	NO. TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
TOTAL TEAMS SEA MARINES	16 TEAMS			
2 TEAMS			2/1 AT A-3	
5 TEAMS			3/4 NORTH OF A-3	
9 TEAMS PULLED FOR REORGANIZATION				

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SITREP NR 274 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 081800H-082100H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE *RS*
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

A. B-5, B-4, D-12, J-16, W-1, AA-3, CC-7 EE 2 *RS*3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE RETRY. AT 061320H RECON TEAM 202 OBS 10 NVA IN

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TREELINE AT YD 108646, ~~W~~^PATROL, wearing KHAKIS, PACKS, RIFLES AND GART BELTS; FLY CALLED ARTY MSN; DID NOT CHECK AREA BECAUSE POSSIBILITY OF MORE NVA IN AREA. POINT MAN OBS ARTY RDS ON TOT. 13 NVA KIA (CONF), W/1 USMC WIA (MINOR)

B. AT 081700H 1/4 AT C-2 B SPOTTED 1 UNIDENTIFIED PERSON 400 METERS SOUTH OF PERIMETER AT YD 124665. PERSON MOVED INTO TREELINE AT 1/4, FIRED 60MM MORT MSN, WITH EXCELLENT TOT COVERAGE.

C. AT 082025H A 2/1 LP AT A-4 OBS 1 PERSON AT YD 117686, FIRED 60MM MORTAR MSN, WILL CHECK AREA WHEN MOVING INTO POSIT.

D. AT 082035H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS 3 NVA ~~AT~~^W YD 122709 W/WH/PIR-6 RADAR. FIRED RR AND MOVEMENT CEASED. WILL INTERDICT AREA W/60MM MORTARS AND CHECK AT 1ST LIGHT.

5. PLANS: A ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AND 3HRS.

X. B A-5, B-4, D-12, J-16, W-1, AA-3, CC-9, EE-2

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 MIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

218 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 492 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
- (2) 50 INNOCENT CIV
- (3) 1 VC RETURNEE
- (4) 1 CIV DEPENDANT

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SITREP NR 27⁵ FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 082400H-090600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA
533 WIA (MEDEVAC)
218 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 452 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
55 DET

- (1) 3 POW
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- (3) 1 DETAINEE
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OPN'S AND IMPROVED POSITIONS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

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55 POW

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS
AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 091315H 1/4 SECURITY DETAIL FOR FNGRS AT C-2B
 SPOTTED EN ON TRAIL AT EN YD 131673, FIRED S/E, W/NEG RES.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 091130H 1/3/4 PATROL DESTROYED FOUR BUNKERS

-----AT YD 145720-(BUNKERS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED PARA 4A)-----

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OF SITREP NR 265).

B. AT 091200H 3/3 REPORTED THAT TRACTOR RAN OVER EXPLOSIVE DEVICE AT YD 178722 RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

C. AT 091315H C/1/4 PATROL FOUND 2 6x4x4 FT BUNKERS W/MISC 782 GEAR AND 1 RPG RD. GRENADE THROWN INTO BUNKER W/SUSPECTED SURPRISE FIRING DEVICE RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION. 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

D. AT 091500H 3/4 REPORTED THAT MARINE HAD ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE W/M-16 RESULTING IN 1 USMC NBC (MEDEVAC), INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY 3/4.

E. AT 091520H 3/3 AT A-3 REPORTED 6 STRANDS OF DOUBLE ABRON CUT AND 1 TRIP FLARE DISARMED IN SE PORTION OF PERIMETER.

F. A TOTAL OF 11.0 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QT (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 8 JAN 68. AT YD 175747 AO OBS 4 NVA MANNING AW POS. RAN GUNSHIPS ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 14787362 AO OBS 8 NVA IN

----- FRENCHLINE, FIRED ARTY MSH, RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF) -----
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2 BUNKERS DEST, 40 METERS OF TRENCH DEST. IN VIC
 OF YD 1774 AO OBS 10 NVA DRESSED IN KHAKI INSIDE
 EAST-WEST TRENCH; RAN A/S (LOVEBUG 523) ACCOUNTING
 FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 104756 AO OBS 5 NVA
 IN OPEN; FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 3 NVA KIA (CONF)
 AT YD 130756 AO OBS NVA IN BUNKERS; FIRED ARTY
 ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT
 LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

220 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 462 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

55 DET

(1) 3 POW

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED
 PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED OP'S.

B. NINTH MARINES MONITORED ROUGH RIDER CONVOY
 FROM PHU BAI.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 090845H 3/3 AT YD 206727 DISCOVERED 10 INCOMPLETED FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES; HOLES LOCATED ON NORTH SIDE OF RD, AND PROVIDED EXCELLENT FIELD OF FIRE ON RT 566. 9 HOLES WERE 3x1 1/2x1 FT AND 1 HOLE WAS "L" SHAPED, NO OVERHEAD.

B. (LATE ENTRY) AT 090900H 3/3 VIC YD 203721 FOUND 6 CRATES OF 60MM CANISTERS AND CARGO, ALL AMMO CANISTERS WERE EMPTY.

C. AT 091725H 3/3 VIC YD 182722 UNCOVERED WHAT APPEARED TO BE OLD FRENCH MINEFIELD. UNCOVERED 5 AT MINES WITH APPROX 40 LBS TNT, MINES MARKED: 34A-5-62 ON SIDES, THREE MINES DESTROYED IN PLACE, 2 MINES DETERIORATED BEYOND USE, FORWARDED TO 9TH S-2.

D. AT 092020H 2/1 VIC YD 118704 SPOTTED SUSPECTED EN MOVEMENT AT YD 123712 WITH AN/PPS-5 RADAR, CALLED 60MM AND 81MM MSH'S, MOVEMENT CEASED, UNK RESULTS.

E. AT 092050H 2/1 VIC YD 118704 USING AN/PPS-6 RADAR OBS MOVEMENT AT YD 139701. FIRED 60MM MORT/R

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MISSION P 20 RDS WITH UNK RESULTS.

P. AT 092225H 2/1 VIC YD 118705 USING AN/PPS-5

OBS MOVEMENT AT YD 122711, FIRED 20 RDS 60MM AND 10 RDS

81MM MORTAR MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT

LP'S AND AMBUSHES N AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

220 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: ~~XXX~~ 462 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. (LATE ENTRY) 092315H 2/1 USING STARLIGHT SCOPE OBS 3 MEN AT YD 114688 MOVING WEST, FIRED 3 RDS M-79 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
5. PLANS: IMPROVE POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS AND

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ESTABLISH OP'S.

A. PROVIDE REACTION FORCE FOR ROUGH RIDER.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

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220 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 462 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OPERATIONS: NC

All units maintained points and communication

4 OTHER
 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 100830H 2/1 OBS MOVEMENT VIC YD1757120 W/PPS-5
 FIRED 60MM MSW OF 40 RDS, AND PATROL SENT OUT TO AREA.

FOUND DRAG MARKS N AREA.

B. AT 100830H 1/4 FOUND A POSSIBLE NVA MORTAR POSIT
 IN VIC YD 132681, CONSISTED OF 9 HOLES AND WOODEN AIMING
 STAKES, AREA RECORDED FOR H&L AND POSIT DESTROYED.

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C. AT 100845H 1/4 VIC YD 133681, 1/4 POUND AND DESTROYED ONE BUNKER.

D. AT 101040H THE 3/3 POUND BUNKERS IN THE VIC OF YD 193715 AND 142715, ANOTHER BUNKER WAS FOUND UNDER A DESERTED HOUSE VIC YD 192715. AT YD 199714 APPROX 35 FIGHTING HOLES AND 2 MORTAR PITS WERE DISCOVERED AND BLOWN IN PLACE.

E. AT 101030H 3/4 FOUND AND DESTROYED 2 BUNKERS IN AREA OF YD 182737.

F. AT 101035H 1/4 FOUND AND DESTROYED 3 EN BUNKERS VIC YD 136682, AND 1/4 CONTAINED ~~EXPLOSIVE~~ 20 RDS AMMO, (M-16 TYPE).

G. AT 101120H VIC YD 164665 RECON PATROL DISCOVERED 3 EN PERSONNEL IN HARBOR SITE, RESULTS OF ACTION WERE: ~~2 EN PERSONNEL~~ AND 3 AK-47 CAPTURED.
2 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 1 NVA POW (WIA).

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: TO CONTINUE PATROLING AND IMPROVING POSITIONS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

220 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 464 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET

(1) 4 POW

(2) 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) 1 DETAINEE

(4) 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C: IWC: 40
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

A. A/1/4 YD 236500

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED
PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED OP'S.

B. CONTINUED SECURITY AND RESUPPLY ALONG MSR.

C. ~~MONITORED~~ ROUGH RIDER TO PHU BAI.3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

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4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 101407H JAN 68 3/4 REC'D 7 DS SNIPER FIRE
PR ZD 166738, RET'D FIRE W/S/A AND M-79, AND CUN-
SHIPS, TOT COVERAGE GOOD, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

B. A TOTAL OF 7.0 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN
QUANG TRI (I) B DONG HA AO'S ON 9 JAN 68. AT YD
236763/AO OBS BUNKER COMPLEX, FIRED ARTY (ISHERWOOD A1)
(ISHERWOOD A2) ACCOUNTING FOR 4 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN POSITIONS,
CONDUCT SECURITY PATROLS, AND ESTABLISH LPS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA
533 MIA (MED EVAC)
220 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 468 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
56 DET TOTAL
4 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 DETAINEES
0 VC RETURNERS
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. TWC: 40
CSWC: 14

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT NO CHANGE

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SITREP NR 282 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 101800H-102400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

B. C-2, D-11, J-20, W-1, CC-12

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 2/1 AT 101915H VIC YD 114701 RADAR PICKED

UP EN AT YD 125695, FIRED 60MM MSN (20 RDS) MOVEMENT CEASED.

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B. 2/1 AT 102200H VIC YD 114701 RADAR PICKED
UP MOVEMENT VIC YD 127697, FIRED 60 MSN (40 RDS)
MOVEMENT CEASED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND
CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO.

~~6. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND
CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO.~~

A. D-11, J-20, AA-4, W-1, CC-5, EE-3

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 76 KIA

533 WIA (MEDEVAC)

220 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 468 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DETAINEES TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 DETAINEE

0 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 40
CSWC: 14

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED
 POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 102330H 2/1'S AMBUSH AT TD 127697 WAS
 TRIGGERED BY AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD; UNKNOWN RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 102345H A PATROL FR 2/1 WHILE GOING OUT
 OF THE PERIMETER WENT THROUGH A BREAK IN THE WIRE

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AND INTO THE MINE FIELD, THERE WERE THREE CASUALTIES:

1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC), 1 USMC WIA (MINOR)

AN INVESTIGATING OFFICER WILL BE APPOINTED, AND REPORT MADE.

B. LATE ENTRY. AT 101620H A RECON PATROL IN VIC OF YD 101614 ENCOUNTERED 2 NVA/VC ON TRAIL. ENEMY APPEARED TO BE CARRYING A ROCKET LAUNCHER DEVICE SIMILAR TO A 3.5" RL AND 1 AK-47 RIFLE. RECON TOOK THE EN UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF), DUE TO NOISES HEARD IN AREA, TEAM PULLED BACK AND CALLED FIRE MISSION, MORE INFO TO FOLLOW.

5. PLANS: UNITS WILL CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS WHILE ~~CONTINUING~~ TO IMPROVE POSITIONS,

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA
534 WIA (MEDEVAC)
221 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 469 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
56 DET TOTAL
4 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

C. IWC: 40
CSWC: 14
1 DETAINEE
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. K/M/3/4 SWEEPING EAST FR YD 170730 TO OBJ, XW
 YD 186742 THEN NORTH TO YD 184750, WEST YD 172747 AND
 SOUTH TO YD 177738 WHERE 3/3 HAS ESTABLISHED A BLOCK.
 RESULTS SO FAR:

110845H K/3/4 FOUND BUNKERS AT YD 182749 AND MISC GEAR
 BUNKERS DESTROYED. 110936H K/3/4 CONTACTED SNIPERS AND
 BOOBY TRAPS AT YD 181750. ENGAGED WITH S/A AND M-79

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111010H MADE CONTACT WITH ~~200~~ 8-10 NVA DUG IN AT YD 175754, RET'D S/A AND M-79 MORTARS AND ARTY, CONTACT BROKEN, CAPTURED 2 AK-47, CHICOM CLAYMORE AND MISC GEAR, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC), 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). 111105H FOUND LARGE COMPLEX OF LIVING BUNKERS AT YD 176750, SIGNS OF HASTY NVA EXIT, ONE BUNKER CONTAINED WARM RICE, DESTROYED BUNKER AND PICKING UP ABANDONED GEAR. TOTAL WPNS CAPTURED: 1 RPG, 1 CARBINE, 2 AK-47'S, 1 MG, 1 SNIPER RIFLE.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: SEE PARA A THIS REP.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 102105H 2/1 REC'D 2 RDS 82MM INCOMING, 1 WIA (MEDEVAC), (1 WIA MINOR).

B. (LATE ENTRY) 110550H 2/9 AT YD 132687 AMBUSH HEARD DIGGING NEAR ROAD, FIRED M-79 AND 81MM ILLUM, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

C. 111017H 1/4 FOUND ROCKET RD OF UNDETERMINED ORIGIN STUCK IN TREE AT YD 123668, BLOWN IN PLACE.

FRAG BROUGHT BACK FOR IDENTIFICATION.

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D. 111048H 1/4 SPOTTED 1 NVA AT YD 117675
CALLED 12 RDS ARTY, GOOD TGT COVERAGE.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL COND'CT PATROLS AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.
- B. COMPLETE 3/4 OPERATIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA

536 WIA (MEDEVAC)

223 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 472 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL

4 POW

50 ~~DETAINEES~~ INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 DETAINEES

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1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 44
CSWC: 16 47

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SITREP NR 285 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 111200H-111800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. M/K/3/4 COMPLETED SWEEP AND RETURNED TO POSITION.

RECOVERED BODY OF FR KIA FR 7 JAN CONTACT AT YD 174744

FINAL SPOT REP FR UNIT WILL REMADE LATER. ADDITIONAL
 INFO ON NEXT SIT REP,

B. REMAINING UNITS IMPROVED POSITION AND CONDUCTED
 PATROLS IN AO.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY) 111017H 1/4 FOUND RKT RD FR UNK
SOURCE STUCK IN TREE AT YD 123668. BLOWN IN PLACE

B. LATE ENTRY. 111048H 1/4 SPOTTED ONE NVA
500 METERS NW OF POSIT, FIRED ON W/M-79 AND S/A
NVA FLED.

C. LATE ENTRY. DE11140H 2/1 OBS 8 EN AT YD 114670
CALLED ARTY. NEG RESULTS.

D. 111215H 2/1 BOUND BUNKER 3x3x3 FT COVERED
WITH DIRT AND LOGS, AT YD 114708. DESTROYED W/C#4.

E. 111315H 2/1 LOCATED BREAK IN OUTER WIRE
GIVING ACCESS TO MINE FIELD. ALSO 7 BUNKERS, PROPAGANDA
LEAFLETS AND BOOT WITH FOOT IN IT, AT YD 117707.

F. 111330H 3/4 TROOPS DIGGING 60MM POSIT UNCOVERED
APPARENT FRENCH MINE AT YD 170731. DESTROYED IN PLACE.

G. 111350H 1/4 FOUND 1 LINE BOUNCING BETTY AND
ARE EXPENDING MINE AT YD 131678. BLOWN IN PLACE.

H. 111445H 3/3 REC'D 6 RDS ARTY INSIDE WIRE AT

YD 181720. CRATER ANALYSIS INDICATES POSSIBLE FRIENDLY

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FIRE. INVESTIGATION BEING HELD. 1 USMC WIA (MINOR)

I. 111730H 1/4 AT YD 160665 SIGHTED 3 NVA
MOVING NW, CALLED 81MM MSN AND ARTY WITH EXCELLENT
COVERAGE ON TARGET.

5. PLANS: CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA

536 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 472 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL

4 POW

50 ~~POW~~ INNOCENT CIVILIANS

7 DETAINEE

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 44

CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

2/1 AT A-4 3 TEAMS

3/3 AT A-3 3 TEAMS

3/4 NORTH OF A-3 5 TEAMS

A/1/4 AT DONG HA 3 TEAMS

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SITREP NR 286 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 111800H-112400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POS AND CONDUCTED LP(S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. DETAILED DEBRIEF OF PARTICIPATING MARINES IN 3/4 CONTACT (REF PARA 2A OF SITREP NR 284) REVEALS ADDITIONAL 2 NVA KIA NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

B. AT 111945H 2/1 AT A-4 SPOTTED MOVEMENT AT

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YD 126697 W/AN/PPS-5 RADAR, FIRED 60MM MORTARS
MISSION AND MOVEMENT CEASED.

C. AT 112120H 2/1 LP AT YD 124697 OBS MOVEMENT
AT EN YD 126697. LP FIRED M-79 AND RET'D TO LINES.
CALLED 60MM MORTAR MSN AND RET'D TO POSIT, NO
FURTHER MOVEMENT OBSERVED.

D. 3/3 AT A-3 REC'D 6 RDS SUSPECTED FRIENDLY
ARTY FIRE (REF PARA 3H OF SITREP NR 285) CRATER
ANALYSIS REVEALS THAT SHELLS CAME FROM AZIMUTH
OF 2900 MILS AND WERE POSSIBLE 155MM ARTY.

5. PLANS: A. ALL UNITS WILL CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

A-B. A/1/4 WILL MOVE FROM DHCB TO VIC YD 180557
W/MSN OF AMBUSHING INFILTRATING EN IN THAT AREA.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA
536 WIA (MEDEVAC)
224 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 474 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
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SITREP NR ²⁸⁷ FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 120001H-120600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ^{A.} ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS CONDUCTED ~~ESTABLISHED~~ PATROLS, AND ESTABLISHED LP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: ^{NE} ~~NO CHANGE~~ NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 112350H 2/1 VIC YD 114801 REC'D 7 RDS 82MM
 MORT FR YD 134723, RET'D FIRE W/120 RDS 81MM MORTAR,
 EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE AND 5 MIN REACTION TIME.

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B. AT 120010H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 OP OBS

1 EN AT YD 128698, FIRED 120 RDS 4.2" MORT,

OBS 1 EN RUNNING FR PERIMETER.

C. AT 120405H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 REC'D 22 RDS

82MM AND 21 RDS 60MM MORT INSIDE PERIMETER. FIRED

370 RDS 81MM, 93 RDS 105MM AND 33 RDS 4.2", REACTION

TIME OF 2 MIN AT YD 089726, 140703, 102685, 122721, 128707

135720, 119721, 115716, 107719, 117726, 095708, 105725

AND 124721.

5. PLANS: D-12, J-17, AA-2, W-1, CC-7 AND EE-16. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA
 536 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 474 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL
 4 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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SITREP NR288 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 120600H-121200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT: 3/4 YD 148708
A/114
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: YD 183550

A. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF 3/4'S BN (-) SWEEP
BETWEEN 110500H AND 111500H JAN68.:

AT 110500H 2 CO'S PLUS THE BN CP GRP MOVED OUT TOWARD
BN OBJ'S. A 1 COMPANY BLOCKING FORCE MOVED INTO POSITION
IN THE VIC OF YD 182748 AT 110700H.

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FIRST CONTACT WAS ~~MOVED OUT~~ IN THE VIC YD 181750
 AT 110935H IN AREA OF OBJ 9. SCOTT DOGS GAVE THE
 ALERT WHILE SNIPER FIRE GRADUALLY INCREASED IN INTENSITY,
 AS K/3/4 QUICKLY DEPLOYED. IN THE INSUING FIRE FIGHT 3/4
 INCURRED 1 WIA (EVAC) AND 1 WIA (MINOR) WHILE THE ENEMY
 SUFFERED 5 NVA KIA (CONF). AO'S OBSERVED EN TROOPS
 ATTEMPTING TO REINF AND ENVELOP 3/4'S FLANK AND CALLED
 IN ARTY MSN. AO'S FURTHER REPORTED SEEING NVA'S FLEEING
 NORTH IN THE FINAL STAGES OF CONTACT. K/3/4 CHECKED
 OUT THE BUNKER COMPLEX THE EN HAD BEEN DEFENDING FINDING
 21 BUNKERS, FOOD AND MISC EQPT. M/3/4 FIRED S/A AT 3
 CAMOUBLAGED NVA IN THE REAR OF THE COLUMN IN THE VIC
 OF YD 186755. K/3/4 ALSO ^{CAMPLEX} FOUND 5 DIRECTIONAL MINES AND
 5 BOOBY TRAPPED CHICOM GRENADES. K/3/4 ALSO FOUND 1 NVA
 BODY, DEAD ABOUT 3 WEEKS. M/3/4 FOUND FRIENDLY KIA OF
 7 JAN 68, AND RECOVERED. AN INTELLIGENCE REPORT DESCRIBING
 THE BUNKERS, TERRAIN AND WPNS HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. ALL
 STATICS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED IN SIT REPS.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AO WORKING FOR 2/1 SPOTTED 3 EN IN TRENCH LINE
AT 120805H AT YD 134724, AN ARTY MSN WAS CALLED W/UNK RESULTS.

B. AT 120925H 2/9'S ROAD SWEEP FOUND 1 M-26 GRENADE
WITH A ROPE TIED AROUND IT AND 1 81MM DUD. BOTH WERE
DESTROYED IN PLACE.

C. AT 120930H 3/4 SHOPPED OPCON OF K/3/4 TO 3/4.

5. PLANS: UNITS WILL CONDUCT SWEEPS AND PATROLS
WHILE CONTINUING TO IMPROVE POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA
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224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 474 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
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SITREP NR 289 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 121200H-121800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/4 YD 185555
 3/4 (-) YD 148708
 K/3/4 YD 170730

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: UNITS CONTINUED PATROLS AND
 SWEEPS AND IMPROVED LOCATIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. TOTAL OF 25.3 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN

QT (P) BY ~~DOUG HA~~ AO'S ON 11 JAN 68. AT 17637579 AO OBS

APPROX 15 ENGAGING 3/4 PLT, FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR

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2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 063647 AO OBS APPROX 20 NVA ON TRAIL RUNNING NW TO SE, RAN GUNSHIPS ACCOUNTING FOR 7 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 176758 AO OBS APPROX 20 NVA IN OPEN IN SMALL GROUPS, CALLED ARTY RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT YD 187753 AO OBS APPROX 15-20 NVA MOVING WEST IN TRENCH, RAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 7 NVA KIA (CONF)

B. AT 121030H C/1/4 FOUND 6 FIGHTING HOLES WITH MISC CLOTHING IN AREA. ONE NVA KIA (CONF), DEAD 2-3 WKS. WAS UNCOVERED IN ONE OF THE HOLES. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

C. AT 121200H 2/1 HAD A 60MM SHORT ROUND WHILE FIRING PREP FIRES IN VIC YD 128694 RESULTING IN 2 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC), INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

D. AT 121230H REC'D 5 RDS SNIPER FIRE FR YD 168738 AND RET'D FIRE W/20 RDS S/A ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

E. AT 121430H 3/3 REC'D 11 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FR YD 168738 AND RET'D FIRE W/SMALL ARMS AND ~~DM-79~~

F. AT 121400H 1/4 FOUND 20 OLD VN IN SMOKE HOUSE IN VIC YD 119669. *FORWARDED TO REGT S-2 14119*

G. AT 121600H 3/4 DISCOVERED AN OLD AT-MINE IN

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AREA THAT WAS OCCUPIED BY 3/3 THE MINE IS TO

BE FORWARDED TO 9TH MAR S-2.

5. PLANS: TO ESTABLISH AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA

538 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 492 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT. NO CHANGE

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SITREP NR 290 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 121800H-122400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POS

AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

A. C-3, D-14, J-20, AA-2, CC-10

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. 3/3 AY 121845H VIC YD 165734 REC'D 40

RDS- 82MM MORTAR FIRE FR SUSPECTED EN YD 151750. FIRED

155 MSN (10 RDS) W/UNK RESULTS. REACTION TIME OF 15 MIN.

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B. 2/1 AT 121900H VIC YD 126704 OBS 1 NVA IN
FRONT OF LINES (YD 120709) CALLED 81MM MSN ^{was} (35)

(30 RDS) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. 1/4 AT 122055H VIC YD 130663 OBSERVED MOVEMENT
(STARLIGHT SCOPE) OF 3 NVA VIC YD 131634, FIRED 81MM
MSN (35 RDS HE) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

D. 2/1 AT 122100H VIC YD 125697 HEARD 2 DOGS
BARK LOUDLY VIC YD 128698, FIRED 60MM MSN (15 RDS)
^{Noise (MS)}
NOISE CEASED.

E. 2/1 AT 122115H VIC YD 125697 OBSERVED EN
MOVEMENT WITH AN/PPS-5 VIC YD 135701, FIRED 60MM
MSN (20 RDS) MOVEMENT CEASED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS ~~WILL~~ CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND CONTINUE
TO MAN LP'S.

A. C-3, D-19, J-20, AA-2, W-1, CC-10

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA
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B. ENEMY: 492 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL

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SITREP NR291 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 13001H-130600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 130145H 1/4 AT C-2 BRIDGE REC'D 8 RDS UNK CAL MORTAR OUTSIDE PERIMETER FR 5300 MILS, RET'D FIRE W/120 RDS 81MM MORTARS ON SUSPECTED EN POSIT W/UNK RESULTS.

B. AT 130330H 0/2/5 AMBUSH AT YD 143606 SPOTTED

DISTRIBUTION PERSONS AT EN YD 145606. FIRED M-79 AND A/W W/NEG RESULTS.

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT
PATROLS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA

538 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 492 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

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SITREP NR 292 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 130600H-131200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NONE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: CONDUCT PATROLS IN AO, IMPROVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT OP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. K/3/4 FIRED ON 1 NVA AT YD 177728 WITH S/A AND M-79
 NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. 2/1 PATROL VIC YD 125690 REC'D 1 RD SNIPER FIRE.

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C. 2/1 AT YD 123684 FOUND JUNGLE SHIRT WITH
BLOOD STAINS ON SHIRT AND AREA. RESUMED MISSION.

5. PLANS: IMPROVE POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS AND
OPS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 77 KIA

538 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 442 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

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SITREP NR 293 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 131200H-131800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 120100 A/1/4 TO YD 184555

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. LATE ENTRY. 101200H ASSUME OPCON A/1/4 FROM 1/4.

B. CONDUCTED PATROLS, OP'S IN AO AND IMPROVED POSIT.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. 122330H 3/3 SNIPER OBS 3 NVA AT
YD 164736, OPENED FIRE, RESULTS 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

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OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER SIT REP NR 284 PARA 2A: TOTAL IWC SHOULD READ "1 SKS CARBINE, 4 AK-47'S, AND 1 SNIPER RIFLE, THIS ACCOUNTS FOR THE ADDITIONAL TWO EXTRA LWC THIS REPORT. AN ERROR IN ADDITION DATING BACK TO SITREP NR ~~282~~ 272 ACCOUNTS FOR THE 3RD IWC SUBMITTED THIS REPORT.

by Dong Ha AO's
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B. A TOTAL OF ~~7-9~~ ^{on 12 Jan 68} ~~PLS OF~~ VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QT (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ~~10-11~~ RAN A/S AT YD 167719 IN TRENCHLINE ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF)

C. 131345H 3/4 OBS 6 EN AT YD 137737 FIRED ARTY, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. 131415H 3/4 ~~6-8~~ AT YD 149704 FOUND 5 BUNKERS AND 6 RDS 82MM, BUNKERS DESTROYED, RDS BURNED.

E. 131305H 3/4 AT YD 1347^{fr}2 REC'D ~~10-11~~ APPARENT SHORT ROUND FR FRIENDLY ARTY C-2. 2 KIA, (NONHOSTILE) 6 WIA (MEDEVAC), INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

F. 131525H 3/3 AT YD 181717 REC'D 20 RDS OF PRESUMED FRIENDLY ARTY, NEG CASUALTIES, INVESTIGATION

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G. 131443H 2/1 REC'D 25 RDS 82MM INCOMING AND

ARTY. RETURNED FIRE WITH 155, 4.2" AND 105.

TOTAL OF 131 RDS, REACTION TIME OF 3½ MIN.

H. 131440H 3/4 REC'D 7 RDS INCOMING ARTY UNK

CAL OUTSIDE PERIMETER FR YD 173750, FIRED COUNTER

ARTY FIRE W/155MM AND 105MM WITH 60 RDS AND

4 MINUTES REACTION TIME, NEGATIVE CASUALTIES.

I. 131600H K/3/4 POUND 2 PROTECTIVE TYPE

BUNKERS AT YD 193733. EXCELLENT CONDITION. BLEW BUNKERS.

J. 131645H 3/3 AT YD 155735 REC'D 10 RDS 82MM

REQUESTED AO, ARTY MISSION CALLED, NEG RESULTS.

5. PLANS: CONDUCT AMEUSH AND LP'S IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

544 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

494 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF)

56 DET TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 447

CSWC: 16

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7. SCOUT SNIPER RPT: CAC-1 2 TMS YD 125592. NEG RES.

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 SITREP NR 294 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 131800H - 132400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.

A. CONDUCTED PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AOB

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 131443H 2/1 REC'D 13 RDS 82MM MORTAR, 2 60MM MORTAR, AND 22 RDS 85MM ARTY INSIDE PERIMETER. FIRED COUNTER BATTERY FIRES OF 435 RDS OF 81MM, 63 RDS 155MM ARTY, 7 RDS OF 175MM ARTY, 40 RDS 4.2" MORTAR AND 2 RDS 105MM ARTY AND 9 RDS 8" ARTY ON SUSPECTED EN GUN AND MORTAR POSITIONS. REACTION TIMES WERE 3.5 MIN FOR 4.2"; 4 MIN FOR 105'S; 7 MIN FOR 155'S, 7 MIN FOR 175'S, AND 7 MIN FOR 81MM MORTARS.

B. AT 131730H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 SPOTTED MOVEMENT WITH AN/PPS-5 RADAR AT EN YD 128997 AND 129669, FIRED 30 RDS 60MM MORTAR, MOVEMENT CEASED, UNK RESULTS.

C. AT 131800H 3/3 VIC YD 144735 REC'D 18-20 RDS 82MM MORTAR OUTSIDE PERIMETER, RDS CAME FR AZIMUTH OF 5040 MILS POSSIBLE EN COORDS OF 158742, CALLED ARTY MSN.

D. AT 131915H, 2/1 VIC YD 114701 WHILE FIRING AT SUSPECTED EN ARTY PSN VIC YD 1142729 OBS 3 SECONDARIES. FIRED 114 RDS HE W/QUICK DELAYED FUZE.

E. (REF SITREP 293 PARA H, J AND THIS SITREP PARA C). 3/3 VIC YD 174723-INCOMING CEASED AFTER SECOND BARRAGE, TUBES IN DEFILADE AND NO ENEMY COULD BE OBS, REACTION TIME OF 18 MIN, EXC. TGT COVERAGE.

F. AT 132100H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 SPOTTED VISUAL MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF PERIMETER FR VIC YD 124702, FIRED 3 RDS 60MM ILLUM AND S/A, MOVEMENT CEASED W/UNK RESULTS.

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G. AT 132145H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 OBS MOVEMENT
ON AN/PPS-5; FIRED 16 RDS 81MM MORT W/UNK RESULTS.
H. AT 132300H 1/4 VIC YD 128471 GBS TWO TRIP
FLARES GOING OFF ON OUTER RIDGE OF PERIMETER. FIRED
6 RDS M-79 AND THREW 2 HAND GRENADES, RESULTS UNK.
5. PLANS: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS.
A. D-9, H-28, U-4, AA-2, W-3, CC-3, EE-4
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
544 MIA (MCEVAC)
224 MIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 494 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
56 DET TOTAL
1 POW
1 DETAINEES
1 VC RETURNEE
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 48
CSWC: 16

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SITREP NR 295 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 140001H TO 140600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS ESTABLISHED AND CONDUCTED
 AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 132340H AN AMBUSH FROM I/3/3 SPOTTED 2
 PERSONNEL 50 TO 75 METERS FROM THEIR POSIT AT YD 174725. THE
 AMBUSH FIRED SA AND ASW THE EN FALL OR TAKE COVER. THE AREA WILL
 BE CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.

B. AT 140115H AN AMBUSH FROM 2/1 REPORTED MOVEMENT IN ITS SECTOR.

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60MM MORTAR, AND 22 RDS 85MM ARTY INSIDE PERIMETER.
 FIRED COUNTER BATTERY FIRES OF 435 RDS OF 81MM, 63
 RDS 155MM ARTY, 7 RDS OF 175MM ARTY, 40 RDS 4.2"
 MORTAR AND 2 RDS 105MM ARTY AND 9 RDS 8" ARTY ON
 SUSPECTED EN GUN AND MORTAR POSITIONS. REACTION TIMES
 WERE 3.5 MIN FOR 4.2"; 4 MIN FOR 105'S; 7 MIN FOR
 155'S, 7 MIN FOR 175'S, and 7 MIN FOR 81 MM MORTARS.

B. AT 131730H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 SPOTTED MOVEMENT
 WITH AN/PPS-5 RADAR AT EN YD 128697 AND 129669, FIRED
 30 RDS 60MM MORTAR, MOVEMENT CEASED, ENK REPOSITS.

D. AT 131800H 3/3 VIC YD 164735 RECD 18-20 RDS
 82MM MORTAR OUTSIDE PERIMETER, RDS CAME FR AZIMUTH
 OF 5040 MILS POSSIBLE EN COORDS OF 158742, CALLED ARTY MSN.

D. AT 131915H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 WHILE FIRING AT
 SUSPECTED EN ARTY PSN VIC YD 11427296 OBS 3 SECONDARIES.
 FIRED 114 RDS RE W/QUICK DELAYED FUZE.

E. AT 131920H 3/3 VIC YD 174723-INCOMING CEASED

AFTER SECOND BARRAGE, TUBES IN DEFILE AND NO ENEMY

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COULD BE OBS, REACTION TIME OF 18 MIN, EXC. TGT COVERAGE.

F. AT 132100H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 SPOTTED VISUAL
MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF PERIMETER FR VIC YD 124702, FIRED
3 RDS 60MM ILLUM AND S/A, MOVEMENT CEASED w/UNK RESULTS. At

G. AT 132145H 2/1 VIC YD 122699 OBS MOVEMENT
ON AN/PPS-5, FIRED 16 RDS 81MM MORT W/UNK RESULTS.

H. AT 132300H 1/4 VIC YD 128671 OBS TWO TRIP
FLARES GOING OFF ON OUTER RIDGE OF PERIMETER, FIRED
6 RDS M-79 AND THREW 2 HAND GRENADES, RESULTS UNK.

5. PLANS: CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITION.

A. D-9, H-28, U-4, AA-2, W-3, CC-3, EE-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

544 WIA (MEDEVAC)

224 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 494 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

C. IWC: 48 56 DET TOTAL 4-DETAINEEES
4 POW 1 VC RETURNEE

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SITREP NR 296 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 140600H TO 141200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 140821Z 3/3 AT 10 174735 REPORTED THAT THE EXPLOSION OF AN M-26 FRAG GRENADE RESULTED IN 5 USMC LBC (5 MEDEVAC). (NOT INCLUDED IN CUMULATIVE TOTALS). INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY 3/3.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.
 - B. K/3/1 WILL RELIEVE M/3/3 AT A-2. M/3/3 WILL RETURN TO A-3.
 - C. ADVANCE PARTY OF 2/26 WILL ARRIVE AT DONG HA.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 51L WIA (MEDEVAC)
 22L WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 49L NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 56 DETAINEES TOTAL
 4 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 47
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SITREP YR 296 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 141200H TO 141800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. E/F/G/2/1 - YD 114701	H. A/1/4 - YD 183556
B. H/2/1 - YD 115693	I. F/2/9 - YD 114615
C. I/K/3/3 - YD 172723	J. G(-)/2/9 - YD 148605
D. L/H/3/3 - YD 170730	K. E/F/2/12 - YD 135646
E. I/K/L/3/4 - YD 148708	L. K/4/13 - YD 135646
F. B/1/4 - YD 133645	M. D/2/12 - YD 143613
G. C/D/1/4 - YD 128672	N. W/2/12 - YD 116701
	O. M/4/12 - YD 212597

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.

B. K/3/4 RELIEVED M/3/3 AT A-2. OPCON OF K/3/4 WAS CHOPPED TO 2TH MAR AND OPCON OF M/3/3 WAS CHOPPED TO 3/3.

C. ADVANCE PARTY OF 2/26 ARRIVED DONG HA.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 143045H RECON TM 202 SPOTTED 20 NV4 W/INDIVIDUAL AND CREW-SERVED WPNs. NVA WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF). PATROL WAS EXTRACTED.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 141115H E/2/1 PATROL FOUND 2 DECOMPOSED NVA BODIES AT YD 104685. 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

B. AT 141145H I/3/4 PATROL FOUND 5 FIGHTING BUNKERS AND 1 A/C BOMB AT YD 146693.

C. AT 141333H I/3/4 PATROL FOUND 5 BUNKERS 3x5x5 FT W/2FT LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD AND MISC UNSERVICEABLE NVA 782 GEAR AT YD 162688.

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D. AT 141400H M/3/4 PLATOON PATROL AT YD 139715 SPOTTED 10-13 NVA IN OPEN AT RE YD 132718. CALLED ARTY HSE. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED 1 NVA KIA BY SNIPER AND 1 AK-47 CAPTURED (1 INC). AO CALLING IN AIR AND ARTY ON NVA FLEEING TO NW.
 E. AT 141430H I/3/4 PATROL FOUND COMPANY SIZED HARBORING SITE AT YD 163697 WHICH SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE.
 F. AT 141435H G/2/1 PATROL CHECKING WIRE AT A-4 FOUND SANDAL PRINTS OF 2-3 PERSONS AT YD 116707.
 G. AT 141500H G/2/1 PATROL FOUND 10 FRENCH ROUTES AT YD 108704. RD3 DESTROYED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

54 KIA (W/DEVAC)

24 KIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 499 ~~157~~ NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DETAINEES TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48

CS/C: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NO TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS
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FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

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SITREP NR 298 FOR OPV KENTUCKY FR 141800H TO 142400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS IN AO.

B. C-10, O-16, J-24, AA-7, CC-6, EE-1.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 2/1 AT 141445H VIC YD 114701 FORTHY LOOSE
BOARDS OVER BARBED WIRE FENCE TO MAKE A GOOD TRAIL--BOARDS
REMOVED AND FENCE REPAIRED.B. (LATE ENTRY) 2/1 AT 141445H VIC YD 114701 OBS 13 EN NEAR 2
BUNKERS VIC YD 123711. CALLED IN AIRCRAFT, OBS 6 EN RUNNING IN
FLAMES, 2 BUNKERS DESTROYED, AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.C. (LATE ENTRY) 2/1 AT 141510H VIC YD 113698 DISCOVERED A
FIGHTING HOLE W/EXCELLENT OBS OF OP#1. AREA ALSO CONTAINED
SANDAL PRINTS APPROX 1 TO 2 DAYS OLD.D. 2/1 AT 142045H VIC YD 114701 RECD 8 RDS OF 82MM MORTAR
INCOMING FR AN UNK DIRECTION REPTD 81MM MSN ON SUSPECTED 81
POSITS, REACTION TIME 1 MIN.E. 2/1 AT 142015H VIC YD 119704, LP HEARD MOVEMENT VIC YD
123705; FIRED 81 AND 60 MSNS, MOVEMENT CEASED.F. 1/4 AT 142035H VIC YD 133646 OBS EN MOVEMENT VIC YD 144645.
FIRED ARTY MSN (12 RDS HE) W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE.*for 15/0715H/JAN68*

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5. PLANS

A. ALL UNITS ARE TO MAINTAIN POSITS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND
CONTINUE TO BE ACTIVE.

B. C-11, C-19, C-28, AA-6, CC-6, EE-1

6. CHINESE LOSSES:

A. MIA: 79 KIA

504 MIA (MEDIVAC)

224 MIA (MINOR)

B. MIA: 499 MIA KIA (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)

56 DETAINERS TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48

CSWC: 16

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SITREP NR 299 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 150001H-150600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 142000H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 HEARD EXPLOSION IN MINE FIELD AND CHECKED AREA WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE. EN WAS SPOTTED IN MINEFIELD VIC YD 115705 AND ILLUM WAS FIRED AND EN WAS NOTED TO ATTEMPT WITHDRAWAL THRU OBSTICLES AND MINE-FIELD. A SQD WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE WAS SENT OUT TO PICK UP EN. ELEMENTS OF 4-5 EN WERE SEEN OUTSIDE PERIMETER APPARENTLY ATTEMPTING TO RETRIVE EN WIA. AT 142300H 4 EN IN MINEFIELD SET OFF MINE. A PLT WAS SENT OUT TO RECOVER 2 NVA WIA.

B. AT 150120H WHILE ELEMENT VIC YD 115705 FR CG G WAS CHECKING FOR EN WIA, IT HEARD A GREAT DEAL OF NOISE FROM APPARENT LARGE ENEMY ELEMENT. EN WITHDREW TO EFFECT MEDEVAC AND FIRED S/A, 60MM MORTARS AND 57MM RR. COUNTER MORTAR FIRES OF 50 RDS 105MM AT YD 119714, 24 RDS 155MM AT YD 114747, 36 RDS 105MM AT YD 108735, 26 RDS 155MM AT YD 105717, 52 RDS 4.2" AT YD 112710, 54 RDS 155MM AT YD 107722, 40 RDS 81MM AT YD 120707, 70 RDS 81MM AT YD 107699, 80 RDS 81MM AT YD 125705, 60 RDS 81MM AT 116707, AND 100 RDS 81MM AT YD 107722, SUSTAINED 2 USMC WIA (MINOR), RETURNED FIRES WITH 1 MINUTE REACTION TIME.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND ESTABLISH OP'S.

B. MONITOR ROUGH RIDER CONVOY TO PHU BAI.

C. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR MCB-5 CONSTRUCTION EFFORT ALONG ROUTE 9.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

544 WIA (MEDEVAC)

226 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

499 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTALL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0 DETAINEES

1 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 48

CSWC: 16

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SECTION: S-3
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND ~~ESTABLISHED LP'S~~ SWEEPS.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 150755H B/279 RD SWEEP FOUND A 105MM DUD IN VIC YD 132625, THE RD WAS DESTROYED IN PLACE BY FEGRS.
 - B. AT 150800H 3/3 REPORTED 12 RDS OF FST 60MM IMPACTING NORTHWEST OF PERIMETER, CALLED FIRE HSN ON POSITION AT YD 153445 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. REACTION TIME OF 5 MINUTES.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND LP'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 - 544 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 226 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 499 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 - 56 DET TOTAL
 - 4 POW
 - 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 1 VC RETURNEE
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48
 CSWC: 16
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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 151240Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MFR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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 SITER. NR 301 FOR O-N KENTUCKY PR 151200H-151800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND SWEEPS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. AT 150820H 3/3 ENGAGED 4 NVA WITH SNIPER FIRE AT YD 175739. RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).
 - B. AT 150845H 3/3 TOOK SNIPER FIRE FROM YD 167738. REP'D FIRE WITH M-79'S AS SNIPER WAS TOO WELL CONCEALED FOR OBSERVATION ACTION ~~ED~~ RESULTED IN 1 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC).
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE ENTRY. AT 142330H 2/1 REPORTED HEARING DOGS BARKING AND ACTIVITY IN VIC YD 126643 AND YD 127695.
 - B. AT 150945H FOUND 2 "U" SHAPED TRINCEES ONE OF WHICH CONTAINED 4 NVA KIA (CONF). BELIEVED ARMY WAS CAUSE OF DEATH.
 - C. AT 151000H 2/1 REPORTED THE AREA OF EN CONTACT OF LAST NITE YD 115705, 1 PICK, 1 TRINCH AND ONE PORCH W/TE HOLTS IN IT.
 - D. AT 151150H 3/4 REPORTED FINDING 5 OLD BUNKERS W/ 9 82MM RDS IN 1 BUNKER. THE BUNKERS WERE 8x8x3 FT WITH THICK LOGS AND SOD OVERHEAD. THE BUNKERS AND MORTARS WERE DESTROYED IN PLACE.
 - E. AT 151230H 3/1 REPORTED 2 EN IN TREE LINE AT YD 107706 AND TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE WITH 81MM MORTARS, WITH UNK RESULTS.
 - F. AT 151500H A SWEEP TM PR 11TH BNGRS FOUND 2 HOMEMADE MINES AT YD 183721 3 INCHES UNDER THE RD AND DESTROYED THEM IN PLACE.

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5. PLANS:
 A. ESTABLISH AMBUSHES AND LPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 505 MIA (IF DE VAC)
 226 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 504 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 56 DET TOTAL
 4 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
- C. DWC: 48
CSWC: 16
7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NO TEAM</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
373	3	1	YD 176739	1 NVA KIA (CONF)

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOUR ARTY, USA
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 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES

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 SITREP NR 302 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 151800H-152400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND LP'S.
- B. C-12, D-15, Y-3, J-26, AA-4, CC-1, EE-1
- C. THE BUNKER CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AT C-3 POSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

- A. 151835H 2/1 SNIPER TR SPOTTED EN AT YD 125705, FIRED 4 RDS WITH NEG RESULTS.
- B. 152050H 2/1 AMBUSH MOVING INTO POSIT AT YD 126688 OBS 7 EN AT YD 129685 WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE, BE SPLIT WITH 2 MOVING WEST AND 5 MOVING INTO TREE LINE AMBUSH WILL STAY IN POSIT AND OBSERVE AREA.
- C. 152250H 1/4 AT YD 128699 SPOTTED 4 NVA AT YD 124674, THRU STARLIGHT SCOPE, MOVING SW IN TREE LINE, FIRED 118 RDS OF 81MM HE, EXC COVERAGE, RES UNK, WILL CHK AREA IN MORNING.

- D. 152230H A/1/4 AMBUSH AT YD 164586 FIRED ON 3 EN AT YD 162584, EN RET'D FIRE W/NEG CASUALTIES OR RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. LATE ENTRY. 151430H 2/1 FOUND HOLE IN WIRE AT YD 116705 believed cut last night, APPROX 6 FT WIDE WITH WELL DEFINED PATH LEADING INTO MINE FIELD, REPAIRED AND PLOTTED 60MM RSN.
- B. 151815H 1/4 SPOTTED 1 NVA WEARING DARK GREEN UTILITIES HEADING IN SW DIRECTION. FIRED 80 RDS 81MM RESULTS UNK.

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for M. Barton*5. PLANS:A. C-8, D-15, Y-3, J-26, AA-2, W-1, CC-9, EE-1
B. MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBU RES.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 545 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 226 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 504 EVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 56 DET TOTAL
 4 POW
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48
 CSWC: 16 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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 DRAFTER R. A. Stewart
 RELEASER R. A. Stewart 1/LT
J. C. Stewart, LTCOL

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OP IMMED PRIORITY 152430Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

CCN: 137

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SITREP NR 303 FOR OPR KENTUCKY FR 152400H TO 160600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CORRECTION TO SITREP #297

C. I/M/3/3 - YD 172723

D. L/K/3/3 - YD 170730

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 152230H A/1/4 AMBUSH AT YD 164586 SPOTTED 3 PERSONS AT EN YD 162584. AMBUSH OPENED FIRE AND EN RETD 3 RDS SA. ANIA CHECKED W/NRG RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 160105H 2/1 AT A-4 HEARD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF PERIMETER AT FN YD 123701. FIRED M-79 AND MOVEMENT CEASED.

B. AT 160145H A/1/4 AMBUSH AT EN YD 164586 SPOTTED 15-20 NVA AT FN YD 163587 MOVING WEST W/2 MORTAR TUBES. EN DID NOT COME W/IN RANGE OF AMBUSH AND CONTINUED TO MOVE W.

C. AT 160315H 2/9 OP AT YD 141614 SPOTTED 6-8 NVA AT FN YD 128617. CALLED ARTY MSN W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

D. CHANGE PARA 4A OF SITREP #296 TO READ "4 NBC (4 MEDEVAC) VICE "5 NBC (5 MEDEVAC)" TO CORRECT ERROR IN REPORTING.

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5. plans: all

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

545 MIA (MEDEVAC)

226 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 504 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DETAINEES TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48

CSVC: 16

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 RELEASER J. C. TUDT, LTCOL

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARVT, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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SITREP NR 304 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 160600H TO 161200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 545 WIA (ME DEVAC)
 226 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 504 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 56 DETAINEES TOTAL 8 SIE (CONF) 0
 4 POW
 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48
 CSWC: 16

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DRAFTER E. C. SORENSEN, MAJRELEASEE J. C. STUDD, LTCOL

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OP IMMED/PRIORITY 161210Z

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

SECTION ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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SITREP NR 305 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 161200H TO 161800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 2/1 AT 161145H VIC YD 114701 RECD SNIPER FIRE FR EN YD 094705, FIRED 60 MSN W/UNK RESULTS.

B. 3/4 AT 161220H VIC YD 165693 A COMPANY PATROL FOUND A CACHE OF 82MM AMMO (183 RDS). ARPA SEEMED TO BE CAPABLE OF HAVING A COMPANY OR BN SIZE UNIT. DESTROYED AMMO.

C. 2/1 AT 162130H VIC YD 114703 OBS 3 NVA VIC YD 129711, FIRED 60 MSN (22 RDS), 81MSN (4 RDS), AND 4.2 MSN (52 RDS) WITH UNK RESULTS.

D. A TOTAL OF 40.8 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 15 JAN 68. A/S RAN AT YD 123711 (POSTSCRIPT 517) ON 5 NVA IN A TREE LINE RESULTED IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITS AND CONDUCT ABUSHERS AND ESTABLISH LP'S IN AO.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
545 WIA (MED EVAC)
226 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 505 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
56 DETAINEES TOTAL
4 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 VC RETURNEE
1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 48
CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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DRAFTER J. M. CHAMBERS, 1/LT

RELEASED J. C. STUETT, 1/LT COL

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 16/6/02 JAN 68
 FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)
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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: UNITS MAINTAINED POSITS AND ESTABLISHED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 152258H JAN 68 3/3 REPTD RECEIVING 2 RDS OF PR 105MM ARTY INSIDE THEIR PERIMETER. 29/12 IS CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION; THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.
 B. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF 3/4'S I CO PATROL OF 16 JAN 68. THE AREA SEARCHED AT YD 165643 WAS AN APPARENT BN SIZE BASE CAMP. 183 RDS OF 82MM MORTAR WERE FOUND IN AN AREA OF 117 BUNKERS INCLUDING MORTAR POSITS. 82 RDS WERE COMPLETE W/ALL NECESSARY COMPONENTS. AMMO WAS DESTROYED EXCEPT FOR SAMPLES. 100MM ARTY AND TPG HAD LITTLE EFFECT ON HARBOR SITE. 22 BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED, THEY WERE 5x5x5 WITH 2-TO 3 FT OF OVERHEAD. APPROX 14 LIVING BUNKERS WERE NOT DESTROYED. PHOTO'S WERE TAKEN OF THE PRIOR TO DESTRUCTION. DETAILED RPT TO FOLLOW.
 5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITS AND CONTINUE LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 79

MIA 545 (M'D VAC)

MIA 226 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA (CONF) 505 VC KIA 0 (CONF)

DETAINEES 56 TOTAL

POW 4

INOCENT CIVILIANS 50

VC RETURNEES 1

CIVIL DEFENDANTS 1

C. INC: 458

CSWC: 16

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DRAFTER: G.W. BOSTON MAJOR

RELEASED BY: J.C. STUDD LTCOL

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FROM: EIGHT MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

CCN: 149

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 SITREP NR 307 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 170001-170600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. UNITS MAINTAINED AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AM USHS.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 162320H 2/1 OF HEARD MOVEMENT AT YD 128698, FIRED 20 RDS 60MM, MOVEMENT CEASED.
 - B. 162340H 2/1 AMBUSH TM MOVED INTO FRIENDLY MINE FIELD AT YD 114701 WHERE FM HAD REMOVED WARNING FENCE. RESULT IN 1 USMC KIA (MEDDEVAC).
5. PLANS:
 - A. MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS AND OPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES.
 - A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 - 546 KIA (MEDDEVAC)
 - 226 KIA (MIGOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 505 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 - 56 DIT TOTAL
 - 4 POW
 - 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 1 VC RETURNEE
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IVC: 48

CSVC: 16

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 RELEASED BY: R.A. Stewart for J.C. STUDD LTCOL

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170610Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

TWELFTH MARINES

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SITREP NR 307 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 170600H-171200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OP'S.3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 170700H E/2/1 PATROL AT YD 109693 REC'D 1 RD CARBINE FIRE FR EN YD 102694, RET'D FIRE W/M-79, 60MM AND 81MM MORTARS.

B. AT 170945H I/3/3 PATROL DISCOVERED 2 BOOBY TRAPPED GRENADES AT YD 195725. GRENADES DESTROYED.

C. AT 171050H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D 2 RDS 82MM MORTAR, 2 RDS 60MM MORTAR AND 1 RD SNIPER FIRE, RET'D FIRE W/10 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 107708, 20 RDS 81MM MORTAR ON EN YD 114720, AND 24 RDS 4.2" MORTAR ON EN YD 115736.

INCOMING RESULTED IN 2 USMC WIA (2 MEDEVAC)

5. PLANS:A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.

B. 17 JAN - 2/9 BRAVO AT CAN LO WILL REINFORCE CAP-I AND CAP III EACH WITH 1 RIFLE SQD, 1 MG TM, AND, IN THE CASE OF CAP III, 1 60MM MORTAR SQD. 9TH MARINES WILL PROVIDE THIS SUPPORT UNTIL TET IN VIEW OF ENEMY ACTIVITY DURING THIS PERIOD.

C. 19 JAN - A/1/4 WILL WITHDRAW AFTER DARK FROM THE AREA SOUTH OF RT 9 TO DHCB; WILL RETURN TO PARENT BN AT C-2 ON 20 JAN.

D. 19 JAN - ANTICIPATE RELIEF OF K/3/4 AT GIO LINH BY ARVN. PLAN TO MOVE K/3/4 TO DONG HA COMBAT BASE AS REG'D RESERVE AND TO MEET FOLLOWING SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.

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4 SQDS FOR FORWARD SWEEP SECURITY; 2 SQDS FOR NCB RD
CONSTRUCTION SECURITY; 2 SQDS (RUIF) TO REINFORCE CAP I
AND CAP III DURING TET THREAT; BALANCE OF COMPANY AS
DHCB REACTION FORCE/SPARTAN HAWK AND COUNTER-AMBUSH
PATROL ALONG RT 9.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
548 WIA (MIDEVAC)
226 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 505 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) C
56 DFT TOTAL
4 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 VC RETURNEE
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
C. TVC: 48
CSVC: 16

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 RELEASED BY: R.A. Stewart for J.C. STUDDT LT COL

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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 SITREP NR 308 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 171200H-171800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:
 - A. NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. A TOTAL OF 42.7 MRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 15 AND 16 JAN. AO OBS 4 NVA AT YD 162747 W/5 NEW BUNKERS. RAN A/S (COMBAT 29) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF).
 - B. AT 171300H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D 55 RDS SNIPER FIRE. RET'D FIRE W/60MM AND 81MM MORTAR AND S/A FIRE.
 - C. AT 171300H 1/4 SECURITY FOR BULLDOZER AT C-2 BRIDGE SPOTTED 2 NVA IN BRUSH AT IN YD 132668, FIRED S/A WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
 - D. AT 171345H L/3/4 PATROL FOUND 4 60MM MORTAR RDS AT YD 143700. RDS RET'D TO CP.
 - E. AT 171400H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D 13 RDS S/A FIRE FROM UNKNOWN POSITION.
 - F. AT 171430H L/3/4 PATROL FOUND 2 BUNKERS 6x4x4 FT W/3 FT LOG AND MUD OVERHEAD, BUNKERS DESTROYED.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA

548 MIA (MEDEVAC)

226 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 506 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0

56 DET TOTAL

4 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 48

CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

A. NO CHANGE

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FOURTH BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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 SITREP MR 309 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 171800H-172400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

B. C-4, O-17, Y-3, J-23, AA-4, CC-7, EE-1

3. FIRM CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 2/1 AT 171720H VIC YD 114701 OBS 7 EN IN OPN VIC YD 135724
 FIRED 4.2" MSN (200 RDS) RESULTING IN 1 ENVA KIA (CONF),
 CONFIRMED BY EO.

B. 1/4 AT 172015H VIC YD 126667 OBS MOVEMENT BY USE OF
 AN/PPS-6, MOD, AND SID VIC YD 125669 AND 125673, FIRED 60,
 81, AND 90MM MSN'S WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. 3/4 AT 172050H OBS EN MOVEMENT WITH STARLIGHTSCOPE AT
 EN YD 1147712, FIRED S/A, M-79, AND THREE M-26 GRENADE,
 CHECKED AREA W/NEG RESULTS, THOROUGH SEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED
 AT FIRST LIGHT.

D. AT 172110H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 FIRED 155 MSN (27 RDS) ON
 YD 091751 AND 4.2" MSN (50 RDS) ON YD 123728, OBSERVED
 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. Both suspected en arty psus.

E. 2/1 AT 172230H VIC YD 125698 AN AMBUSH REC'D 3 GRENADES
 AND 6 RDS S/A FIRE FR EN YD 127695 AND 131698, FIRED 60 MSN
 ON EACH LOCATION-- MOVEMENT CEASED.

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F. (LAST ENTRY) 2/1 AT 171345H VIC VD 114701 RECD
 7 RDS OF 82MM MORTARS AND 2 RDS OF 60MM MORTARS INSIDE
 PERIMETER FR VD 114722 AND 115729. FIRED 81 RDS
 (40 RDS) AND 4.2" MRE OF (20 RDS) WITH MIX RESULTS,
 REACTION TIME OF 3 MINUTES.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES
 AND CONTINUE TO TAKE LP'S IN AO.
 B. C-4, D-17, Y-3, J-22, AA-3, CC-7, EE-2.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: 79 KIA
 513 MIA (IN DE VAC)
 225 MIA (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: 507 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 0
 55 DET TOTAL
 4 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNED
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 48
CSWC: 16

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SITREP FOR 310 FOR ORA KENTUCKY FF 180015H TO 180600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED ASSAULTS AND LP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LTT ENTRY - AT 172345H, 2/1 RECD 1 RD 82MM MORTAR FR AN UNK DIRECTION.
 - B. LTT ENTRY - AT 172355H, 2/1 RECD 1 RD 82MM MORTAR FIRE AND RETD FIRE W/ARTY AND 81MM.
 - C. AT 180015H 2/1 REPTD THEIR AMBUSH VIC YD 128599 CBS EN MOVEMENT VIC YD 130700. 60MM IL, H AND K-73 RDS WERE FIRED W/NO FURTHER MOVEMENT.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS, AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND OPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 79
 MIA 548 (REF OF VAC)
 MIA 226 (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: TWA KIA 507 (CONF) VC KIA 0 (CONF)
 DETAINEES 56 TOTAL
 POW 4
 INNOCENT CIVILIANS 50
 VC RETURNERS 1
 CIVIL DEFENDANTS 1

C. IVC: 48

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DRAFTER C. E. BOSTON, MAJ

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OF IMMEDIATE PRIORITY 180510Z JAN 68

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FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

FIRST MARINES

SENIOR ADVISER, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 311 FOR OVN KENTUCKY FR 180600H TO 181200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OPS CONTINUED TO IMPROVE POSITS.

3. IRONY CONTACTS:

A. 180930H L/3/3 AT YD 193714 ENGAGED 2 NVA W/SA. SWEPT AREA FOUND 2 NVA KIA (CONF) BY SA AND 1 NVA KIA (CONF) BY ARTY PREP AND 1 NVA KIA (POW) BY ARTY PREP. POW IN DEW CND.

B. 180945H L/3/4 AT 144725 MADE CONTACT WITH NVA RUIN PLAT W/SA. RECD 20 RDS W/SA ARTY 181037H. AO, CUNSEIPS ON STATION. CONTACT CONTINUES.

C. 181047 L/3/3 IN CONTACT WITH 15-20 NVA AT YD 163739. BN BROKE CONTACT. SWEPT AREA FOUND EXTENSIVE TUNNELS AND BUNKERS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 181037H D/1/4 FOUND 3 OLD FIGHTING HOLES ALONG WELL USED TRAIL AT YD 135676. DESTROYED HOLES PLOTTED NAI.

5. PLANS: CONDUCT PATROLS AND OPS IMPROVE POSITS.

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J. G. STUDD, LTCOL

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OP IMMED/PRIORITY 181130Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

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FIRST MARINES

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FOURTH MARINES

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FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

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SYNREP NR 312 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 181200H TO 181800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. (PRELIM HARY REPORT) 12/3/4 ON PATROL MADE CONTACT AT 180945H W/EST BN REINF CO AT YD 144725. RECD AM FIRE, SA AND 20 RDS MORTAR FIRE. RECD SA AND MG FIRE AND CALLED ARTY MSN. AO ON STATION COORDINATING FIRE. AT 181120H L/3/4 REMAINED IN CONTACT INCLUDING 50 CAL FIRE AND SA. CONTINUED TO EMPLOY OUTSHIP WITH SITUATION UNDER CONTROL. AT 181234H RECD 50 INCOMING RDS UNK CAL AT YD 145724. DIRECTION 0340 MILS. REQUESTED MEDIVAC FOR 14 VIA AND 26KIA. 181340H M/3/4 MOVING TO L/3/4 POSIT AT YD 145724 AND I/3/3 MOVING WEST FR A-3 TO FURTHER RELIEF. L/3/4 WAS TEMPORARILY PINNED DOWN BUT AT 181535 L2 AND M 3/4 WERE IN CONTACT WITH I/3/3 IN POSIT AS BLOCKING FORCE. ALL MEDIVACS WERE COMPLETED, CONTACT BROKEN WITH ALL UNITS BACK IN POSIT BY 181745H. AO RPTS AND PRELIMINARY DEBRIEF OF 3/4 INDICATE HEAVY EN CASUALTIES. FINAL RPT TO BE MADE LATER. CASUALTY FIGURES IN PARA 6 ARE NOT TOTAL Pending Receipt of FINAL REPORT.

B. 2/1 AND 1/4 EACH PROVIDED ONE COMPANY ON STANDBY TO RELIEF 3/4 BUT WERE NOT NEEDED. ALL OTHER UNITS IMPROVED POSITS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OPS IN AO.

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3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) RUCOM 3-2 AT YD 094630 EXCHANGED SA F/4NVA. RFS IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) ELF STREFP 311 FOR 180600-181200H PARA 30 L/3/3 SPOTTED 4 NVA AT YD 161740 ENGAGED W/S/A. NO RESULTS.

B. 181030H 2/1 PATROL SPOTTED 2 EN AT YD 121711. FIRED 4.2 UNK RESULTS.

C. 181225H L/3/3 SNIPER SPOTTED 1 NVA AT YD 160746. 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

D. 181300H 2/1 PATROL FOUND 90MM AT YD 126686. DESTROYED.

E. 181430H 1/4 AT C-2 TOWER RECD 6 SNIPER RDS FR SE. RTD 81MM, 105MM. SNIPER FIRE CEASED.

5. PLANS: MAINTAIN POSITS, CONDUCT LPS AND ADVISITS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 81

MIA 568, MIA (MEDEVAC)

MIA 226 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA (CONF) 511 VC KIA (CONF) 0
DETAINES 57

POW 5

INNOCENT CIVILIANS 50

VC RETURNFES 1

CIVIL DEFENDANTS 1

C. INC: 51

CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NO OF TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	3	3	YD 173723	1 KIA
2/1	2	2	YD 117701	
1/4	3	1	YD 128671	
		1	YD 133646	
		1	YD 183556	
3/4	4	4	YD 144724	
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STAMP NR 22 FOR OPE KENTUCKY FR 181100Z 20 182100Z JUNE68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
A. ALL UNIT'S DEFENDED SCOTTS AND CONDUCTED ATTEMPTS ARE LOST,
B. NINE FIFTH AND SIXTEEN FIRST BATTALION OF 3RD CAV DIVISION (CROSS TO 1472).
C. A-5, B-4, C-6, D-16, E-22, F-1, G-3, H-2, I-10, J-1.
D. FULLY CO-OPERATED;
E. FINAL PART OF 3RD CONTACT:

H CO NINUS MOVED INTO RT PLANK AND LINE PLANK BLOCKING POSITS 8545-
 THE AT 0730. L CO MOVED NORTH BETWEEN FIRST POSITS. H CO MOVED
 5 MI AT 11026 AT 0945 MOVING TOWARD 100TH. L CO MOVED INTO 100TH
 1-155M MOVED AT 115722 AND A CHECKER COMPANY IN THE SAME VIC. L CO
 MADE CONTACT W/AN FSB WERE PLT AT 115722. AT 0945H L CO DEPLOYED
 AND WITS OF 081125 TO GAZE WITH SUPERVISORY. WERE MOVED
 DECREASED VARIABILITY. RT BLOCKING UNIT (UNIT 1) DEPLOYED 100
 UNDER L CO AT 11026. UNIT 2 ORIGINATED TO 100TH TO RT PLANK BLOCKING
 POSIT FROM A FINGER DISPOSING ALL OF H AND L NORTH OF THE PLANK.
 PL FROM 1015 AND 1100. 57 ROS OF FSB IN LOOKS ARMY SECO ON H CO
 WEST BLOCKING POSIT AND EN CO. L CO USED TAKING GAS AT 100TH
 POINT OF CONTACT AND ATTEMPTED TO CONSOLIDATE POSIT AND SECURE
 PLANK DOWN L IN FTS TO THE R FROM. UNIT 3 EN ROUTE TO L CO RT

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1225H S IPVR SIGHTED 3 NVA AT 160744. FIRED AND OBS 1 NVA FELL.
1/3/3 SA KEPT 3 TO 4 NVA PINKED DOWN BEHIND BRUSH TILL ARTY COULD
BE ADJUSTED ON POSIT. ARTY ACHT VLD DI TOT HIT. HVY BUNKER
COMPLEX SIGHTED IN VIC OF 158742. BUNKERS ORIENTED TO THE SE.
CONTACT RESULTED IN 3 NVA KIA NOT PREV RPTD.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

1. (LATE ENTRY) AT 181045H L/3/3 PATROL FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX W/ COMM CHING TRENCHES, 1 RD 82MM MORTAR, 2 RDS 60MM MORTARS AND 4 CANS MORTAR FUSES AT ED 162736.

3. AT 161400H M/3/3 PATROL FOUND A-26 RIGGED AS SURPRISE FIRING
DEVICE DESTROYED. FLASH (ALCS)

C. AT 181700H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS MOVEMENT AND BUZZED
AT IN YD 105708. FIRED 8MM MORTAR MSN AND OBS 6
EXPLOSIONS.

D. AT 181905H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS MOVEMENT AT 125698 W/AN/PPS-6
RADAR. FIRED 81MM MORTAR EST W/UNK RESULTS. W/AN/PPS-6 RADAR

P. AT 182000H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS MOVEMENT VAPOR ID 134698, 134699, AND 134696. FINED 60MKS PORTAR IN IS W/OXY RESULTS.

134698. FIRED SOME MORTAR IN N/UNK DIRECTION.
F. AT 182205H 2/1 AT A-4 OBS NOVEMBER AT 182521 AND 129705H 2/1
FIRED 81MM AND 4.2" MORTAR MISS N/UNK DIRECTION. RESULTS.

0. AT 182220H 2/1 AT A-4 FIRED M-79 ON MOVEMENT AT IN YD 124593 W/
UNK RESULTS.

2. AT 182315H 3/4 AT YD 345708 FIRED SA ON MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF
LINES, WILL ON OK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS:

ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

B. WILL CONTINUE TO TRAIN ARTS AND CRAFTS INTO A TA OF 3/4.

CO RT CT (CS FO 1472)

3. A-5, B-8, C-8, D-16, J-22, U-1, Y-3, AA-4, CC-7, FF-1.

CULTIVATIVE LOSERS

A FRIENDLY: 90 HLA

504 1-1A (MED-VAC)

226 -TA (MUNOR)

B. ENEMY: 673 ~~543~~ NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

57 DETAINEES TOTAL

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50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC 51

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 SITREP NR 314 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 182400Z-190600Z JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED
 AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. (DELAYED ENTRY) 1/L AT 182215H VIC YD 128678 REPORTED
 THAT TRIP FLARE WENT OFF, 2 'N WERE OBS W/INFRARED DEVICE
 RUNNING INTO A TREE LINE AT YD 125672. AT 182246H 303-6;
 PICKED UP EN MOVEMENT AT YD 123667; FIRED 90 MSN (1 RDS)
 AND 60 MSN (10) RDS ON YD 125672, AND FIRED 90 MSN (10 RDS)
 ON YD 123677. RESULTS UNK AT THIS TIME--WILL CHECK
 OUT WITH DAY ACTS.

B. 2/1 AT 190045H VIC YD 124688 AN AMBUSH OBS 2 NVA VIC
 YD 125688, EN FIRED S/A RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA
 (HIDEVAC), RET'D S/A, M-79 FIRE AND 1 CLAYMORE WITH
 UNKNOWN RESULTS, AMBUSH RET'D TO A-4.

C. 2/1 AT 190105H VIC YD 116687 AN LP HEARD MOVEMENT 25
 METERS TO THEIR SW, THEN REC'D 2 INCOMING GRENADES, IN
 RETURN THREW 3, M-26 GRENADES W/UNK RESULTS, MOVED
 LP TO YD 125687.

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A. 2/1 AT 190230H VIC YD 114701 REC'D 4 RDS OF 60MM
MORT R FIRE APPROX 290 METERS SE OF OP 1 IN MINE FIELD
FROM SUSPECTED EN YD 095697, FIRED ~~4~~ 81MM MSN (40 RDS)
WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
585 VIA (MEDEVAC)
226 VIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 673 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
57 DET TOTAL
5 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 VC RETURNED
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 51
CSMC: 16

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 190402Z JAN 68

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 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUNAG TRI

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 SITREP NR 315 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 190600H-191200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
- A. ALL UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OP'S WHILE IMPROVING POSITIONS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. FURTHER DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROL 2C2 INDICATES
 14 NVA KIA (CONF), 8 BY USMC GUNSHIP A D 6 BY RECON PATROL.
 ONLY 2 NVA KIA (CONF) WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED; ADD 12 NVA
 KIA (CONF) TO OPN KENTUCKY.

B. AT 181040H 1/4 PATROL REPORTED HEARING MOVEMENT ABOUT
 15 METERS AWAY IN THICK TERRAIN VIC YD 136674. THE PATROL
 TOOK APPROX 20 RDS S/A FROM AREA OF MOVEMENT. THE PATROL
 PULLED BACK AND CALLED AN 21MM MSN OF 40 RDS HE, THE AREA
 WAS THEN CHECKED WITH NO RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS WHILE
 CONTINUING PATROLS AND LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 585 WIA (MED/VAC)
 226 WIA (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: 685 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 57 DET TOTAL
 5 POW
 50 DETAINEES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 1 VC RETURNEE

C. IWC: 51
 CSWC: 16

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CONFIDENTIALSECTION: 8-3DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS 1281RELEASED BY: J.C. STOUT LTCOL**CONFIDENTIAL**OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 191203 JAN 68

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 SITREP NR 316 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 191200H-191800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS AND LP'S WHILE MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING POSITIONS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 190200H 3/3 CALLED A FIRE MEN AT VIC YD 168706. "F" BTRY 2/12 FIRED 4 RDS AT 190229H. AT 190240H ONE RD IMPACTED AT YD 178721. "F" BTRY WAS GIVEN CHECK FIRE BY 2/12 WATCH OFFICER. INFO REC'D FR 2/12 INDICATED THAT ONE CHARGE 7 WAS FIRED IN LIEU OF A CHARGE 6 CAUSING A LONG ROUND, INVESTIGATION AND CORRECTIVE ACTION UNDERTAKEN BY 2/12.

B. FOLLOW UP TO SPT REP 18 JAN 68 OF 3/4, 3/4 REPORTS 2 BN KIA (CONF) TO BE CREDITED TO SNIPER M0557 AND 1 TO SNIPER J3082 IN 18 JAN 68 ACTION

C. REP 182315H JAMES OF 3/4 CHECK OF AREA AT 190930H REVEALING NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 191300H 1/4 REPORTED AT VIC YD 114446 FINDING BUNKER 10 FT LONG W/18" OF DIRT AND LOUS ON TOP WITH 2 ENTRANCES. ALSO FOUND 2 MORE BUNKERS 5x5x3 FT WELL CAMOUFLAGED. ALSO FOUND: 1- B TOOL, 1 PICK, 50 FT ELECT WIRE, MISC DOCUMENTS, NVA C-RATS, ONE OLD GRAVE, BEST BUNKERS, NOW FORWARDING GEAR TO 3-2.

E. AT 191415H 3/3 REPT'D FINDING 2- 4 MAN BUNKERS AT VIC YD 162723 AND DESTROYED THEM.

F. AT 191430H 2/1 REPORTED RECEIVING A SNIPER RD FR YD 117711, RET'D FIRE W/BLANK MEN WITH UNK RESULTS.

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G. AT 191455H 2/1 REPORTED RECEIVING 2 SNIPER RDS
FR YD 119706, RET'D FIRE W/20 RDS 60MM, SNIPER FIRE CEAS'D.
H. AT 191700H 2/1 REPORTED SUSPECTED EN MOVEMENT
AT VIC YD 123713, CALLED 60MM MSN (5 RDS) W/UNK RESULTS.
I. A TOTAL OF 20.0 TONS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN
QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 17 - 18 JAN 68
AT YD 075645 AO RAN A/S ON APPROX 20 FRESHLY CONSTRUCTED
BUNKERS ACCOUNTING FOR 6 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS WHILE ESTABLISHING
LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
585 WIA (MEDICAL)
226 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 685-99-NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2 2
57 DET TOTAL
5 POW
50 DETAINEES
1 VC RETURNED
1 CIVIL DEFECTOR
C. IWC: 51
CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

A. NO CHANGE

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 SITREP NR 317 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 191800H-192400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:
 - A. A/1/4 YD 239591 (DONG HA)
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. A/1/4 COMPLETED MOVE BY FOOT FR VIC YD 179558 TO DONG HA.
 - B. CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO AND MAINTAIN POSITIONS.
 - C. C-4, D-12, Y-3, J-7, AA-4, CC-10
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 192000H 2/1 AT A-4, AN/PPS-5 DETECTED EST 10 FN AT YD 108700, FIRED 10 RDS 4.2" WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
 - B. 192335H 2/1 AT A-4, AN/PPS-5 DETECTED MOVEMENT AT YD 128690, FIRED 10 RDS 60MM, MOVEMENT CEASED.
5. PLANS:
 - A. CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO, MAINTAIN POSITIONS.
 - B. D-12, J-17, AA-9, CC-6
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 585 WIA (INDE VAC)
 226 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 692 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 57 DET TOTAL
 5 POW
 50 DETAINEES
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 - C. IWC: 51
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SITREP NR 318 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 192400H TO 200600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 192230H H/2/1 LP AT YD 123690 SPOTTED MOVEMENT AT BN YD 123587. LP FIRED SA, M-79, AND THREE GRENADES. WHILE RETURNING TO PERIMETER RECD SA FIRE RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA (MINOR).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 180930H M/3/3 HAD CONTACT (REF PARA 3A OF SITREP NR 311) CONTACT RESULTED IN CAPTURE OF 3 AK-47 RIFLES (3 IWC) PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED IN CUMULATIVE TOTALS BUT NOT PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED IN NARRATIVE.

B. AT 192355H 2/1 AT A-4 DETECTED MOVEMENT OF 6 NVA AT BN YD 118692. FIRED 60MM MORTAR W/UNK RFS.

C. AT 200020H 2/1 AT A-4 RECD 14 RDS 60MM MORTAR AND 16 RDS 82MM MORTAR INSIDE PERIMETER. RETD FIRE W/105MM ARTY ON BN YD 128717 W/18 RDS, ON BN YD 121716, W/18 RDS, ON BN YD 104722 W/18 RDS, W/4.2" MORTAR ON BN YD 127725 W/70 RDS, ON BN YD 125720 W/10 RDS, AND W/81MM MORTAR ON BN YD 116721 W/10 RDS, ON BN YD 122711 W/40 RDS, ON BN YD 127713 W/40 RDS, ON BN YD 121716 W/25 RDS, ON BN YD 090704 W/45 RDS, ON BN YD 121720 W/20 RDS, AND ON BN YD 122711 W/10 RDS. REACTION TIME WAS 1 MIN.

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D. AT 200200H 2/1 OP AT A-4 SPOTTED MOVEMENT AT EN YD 112703
W/STARLIGHT SCOPE. FIRED 60MM MORTAR MSN W/NO RESULTS.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 90

WIA 585 (MEDEVAC)

WIA 228 (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: NVA KIA 686 (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

DETAINES TOTAL 57

POW 5

INNOCENT CIVILIANS 60

VC RETURNEES 1

CIVIL DEFENDANTS 1

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SITREP NR 319 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 200600H TO 201200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OP'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 200900H 2/9 REPTD VIC YD 164587 A CONVOY OF TRUCKS BEHIND THE 11TH ENGR SWEEP TEAM WERE AMBUSHED. 2 TRUCKS (1 USN AND 1 USMC) WERE DAMAGED, ONE BY RPG-2 AND 1 BY CLAYMORE, RESULTING IN 1 USN MIA (MEDEVAC).

B. AT 200920H RECON PATROL 2-2 AT VIC YD 105634 ENCOUNTERED 5-7 NVA WEARING CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES AND CARRYING AK-57'S. GUNSHIPS ON STATION MADE STRAFING RUNS. THE EN BROKE CONTACT AND THE RECON PATROL CONTINUED MSN.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 201016H 2/1 AT A-4 TOOK 4 RDS OF 60MM MORTARS FROM VIC YD 116714. REPTD FIRE W/A 1 MIN REACTION TIME, W/50 RDS OF 81MM ON YD 114718 AND 10 RDS 81MM ON 116714.

B. AT 200715H 2/1 AT VIC YD 107703 FOUND 18 FRESHLY DUG EN 1 MAN HOLES 2-3 DAYS OLD, ARRANGED IN AN OVAL ORIENTED TOWARDS A-4.

C. AT 200730H 2/1 AT VIC YD 109703 MAN ON RT FLANK OF POINT TH TRIPPED 2-10 W/MINE RIGGED W/TRIP WIRE. RESULTING IN 1 USMC MIA (MEDEVAC).

D. AT 200330H 2/1 AT YD 101697 FOUND 1-2-10 MINE WHICH APPEARED TO BE BOOBY TRAPPED. IT WAS DISARMED AND BROUGHT BACK TO A-4.

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 SITHET PR 822 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 201200H-201800H JAN 68

1. INITIAL LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OPS WHILE MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING POSITIONS.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 201100H 3/3 REPORTED DESTROYING 1 250LB BOMB FRAGMENTATION TYPE VIC YD 18374. 3/3 WILL DESTROY WITH EOD.
 - B. LATE RETRI. AT 201245H 2/1 RECEIVED 1 RDS 82MM IN VIC YD 119704 INSIDE PERIMETER, RET'D FIRE ON THE FOLLOWING SUSPECTED COORDS: YD 124713, W/61 RDS 82MM, 15 RDS 4.2" VIC YD 116729 AND 40 RDS 105MM VIC YD 153073490.
 - C. AT 201503H 2/2 REC'D 6 INCOMING 82MM AND 1 RDS EST 82MM HR INSIDE OF A-2. RET'D FIRE W/81MM AND 4.2" MORTARS.
 - D. AT 201523H 3/4 REPORTED RECEIVING 1 RD 82MM MORTAR INSIDE PERIMETER ON THE NORTH. THIS RESULTED IN ABORTING THE CH-46 MISSION IN PROGRESS.
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS WHILE ESTABLISHING AMBUSHES AND PATROLS.
 - B. 1 PLT OF 'A' CO WILL EST NITE TIME AMBUSH ALONG HWY 9 AND LEAVE SCOUT SNIPER KILLER TEAMS ON THE RD OF THE 21ST WHO WILL MAN NITE TIME AMBUSH ON NITE OF 21-22 JAN 68.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES.
 - A. FRIENDLY
 - 587 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 228 ~~WIA~~ WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 64 ~~WIA~~ WIA KIA (CONF) 76 KIA (CONF) 2
 - 59 DNT TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 2 DETAINEES
 - 1 VC RETURNED
 - 1 CIVIL DEPENDANT

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 SITREP NR 321 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 201800H-202400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. NONE
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 - 587 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 228 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 686 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 - 59 DET TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 1 VC RETURNEE
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 - C. IVC: 51
 - CSVC: 16

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 SITREP NR 322 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 210001H-210600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. 210415H A/1/4 YD 156580 PLAT AMBUSH FIRED ON 8-9 NVA. RESULT IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF) 2 AK-47s AND CHICOM GRENADES CAPTURED, NEG FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 210110H 2/9 AT YD 119602 (CAM LO BRIDGE) SPOTTED MOVEMENT AT 119609. ENG W/S/A, SEARCHED AREA, NEG RESULTS.
 - B. 210300H 1/4 134645 (C-2) OBS MOVEMENT OF 2 MEN THRU STARLIGHT SCOPE, FIRED .50 CAL MM, OBS NO FURTHER MOVEMENT.
 - C. 210515H 2/1 AT YD 115700 (A-4) REC'D 1 RD SNIPER FIRE FR UNDETERMINED LOCATION, NEG CASUALTIES.
5. PLANS: YD 148707
 - A. 3/4 TO SWEEP SOUTH FR PRESENT POSIT TO VIC YD 158680
 - B. ALL OTHER UNITS CONDUCT PATROLS, OP'S AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 - 587 WIA (MF DEVAC)
 - 228 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 688 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 - 59 DET TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 2 DET
 - 1 VC RETURNEES
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 - C. IWC: 53
 - CSWC: 16

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 SITREP IN 323 FOR OWN REFERENCE IN 210600H-211200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS APPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.
3. INTEL CORRELATION: BOAR
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 210651H, 4TH MAR, WD 147508 RD SWAMP TM FOUND ONE T-42 RUSSIAN AT-MINE, MINE DESTROYED IN PLACE.
 - B. 210451H 3A, WD 148713 PATROL FOUND 1 NVA PACK WITH BLANKET ROLL AND CIGAR WIRE, CIGAR RECD TO S-2.
 - C. PLANS:
 - D. ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.
 - E. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. PREVIOUS: 90 KIA
 - B. 124 KIA (MERCY)
 - C. 223 KIA (MERCY)
 - D. 688 NVA KIA (CONF) 40 KIA (CONF) 0
 - E. 59 DET TOTAL
 - F. 5 POW
 - G. 50 UNKNOWN CIVILIANS
 - H. 1 VC RETURNEE
 - I. 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

G. IVC: 53
 CSWC: 16

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 SITREP NR 324 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 211200H-211800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. 210830H, 3/3, YD 190732 PATROL FOUND 3 VC FLAGS, 1 BOOBY TRAPPED AT MINE, 1 CHICOM AT MINE, PROPGANDA LEAFLETS AND 1 82MM MORTAR RD. FLAGS AND LEAFLETS RET'D TO S-2, REMAINDER DESTROYED.
 - B. 210942H, 2/1, YD 126696 PATROL SPOTTED 2 NVA. FIRED S/A AND M-79, NVA FLED TO NORTHEAST.
 - C. 211215H, 2/1, YD 110700, REC'D 1 RD² RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC), RET'D FIRE W/60MM MORTARS.
 - D. 211345H 1/4 YD 140663 PATROL SPOTTED 1 NVA. FIRED S/A AND M-79. SEARCH OF AREA REVELED BLOOD TRAIL.
 - E. 211400H 3/4 YD 146708 REC'D BURST OF A/W FIRE FROM WEST RESULTING IN 1 WIA (MINOR, UNABLE TO DETERMINE EN POSITION.
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

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A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 587 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 228 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 688 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 59 DET TOTAL
 5 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 53
 CSWC: 18

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NO TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
3/3	5	5	YD 172723	NEG
3/4	5	5	YD 147709	NEG
1/4	4	4	YD 133646	NEG
2/1	2	2	YD 114701	NEG

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 SITREP NR 325 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 211800H-212400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POS WHILE CONDUCTING LP'S
 AND AMBUSHES.

B. C-3, D-3, J-19, AA-3, CC-7

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 212020H A/1/4 YD 164586 2 NVA ENTERED AMBUSH SITE,
 SPRUNG AMBUSH AND RECOVERED 1 AK-47, MANY CHICOM GRENADES,
 MUCH AMMO AND 2 NVA KIA (CONF)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CORRECTION. REF SIT REP 313 FOR OPN KENTUCKY
 PARA 3C - L/3/3 LATER REPT'D 3 ADDITIONAL KIA (CONF)
 THAT HAVE NOT BEEN COUNTED.

B. CORRECTION. REF SIT REP 324 FOR OPN KENTUCKY
 PARA 6A - 1 WIA (MEDEVAC AND 1 WIA (MINOR) WERE
 INCLUDED IN BODY PARA 4C AND 4D BUT NOT ADDED
 TO THE TOTALS.

C. LATE ENTRY. 211740H 3/4 YD 136715 A SPECIAL PATROL
 WAS SENT OUT IN REF DTG 211515H, RETURNING WITH NEG
 RESULTS AND FINDINGS.

D. LATE ENTRY: 211645H 3/3 YD 175723 REC'D REQUEST FR
 3/4 TO FIRE COUNTER BTRY AND MORTAR FIRE PLANS 5 AND 6
 GRIDS REQ FIRED 90MM AZ 5900 MILS, 6200 MILS RANGE FROM
 5900 M TO 11,000 METERS FIRED 19 RDS 30 SEC REACTION
 TIME 150 RDS 81MM 90 SEC REACTION TIME EST 6100 AZ TO EN
 ARTY/RKT SITE EST 16 FR REPORT TO IMPACT.

E. 211807H TO 211855H 3/4 YD 157707 REC'D A TOTAL OF
 250 RDS 82MM, 80 RDS ARTY, 6 RDS DIRECT FIRE TYPE WPN
 RESULTING IN 10 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC)

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B. 212000H 2/9 YD 165645 UNIQUE FOXTROT REPORTED THAT AN EN BN AT ABOVE COORDS WILL ATTACK 2/9 ABOUT 211800H JAN68. 2/9 WILL FIRE ARTY IN AVENUES OF APPROACH.
 G. 212020H 3/4 YD 144708 1/3/4 SQD WHILE MOVING INTO NITE ACTS SITE REC'D SEVERAL RDS S/A FIRE FR ABOVE COORDS, RET'D FIRE W/S/A AND M-79 WITH UNK RESULTS.
 3/4 WILL CHECK AT 1ST LITE AND RELOCATE NIGHT TIME ACTS.
 H. 212104H 2/1 YD 121709 SPOTTED MOVEMENT WITH AN/PPS-6 SUSPECTED EN, FURD 20 RDS 60MM HE, MOVEMENT CEASED.
 I. 212115H 2/9 YD 105590 CAC I REPORT THAT AMBUSH WAS LOCATED AT ABOVE COORDS AND "PF" TROOPS ABANDONED AND WENT TO VILLAGE NEARBY. CAC I AMBUSH MOVED TO CP.

5. PLANS:

A: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CARRY OUT NITE TIME ACTIVITIES,

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA

598 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 229 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

693 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 59 DET TOTAL
 5 POW
 50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
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 SITREP NR 326 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 212400H-220600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 211125H VIC YD 1147503 OBS LIGHT NEAR NORTH SIDE OF PERIMETER AT THE SAME TIME SOUTH SIDE OF PERIMETER REC'D 2 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE. THREW GRENADE AT LIGHT, LIGHT WENT OUT--UNABLE TO DETERMINE POS OF SNIPER IN VILLAGE.
 - B. AT 220106H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 REC'D 12 RDS OF 82MM MORTARS (INSIDE THE PERIMETER) RET'D FIRE WITH 60, 81, AND 105 MMS ON IN YD'S 122719, 134701, 105724, 114724, AND 123720 -- REACTION TIME OF 2 MINUTES.
 - C. AT 220155H 2/9 VIC YD 115613 OBS MOVEMENT VIC YD 114610 FIRED S/A, THREW HAND ILLUMS, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LITE.
 - D. AT 220350H 2/9 VIC YD 121614 OBS 5 PEOPLE MOVING SOUTH, CARRIED MISSION WITH DIST CHIEF AND FIRED 81MM MMS WITH EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE.
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA
 - 598 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 229 MIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY:
 - 693 ENEMY KIA (CONF) VS KIA (CONF) 2
 - 59 DFT TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 30 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 2 DETAINED
 - C. INFO: 55
 - 1 VS RECOVERED
 - 1 CIVIL DEF TOWN

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 SITHOP NR327 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 220600H-221200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. ALL UNITS CONDUCT PATROLS AND OP'S IN AO AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 220800H 2/1 AT YD 115710 PATROL REC'D HVY S/A AND A/W FIRE AND MORTARS FR YD 115715 AND 114724. FRIENDLY PATROL RET'D FIRE AND CALLED ARTY, BROKE CONTACT AND RET'D TO A-4. CASUALTIES UNK AT THIS TIME, COMPLETE REPORT TO FOLLOW.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: 220335H 2/1 AT YD 119688 OP OBS 3 EN AT YD 124688, SET UP AMBUSH ON RD AND OPENED FIRE WITH LAAW AND S/A, CHK'D AREA AT FIRST LITE, FOUND BLOOD STAINS.

B. 220830H 3/3 YD 173724 FIRED ON 10 NVA AT YD 163700 WITH 81MM, GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.

C. 221005H 2/1 YD 120720 REC'D 2 INCOMING MORTAR, ARTY AND RKTS, INCOMING HAS CEASED, DETAILED INFO WILL BE SUBMITTED WHEN AVAILABLE.

5. PLANS:A. CONDUCT PATROLS, OP'S IN AO AND IMPROVE POSITIONS.B. 3/4 TO MOVE TO YD 158695 FROM 148703.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 90 KIA

598 WIA (MRDEVAC)

229 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 693 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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 SITREP NR 328 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 221200H-221800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. A/1/4 YD 134646 (C-2)
 B. D/1/4 YD 239593 (DONG HA)
 C. I/E/L/3/4 YD 149692

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. CONDUCT PATROLS AND LP'S IN AO IMPROVE POSITIONS
 B. 3/4 SWEEP TO NEW POSIT AT YD 149692.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. REFER SITREP NR 327 OP KENTUCKY 220600H TO 221200H
 PARA 3A 220841H 2/1 YD 115709 REFER YR JOURNAL 221545H
 CONTACT RESULTED IN 2 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC)
 8 USMC WIA (MINOR) AND 3 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER SIT REP FOR OPN KENTUCKY 220600H-221200H PARA
 4A REC'D TOTAL APPROX 100 RDS 82MM, 130 RDS 152MM ARTY
 INCOMING AT A-4 STARTING 221005H RET'D FIRE 1077 RDS 82MM
 806 RDS 4.2", 300 RDS 105MM, 49 RDS 155MM ARTY AND ON
 SUSPECTED EN LOCATIONS, REACTION TIME 2 MINUTES. 2 USMC
 KIA, 10 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) AND 5 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 B. 221205H 1/4 YD 137646 TOWER OBS 6 NVA ALONG EDGE
 OF TREE LINE CARRYING WPNS, CALLED 81MM MSE AND ARTY
 GOOD TGT COVERAGE, RESULTS UNKNOWN.
 C. 221440H 3/3 YD 165740 PATROL REC'D 8-10 RDS SNIPER
 FIRE, RET'D FIRE WITH 90MM HE AND CANNISTER, UNK RESULTS.
 D. 221705H 3/3 YD 185700 OP REC'D 2 SNIPER RDS, ARTY
 MRS CALLED, GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.

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5. PLANS:

A. CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 94 KIA
516 WIA (MFDEVAC)
242 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 696 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
50 DET TOTAL
5 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
2 DET
1 VC RETURNFES
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 54
CSWC: 16

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 SITREP NR 329 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 221800H-222400H JAN 68

UNIT LOCATIONS:

CMD GRP/A/F/G/2/1	YD 114701
H/2/1	115693
CMD GRP/I/M/3/3	172723
L/K/3/3	170730
CMD GRP/I/L/M/3/4	150643
CMD GRP/A/B/1/4	133645
C/1/4	243587 128672
D/1/4	243587
F/2/9	144615
C/2/9	148605
E/F/2/12	135646
D/2/12	143613
W/2/12	116701

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED FOR AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

B. 3/4 COMPLETED MOVE TO YD 150693.

C. C-3, D-13, J-15, W-1, AA-3, CC-8

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 221439H M/3/3 PATROL OBS 3 PERSONNEL AT FN YD 191721
 WHEN THEY SPOTTED MARINES THEY RAN IN TREE LINE, MARINE UNIT
 THEN OBS 10-15 NVA IN TREE LINE AND OPENED FIRE W/S/A,
 M-60'S, AND M-79. 2 PLATOONS THEN SWEPT TREE LINE. ENGAGED
 IN W/S/A AND FOUND 1 NVA KIA AND 1 PRC-25 BTRY.

B. AT 221715H 3/4 FOUND 1 CHICOM GRENADE BOOBY TRAP
 IN OLD BUNKER, D TROY'D BOOBY TRAP.

C. AT 221800H 1/4 AT C-2 REPORTED THAT TRUCK ON RT 561
 BTWN C-2 AND C-3 REC'D 5 RDS RR FROM FN YD 124635.

1/4 FIRED 81MM MORT R AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

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D. AT 221815H 1/4 T C-2 BRIDGE REC'D SNIPER FIRE IN
YD 134668, RET'D FIRE W/81MM MORTAR MISSION.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND
AMBUSHES. B.C-3, D-13, J-15, W-1, AA-5, CC-7

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 94 KIA
516 WIA (MF DE VAC)
242 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 696 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
59 DET TOTAL
5 POW
50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 VC RETURNEES
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 54
CSWC: 16

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SECTION: S-3

DRAFTER: J. H. CHAMBERS 1/LT

RELEASED BY: J.C. STUNT LTCOL

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222230Z JAN 68

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 SITREP NR 330 FOR OPI KENTUCKY FR 222400H-230600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING AMBUSHES AND L.P.'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. REASONS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND AND IMPROVE POSITIONS, WHILE CARRYING OUT PATROLS AND ESTABLISHING OP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 94 KIA

516 KIA (MEDEVAC)

242 KIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 696 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 DETAINEES

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 54

CSWC: 16

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RETRIP FR 331 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 230600H TO 231200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN A.O.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) AT 221815H 2-2 RECON TM VIC YD 108656 OBS POINT BLE. OF UNK SIZE ENEMY UNIT MOVING N.E. ENEMY CARRIED M16 AND SRS RIFLES. SCOUT DOGS ALERTED, ENGAGED EN W/S/A IN BRIEF FIRE FIGHT, CALLED ARTY W/GOOD COVERAGE.

RESULTS OF ACTION: INVA KIA CONF.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITION AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN A.O.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. AMENDMENT:	94	KIA
	516	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	242	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY	697	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	59	DETAINES TOTAL
	5	POW
	50	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	2	DETAINES
	1	VC RETURNEES
C.	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
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 SITREP NR 332 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 231200H-231800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 231010H 2/1 VIC YD 115705 FOUND GERMAN TAPE DESTROYED BY BANGALORE TORPEDO, REPAIRED SAME.

B. AT 231030H 1/4 VIC YD 136676 FOUND 1 BUNKER 2x3x5 FEET. DESTROYED.

C. AT 231000H 2/1 VIC YD 115694 FOUND GERMAN TAPE CUT, APRON WAS DESTROYED BY BANGALORE TORPEDO, FOUND BLASTING CAPS AND 2-1/2 LB BLOCKS OF TNT AND TIE FUZE.

D. AT 231145H 3/3 VIC YD 152735 OBS A SECONDARY EXPLOSION AS RESULT OF ARTY FIRE.

E. AT 231135H MCB-5 RD REPAIR UNIT VIC YD 223632 REPORTED THAT A GRADER STRUCK A PLASTIC MINE RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MINOR) AND 1 MCB-5 WIA (MINOR)

F. AT 231115H 3/3 VIC YD 165741 REC'D 8-12 RDS S/A FR TWO SNIPERS VIC YD 169741 FIRED 90 MSN.

G. A TOTAL OF 48.6 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OVER EASTERN QT (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 22 JAN 68. RAN A/S AT YD 129731 ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF) (HELBORNE 517).

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISH LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 94 KIA

616 WIA (MEDEVAC)

244 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 699 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

C. IWC: 54

CSWC: 16

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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DRAFTER: G.E. BOSTON MAJ

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 231700Z JAN 68

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 FIRST MARINES 6
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 FOURTH MARINES
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 SITREP NR339 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 231800H-232400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISH LP'S.

B. C-3, D-18, J-18, AA-9, W-2, CC-10

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 232000H 2/1 YD 148610 AMBUSH MOVING INTO POSIT
 OBS 3 FIGURES, SET UP HASTY AMBUSH, FIRED, SAW ONE
 FIGURE DROP AND BE DRAGGED AWAY. CK'D AREA, FOUND NOTHING.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. 231700H YD 150693 PATROL RET'D TO POSIT
 OF 22 JAN68, FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF EN ACTIVITY. ~~232000H~~
 CONT'D MSN FOUND 82MM MORTAR INCREMENTS AT YD 141715.
 WILL DESTROY.

B. LATE ENTRY. 231730H 3/4 YD 150693 CP OBS 1 MAN IN
 BLACK AT YD 138694, FIRED 60MM MSN AND ARTY, GOOD
 COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.

C. LATE ENTRY. 231727H 3/3 YD 172723 REC'D 23 RDS 82MM
 MORTAR FR YD 173708, RET'D FIRE W/81MM, 90MM AND TWIN
 40'S ON OBS TGT. EXC TGT COVERAGE, UNK EN DAMAGE.

4. USMC WIA (MEDEVAC)

D. 232000H 2/1 YD 141701 REC'D 5 RDS 82MM INSIDE PERIMETER
 RET'D ARTY AND 81MM, REACTION TIME OF 5 MIN, UNK RESULTS.

E. 232015H 3/4 YD 150693 AMBUSH DEPARTED FOR POSIT HEARD
 VOICES AT YD 150690 CALLED ARTY SN W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE
 UNKNOWN RESULTS

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F. 232030H 2/1 YD 114601 REC'D 2 RDS S/A IN "G" COOP
FR UNK SOURCE, NEG CASUALTIES.

G. 232045H 2/1 YD 114701 OBS 5 EN AT YD 114707
ACROSS RIDGE IN FRONT OF WIRE NEAR MINE FIELD, FIRED
20CRDS 81MM.

H. 232140H 2/9 YD 114606 AMEN SH. HEARD MOVEMENT TO
NE, FIRED M-16, MOVEMENT ~~WAS HEARD~~ AND FOLLOWED BY
AN/PSS-6 AT C-3 MOVEMENT MOVED EAST AND DISAPPEARED.

I. 232256H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 3 RDS 82MM INSIDE
PERIMETER, RET'D FIRE WITH 1 MIN REACTION TIME.

J. 232300H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 30 RDS 82MM AND 20 RDS
60MM INSIDE PERIMETER, ALSO OBS EN MOVEMENT OUTSIDE
PERIMETER, RET'D FIRE W/545 RDS OF 81MM, 4.2" MORT
AND 105MM ARTY ON GRIDS PICKED UP BY ELECTRONIC DEVICES
RESULTS, 2 USMC KIA (MINOR)

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
AMBUSHES AND LP'S.

B. C-1, D-13, J-18, AA-5, CC-6, L-1, EE-2

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 94 KIA

620 WIA (MEDEVAC)

246 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 699 EVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

50 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 54

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 SISTER. (R38). FOR OPT. RECOVERY FOR 21,000-21,000-0000 JAMES
 UNIT LOCATED: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS IDENTIFIED POS AND CONDUCTED LVS AND AMBUSHES.

3. BATTY OPERATIONS:

A. 21,000-0000 0175 LP YD 178721 SPOTTED 3 NVA W/BUCKETS TIED
 ON AS (AMBUSSAGE). HELD FIRE UNTIL 232300. NVA MOVED
 W/IN 50 METERS, SPOTTED BY NVA/A AND NVA/A. NVA/A
 FALL. NVA/A AND NVA/A WERE HIT BY 1 BOD. 15 NVA WERE
 AND WERE HIT BY NVA/A AND NVA/A. LP W/BUCKETS AND CALLED FIRE
 MSN. WERE HIT BY NVA/A AND NVA/A.

B. 21,000-0000 0210 AMBUSSAGE YD 153582 SPOTTED 2 VC MOVING
 NORTH, OFFERED FIRE AND 2 VC WERE HIT. WILL SEARCH AREA AT 0300 HOURS.

4. OTHER OPERATIONS:

A. 21,000-0000 0210 5 RDS 82MM MORTARS (SELF PARA) LD
 OF SISTER. (R38) BELONGING TO THE 20TH REGIMENT. TOTAL OF 42 RDS
 82MM MORTARS. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 INSIDE PERIMETER. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 FIRE W/BUCKETS. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 YD 135723 (10 RDS), 135722 (10 RDS), 135721 (10 RDS) YD 135708
 (40 RDS) YD 135721 (20 RDS) AND 135721 (20 RDS) REPTED FIRE
 W/BUCKETS. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 133721 (100 RDS), REPTED FIRE W/BUCKETS. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 (54 RDS) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR). REACTION TIME OF 5 MINUTES.
 B. 21,000-0000 0210 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) INSIDE
 PERIMETER. 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) AND 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)
 REACTION TIME OF 5 MINUTES.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PLANS.

6. OTHER OPERATIONS:

A. PLANS:

626 WIA (10MM MORTAR)

246 WIA (10MM MORTAR)

B. BATTY:

698 WIA (10MM MORTAR) 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR) 2

50 RDS (10MM MORTAR)

10 RDS

50 INDOCT CONVOY (10MM MORTAR) 10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)

10 RDS (10MM MORTAR)

C. INFO:

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 SITREP NR 335 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 240600H TO 241200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING OP'S AND PATROLS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 240730 1/4 YD 159582 CONDUCTED A SEARCH OF AMBUSH AREA AND FOUND A BLOOD TRAIL APPROX 70 M IN LENGTH. THE UNIT CONTINUED ON IT'S MISSION.

B. 240830H 3/4 YD 138694 SQUAD CHECKED AREA OF LAST NIGHT'S ACTIVITY, REPORTING NEGATIVE FINDINGS.

C. 241000H 3/3 YD 195714 LIMA COMPANY FOUND A BLD BY BANDAGE AND AN NVA HAT. BLOOD APPEARED TO BE APPROX 1-3 DAYS OLD. UNIT CONTINUED MISSION.

D. 241125H 3/3 YD 197709 FOUND A REINFORCED BUNKER 4x6x5 FT. WITH 4 FT. OF OVERHEAD. ENGINEERS DESTROYED BUNKER AND CONTINUED MISSION.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND AND IMPROVE POSITION WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OP'S

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	94	KIA
	626	WIA (MEDDEVAC)
	246	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	699	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	59	DETAINEE TOTAL
	5	POW
	50	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	2	DETAINEE S
	1	VC RETURNED
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 54
 CSWC: 16

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 STRIP NR 336 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 241200H-241800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. M711 YD 062549

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 371 AS PER VERBAL ORDERS FR DIV COMMENCED MOVEMENT
 TO CAMP CARROLL.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS
 WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OP'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. 241130H 373 YD 173738 A PATROL REC'D 10-12 RDS

S/A RDS (SNIPER FIRE) FR YD 167739, RESULTING IN

1 USMC KIA AND 1 USMC MIA (MEDEVAC).

B. 241130H 171 YD 134732 A VEHICLE FR 2/12 WAS AMBUSHED
 AT ABOVE COO RDS, A PLT WAS SENT OUT TO REINF, THEY FOUND
 NO ENEMY BUT THERE WERE 2 USMC KIA AND 1 USMC MIA (MEDEVAC)
 THE SURVIVORS REP'D SEEING 1 PERSON EL W/CAMOUFLAGED
 HELMETS BUT NO FLAK JACKETS, THE VEHICLE WAS APPARENTLY
 STRUCK BY RPG BOUND.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. MAINTENANCE. 241010H B/ 3RD TANKS AT YD 163586 CONVOY
 TO DONG HA REC'D 4-5 RDS OF S/A FIRE FR SOUTH SIDE OF RD.

B. 241225H 2/1 AT A-4 A BREAK IN WIRE APPROX 14 FT LONG
 NO DAMAGE TO MINE FIELD AND WIRE BEING REPAIRED.

C. 241235H 2/1 AT A-4 REC'D INCOMING, 3 RDS OF 60MM,
 FIRED 20 SEC ARTY MSN WITH 1 MIN REACTION TIME.

D. 241100H 2/1 YD 115708 FOUND AN AREA 10 METERS BY
 50 METERS THAT HAD BEEN CLEARED OF MINES AND WAS APP-
 ARENTLY USED AS CONCEALED POSIT BEHIND A SMALL OBSTACLE.
 MAINTAINED OBSERVATION OF AREA THROUGH FIELD GLASSES.

E. THE 2 DETAINEES PICKED UP BY 3/3 ON 20 JAN, REP SIT
 REP 319 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PARA 6B HAVE BEEN RELEASED AS
 INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEPTED AND IMPROVE POSITIONS WHILE ESTABLISHING AMBUSHES AND LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
628 MIA (MEDEVAC)
246 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 699 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
59 DET TOTAL
5 POW
52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1 VC RETURNEE
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IVC: 54
CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

A. NO CHANGE

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

24/630Z JAN 68

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FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

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THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

THIRTEEN MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI

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SITREP FR 317 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 241800Z-242400Z JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ~~LESS~~ ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

B. C-1, D-13, J-34, AA-5, BB-1, CC-5, EE-2

3. IMPACT CONTACTS:

A. ~~LATE~~ ~~THIRTY~~ IN REF TO 9TH MAR INTSUM FR 19. AT 200920H RECON TM 4-2 AT YD 105634 EXCHANGED S/A AND A/W FIRE W/5-7 NVA. RESULTS OF ACTION WERE 3 NVA KIA (CONF)

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 241700H 2/1 AT A-4 RECD 2 RDS 82MM MORT, AND 4 RDS 107MM MORT, OUTSIDE PERIMETER. RECD FIRE ON EN YD 095699 W/10 RDS 4.2" AND 40 RDS 81MM ON EN YD 103703 RESULTS UNKNOWN.

B. AT 242100H 3/4 AT YD 140692, OP HEARD MOVEMENT TO FRONT OF POSIT. OP OBS 5-6 EN ON 3 SIDES OF THEM.

FIRED ON EN WITH UNK RESULTS. WILL CHECK AREA AT 1ST LITE.

C. A TOTAL OF 44.0 HRS OF VR WERE DOWN OVER EASTERN QT (P) BY DOG HA AO'S ON 23 JAN 68. AT YD 132729 AO OBS APPROX 30 NVA, RAN A/S RESULTING IN 7 NVA KIA (CONF).

AO OBS A MORTAR POSIT AND 3 NVA IN TROUGH AT YD 145720

RAN A/S (BRIGHT) (521, 522) ACCOUNTING FOR 5 NVA KIA (CONF)

D. AT 242300H 2/9 VIC YD 142614 REPORTED THAT EN'S

PICKED UP FIGURES RUNNING IN WESTERLY DIRECTION. FIRED 81MM MORT. MOVEMENT CEASED.

E. AT 242315H 2/9 VIC YD 142612 RECD 1 B-26 GRIEADER.

FIRED IN UN WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS.

F. AT 242245H, 2/1, W/4 YD 114701 RECD 3 RDS OF 60MM MORTARS.

RECD FIRE W/60MM (30 RDS) ON EN YD 113712 AND 81MM. OF 30 RDS ON EN YD 115715.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
AMBUSHES AND GP'S IN AO.

B. C-2, D-13, J-14, AA-3, BB-1, CC-9

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PRISONERS: 97 KIA

628 MIA (REDEVAC)

246 MIA (MINOR)

B. WOUND: 714 MIA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 50

CSWC: 14

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES

25 JAN 1968

TO: CG, THIRD MARINES

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINE
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 338 FOR OPH KENTUCKY FROM 250001H TO 250600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN A.O.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 250107H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 REC'D 1RD 82mm INSIDE PERIMETER.
 RET'D FIRE WITH 69 RDS 105mm ARTY OF YD 135715 AND 40 RDS 81mm
 ON YD 135718.

B. 250500H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 1 RDE 82mm INSIDE PERIMETER.
 FROM UNKNOWN ENEMY LOCATION.

5. PLANS: A. CONDUCT PATROLS AND OT'S IN A.O. AND IMPROVE POSITION.

B. PROVIDE TRAFFIC CONTROL POINT AT CAN LO OFF-OF
 TO PREVENT TRAFFIC WEST OF CAN LO ON RT 9 UNTIL SECURITY OF
 RT 9 RESTORED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	97	KIA
	628	MIA (MDFVAC)
	246	MIA (MHCOR)
B. ENEMY:	714	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	59	DETAINEES TOTAL
	5	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0	DETAINEES
	1	VC RETURNEES
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 54

COMC: 36

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DRAFTER: *R. A. Stewart*
 RELEASED BY: *J. C. STODOLSKY*
 SECTION: *S-3*

OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 25/06102

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (2)

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 SITREP NR 339 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 250600H TO 251200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 2/1, 1/4, AND 2/9 MAINTAINED POSITION AND CONDUCTED PATROLS

B. REMAINDER OF 3/4 COMING D MOVEMENT TO 4TH MARINES A.C.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 251025H 2/1 A-1 REC'D 2 RDS 82mm RE INSIDE PERIMETER. RET'D
 FIVE W/81mm MORTARS ON ENEMY YD 1 3703 (30 RDS), YD 109700
 (20 RDS), YD 102701 (30 RDS), W/60mm MORTAR ON ENEMY YD 103703
 (40 RDS), W/106mm RE ON ENEMY YD 1 3703 (3 RDS), AND W/105mm
 ARTY ON ENEMY YD 103703 (65 RDS). INCOMING RESULTED IN 3 USMC
 KIA (MINOR). REACTION TIME WAS ONE MINUTE.

5. PLANS:

A. 1/4, 2/1, AND 2/9 WILL IMPROVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS.

B. REMAINDER OF 3/4 WILL COMPLETE MOV'T TO 4TH MARINES A.C.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:

97

628

249

B. ENEMY:

714

59

5

52

1

1

KIA

WIA (MEDEVAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

DETAINEE TOTAL

POW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINEE

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INFO: 50

CSM: 16

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 RELEASED BY: J. C. [unclear]

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 FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: S' COND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 340 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 251200H-251800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. 2/1, 3/3, 1/4, 2/9 IMPROVED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.
 - B. LAST ELEMENTS OF 3/4 WERE HELILIFTED TO 4th MARINES A.O.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. 251635H 2/9 YD 135623 REPORTED THAT TWO 6x6 TRUCKS AND 1 MITE WERE AMBUSHED BY UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA EMPLOYING RPG'S AND S/A. REACTION FORCE OF ONE PLATOON WAS DISPATCHED FROM C-3. TWO 6x6 TRUCKS CONTINUED TO C-2 POSITION. REACTION FORCE ARRIVED AT MITE WITH NO CONTACT. NO CASUALTY FIGURES AVAILABLE AT PRESENT.
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 250505H 3/3 YD 170731 OP REC'D NINE RDS. 85 ARTY FROM EN YD 179751. RET'D FIRE WITH 155mm ARTY (11RDS) WITH REACTION TIME OF FIVE MINUTES.
 - B. 251105H 2/1 YD 105685 PATROL FOUND TWO BUNKERS, ONE IN G POSITION, AND TRENCH. DESTROYED BUNKERS.
 - C. 251150H 2/1 A-4 REC'D 8 RDS SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM EN YD 107702. RET'D FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND 60mm MORTAR FISSION.
 - D. 251255H 3/3 YD 162736 O P OBSERVED ONE MAN IN DARK CLOTHING WITH RIFLE AT EN YD 166737. SNIPER FIRED AND 2 MAN FELL.
 - E. 251345 1/4 C-2 OBSERVED 20 RDS 82 mm MORTAR IMPACTING 300 METERS WEST OF PERIMETER. FIRED 105mm ARTY ON EN YD 105645 (12 RDS) WITH A REACTION TIME OF THIRTY MINUTES.
 - F. 251600H 2/1 A-4 OBSERVED ONE RD. 82mm MORTAR IMPACTING OUTSIDE PERIMETER. RET'D FIRE W/81mm MORTARS ON EN YD 129718, 135715, AND 120721 WITH A TOTAL OF 25 RDS. REACTION TIME 1 MIN.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITION AND CONDUCT LP'S
AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	97	MIA
	628	MIA (REDEVAC)
	249	MIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	714	NVA MIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	59	DETAINED TOTAL
	5	POW
	2	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
		DETAINED
	1	VC RETURNERS
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 54
CSMC: 16

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251645Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CO, THIRD M R DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

~~THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES~~

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP BR 341 FOR OPE KENTUCKY FROM 251800H-252400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. REMARKS ON OPERATIONS:

A. ALL WHITE STRATEGIC AMBUSHES AND LAUNCHES CONTINUING TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS.

B. C-8; D-13; J-18; AA-3; CC-8.

3. A. LATE ENTRY: 251500H 2/9 YD 133615 REPORTED 2 6x6 TRUCKS AND ONE JEEP WERE AMBUSHED AT THE ABOVE COORDINATES BY AN ESTIMATED 10 NVA. DRIVERS AND SHOT GUYS IMMEDIATELY JUMPED FROM THE TRUCKS AND RET'D FIRE. THE NVA RAN DOWN A DRAIN TO THE WEST. THE WOUNDED DRIVER WAS TAKEN TO C-2. THE DRIVER SAID THE NVA RAN TO THE ROAD TO FIRE. A REACTION FORCE WAS DISPATCHED AND ARTY MISSION CALLED. RESULTING CASUALTIES WERE 1 USMC KIA (MINOR) AND 1 NVA KIA (CONF). ONE AK-47 RIFLE WITH GRENADE LAUNCHER ADAPTER WAS RECOVERED WITH TWO CHI COM GRENADES, AK-47 MAGAZINE, MESSAGE BOOK, PERSONAL PAPERS AND A FIRST AID PACK. RECOVERED EQUIP. BEING FORWARDED TO 9th MARINES S-2.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: 251630H 2/1 YD 114701 REPORTED SPOTTING 5 NVA WITH PACKS AT YD 098706. THE TRENCH WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH 95 RDS OF 60mm MORTARS, 40 RDS 81mm MORTARS 50 RDS 4.2 IN MORTARS WITH UNK CMT RESULTS.

B. 252030H 2/1 YD 114606 REPORTED ITS AMBUSH AT ABOVE COORD. OBSERVED AND TOOK UNDER FIRE FOUR ENEMY MOVING SOUTH. A FIRE TEAM CHECKED OUT 5 NVA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

5. PLANS: ALL WHITE WILL CONTINUE THEIR NIGHT ACTIVITIES AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97

628

250

B. ENEMY:

714

59

52

1

1

C. INC: 55

CSWC: 16

KIA

WIA (MDF VAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

DETAINEE TOTAL

PRISONERS

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

VC RETURNED

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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FROM: FIFTH MARINES

TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

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FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

TWELFTH MARINES; SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 342 FOR OPS KENTUCKY FR 252400H-260600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND ESTABLISHED INFO.3. ENEMY CONTACT:

A. AT 252315H 2/9 VC YD 154612 OPS 3 W A MOVING NORTH, FIRED

60MM ILLUM, OPENED FIRE W/S/A WITH UNK OF RESULTS.

B. AT 260100H 2/9 "C" CO AMBUSH BN OF C-3 BRIDGE OBSERVED

10 NVA MOVING NORTH, FIRED S/A AND M-79, SWEEP AREA W/UNK RESULTS.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA

628 NVA (HEDEVAC)

250 NVA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 714 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

ENC: 55

CSWC: 16

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DRAFTER: R. P. Slawson

RELEASED BY: R. P. Slawson

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES; First BN, Fourth Marines
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SIEREP NR 343 FOR OPA KENTUCKY PR 260600K-261200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND OP'S.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 261000H 2/1 YD 134697 PATROL FOUND 2 BUNKERS W/LOG REINF OVERHEADS, DESTROYED BOTH.
 - B. 261005H 2/1 A-4 REC'D 2 RDS 57MM RR, 1 RD 82MM MORTAR, 2 RDS 60MM MORTAR, AND 15 RDS OF SAF. RET'D FIRE W/105MM ARTY AT YD 101709 (7 RDS) AND YD 124701 (7 RDS) W/81MM MORTAR ON BN YD 101707 (20 RDS), YD 098709 (10 RDS) YD 100706 (10 RDS) AND YD 099700 (5 RDS) REACTION TIME OF 1 MINUTE.
 - C. 261047H 3/3 YD 187733 L/3/3 PATROL FOUND BUNKER AND TUNNEL COMPLEX, 75MM RR CANNISTER, 1 DE-10 DIRECTIONAL MINE, BUNKER AND TUNNEL DESTROYED, MINE RET'D TO S-2.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND OP'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
 - 628 KIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 250 KIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 715 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 - 59 DET TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 1 VC REPRISER
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 - C. FWC: 55
 - GSVC: 16

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 RELEASED BY: J.C. STUDD LACOL

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FROM: *26 1115 Z* NINTH MARINES
 TO: CO, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TENTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 344 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 261200H-261800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS OPERATE IN AO WITH PATROLS, OP'S AND AMBUSHES, CONTINUED TO IMPROVE POSITIONS.
 - B. PROVIDED ADDITIONAL PATROLS, DAYLIGHT AMBUSHES TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR RT 561 AND RT 9 IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. (LATE ENTRY) 261050H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 2 RDS 60MM 2 RDS RR, ONE RD 82MM AND SNIPER FIRE, RET'D FIRE WITH 22 RDS ARTY OF YD 101709 AND 124701 45 RDS 82MM ON YD 101709, YD 109709, 100706 AND 099700.
 - ~~B. (LATE ENTRY) 261140H 2/1 PATROL AT YD 1142694 AND YD 1145691 FOUND THREE BUNKERS AND A 105MM ROUND RIGGED AS A BOOBY TRAP, DESTROYED WITH C-4.~~
 - B. (LATE ENTRY) 261140H 2/1 PATROL AT YD 1142694 AND YD 1145691 FOUND THREE BUNKERS AND A 105MM ROUND RIGGED AS A BOOBY TRAP, DESTROYED WITH C-4.
 - C. (LATE ENTRY) 261145H 3/3 PATROL AT YD 189742 FOUND TRUCK TIRE TRACKS LEADING NW ABOUT TWO WEEKS OLD, WHEEL USED, ~~TIRE~~ TIRES 15" WIDE 4 FT APART.
 - D. 261215H 2/9 YD 1148603 TRUCK HIT TWO CHILDREN IN VILLAGE, MED VAC'D TO "D" MED, SIR TO FOLLOW.
 - E. 261230H 2/9 YD 1140602 PATROL DISCOVERED 80 BAGS RICE DIST CHIEF CONFIRMED CACHE WAS LEGAL, NO ACTION TAKEN.
 - F. 261410H 3/3 YD 189742 "L" CO FOUND 10 BUNKERS AND TRUNCES, DISCOVERED 2 SKELETONS IN NVA UNIFORMS APPROX 3-4 WKS OLD, DEST BUNKERS CREDIT OP KENTUCKY WITH 2 NVA KIA (CONF).
 - G. 261430H 2/1 YD 116704 FOUND BREAK IN WIRE 3FT WIDE WITH PATH INTO MINE FIELD, ALSO WIRECUTTERS, E-TOOL, AND 3 PAIR OF SHOES. REPAIRED WIRE.

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H. 261440H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 3 RDS 82MM OUTSIDE PERIMETER, REC'D FIRE WITH 81MM AND ARTY.
 I. 261508H 3/3 YD 170735 OP REC'D 8 RDS SNIPER FIRE FR YD 165738, REC'D FIRE WITH LAAW AND S/A SAW NVA FALL. 1 NVA KIA (CONF).
 J. 261610H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D 1 RD 82MM RR INSIDE PERIMETER, REC'D FIRE WITH ONTOS ON YD 103703, ALSO AIR STRIKE CAUSING 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES. 1 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC)

5. PLANS: CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO MAINTAIN POSITIONS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
 628 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 250 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 718 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 59 DET TOTAL
 5 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 1 VC RETURNEE
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 C. ITC: 55
 CSVC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT. NO CHANGE

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 345 FOR OPS KENTUCKY PR 261800H-262400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 261730H 3/3 YD 170733 OP REC'D 6-8 RDS SAF FR IN YD 167738, RET'D FIRE W/106MM RR, 81MM MORTARS AND SAF.

B. 261500H 2/9 YD 140601 PATROL FOUND BLOODY BARRAGE IN THICKET.

C. 261855H 2/1 A-4 REC'D 2 RDS 82MM MORTAR, RET'D FIRE W/81MM MORT ON IN YD 131711 (5 RDS), 113717 (5 RDS), 127718 (3 RDS) AND W/4.2" MORT ON IN YD 105711 (12 RDS)

D. 262000H 2/9 C-3 BRIDGE, THREW GRENADE AT FIGURE OUTSIDE WIRE, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LITE.

E. 262040H 1/4 C-3 B HEARD MOVEMENT OUTSIDE LINES, 2 TRIP FLARES WENT OFF, AND REC'D 4 RDS SAF. RET'D FIRE W/S/A AND M-79, AND FIRED 60MM MORTAR ILLUM. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LITE.

F. 262230H 1/4 YD 159586 SQD AMBUSH REC'D 6-8 RDS 80MM MORTAR AND SAF FROM IN YD 158581. OBS 7-8 PERSONS AT THAT POSIT. RET'D FIRE WITH ARTY MISSION.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA

628 WIA (M DEWAC)

251 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

718 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNEE

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 55

CRPC: 16

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DRAFTER: 1STLT J. J. CHAMBERS

RELEASED BY: LTCOL. STUDE

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262245Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE

SITREP BR 346 FOR GEN KENTUCKY FROM 262400H TO 270600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS DEFERRED POSITION WHILE CONDUCTION AMBUSHES AND LP'S

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 270035H 2/1 YD 115700 REPORTED RECEIVING 150 RDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM YD 114701 AND 50 RDS SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM YD 119704. RETURNED FIRE WITH 60mm, 81mm, AND 4.2in MORTARS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. 270040H 2/1 YD 114701 RECEIVED 103 RDS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE INSIDE PERIMETER FROM YD 11096. RETURNED FIRE WITH 60mm MORTARS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. 270100H 3/3 YD 176716 REPORTED AN OP OBSERVED A MINE DETONATE. IT WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SET OFF BY AN ANIMAL.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT PATROLL AND OP COMMITMENTS

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97

628

251

B. ENEMY:

718

59

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52

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C. INC: 55

CSVC: 16

KIA

WIA (MDETVAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

DETAINEE TOTAL

POW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 220515Z

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD M R DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

CCN: 227

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 SITREP BR 347 FR ODE KENTUCKY FR 270600H, 271200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 274 VD 134640

B. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 271, 3/3, 1/4, and 2/9 IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROL AND OPS.

B. ELEMENTS OF 2/4 WAS LIFTED INTO LZ W OF C-2

C. 9TH MARINES ASSUMED OPCON 2/4 ELEMENTS AS THEY WERE LAMIED.

3. FINELY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 270355Z 271 VD 117695 LP REC'D 1 M-26 FR WEST.

B. 270815Z 2/9 VD 132620 MINE SWEEP REPORTED RECEIVING NOISY FIRE TO WEST AND REACTION FORCES DISPATCHED FROM C-3 AND C-2.

5. PLANS:

A. 271, 3/3, 1/4, AND 2/9 WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROL AND OPS.

B. LIFT OF 2/4 WILL CONTINUE.

C. 9TH MARINES WILL ASSUME OPCON 2/4

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PRIN DLY: 97 KIA

628 KIA (REDEVAC)

253 KIA (MINOR)

B. SUMMARY: 728 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

59 DET TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INFO: 55

CSVC: 16

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271345Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINE S

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY USA

FIRST MARINE S

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

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SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 348 FOR OVN KENTUCKY FROM 271200H-271800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: CGD RP E/P/G/3/4 YD 140690

H/3/4 YD 128673 C-2 BRIDGE W/3/12 ~~271200H-271800H~~ YD 173720

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. CO DUCTED L'S AND PATROLS WITH EMPHASIS ON SECURITY FOR RTS 561 AND 9 IN AO.

B. COMPLETED MOVEMENT OF BLT 2/4 (-) TO PLANNED POSITION.
~~271200H-271800H~~ AT 271530H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 26200H 1/4 D YD 157585. AMBUSH SIGHTED 7 TO EIGHT NVA, OPENED FIRE WITH C/A. ENEMY RET'D FIRE WITH 8-10 60mm RDS. PATROL SAW 3 NVA DROP THROUGH STARLIGHT SCOPES. Friendly BN CALLED IN ARTY. SEARCHED AREA IN MORNING FOUND BLOOD TRAILS LEADING TO NEARBY VILLAGE. AT 271000H A TASK FORCE OF ONE TANK PLATOON, ONE PLATOON FROM D/1/4 PLUS FOUR DOG TEAMS CORDONED OFF VILLAGE AT YD 154584. PT'S AND NATIONAL POLICE SEARCHED VILLAGE BINDING BLOODY BANDAGES AND PENICILLIN BOTTLE. INFORMER TOLD CIVIL POLICE THAT ENEMY UNIT HAD 20 CASUALTIES. CONTACT WAS ESTIMATED AS POINT FOR NVA ~~Company~~ Company.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 270830H 2/1 YD 114701 OP/1 SPOTTED THREE ENEMY WITH HEAVY PACKS. FIRED 60mm. UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. (LATE ENTRY) 271110H 2/1 YD 114701 OP/1 SPOTTED ONE ENEMY IN HOPEN AT YD 098709. FIRED 60mm UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. 271215H 1/4 YD 141651 PATROL FOUND 500 LB BOMB RIGGED AS BOBBY TRAP. MARKED FOR FUTURE DESTRUCTION.

D. 271227H 1/4 YD 135645 REC'D FIVE RDS INCOMING INSIDE PERIMETER CALLED ARTY MISSION, REACTION TIME TEN MIN. 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) COUNTED ON OP KENTUCKY TOTALS.

E. 271425H 2/9 YD 145610 NVA SOLDIER TURNED HIMSELF IN AT TRAFFIC POINT. TURNED OVER ITT. INCLUDE 1 NVA RETURNED IN OP KENTUCKY TOTALS.

F. 271538H 2/4 YD 137667 MAN PICKED UP M-26 GRENADE FUSE, WHICH WENT OFF 1 USMC WIA NBC MEDEVACED.

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5. PLANS:

- A. PROVIDE REINFORCEMENT TO CAP-3 IN FORM OF ONE PLATOON TO D/1/4
 B. ALL OTHER UNITS PROVIDE LP'S, AMBUSHES AND MAINTAIN POSITION.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
 630 WIA (MEDVAC)
 251 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 718 LVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 60 DETAINES TOTAL
 5 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 0 DETAINES
 2 VC RETURNES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 55
 CSVC: 16

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STATION: S-3

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

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SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 349 FOR COM KENTUCKY FROM 271800H-272400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND ESTABLISHED LP'S IN AO.

B. C-3, D-13, J-13 AA-7, W-1, CC-5, BE-1

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 271730H, 2/4, VIC YD 129688 DETECTED MOVEMENT IN VIC YD 134690 FIRED TWO 90MM RDS, MOVEMENT STOPPED.

B. AT 271940H, 2/1 VIC YD 111702 REPORTED MOVEMENT OUTSIDE THEIR PERIMETER, FOLLOWED BY EXPLOSION BELIEVED TO BE A HAND GRENADE, THEN OBSERVED TWO ENEMY RUNNING. FIRED S/A AND M-79'S WITH UNK RESULTS

C. AT 272230H, 2/9 VIC YD 138640 OBSERVED THREE ENEMY FIGURES IN A TREE LINE, FIRED S/A WITH UNK RESULTS.

D. A TOTAL OF 55.2 HRS OF VR WAS FLOWN OVER QUANG TRI (P) BY DOCS HA AO'S ON 25-26 JAN 68. RAN A/S VIC YD 114721 ACCOUNTING FOR ONE NVA KIA (CONF)

E. (LATE ENTRY) AT 271200H, 3/3 VIC YD 194727, PATROL FOUND ONE FUSED MINE M-605 AND ONE FUSING MINE M-25. EQUIPMENT TURNED INTO D2- S/2

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND CONT. TO MAKE LP'S

B. C-8, D-13, I-4, J-13, AA-8, W-1, CC-5.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	97	KIA
	630	VIA (N DEVAC)
	251	VIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	719	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	60	DETAINES TOTAL
	5	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0	DETAINES
	2	VC RETIREES
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 55

CSWC: 16

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTI MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 CTG 79.4
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)
 TWELFTH MARINES

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 SITREP NR 350 FROM 272400H-280600H FOR OPN KENTUCKY JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 272212H 3/3 A-3 L/3/3 DETECTED MOVEMENT AND WAITED UNTIL 1 NVA WAS OBSERVED. OPENED FIRE W/S/A AND SAW NVA WITHDRAW TO EN YD 175738.
 - B. 272215H 3/3 A-3 LP HEARD MOVEMENT 75 METERS TO WEST AND OBSERVED 1 NVA AT YD 176734. FIRED S/A 106MM RR AND 60MM MORTAR. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
 5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND OP'S.
 6. CUMULATIVE LOS'S:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
 - 630 MIA (INDEVAC)
 - 251 MIA (INFOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 719 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 - 60 DET TOTAL
 - 5 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 2 VC RETURNIES
 - 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 - C. MIC: 55
 - CSWC: 16

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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
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29 JAN 1968

CCN 82 35

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 351 FOR OPN KONTAKY TR 280600Z-281200Z JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

A. G/2/4 YD 147691
 E/2/4 YD 133690
 F/2/4 YD 133690

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OPS.

B. 2/4 COMMENCED ITS MOVE TO AREA OF HILL 2 YD 148692.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 272225Z 1/4 YD 136644 REC'D INCOMING OF 4 RES OF 82MM MORTARS OUTSIDE PERIMETER. RDS BELIEVED TO BE COMING FROM W-SW OF C-2.

B. (LATE ENTRY) 280345Z 2/3 YD 134677 REPORT D SLIGHT EN MOVEMENT 50 METERS OUT OF THEIR PERIMETER, FIVE WATCH WAS INCREASED AND OBS WITH CAUTION.

C. 280834Z 2/4 YD 138693 FOUND AN ANTI-TANK MINE AND DESTROYED IN PLACE.

D. 280904Z 2/4 YD 141693 G/2/4 FOUND 105MM AND 81MM DUD AT YD 141693, ENGRS WILL DESTROY IN PLACE.

E. 280930Z 2/4 YD 142692 REPORTED A ~~TRUCK~~ STRUCK A MINE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (VINOR). REQUEST A RETRIEVER BE SENT WITH 1 SQD TO VIC YD 125608 TO PICK UP DISABLED ~~TRUCK~~ TANK.

F. 281030Z B/1/4 YD 124649 FOUND 3 BUNKERS 4x4x3 FT W/1 FT DIRT AND LOGS ON TOP, THAT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED RECENTLY THE BUNKERS WERE DEMOLISHED AND CONTINUED THE MISSION.

G. 281045Z 1/4 YD 132633 OBS HVA W/SLUNG RIFLES WALKING ALONG TRAIL LINE HEADING SOUTH APPROX 200 METERS S OF C-2 BRIDGE. RD SWEPT OBS TOWER AND TOWER TOWER UNDER FIRE, REACTION FORCE WAS SENT OUT.

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H. 281130H 2/1 YD 117701 REPORTED 1 MAN HAD AN EPILEPTIC TYPE SEIZURE. THE MAN WAS INDEVEDACED AND REPORTED AS AN NBC (INDEVEDAC)

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE PATROLS AND OPS, WHILE MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING POSITIONS.

B. 2/9 CONTINUE TO MOVE TO VIC YD 145692.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA
631 MIA (INDEVEDAC)
252 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 719 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
60 DEF TOTAL
5 POW
52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
2 VC RETURNED
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 55
CSWC: 16

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DRAFTER:

J.M. CHAMBERS 1/LT

RELEASED BY:

J.C. STUDD LTCOL

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28 JAN 68 JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD M R DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)
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 SO TRIP NR 352 FOR OPEN KENTUCKY FR 281200Z-281800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT:

A. G/E/F/2/4 YD 148691

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 2/4(-) COMPLETED ITS MOVE TO VIC YD 145691

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OP'S.

3. REEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 281200H 2/4 YD 135691 FOUND 2 81MM DUDS AND DESTROYED THEM IN PLACE.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND LP(S).

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PRISONERS: 97 KIA

631 MIA (M DEVAC)

252 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 719 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DET TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEPTEDANT

C. IWC: 55

CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT. NO CHANGE

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 DRA: *1st MAW/DEZ/MAJ*
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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWENTH MARINES
 CTG 79.4
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

CCN 241

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 SETR P VR 353 FOR OFF KENTUCKY FR 281800H-282400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

B. C-3, D-13, J-13, AA-7, W-1, CC-5, EE-1

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. A TOTAL OF 47.0 HRS OF VR WERE FLOWN OV 3 EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 26 AND 27 JAN 68.

AT YD 140742 AO OBS 12 NVA MOVING SOUTH TOWARD MARKET; FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF), RAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 4 NVA KIA (CONF).

B. 2/9 AT 282200H VIC YD 145615 OBS MOVEMENT TO FRONT VIC YD 136612 AND YD 152615, CONTINUED TO OBS AND FIRED ILLUMINATION MISSION.

C. 2/4 AT 282230H VIC YD 149691 LP SAW 2 VC PASS BY A RELATIVELY LARGE ELEMENT ABOUT 75 METERS TO THEIR FRONT. FIRED S/A AND GRENADES AND SAW 3 NVA FALL.

D. 2/9 AT 282320H VIC YD 145615 REC'D 1 RD 60MM MORTAR INCOMING FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION; NO CASUALTIES RESULTED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO.

B. C-8, D-13, I-4, J-13, AA-8, W-1, CC-5.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 97 KIA

631 KIA (BT DEVAC)

252 KIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 725 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DEF TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IWC: 55

CSVC: 16

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)
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SITREP NR 354 FOR OPN KENTUCKY TR 290001E - 290600H JAN 68

UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANG

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND LP'S IN AO

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. (LATE ENTRY) 282145H G/2/9 YD 140608 SQUAD SPRANG AMBUSH WITH CLAYMORE AND S/A. HEAVY S/A AND CHI CONS RETURNED BY ENEMY WHO BROKE CONTACT, FLED WEST. 1 USMC KIA AND 2 USMC MIA (MIA AR)
 B. (LATE ENTRY) 282330 2/4 YD 148686 LP OBS 2-4 NVA TO THE FRONT OF THEIR POSIT. ENGAGED WITH S/A AND M-79. SAW THREE EN FELL WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT.
 C. 290230H 2/4 YD 148686 LP OBS 2-4 NVA TO THE FRONT OF THEIR POSIT. IT APPEARED TO BE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING. LP ENGAGED WITH S/A AND M-26. OBS 2-4 FELL. AREA WILL BE SEARCHED AT FIRST LIGHT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 290015H 2/4 141701 OPFL OBSERVED CONVOY MOVING AT YD 06837716 FIR'D 23 RDS 155mm PLUS 8 ~~in~~ GS/TBQ'S. RESULTED IN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND FIR'. OBSERVED 4-5 SAM LAUNCH AT AZN 5800 VIC YD 08327118. SAW TBQ'S ON SUSP SAM SITE. TOTAL OF 9 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS INCLUDING A HUGE FIREBALL, AND 1 SECONDARY FIR'D FOR AREA OF CONVOY AND SUSP SAM SITES.

5. PLANS:

A. CONDUCTED ROAD SWEEPS, PATROLS, AND OP'S IN AO. MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS.
 B. MOVED ONTO PLAT. BLT 2/4 INTO POSITION.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	98	KIA
	631	VIA (CDEVAO)
	254	VIA (CENOR)
B. ENEMY:	725	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	60	DETAINEE TOTAL
	5	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0	DETAINEE'S
	2	VC RETURNED'S
	1	CONVOY DETAINEE'S

C. INC: 55
 CSWC: 16

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DRAFTED: R.C. STOUT 18 JUL 68

RELEASED BY: J.C. STOUT 18 JUL 68

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290515Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FIFTH MARINES

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SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP BR 355 FOR OFF KENTUCKY FROM 290600-291200H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND OPFS

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 290200H 2/4 YD 140608 /LEUSH SPRING (REF PARA 3A OF SITREP NO 354) SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED DRAG MARKS, AK-47

CARTRIDGES WITH BLO D, RUSSIAN GRENADES, PAPERB, AND NVA BANDAGES.

B. 290230H 2/4 YD 140686 17 FIRED ON 2-4 NVA. (REF TO PARA 3C OF SITREP #354) SEARCH OF AREA DISCLOSED DRAG MARKS, BLOOD POOLS AND FRESH FOOT PRINTS.

C. 290930H 3/3 191747 OP OBSERVED 4 NVA AT TD YD 175753.

CALLED ARTY HIS ION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS

D. 291020H 1/4 YD 124637 B/1/4 SQUAD PATROL SPOTTED 1 NVA

AT BN YD 142634 AND CALLED 81mm MORTAR SECTION.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL IMPROVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND OPFS

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	98	KIA
	631	WIA (UNDETAILED)
	254	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	725	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	60	DETAINES TOHOL
	5	POW
	52	KHOCHE CIVILIANS
	2	VC RETURN LG
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 55

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

291030Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

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SITREP NR 356 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 291200H-291800H JAN 68

1. UNITS LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS IMPROVED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED ATROLS AND OP'S3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 29135H 2/4 YD 111703 PATROL FOUND HOLE ONE FT. IN DIAMETER WHICH APPEARED TO BE VENTILATION HOLE. CLOSED OFF HOLE W/SMALL CHARGE.

B. 291325H 2/1 A-4 CALLED A/S ON EN YD 121711 AND OBSERVED ONE BUNKER DESTROYED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

C. 291330H 2/1 A-4 OBSERVED TWO NVA AT EN YD 119714. FIRED 60mm MORTARS AND 90mm TANK GUN. OBSERVED CRAWLING BEHIND ROCK PILE AT EN YD 119713 AND RAN A/S. AFTER A/S OBSERVED ONE NVA IN OPEN IN VICINITY AND FIRED 60mm MORTARS MISSION.

D. 291345 2/1 YD 105696 PATROL FOUND HOLE 8IN. IN DIAMETER WHICH APPEARED TO BE AIR VENT. CAVED IN HOLE.

E. 291405H 2/4 YD 148692 G/2/4 PATROL FOUND TWO CHI COM 82mm MORTAR RDS. RDS DESTROYED.

F. 291700H 2/1 A-4 RAN A/S ON EN YD 103708 AND OBSERVED THREE BUNKERS DESTROYED.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT LP'S AND AMBUSHES.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 98 KIA

631- MIA (INDEVAC)

254- MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 725 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DETAINEES TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEPUTYDANTS

C. IVC: 55

CSVC: 16

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G. 291805H 2/4 YD 136694 SPOTTED TEN SUSPECTED FRENCH TROOPS AND CALLED AN 81mm MSN AFTERNOON DETERMINING NO FRIENDSHIPS WERE IN THE AREA.

H. 291905H 2/1 OBSERVED LIGHTS AT AZ 5600MILS ARTillery AND AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED. RESULTS NOT COMPLETE.

I. 292150H 2/1 YD 130696 OBS MOVEMENT WITH AM/PRS-5. A FIVE MSN WITH 81mm WAS CALLED; MOVEMENT CEASED.

J. 292230H 2/1 YD 123701 SPOTTED ONE TANK IN FRONT OF LT. FIRED ONE MAGAZINE OF M-16 AND TWO RDS M-79. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITION AND CONT. ADVANCEMENTS AND DEFENSE.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	98	KIA
	631	MIA (UNDEVELOPED)
	254	MIA (UNDEVELOPED)
B. ENEMY:	730	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
	60	DETAINEE'S TOTAL
	5	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	2	VC RETURNED
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. INC:	55	
OSMC:	16	

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FROM: NINET MARINES
 TO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TROUBLE MARINES
 CTC 79.4

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SUTTER BR 358 FOR OPN KENTUCKY BR 292400H-300600H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND CONTINUED TO KILL LP'S.

3. KEY CONTACTS:

A. AT 300115H 2/1 VIC YD 114699 REC'D 1 INCOMING ORTHADE, RET'D FIRE W/M-79, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 292335H 2/1 VIC YD 114702 REC'D 2 DS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE IMPACTING AT YD 114702 AND 115704 RESPECTIVELY, RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (MINOR)

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PREL DLY: 98 KIA

631 KIA (REDEVAL)

255 KIA (MINOR)

B. SUMMARY: 730 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DIT TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 55

OSWC: 16

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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
CTG 79.4

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SIGNATURE 359 FOR OP KENTUCKY PR 300600H-301200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. PROVIDE ONE PLT FOR D/1/4 AS SECURITY FOR ROUGH
RIDER DONG HA TO CAMP GARROLL AND RETURN.

B. IMPROVE ALL POSITIONS WITH EMPHASIS ON CONSTRUCTION
OF BUNKERS AT A-4.

C. PROVIDE SECURITY ELEMENTS FOR RTS # 561 AND 9 IN AO.

D. ALL OTHER ELEMENTS PROVIDE PATROLS AND OP'S IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. (LATE MTRY) 300150H 373 RCD 2 RDS INF CAL INCOMING
OUTSIDE PERI MTR PR UNK LOCATION. CRATER ANALYSIS WILL
BE CONDUCTED.

5. PLANS:

A. MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND PROVIDE OP'S AND PATROLS IN
AO, WITH EMPHASIS ON SECURITY FOR LOC.

B. CONTINUE ACCELERATED CONSTRUCTION EFFORT AT A-4.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRI DLM: 98 KIA

631 WIA (12 DE VAC)

255 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 730 EVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DLT TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INC: 55

OPIC: 16

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JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
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 CTC 79.4

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 SITR P NR 360 FOR OPE KENTUCKY FR 301200H-301800H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. CONTINUE ACCELERATED CONSTRUCTION OF BUNKERS AT A-4.
 - B. CONTINUE MOVEMENT OF RESUPPLY CONVOY FR DONG HA TO 2/4 AT YD 149690.
 - C. PROVIDED INCREASED SECURITY ON RT'S 9 AND 561 IN AO.
 - D. ALL OTHER UNITS IMPROVED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED OPS AND PATROLS IN AO.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. (LATE ENTRY) 2/4 RECON YD 158692 FOUND 6 FRESHLY DUG BUNKERS 8 FT WIDE USED ABOUT A WEEK AGO. SET UP AMP'SH AND OBS WITH NEG RESULTS. FOUND MORPHINE SYRINGE (USED), 1 PR EVA BOOTS AND BINOCULAR CASE.
 - B. (LATE ENTRY) 301140H 2/1 YD 116742 SPOTTED 12 EN IN OPEN, CALLED VT ARMY ENN, RESULTS UNKNOWN.
 - C. 301330H 2/1 YD 112697 PATROL FOUND 1 BUNKER 5x2x3 FT RECENTLY USED, DESTROYED.
 - D. 301400H 2/1 YD 114701 FIXED WING SITED 2 BUNKERS AT YD 100706 DESTROYED BUNKERS, ROAD CUT AND 1 SECONDARY
 - E. 301415H 2/1 YD 132688 PATROL FOUND ONE BUNKER; DESTROYED.
 - F. 301430H 2/1 YD 114701 FIXED WING SPOTTED 5 BUNKERS, AND 5 EVA, DESTROYED BUNKERS AND POSSIBLY 5 ENEMY.
 - G. 301445H 2/1 YD 114701 FIXED WING SPOTTED 3 BUNKERS. DESTROYED WITH AIR.
 - H. 301530H GAG-3 YD 182508 REPORTED APPROX 400 EVA IN VILLAGE AT YD 1859 AND YD 1860 TO OBSERVE TET.

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5. PLANS:

- A. CONDUCT LP'S A D AMBUSHES IN AO, MAINTAIN POSITIONS.
- B. PROVIDE REINFORCEMENT TO CAP LO DET HQS AND CAC-2 FOR POSSIBLE ATTACK DURING TTT.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: 98 KIA
631 MIA (MED EVAC)
255 MIA (MINOR)
- B. ENEMY: 730 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
60 DET TOTAL
5 POW
52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
2 VC RETURNED
1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
- C. FWC: 55
CSWC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT. NO CHANGE

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 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST B., FOURTH FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 CTC 79.4

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 SITREP NR 361 FOR ONE KENTUCKY PR 301800Z-302400H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS DEFENDED POS AND CONDUCTED LP'S AND AMBUSHES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. 302012H 3/3 YD 183719 AMBUSH OPENED FIRE ON 25 NVA AND SAW SEV RAL FALL DURING FIRST BURST OF FIRE, FN RET'D SAF RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (REDEVAC), WILL CHECK AREAS AT FIRST LIGHT.
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. 301900H 2/4 YD 163683 RECON TM WORKING W/2/4 HAD 1 WP RD DETONATED IN HARBOR SITE RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA AND 8 USMC WIA (REDEVAC), UNABLE TO DETERMINE AT THIS TIME IF RD WAS FRIENDLY OR BOOBY TRAP. REDEVAC HELO REC'D FIRE FR YD 163687 WHILE LIFTING OUT OF LZ. ESCORT CHOPPERS RET'D FIRE AND 2/4 FIRED ARTY INTO AREA. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT, INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY 2/4.
 - B. 302105H 1/4 YD 128673 OBS 1 NVA AT EN YD 133666 AND FIRED M-79 AND 82MM MORTARS, WILL CHECK AREA AT 1ST LITE.
 - C. 302005H 1/4 YD 137646 TOWER REC'D 4 RDS SAF RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (REDEVAC), RET'D SAF ON EN YD 140641.
 - D. 302220H 2/9 YD 131627 AMBUSH FIRED ON 4 NVA RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA AND 1 AK-47 CAPTURED. SPOTTED 16 NVA AT EN YD 130630 AND CALLED 81MM HSN. AMBUSH WILL REMAIN IN POSIT TO PREVENT RECOVERY OF RE CASUALTIES SUSPECTED TO BE IN AREA.

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POS AND CONDUCT
 LP'S AND AMBUSHES. ~~IN-AD~~

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES

A. FRIENDLY: 100 KIA
 641 WIA (MED/VAC)
 255 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 731 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 60 DMT TOTAL
 5 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 2 VC RETURNES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT
 C. INC: 56
 CSVC: 16

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302230Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: C, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWENTY MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINE

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

COMBINED TASK GROUP 79.4

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 362 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 302400-310600H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONDUCTED AMBUSHES AND LP'S WHILE DEFENDING POSITION.

B. C-8, D-12, I-2, J-22, AA-6, CC-6, EE-2.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING OUT PATROLS AND OP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 100 KIA

641 WIA (REDEVAC)

255 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 731 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2

60 DETAINEES TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC:56

CSMC:16

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DRAFTER: *M. J. Sullivan* M.C. SOF. COL. MAJORRELEASED BY: *John A. Sullivan* M.C. SOF. COL. MAJOR

SECTION: S-3

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

COMMAND TASK GROUP 79.4

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SITREP NR 363 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 310600H-311200H JAN68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNIT MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AD

3. FRIENDLY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REFER SIT REP 361 PARAGRAPH 4D, ADD ONE NVA KIA (CONF) AND ONE AK KIA

B. AT 310955H, 2/1, VIC YD 128678 ROAD SWEEP REPORTED 12 INCOMING RDS

SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM YD 126678, RETURNED M-79 AND S/A FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS

C. AT 311108H, 2/1 VIC YD 161697 FOUND A TURRET, IN THE PROCESS OF CHECKING IT OUT

D. AT 311115H, 2/4 VIC YD 136691 SWEEP TEAM FOUND TWO ANTI TANK MISSILES DESTROYED BOTH.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND SWEEPS IN AD

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 100 KIA

641 MIA (REDEVAC)

255 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 732 NVA KIA (CONF) VS KIA (CONF) 2

60 DETAINEES TOTAL

5 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 DETAINEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 57

CSWC: 16

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 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 FIFTH MARINES
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 SITREP NR 364 FOR OPE KENTUCKY FR 311200H-311800H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:
 - A. E/2/4 YD 135645
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. CMD GRP A/G/F/2/4 WERE HELIPTED TO YD 057539
 - B. ALL OTHER UNITS IMPROVED POS AND CONDUCTED PATROLS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - B. 311305H 2/1 A-4 REC'D SIX RDS 82mm HR INSIDE PERIMETER. RET'D FIRE WITH 81mm MORTARS ON BN YD 113720 THIRTY RDS, 104717 30 RDS, 113717 20 RDS AND WITH 4.2" MORTARS AND 105 MM ARTY ON BN YD 113717 70 RDS.
 - A. 302012H 3/3 YD 105700 AMBUSH VAC SPOT ON 25 EVA (REF PARA 3A OF SITREP NR 361) SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED ONE EVA VIA (COFF) AND ONE AK-47 CAPTURED, NUMEROUS BN OD TRAILS, AND LARGE QUANTITIES OF MISCELLANEOUS GEAR WHICH INDICATED THAT AMBUSHED UNIT WAS A RESUPPLY UNIT. (FOR DETAILED LISTING OF GEAR SEE 3/3 SPOT REPORT DTC 302012H)
 - C. 311625H 3/3 A-3 REC'D 20 RDS OF 60mm MORTARS OUTSIDE PERIMETER RET'D FIRE WITH 60-81mm MORTARS ON BN YD 154727. REACTION TIME WAS ONE MINUTE.

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONDUCT LRS AND AMBUSHES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 100 KIA
 641 MIA (HIDEVAO)
 255 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 733 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 60 DETAINEES TOTAL
 5 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 2 DETAINEES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. THO: 58
OSMC: 16

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE.
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DRAFTER: MAJ G. BOSTON

RELEASED BY: LTCOL STUDD

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
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 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
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SITREP NR 365 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 311800H-312400H JAN 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. PROVIDED ONE PLT (-) WITH TWO QUAD 50'S AS REINF FOR CAM LO
 DIST. HQS, ONE PLAT IN AND AROUND CAP-3 AS REINF AND ONE SQUAD TO
 CAP-1 AS REINF.

B. ALL UNITS PROVIDED LP'S AND AMBUSHES IN AO.

C. C-8, D-12, I-3, J-14, AA-6, N-1, CC-6, EE-2

D. CHOP F/G/EST 2/4 TO OPCON 4TH MARINES 311830H JAN 68.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. REPEL SITREP 361 PARA 3A AND SITREP 364 PARA 2A IN
 CONJUNCTION WITH 3/3 AMBUSH OF 30 JUN 68 ADD FOLLOWING GEAR FOUND:
 ONE NVA CARTRIDGE BELT, WITH BLOOD ON BUCKLE, ONE TIN 7.62 ARMO WITH
 CASE, ONE RT TOOL, TWO CHI COM GRENADES, AND SEVEN 10 ROUNDED CLIPS OF
 7.62 WITH CASE.

B. 311820H 3/3 YD 190735 PATROL FOUND TWO CHI COM GRENADES AND
 ONE CAMOUFLAGED NET IN VIC OF ABOVE COORD. BLIN IN PLACE.

C. 311837H 3/3 YD 204727 FOUND ONE HEADSET, XXXX WILL FORWARD TO S-2.

5. PLANS:

A. CONTINUE TO PROVIDE REINFORCEMENTS MENTIONED IN 2A AND CONDUCTED
 LP'S AND AMBUSHES.

B. C-5, D-12, I-2, J-14, AA-6, N-1, CC-6, EE-1.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 100 KIA
 641 WIA (MEDDEVAC)
 255 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 733 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 2
 60 DETAINEES TOTAL
 5 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 2 VC RETURNEES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 58

CSVC: 16

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, 1.100 MARINE DIVISION
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 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

INFO: ADC THIRD DIVISION
 TWELFTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
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 FIRST BATTALION THIRD MARINES
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1. NINTH MARINES DIVISION RE CG, OFF KENTUCKY
2. 311000H - 011800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ARMY ACTIVITY

4. INCIDENTS:

a. ARMED FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAIED ENEMY. IN 311528 to 311542H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 151741) SHOTTED AND ENGAGED 4 TO 5 NVA AT (YD 153743), CALLED MORT MEN, AS EVER INCREASING NUMBERS OF NVA APPEARED TO FRONT AND RIGHT FRONT OF POS. ENEMY MET FIRE WITH 8/1, 4-78, 60MM MORT FIRE. NO ADJUSTED MORT MEN ON ENEMY MORT POS IN SOME GRATES, FRIENDLY 8/1, AN FIRE CAUGHT ENEMY IN OPEN AS THEY WERE FLYING AT AG AND GUNSHIPS. AT CALLED IN ARTY AND CONTACT WAS BROKEN RESULTING IN 27 NVA KIA (COMP), 3 NVA KIA (PRD), 1 AK-47 RIFLE, DOCUMENTS, 1 POUCH, 1 CnS MINE, 2 AK-47 MORT MEN AMMO, 1 BOTTLE OF MEX, 1 PACK.

2. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAIED ENEMY. AT 311400H, 1/4 MORT AT (YD 147674) FOUND 2 NVA BUNKERS CONTAINING SKELETON OF DEATH.

(b), AT 011000H, 1/4 PTL AT (YD 145444) SPOTTED EST 30 PERSONNEL AT (YD 142445) APPARENTLY MOVING TOWARDS C-2 WHEN PTL APPROACHED THE PERSONNEL THEY TURNED AND MOVED IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION. CHECKED IMMEDIATE AREA, NO RESULTS.

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B. A. AIR ACTIVITY**1. AIR**

(a) A TOTAL OF 13.2 MBS OF VIL FLOWN OVER NASTHAN QUANG TRI (F) BY DONG HA AG'S ON 30 AND 31 DEC 67. AT (TD 145730) AG OBS APPROX 30 MVB DRESSED IN ON WEILS WITH FLAK JACKETS AND SOME MHEMETS. THESE MVB MOVED NORTH ALONG A TRAIL TO PREHABLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKERS AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A TUNNEL ENTRANCE. THERE IS 2 MVB USED TRAILS COMING IN THE NORTH TO THESE BUNKERS. AG OBS 30 MVB AND 82MM AGENT AT (TD 154743) 100M FR FRIENDLY TROOPS, CALLED GUNSHIPS ACCOUNTING FOR 2 ENEMY KIA (CONF), 1 MVB KIA (INOP). AT (TD 145730) AG OBS 2 MVB USED TRAILS COMING IN THE NORTH, ACCOUNTED FOR 1 MVB KIA (CONF).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES**A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD**

1. ENEMY KIA 26/4
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/1
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) MPMS: 1/0 SEE PARA A.1.(a)(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a)DISTRIBUTION:
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B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY AS OF

011800H JAN 07:

1. RECEIVED 377/553

2. DETAINED 54

FM(NVA)/FM(VG)/RTIME(NVA)/RTIME(VG)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
2 1 2 1 1 42

3. WIRE CAPTURED 51: 37/14

RECEIVED

5. - 14. NR

15. LATE ATTEMPT

**(a) AT 011400H, 3/3 SWEET AT (YD 148723) BOUND 4 BUNKERS AND 1
AP MINE. MINE WAS SKY AND TIED TO A TREE. MINE AND BUNKERS WERE
APPROX 2 MONTHS OLD.,**

**(b) AT 011615H, 3/4 PTL TOOK INTO CUSTODY ONE VCS AT (YD 148730)
SUSPECT WAS BROUGHT TO DONG HA AND RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.**

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 TO: GC, THIRD MARINE DIVISION
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 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: ADC THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 TWELFTH MARINES
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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST AB TMC BN
 15TH CTF
 7TH FTF

PERMISSIBLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INTSR NR 61, QPM KENTUCKY
2. 011400H - 021800H *Jan 68*
3. SUMMARY OF AGENCY ACTIVITY

10 INCIDENTS; 5 KM INITIATED; 1 MORT/ARTY; 1 SNIPER/HARASSING;
 3 MINE/BOoby TRAP

MINEING IN THE 9TH MAR'S AO HAS INCREASED OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS.

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 020915H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 184735) FOUND 3 CHICOM MINES HANGING FROM A TREE BY WIRES. MINES WERE HANGING APPROX 3 FT OFF GROUND. FWD MINES TO BN CP.

(b) AT 021150H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 190743) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 HUTS 10X15 FT, CONSTRUCTED OF STRAW AND WOOD, ALSO 1 SHED 4X12H FT CONSTRUCTED OF METAL, CONCRETE AND LOGS. ALL SHOW SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

(c) AT 021205H, 3/4 KLAS REG 7 HDS OF SNIPER FIRE FROM (YD 190739).

(d) AT 021300H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 186736) FOUND 3 CHICOMS 82MM MORT HDS. FWD TO BN CP.

2. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 020750H, 2/9 HDS SNIPER AT (YD 134634) DISCOVERED AND DEST 4 WOODEN BOX TYPE MINES WHICH COULD NOT BE DETECTED. THEY WERE FOUND BY FRESH BIRT. ENDS ATTEMPTED TO REMOVE MINES BUT COULD FEEL A SPRING TENSION. EST WEIGHT TO BE 30 TO 40 LBS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 012130H, 2/1 KLAS AT (YD 114702) REG 4 HDS OF 60MM MORTS,

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GUNNS AND MG FIRE FROM ENEMY (ID 113608), (ID 121609), (ID 117693).

FIREB N/A AND ARTY, ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. ENEMY EST TO BE 1 MORT SQD,

1 MG SQD, 1 RIFLE SQD.

(b) AT 012245H, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 117703) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PPS-6
RADAR AT (ID 124706).

(c) AT 020230H, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 116706) OBS A TRUCK AT (ID 114732).
AT 020615 H.
FIREB TOT, UNK RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 030300H, ENEMY 1/4 ROAD SWAMP AT (ID 133675), (ID 132626),
(ID 135626) DISCOVERED AND REPT 1 BOX TYPE MINE AT EACH OF THE ABOVE COORDS.
MINES HAD PRESSURE TYPE FIRING DEVICES, 1 MINE HAD WHAT APPEARED TO BE A
LONG HOLE UNDER IT. EST NVA PLACING MINES APPARENTLY CAME THROUGH DRAW
WEST OF ROAD.

B. AIR ACTIVITY - NEG

C. OTHER

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1. REPORT

(a) AT 041000H, PTL 303 BT (YD 14644.6) EXCHANGED 2/A, AN FIRE WITH 2 NVA. WHILE CHECKING AREA EXCHANGED 2/A, AN FIRE WITH 5 MORE NVA. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, PAGES, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS.

RESULTS OF ACTION WERE 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 AR-17 RIFLES CAPTURED, 1 PACK, MISCELLANEOUS GEAR AND DOCUMENTS.

(b) AT 022215H, PTL 203 AT (YD 10564.3) EXCHANGED 2/A, AN FIRE WITH 12 NVA MOVING TOWARD PTL. ENEMY WERE WEARING CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, BUSH HATS AND CARRYING PAGES WITH RIFLES. PTL FIRED M-79 ENEMY PULLED BACK. RESULTED IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 4/0
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPNS: 2/0 SEE PARA C.1.(a)

(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a)(A), C.1.(a)

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(a) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(b)

B. CUMULATIVE KENNY LOSSES FOR OUR KENTUCKY AS OF

021800H JAN 68:

1. KENNY KIA 381/393 *gilt*

2. REMAINERS 55

FM(NVA)/PW(VG)/KTHAS(NVA)/KTHAS(VG)/CIV REPT/EN CIV
2 1 2 1 1 50

3. KENNY CAPTURED 55: 39/14

5. NEW OPERATIONS AND MANUEVER

(a) SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.2.(a), A.4.(a)

6. - 7. NEG

8. KENNY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION *gilt*

(a) 15TH CIT RPTS 1 PLY OF THE VC GIL LINE DIST FORCE, UNDER THE
CMD OF THAI DAI, WHO WAS BORN AT DONG BAI (N) (YD 240626), CAN PHONG
(V), CAN LO (D), QUANG TRI (P), MOVED INTO CAN PHONG (V), FROM GIL LINE
(D), ON 29 DEC 67. THIS PLY IS TO WORK WITH THE LOCAL GUERRILLAS. THEIR
MSS IS TO ASSASSINATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THEY ARE BUILDING BUNKERS
AROUND KI THUC MOUNTAIN (YD 240626), CAN PHONG (V), CAN LO (D), QUANG TRI (P).

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THIS FLT IS ARMED WITH THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS: 1 40MM MORT, 2 B-10'S, 1 MG, 3 AW, AND ALSO SMALL ARMS.

(b) 15TH CIT MPTS ON 20 DEC 67, 2 NVA BN'S (N/I) MOVED FM NORTH VIETNAM, INTO SVN, AND ARE NOW SCATTERED THROUGHOUT CAN LO (D), QUANG TRI (P). NGUYEN TAN TUA IS THE COMMANDER OF THE 2 BN'S. 1 OF THE 2 NVA BN'S IS COMMANDER BY HUI QUANG ANH, AND IS LOCATED AT BAO VIEU (N) (ID A145532), CAM HONG (V), CAN LO (D), QUANG TRI (P), AND QUAT IA (N) (ID 096594), CAM HUNG (V), CAN LO (D), QUANG TRI (P). HOANG VAN HIEU IS THE COMMANDER OF THE REMAINING NVA BN. 1 COMPANY, OF THIS BN, IS COMMANDER BY NGUYEN MINH. THE MEN OF THIS COMPANY HAVE DISPERSED INTO SMALL GROUPS, AND ARE LIVING IN THE FOLLOWING HAMLETS: RIAM XA (N) (ID 181595), THONG XA (N) (ID 198398), HIGH QIANG (N) (ID 176601), TAN LONG (N) (ID 185605), CAN VE (N) (ID 180615), CAN LO HA (N) (ID 210619).

15TH CIT MPTS ANOTHER COMPANY, OF THE SAME BN, IS COMMANDER BY THAN VAN CAN. THIS COMPANY HAS DISPERSED INTO SMALL GROUPS AND STAYS AT THE FOLLOWING HAMLETS: BAI HO (N) (ID 215429), BONG LAI (N) (ID 214654), THEC LAM (N) (ID 214654).

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FROM: ARMY MARINES
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THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
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SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
1ST AM TRAC BN
15TH GLT
7TH ITT

DISSEMINABLE INFO. DO NOT REVERSE

1. NINTH MARINES INTOWN NO 42, OFN KENTUCKY
2. 021000Z - 031000Z JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ARMY ACTIVITY

16 INCIDENTS: 6 EN INITIATION, 4 MORT/ARTY, 2 SWIFTER/HARASSING
ARMY ACTIVITY REMAINS LIGHT IN 9TH MAR'S AO. THERE WAS ONE
SHOOTING OF 15 TO 20 EVA VEC OF (ID 150731).

A.. GROUND FORCES

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1. TRAIL BATTALION FOURTH BATTAL

(a) DELAYED ENTRY, AT 021645H, DEGREE OF 3/4 PTL DISCLOSED THE FOLLOWING INFO ABOUT AREA BETWEEN TAN LICH AT (ID 160732) AND TAN BICH AT (ID 159744). TRAIL NETWORKS ARE WELL TRAVELED AND USED DURING THE LAST TWO OR THREE DAYS. (b) RAILROAD TRAIL FM (ID 197734) TO (ID 197750) IS WELL USED. (c) TRAIL NETWORK FM (ID 160750) TO (ID 159734) SEEMS TO BE A MAIN INFILTRATION ROUTE INTO THIS AREA.

(d) AT 021957H, 3/4 BOMB AT (ID 170735) REG 2 INCOMING GRENES IN ONE LOC.

(e) AT 034330H, 3/4 PTL REPORTED 15 TO 20 NVA AT (ID 150731) NVA WERE 250 TO 300M AWAY FM PTL. FIRED ARTY BOMB, NVA SCATTERED AND RAN IN NORTHEAST DIRECTION. PTL CHECKED AREA AND FOUND 4 MINERS 3X5M FT NVT COVERING WITH LOGS AND BUNK. MINERS WERE MARKED FOR FUTURE DEST.

(f) AT 051220H, 3/4 PTL AT (ID 164737) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 TUNNELS WITH THE DIAMETER OF 5 FT IN DIAMETER, 10 FT DEEP WITH SIDE TUNNELS LEADING BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH.

(g) AT 031500H, 3/4 BOMB AT (ID 177721) REG 7 BOMB OF RST 85MM

ARTY FM 5790 BOMB AT (ID 170735).

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 031610H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 173721) REC 7 MDS OF EST 85MM ARTY FM 6000 MILLS NM EST LOC AT (YD 170420). MDS LANDED OUTSIDE WINK.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 031156H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 20 MDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 127728), (YD 111710), (YD 121710), (YD 105708), (YD 104715).
 (b) AT 031255H, 2/1 ELMS REC 10 MDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 105715), (YD 125725), (YD 091701), (YD 110713).

(c) AT 031430H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 117703) REC 3 MDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 121707).

(4) FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 022030H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 133642) OBS 7 NVA MOVING EAST IN MDSH ALONG MSR SOUTH OF POS AT (YD 145640). FIRED MORT ASN, CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT REC RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY**1. AO'S**

(a) A TOTAL OF 11.5 MDS OF VR FLOWN SEVER OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 2 JAN 68. AT (YD 092746) AO UNS A LARGE NUMBER

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CONFIRM WITH A WELL USED NOTION OF TALKING. AT (ID 143731) NO OBS. WITH
 MOST TITS AND PARTICULARLY BUILT BUNKERS AND SIZED 2 IN. IN MOST TIT. AT
 (ID 226794) NO OBS. TALKING BUILT BUNKERS. AT (ID 156768) NO OBS. BUNKERS
 NOS. BUILT BUNKERS -3 WITH NO ACTIVITY IN BUNKERS.

4. ARMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ARMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD 14-15-16

1. ARMY KIA 0
2. ARMY WIA 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. ARMY MISSING OR DESTROYED
 - (a) ARMY KIA 0/0
 - (b) ARMY WIA 0/0
 - (c) ARMY MISSING OR DESTROYED 0/0/0/0/0/0

B. ARMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD 17-18-19

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1. ARMY KIA 381
2. ARMY WIA 55

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(c) WAS CAPTURED 53: 39/145. - 7. WAS8. ARMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) 15TH CIT BPTS MAILED (P-6) THE NVA 90TH REGT, WHICH IS THE NEWLY FORMED 312TH NVA DIV, BEGAN MOVING SOUTH, FROM QUANG NINH (P), NORTH VIETNAM, ON 10 DEC 67. ON ITS WAY SOUTH, THE 90TH REGT PASSED THROUGH BAN TAT (N) (YD 084754), THUNG LUONG (D), QUANG TRI (P), WHICH IS ALONG THE HOA HAI RIVER. FROM BAN TAT, THEY TURNED WEST, INTO LAOS, TO AVOID THE MARINES ALONG HIGHWAY 49, AND THE SAM. THEN THEY RESUMED THEIR SOUTHWARD COURSE. THE 90TH REGT ENTERED SVN SOUTH OF THE SAM, AND TOOK A NORTH-EASTWARD COURSE TO MA LONG (R) (YD 158403), MA LONG (D), QUANG TRI (P). FROM MA LONG (N), THEY CONTINUED THEIR NORTH-EASTWARD COURSE, CROSSED CHANG STREAMS, AND TRAVELED ALONG "HIEU TAY", WHICH THE VC CALL "THE ROAD TO THE WEST", AND WHICH TRAVELS WESTWARD FROM QUANG TRI CITY. FOUR (4) ELEPHANTS WERE USED TO CARRY THE HEAVY WEAPONS, AND AMMUNITION. THESE ELEPHANTS HAVE MADE SIX (6) TRIPS TO, AND FROM, NORTH VIETNAM, SINCE 10 DEC 67. THE 90TH REGT IS IN DIVIDED INTO THREE (3) BN'S, AND IS COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF NEW RECRUITS.

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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST AK TRAC BN
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 7TH ITT

PERMISSIBLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES LISTSUM NO 63, ONE KENTUCKY
2. 091800Z - 041800Z JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

11 INCIDENTS; 6 ARE INITIATED; 5 MORE/ANY; 1 MINE/NO. BY TAC

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 031812Z, 3/4 ELMS AT (ID 170730) REC 8 TO 10 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE (ID 146719), (ID 143743), (ID 147730), (ID 149732), (ID 151727), (ID 152730).

(b) AT 040010Z, 3/4 ELMS AT (ID 170730) OBS MOVEMENT AT (ID 146731). MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE 1 MAN MOVING TOWARD LINKS EAST TO WEST, FIRED M-79 AND OBS MAN FLEEING TO DEFILED AREA.

2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 032145Z, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 124692) OBS 3 INCOMING RDS DETERMINED TO BE 1038 60MM OR M-79 FM UNK LOC.

(b) AT 082300Z, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 117703) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PPS-6 RADAR AT (ID 127707). FIRED ASM, RESULTS UNK.

(c) AT 040143Z, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 114702) REC 1 RD OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM (ID 101701).

(d) AT 040935Z, 2/1 ELMS REC 30 RDS OF 60MM MORT, AND 5 RDS OF 82MM MORT, RET FIRE AT (ID 117717), (ID 116710), (ID 099710), (ID 127710), (ID 105715), (ID 11367400), (ID 121710).

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(a) AT 041000H, 2/1 ELMS REC 10 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE, NET FIRE AT (YD 119780), (YD 067675), (YD 114722), (YD 106710), (YD 10457214), (YD 104720).

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 041115H, 1/4 PTL AT (YD 115676) FOUND 2 BUNKERS 5 1/2 X 12 1/2 FT, 1 60MM MORT POS, 1 RPG HD, 3 60MM MORT RDS WITH INCENDENTS, 1 BARRICADE, 10 CLIPS OF AR-47 AMMO, 1 CART BELT, 1 CANTEN, 1 PICK, 10 C-RATIONS MEALS, 1 CHICOM GREEN. BUNKERS MARKED ON MAPS FOR DESTRUCTION AT A LATER DATE. ALL OTHER GEAR FWD TO EN CP.

(b) AT 041250H, 1/4 ALMS AT (YD 125675) REC 3 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE IN APPROX (YD 115645).

B. AIR ACTIVITY1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 23.7 HRS OF VR FRUEN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BI DONG HA AO'S ON 3 JAN 68. AT (YD 143733), AO OBS 2 NVA IN GREEN UNIFORMS, 4 NEW MORT PITS, 1 LARGE BUNKER BEING RECOVERED, FIRED (INHERMOOD) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 BUNKER DAMAGED, 2 MORT PITS DAMAGED. AT (YD 143774) AO OBS LARGE PILE OF SUPPLIES, OVER 100 BOXES, ALSO SEVERAL

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ORIGINS WERE LYING AT BUNKER ENTRANCES, TRAILS WERE PROBABLY LEADING TO BUNKERS. CALLED ARTY AND TRIP'S, DEST 3 BUNKERS AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. AT (ID 174750) AO OBS 3 NVA IN KHAKI, FULL 782 GRAM, AND WEAPONS CLOUTCHED BY BUN. CENTER. AT (ID 165745) AO OBS 3 NVA IN KHAKI WITH WEAPONS STANDING IN A TRENCH. AT (ID 163745) AO OBS 2 NVA IN KHAKI WITH WEAPONS STANDING IN A TRENCH. AT (ID 125722) AO OBS 6 NVA IN GREEN UNIFORMS IN TRENCH, 2 ARTILLERY BUNKERS.

C. GRAB1. REPORT

(a) AT 061015H, BACON TEAM 6-1 CONTINUED MOVING OUT AND HIT A BOOBY TRAP AT (ID 153658).

(b) AT 061450H, BACON TEAM 2-1 AT (ID 262523) SIGHTED 12 ENEMY MOVING TOWARD TIL. TOOK OVER FIRE, BROKE CONTACT. TIL CHECKED AREA AND FOUND 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 AK-47 RIFLES, 1 M-16, 1 M-46 GREN, 3 KNIVES, 1 GILSON GREN, WALKER WITH 5500 T'S IN IT, 2 TORCHES, AND RICE, DOCUMENTS.

4. ENEMY LOSS AND MATERIAL LOSSA. ENEMY LOSS FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

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1. ARMY KIA 1
2. DETAINees 0/0/0/0/0
3. ARMY CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WNS: 1/0 SEE PARA C.1.(b)
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA C.1.(b), A.3.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ARMY LOSSES FOR CIN KENTUCKY AS OF

041600H JAN 68:

1. ARMY KIA 382
 2. DETAINees 55
- IN(NVA)/PA(VG)/STREETS(NVA)/STREETS(VG)/ CIV DOP/INE CIV
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3. WNS CAPTURED 56: 12/14

5. ARMY OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

- (a) SEE PARA C.1.(a)

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1. NINTH MARINES INCIDENT NR. 0, ONE KENTUCKY
2. 06:0000 - 05:0000 JAN 62
3. SUMMARY OF RECENT ACTIVITY

15 INCIDENTS, 5 IN INCIDENTS, 3 B-1/D, 2 MARINES, 2 MORT/ARTY

A. CASUAL FORCES

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SIL-HUN (400) OF THREE MEN ARE PRESENTLY ALONG "MIAN TAT" BETWEEN
 (ID 23146), AND (ID 198458). THE REMAINING FOUR-HUNDRED (400) MEN WENT
 FURTHER SOUTH, INTO THUN THIEN (P). THE COMMANDER OF THE 90TH REGT,
 NGUYEN VU, IS PRESENTLY LIVING AT MIAN BIEU (2) (H) (ID 312505), TRIEU
 THUONG (V), TRIEU PHONG (D), QUANG TRI (P). THE LOCAL GUERRILLAS OF
 TRIEU DO (V), AND TRIEU GIANG (V), TRIEU PHONG (D), QUANG TRI (P),
 AND THE GUERRILLAS OF HAI LANG (D), QUANG TRI (P), ARE TO SUPPLY FOOD FOR
 THE 90TH REGT. *THANKS RATES (F-6)*

9. - 15. REG

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1. THIRD PATROLING THIRD MESSAGE

(a) RELAYED MESSAGE. AT 041344Z, 3/4 ELEM AT (ID 171723) REC SEVERAL MSG OF SMILE FIRE IN THE OF (ID 170739).

(b) AT 043000Z, 3/4 ELEM AT (ID 171732) ONE 1 MSG ACROSS BOMB BARRY. OPENED FIRE WITH THE RESULTS.

(c) AT 051200Z, 3/4 ELEM AT (ID 171739) DISCOVERED AND KNEW 5 FINESTING HOLES AND 10 NOT RECENTLY MADE. ALSO FOUND 2 MVA BODIES PARTLY DECOMPOSED. 2 MSG BIA (ONE) COOKING UTENSILS. FOR ALL GEAR TO BE OF.

2. THIRD PATROLING THIRD MESSAGE

(a) RELAYED MESSAGE. AT 044500Z, 3/3 ELEM AT (ID 202725) FOUND ONE TYPE GINEROS GEAR. BE SPECIALLY TALKED ABOUT 1 DAY OLD. FOR TO BE OF.

3. THIRD PATROLING THIRD MESSAGE

(a) RELAYED MESSAGE. AT 044500Z, 2/1 ELEM AT (ID 110730) REC 3 MSG OF BOMB MORT FIRE, NOT FIRE AT (ID 107709), (ID 110730), (ID 110731), (ID 097723).

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(b) AT 050945H, 2/1 ELMS REC 32 NOS OF 82MM MORT AND 5 NOS OF 65MM ANTI FINE, SET FINE AT (YD 124712), (YD 079723), (YD 112722), (YD 124722), (YD 064776), (YD 064877), (YD 070748), (YD 125755), (YD 074732), (YD 102732), (YD 127774).

4. FIRST ATTACHED FRONT PAGE

(a) DELAYED RETEL. AT 041515H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 100650) ONE 3 HENRY IN OPEN AT (YD 107665) CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE WFS. FIRED ANTI, 1 NVA POSS HIT.

(b) AT 042300H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 133646) ONE 1 NVA WITH NOB AT (YD 117653). CALLED MORT MEN, RESULTS UNK.

(c) AT 042300H, 1/4 ELMS OBS 1 NVA WEARING COOLIE HAT MOVING NORTH INTO CLUMP OF BUSHES AT (YD 127656). FIRED MORT MEN, RESULTS UNK.

(d) AT 042345H, 1/4 ELMS OBS 2 NVA MOVING EAST, 1 CARRYING SATCHEL LIKE OBJECT AND 1 CARRYING WFS. FIRED MORT MEN, RESULTS UNK.

(e) AT 050030H TO 050050H, 1/4 ELMS REC 2 NOS OF 82A, 1 RD FM UNK LOC, and 1 RD FM APPROX 4000 MILLS.

(f) AT 050300H, 1/4 ELMS REC 1 RD OF 82A FM (YD 145649). FIRED

ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(g) AT 050030Z, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 137070) OBS 4-5 U/I FEMALE PERSONS CROSSING HONG CHATER AT (YD 135665) MOVING NW. FIRED MORT RMR, RESULTS UNK.

A. AIR ACTIVITY**1. AO'S**

(a) A TOTAL OF 20.1 HRS OF VR FLWNN OVER EASTERN CHANG TRI (P) BY DONG MA AO'S ON 4 JAN 66. AT (YD 087714) AO OBS 3 WHEELED BUS ALONG TRAIL, ALSO OBS A TUNNEL ENTRANCE 20M TO THE NW. OBS NO ACTIVITY. AT (YD 084774) AO OBS NVA IN MIAKI CARRYING BOXES (2X4 FT) TO SOUTH. FIRED (ISTHUS K) ACCOUNTING FOR 6 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 123730) AO OBS NEW BUNKERS AND TRAILS. AT (YD 123744) AS OBS APPROX 12 NVA MOVING E ON EN TRAIL, CALLED ARTY NO EFFECT, NVA MOVED INTO BUNKER, RAN A/S (FOUNAL 112) NO EFFECT. AO OBS FRESH TRAILS NW OF SID LINE, ALSO EXTENSIVE TRAIL NETWORK. AT (YD 194812) AO OBS BUNKER COMPLEX. AT (YD 253896) AO OBS 2 DUG IN BUNKERS WITH 6 ANTENNAS, POSS C.P. AT (YD 17347504). AO OBS 5 NVA IN BUNKER AND TRENCHLINE, FIRED (ISERAGOS "A") ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

C. OTHER**1. BROWN**DISTRIBUTION:
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(g) - ~~DELAYED ENTRY~~ AT 040737H, RECON TEAM 103 AT (YD 095614)

THEY CONTACTED WITH SOUTH VIETNAM FORCES
PATROL NOTICED PATROL HILLTOP AND
OPENED FIRE. RETURNED FIRE. 11/11/66
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4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES**A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR PERIODS PERIOD**

1. ENEMY KIA 1d
2. DETAILED 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WTES: 0/0 NEG
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.2.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF

051000H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 393⁴2. DETAILED 55

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3. WTES CAPTURED 53: 39/145. - 15. NEG

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PERLHA 44 JAN 66 00 00 00 00 00 00

1. NINE MARINES INTSM NR 65, ONE MORE UGKY

2. 051000H - 064000H JAN 66

3. SUMMARY OF ARMY ACTIVITY

11 INCIDENTS: 3 IN INCIDENTS, 2 SNIPER/RAFFASSING, 1 MORT/ARTY

4. GROUND FORCE

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

- (a) ~~RECEIVED~~ ~~RECEIVED~~ AT 051515H, 3/4 PER REP AT (ID 168738) REC
4 ADS OF SNIPER FIRE FM UNK LOC.
- (b) AT 060130H, 3/4 ALMS OBS MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF LINE. EST
4-5 ENEMY. FIRED S/A AND M-79. SAW OBJECT FALL IN FRONT OF LINE. CHECKED
OUT LINE AND REC S/A FIRE. MET FIRE RESULTS UNK.
- (c) AT 060800H, 3/4 ALMS REC 4 ADS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (ID 172743),
(ID 180739). FIRED S/A AND ARTY M81, WITH NO RESULTS.
- (d) AT 061000H, 3/4 SNIP AT (ID 145720) FOUND 4 OLD BUNKER WITH
THE WOODS OF 51500 FT WITH 10-12 INCH OVERHEAD OF LOGS AND DIRT. BUNKERS
HAD CONNECTING TRENCHES. PLOTTED ON MAPS FOR A LATER DATE OF DESTRUCTION.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

- (a) AT 051850H, 3/3 ALMS SNIP AT (ID 192720) DISCOVERED AND DEST
2 BUNKERS, 4 FIGHTING HOLES. EST 1-2 M81 OLD, BUT OCCUPIED LAST 2-3 DAYS.
ALSO FOUND 1 MVA E-TOOL, 1 MVA PACK. FWD TO HQ CP.

3. SECOND BATTALION EIGHTH MARINES

- (a) AT 060140H, 2/9 ALMS AT (ID 152606) HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR

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(PAGE 2 OF 2) THEN 1 FLAG AND ILLUM GREN. MOVEMENT CEASED, AREA CHECKED WITH NO
RESULTS.

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4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARKERS

(a) AT 060055H, 2/1 KMS AT (YD 114702) REC 1 NO OF 60MM MORT FIRE FR (YD 114004).

(b) AT 061030H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 129686) FOUND 26 MORT POS WITH 5 AIMING STAKES PER POS. ALSO FOUND 2 TUNNELS, 1 RTA SHELTER HALF. FIRST TUNNEL TO SMALL TO ENTER, SECOND TUNNEL ENTRANCE 1 METER SQUARE, NOT WENT 4 FT DOWN, TURNED RIGHT WENT 4 FT DOWN. WHILE SEARCHING AREA FOUND TRAILS THAT APPEARED TO BE RECENTLY USED. PLOTTED 3 MORT POS, DIRECTION OF 1ST IS 1000 MILLS, 2ND WAS 4700 MILLS, 3RD WAS 0600 MILLS. THREW YELLOW SMOKE INTO 1ST TUNNEL DID NOT FIND EXIT, 2ND TUNNEL LOOKED LIKE BOMB SHELTER. SHELTER HALF ENDS TO BE CP.

(c) AT 061152H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 130689) FOUND FRESH TANGERINE PEELS 10-15 MINUTES OLD, AND SIX UNFIRED 90MM SHELLS STRIPPED OF EXPLOSIVE MATERIAL.

5. FIRST BATTALION FIRST MARKERS

(a) AT 060005H, 1/4 KMS AT (YD 127670) OBS MOVEMENT AT (YD 135670) FIRED MORT MSN AND ARTY MSN, RESULTS UNK.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

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4. AG'S

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(a) A TOTAL OF 24.2 HRS OF VB FLOW OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BYONG MA AO'S ON 5 JAN 68. IN VIC OF (ID 1272) AO OBS AREA WAS COVERED WITH BUNKERS, TRENCHES, CAVES AND TEMPORARY STRUCTURES. TRAILS IN AREA IMMEDIATE RECENT USE. A/C SAC 100 RDS OF 30 CAL FIRE FM (ID 125725) RAN A/S (NORMAL 109), (NORMAL 110) AT (ID 1-3723), (ID 125726) ACCOUNTING FOR 130 M OF TRENCH LINES DEST, 4 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 1 TUNNEL CAVED IN. AT (ID 158742) AO NOTED 5 NVA IN ENEMY'S, FIRED ARTY (158742) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (ID 126718) AO OBS 6 NVA DAMAGED, FIRED ARTY (158742) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). RAN A/S (NORMAL 513) RESUMING IN SON OF TRENCHLINE DEST, RAN A/S (NORMAL 176) AT (ID 126718) ON 6 NVA IN TRENCHLINE ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 BUNKER DEST. AT (ID 153738) AO OBS 2 NVA IN GREENS HIDING UNDER HEAVY BRUSH, RAN A/S (NORMAL 531) ACCOUNTING FOR 5 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION, 2 BUNKERS DEST, 4 FIGHTING HOLES UNCOVERED.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 11

2. RECOVERIES 0/0/0/0/0

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B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY AS OF
061000H JAN 68:

1. ARMY KIA'S 404

2. RESERVES 55

PO(NVA)/PW(VG)/RTN(NVA)/RTN(VG)/CIV DRY/INN CIV

2 1 9 1 1 52

3. WRE CAPTURED 53: 5774

5. - 7. NNG

6. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) 15TH CIT (BATED R-6) RPTS THE NVA HAVE RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED THREE ARTILLERY POS NORTH OF THE DMZ. TIAN AN (ID 166775), DUC DUC (ID 133779), AND DUC DUC (ID 125774). EACH POS SE CONSISTS OF TWO ARTILLERY PIECES AND AN AA SQ IN SUPPORT. TIAN AN (ID 166775) AND DUC DUC (ID 133779) WERE HIT ON A JACENT A-52 STRIKE BUT SUFFERED LIGHT DAMAGES. (1st major strike 17 3)

(b) 15TH CIT (BATED R-6) RPTS ONE VC PLT, COMMANDED BY NGUYEN KY, WAS LOC AT DAN DINH (N) (ID 095605) AND DU LY (N) (ID 410400). THE MGR OF THIS PLT WAS TO COLLECT RICE AT TAM MY (N) (ID 105807) AND QUANT YA (N) (ID 000393). DAN HUNG (V), DAN LO (N) BEGINNING THE NIGHT OF 3 JAN 68 AND CONTINUE FOR A

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PERIOD OF A WEEK. THIS RICE IS TO THE FOOD SUPPLY FOR A VC HOSPITAL 2

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PLICATELS NORTHWEST OF CAY THAI (N) (ID 099603) CAN HUNG (V), (THE CAN IS
 (D). THE HOSPITAL'S APPROX LOC IS (ID 082628). THE HOSPITAL IS REPORTED
 TO CONTAIN 32 WOUNDED W/ IN THE BATTLES OF HAI LANG AND HI THAI. THEY WERE
 TRANSPORTED UP THE COAST FROM HAI LANG (D) NO GED LINE (D) AND THEN TO THIS
 HOSPITAL. THE SECURITY ELEMENT FOR THIS HOSPITAL IS ONE VC MAIN FORCES
 PLT, STRENGTH UNK.

9. - 14. RND

15. LATE ENTRIES.

(a) IN REFERENCE OF SPOT REPORT 201212H PARA 1 A. I. (E) 9TH MAR'S INTERIM
 RE. 19 AND 20 VIA KIA (CONF). *TO CON PASTORALY TITUL. NOT*
~~IN 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915~~

(b) AT 200000H, RECON W/RE AT (ID 090853) REC 100 N/A, AN FIVE TH UNK
 SIZE ENEMY UNIT. 4 NVA WERE ENLIVE WITH NO COVER AND ANOTHER WORK BEAC
 P. J.'S. ENEMY WERE ARMED WITH AK-47'S AND AK-50'S. *1 NVA KIA (CONF).*

(c) AT 061142H, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 114702) REC 6 EDS OF 10/1000 H, 20 EDS
 OF 5200 HORT, 12 EDS OF 1200 H HORT FEE IN (ID 092723), (ID 115755),
 (ID 104719), (ID 087727), (ID 095696), (ID 097704), (ID 106719), (ID 123724),
 (ID 138722), (ID 114728), (ID 078740), (ID 090715).

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1. NINTH MARINES LITSON AB 66, OFF KENTUCKY
2. 060000H - 071800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

10 INCIDENTS: 4 EN INITIATED, 2 MORT/ARTY, 1 MINE/HOUST TRAP
 1 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 061810H, 3/4 ELMS AT (ID 170742) REC 3 EDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (ID 173744).

(b) AT 071342H, 3/4 ELMS AT (ID 170742) REC SEVERAL EDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM EST 7-10 NVA. SENT OUT PTL AND LINKED UP WITH PTL ARTY MEN BEING CALLED IN. RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELA YAO ESTBL AT 061610H, IN REFERENCE TO SPT RPT 051820H, 9TH MAR'S INTERVIEW IN 65 THE FOLLOWING GEAR WAS FOUND IN HUNTER. 1 LETTER, WRITTEN IN VIETNAMESE, 1 UNTIE PATCH, 1 FACE CAMOUFLAGED DEVICE. FWD TO HQ GT.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELA YAO ESTBL AT 064300H, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 115687) ADZAR HIT AN AT MINE OR SIMILAR DEVICE CONTAINING AMMOSSIVE EQUIVALENT TO APPROX 10 TO 15 LBS OF C-4.

(b) AT 061900H, 2/1 ELMS AT (ID 114702) REC 5 TO 7 EDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE, RPT FIRE AT (ID 095694), (ID 133693), (ID 149655), (ID 119726).

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(c) AT 062105H, 2/1 ELMS OBS MOVEMENT APPROX 45M SW OF LINE 3 AT (ID 114686). SPOTTED INDIVIDUAL RUNNING IN SOUTHERLY DIRECTION, CALLED COMM MORT AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(d) AT 062130H, 2/1 ELMS REC 5 ROL OF 82MM MORT FIRE FR (ID 129709).

(e) AT 062355H, 2/1 ELMS OBS MAN APPROX 100M SW LINE 3 THROUGH STARLIGHT SCOPE. FIRED M-79, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(f) AT 070001H, 2/1 ELMS HEARD SUSPECTED MORT FIRE A. (ID 135690) DID NOT OBS IMPACT, FIRED MORT AND, NEG RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AQ'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 26.3 HRS OF VA FLIGHT OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AQ'S ON 6 JAN 68. AT (ID 122717) AQ OBS 12 NVA CARRYING 2 BODIES IN A PREVIOUS ACTION, NVA MOVED INTO BUNKERS, FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). COM THIN TOO. INCOMING MORT FIRE SUSPECTED THIS IS OUR POS AT (ID 086682), BUT NOT CONFIRMED DUE TO FRIENDLY ARTY. AT (ID 122717) AQ SAW A/S ON BUNKER COMPLEX AND NVA TROOPS WHO RAN NORTH, ACCOUNTING FOR 60M TRENCH DEST, 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (ID 143728) AQ OBS OLD TRENCH HAS A RECENTLY REMOVED BUNKERS, AND FRESH TRAILS, AT (ID 141728)

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AO OBS WATERPOINT HAS RECENT USE. AO OBS AREA NORTH OF A-5 HAS NEW
HVI MARKERS, AND HVI TRAIL USE IN VIC OF (XD 1775). AT (ID 248768) AO
HAS A/C ARTY USE (ISLERWOOD "A") ON NVA IN JUNKIE, ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA
(CONF).

II. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 5
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WEAP: 0/0 NEW
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN PERIOD AS OF

071800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 409
2. DETAINEES 55

PN(NVA)/PN(VG)/RTNEX(NVA)/RTNEX(VG)/CIV DRT/INN CIV
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(c) STNS CAPTURED 53: 39/145. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(a) See PARA 4.3.(a)

6. - 13. NEG

14. OTHER

(a) 3/4 PTL REPORT ON 6 JAN 68. AREA TO THE WEST OF A-3 AND NORTH-

SOUTH OF THE TRAIL CONSISTS OF HEAVY WOODED AREAS OCCASIONAL OPEN AREAS AND A LOW NET RICE PADDIES. PRIMARY VEGETATION IS SECONDARY GROWTH WITH CANOPY'S IN SOME AREAS 15 TO 20 FT IN HEIGHT. EXTENSIVE BOMBING ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE INDISTINGUISHABLY ALONG RIDGE LINES HAS CREATED OPEN AREAS 25 TO 75M WITH THE LOW NET RICE PADDIES ARE BETWEEN 25 TO 150M WIDE. OF THE HOLLING HILLS OBSERVATION IS GOOD TO THE LOW AREAS RATE OF MOVEMENT IS 800M PER HR WHILE CONDUCTING

THE PTL. 3/4 FOUND A OF AND BUNKER COMPLEX AT (XD 145720). THERE WERE 4 bunkers CONNECTED BY TRENCHES. THE DIMENSIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS: 1, 7X15 FT, 2 5X14 FT WIDE, 3 5X5 SQ 10 FT DEEP, 4 7X5 WIDE 14 DEEP. ALL BUNKERS WERE OVERHEADED BY LOGS AND DIRT 1-2 THICK, OBS FR THAT POS IT WAS EXCELLENT IN 360°, particularly of the A-3 AND CONTINUED POS. THE POS HA VZ

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NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY MONITOR, CAPTURED MUNITIONS AND SCATTERED

CHICOM OPERATIONS CAN INDICATED THAT IT HAD LOSS JUST BEEN USED.

TO OBS AND NEXT COM TIER THE FOLLOWING IN MUNITIONS AND EQUIPMENT WERE FOUND

DEST ON LOC. 1 AR-47 MAG, 1 BELT 7.62 LONG COMPLETE, 1 SOVIET GAS MASK,

5 EMPTY 82MM FUSE BOXES, 1 82MM MORT FUSE, 3 82MM MORT RDS, 1 CARTRIDGE FOR

ONE MUNITIONS IS BEING FWD AT (ID 144719), FOUND 2 TIES OF AN INKMARKER

PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS ALSO FOUND A 30 TYPE OF LEAFLET AT (ID 150703). LEAFLETS

ARE BEING FORWARDED TO HQ CP.

15. LATE ARTICLES

**(a) REF INTSUM NR 66, GEN KENTUCKY PARA 15 (a), SUSPECTED IN FIRE WAS
CONFIRMED AS 120MM MORT BY HQ.**

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PERISHABLE INFO. NO HOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 67, OPM KENTUCKY
2. 071800H - 081800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF KNOWN ACTIVITY

6 INCIDENTS: 1 EN INITIATED; 1 Company SIZE CONTACT;

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) FM 071416H TO 072325H, 3/4 ELMS ENGAGED EST NVA CO AT (YD 170742). NVA UTILIZED MANY SNIPERS. NVA TOOK PTL UNDER FIRE WITH S/A, AW. ARMY HAD FRESH DUG SNIPER HOLES AND HOLES INSIDE OF DEEP FORD WATER ACROSS UNITS FRONT. PTL RET FIRE AND CALLED ARTY MSN, ACCOUNTING FOR 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 28 BY AIA (CONF).

(b) AT 081416H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 177742) UNS 12 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 175747). RETD NVA WITHIN 20M IN LOSS ARSON FIRE SITE. CALLED ARTY MSN, RESULTS UNK.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENEMY. AT 071300H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 197720), DISCOVERED AND DEST 40 M-16 RIFLES, 16 FIRING DEVICES FOR M-16 RIFLES,

3 - 81MM ILLUM MOS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENEMY. AT 071600H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 144702) PICKED UP MEN WALKING SW, BY PPS-6 RADAR AT (YD 107694). FIRED MORT MSN, RESULTS UNK.

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4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 081130H, 1/4 KLAS AT (YD 118675) PTL DISCOVERED AND DEST, 1 WITH THE SIZE OF 15X15 FT WITH OPENING FACING N AND S, 1 WITH THE SIZE OF 4X5X5 FT WITH OPENING FACING EAST.

(b) AT 081230H, 1/4 KLAS AT (YD 105647) FOUND ROUND/PLT SIZE BUNKER COMPLEX, ALSO 10 BKS OF 42MM MORT, 6 BKS OF 60MM MORT, AIMING STAKES, OLD NVA G-4TS, SEVERAL SETS OF FRESH FOOTPRINTS. ARMED AND GEAR DEST.

5. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 22.6 HRS OF VA FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 6 AND 7 JAN 68. AT (YD 115744) AO OBS 5 NVA CARRYING OBJECT, POSS MORT, TROOPS WERE MOVING TO EAST ALONG TRAIL, BAN A/S (HELBORN 505) AND (LOVEBUE 504) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 3 BUNKERS DEST. AT (YD 121657) AO OBS NVA WHO WERE IN PURSUIT OF BROWN TEAM FM THE SOUTH, BAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 BUNKER DEST.

6. OTHER

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(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 061720H, MCOON TEAM 202 AT

(YD 110632) ONE COMPANY OF NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST. THEY WERE COMPLETELY CAMOUFLAGED, EQUIPMENT, PACKS, RIFLES. SV. TRIED TO SURROUND PTL. PTL MOVED OUT OF AREA AND WAS AMBUSHED BY 2ND GROUP OF VNK SIDE. CALLED FOR GUNSHOTS AND AO. RESULTS UNK.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

1. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 9 44

2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WEPS: 0/0 MRO

(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA 4.4.(b)

(c) PROLOGUES: SEE PARA 4.4.(a), 4.1.(a)

2. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KUSTUCKY AS OF

081800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 440

2. DETAINEES 55

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3. WINS CAPTURED 53: 39/14

5. - 4. WINS

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15. LATE ENTRIES.

(a) AT 061320H, RECON TEAM 282 OBS 10 NV. IN THE LINE AT (YD 100646) WEARING BRACK'S PACKS, RIFLES AND GAT BELTS. PTL CALLED ARTY MSN. PTL DIDN'T CHECK AREA BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT MORE EN IN AREA. POINT MAN OBS ARTY MSN ON TARGET, ACCOUNTING FOR 15 NVA KIA (CONF), AND 13 NVA KAW (CONF) TO CUMULATIVE TOTALS, 2 PREVIOUS COUNTED BY AG'S.

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1ST AM TRAC BN
15TH CPT
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PARISHABLE INFO. DO NOT EXHIBIT

1. NINTH MARINES INTERIM NR 68, OMMENTUCKY
2. 081800H - 091800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

7 INCIDENTS:

ENEMY ACTIVITY REMAINS LIGHT IN 9TH MAR'S AO

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 091130H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 145720) DISCOVERED AND DEST

~~PROV PROBABLY~~
4 BUNKERS PROBABLY RPTD IN SPT RPT 061000H 9TH MAR'S IPTSUM NR 65 PARA

A.1.(d). BUNKERS SIZES WERE 4X4X5 FT WITH 2 FT OVERHEAD OF LOGS AND DIRT.

2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 082025H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 2 INDIVIDUALS WALKING IN SOUTHERLY DIRECTION AT (YD 117686). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED, CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 082035H, ~~2/1~~ 2/1 ELMS OBS 3 SEPARATE ENEMY MOVEMENTS ON PPS-6 RADAR AT (YD 122709). CALLED NR FIRE, MOVEMENT IMMEDIATELY CEASED. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

3. DELAYED ENTRY. AT 081700H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 126666) OBS 1 SNIPER 400M WEST OF PER AT (YD 124665). SNIPER MOVED INTO TRENCH. FIRED MORT MSN, RESULTS UNK.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 11.0 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P)

DISTRIBU DONG HA AO'S ON 8 JAN 68. AT (YD 175747) AO OBS 4 NVA MANNING A AW POS.
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RAF SUBMERSIBLES ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 14707362) ONE NVA IN A TRENCHLINE. FIRED ARTY MOW, RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 BURNED, 40M OF TRENCH DEST. IN VTC OF (YD 1774) 10 ONE 10 NVA BURNED IN REAR'S INSIDE A RARE-WEST TRENCHLINE, RAF 1/8 (LOVING 505) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 104756) 10 ONE 5 NVA IN OPEN, FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 3 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 130756) 10 ONE NVA IN BURNED, FIRED ARTY MOW, ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

6. RECON

1. RECON

(a) DELAYED RECON. AT 061010Z, RECON TEAM 303 AT (YD 156641) ONE 2 TO BURNED MOVING EAST 300M EAST OF ISL AT (YD 140640). FTL ONE NO EQUIPMENT.

(b) DELAYED RECON. AT 061130Z, RECON TEAM 303 AT (YD 153643) FTL FOUND 6-10 BUILDINGS WITH 100M HILL AROUND THEM. HER CORRIDORS OF PORCHES SPACED 10M APART, WITH THE GRID OF 5X5X5 FT, 4-6 MONTHS OLD. NO SIGNS OF BURNED VIL.

4. ARTY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOCATIONS

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A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. **ENEMY KIA** 10
2. **DETAINERS** 0/0/0/0/0
3. **EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED**
 - (a) **WPNS:** 0/0 NONE
 - (b) **EQUIPMENT:** NONE
 - (c) **FACILITIES:** SEE PARA A.1.(a), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF

091800H JAN 68;

1. **ENEMY KIA** 463
2. **DETAINERS** 55
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTMR(NVA)/RTMR(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
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3. **WPNS CAPTURED** 53; 39/14

5. - 7. **WBG****8. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION**

(a) 15TH CIT RTDTS (RATED C-3) ONE MAIN FORCE CO, OF THE 270TH BN, 99TH

REGT, COMMANDED BY HOANG MANH, COMBINED FORCES WITH A COMPANY OF LOCAL

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GUERRILLAS, WHICH IS COMMANDED BY NG THAI DUYN. THEY WEAR NO DISTINGUISHABLE UNIFORM, AND THEIR STRENGTH IS APPROX 120 MEN. THEY OPERATE IN THE AREA AROUND DAI HO (N) (YD 254629), AND DUE TO (N) (YD 245672), CAN THUNG (V), CAN HO (D), QUANG THI (P). THEY COLLECT A HIGH TAX, WHICH THEY USE TO FEED THEMSELVES. (PH WARS BUT AKAHAI OPH HAKEN OF 27th INDY ISN)

(b) 19TH GFT RPTG (RATED G-3) ON 2 JAN 68, TWO SPECIAL NVA BN'S INFILTRATED INTO THE DMZ. ONE BN IS LOC AT THUY HEN (N) (YD 243709), CAN PHO (N) (YD 236764), AND NUEN HI (N) (YD 250799), THUNG HAI (V), THUNG HONG (D), QUANG THI (P). THE OTHER NVA BN IS LOC AT HAI ON (N) (YD 146776), AND CAN SON (N) (YD 004753), THUNG SON (V), THUNG LOUNG (D), QUANG THI (P). EACH BN IS ARMED WITH THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS: 3-82MM MORTARS, 82MM MORTARS, WHICH ARE MOUNTED ON VEHICLES, WITH AN AIMING SECTION, NINE INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS. THESE TWO BN'S WILL REPEAT THE 170TH REGT, 325TH DIV. THEIR MISSION IS TO DESTROY THE ELECTRONIC FORCE AT THE DMZ.

(c) 19TH GFT RPTG (RATED P-3) AT THE PRESENT TIME, A LARGE NUMBER OF GUERRILLAS FROM THUY AT (V), THUNG HONG (D), QUANG THI (P), AND THUNG PHONG (V), HAI LICH (D), QUANG THI (P), HAVE COMBINED WITH A LOCAL A UNIT

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COMPANY, WHICH IS COMMANDED BY NGAN TU, AND IS LOC AT SA BUNG (N) (ID 107 465), THINH THONG (V), MAI LIEN (N), QUANG TRI (P). THEY HAVE MADE SIXTY-SIXTH OF RANDOO (THEY ARE STILL MAKING THEM) 1 METER BY .00 METER. THEY PLAN TO DIG HOLES, HIDE IN THE HOLES, AND PLACE THE RANDOO GUNTS OVER THE HOLES, SO THEY WON'T BE DISCOVERED, AND AMBUSH ANY MARINE PTLS NEAR KINH KINH (N) (ID 315504), AN BAN (N) (ID 526514), AND KINH PHONG (N) (ID 302490), ALL OF WHICH ARE UNDER IN THINH THONG (V), MAI LIEN (N), QUANG TRI (P). THEY STATED THAT IN THE "RED-CAP" CAMPAIGN, THE AMERICANS WERE UNHELPFUL IN THEIR BUSINESS, AND PREVENTION, OF SUCH AN AMBUSH.

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1. BARRIERS AND MINES

(a) AT 10400N, 3/4 MINE RM (ID 182737) TO (ID 177537) DISCOVERED AND NEXT 2 MINES 3/4 FT WITH 2 1/2 FT THICK OVERHEAD CONSTRUCTED OF BENT AND BANDO. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

(b) AT 101407N, 3/4 MINE RM 7 NOS OF SHAPER FIRE RM (ID 146738).

2. BARRIERS AND MINES

(a) DELAYED MINE. AT 070015N, 3/3 MINE AT (ID 206721) FOUND 10 FRESHLY BUC FIGHTING MINES WHICH HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED. HOLES WERE LOC ON SIDE OF ROAD WHICH PROVIDED EXCELLENT OBS FIELD OF FIRE ON ROUTE 544. 9 HOLES WHICH HAD NO OVERHEAD WERE 3/4 FT IN DIAMETER AND OTHER WAS 1 SHAPER AND PARTIALLY COMPLETED. HOLES NOT TO 12-24 HOURS OLD.

(b) DELAYED MINE. AT 070015N, 3/3 MINE AT (ID 206721) FOUND 6 CRATES OF CORN CANISTERS AND BANDO. ALL BANDO AND CANISTERS WERE EMPTY.

(c) DELAYED MINE. AT 070015N, 3/3 MINE AT (ID 182722) ON SECURITY ON BARRIERS. MINES DISCOVERED 5 MINES IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN OLD FRENCH MINE FIELD. MINES WERE IMPLACED IN 3 EAST-WEST LINES, ABOUT 30 PAGES APART AND STAGGERED ABOUT 30 PAGES BETWEEN LINES. SOME OF THE MINES WERE TOO DEEP FOR MINE DETECTOR. MINES ARE 9 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND

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6 INCHES. ENTIRE TOP OF MINES ARE 14.5000 TYPE PLATES 2 INCHES THICK. TNT CHARGE IS NOT 100LBS AND 4 INCH THICK, AND IS CENTERED IN MINES. MINES WERE MARKED 3A-5-62 ON SIGNS. 3 MINES WERE DESTROYED, 2 INTERMEDIATELY DESTROYED.

(4) MINES DESTROYED. AT 091500H, 3/3 MINES AT PER REF FOUND 6 STRANDS OF ROPE: 1 HON CUT AND 1 TAIL PLANE REMAINED.

(5) AT 100400H, 3/3 MINES AT (ID 207714) FOUND 1 MINER/MINER PIT SURROUNDED BY A SHOOTING HOLE. ALSO AT (ID 173715) FOUND 1 MINER UNDER HOLE. AT (ID 177714) FOUND APPROX 35 SHOOTING HOLES AND 2-4000 MORT PITS. PITS WERE ONE IN FRONT OF OTHER SOUTH. AT (ID 207717) FOUND 1 MORE MINER 1 MORT PIT AND NUMEROUS SHOOTING HOLES. DISCOVERED ALL FACILITIES.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST BATTALION

(a) AT 092000H, 2/1 MINES AT (ID 110704) ONE MOVEMENT WITH PIR-4 15 AT (ID 120712). MOVEMENT WAS OBSERVED BY, CALLED MORT MEN AND MOVEMENT CRASHED.

(b) AT 090000H, 2/1 MINES ONE MOVEMENT WITH PIR-4 AT (ID 139701). CALLED MORT MEN, MOVEMENT CRASHED. SMALL RESULTS ONLY.

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(a) AT 092225H, 2/1 KLAS AT (ID 116705) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PFL-5 AT (ID 122711). CALLED BOMB BOMB, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(a) AT 092315H, 2/1 KLAS OBS 3 SWA WITH SPALLMENT SCOPES MOVED IN WESTERLY DIRECTION. FIRED B-77 AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(a) AT 100805H, 2/1 KLAS AT (ID 116705) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PFL-5 AT (ID 117712) CALLED BOMB, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(x) AT 101115H, 2/1 KLAS AT (ID 116608) SEARCHED AREA WHERE BOMB ACTIVITY WAS PREVIOUSLY RPTD, FOUND BOMB MARKS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINE

(a) REMOVED BOMB. AT 091300H, 1/4 PTL VIC OF (ID 120607) FOUND 2 BUNKERS 6M, 4 FT HIGHER NORTH, WITH WIRE ATTACHED LEADING TO GROUND, THREW 1 GREN INTO BUNKER RESULTING IN SECONDARY EXPLOSION. PTL FOUND 2 GAT BELTS, 1 GAS MASK, 2 B-77 BBS, 1 MFG MD, 1 45 CAL HOLSTER, 6 B-TOOLS, CLAYMORE GREN, FIRST AID KITS, 1 SWA HELMET AND MISC 702 GEAR. FWD TO HQ.

(b) REMOVED BOMB. AT 091315H, 1/4 KLAS AT (ID 131673) WHILE ON SECURITY IN FOR BOMB, OBS BOMB ON TRAIL DRESSED IN USK TYPE OF CLOTHING.

~~FIRED B-77 AND BOMB BOMB INTO BOMB, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.~~

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(a) AT 100630Z, 1/4 KLAS AT (ID 133601) FOUND BVA MONT 106
CONSISTING OF 9 HILLS WITH SUN TOS AND WOODEN AIMING STAKES, RPED FOR
FUTURE M & I'S.

(d) AT 100650Z, 1/4 KLAS AT (ID 133601) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1
EMPTY BUNKER 51213 FT.

(e) AT 100650Z, 1/4 KLAS DISCOVERED AND DEST 3 BUNKERS, SET UP TO
COVER 360°. BUNKERS AVE AVERAGED 51513 FT. 1 BUNKER CONTAINED 20 M-16
RGS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AIRS

(a) A TOTAL OF 6.6 HRS OF VJ EK FLIGH OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P)
BY DONG HA AD'S ON 9 JAN 68. AT (ID 230743) AO OBS BUNKER COMPLEX, FIRED
ARTY (INERMOON A1) AND (INERMOON A2) ACCOUNTING FOR 4 VJ KLAS (CONF).
IN VIC OF (ID 1312) AO OBS MANY WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING N & S. IN VIC
OF (ID 1075) AO OBS SEVERAL LARGER BUNKER AND TUNNEL COMPLEXES, ALSO MANY
RECENTLY USED TRAILS.

C. OTHER

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(a) AT 101120H, KNOON TEAM 2-4 AT (ED 144465) TEAM MOVING
 8 WHEN REAR MAN ON 23 NVA IN A HARBOR TYPE. TEAM MADE SEMI-CIRCLE
 AROUND NVA, FIRED 1/4 RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA PW, 1 AR-15 RIFLE,
 2 KNIVES, 2 GARY BELTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 6
2. DEATHS 1/0/0/0/0/0
3. REQUIREMENTS CAPTURED OR ACQUIRED
 - (a) WEAP: 3/0 SEE PARA 4.1.(a)
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA 4.2.(b)(c), 4.4.(a), 4.1.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA 4.1.(a), 4.2.(c), 4.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OVN KENTUCKY AS OF

101800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 148
2. DEATHS 94

PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/REMER(NVA)/REMER(VN)/OIV DEF/THE CIV
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3. WPBS CAPTURED 56: 42/14

5. - TS. ABC

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IN REFERENCE TO REPORT THAT
 1- THE INT. SEC. 6-6 DECTC
 1 NVA KIA (CONF) PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN
 1- THE TOT. 1/1

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PERISHABLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUL RM 70, OPM KENTUCKY
2. 101800Z - 111800Z JAN 68
3. SUBJECT OF AGENT ACTIVITY

14 INCIDENTS: 3 INITIATED; 1 MINE/BOOMY TRAP; 1 MORT/ARTY; 1 SNIPER
 HARASSING

AGENT ACTIVITY HAS INCREASED IN 9TH MAR'S AO DURING THIS PERIOD. COM

TAKEN REC 2 MDS OF 82MM MORT WHICH WAS FIRST INCOMING IN 4 DAYS.

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 110045H, S/A SNEAK AT (ID 182749) DISCOVERED AND DEST 5 BUNKERS 4X4X3 FT WITH 2 FT OVERHEAD CONSTRUCTED OF LOGS. ALSO FOUND 2 RST 75MM OR 85MM RR BDS WITH CANNISTERS AND 2 RST GRT MILTS WITH 6 CHICOM GRENES AND 1 COVER HANGING ON BELT. ALL BUNKERS DEST, AND ALL OTHER GEAR FND TO BN CP.

(b) AT 111045H, S/A PTL AT (ID 175754) MADE CONTACT WITH 2-10 NVA ^{ENCOUNTERED} WELL ENTRENCHED AND EMPLOYED SWIPING, S/A, AM FIRE, ALSO FOUND 2 CHICOM MOOSE TRAPS. RET FIRE WITH S/A, M-79, AND MORT MEN, MOVED UP TO CHECK AREA AND FOUND 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 AK-47 RIFLES, 1 CHICOM CLAYMORE ^{TYPE} IIFE MINE. CONTACT BROKEN, CALLED ARTY ^{MAN} ON ENTRENCHMENT/ENEMY ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 111105H, PTL DISCOVERED AND DEST LARGO COMPLEX OF LIVING AND FIGHTING BUNKERS AT (ID 176750). BUNKERS HAD MANY SIGNS OF RECENT USE. LOOKED LIKE ENEMY DEPARTED HASTILY. ALSO FOUND 1 BUNKER ^{WITH} A WARM BOWL OF RICE, 1 RPG-2, 3 RPG BDS, 1 CANNON, 2 AK-47 RIFLES, 1 ^{TYPE} MINE, 1 SHOTGUN RIFLE. ALL GUNS FND TO BN CP.

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 101300H, 3/3 ^{MS}ELMS WITH ^{MS}ENIGS DISCOVERED AND
 DEST 1 AT NINE, NO IDENTIFIED MINES PREVIOUSLY FOUND, AS SOVIET TYPE TM 41
 211017/2004

3. SECOND BATTALION FIFTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 100550H, 2/9 AMMUN AT (YD 122627) HEARD
 DIGGING SOUNDS NEAR ROAD. FIRED M-79 AND MORT ILLUM, ^{MS}NO RESULTS. UNK.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 101915H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) PICKED UP ENEMY BY RADAR
 AT (YD 125695).

(b) AT 102695H, 2/1 ELMS M&C 2 NOS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(c) AT 102200H, 2/1 ELMS DETECTED ENEMY ^{MS}MOVEMENT BY RADAR AT
 (YD 127697). FIRED MORT M&M, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(d) AT 102330H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 127697) WHILE SETTING IN, I-FL
 MADE CONTACT WITH EST ENEMY SQD, CONTACT WAS BROKEN WITH NO RESULTS.

(e) AT 111215H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 144708) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1
 BUNKER 31313 FT COVER WITH DIRT AND LOGS.

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5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 111017H, 1/A SNEEP AT (ID 123666) DISCOVERED A NO BUST
VIA S
MET NO OF UNK ORIGIN STUCK IN TREE. NO MRS APPROX 1 FT IN LENGTH, 1 1/2 INCH
IN DIAMETER AND HAD A CONE SHAPED TAIL. A DRAWING OF MET FWD TO HQ CP. ^{CLARK} 32 CAT
DESCRIPTION OF MET APPEARS TO BE HPG-2.

(b) AT 111045H, 1/A ELASAT (ID 124666) OBS 1 NVA 500M NW OF PCB
AT (ID 119675). NVA WORE BLACK PONGHO WITH LIGHT COLORED HELMET. NO
WPN OBS. FIRED M-79 AND S/A AS NVA RAN INTO BUSH. CALLED ARTY MEN,
RESULTS UNK.

B. AIR ACTIVITY**1. AO(S)**

(a) A TOTAL 21.1 MRS OF VN FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P)
BY DONG HA AO'S ON 10 JAN 68. AT (ID 067764) AO OBS NEW BUNKERS ALONG
D3
TRAIL, SOME COMPLETED OTHERS PARTIALLY. IN (ID 075742) AND (ID 075739)
AO OBS 10 MEN IN CHAIRS AND WHEELS. THIS CROSSING POINT NVA USED. AT
(ID 071740) AO OBS NEW BUNKERS. AT (ID 063737) AO OBS HEAVILY FORTIFIED
AREA. AT (ID 064744) AO OBS 25-30 BOXES OF SUPPLIES BROWN AND GREEN SPREAD

— ~~OUT ALONG TRAIL. FIRED ARTY DEST APPROX 15 AND DAMAGING THE BUNKERS.~~ —
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IN VIC OF (YD 1974), (YD 1975) AS ONE 4-6 MIA MOVING NORTH ALONG WESTSIDE OF RR, TWO MORE CARRYING 2 HODIES. AT (YD 19753) AS ONE MY SUMMER COMPLEX, WHERE ^{The} THERE WERE APPARENT TO BE ^{HEAD} ~~REMOVED~~.

5. OTHER

1. RECON

(a) DELAIED ENTRY. AT 101340H, RECON TEAM 3-1 AT (YD 103449) FIRED ARTY AT SUMMER COMPLEX AT (YD 090654). ONE 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(b) DELAIED ENTRY. AT 101700H, RECON TEAM 3-1 AT (YD 101659) ONE 4 MUNKERS AT (YD 098607) ~~ONE~~ 3 FT NOT OVER TWO DAYS OLD. MUNKERS LOOKED LIKE THEY WERE NOT COMPLETED.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 3

2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WHS: 6/2 SEE PARA A.1.(b)

(b) EQUIPMENT: see para A.1.(a)

(c) FACILITIES: see para A.1.(a), A.1.(b), A.1.(c)

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4. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR GVN KENTUCKY AS OF

111800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 47²

2. REMAINS 56

PN(NVA)/PW(VN)/MTHS(NVA)/MTHS(VN)/CIV D&F/EN CIV
1 1 0 1 1 50

3. ENVS CAPTURED 64: 48/16

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(a) SEE PARA A.2.(a)

6. - 17. END

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15. LATE ENTRIES.

(a) AT 101620H, A RECON PTL IN VIC OF (ID 101614) ENCOUNTERED 2 NVA/VC ON TRAIL. ENEMY APPEARED TO BE CARRYING A RET LAUNCHER DEVICE SIMILAR TO A 3.5 MGT LAUNCHER AND 1 AR-47 MRL. RECON TOOK THE EN UNDER FIRE ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

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SENSITIVE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINE'S INTSUM NR 71, OPM KENTUCKY
2. 111800H - 121800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF EVENT ACTIVITY

15 INCIDENTS: ~~XXXX~~ 5 BE INITIATED; 2 MORT/ARMY; 2 MINE/BOOBY TRAP;
 1 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 120925H, 2/9 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 132652) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 M-26 GREEN WITH GRASS ROPE WRAPPED AROUND IT. ALSO AT (YD 130667) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 81MM MORTAR DTD.

2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) RELAYED BTHY. AT 111315H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 117707) DISCOVERED BREACH IN GROUND FOR GIVING ACCESS TO MINE AREA, ALSO DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 7 BUNKERS. TROOPER HAD IN FOOT WITH PART OF FOOT IN IT.

(b) AT 111945H, 2/1 BMS AT (YD 120696) OBS MOVEMENT WITH AN/FP3-5 RADAR AT (YD 126697). ~~MOVEMENT CEASED~~ FIRED MORTAR, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(c) AT 112120H, 2/1 BMS AT (YD 124697) OBS IN MOVEMENT AT (YD 126697) FIRED M-79 AND PULLED BACK INTO LINES, AND FIRED MORTAR, NOT TO POS AND NO MOVEMENT OBS.

(d) AT 112350H, 2/1 BMS AT (YD 114702) REG 7 BMS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE FM (YD 134723).

(e) AT 120010H, 2/1 BMS OBS 1 BTHY AT (YD 120698), FIRED MORTAR AND OBS BTHY RUNNING AWAY IN FMR.

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(f) AT 120050Z, 2/1 KIMS SPOTTED 1 MINE IN TRENCHLINE AT (ID 134734) FIRED MEN OF ARMY, NO RESULTS.

(g) AT 121250Z, 2/1 KIMS AT (ID 126600) HAS 5 HDS OF SNIPER FIRE IN (ID 126600) HAS FIRE WERE N/A, NO RESULTS.

3. 1ST BATTALION FORMER MARINES

(a) DELAYED MINE. AT 111350Z, 1/4 SWEEP AT (ID 131678) DISCOVERED AND HAD 1 BOMBING MINE TYPE MINE SETTING ABOVE 1 INCH ABOVE THE GROUND. MINE LOOKED SEVERAL WEEKS OLD. ALSO FOUND ANOTHER MINE APPROX 10 FT AWAY ALREADY DETONATED.

(b) DELAYED MINE. AT 111750Z, 1/4 SWEEP AT (ID 136644) ONE X 3 EVA MOVING IN NW DIRECTION AT (ID 140665). GAINED MOST MEN, RESULTS UNK.

(c) AT 121050Z, 1/4 SWEEP AT (ID 120677) DISCOVERED AND HAD 6 FIGHTING HOLES OVER LOOKING TRAIL, ONE OF THESE WAS FILLED WITH DIRT, AND CONTAINED A SKELETON WHICH APPEARED TO 2 TO 3 MONTHS OLD. 1 EVA KIA (CONF).

3. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AD'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 25.3 HRS OF VR FLUGH OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P)

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BY BOMB RA AO'S ON 11 JAN 68. AT (YD 175756) AO OBS 2 NVA IN HAKI UNITS SITTING IN BUNKER ENTRANCE, FIRED ARTY, DAMAGED 11 BUNKERS. AT (YD 17637579) AO OBS APPROX 15 NVA BUNKERS IN HAKI'S ENTRANCE 3/4 PHL, FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 176755) AO OBS 5 NVA IN TRENCHLINE, RAN A/S (NAME 174) RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 2 BUNKERS DEST, 40M OF TRENCH DEST. AT (YD 063647) AO OBS APPROX 20 NVA BUNKERS IN GRUPTS AND NVY CAMOUFLAGED ON A TRAIL BUNKERS IN TO SR. HEK RAN 1 2 FLIGHTS OF BUNKERS ACCOUNTING FOR 7 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 176758) AO OBS APPROX 20 NVA IN TRENCHES AND BUNKERS IN GROUPS OF 2-4, FIRED ARTY ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT (YD 107753) AO OBS APPROX 15-20 NVA MOVING WEST IN TRENCH, RAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 7 NVA KIA (CONF).

C. OTHER1. RECON

(a) DELETED ENTRY. AT 114300Z, RECON TEAM 105 AT (YD 099608)

FOUND 1 CAN 10X12MM INCHES CONTAINING 1 BUNDLE OF ROCKS MARKING HAZARD. CIVILIAN CLOTHING, AND SUPPLIES.

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 111130H, 1-CON TEAM 103 AT (YD 101600)

DIRECTOR AND DIST 1 BRANCH EARLY REPORT TO ACCOMPANY 8 MDT, A CHASING, 1 TO 10 WATER BASIN.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 111740H, 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING

SWATH BEARING OF THE VESSEL AT (YD 145 58). 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING.

4. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVINGA. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING1. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING2. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING3. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING(a) 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING(b) 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING(c) 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVINGB. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING

121000H JAN 68;

1. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING2. 1-CON TEAM 4-2 C-1 HVA MOVING

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IN(NVA)/ON(VG)/RUMEX(NVA)/RUMEX(VG)/CIV D/F/INH CIV

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3. NEW CAPTURED 64: 48/15**TECHNICAL DATA**5. NEW OBSERVED AND BARRELS

(R) 801 DATA A.1.(a), A.3.(c)

6. - Asy. RET

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PUBLIABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 72, OFN KENTUCKY
2. 121800H - 131800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

15 INCIDENTS; 6 EN INITIATED; 4 SNIPER/HARASSING; 1 MONT/AMTY; 1 MINE/
BOOBY TRAP

A. GROUND FORCES

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(TO 168738). NET FIRE WITH S/A AND M-79, RESULTS UNK.

(a) AT 131240H, SNIPER WORKING WITH 3/3 OBS 3 NVA AT (TD 164736).
FIRED S/A AND 1 NVA FELL, 1 NVA KIA (CONF). TRUNK FIRED MORT MSN WITH NEG
RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 130330H, 2/9 ELMS AT (TD 145606) OBS 3 UNK PERSONS MOVING
SOUTH AT (TD 145606). FIRED M-79 AND MORT FIRE, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 121900H, 2/1 ELMS AT (TD 126704) OBS ENEMY IN FRONT OF LINES.
CALLED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(b) AT 122115H, 2/1 ELMS AT (TD 125697) DETECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT WITH
PPS-5 RADAR, SUSPECTED NEW MORT POS. FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(c) AT 130730H, 2/1 ELMS OBS 1 NVA AT (TD 177728) FIRED S/A AND M-79,
CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(d) AT 130725H, 2/1 ELMS AT (TD 123674) FOUND US JUNGLE SHIRT WITH
BLOOD STAINS, ALSO FOUND BATTLE DRESSING USED AND UNUSED.

(e) AT 130940H, 2/1 ELMS REC 1 RD OF SNIPER FIRE FM (TD 125690)

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NO CASE FM 101 AT APPROX 1000. NO B LIVED TO GARDING.

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 121400H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 119669) FOUND 2 OLD VIETNAMESE DOGS IN A BRICK TYPE STRUCTURE BEHIND A DIRT HUT. FWD TO BE 3-2.

(b) AT 122045H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 130633) HAND MOVEMENT TO DIRECT FRONT AT (YD 131634). USED STARLIGHT SCOPE AND OBS 3 NVA MOVING INTO BUSHES. FIRED MORT 100M, CHECKED AREA WITH NO RESULTS.

(c) AT 130145H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 128673) RTX 8 EOS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM AZIMUTH OF 5300 MILLS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 7.9 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER WESTERN JIANG THI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 12 JAN 68. AT (YD 157719) AO RAN 2 N/S (COMBAT 27) ON BUNKER COMPLEX AND TRUNKLINE ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF). Should Be 2

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 2

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2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(u) WFM: O/O HEG

(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A-1.(c), A-5.(a)

(c) PA LETTER: SEE PARA 110C

B. CUMULATIVE ENERGY LOSSES FOR ONE KENTUCKY AS OF

131009Z JAN 68.

1. EMPTY VIA 494

2. DETAILED 56

PM(NVA)/PM(VG)/HMMH(NVA)/HMMH(VG)/CIV DEF/IND CIV
3 1 0 1 1 20

3. WINS CAPTURED 64: 48/16

3. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(A) SEE PARA 4.9. (B)

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15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) IN REFERENCE TO SPT RPT 111040N, PARA A.1.(b) 9th MAR'S INTENSIN NR TO

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
TO: 86 THIRD MARINE DIVISION
THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
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TWELFTH MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FIRST MARINES
SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
1ST AM TRAC BN
15TH CIT
7TH ITT

PERISHABLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

- 1. NINTH MARINES INFSUM NR 73, OPN KENTUCKY**
- 2. 131000H - 141000H JAN 68**
- 3. SUMMARY OF ARMY ACTIVITY**
20 INCIDENTS; 3 NN INITIATED; 3 MONT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131345H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 147724) OBS 6

NVA MOVING W TO E AT (YD 137737). CALLED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131440H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 147724) REC 7 RDS
OF UNK CAL ARTY BN (YD 173750).

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131415H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 147724) DISCOVERED
AND DEST 5 BUNKER 8X8X3 FT, IN 1 BUNKER FOUND 6-82MM MORT RDS WHICH WERE
BURIED, 2 SHOT GUN SHELLS, 1 GAS MASK. GAS MASK FWD TO BN CP.

(d) AT 141145H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 146693) FOUND 5 FIGHTING ~~TYPE~~ TYPE
BUNKERS CAMOFLAGED WITH 6 INCHES OF LOGS FOR OVERHEAD. MARKED FOR FUTURE
DESTR. ALSO FOUND ^{DUG} BOMB ~~TYPE~~.

(e) AT 141400H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 121695) OBS 10-13 NVA IN OPEN MOVING
TOWARD FRIENDLY POS. 2 NVA UNDER ~~BY SNIPER~~ OBSERVATION, BUILDING BUNKERS. CALLED
ARTY MSN, AND SNIPER FIRED. SWEEPER CREDITED WITH 1 NVA KIA (CONF). 1 AK-47
RIFLE CAPTURED. - 1

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3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131600H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 193733) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 BUNKERS, 4X6X6 FT, 12X2X4 FT. CONSTRUCTED OF HVY BEAMS, ENGR STAKES WITH 3 FT OF DIRT ON TOP. BELIEVED TO BE SEVERAL MONTHS OLD.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. FM 131630H TO 131800H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 165735) REC APPROX 30 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 155735), (YD 158742).

(c) AT 132340H, 3/3 AMBUSH AT (YD 170725) OBS 2 PERSONNEL 50-75M IN FRONT OF POS MOVING TOWARD AMBUSH. FIRED S/A AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(d) AT 140730H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170725) FOUND FOOT PRINTS THAT INDICATED PEOPLE HAD WALKED ^{ABLEAST} ~~IN~~ OF EACH OTHER, TRACKS WERE COMING FM THE WEST.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131443H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 13 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 2 RDS OF 60MM MORT, 22 RDS OF 85MM ARTY FIRE, RET FIRE AT (YD 110712), (YD 126715), (YD 112718), (YD 130698), (YD 100713), (YD 108719), (YD 132725), (YD 135745), (YD 118729), (YD 12377278), (YD 133712), (YD 132732), (YD 107723), (YD 135724), (YD 086753), (YD 134738), (YD 127740), (YD 133720).

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(YD 172758), (YD 071753), (YD 135775).

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 131730H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 122699) OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT WITH PPS-5 RADAR AT (YD 128697), (YD 129699). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(c) AT 131915H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) WHILE FIRING ON SUSPECTED EN ARTY POS OBS 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

(d) AT 132100H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 122699) OBS MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF PER AT (YD 124702). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(e) AT 132145H, 2/1 ELMS OBS MOVEMENT WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE, SUSPECTED ENEMY. FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(f) AT 140115H, 2/1 AMBUSH AT (YD 114702) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PPS-5 RADAR AT (YD 129698). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(g) AT 140150H, 2/1 ELMS OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION AS RESULT OF ARTY MSN AT (YD 117732).

(h) AT 141115H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 104685) FOUND 2 DECOMPOSED ENEMY BODIES. CHECKED FOR IDENTIFICATION, NEG RESULTS. 2 NVA KIA (CONF).

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4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 132300H, 1/4 ELMS OBS 2 TRIP FLARES GOING OFF ON OUTER PER AT (YD 128672). FIRED M-79 AND THREW 2 GRENS, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 20.6 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 12 JAN 68. AO RAN A/S AT (YD 165768) ON NVA ASSEMBLY AREA RESULTING IN 5 BUNKERS DEST, 100M OF TRENCH DEST. AT (YD 108742) AO OBS BUNKERED AREA, RAN A/S (BLACK 502) DEST 2 BUNKERS. *ADD 1*

C. OTHER

1. RECON

(a) AT 141045 H, RECON TEAM 262 OBS 20 NVA/VC CARRYING AK-47'S AND POSS 50'S. THEY WERE WEARING CANT BELTS, PACKS AND CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES. PVT TOOK EN UNDER FIRE, RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF). PVT INDICATED NVA WERE WELL EQUIPED AND HAD NUMEROUS AUTO-MATIC WPNS. PVT SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE A MG WHICH WAS LOADED FROM TOP (MAGAZINE).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

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A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 5
2. DETAINEE 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPN: 1/0 SEE PARA A.1.(c)
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE ~~PARA~~ PARA A.1.(c)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(c), A.3.(a), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR ONE KENTUCKY AS OF

141800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 499
2. DETAINEE 56

PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/~~ENEMY~~(NVA)/~~ENEMY~~(VG)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
 2 1 0 1 1 50

3. WPN CAPTURED 65: 49/16

5. - 15. NEG

GP-4

SHOULD HAVE 50

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15TH CIT
7TH IFF
MCB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 74, OFN KENTUCKY

2. 141800H - 151800H JAN 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

17 INCIDENTS; 4 NN INITIATED; 3 MORT/ARTY; 1 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES

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1. FIELD DETAIL ON THE BARRAGE

(a) RELAYED INFO. AT 1435Z, 3/4 FTL SUMMARY, BUNKER COMPLEX FOUND AT (YD 163703) APPARENTLY USED AS NIGHT BASE CAMP OR FEEDING STATION FOR 60 SIZ NV1 UNIT. CAMP LOC IN DARK THICKENED JUNGLE 10-14 FT HIGH, WITH COOKING FACILITIES. CAMP CONSISTS OF SIX (6) ^{TKH}MOCKERS BUC INTO THE GROUND. TWO (2) OF THESE HAD UNDERGROUND CHIMNEYS AND WOOD BURNING STOVES. THERE WERE 31 LIVING BUNKERS CONSTRUCTED AROUND THE MOCKERS. AVERAGE SIZE FOR THE BUNKERS WERE 4X4X5 FT WITH 2-3 FT OVERHEAD WITH STRAW BUCK MATING, ALSO SEVERAL BV AND BV TRAILS LED INTO THE AREA. TRAILS WERE MARKED WITH KNIFE ¹⁰⁰WEARDING PINES OF STRAW TO POINT TO THE CAMP. THE CAMP ACCESS TO THE TRAILS HAD SOME GROUND LEVEL CRANK SPACE IN UNDERGROUND WERE LINED WITH VINER BONES 50-75M OUTSIDE OF COOKING AREA FOR EASY ACCESS AT NIGHT LOC IN COOKING AREA ~~UNDERGROUND~~ THERE WAS A 60 FT TREE WITH AN OF APPROX 40 FT ABOVE GROUND, WITH A GOOD ONE OF THESE ALL APPROACHING AREAS. PLANS ARE BEING MADE TO BURN AREA. ALL BUNKER FOUND 20-30 LBS OF RICE, MISS POTS AND PANS, CLOTHING, BOGS, AND 6 NV1 TYPE B-TC020.

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(b) AT 151150H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 136745) DISCOVERED AND DEST 5 OLD BUNKERS 8x8x3 FT WITH 13 FT OVERHEAD OF LOGS AND BIRT. BUNKERS WERE WELL CAMOUFLAGED. ALSO FOUND AND DEST 3-82MM MORT RDS, 6060MM MORT RDS, 1 CHICOM CLAYMORE MINE.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 150800H, 3/3 KIMS AT (YD 166735) REC 12 RDS OF 82MM MORT FM (YD 158745) AT AZIMUTH OF 500 MILLS. CALLED ARTY WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS. TAIL FINS OF MORTAR WERE FOUND.

(b) AT 150820H, 3/3 KIMS AT (YD 176739) OBS 2 NVA, ENGAGED WITH SNIPER AND OBS 1 NVA FALL. 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(c) AT 150845H, 3/3 KIMS AT (YD 175737) REC SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 167738). FIRED M-79 AND SNIPER FIRE CEASED.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 150755H, 2/9 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 132625) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 105MM DVD.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 141435H, 2/1 KIMS AT (YD 116707) FOUND SMEDALS

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 141445H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) FOUND LOOSE BOARDS LAPPED OVER BARBED WIRE FENCE TO MAKE MAKE GOOD TRAIL. REMOVED BOARDS AND MENDED FENCE.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 141500H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 108704) DISCOVERED AND EST 18 FRENCH RDS IN FILE APPEARED TO BE KNOCK BEFORE, BUT NO BEST.

(d) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 141510H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 113092) FOUND TRAILS LEADING INTO HIGH GRASS, CHECKED AREA AND FOUND HOLE 5X2X3 FT WITH GOOD ONE OF OP 1. AREA HAD SANDAL PRINTS 1 OR 2 DAYS OLD.

(e) AT 142015H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 119704) HEARD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF THEM AT (YD 125705). FIRED MORT MZN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(f) AT 142000H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) HEARD EXPLOSION IN MINE-FIELD AT (YD 115705) CHECKED AREA WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE AND OBS 4-5 ENEMY. SENT OUT PTL WITH NEG RESULTS.

(g) AT 142045H, 2/1 ELMS REC 8 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(h) AT 142330H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 126692) HEARD MOVEMENT AND DOGS BARKING AT (YD 127695). SQD LEADER BELIEVES ENEMY ARE USING DOGS.

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(1) AT 150130H TO 150230H, 2/4 HNS AT (YD 114702) HEARD WHISTLING AND A GREAT DEAL OF NOISE, SOUNDED LIKE A LARGE BOMB RING. THEN BOMB FIRED S/A AND 82MM MORT, 4 HNS OF 60MM MORT, 2 HNS OF 57MM RR FIRE, 20 GREENS VN (YD 111706). HNS MORT HNS, GREENS WITH HNS RESULTS.

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 150945H, 1/4 SWEET AT (YD 115678) FOUND 2 U SHAPED TRENCHES APPROX 60X1/2X3 FT. BOTH ENDS FACING NORTH. 1 OF THE TRENCHES CONTAINED 4 BODIES. BODIES HAD BEEN STRIPPED OF EVERYTHING EXCEPT THEIR TENNIS SHOES. BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN VN ARMY. 4 BVA KIA (CONF).

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 39.2 HNS OF VN FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 13 AND 14 JAN 68. AT (YD 10037747) SITED WHEEL MARKS LE DING TO THIS POSITION, ALSO 3 CLUMPS OF DEAD CAMOUFLAGED, SITED 2 PEOPLE 50M SOUTH, HEARD 2 BOUNDS OF NVY GAL FIRE. AT (YD 150735) AO OBS 7-10 BOMBERS ~~WHEEL~~ SMALL LIVING TYPE, CAMOUFLAGED LOW SCHEM AREA, EXCELLENT TRIAL. AT (YD 140730) AO OBS WATER POINT, REC NO USE OF TRAIL. AT (YD 130730) HNS

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AO OBS BUNKER AREA, APPARENTLY LIVING AREA WITH EXCELLENT TRAILS. AT
 (YD 135732) AO OBS STREET CROSSING USED RECENTLY. AT (YD 166748) AO
 OBS 4 EVA DRESSED IN KHAKI AND HIDDEN NEAR SOME BUSHES. IN VIC OF (YD 1575)
 AO CHECKED AREA FOR EXT POS, NO FINDINGS, HOWEVER DID SEE FLAK IN THIS
 AREA, POSS 12.7MM OR 30MM. AO VIBED NORTH NORTHEAST OF CON THINE, SPOTTED
 WHAT APPEARED TO BE MIN 2 NEW BUNKERS AT (YD 145732).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 5
2. DETAINERS 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNs: 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: neg
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(b), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR ONE KENTUCKY AS OF

151000H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 504

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2. DEADNESS 56

PW(MVA)/PW(VG)/RTNKE(MVA)/RTNKE(VG)/CIV DM/INN CIV

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3. WFFS CAPTURED 65: 49/16

5. - 15. NEG

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SECTION 8-2 9TH MARINES

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161130Z JAN 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CC THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: ADC THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 TWELFTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIFTH MARINES
 1ST AM TRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITF
 MCB 5

PERISHABLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

NINTH MARINES INFO: DR 75, OWN KENTUCKY

2. 151800H - 161800H JAN 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

13 INCIDENTS: 1 EN. KILLED, 1 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 161220H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 163699) DISCOVERED AND DEST 103
 RDS OF 82MM MORT AMMO. IT APPEARED TO BE FOR CO OR BN SIGS UNIT.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 151300H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 165724) DISCOVERED
 AND DEST 2 RDS MADE AT MINES BURIED 3 INCHES UNDER ROAD APPROX 20M APART.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 151400H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 118705) FOUND HOLE
 IN WIRE 6 FT WIDE, BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN CUT LAST NIGHT. HAD WELL DEFINED PATH
 LEADING THROUGH WIRE INTO MINE FIELD. REPAIRED WIRE AND PLOTTED MORT MSH IN
 GENERAL AREA.

(b) AT 151835H, 2/1 ELMS WITH SNIPERS AT (YD 121701) OBS EN AT
 (YD 125705), FIRED S/A WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(c) AT 152050H, 2/1 AMBUSH AT (YD 129685) OBS THROUGH A STARLIGHT SCOPE 7 ENEMY MOVING NORTH. AMBUSH SET UP AND WAITED FOR ENEMY TO MOVE CLOSER. AT THIS TIME 2 ENEMY BROKE OFF COLUMN AND MOVED IN A WEST DIRECTION. THE REMAINING 5 CONTINUED IN A NORTHERN DIRECTION OUT OF SIGHT.

(d) AT 160105H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 122700) HEARD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF PER AT (YD 123701). FIRED M-79 AND MOVEMENT CEASED.

(e) AT 161145H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 094705).

(f) AT 161230H, 2/1 ELMS OBS 3 ENEMY IN FRONT OF PER AT (YD 131711). FIRED MORT MSN, NEG RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 151815H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 126664) OBS 1 NVA WEARING DARK GREEN UTILITIES HOPPING SW INTO UNDERGROWTH AT (YD 127661). WTN WAS NOT OBS. NVA DISAPPEARED INTO UNDERGROWTH. FIRED MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 152230H, 1/4 AMBUSH AT (YD 164586) OBS AND FIRED AT 3 ENEMY WHO APPEARED TO BE ON PTL AT (YD 162584). ENEMY KPT 3 WDS OF S/A. FIRED S/A MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) AT 152250H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 128669) OBS 4 NVA THROUGH STARLIGHT SCOPE HEADING IN SW DIRECTION AT (YD 124674). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) AT 160145H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 164507) OBS EST 15-20 NVA WALKING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION CARRYING 2 MORT TUBES. WAITED FOR ENEMY TO COME IN RANGE OF AMBUSH. NEG RESULTS, ENEMY KPT WALKING IN WESTERLY DIRECTION.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 40.8 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 15 JAN 68. AT (YD 093772) AO OBS 5 NVA ALONG TRAIL ALSO 3 BUNKERS AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A TUNNEL ENTRANCE. AO FELT THAT MORE BUNKERS ARE LOC ON NORTHERN SIDE OF TRAIL. AT (YD 081748) AO OBS TRAIL AND RIVER CROSSING APPEARED WELL USED, ALSO BUNKERS ALONG TRAIL, BUILT APPROX 3 DAYS AGO STILL IN TACT. AT (YD 037716) AO OBS 3 NEW BUNKERS WITH FRESH CAMOUFLAGE. AT (YD 004668) AO OBS NEW BUNKERS AND 2 NVA SETTING CLOSE ON TRAIL WITH LEADS TO ANOTHER COMPLEX AT (YD 009668) ABOUT THE SAME SITE. AT (YD 152748) AO SAW A/S (COMBAT 30) ON NEW BUNKER COMPLEX, 2 BUNKERS DEST. IN VIC OF (YD 0366) AO OBS NEW BUNKERS AND POS IN THIS AREA. AT (YD 123711) AO SAW A/S (POSTSCRIPT 517) ON 5 NVA IN TREE LINE, ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (COMP). AT (YD 191777) AO OBS VILLAGE WHICH SHOWS RECENT SIGNS OF ACTIVITY, POSS STORAGE AREA.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 1
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPMS: 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NEG
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA B.1.(a).

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPH KENTUCKY AS OF

161800H JAN 68;

1. ENEMY KIA 505
2. DETAINEES 56
FM(NVA)/FM(VN)/RTHR(NVA)/RTHR(VN)/QGV DEF/INN CIV
3. WPMS CAPTURED 65: 49/16 1 1 50

5. - 15. NEG

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 76, OPI KENTUCKY
2. 169800H - 170800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 8 INCIDENTS; 3 IN KILLATED; 1 MORT/ARTY; 1 SNIPER/HARASSING; 1 MINE/
 BOOBY TRAP

INCOMING AT CON THIN REMAINS LIGHT, AS WELL AS ACTIVITY IN 9TH MAR'S AO.

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DETAILED ENTRY. AT 161500H, 3/4 PTL INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY STATES THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PTL ROUTE CONSIST OF ROLLING HILLS AND OPEN GRASSY AREA BROWN BY LOW MEER HIGH PADDIES AND PERIODICAL PATCHES OF HUY BRUSH. VEGETATION CONSIST OF SECONDARY SHRUB AND BALEDO THICKETS WITH 15-20 FT CANOPY. HUY WOODED AREA SURROUNDED DEPT VILLAGE AT (YD 155702). OBS IS GOOD FROM THE HIGH GROUND AND LATE HUY WOODED MOUNDS WHICH DOT THE FLAT GRASSY AREAS. A GOOD TRAIL EMERGES AT (YD 157702), AND RUNS NORTH AND SOUTH. THE RATE OF MOVEMENT IS 800M PER HOUR. HIGH TREES IN THAT AREA MAKE GOOD OP'S AS WITH NOTE TO B? THE CASE AT (YD 166692). LT'S ARE PLENTIFUL ALONG THE PTL ROUTE. A PROB ENEMY CP AND LIVING AREA WAS LOC AT (YD 168690), 21 LIVING BUNKERS WERE DISCOVERED AS WELL AS 4 82MM MORT PITS. THE BUNKERS WERE "L" SHAPED AND WERE 6 FT LONG AND 4 FT WIDE. ENTRANCE WAS FOUND TO BE 4X4 FT WITH 2 STEPS DOWN. THE FLOOR WAS COVERED WITH STRAW MATTING. THE BUNKER HAD TWO FT OF OVERHEAD LOG COVER AND WERE FURTHER COVERED BY A TENT SHAPED SHIELD. 1 BUNKER WAS USED FOR COOKING AND CONTAINING A 15 FT LONG TUNNEL WHICH WAS 1 FT SQUARE USED TO CARRY THE SMOKE AND FILTER IT AWAY FROM THE AREA. THE 4 MORT PITS WERE 5 FT IN DIAMETER, 4 FT DEEP AND HAD AN AMMO BUNKER 4X4 FT INSIDE. THE COMBINED PITS CONTAINED 183 RDS OF 82MM MORTS.

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✓ 15 CANS OF BUZZES, WITH 6 FUSES PER CAN. AND 30 CANS CONTAINING POWDER CHARGES WHICH RESEMBLED SHOT GUN SHELLS. IT IS EST THE POS WAS 9-12 MONTHS OLD. IT WAS ALSO NOTICED THAT US C-RATION CANS WERE FOUND IN ALL OF THE BUNKERS AND NUMBER ABOUT 100. OTHER GEAR FOUND INCLUDED WERE PLAYING CARDS, CHINESE CHECKERS AND US MADE INSECT REPELLENT. THE AREA WAS COVERED WITH A TARP CANOPY HOWEVER, OPENINGS WERE CUT FOR MORTS TO BE FIRED IN THE DIRECTION OF A-3. MOUNDS OF CHICKEN FEATHERS AND RECENTLY COOKED RICE (5-7 DAYS OLD) WERE ALSO FOUND IN THE BUNKERED AREA.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 161630H, 3/3 ELMS OBS 6 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 189740). FIRED ARTY AND MORT MSN, WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 170945H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 195729) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 BOOBY TRAPPED GRENS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 162320H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR FRONT AT (YD 128698). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(b) AT 170700H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 109693) REC 1 RD OF CARBINE FIRE IN 300 TO 400M TO SE AT (YD 102694). REC FIRE WITH M-79 AND MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(c) AT 171050H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 2 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 2 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE, AND 1 RD OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 107708), (YD 115736).

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 42.7 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 15 AND 16 JAN 68. AT APPROX VIC OF (YD 155778) AO REC A HVY VOLUME OF S/A FIRE. AT (YD 183778) AO OBS SEVERAL HUTS STANDING WITH TRAILS LEADING TO THEM, ALSO SMALL GARDENS PLANTED AROUND HUTS. AT (YD 081748) AO RAN A/S (MOTION 175) ON BUNKERS ALONG TRAIL, ACCOUNTING FOR 5 BUNKERS DEST. AT (YD 008678) AO OBS 3 NVA WEARING GREEN UNIFS WITH GREEN BUSHES ON THEIR BACK, WHO MOVED INTO BUSHES WHERE BUNKERS AND HOLES WERE. RAN A/S (POSTSCRIPT 116) RESULTING IN 2 BUNKERS DEST. AT (YD 138737) AO OBS 12 NVA WALKING DOWN A TRAIL. AT (YD 152746) AO RAN A/S (DECORATE 177) ON NEW BUNKER COMPLEX, ACCOUNTING FOR 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 7 BUNKERS DEST. AT (YD 036665) AO OBS APPROX 50 NVA WHO APPEARED TO BE IN SOME KIND OF ASSEMBLY AREA. AT (YD 162747) AO OBS 4 NVA ON TRAIL WITH 5 NEW BUNKERS, RAN A/S (COMBAT 29) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 BUNKERS DEST.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 1

2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPNs: 0/0

(b) EQUIPMENT: NFG

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 171800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 506

2. DETAINEES 56

PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RENEE(NVA)/RENEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

3

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50

CUMULATIVE

3. WEPS CAPTURED 65; 49/165. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(a) SEE PARA A.2.(b)

6. - 14. NEG

15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) AT 171430H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 146698) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 BUNKERS 4X6X3 FT AND 3 FT OVERHEAD MADE OF LOGS AND MUD, BAMBOO. NO ~~RECENT~~ SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

(b) AT 171400H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 13 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 122698).

(c) AT 171345H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 143700) FOUND 1 60MM MORT RDS WITH 4 INCREMENTS, ALSO FOUND 3 60MM RDS U.S. TYPE. FWD RDS TO EN CP.

(d) AT 171300H, 1/4 SQD SECURITY FOR ENGRS OBS 2 EN IN HVY BRUSH APPROX 50M TO EAST OF PER AT (YD 132668) FIRED S/A, M-79. WHILE CHECKING AREA OBS 2 MORE EN MOVING THRU THICK BRUSH IN EASTERLY DIRECTION, FIRED S/A AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(e) AT 171300H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 104705) REC 55 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 105698), RET FIRE WITH MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(f) AT 171345H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 7 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 2 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 114722), (YD 115729).

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 181135Z JAN 68

SECTION 8-2 9TH MARINES

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 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST ATRAC BN
 15TH CTF
 7TH ITP
 MCB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES INTST NR 77, OTH KENTUCKY
2. 171000H - 181800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 19 INCIDENTS: 6 BN INITIATED; 5 MORT/ARTY; 1 SHIPER/HARASSING; 1 CO (REIN)
 SIZE CONTACT
 ENEMY ACTIVITY IN 9TH MAR'S AO INCREASED WITH 3/4 MAKING CONTACT WITH
 EST NVA CO

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 172050H, 3/4 PER DEF OBS ENEMY AT (VD 147712) THROUGH STARLIGHT
 SCOP. FIRED S/A, M-26 GRENS, M-79 AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 180945H, 3/4 PTL AT (VD 144725) MADE CONTACT WITH EST BN PTL
 REC APPROX 20 RD OF UNK CAL ARTY, S/A, AV FIRE AT THE

(c) AT 181120H, 3/4 PTL AT (VD 145723) MADE HWY CONTACT WITH UNK SIZE
 BN UNIT, PTL REC 50 CAL FIRE FM RIGHT FLANK.

(d) AT 181234H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 145724) REC HVY VOLUNT OF APPROX 20-30 RDS OF UNK TYPE INCOMING FM APPROX 0340 HILLS.

(e) AT 181252H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 145724) AFTER BREAKING CONTACT REC APPROX 20 RDS OF UNK TYPE INCOMING FM UNK LOC.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 180930H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 193714) CAPTURED 1 NVA PW, 3 NVA KIA (CONF), 3 AK-47 RIFLES, 1 AS RESULT OF PREP FIRE, 2 AS A RESULT OF S/A F, R3.

(b) AT 181045H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 163739) OBS APPROX 15 NVA MOVING IN THE DIRECTION. ENGAGED WITH NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 181140H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 161740) OBS 4 NVA IN OPEN AND ENGAGING WITH MG FIRE. ELMS BROKE CONTACT AND FOUND EXTENSIVE TUNNELS AND BUNKERS AT (YD 163739).

(d) AT 181225H, SNIPER WITH 3/3 OBS 1 NVA AT (YD 160746) SNIPER FIRED AND RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DETAILED ENTRY. AT 171724H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 7 ENEMY AT (YD 135724). FIRED MORT FSN, ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) AT 172110H, 2/1 ELMS FIRED ON SUSPECTED A RTV POS AT (YD 0900575080), (YD 123728) RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(c) AT 172330H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 125678) REC 6 RDS OF S/A AND 3 GRANS FM (YD 127695), (YD 131698). FIRED MORT FSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(d) AT 172345H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(e) AT 172355H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(f) AT 181300H, 2/1 MTL AT (YD 126686) DISCOVERED AND DEST 3 90MM TANK RDS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 172015H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 126667) OBS MOVEMENT AT (YD 125669), (YD 125673). MOVEMENT RTD TO THEIR NORTH AND LEFT OF THEIR POS, MOVEMENT WAS OBS BY PPS-6, MOD, SID. FIRED MORT FSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(b) AT 181100H, 1/4 S TEEP AT (YD 135676) DISCOVERED AND DEST 3 UNCOVERED FIGHTING HOLES ALONG WELL USED TRAIL. FRESH BAREFOOT PRINTS IN BOTTOM OF HOLES INDICATE RECENT USE BY ABOUT 3 NVA.

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B. AIR ACTIVITY1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 22.4 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (V) BY DONG PA AO'S ON 17 JAN 68. AT (VD 163749) AO RAN A/S ON BUNKER COMPLEX, ACCOUNTING FOR 8 BUNKERS DEST, 50M OF TELEPHONE DAMAGED.

C. OTHER1. RECON

(a) AT 180500H, RECON TEAM 3-2 AT (VD 094630) EXCHANGED S/A, AM FIRE WITH 4 FVA MOVING SE TO NV AT (VD 090638). FVA HAD 60 OUTFLAGGED UTILITIES, PACKS AND RIFLES. RESULTS OF THE ACTION WERE 1 FVA KIA (CONF).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD1. ENEMY KIA 62. DETAINEES 1/0/0/0/0/03. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPN: 3/0 SEE PARA A.2.(a)

(b) EQUIPMENT: NEG

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(b), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OVN KENTUCKY AS OF 181800H JAN 68:1. ENEMY KIA 5122. DETAINEES 57

PR(NVA)/PR(VN)/RPN(VN)/RPN(VN)/CIV DEF/INH CIV

4 1 0 1 1 50

3. WPN CAPTURED 68: 52/16

5. - 7. NEG

8. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) CAP LO DIST ADVISOR RPTS (RATED C-6) THAT 1 ENEMY CO EQUIPT WITH 1 60MM MORT AND 1 81MM MORT LOC AT (VD 180615) COULD BE HEADED TOWARD YOUR POS. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED ON FURTHER DEVELOPMENT.

9. - 14. NEG

15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) AT 181030H, 2/1 ELMS OBS 2 ENEMY AT (VD 121711). FIRED MORT MSH WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 181700H, 2/1 ELMS AT (VD 114702) OBS MOVEMENT AND MUZZLE OF A S/A WPN. FIRED MORT MSH ON (VD 105708) RESULTING IN 6 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

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SECTION 8-2 9TH MARINES

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PRIORITY/PRIORITY 191145Z JAN 68

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 78, OPH HEPFOOXY
2. 181800H - 191800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 17 INCIDENTS, 1 BN INITIATED; 1 MORE/ARTY

ENEMY ACTIVITY REMAINS LIGHT FOR THIS PERIOD. RESULTS OF 3/4 ACTION ON THE 18TH WAS 162 NVA KIA (CONF).

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. SUMMARY OF 3/4 ACTION. FR 180730H TO 181730H.
 M CO (-) 3/4 MOVED INTO RIGHT AND LEFT FLANK BLOCKING POS AT 0730H.
 L CO SHOT 5 NVA AT (YD 148726) AT 0845H MOVING ACROSS FRONT. L CO FOUND
 AND DEST 1-15MM DUD AT (YD 145722) AND A CHICKEN ORN IN THE SAME VIC. L CO
 HAD CONTACT WITH AN EST REINF PLZ AT (YD 143726). AT 0945H L CO DEPLOYED ALL
 UNITS ON LINES TO GAIN FIRE SUPERIORITY. ENEMY FIRE INCREASED WITH INTENSITY.
 RIGHT BLOCKING UNIT DIRECTED TO MOVE UP ON L CO RIGHT FLANK. M CO WAS ORDERED
 TO MOVE TO RIGHT BLOCKING POS BN PER DISPOSING ALL OF M AND L CO NORTH OF
 TRACS. AROUND 1015H APPROX 67 RDS OF EST 100MM ARTY REC ON F CO WEST BLOCKING
 POS AND BN OP. L CO AO REC 50 CAL MG FIRE IN RIGHT FLANK. L AND M CO DELIVERING
 ACCURATE FIRE ON NVA ACROSS NORTH AND NE FRONT. L AND M CO TOOK 60MM MORT AND
 RPG FIRE AND OVER RAN AT LEAST 3 MORE POS AND SEVERAL POS AND FIGHTING HOLES,
 MANY WERE FIRING FM BOMB CRATERS. CONTACT INCREASED TO AT LEAST 4 REINF CO WITH
 BN MORE, RPG'S AND MANY AV. L AND M CO REC ABOUT 60-75 60MM MORT RDS DURING
 ENTIRE ENGAGEMENT AND ABOUT 5-10 RPG RDS. DEST 60MM MORT TUBE, DID NOT ATTEMPT

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TO RECOVER WMS OR EQUIPMENT DUE TO RECOVERY TO VICTIMS PRIMARILY CAS, EXPOSURE TO CONTINUED FIRE AND BOMBING DEPLOYMENT OF UNITS. EFFECTIVE COMBINATION OF GROUND ACTION PLUS AIR AND ARTY SUPPORT SEVERELY HURT ENEMY. RESULTS OF ACTION WERE 162 NVA KIA (CONF), 116 CAPTURED TO GROUND TROOPS AND 46 KIA BY GUNSHOTS AND AIR.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 180700H TO 181700H, AFTER ACTION INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY OF 3/4 ACTION. 1. TERRAIN, THE TERRAIN IN AND AROUND CONTACT IS OF ROLLING HILLS, BROKEN BY HILLS ROWS AND OTHER AREAS WITH TALL GRASS. NUMEROUS BOMB CRATERS AND ARTY SHELL HOLES PREDOMINANT IN THE AREA, AND OTHER GOOD PROTECTION FROM DIRECT AND INDIRECT FIRE WEAPONS. FACILITY UTILIZATION OF THE TERRAIN AS NEEDED BY THE ENEMY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MINERS, BOTH LIVING AND FIGHTING TRENCHES AND AN ELABORATE TRENCH LINE SYSTEM WITHIN THE HILLS ROWS THAT CONNECT. BOTH LIVING AND FIGHTING TYPE MINERS, EVIDENCE OF SOPHISTICATED MOVEMENT IS GENERALLY LIMITED TO OBSERVATION FROM HIGH POINTS IS GOOD, BUT OURS IS LIMITED ON THE ELABORATE AREAS LOCATED OF THE MINERS' HIDE OUTS. 2. ENEMY, PROBABLE SIZE OF THE ENEMY IS ABOUT 18 CO TO BE AT LEAST ONE REINF CO WITH A HWY WMS UNIT ATTACHED TO ELEMENTS THROUGH NVA AL-47'S, 12 AND HWY NO. 60TH AND 62ND TROOPS, AND 100 REG. ENEMY ARTY SUPPORT WAS ACCURATELY ADJUSTED BY 10'S ATTACHED TO ENEMY UNITS IN 3/4'S BLOCKING POS LOC AT (YD 125740). THE DIRECTION OF ARTY FIRE WAS CENTER IN HILLS OF 0125. IN THE REPORT OF THE CO TO BRAC 11:40 AM 3 SECONDS. DURING EARLY PHASES OF THE CONTACT THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BE DISORGANIZED, MANY RAN IN BOTH DIRECTIONS. THE ENEMY WEARS WERE PREDOMINANTLY BLACK HATS. 3. EFFICIENT POINTS FROM APPEARANCE OF THE ENEMY KIA'S THE BODY SIZE AND FACIAL APPEARANCE DIFFERED GREATLY IN THAT OF THE VETERAN INDIVIDUALS WERE NOTED TO BE 6 FT TALL IN SOME CASES, EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE ENEMY GROUND UNITS AND ARTY SUPPORTING BATTERY APPEARED TO BE GOOD DUE TO THE RELATIVELY RATED ADJUSTMENT OF ARTY FIRE.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD DIVISION

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 160100H, 3/3 SENSORS 6-10 NVA MOVING IN A NE DIRECTION. ENGAGING US WITH 82A, ENEMY FIRE AND COMMENCED WITHDRAWAL. ENGAGING EN DURING WITHDRAWAL WITH M-79, 82A, 100'S. AT 1200H 3/3 FWD ELMS FOUND 1 DIRECTIONAL MINE RIGGED FOR CONTACT OR TRAP DETECTION, TRENCHLINE WITH ADJACENT FIGHTING HOLES 1 TO 3 DAYS OLD, DID NOT SEEM TO ACCOMMODATE A SQUAD. NUMEROUS FOOT PRINTS AND BOMB MARKS INDICATED RECENT CONTACT. AT 1800H SET IN CONTACT 3 NVA AT (YD 160744), FIRED ONE OR TWO 100A WEAPONS. 3/3'S 82A KILL 3 TO 4 NVA WHO WERE DOWNHILL DOWN TALL GRASS COULD BE OBSERVED ON 100. ARTY IDENTIFIED ONE OF HIT. HWY BOMBERS ORIGINATED TO THE EN. RESULTS OF ACTION WERE 6 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 181000H, 3/3 SENS AT (YD 162755) FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX WITH TRENCHES CONNECTED 50X4 FT APPROX 2 MONTHS OLD, DENSE UNDERGROUND. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND THE FOLLOWING GEAR: 1-82MM MORT RD, 2-60MM MORT RDS, 4 CANS OF MORT FUSERS.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 181400H, 3/3 SENS AT (YD 191724) DISCOVERED AND DEST M-26 BRENS WHICH WERE BOBY TRAPPED WITH A STICK FOR PRESSURE PACKED DETONATION.

(d) IN REF TO SET RPT 180130H PARA A.2.(a) 9TH MAR'S INTSN NR 77, CHANGE 3 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA P/ TO READ 1 VC P/ 2 VC KIA (CONF). ALSO FOUND 3 AR-47 RIFLES (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED) 5 AR-47 MAGS, 2 CHITOT GRNS, 1 BAG SALT, 1 CAMOUFLAGE DEVICE, 1 CANT 3-LT, 2 PONCHOS, 2 MAG POUCHES, 2 CANTEEN COVERS, 2 FLASHLIGHTS, 5 BATTLE DRESSINGS, ASSORT DOCS AND MISC GEAR IN PLASTIC BAG.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 181905H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 125698) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PPS-6 RADAR AT (YD 126696). FIRED MORT FSN, UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 182000H, 2/1 ELMS OBS MOVEMENT AT (YD 134698), (YD 132699), (YD 134696) WITH PPS-6 RADAR. FIRED MORT FSN, UNK RESULTS.

(c) AT 182205H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 129703) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PPS-6 RADAR AT (YD 129721), (YD 129715). FIR D NOT FSN, UNK RESULTS.

(d) AT 182220H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 125698) FIRED M-79 ON SUSPECTED EN MOVEMENT AT (YD 124693). MOVEMENT CEASED.

(e) AT 190045H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 124688) OBS 2 EN STANDING ON HW ROAD. FIRED S/A, M-79, EN RPT 25-30 RD S/A. UNK RESULTS.

(f) AT 190105H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 116687) HEARD MOVEMENT 25K S SW, 15 MINUTES LATER REC 2 GRNS, RET FIRE WITH 3 M-26 GRNS, UNK RESULTS.

(g) AT 190230H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 4 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE FR (YD 095697).

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) FR 182215H TO 182246H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 128688) OBS TRIP FLARE BEING SET OFF. TANK CHECKED AREA WITH INFRED AND OBS 2 EN RUNNING INTO TREE-LINE AT (YD 125672). AT 2246H PPS-6 RADAR PICKED UP MOVEMENT AT (YD 125677). FIRED TANK AND MORT FSN, NOG RESULTS.

(b) AT 190940H TO 191040H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 136674) ENLS MOVING ALONG RAIL IN THICK TERRAIN, FTL HEARD MOVEMENT APPROX 15N 15W. AT SAME TIME REC APPROX 20 RDS OF S/A, WILLED BACK AND CALLED MORT FSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. ADIR

(a) A TOTAL OF 20.0 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 17 AND 18 JAN 68. AT (YD 080749) AO RAN A/S, 7 BUNKERS DEST. AT (YD 075645) AO RAN A/S ON APPROX 20 PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKERS, ACCOUNTING FOR 6 NVA KIA (CONF). APPROX 500M TO EAST OF (YD 075645) AO SIGHTED 3 NVA WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE 120MM TUBE.

C. OTHER

1. RECON

(a) DELAYED RECON. FURTHER DEFENSE OF RECON TEL 202 INDICATES 14 NVA KIA (CONF), 8 BY USMC GUNSHIPS AND 6 BY RECON FTL. ONLY 2 NVA KIA WERE PREVIOUSLY COUNTED. ADD 12 NVA KIA (CONF) TO OPERATION KENTUCKY TOTALS.

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4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 185
2. DETAINEES 0/1/0/0/0/0
3. WEAPONS CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WEAPONS 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT A.2.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY AS OF 191800H JAN 68

1. ENEMY KIA 697 ~~692~~ 692 691
2. DETAINEES 57
 PW(NVA)/P(VN)/RTNNE(NVA)/~~1~~ 1(C)/CIV DEB/ITN CIV
 2 2 0 1 1 20
3. WEAPONS CAPTURED 68: 52/16

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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES

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RELEASER P. B. RIESELBACH

PRIORITY/PRIORITY 201200Z JAN 67

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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 SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST ANTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES LUTSUM NR 79, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 191800H - 201800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 16 INCIDENTS; 4 EN INITIATED; 4 MORT/ARTY

ENEMY ACTIVITY REMAINS LIGHT IN 9TH MAR'S AO. RECON WEST OF C-2
 CONTINUES TO REPORT ENEMY CONTACTS.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 200010H, 3/4 SWEEP AT (YD 137713) FOUND US GEAR AND AMMO, 1
 CASE TRIP FLAMES, 2 CASES 3.5 INCH RDS, 1-106MM CANNISTER RD AND MISC EQUIPMENT
 INCLUDES FLAK JACKETS AND PACKS. ALL GEAR FWD AND AMMO DEST.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 191315H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 162723) DISCOVERED
 AND DEST 2-4 MAN BUNKERS, NOT RECENTLY USED.

(b) AT 200010H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 204715) DISCOVERED FLT SIZE FOS WITH
 MORT PITS AND TUNNELS. APPREHENDED 1 VIETNAMESE MALE WITH PRC-25 BATTERY AND
 1 VIETNAMESE FEMALE. HAD NO ID CARDS WHEN CHECKED VELLE. 2 DETAINEES. S-2
 9TH MAR'S TURNED DETAINEES OVER TO 7TH ITT, UNCLASSIFIED AT THIS TIME.

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3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. FM 191430H TO 191455H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 3 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 117711). ALSO OBS AND SPOTTED MUZZLE FLASHES FIRED MORT MSN, NEG RESULTS.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 191700H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 119704) FIRED MORT MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY AT (YD 123713). NEG RESULTS.

(c) FM 192000H TO 192135H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 116698), (YD 128690) DETECTED 15 ENEMY IN OPEN WITH PPS-5 AT (YD 108700). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) AT 192230H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 123690) SPOTTED MOVEMENT APPROX 5M SOUTH OF POS. FIRED S/A, M-79 AND THREW GRENS, WHILE PULLING BACK REC UNDETERMINED AMT OF S/A FIRE FM (YD 123687).

(e) AT 192355H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115698) DETECTED 6 ENEMY AT (YD 110692). FIRED MG WITH NEG RESULTS.

(f) AT 200020H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 9 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(g) AT 200120H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 14 RDS OF 60MM MORT, 16 RDS OF 82MM MORT INSIDE PER. RET FIRE AT (YD 12857179), (YD 12107160), (YD 10437220), (YD 117725), (YD 125720), (YD 116721), (YD 122711), (YD 127713).

(h) AT 200200H, 2/1 ELMS SPOTTED EN MOVEMENT OUTSIDE PER THROUGH STAR-LIGHT SCOPE. FIRED MORT MSN, WITH UNK RESULTS.

(i) AT 201245H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 2 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE, RET FIRE AT (YD 124718), (YD 116720), (YD 1518073690).

(j) AT 201503H, 2/1 ELMS REC 6 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 4 RDS OF RET UNK CAL BR FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 120718).

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 191300H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 114646). DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 BUNKER 10 FT LONG WITH 18 INCH OVERHEAD OF LOGS AND DIRT. ALSO DEST 2 MORE BUNKERS 5X5X3 FT WELL CAMOUFLAGED, FOUND 1 B-TOL, 1 PICK, 50 FT ELECTRIC WIRE, MISC DOCS, ALSO FOUND NVA C-RATIONS WITH FOOD IN CANS ON TOP OF BUNKERS, FOUND 1 GRAVE BELIEVED TO BE VERY OLD. FWD ALL GEAR. DOCUMENTS FWD TO DTC 3D MAR DIV.

C. OTHER1. RECON

(a) AT 200920H, RECON TEAM 4-2 AT (YD 105634) ENGAGED S/A, AW FIRE WITH 5-7 NVA WEARING CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES AND CARRYING AK-47'S AT (YD 105637). CALLED GUNSHIPS WHICH REC GROUND FIRE.

(b) AT 201030H, RECON TEAM 4-2 PTL MOVING FM VIC OF CONTACT AT 200920H, SPOTTED MOVEMENT OF APPROX CO SIZE UNIT TO THE SOUTH, WEST, AND NORTH OF PTL. ALSO AN UNK SIZE UNIT THE EAST. MOVEMENT APPROACHED PTL TO WITHIN 50-100M. CALLED ARTY AND FIXED WING. RESULTS UNK.

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(B)

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNS: 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.4.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.2.(a), A.4.(b)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OVN KENTUCKY AS OF 201800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 691
2. DETAINEES 59 (2 UNCLASSIFIED)
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
 2 2 0 1 1 50
3. WPNS CAPTURED 68: 52/16

5. - 14. NEG

15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) AT 201523H, ^{3/4} ELMS AT (YD 147793) REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 147796).

(b) IN REFERENCE TO SPT RPT ON AO'S PARA B.1.(a) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 68 DELETE 6 NVA KIA (CONF), NOT IN 9TH MAR'S AREA.

(c) AT 200715H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 107703) FOUND 18 FRESHLY DUG ENEMY 1 MAN HOLES, 2 TO 3 DAYS OLD, ARRANGED IN OVAL ORIENT TOWARD A-4.

(d) AT 200830H, 2/1 FOUND 1 Z-10 MINE RT (YD 101697). MINE APPEARED TO BE BOOBY TRAPPED. DISARMED AND FWD TO BN CP.

(e) AT 200850H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 105702) DISCOVERED AND DEST 3 HUTS WITH TIN ROOFS AND TRENCHLINE.

(f) AT 201016H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 4 HDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 114718), (YD 116714).

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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES

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FM: NINTH MARINES
 .TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
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 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 80, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 201800H - 211800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

13 INCIDENTS: 4 EN INITIATED, 3 SNIPER/HARASSING, 1 MORT/ARTY

ENEMY ACTIVITY REMAINS THE SAME IN 9TH MAR'S AO.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 211045H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 148718) FOUND 1 NVA PACK BLANKET ROLL AND COMM WIRE. FWD GEAR TO HN CP.

(b) AT 211400H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 146708) REC SHORT BURST OF MG FIRE EST 50 CAL. FM DIRECTION OF A-4. A-4 DENIED FIRING, OUTPOST ALERTED.

(c) AT 211515H, 3/4 ELMS OBS 5 ENEMY NORTH OF TRACE AT (YD 136715). ENEMY CLIMBING TREE APPARENTLY SETTING UP FO. CALLED SNIPERS, MORTS, ARTY. FEL SENT OUT TO CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 210830H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 190732) FOUND 3 VC FLAGS, 1 AT MINE, 2 CHICOM GRENS (1 USED AS BOOBY TRAP WITH TRIP WIRE), 1 82MM MORT RD, 1 BAMBOO CAMOUFLAGED DEVICES, SEVERAL MORTAR PROJECTILES (CHICOM), AT MINE AND SOUTH MORT, AND SAMPLE OF PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS TO BE FWD TO HN CP.

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3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 210140H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 149602) PTL OBS MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF THEIR POS AT (YD 149609). FIRED S/A, SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 210515H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 1 HD OF SNIPER FIRE FM UNK LOC.

(b) AT 210942H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 125695) OBS 2 ENEMY AT (YD 126696) WEARING HELMETS AND UNIFS. FIRED M-79 AND S/A, ENEMY TOOK TRAIL TO NORTH NORTH EAST.

(c) AT 211215H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 104702) REC 1 HD OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 110700).

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) FM 202055H TO 202130H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 135646) REC 12 HDS OF UNK CAL AND TYPE INCOMING FM APPROX 2800 MILLS. HDS IMPACTED OUTSIDE PER 200M SOUTH EAST.

(b) AT 210245H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 156580) AMBUSHED 8-9 NVA, RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA (CONF), CAPTURED 1 AK-47 RIFLE, 1 NVA 7.62 SUB MG, 3 CHICOM GRENES, 2 BAGS RICE, 2 CART HELMS, 1 WALLET WITH PERSONNEL PAPERS.

(c) AT 210300H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 134645) OBS MOVEMENT, USED SPARKLIGHT SCOPE AND NOD TO VERIFY MOVEMENTS, OBS 2 MEN. FIRED 50 CAL, CHECKED AREA AGAIN WITH SPARKLIGHT SCOPE AND NOD, OBS NO FURTHER MOVEMENT.

(d) AT 210500H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 187667) FIRED ON SUSPECTED RKT SITE IN VIC OF (YD 0865), ACCOUNTING FOR 2 LARGE SECONDARY AND 1 SMALL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY**1. AO'S**

(a) A TOTAL OF 15.1 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 20 JAN 68. AT (YD 075645) AO RAN A/S ON BUNKER COMPLEX ACCOUNTING FOR 10 BUNKERS DEST. ALSO SPOTTED 1 BUNKER THAT WAS ABOUT 12X12 FT, THIS BUNKER APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN SOME KIND OF SUPPLY BUNKER. EACH NEW BOMB CRATER HAD A NEW TRAIL AROUND IT, SPOTTED 4 NVA ABOUT 400 METERS TO THE SE AT (YD 066633). AO FIRED ARTY MSN (ISSUES "F") NEG RESULTS.

C. OTHER**1. RECON**

(a) IN REFERENCE TO SPT RPT ON RECON TEAM 4-2 PARA C.1.(a) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 79. ADD 3 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES**A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD**

1. ENEMY KIA 5

2. DETAINES 0/0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WEAPONS: 2/0/0/0/0/0

(b) EQUIPMENT: 0/0/0/0/0/0

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA B.1.(a)

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211800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 696
2. DETAINEES 59 (2 UNCLASSIFIED)
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RWEE(NVA)/RWEE(WO)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
 3 2 0 1 1 50
3. WEPS CAPTURED 70: 54/16

5. - 13. NEG

14. OTHER

(a) INFORMATION GAINED FM INTERVIEW AND WRITTEN STATEMENTS OF MARINES OF 3/4 CONCERNING THE ENEMY ENCOUNTERED IN A COMBAT IN VIC OF (YD 148724) ON 18 JAN 68 IS AS FOLLOWS: (A) UNIFORMS: INDICATION POINTS TO A FORCE BETTER THAN 200 NVA'S. OF THOSE SIGHTED, APPROX 60% WORE BLACK PJ'S AND 40% WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS. 3 OF THE ENEMY WITH KHAKI TROUSERS, 21 WORE FLAK JACKETS WHICH WERE LIGHT BROWN IN COLOR. FORTY-SIX SEEN IN LIGHT BROWN OR LIGHT BLUE PITH HELMETS. FOUR WERE WEARING USMC TYPE COVERS AND THE MAJORITY HAD NO COVERS. APPROX 50% OF THOSE SIGHTED WERE EXTENSIVELY CAMOUFLAGED WITH ELEPHANT GRASS WHICH WERE HELD TO ARMS AND LEGS BY ROPE AND/OR BLACK TUBE LIKE APPARATUS. AT LEAST 15 ENEMY APPEARED TO HAVE NO WEAPONS. (B) ENEMY DISCRPTION: MARINES RPTD APPROX 20 ENEMY TO BE BETWEEN 5 FT 8 INCHES AND 6 FT TALL, AND WEIGHING 145 TO 180 LBS. SEVERAL ENEMY KIA WERE NOTED TO HAVE HIGH CHEEK BONES, LARGE NOSES AND TEETH, AND ~~SEVERAL~~ MORE MUSCULAR FRAMES THAN THE NORMAL NVA (LESS STAMPTED) SET-BACK EYES WERE ALSO NOTED.

15. NEG

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PRIORITY/PRIORITY 221130Z JAN 68

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 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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CONFIDENTIALPERISHABLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INRSUM NR 81, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 211800H ~ 221800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 19 INCIDENTS; 10 EN INITIATED; 4 MORT/ARTY; 4 SNIPER/HARA-
 SSING; 1 MINE/BOOBY TRAP; 1 CO SIZE CONTACT

ENEMY MOVEMENT AROUND 9TH MAR'S POS CONTINUES. INCOMING
 INCREASED WITH 3/4 REC A TOTAL OF 336 RDS OF MORT, ARTY,
 A/1/4'S AMBUSHES ALONG ROUTE 9 CONTINUE TO INTERDICT ENEMY
 MOVEMENT WITH 2 KIA COMPS DURING THE NIGHT.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) AT 211855H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 147707) REC 250 RDS
 OF 82MM MORT, 80 RDS OF UNK CAL ARTY, 6 RDS OF DIRECT TYPE FIRE
 UNK CAL FM UNK LOCS.

(b) AT 212020H, 3/4 ELMS REC SEVERAL RDS S/A FM (YD 144
 708). RET FIRE WITH S/A, M-79, RESULTS UNK.

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(f) AT 221230H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115709) PTL ENGAGED AND EST COMPANY OF NVA. NVA INITIATED FIRE FIGHT WITH COMBAT AND DETONATED TNT TYPE CHARGES, S/A AND MG FIRE. PTL RET FIRE. EN TRIED TO SURROUND LEAD ELMS OF PTL. PTL COUNTERED MOVE AND ENEMY STARTED TO PULL BACK, AS PTL'S LEAD ELMS WITH-DREW, PTL DEST 3 ENEMY BUNKERS, AND 1 ENEMY 60MM MORT TEAM, PTL CONTINUED FIRE WITH ARTY AND AIR. RESULTS OF ACTION WERE 3 NVA KIA (CONF).

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 211020H, 1/4 ELMS AMBUSH AT (YD 164586) SPRUNG AMBUSH KILLING 2 NVA AT (YD 165587). CHECKED AREA AND FOUND 1 AK-47 RIFLE, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), CHICOM GRENS, AMMO.

(b) AT 221205, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 137646) OBS 6 NVA WALKING ALONG THE EDGE OF TREELINE. ALL CARRYING WPNS, 2 AK-47'S AND 4 RIFLES OF UNK CAL. CALLED ARTY MSN, RESULTS UNK.

C. OTHER

(a) FM 210855H - 210920H, 9TH MAR'S ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 167588) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 RUSSIAN T-41 AT MINE, AFTER FAILURE TO REMOVE WITH GRAPPLING HOOKS.

(b) AT 212230H, GAC-5 REC WORD THAT UNK NR OF VC KILLED 1 CIVILIAN AT (YD 095530). THE I.D. OF CIVILIAN UNK.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 5
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNS: 1/0 SEE PARA A.5.(a)
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.4.(c)
 - (c) FACILITIES: NEG

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 221800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 701
2. DETAINEES 59 (2 UNCLASSIFIED)
PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VG)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
3. WPNS CAPTURED 71: 55/16 1 1 50

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(a) SEE PARA 6.(a)

6. - 7. NEG

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 220745H, 3/3 ELMS OBS 10 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 163700). FIRED MORT MSN WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 221439H, 3/3 ELMS MADE CONTACT WITH APPROX 15-18 NVA. NVA BROKE CONTACT AND MOVING IN SOUTHERLY DIRECTION.

(c) AT 221440H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 166740) REC 8 TO 10 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM UNK LOC.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 212125H, 2/9 ELMS A T (YD 147603) OBS LIGHT MOVE NEAR NORTH SIDE OF PER, AND SOUTH SIDE REC 2 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE. THREW M-26 GRENS AT LIGHT, LIGHT WENT OUT, UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 220155H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 145613) OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT AT (YD 144610). FIRED S/A AND THREW HAND ILLUMS, NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 220350H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 145613) OBS 5 PEOPLE MOVING SOUTH, FIRED MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 212104H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 119704) SPOTTED MOVEMENT WITH PPS-6 RADAR ON SUSPECTED EN AT (YD 121709). FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(b) AT 220106H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 12 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE INSIDE PER. RET FIRE AT (YD 122719), (YD 13427014), (YD 105724), (YD 114724).

(c) AT 220355H, 2/1 AMBUSH AT (YD 119688) HEARD AND SPOTTED ENEMY CROSSING EAST-WEST ROAD 150M SE AT (YD 124688). SET UP AMBUSH AND FIRED LAAW, S/A, M-79, CHECKED AREA AND FOUND DRAG MARKS, BLOOD STAINS, WET BLOOD ON JACKET, JACKET FWD TO EN CP.

(d) AT 220841H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115710) REC HVY S/A, AW FIRE FM (YD 115715), AND UNK NR OF MORTS FM (YD 114724).

(e) FM 221005H TO 221210H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 100 RDS OF MIXED 82MM MORT, 130MM ARTY, 152MM ARTY. RET FIRE AT (YD 132694), (YD 115718), (YD 115720), (YD 113718), (YD 114712), (YD 125718), (YD 110714), (YD 110720), (YD 117715), (YD 113718), (YD 122712), (YD 135724), (YD 102722), (YD 122715), (YD 129718), (YD 128720), (YD 119720), (YD 121711), (YD 116712), (YD 112720), (YD 112708), (YD 110720), (YD 115720), (YD 1159070940), (YD 125714), (YD 12707115).

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8. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) 4TH MAR'S RPTD FM CAC UNIT THAT 2 PTL'S MOVING IN DUE NORTH DIRECTION SPOTTED IN VIC OF (YD 113538), ALSO 3 MEN IN VIC OF (YD 108545), AND SET UP POSS OP. PTL'S CARRIED 20 CARBINES, 6 AW, 20 DEMO KITS, 1 RKT, INFO CAME FM CIVILIAN. THE 2 PTL'S CAME FM "THON SON NAM" AREA. RATED (B-2).

(b) CAM LO DIST ADVISOR, NATIONAL POLICE RPTD 1 VC CO AT (YD 099555), MISSION TO INFILTRATE CAM LO REFUGEE VILLAGE, SENIOR ADVISOR REQUESTED ARTY IN AREA. RATED (B-2).

9. - 13. NEG

14. OTHER

(a) 2/9 CHIEU HOI REPORT OF 21 JAN. AT 2200H ON 20 JAN AT (YD 167607) 1 VC PLT HELD PROPAGANDA MEETINGS. REPORTED THAT VILLAGERS STATED 6 VC WERE KILLED IN AMBUSH LAST NIGHT VIC. REFERENCE SPOT REPORT A.5.(b) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 80. ALSO STATED THAT VC WILL TRY TO SWIM DOWN RIVER FM WEST TO TRY AND RELOW C-3 BRIDGE. THAT NEAR CAM VU THERE ARE 2 CO'S OF NVA AND THEY PLAN TO MOVE TO VILLE VIC OF (YD 156609) (POSS IN THAT AREA NOW) THEY ARE TO MORTAR AND USE RPG'S ON C-3. THEY BELIEVE THAT MARINES WILL NOT FIRE INTO THE VILL. VC WENT INTO VILLE OF AN MT AND KIDNAPPED CIVILIAN. CIVILIAN ESCAPED AND CHIEU HOI WILL TRY TO INTERROGATE.

15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) REFERENCE SPOT REPORT 221005 TO 221210H PARA A.4.(e) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 81, PRELIMINARY READOUT OF FRAG REC FM INCOMING INDICATE POSS USE OF 107 FIELD GUN. FRAGS ARE BEING FWD TO CMEC SAIGON.

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 82, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 221800H - 231800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 17 INCIDENTS: 7 EN INITIATED; 4 SNIPER/HARASSING; 2 MINE/
 BOOBY TRAP; 1 MORT/ARTY

ENEMY ACTIVITY REMAINS LIGHT IN 9TH MAR'S AO WITH CONTINUED
 MOVEMENT AROUND POSITIONS.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 221715H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 149
 669) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 CHICOM GREN. GREN WAS FOUND IN-
 SIDE A BUNKER AND WAS BOOBY TRAPPED.
2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 221439H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 191
 721) OBS 3 PERSONNEL IN WHITE PJ'S MOVING TOWARD MSR WHEN
 PERSONNEL SIGHTED ELMS, THEY HIT THE DECK THEN RAN INTO TREE-
 LINE, ELMS OBS 10-15 NVA MOVING IN SAME TREELINE. ENGAGED WITH
 S/A, MG, M-79, ORGANIZED 2 FLT'S TO SWEEP TREELINE AT (YD 195
 721). CALLED FOR AO SUPPORT, AO COULDN'T IDENTIFY MOVEMENT,
 ENGAGED ENEMY AGAIN WITH S/A, FOUND 1 NVA/VC KIA (CONF) IN
 GRAY PJ'S, SEARCHED BODY AND FOUND 1PRC-25 BATTERY, AO OBS
 1 NVA 700M SOUTH OF ACTION AND AO ALSO OBS NEW BUNKER AT (YD
 195716) AND CALLED A/S WITH NEG RESULTS.

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 221705H, 3/3 ELMS REC 2 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (●) 95700).

(c) AT 231124H, 3/3 ELMS OBS SMALL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AT (YD 152735) AS A RESULT OF ARTY FIRE.

(d) AT 231415H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 165741) REC 8-12 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM 2 SNIPERS AT (YD 169741).

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 231010H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115705) FOUND GERMAN TAPE DEST BY WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BANGALORE TORPEDO. TORPEDO LEFT CRATER 8 FT LONG, 2 FT WIDE, 2 FT DEEP. ALSO FOUND 7 PIECES OF NET CORD AND 2 FUSES.

(b) AT 231030H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 136676) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 BUNKER 2X3X5 FT, 1 1/2 FT OVERHEAD COVERING OF DIRT AND LOGS, FACING EAST. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

(c) AT 231100H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115694) FOUND GERMAN TAPE CUT BY WIRE CUTTERS OR SOME OTHER MEANS, APRON WIRE WAS DEST BY A BANGALORE TORPEDO. ALSO FOUND BLASTING CAPS, 2 LB BLOCKS OF TNT AND TIM FUSE.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 221800H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 134645) REPORTS THAT A TRUCK GOING NORTH ON MSR REPORTED TO SOUTH GATE. TRUCK REC 5 RDS OF 105 CAL RE FIRE FM (YD 124635). FIRED MORT AND ARTY MSN WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 221815H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 128672) REC SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 134668).

(c) AT 222045H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 178588) RPPS CAC-3 REC 10-20 RDS OF S/A AND 1 CHICOM GREEN APPROX 200M NORTH OF COMPOUND.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 48.6 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 28 JAN 68. AT (YD 129731) AO OBS FRESH BUNKER COMPLEX, ALSO REC AW, S/A FIRE, RAN A/S (HELL-BORNE 517) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 BUNKER DEST. AT (YD 133730) AO REC AW FIRE.

C. OTHER

(a) AT 221445H, RECON TEAM 2C2 AT (YD 212552) OBS 2 MEN BELIEVED TO BE SECURITY TMS. ENEMY WORE CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, HELMETS, 1 AK-47. PTL CALLED ARTY WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 221545H, RECON TEAM 2-1 AT (YD 143598) PTL OBS 3 NVA JOINED BY ABOUT 50 MORE NVA MOVING NORTH INTO TREELINE AT (YD 146540), WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, MIXED PJ'S, KHAKI'S, PACKS, GART BELTS WITH WPNS. PTL CALLED ARTY, AND COULD HEAR MUCH SCREAMING, AO COULD NOT SEE AN MOVEMENT.

(c) AT 221000H, RECON TEAM 2-2 AT (YD 116657) OBS
POINT ELMS OF UNK SIZE MOVING NE ON TRAIL TOWARD TEAM POS.
ENTRY WAS 45M REAR OF TEAM. ENEMY WORE GRN UTILITIES,
AK-47'S, SRS'S. SCOUT DOGS ALERTED, ENGAGED ENEMY WITH S/A
RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(d) AT 222000H, RECON TEAM 2-2 AT (YD 116657) OBS
4 NVA TO CROSSING POINT AND DOWN TRAIL 45M TO REAR OF TEAM.
THEY WERE WEARING BLACK RJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES. ENGAGING
WITH S/A, RESULTS UNK.

(e) AT 231135H, MCB-5 ENGRS AT (YD 223632) DETONATED
A MINE ON SHOULDER OF THE ROAD.

(f) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 221400H, AT (YD 097592) PF
UNIT FM CAN LO DIST MADE CONTACT WITH UNK NR OF VC. ADVANCED
THROUGHOUT AREA, NEG RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES REQ 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 3
2. DETAINEE'S 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WEAPNS: 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: neg
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3.(b), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 231800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 704
2. DETAINEE'S 59
PW(NVA)/PW(VC)/RWEE(NVA)/RWEE(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
2 2 0 1 1 52
3. WEAPNS CAPTURED 71: 55/16

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

- (1) SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.4.(a), C.1.(a)

6. - 7. NEG

9. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) AT 231800H, CIVILIAN RT D-5 RP'S 1 NVA BN STOPPED TO
SET UP BASE CAMP AT (YD 129500). UNIT HAD NUMEROUS MG'S,
AW, RIF'S, 60MM, 82MM MORTS. UNIT WAS WEARING GREEN UTILITIES,
WITH GOLD SCARFS AROUND THEIR NECKS. NO RATING GIVEN. FIRED
ARMY ON POS, NEG RESULTS.

9. - 15. NEG

15. LATE ENTRY: Ref 9th MAIL INTSUM #78. DETAINEES
PICKED UP BY 3/3 CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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1. NINTH MARINES IN SUM NR 83, OZM KENTUCKY
2. 230800H - 241800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 17 INCIDENTS; 3 EN INITIATED; 5 MORT/ARTY

INCOMING AT COM THIRN CONTINUES WITH AN INCREASE.
 ACTIVITY IN 9TH MAR'S AO REMAINS THE SAME.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 231700H, 3/4 PTL AT (YD 147707)
 CHECKED AREA WHERE EN HAD DEPARTED 22 JAN. FOUND 3 CANS OF
 82MM INCREMENTS, 2 FUSES, 3 RDS OF 82MM MORT. GEAR FWD TO
 EN CP. AO OBS EN CO AT (YD 132726).

- (b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 231730H, 3/4 ENES AT (YD 147707)
 OBS FIGURE IN ELACI MOVE INTO OPEN AREA THEN BACK INTO BRUSH.
 PERIOD MORT AND ARTY MSH WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(c) AT 23:015H, 3/4 AMMO SH HEARD VOICES AT (YD 150690) CALLED ARTY BSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 23:127H, 3/3 AT (YD 173719) REC 23 RDS OF 82MM MORT INSIDE PER RM 3400 KILLS, SPOTTED MORT POS AT (YD 17:108). RET FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 23:045H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 146721) OBS APPROX 3 TO 5 NVA WITH LIMBS AND BRANCHES TIED TO BACK AND LEGS. WHEN HELD FIRE UNTIL NVA MOVED WITHIN 50M THEN OPENED FIRE WITH M-79, S/A. ELMS OBS 1 NVA FALL, HEARD SEVERAL VOICES AND SAW ANOTHER NVA FALL BACK. ELMS REINF OBS APPROX 15 NVA RETURN TO AREA WHERE PREV ENGAGED. ENGAGED NVA WITH M79 S/A, M-79, OBS 1 NVA FALL AND HEARD SHOUTING AND SCREAMING. PPS-6 CONF IN CH ENEMY MOVEMENT. ELMS WITHDREW AND CALLED ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) AT 24:000H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 195714) FOUND BLOODY BANDAGE AND NVA REM. BLOOD APPEARED APPROX 3 DAYS OLD.

(d) AT 24:125H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 197709) DISCOVERED AND DEST REINF BUNKER 4X6X5 FT WITH 4 FT OF DEEP ON TOP.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 23:000H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 146610) ENCOUNTERED 3 FIGURES TO THEIR FRONT. TOOK UNDER FIRE WITH S/A, SAW 1 FIGURE DROP AND OBS HIM BEING DRAGGED AWAY. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 23:140H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 145606) HEARD MOVEMENT TO NORTH-EAST. FIRED S/A, MOVEMENT CONTINUED EAST. PPS-6 PICKED UP FIGURES RUNNING EAST, FOLIAGE PREVENTED OBS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 23:000H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 41 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 20 RDS OF 60MM MORT, 10 RDS OF REM 152MM ARTY.

(b) AT 23:045H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114705) OBS 5 ENEMY MOVING IN FRONT OF GERMAN TAPE TRO MINE FIELD. FIRED MORT MSW WITH NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 23:300H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 30 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 20 RDS OF 60MM MORT. RET FIRE AT (YD 11227085), (YD 11027129), (YD 13387214), (YD 09917233), ALSO OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT OUTSIDE BAR.

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(c) AT 240145H, 2/1 EIMS REC 10 RDS OF 82MM MORT INSIDE PER. NET SITE AT (YD 126744).

(c) AT 241125H, 2/1 EIMS FOUND BREAK IN WIRE CON BY ENEMY RD. APPROX 14 FT IN LENGTH. NO DAMAGE TO MINE FIELD.

(f) AT 232136H, 2/1 EIMS REC 3 RDS OF 60MM MORT INSIDE PER FM (YD 055696).

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(c) AT 232145H, 1/4 EIMS OBS 2 VC MOVING NORTH AT (YD 159582). OPENED FIRE, OBS 1 FALL, THEY CONTINUED NORTH. SEARCHED IMMEDIATE AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) AT 240730H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 159582) FOUND BLOOD TRAIL LEADING NORTH. TRAIL WAS LOST APPROX 70M FM CONTACT SITE. NEG RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 44.0 HRS OF 7R FLOWN OF QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 23 JAN 68. AT (YD 132729) AO OBS APPROX 30 NVA DIESSED IN KHAKI'S ALONG TRAIL. RAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 7 NVA KIA (CONF), 8 BUNKERS DEST, 40M OF FRENCHLINE DEST. AO CHECKED AREA NORTH NORTHWEST, AND NORTHEAST OF CON THLEN, SCOTTED A NEW TRAIL, HVY USED, RUNNING IN THE BEN HAI RIVER SOUTH ALONG THE VIC OF (YD 082718) AND TRAIL STOPS AROUND THE VIC OF (YD 083716). AO ALSO OBS A MORT LOS, AND 3 NVA IN TRENCH AT (YD 145720) RAN A/S (RINGBACK 521,522) ACCOUNTING FOR 5 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 MORT POS DEST.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 12
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPK'S 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.2.(3), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 240000H JAN 68

1. ENEMY KIA 716
2. DETAINEES 59

PR(NVA)/PR(VC)/RTYER(NVA)/RTYER(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV					
1	2	0	1	1	52
3. WPKS CAPTURED 71: 55/16

5. - 14. NEG

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19. LATE [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

(a) AT 241400H 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 145700) FOUND AN AREA 10M BY 50M THAT HAD BEEN CLEARED OF MINES AND WAS APPARENTLY USED AS A CONCEALED POS IN BEHIND OBSTACLE, MAINTAINED OBS OF AREA.

(b) AT 241500H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170738) REC 10-12 EDS OF SEVER FIRE FI (YD 167739).

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 84, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 241800H - 251800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF EVERY ACTIVITY
 17 INCIDENTS; 13 EN INITIATED; 8 MORT/ARTY; 5 SNIPER/HAR-
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SPORADIC INCOMING CONTINUES AT CON THIEP CONSISTING
 OF MORTS AND RR.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 242140H, 3/4 ELMS OBS MOVEMENT 10-15M TO
 FRONT OF POS, MOVEMENT CONTINUED. ELMS OBS 5-6 EN ON 3
 SIDES OF THEM. WAITED UNTIL EN WAS CLOSE, THEN OPENED
 FIRE. SWEEP CONTACT AREA AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEG RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 241530H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 173
 738) REC 10-12 EDS OF SNIPER FIRE EN (YD 167739).

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(b) AT 250545H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170731) REC 9 RDS OF 82MM RR FIRE FM (YD 179751). 6 WERE DUDS.

(c) AT 251255H, 3/3 SNIPER AT (YD 162736) OBS 1 PERSON IN DARK CLOTHING AND CARRYING A WFN AT (YD 166737). SNIPER FIRED AND OBS MAN FELL. UNK RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 242510H, 2/9 ELMS DETECTED ENEMY RUNNING IN WESTERLY DIRECTION AT (YD 122614). FIRED MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 242515H, 2/9 ELMS REC 1 INCOMING GREEN FM (YD 142612).

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 241740H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 2 RDS OF 82MM MORT, 4 RDS OF 107MM FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 103703), (YD 099699).

(b) AT 242245H, 2/1 ELMS REC 3 RDS OF 60MM MORT. RET FIRE AT (YD 115712), (YD 115715).

(c) AT 250107H, 2/1 ELMS REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT. RET FIRE AT (YD 135715), (YD 135718).

(d) AT 251023H, 2/1 ELMS REC 2 RDS OF 82MM RR FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 103703), (YD 109704), (YD 102701), (YD 103703).

(e) AT 250300H, 2/1 ELMS REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT FIRE BY UNK LOC.

(f) AT 251105H, 2/1 SNIPER AT (YD 105685) DISCOVERED AND DEST ENEMY TRENCHLINE, 1 MG POS, 2 BUNKERS, ONE IN GOOD CONDITION.

(g) AT 251150H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 8 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 107702).

(h) AT 251610H, 2/1 ELMS REC 1 RD OF 82MM MORT OUTSIDE PER. RET FIRE AT (YD 129718), (YD 135715), (YD 120721).

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 241430H, A TRUCK FM 2/12 WAS APPROX AT (YD 133645) 1/4 SEPT OUT FLT AND FOUND NO ENEMY BUT 2 USMC KIA AND 1 WIA WHO SAID HE SEEN 4 PERSONNEL WITH CAMOUFLAGED HELMETS WALKING ALONG SIDE OF ROAD WHEN THE APPROX OCCURRED. THE PERSONNEL WERE NOT WEARING FLAK JACKETS. THE TRUCK WAS APPARENTLY STRUCK BY AN RPG AND BURNED.

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(b) AT 251345H, 1/4 EIMS AT (YD 136644) RPTD APPROX 20 RDS OF 82MM MORT FM (YD 105645). RDS IMPACTING 300M WEST OF PER.

C. OTHER

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 241010H, CONVOY TO DONG HA AT (YD 163586) REC 4-5 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 0
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNS: 0/0 NEG
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NEG
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(f)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 251800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 736
2. DETAINEES 59

PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNKE(NVA)/RTNKE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV					
3	2	0	1	1	52
3. WPNS CAPTURED 71: 55/16

5. - 11. NEG

12. CONCLUSIONS

(a) CONTINUED MINING AND INCIDENTS OF S/A AND RPG'S ALONG ROUTE 9 AND 561 INDICATE THE NVA WILL CONTINUE TO INTERDICT MOVEMENT ALONG THESE ROUTES.

13. - 15. NEG

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 85, OPH KENTUCKY
2. 251800H - 261800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 15 INCIDENTS; 5 EN INITIATED; 4 MORT/ARTY; 1 MINE/BOOBY TRAP

CON THLEN CONTINUES TO REC LIGHT RTF SPORADIC INCOMING.
 SWEEPS AND PATROLS CONTINUE TO FIND BUNKERS AND SIGNS OF
 ENEMY MOVEMENT.

1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 (a) AT 261045H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 187733) DISCOVERED AND
 DEST BUNKER COMPLEX AND TUNNELS. ALSO FOUND 1 75MM RR CANNISTER
 AND 1 DH-10 MINE. DEST CANNISTER AND FWD MINE TO BN CP.
2. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 251640H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 133615)
 TWO 6X6 trucks and a JEEP WERE AMBUSHED BY AN EST 10 NVA. DRIVER
 SAID NVA RAN TO ROAD TO FIRE. SENT OUT REACTION AND FIRED ARTY
 MSN. REACTION SWEEP AREA AND FOUND 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 AK-47 WITH
 GREEN LAUNCHER, FIRST AID KIT, PACK, 2 CHICOM GRENS, AK-47 MAGS,
 MESSAGE BOOKS, AND PERSONAL PAPERS. (SEE PARA 14)

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(b) AT 252315H, 2/9 ELMS OBS 3 NVA MOVING NORTH AT (YD 154612). FIRED ILLUM, S/A WITH NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 260100H, 2/9 ELMS NORTHEAST OF C-3 BRIDGE OBS 10 NVA MOVING NORTH. FIRED S/A, M-79. SWEEPED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. SUSPECTED ENEMY STILL IN AREA.

(d) AT 261230H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 140602) DISCOVERED HUT CONTAINING 80 SANDBAGS OF RICE, AND VC DETAINEE. NOTIFIED THE DIST CHIEF WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVE CHECK OUT. RELEASED DETAINEE AND FOUND RICE WAS AUTHORIZED.

(e) AT 261145H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 187742) FOUND A SET OF TIRE TRACKS 15 INCHES WIDE AND 4 FT APART, RUNNING NORTHWEST. TRAIL APPEARED WELL USED, ABOUT 2 WKS OLD.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 251130H, 2/1 ELMS OBS 5 ENEMY IN OPEN AT (YD 098706) ENEMY HAD PACKS. FIRED MORT MSN UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 252030H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 115687) OBS 4 ENEMY MOVING SOUTH AT (YD 114686), FIRED S/A, M-79 CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 261000H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 134697) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 BUNKERS WITH REINF COVERS OF LOGS AND LEAVES. BUNKERS WERE 7 FT LONG, 5 FT WIDE, 4 FT HIGH.

(d) AT 261005H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 2 RDS OF 57MM RR, 1 RD OF 82MM MORT, 2 RDS OF 60MM MORT, ALSO SNIPER FIRE. RET FIRE UNK RESULTS.

(e) AT 261140H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 145691) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 BUNKERS 8X4X3 FT, AT (YD 142694) DEST 1 BUNKER 4X4X3 FT, AND AT (YD 142693) DEST 105MM RD RIGGED AS MINE WITH 1 1/2 LBS OF C-4 AS BOOSTER.

(f) AT 261440H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 3 RDS OF 82MM MORT. RET FIRE AT (YD 123712), (YD 114722).

(g) AT 261430H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 116704) FOUND BREAK IN WIRE AROUND PER, 3 FT WIDE WITH A WELL WORN PATH INTO MINEFIELD. ALSO FOUND 1 SET HVY DUTY WIRE CUTTERS 18 INCHES LONG, 1 E-TOOL, 3 PR OF SNEAKERS, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ALSO 1X1 FT CRAWL THRU. FWD GEAR TO BN CP.

(h) AT 261610H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 1 RD OF 82MM RR FIRE INSIDE PER. RET FIRE AT (YD 103703).

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4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 251525H, 1/4 FMS AT (YD 132645).
 REC 3 HDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE 200M OUTSIDE PER. RET FIRE AT
 (YD 115635).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 4
2. DETAINEE 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNs: 1/0 SEE PARA A.2.(a)
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.2.(a), A.3.(e)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.3.(e)(e)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF
261500H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 720
2. DETAINEE 59
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/R/NVEE(NVA)/R/NVEE(VN)/CIV DEP/INN CIV
 3 2 0 1 1 22
3. WPNs CAPTURED 72, 56/16

5. - 13. NEG

14. OTHER

(a) INFO/CONCLUSION FM AMBUSH ON 251630H AT (YD 132626) APPROX
 10 NVA MOVED UP ONE OF A NUMBER OF DRAWS FM THE WEST OF THE MSR
 BETWEEN C-2 AND C-3 AND NORTH OF THE ROAD TO HILL 46. THE TRAIL
 NETWORK IN THE DRAWS IS GOOD AND SMALL STREAMS PROVIDE GOOD WALKING.
 THE TERRAIN IS GENTLY ROLLING WITH BRUSH CHEST HIGH AND VERY THICK.
 THE ENEMY PROBABLY FOLLOWED THE TRAIL WHICH RUNS DUE EAST FM NUI
 TOT MON TO THE AMBUSH SITE. THIS TRAIL IS SHOWN ON THE MAPS, AND
 EXPERIENCE HAS PROVEN THAT IT HAS GOOD TRAFFICABILITY. THE ENEMY
 APPARENTLY WAITED ON THE REVERSE SHOULDER OF THE SMALL PIECE OF
 HIGH GROUND WEST OF THE MSR AT (YD 132626) UNTIL THE TRUCKS CAME
 ALONG. ONCE THE TRUCKS DROVE INTO THE KILLING ZONE THE ENEMY
 WALKED INTO THE OPEN AND BEGAN FIRING RIFLE GRENADES. THE NVA
 WERE WEARING STEEL HELMETS WITH COMM WIRE STRAPPED OVER IN A
 NET MANNER. SMALL BRANCHES WERE TIED TO HIS SHIRT AND TROUSERS
 WITH SMALL TIP-TIES. THERE WAS A MARKED LACK OF S/A IN THE
 AMBUSH. THE NVA FELT SO MANNED ON THE RIFLE GRENS. ONE THE MARINES
 ON THE VEHICLES BEGAN TO RET FIRE, THE NVA TURNED AND RAN INTO
 THE DRAW FM WHICH THEY HAD CAME. THE BODY WAS CLEAN AND WELL
 F'D. GEAR WAS DRY AND CLEAN. THE WEAPON WAS IN EXCELLENT CONDI-
 TION. THERE WAS NO PACK. BASE CAMP WAS PROBABLY NEARBY. NVA
 WORE CLEAN SOCKS AND SKIVVIS, GOOD TENNIS SHOE TYPE BOOTS. NO
 FOOD IN EVIDENCE. NO CLEANING GEAR IN EVIDENCE. CLEAN CLOTHES.

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13. LATE RM

(a) AT 261508H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 170735), REC 8 ADS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 165738). RET FIRE WITH LAAW AND S/A, AND SAV NVA FALL, 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) AT 261410H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 189742) DISCOVERED AND DEST 10 BUNKERS WITH CONNECTING TRENCHES AND TUNNELS. BUNKERS WERE 4X5 FT AND 2 SKELETON IN NVA UNIFS APPROX 3-4 WKS OLD. 2 NVA KIA (CONF). CONTAINED

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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 86, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 261800H - 271800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 16 INCIDENTS: 7 EN INITIATED; 3 MORT/ARTY; 2 MINE/BOOBY
 TRAP; 2 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 (a) DELA YED ENTRY. AT 261730H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 170
 733) REC 6-8 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 167738). RET FIRE WITH
 UNK RESULTS.
 (b) AT 270100H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 176716) HEARD MINE
 DETONATE, SUSPECTED MINE DETONATED BY ANIMAL.
2. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 261500H, 2/9 PTL AT (YD 140601)
 DISCOVERED BLOODY BANDAGE IN AREA OF BAMBOO THICKET COVERED WITH
 BLOOD.

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(b) AT 252000H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 150603) OBS FIGURE OUTSIDE PER 1 [REDACTED] FLECTIVE WIRE. THREW M-26 GR [REDACTED] TH NEG RESULTS.

(c) AT 270815H, 2/9 MINE SWEEP AT (YD 132620) RPTD IT HAD BEEN AMBUSHED, HAD SEVERAL EXPLOSIONS NEAR DUSTERS. RET FIRE TO THE WEST, NO ENEMY SIGHTED.

(d) AT 271425H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 145610) 1 NVA TURNED HIMSELF IN TO FRIENDLY POS AT TRAFFIC POINT ON MSR. 1 CHIEU HOI. CHIEU HOI HAD ON NEW UNIFORM AND HELMET, ALSO HAD PASSES IN HIS POSSESSION. S-2 CMT NVA KILLED BY 2/9 AMBUSH AT (YD 123 625) ALSO HAD TWO CHIEU HOI PASSES IN HIS POSSESSION.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 261645H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114 702) RAN A/S ON RR POS AT (YD 103703), OBS 5 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 1 RR DEST, OBS FLYING PARTS IN AIR.

(b) AT 261855H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 2 RDS OF 82MM MORT. RET FIRE AT (YD 131711), (YD 113717), (YD 127718), (YD 105711).

(c) AT 270035H, 2/1 ELMS REC APPROX 150 RDS OF AW FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 111706), (YD 103703), (YD 115711), (YD 11227085).

(d) AT 270355H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 117695) REC 1 M-26 GREN FM WEST.

(e) AT 270830H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 9 ENEMY IN OPEN WITH MIVY PACKS AT (YD 10407015). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(f) AT 271110H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 1 ENEMY IN OPEN AT (YD 098706). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION 300TH MARINES

(a) AT 262230H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 159586) SOD AMBUSH REC 6-8 RDS OF 60MM MORT AND SEVERAL RDS OF S/A FM APPROX (YD 158581). WITH THE USE OF STARLIGHT SCOPE OBS 7-8 PERSONS IN SAME AREA. FIRED MG, M-79. S/A, SNIPER OBS 3 NVA FALL. AMBUSH CALLED ARTY, AND ILLUM. SEARCHED AREA IN MORNING AND FOUND 1 BANANA CLIP, 10 RDS OF AK-47 AMMO, AND 1 RECENTLY OPENED NVA BANDAGE. ALSO FOUND SEVERAL BLOOD TRAILS APPARENTLY LEADING INTO VILLAGE. AT 271000H SEARCHED VILLAGE, UNCOVERED SEVERAL BLOODY RAGS AND A PENICILLIN BOTTLE. NATIONAL POLICE RPTD INFORMER STATED APPROX 20 CASUALTIES WERE REMOVED FM VILLAGE LAST NIGHT. AMBUSH MADE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN WITH POINT ON NVA COMPANY OR BN.

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(b) AT 270040H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 128667) HEARD MOVEMENT, TWO TRIP MINES WENT OFF AND ELMS REC 4 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 125666). FIRED MORE WSN WITH UNK RESULTS

(c) AT 271215H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 141651) FOUND 500 LB BOMB. BOMB APPEARED TO BE BOOBY TRAPPED. MARKED FOR FURTHER DESTRUCTION.

(d) FM 271227H TO 271310H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 135645) REC 5 RDS OF FOSS 105MM ARTY FM (YD 093691).

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B. AIR ACTV

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 55.2 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER HUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 25 AND 26 JAN 68. AO OBS 5 NVA NORTH OF A-3 IN TRENCHES AND BUNKERS. ALSO OBS ALL KINDS OF CONSTRUCTION, ALL ALONG NORTH EDGE OF ROAD IN THE VIC OF (YD 1674), (YD 1573), (YD 1473). RAN A/S (DISCRATE 183) ACCOUNTING FOR 2 AW FOS DEST, 4 BUNKERS DEST, 10 FIGHTING HOLES UNCOVERED AND DAMAGED. AT (YD 114721) AO RAN A/S (HELLBORN 530) ACCOUNTING FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 3 BUNKERS DEST, 20M TRENCHLINE DEST. AT (YD 245788) AO RAN A/S (FORMAL 112) ACCOUNTING FOR 4 BUNKERS DEST.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 1
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/1/0/1
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNs: 0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT:
 - (c) FACILITIES: SET PARA No 10 (a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OTH HENPUCKY AS OF 271800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 721
 2. DETAINEES 64
- | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| PW(NVA) | PW(VN) | REMER(NVA) | REMER(VN) | CIV DEB | INN CIV |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 53 |

3. WPNs CAPTURED 72: 56/15

5. - 74. NEG

95. LATE ENTRIES

(a) IN REFERENCE TO SPOT REPORT PARA A-2.(d) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM HR 85, DETAINEE WAS RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIAN.

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SECTION 8-2 9TH MARINES

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 87, OPH KENTUCKY
2. 271800H - 281800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 13 INCIDENTS, 3 EN INITIATED, 2 MINE/BOOBY TRAP, 1 MORT/ARTY

ACTIVITY IN 9TH MAR'S AO HAS DECREASED IN PAST 48 HRS. AND
 CONSISTS MAINLY OF NIGHT MOVEMENT AROUND PERIMETERS.

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 - (a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 271200H, 3/3 PTL FOUND 1 FUSING
 MINE M-605, AND 1 FUSING WRENCH M-25. FWD TO HN CP.
 - (b) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 272212H, 3/3 ELMS RPTD MOVEMENT
 AT (YD 172736). HELD FIRE UNTIL 1 NVA COULD BE OBS, OPEN FIRE
 WITH S/A, OBS 3 NVA WITHDRAW TO (YD 175738). AT 2215H ELMS
 HEARD MOVEMENT 75M TO THEIR WEST. OBS 1 NVA MOVE TO (YD 176734).
 FIRED MORT, BR, S/A WITH UNK RESULTS.

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2. SECOND BATTALION FIFTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 270815H, 2/9 ROAD SWEEP WAS ABANDONED BY APPROX 5 NVA TO WEST MSR AT (YD 133623) NVA USING 2 RPG RDS, 4 60MM MORT RDS AND ABOUT 16 RDS OF S/A FIRE. NVA CONCEALED IN HVY BRUSH IN RAVINE ALLOWING FLANK SECURITY TO PASS NEARBY AND THEN OPEN FIRE. REACTION FORCE SENT OUT, FIRED S/A AND TWIN 40'S WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 272230H, 2/9 HWS OBS 3 EVENT WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE MOVING IN TREE LINE AT (YD 138640). FIRED S/A, MOVEMENT CEASED.

3. SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 271730H, 2/4 ELMS AT (YD 129688) DEFEATED MOVEMENT AT (YD 134630). FIRED TANK WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) AT 280345H, 2/4 ELMS AT (YD 134677) OBS SMALL MOVEMENT 50M TO THEIR FRONT. CONTINUED TO OBS.

(c) AT 280834H, 2/4 ELMS AT (YD 138693) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 AT FINE.

(d) AT 280930H, 2/4 ELMS AT (YD 141692) LEAD TANK DEMONSTRATED A MINE OF UNK SIZE. HOURS HAD SWIFT THE ROAD PRIOR TO THE TANK STRIKING THE MINE. MINE MUST HAVE BEEN OF PLASTIC TYPE.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) AT 271940H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 111702) HEARD OBJECT HIT TO HIS FRONT, POINT MAN HIT THE DECK, EXPLOSION FOLLOWED BELIEVED TO BE GRENADE. POINT MAN OBS 1 OR 2 MEN RUNNING. FIRED S/A, M-79 WITH UNK RESULTS.

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 272225H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 136644) REC 4 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE IN APPROX W-SW OF C-2.

(b) AT 281030H, 1/4 SWEEP AT (YD 124649) DISCOVERED AND DEST 3 BUNKERS 4X4X3 FT WITH 1 FT OF DIRT AND LOGS ON TOP. SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

(c) AT 281045H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 132633) OBS UNK NR OF NVA WITH SLUNG RIFLES WALKING ALONG TREE LINE, HEADING SOUTH APPROX 200M SE OF C-2 BRIDGE. ROAD SWEEP TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE. SENT OUT REACTION FORCE AND SWEEP AREA WHERE NVA WERE LAST OBS, NEG RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 47.0 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 26 AND 27 JAN 68. AT (YD 140742) AO OBS 12 NVA IN DARK GREEN UNIFORMS MOVING SOUTH TOWARD MARKET, FIRED ARTY (ISTHMUS "K") ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (CONF). RAN A/S (HELLEBORNE 518) ACCOUNTING FOR 4 NVA KIA (CONF). AO OBS HVY BUNKERED AREA AND WELL USED TRAILS IN VIC OF (YD 1775). VR'D AREA OF (YD 086748), (YD 085750) FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF TRUCKS BEING USED IN THAT AREA. AREA SHOWED SIGNS OF MODERATE FOOT

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TRAFFIC ALONG ROAD CROSSING BEN HAI RIVER AT (YD 080749).
ALSO TRAILS GOING SOUTH ALONG STREAM.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 6
2. DETAINES 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WEAP. 0/0 HEG
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.2.(b), B.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR ONE MONTH OF
291800Z JAN 68,

1. ENEMY KIA 727
2. DETAINES 61

PR(NVA)/PR(VN)	RETR(NVA)/RETR(VN)	CIV DEF	INN CIV
2	2	1	1
			22
3. WEAP CAPTURED 72: 56/16

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

- (a) SEE PARA A.3.(c), A.3.(d)

6. - 7. NEG

8. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

- (a) AT 281900H, 2/9 HINS AT (YD 140614) GAO RPTD 2 ENEMY COMPANIES AT (YD 104602). WERE RPTD BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS AND PP'S.

9. - 11. NEG

12. CONCLUSIONS

(1) CONTINUED ENEMY MOVEMENT AROUND DEFENSIVE POS INDICATES THE ENEMY IS EXTENSIVELY RECONNOITERING OUR PERIMETERS.

(2) ENEMY REACTIVITY DURING THE PAST 24 HRS MAY INDICATE HE IS PREPARING FOR MAJOR EFFORT PRIOR TO OR DURING COMING THE HOLIDAY.

13. NEG

14. OTHER

(a) CONTACTS MADE BY 3/4 IN VIC OF (YD 0757) HAVE INDICATED THE MOVE OF A NEW UNIT INTO THE AREA ADJACENT TO 9TH MAR'S AO. INDICATIONS FROM DOCS AND GEAR CAPTURED BY 3/4 IS THAT THIS UNIT IS OF THE 64TH REGT/20TH NVA DIV, UNIT IS WELL EQUIPED WITH NEW GEAR AND NEW ARMAMENT. THIS UNIT APPEARS TO BE MADE UP OF RECENT DRAFTS (WITHIN PAST 4 MONTHS) INTO THE NVA ARMY. CHIEF HQI WHO TURNED INTO 2/9 WAS FROM THIS REGT AND STATED THEY CROSSED THE BEN HAI APPROX 10 DAYS AGO.

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STATION 202 NEW LINES

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PRIORITY/EMERGENCY 291200Z JAN 68

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1. NORTH MARINES NORTH MAR 20, 2ND KENTUCKY
2. 281000Z - 291000Z JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF NORTH MARINES
4. 12 BATTALIONS: 8 IN 1ST BATTALION, 4 IN 2ND BATTALION

A. NORTH MARINES

1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 (a) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (b) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (c) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
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 (q) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (r) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (s) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
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 (w) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (x) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (y) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)
 (z) AT 290500H, 3/3 BATTALIONS OF 4 BATTALIONS (2/3 BATTALIONS)

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(b) AT 282200H, 2/9 EIMS AT (YD 145645) OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT TO FRONT AT (YD 152615), (YD 136612). FIRED ILLUM WITH NEG RESULTS.

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(c) AT 282320H, 2/9 EIMS AT (YD 145645) SEC 1 RD OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM UNK LOC.

3. SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 290230H, 2/4 EIMS AT (YD 148686) OBS 2 TO 4 ENEMY TO THE FRONT OF THEIR POS ABOUT 75M. THE ENEMY APPEARED TO BE SEARCHING AREA. FIRED S/A AND GREEN, 2 ENEMY WERE OBS TO DROP. CHECKED AREA AND FOUND DRAG MARKS AND LARGE POOLS OF BLOOD, ALSO FRESH FOOT PRINTS.

(b) AT 291135H, 2/4 SWEEP AT (YD 141703) DISCOVERED AND BEST HOLE APPROX 1 FT IN DIAMETER ANGLING INTO DECK AT 45 DEGREES. APPEARED TO BE VENTILATION HOLE. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) FM 290015 TO 290425H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114702) OBS ENEMY TRUCK CONVOY AT (YD 0687716) FIRED ARTY AND RAN TPQ'S, OBS SEVERAL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. ENEMY FIRED 4-5 SAMS AT AIRCRAFT FM (YD 08327419). RAN A/S RESULTING IN ADDITIONAL 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, INCLUDING 1 LARGE MUSH-ROOM TYPE EXPLOSION, AND 1 FIRE.

(b) AT 291210H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 106634) DISCOVERED AND BEST L SHAPED AMMO BUNKERS APPROX 6 FT DEEP.

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 291020H, 1/4 EIMS AT (YD 124634) OBS 1 NVA WITH WFN; CALLED MOPT MSN WITH NEG RESULTS.

B. AIR ACTIVITY

1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 42.1 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER GIANG TRI (b) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 28 JAN 68. AT (YD 142732) AO OBS L SHAPED RIF POS. AT (YD 083634) AO OBS FRESHLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKER, RAN A/S ACCOUNTING FOR 4 NVA KIA (CONF), 6 BUNKERS DEST, 30M OF TRENCHLINE DEST. AT (YD 133634) AO OBS POSS NVA ON HILL 52.

C. OTHER

1. RECON

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 271245H, RECON TEAM 301 AT (YD 204545) ITL ORD 2 VC MOVING NORTH WEARING BLACK PT'S, COOLIE HATS WITH RIFLES. VC BELIEVED TO BE PART OF A SCREENING FORCE.

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(b) DELATED ENTRY. AT 250945H, RECON TEAM 501 AT (YD 207556) OBS 6-7 SUSPECTED NVA/VC MOVING NE AT (YD 196560), NVA/VC MOVING AT FAST PACE. FOUR WORE WHITE PJ'S, 2-3 WORE GREEN.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 4
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPES: 0/0 WBS
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: FEG
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A-3.(b), A-4.(b), B-1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN REPORTING AS OF 291800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 731
 2. DETAINEES 61
- | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| PW(NVA)/PW(VC)/REFUG(NVA)/REFUG(VC)/CIV DEF/AMN CIV | | | | | |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 22 |
3. WBS CAPTURED 72: 56/16

5. - 14. NEG

15. LATE ENTRIES

(a) AT 291325H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114702) CALLED A/S ON 2. AT (YD 123711) BUNKER DEST, OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

(b) AT 291330H, 2/1 EIMS OBS 2 ENEMY IN CTF AT (YD 114714). FIRED TANK, TANK OBS ENEMY CRAWLING BEHIND ROCKET. CALLED IN A/S.

(c) AT 291345H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 105606) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 HOLE 8 INCHES IN DIAMETER, BELIEVED TO BE AIR VENT FOR TUNNEL.

(d) AT 291350H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 1 ENEMY IN CLEAR AFTER A/S ON ENEMY AREA AT (YD 119713). FIRED MORE MGS OBS NO FURTHER MOVEMENT.

(e) AT 291700H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114702) RAN A/S AT (YD 103700) OBS 3 BUNKERS DEST.

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 TO: 06 THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CBT
 7TH IFT
 ACB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES INTRON DE 89, OFI EMBROCKY
2. 291800Z - 301800Z JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF BURNY ACTIVITY
 13 DECIDERS, 7 IN INPIATED, 2 MORE/ARTD, 2 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND PIRCES1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAIED ENTRY. FM 230000H TO 231500H, 3/3 SWEEP (YD 187742) DISCOVERED AND DEST BUNKER COMPLEXES IN HEDGEROWS. 1 BUNKER UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT (YD 183748). DISCOVERED 1 NVA BODY APPROX 3 WRS OLD. 1 NVA KIA (CONF). FOUND IN BUNKERS 1 CHI-COM GREEN, 3 FRAG GREENS WITH FRICTION TYPE IGNITORS, 1 PRIMER FOR 82MM MORT, 2 PHS OF UNIF TROUSERS, POUCHES AND BOXES FOR CARRYING AMMO AND GEAR, SEVERAL NVA TENNIS SHOES AND A CARRYING CASE FOR 57MM RR.

(b) AT 300150H, 3/3 ELMS REC 2 HDS INCOMING UNK CAL FM EST (YD 168726).

2. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) DELAIED ENTRY. AT 291745H, 2/9 ELMS AT (YD 142 598) REC 2 SNIPER HDS FM NORTH SIDE OF ROAD.

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3. SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 291805H, 2/9 ELMS OBS APPROX 10 NVA AT (YD 126694). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 291900H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 1 ENEMY IN OPEN AFTER A/S AT (YD 119713). FIRED MORT MSN, NO FURTHER MOVEMENT OBS.

(b) DELA YED ENTRY. AT 291410H, 2/1 ELMS REC SNIPER FIRE FM EST 90 CAL POS AT (YD 117722), 40 OBS 8 BUNKERS 6X10 FT AND FRESH TRAILS AT (YD 120724). CALLED A/S RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(c) AT 291905H, 2/1 ELMS OBS LIGHTS AT AZIMUTH OF 5800 MILLS. SUSPECTED CONVOY. CALLED ARTY AND A/S WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) AT 292150H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 121693) OBS MOVEMENT WITH PFB-5 RADAR AT (YD 130696). SUSPECTED 5 ENEMY. FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(e) AT 292230H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 123701) OBS 1 ENEMY MOVING IN FRONT OF POS. FIRED S/A AND M-79 WITH NEG RESULTS.

(f) AT 292335H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702), (YD 115704) REC 2 HDS OF 60MM MORT FM UNK LOC.

(g) AT 300415H, 2/1 ELMS REC 1 INCOMING GREEN FM (YD 114699). GREEN LANDED 15M FM THEIR POS. RET FIRE WITH M-79, RESULTS UNK.

(h) AT 301330H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 113697) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 BUNKER APPROX 5X2X3 FT, RECENTLY USED. ALSO FOUND FRESH FOOT PRINTS NEARBY.

5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 291700H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 135635) OBS 1 NVA MOVING SOUTH ACROSS RICE PADDY 800M SE OF THEIR POS AT (YD 140635). FIRED MORT MSN, WITH UNK RESULTS.

C. OTHER

(a) AT 301530H, CAO-3 RPTD ABOUT 400 NVA WEARING KHAKI'S WITH S/A AND POSS MORTS STATIONERY IN VILLAGE AT (YD 1860), (YD 1859).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 1

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2. DEADLINES 0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WEAP: 0/0 WES

(b) EQUIPMENT: LEC

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(h)

4. SUMMARY

B. CUMULATIVE MISC LOSS FOR OFF KENTUCKY AS OF
101000Z JAN 60:

1. MISC LIA 792

2. MISC LIA 69

FM(LIA)/FM(VG)/RENE(LIA)/RENE(VG)/CIV DTF/INN CIV

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3. MISC CAPTURED 72, 25/16

5. - 140 WES

6. WES

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST MTRAC BN
 15TH CTF
 7TH IFF

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 90, OPN KENTUCKY
 2. 301800H - 311800H JAN 68
 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
- 16 INCIDENTS: 4 EN INITIATED; 2 MORT/ARTY; 2 SCIPER/PARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 302012H, 3/3 AMBUSH AT (YD 183719) OBS APPROX 25 NVA MOVING NE TO SW, NVA MOVED E OF AMBUSH THEN STOPPED, CHANGED DIRECTION TO THE NW, APPROX 15 NVA WERE IN THE KILLING ZONE AT DISTANCE OF 5-25M. SPRUNG AMBUSH WITH S/A, MG, M-79. AMBUSH WITHDREW, EN SET FIRE WITH S/A ONLY AND WAS OBS WITHDRAWING TO E-NE. NVA CARRIED PACKS AND RAIN HATS, CLAIMED SEVERAL ENEMY KILL DURING INITIAL BURST, BUT NO COMFS WERE OBS. CHECKED AREA AND FOUND 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 AR-47 RIFLE WITH MAG AND 600 RDS, 1 M-2 CARBINE RIFLE WITH MAG, 7 CHICOM GRENES, 1 AP MINE (DI-10), 1 GAS MASK, 1 AR-47 BAYONET, 1 KNIFE, 1 BENT, 1 AR-47 CANT BENT, 3 NVA PACKS, 2 E-TOOLS, 300 LBS OF RICE, 4 FLASHLIGHTS, 25 WALKING STICKS, 3 COOKING POTS, 15 EATING BOWLS, 1 BR SANDLES, SMALL AMOUNT OF OTHER EATING UTENSILS AND FOOD, 2 LBS OF TOBACCO, 5 PONCHOS, 5 HELMETS, 15 SETS OF CLOTHING, 2 INSECT NETS, 10 CANVAS BAGS, DOCUMENTS, UNOPENED LETTERS, NOTE BOOKS, PERSONAL CORRESPONDENCE, FOLDERS, CALENDAR. ALL GEAR FWD TO BN CP.

(b) AT 311625H, 3/3 KIMS WGO 20 RDS MET 60MM MORT.
FIRE FR AZDUTH OF 5200 KILLS 1500M RANGE.

2. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) AT 302200H, 2/9 AMBUSH AT (YD 130620) SPRUNG
AMBUSH ON 4 NVA AND OBS 16 NVA TO REAR AT (YD 130630).
CALLED MORE FRN ACCOUNTING FOR 2 NVA KIA (COMP), 1 AR-47 RIFLE,
1 AR-50 RIFLE, 1 M-16, 1 GAS MASK, 4 CHOCOLATE GREENS, 1 M-26 GRN,
1 MED KIT, 4 AR-47 MAGS, DOGS AND PERSONNEL EFFECTS, FORCED. ALL
GEAR FWD TO HQ CP.

3. SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 304000H, 2/4 SINS AT (YD 158
692) FOUND FRESHLY DUG BUNKERS AND TUNNELS, 6 HUNKERS 8 FT
WIDE AND DEEP. SHOW SIGNS OF USE APPROX 1 WK OLD. ALSO FOUND
MORPHINE SYRINGES (USED), 1 PR NVA BOXES, BINOCULAR CASE, 1 PR
TENNIS SHOES, 2 8MM RDS.

(b) AT 311115H, 2/4 SLEEP TEAM AT (YD 136691) DISCOVERED
AND DEST 2 AT NINES.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. AT 304415H, 2/1 PTL AT (YD 132688)
DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 BUNKER 5X2X2 FT.

(b) AT 310800H, 2/1 SINS AT (YD 110706) FOUND GERMAN
BARB TAPE CRUSHED TO GROUND ALLOWING EASY FOOT PASSAGE. MINES
HAD BEEN INSIDE WIRE TANGLE AND HAD PLACED FINGER TAPE TO MAKE A
SAFE PATH. SMALL TRENCH BELOW WIRE INDICATED WHEN ATTEMPTED TO
BLOW WIRE WITH BANGALORE TYPE MINE. KNOWS OBS THE SCENE AND FELT
THE MINE FIELD IS IN PLACE. ALSO FOUND BLOODY BANDAGES.

(c) AT 310955H, 2/1 ROAD BARRIER AT (YD 128678) RTO 12
RDS OF 3/4 FT'S FR (YD 126678).

(d) AT 311108H, 2/1 SLEEP AT (YD 161697) FOUND TUNNEL,
CHECKING TUNNEL.

(e) AT 311000H, 2/1 ELPS AT (YD 160734) OBS 1 NVA AND
SMALL BOY WITH BKT TO 183 OF RICE AT (YD 199724). SNIPER FIRED
WITH NEG RESULTS.

(f) AT 311100H, 2/1 SINS AT (YD 195713) DISCOVERED AND
DEST BAMBOO BOOBY TRAPS, 2 BOOBY TRAPPED CHOCOLATE GREENS, 1-82MM
MORT RD, 1-155MM ARTY RD.

(g) AT 311340H, 2/1 SINS AT (YD 114702) RTO 6 RDS OF
82MM RR FIRE. RET FIRE AT (YD 113720), (YD 104717), (YD 113717).
ALSO AT (YD 113720) ELPS OBS 10 NVA IN OPEN WITH WEAPONS AND 1
RR.

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5. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) AT 302005H, 1/4 ELPS AT (YD 137646) REC 4 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM SE DIRECTION AT (YD 140641).

(b) AT 302105H, 1/4 ELPS AT (YD 133666) OBS 1 NVA THROUGH STARLIGHT SCOPE MOVING PARALLEL TO LINES APPROX 200M FR. FR. FIRED M-79 AND MORT M58 WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. AIR ACTIVITY1. AO'S

(a) A TOTAL OF 20.2 HRS OF VR FLOWN OVER QUANG TRI (P) BY DONG HA AO'S ON 29 AND 30 JAN 68. IN VIC OF (YD 0874) AO OBS RECENT TRAIL ACTIVITY, RIVER CROSSING TOWARDS (YD 1372) AND (YD 1171), FURTHER TRAILS COMING DOWN TO (YD 1070). AT (YD 110713) AO OBS NEW HUNKERS AND STRUCTURES.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 3

2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPKS: 4/0 SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.2.(a)

(b) BATHWATER: SEE PARA A.1.(a), A.2.(a)

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(a).

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OTH KENTUCKY AS OF 311800H JAN 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 735

2. DETAINEES 61

PM(NVA)/PM(VO)/RMTR(NVA)/RMTR(VO)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

2 2 1 1 1 53

3. WPKS CAPTURED 76: 60/16

5. NEW OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS

(a) SEE PARA A.3.(b)

6. - 7. NEG

8. ENEMY MOVEMENT AND LOCATION

(a) AT 311445H, 2/9 S-2 RPT INTELLIGENCE RPT FR CAC HDO THAT APPROX 200 NVA AT (YD 100600). (UNRATED) S-2 9TH MARINES RATES P-3 ON 30 JAN ADD RDC HRY HEADQUARTERS IN THAT VIC.

(b) AT 301830H, 2/9 RPTD CAC-3 THAT ENEMY LOC AT (YD 195610), (YD 182605), (YD 185595). REFERENCE SPT RPT OTHER, PARA C.(a) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 89. S-2 9TH MAR'S RATES P-3.

9. - 13. NEG

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST ANTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 91, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 311800H - 011800H JAN 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 7 INCIDENTS:

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) AT 311820H, 3/3 PTL AT (YD 190135) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 CHICOM GREN, AND ALSO FOUND 1 CAMOUFLAGED NET.

(b) AT 311830H, IN REFERENCE TO 3/3 AMBUSH OF 30 JAN PARA A-1. (a) 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 90 THE FOLLOWING GEAR WAS CAPTURED: 1 NVA CART BELT WITH BLOOD ON BUCKLE, 1 TIN 7.62 AMMO WITH CASE, 1 B-TOOL, 2 CHICOM GRENS WITH CASE, 7 10 RD CLIPS OF 7.62 AMMO WITH CASE. GRENS DEST, ALL OTHER GEAR FWD TO BN CP. (ADDITIONAL TO PREVIOUS RPT).

(c) AT 311837H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 1904727) FOUND 1 HEADSET, FWD TO BN S-2.

(d) AT 010915H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 190736) FOUND UNK ELECTRONIC DEVICE. DEVICE TO BE FWD TO REGT S-2.

2. SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAIED ENTRY. AT 311115H, 2/4 ROAD SWEEP TEAM AT (YD 136691) DISCOVERED AND DEST 2 AT MINES.

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3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

RR AT (YD 115718). FIRED MORT AND ARTY MSN WITH NEG RESULTS.

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(S) AT 512150H, RECON TEAM 2A1 AT (YD 108643) RPTD TO BE SURROUNDED BY APPROX 25 NVA, TEAM REC 2 ORDS. FIRED ANTY MGN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENERGY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 0
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
(a) TPRS: 0/0
(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A-1.(b)(c)(d)
(c) FACILITIES: NEG

B. CUMULATIVE ENERGY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF

011800Z JAN 68

1. ENEMY KIA 735
2. DETAINEES 61
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/REFUGEE(NVA)/REFUGEE(VN)/CIV D.E./INN CIV
2 2 1 1 1 53
3. WFOES CAPTURED 76, 60/16

5. - 13. HFO

14. OTHER

(a) ID CARD TAKEN FM KIA OF 2/9 AMBUSH (REF INFO NR 90 PARA A-2.(a) HAD UNIT IDENTIFICATION AS 3D BN 48TH REGT 320TH DIV. 9TH COB CPT 48TH REGT IS SUBORDINATE TO 320TH DIV AND 3D BN IS A SUBORDINATE BN TO 48TH REGT. ON 30 JAN APD (PEOPLE SNIPER) HAD HV READINGS IN THE AREA WEST OF C-2 AND C-3, WHICH INDICATED POSS LARGE SIZE UNIT IN THAT AREA.

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Operation Plan 1-68 (Reinforcement of Anti-Infiltration Sites)

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014
(b) 3d MarDiv COI

Time Zone: H

Task Organization

9th Marines

Col SMITH

____ Bn, ____ Marines

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence).
- (2) See Current INTSUMS for summary recent enemy activity.

b. Friendly Forces

(1) 3rd Marine Division conducts anti-infiltration operations in northern QUANG TRI Province to include organizations and occupation of a strong point/obstacle system to the south of the DMZ.

(2) 1st ARVN Division conducts anti-infiltration operations east (right flank) of 9th Marines AO.

(3) 1st MAF provides air support.

(4) Artillery

(a) 2d Bn, 12th Marines, direct support 9th Marines (Reinf).

(b) 12th Marines, general support 3d Marine Division.

(5) "A" Company, 3d Tank Bn, direct support.

(6) "C" Company (-), 3d Anti-Tank Bn, direct support.

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(7) ~~EC~~^{EC} Company, 3d Engr Bn, direct support, 9th Marines (Reinf).

c. Assumptions

(1) That, in the event of enemy attack against any of the anti-infiltration system positions held by 9th Marines elements, one of four conditions will prevail at any given time:

(a) Condition I. Anti-infiltration system position under threat of imminent ground attack but not yet engaged.

(b) Condition II. Position is under ground attack but has not been penetrated or penetrated beyond capability of local forces to repel.

(c) Condition III. Position has been penetrated beyond capability of local forces to restore perimeter.

(d) Condition IV. Position has been overrun and all resistance by defenders terminated.

(2) That a reserve battalion from either Regimental or Division assets will be available for reinforcement of anti-infiltration system ~~site which comes under attack~~.

(3) That the reserve battalion will be available for deployment in 9th Marines AO within 8 hours of request.

2. MISSION. 9th Marines provide for reinforcement of ~~any assigned anti-infiltration system position~~.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Annex B (Operation Overlay).

(1) Operations are envisioned in response to attacks on any of six major defensive sites and ~~under~~ the four different conditions set forth in paragraph 2C (Assumptions).

(2) For the relief of each site, the operations overlay depicts the most probable assembly area, axis of advance, and key objectives for the reinforcing elements. As shown on the overlay, the reinforcing mission can best be accomplished by seizing critical terrain in the vicinity of the defensive site; in other cases direct entry into the site is anticipated.

(3) Maximum artillery and air support will be utilized for security of the reinforcing battalion's movement as well as in defense of the site under attack. See Annex C (Supporting Arms

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(4) Movement of the reinforcing battalion will be by the most practical means and route. The Operations Overlay is based on reinforcement by a reserve battalion from DONG HA or south of DONG HA. It is conceivable that an uncommitted battalion could be operating somewhere in the 9th Marines AO, in which case a different assembly area and axis of advance would be selected. Mode of transportation will depend on truck or helicopter availability and weather. Landing Zones are listed in Annex C (Supporting Arms Annex).

(5) Specific circumstances peculiar to each site are as follows:

(a) Reinforcing Site A-4

1. Occupy assembly area Blue to southeast of C-2, accessible by helo or trucks. Follow axis of advance to east of Rt 561 and towards A-4. Depending on direction and extent of enemy threat, occupy objectives A and/or B. Obj A commands main avenue of approach from the east. Obj B, which is normally defended by a reinforced company from the A-4 Battalion, dominates the approaches to A-4 from the south and southwest.

2. Under conditions I and II, objectives A and B would offer ~~the most~~ logical positions from which to block or relieve an enemy attack. Under conditions III and IV, occupation of Obj B would be requisite to entry into the A-4 defensive position.

(b) Reinforcing C-2 and/or the C-2 Bridge

1. Occupy assembly area Red; can be reached by helicopter or truck. This position is ~~in~~ defilade; any position further north is subject to observation from north and west.

2. Follow Axis of Advance Red. Both C-2 and C-2 Bridge sites are flanked by dense vegetation to the east and west, preventing rapid maneuver of large units. Reinforcing under all four conditions would require movement up to the trace of Rt 561. Lateral limited objective attacks might be required to secure flanks of the movement. Occupation of the actual sites would be required in both cases to reinforce these positions.

(c) Reinforcing CAM LO and/or the CAM LO Bridge

1. If approach march is made by vehicle, occupy Assembly Area ~~Brown~~. Follow Axis of Advance ~~Brown~~ to

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objectives G, F, and E. River is normally fordable to west of bridge except in monsoon season.

2. If approach is made by helo, use LZ's HAWK and/or EAGLE. If bridge has been destroyed and river is not fordable helicopters or boats are essential to reinforce north of the CAM LO River.

3. Occupation of the actual positions at C-3 or C-3A would be required to reinforce these positions.

(d) Reinforcing A-3

1. Occupy Assembly Area Green by truck or helo. Follow Axis of Advance Green and secure Obj X. If attack is also coming from the south or southwest, occupation of Objective Y might also be required.

2. Occupation of one or both of these Objectives would be requisite to reinforcing under all four conditions.

b. _____ Bn, _____ Marines

(1) Prepare plans to support the concept of operations.

(2) Be prepared to deploy Command Group and four companies on two hours notice by helicopter or rough rider as directed.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) This plan effective for planning on receipt and for execution on order.

(2) Supporting Plans will be ~~sufficiently~~ detailed to enable prompt execution by Frag Order.

(3) Take maximum precautions against enemy artillery, rockets and mortars; dig deep field fortifications, keep troops dispersed, call immediate counter-battery fire, and employ aerial observer whenever possible.

(4) Take every precaution to deny enemy opportunity to isolate units.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Administrative Order 1-68.

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SECRET5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Reference (b).
- b. Report command post location.

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ANNEX A (INTELLIGENCE) to Operation Plan 1-68 (Reinforcement of anti-infiltration Sites)

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014, Sheets 6342I, 5442 IV

(b) RegtO P3800.1

(c) RegtO 3820.1

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

a. See current INTSUMS.

b. Special Intelligence studies as issued.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION WITHIN 10 KILOMETERS OF DYEMARKER SITES.

a. Determine location, identity and strength of all VC/NVA units and infiltration groups.

b. Determine location of potential enemy ambush sites/choke points located astride friendly routes of approach and others which could threaten friendly operations in area; ascertain bypass potential.

c. Determine condition of potential friendly approach routes and feasibility of movement of friendly reaction forces into the area over these routes.

d. Determine location of potential helicopter landing zones/drop zones and type of anti-helicopter obstacles in HLZ, if any.

e. Determine weather and climatological pattern at each site, with emphasis on effects of weather on helicopter operations and aerial surveillance missions.

f. Determine location of potential enemy avenues of approach and withdrawal routes to and from each site. Emphasis on enemy reinforcement capabilities along axis of principal road (s) into sites.

g. Determine location and size of enemy ground and AA weapons

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emplacements in vicinity of each site. Particular emphasis on suspected AA weapons.

h. Determine location, type and extent of enemy field fortifications in vicinity of each site.

3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS

a. Orders to subordinate units

(1) Conduct necessary reconnaissance operations to locate and determine conditions of helicopter landing zones, lines of communication and other data relating to the EEI's.

b. Request to higher, adjacent, and supporting units.

(1) CG, 3rd MarDiv

(a) Provide as requested, aerial photography of the areas of operation.

(b) Provide current and predicted weather data that would adversely affect operations.

(c) Provide current intelligence not available to this command, on a continuing basis.

(d) Provide observation aircraft for visual, aerial reconnaissance and surveillance as requested.

(e) Provide ~~fixed wing~~ and helicopter support for reconnaissance operations.

(f) Provide reconnaissance teams as requested.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) When beleaguered, the sites will receive first priority of all reconnaissance teams available to this command.

(2) All units will report as obtained:

(a) Information concerning significant enemy movement and activity which could threaten any site in the area of operation.

(b) Conditions of land lines of communications which could be utilized as approach routes for friendly forces.

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4. Measures for handling captives, captured documents and captured material.

a. Captives, detainees, and CHEIU HOI's, See Ref (b).

b. Captured material, documents and war trophies, See Ref (b).

5. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. See Ref (b).

6. REPORTS. See Ref (b) and (c).

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Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to Operation Plan 1-68.

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheets 6342 I
 and 6442 IV

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

(1) Annex A (Intelligence Annex) and Current Intsums

b. Friendly Forces

(1) 2d Bn (X) (Rein) provide direct support artillery fires to 9th Marines as necessary (See Appendix 1 (Artillery Target List) to this annex).

(2) 1st MAW is requested to provide close air, medevac and resupply aircraft as necessary. (See Appendix 2 (Air target list) to this annex).

c. Attachments and Detachments. None

2. MISSION. 9th Marines provide for reinforcement of any assigned anti-infiltration system position.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. See 9th Marines Op Plan 1-68.

b. Artillery Support. Artillery fires will be available in an oncall status throughout the area of operation as indicated in Appendix 1 (Artillery Target List) to this annex. Attention is invited to the availability of smoke on selected enemy observation posts. Counter Mortar Radar installations are requested to prepare to carry out active surveillance over suspect mortar positions which could bear on units maneuvering to reinforce A-3, A-4, C-2 and C-3 and on mortar locations which could bear on the base actually under attack. 12th Marine Regiment is requested to be prepared to deliver on call fires on selected enemy artillery positions which could bear on 9th Marines AO. (See Appendix 1 (Artillery Target List) to this annex). Priority of fires will be given to the unit occupying the position under attack.

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SECRETc. Air Support. First Marine Air Wing requested to:

- (1) Conduct close/direct support operations in support of ground ~~forces~~ consisting mainly of SP/PB's and COB/FOB's.
- (2) Conduct air operations as required to destroy/impede/interdict infiltrating enemy forces and to protect friendly installations and lines of communication. During the monsoon season be prepared to utilize TPQ-10 capabilities to a maximum.
- (3) Conduct fixed wing and rotary wing supply/resupply air operations as required to establish and maintain SP/FOB/COB's. Be prepared to conduct aerial delivery operations when required.
- (4) Be prepared to help lift a reaction force to augment or counterattack any position within the area of operations.
- (5) Conduct visual aerial reconnaissance to locate enemy positions, supporting weapons sites and infiltration attempts. Utilize maximum on-station time by minimizing enroute time.
- (6) Provide for medical evacuation of casualties.
- (7) Provide night illumination as required.
- (8) Provide tactical air controller (airborne) and command and control facilities to support air/ground operations as required.
- (9) Coordinate fixed and rotary wing operations within area of operations.
- (10) Maintain close liaison with other supporting fires.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Units requesting smoke "on-calls" must be prepared to adjust the height of burst to achieve satisfactory functioning of the round.
- (2) All requests for artillery fires should be directed to 2d Battalion, 12th Marines.
- (3) Clearance for all missions by maneuvering reinforcing fires must be obtained from 9th Marines FSOC.
- (4) If VT fuse is not desired, for those grids scheduled for its use, the requesting unit should so state.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See 9th Marines SOP for Administration and Logistics.SECRET

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS. See 9th Marines
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APPENDIXES:

- ✓ 1.- Artillery Target List
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Appendix 1 to Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to Op. Plan 1-68.

1. On Call Grids.

<u>Tgt No</u>	<u>Grid</u>	<u>Ammunition</u>
BY 0201	10956250	HC
0202	10706258	HC
0203	10106282	HC
0204	106642	HC
0205	101643	HC
0206	144637	HE (VT) +WP
0207	15956505	" " "
0208	141656	" " "
0209	137673	" " "
0210	120664	" " "
0211	119671	HE (Q+D)
0212	11556750	" "
0213	113682	" "
0214	11856815	" "
0215	09866920	HE (VT) + WP
0216	092696	" " "
0217	093703	" " "
0218	13406902	HE (Q) + WP
0219	138696	" " "
0220	142698	" " "
0221	156701	" (D) "
0222	168700	" " "
0223	169714	HE (D) + WP
0224	151719	" " "
0225	138721	" " "
0226	141725	" " "
0227	138729	" " "
0228	191720	" " "
0229	190725	" " "
0230	193729	" " "
0231	18857415	" " "

Method of Fire: Battery 3 rds on each grid.

2. Counter Battery Target List

<u>Target No</u>	<u>Grid</u>
HW 17848	116752
HW 17851	134777
HW 17844	100788
HW 17858	123785
MAF 1938	126797
MAF 7/026	120786

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Appendix 2 (Preplanned Air Targets) to Annex C (Fire Support)
 to Operation Plan 1-68.

1. CAM LO (C-3) and (C-2).

a. Elevation is 12 meters

b. The following is data on preplanned air targets which may be designated for TPQ-10 controlled air strikes under conditions of reduced visibility.

(1) Targets 1 thru 10 to be hit within 2 hours after contact is broken.

(2) Targets 11 thru 15 to be hit within 2 hours after contact is broken.

(3) Targets 16 thru 20 to be hit within 2 to 4 hours after contact is broken.

Target No.	Target Coordinates	Tgt Ele. (Meters)	Tgt Discript.
1	YD 100645	50	Ave/appr/egress.
2	YD 103643	40	Rkt/Mortar posit
3	YD 107647	65	" " "
4	YD 107660	55	Ave appr/egress
5	YD 110640	60	Rkt/Mortar posit
6	YD 116633	20	Ave appr/egress
7	YD 125637	45	" " "
8	YD 125647	65	" " "
9	YD 126653	50	" " "
10	YD 109664	45	" " "
11	YD 099659	65	Trp Assy Area
12	YD 091653	60	Rkt Posit
13	YD 086633	75	Ave appr/egress
14	YD 070645	95	" " "
15	YD 092662	60	Trp Assy Area
16	YD 094665	85	Harboring Site-Bunkers
17	YD 073633	110	Rkt/Mortar Posit
18	YD 099659	65	Trp Assy Area
19	YD 058657	80	Ave appr/egress
20	YD 072668	70	Trp Assy Area

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SECRET2. Zone II, CON THIEN A-4 and C-2 Bridge

<u>Target No</u>	<u>Tgt Coords</u>	<u>Tgt Elev.(Meters)</u>	<u>Tgt Description</u>
1	YD 098704	75	Ave/appr/egress
2	090694	80	" " "
3	101685	105	" " "
4	100714	55	Recoilless Rifle Posit
5	090690	70	Mortar Position
6	083690	100	F. O. Position
7	063726	30	F. O. Rocket Position
8	139694	75	Observation Post
9	110675	65	Ave appr/egress
10	084697	50	River Crossings
11	117726	40	Mortar Position
12	092723	35	Artillery Position
13	091728	50	River Crossing
14	125739	40	Trp Assy Area
15	109770	25	Ave appr/egress
16	074741	05	River Crossing Staging Areas
17	130736	30	Ave/appr/egress
18	117758	05	C.P. Area/Bunkers
19	128743	05	" " "
20	131789	15	Communications Bunk Cplx

3. Zone III; A-3

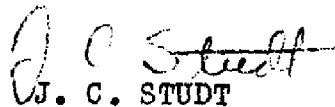
1	YD 185739	20	Ave appr/egress
2	167749	16	" " "
3	170714	31	Observation Post
4	160712	15	Mortar/Bunkers
5	153727	30	" " "
6	152745	10	River Crossing
7	144734	45	Mortar Position
8	137724	65	" " "
9	154735	35	Trp Assy Area
10	154741	15	Artillery Position
11	155756	02	Ave appr/egress
12	133746	20	" " "
13	165740	20	" " "
14	140764	15	" " "
15	152755	10	Harboring Site and Bunkers
16	160765	02	Ave appr/egress
17	139779	05	Storage Area
18	138782	10	Fortified Village
19	164756	25	Trp assy Area
20	172758	15	" " "

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SECRET4. Zone IV. GIO LINH (A-2)

<u>Target No</u>	<u>Tgt Coords</u>	<u>Tgt Elev. (Meters)</u>	<u>Tgt Description</u>
1	YD 192781	01	River Crossing/Storage Area
2	195775	02	Ave appr/egress
3	188808	10	River Crossing
4	198808	02	Artillery Position
5	179767	03	Artillery Position
6	217762	15	Ave appr/egress
7	227759	05	" " "
8	184763	03	" " "
9	155796	04	Artillery Position
10	212826	06	" " "
11	238799	01	" " "
12	223777	05	River Crossing
13	239801	01	" "
14	203800	02	" "
15	206794	04	Trp Assy Area
16	151825	01	C. P. Area
17	249810	10	" "
18	204808	06	River Crossing
19	195789	04	Trp Assy Area
20	195865	70	Artillery Position

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Annex D (Helicopter Landing Zone) to Operation Plan 1-68

Time Zone: H

1. Vicinity of CAM LO (C-3)

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Size (Ft)</u>	<u>Shape</u>	<u>Description</u>
Pri.	YD 143613	200'x150'	Rectangle	Cultivated Area
Alt	YD 140613	50' Dia	Circular	Prepared Area
Alt	YD 128602	200'x175'	Rectangle	Cultivated Area
Alt	YD 167614	100'x100'	Square	Cultivated Area

2. Vicinity of C-2

Pri	YD 135645	150'x150'	Square	Prepared Area
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3. Vicinity of C-2 Bridge

Pri	YD 132672	100'x100'	Square	Prepared Area
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4. Vicinity of CON THIEN (A-4)

Pri	YD 118698	48'x50'	Rectangle	Prepared Area
Alt	YD 115702	210' Dia	Circular	Prepared Area

5. Vicinity of A-3

Pri	YD 174723	60'x40'	Rectangle	Prepared Area
Alt	YD 175721	50'x40'	Rectangle	Prepared Area

6. Vicinity of GIO LINH (A-2)

Pri	YD 214740	50'x50'	Square	Prepared Area
Alt	YD 215741	100'x100'	Square	Prepared Area

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Note: (a) All zones should be approached from the south for best concealment.

(b) The MSR from CAM LO to CON THIEN and Rt 1 from DONG HA to GIO LINH make excellent landing zones.

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6342 I, and 6442 IV.
(b) 3rd MarDiv Op Order 2-67 (Sparrow Hawk)
(c) 3rd MarDiv Op Order 416-66 (Rough Rider)
(d) 9th Marine Op Plan 1-68 (Reinforcement of Anti-
Infiltration Sites)
(e) 9th Marine Regt O 3000.2_ (SOP for Operations and
Training)
(f) 9th Marine Regt Admin Order 1-68

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. - - Annex B (Intelligence)
b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 3rd Marine Division

(a) In coordination with 1st ARVN Division, establishes an area defense to include organization, construction, and occupation of a strong point/obstacle system, strong point/patrol bases, and forward operating bases.

(b) In coordination with 1st ARVN Division, conducts anti-infiltration operations in northern QUANG TRI Province to include support of strong point/patrol bases, forward operating bases, and battalion combat operating bases.

(c) Within limitations of enemy activity, weather, and on-site material availability, extends combat operating bases westward along Route 9. See Appendix 1 to Annex D (Operation Overlay).

(d) Provides reinforcements on an interim basis to 1st ARVN Division as required to assist in employment of sensor/surveillance equipment until appropriate skill is developed within ARVN units.

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- (e) Conducts training to achieve and maintain required skill level of personnel in installation and use of devices and equipment associated with the surveillance component of the anti-infiltration system.
- (2) 1st ARVN conducts anti-infiltration operations on east (right) flank.
- (3) Fourth Marines conducts anti-infiltration operations on west (left) flank.
- (4) Air Support provided by 1st Marine Air Wing. See Annex C (Fire Support).
- (5) Artillery Support. Annex C (Fire Support).
 - (a) 12th Marines in general support of Division.
 - (b) 2nd Bn, 12th Marines (Rein), in direct support of 9th Marines.
- (6) Co "A", 3rd Tank Bn, direct support 9th Marines.
- (7) Co "C"(-), 3rd AT Bn, direct support 9th Marines.
- (8) Engineer Support.
 - (a) 11th Engr Bn in general support III MAF.
 - (b) Co "C", 3rd Engr Bn, direct support 9th Marines.

2. MISSION

- a. Establish and defend anti-infiltration system in area of operations.
- b. In coordination with 11th Engr Bn, construct and maintain positions A-3, A-4, C-2, C-3, and LOC's in area of operations.
- c. Be prepared to provide internal reinforcement to 1st ARVN Division to assist in employment sensor/surveillance equipment until required skills are developed within ARVN units.
- d. Man positions A-4, A-3, C-2, C-3 and such other positions as may be directed.
- e. Provide close in security for anti-infiltration system construction effort to include protection from small arms fire, ambushes and local ground attack.

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f. Be prepared to provide sensor training to other units as directed.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. - - Annex D (Concept of Operation)

b. A-4 Bn.

(1) Defend Strong Point Patrol Base (SPPB) A-4.

(2) Continue construction and improvement of A-4 positions in accordance with approved Dyemarker plans.

(3) Protect LOC (Rt 561) within AO, denying enemy opportunity to interdict LOC by mines or ambushes. Conduct daily road mine sweeps from A-4 to C-2.

(4) Conduct anti-infiltration operations within AO. Stress extensive patrolling to southwest and east of A-4 and along Rt 561. Ground attacks against the enemy fortified lines north and west of COM THIEU will be initiated only upon direction of Regiment.

(5) Continually conduct ~~preemptive~~ suppressive counter battery fires and air strikes against known and suspected enemy mortar/artillery/rocket positions and FO locations. These ~~preemptive~~ fires will be in addition to immediate ~~counter~~ counter battery fires conducted against active enemy gun and mortar positions and will include maximum use of organic weapons.

c. C-2 Bn.

(1) Defend Forward Operating Base C-2 and C-2 Bridge.

(2) Continue construction and improvement of C-2 and C-2 Bridge positions in accordance with approved Dyemarker Plans.

(3) Protect LOC (Rt 561) within AO, denying enemy opportunity to interdict LOC by mines or ambushes.

(4) Conduct anti-infiltration operations within assigned AO.

(5) Provide Sparrow Hawk Reaction Force in accordance with reference (b).

(6) Provide Rough Rider Reaction Force in accordance with reference (c).

SECRETd. C-3 Bn.

(1) Defend Forward Operating Base C-3 and C-3 Bridge. It is imperative that the CAM LO Bridge be protected under any circumstances.

(2) Continue construction and improvement of C-3 and C-3 Bridge position in accordance with approved Dyemarker Plans.

(3) Protect LOC (Rt 561), including CAM LO bypass/road, within AO, denying enemy opportunity to interdict LOC by mines or ambushes. Conduct daily road sweeps from C-3 to C-2 and C-3 to Rt 9.

(4) Be prepared to assist District Headquarters, CAP I, and CAP III if any of these units request assistance to repel ground attacks. Develop contingency plans to provide for ground reinforcement for each of these three units.

(5) Provide one rifle company for DONG HA base defense. This unit will be stationed in DONG HA and will also provide security for daily road sweeps and road construction on Route 1 and 9.

e. A-3 Bn.

(1) Defend Strong Point Patrol Base A-3.

(2) Continue construction and improvement of A-3 position in accordance with approved Dyemarker plans.

(3) Provide security for construction of LOC (Rt 561). Prevent enemy interdiction of LOC by mines or ambushes. Conduct daily road sweep from A-3 to Rt 1.

(4) Conduct anti-infiltration operation within assigned AO.

f. Regimental Reserve.

(1) Battalion not committed to Dyemarker Site.

(a) Be prepared to reinforce any threatened Dyemarker position in accordance with reference (d).

(b) Conduct special anti-infiltration operations as directed.

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SECRETg. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) LOC's within 9th Marines AO must be given maximum protection from interdiction by mines or ambush.

(a) During the night, Rt 561 must be completely covered from CAM LO to CON THINH by sensor/surveillance equipment, ambushes, and LP's to prevent mining.

(b) During daylight hours Rt 561 must be protected by patrols and outposts to prevent ambushes.

(c) All LOC's must be swept daily for mines, but only the prevention of mining by extensive counter measures will prevent interdiction since the enemy frequently employs non-metallic mines which are difficult to detect.

(2) Patrols should be conducted in accordance with reference (e) (9th Marines SOP for Operations and Training). Particular emphasis should be given to the following:

(a) AO on station whenever possible.

(b) On call artillery fires submitted in advance to 2/12.

(c) All unit leaders warned on pursuit of small groups of NVA, i.e., enemy repeatedly attempts to draw Marine elements into ambush by exposing small groups as bait.

(d) Have reaction force at least twice size of patrol on stand-by.

(3) Enter DMZ only on approval of higher headquarters.

(4) On all operations, mark front lines and/or forward elements with air panels.

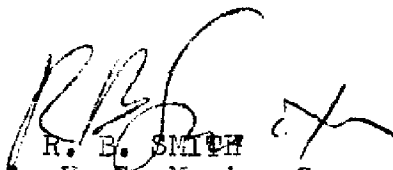
(5) Offensive and defensive operations. Refer to reference (e) (9th Marines SOP for Training and Operations).

(6) Make maximum use of supporting arms, including pre-emptive/suppressive fires and air strikes on known and suspect enemy artillery/mortar positions and FO locations.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS
 - a. Administrative Order 1-68
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Third Bn, Third Marines

LtCol MARSH

First Bn, Fourth Marines

LtCol DEPTULA

Third Bn, Fourth Marines (-)

LtCol BENDELL

H&S Company

India Company, 3rd Bn, 4th Marines

Lima Company, 3rd Bn, 4th Marines

Mike Company, 3rd Bn, 4th Marines

Second Bn, Ninth Marines (-)

Maj. LOSEE

Command Group "B"

Foxtrot Company, 2nd Bn, 9th Marines

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Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Plan 2-68

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014, Sheets 6342 I
and 6442 IV
(b) Regt Order P3800.1
(c) Regt Order 3820.1

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. See Current INTSUMS
- b. Special Intelligence studies as issued.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION, DEFENSE OF ANTI-INFILTRATION ROUTES

- a. Determine location, identity and strength of all VC/NVA units and infiltration groups.
- b. Determine if VC/NVA will attack anti-infiltration sites, how, when, where, why and what strength.
- c. Determine enemy's frequency and size of movement in area of anti-infiltration sites.
- d. Determine enemy's use of avenues of approach and withdrawal routes to and from each site.
- e. Determine enemy's capability to employ supporting arms against each site. Determine probable locations, type weapons and extent of employment.

3. INTELLIGENCE ACQUISITION TASKS

- a. Orders to subordinate units.
 - (1) Conduct necessary reconnaissance operations to determine information relating to the essential elements of information.

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- (2) Report ~~as~~ obtained, information answering required essential elements of information.
 - (3) Maintain a current intelligence ~~estimate~~ and current enemy situation of each position.
- B. Requests to higher, adjacent and supporting units.
- (1) CG, 3rd Marine Division
 - (a) Provide as requested, aerial photography of the areas of operation.
 - (b) Provide current and predicted weather data that would adversely affect operations.
 - (c) Provide current intelligence not available to this command, on a continuing basis.
 - (d) Provide observation aircraft for visual, aerial reconnaissance and surveillance as requested.
 - (e) Provide fixed-wing and helicopter support for reconnaissance operations.
 - (f) Provide reconnaissance teams as requested.
- c. Coordinating Instructions.
- (1) When ~~beleaguered~~, the sites will receive first priority of all reconnaissance teams available to this command.
 - (2) All units will report, as obtained, information concerning significant enemy movement and activity which could threaten any site in the area of operation.
4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING CAPTIVES, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS, AND CAPTURED MATERIAL.
- a. Captives, detainees, and Chieu Hoi's, See ref (b).
 - b. Captured material, documents, and war trophies, See ref (b).

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5. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. See Ref (b).

6. REPORTS.

- a. Report all information relating to ~~EEI~~'s.
- b. Recurring reports IAW references a and b.

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Annex G (Fire Support) to Op Plan 2-68

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 and 6442 IV.
 (b) DOWG 7-1
 (c) 9th Mar SOP 1-68
 (d) CR 70.8 OpO. 329A-67 w/chs 1 and 2.

Time Zone: E

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces See Annex A (Intelligence) to this OpPlan and current INTSYN.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) 2d Battalion, Twelfth Marines (Rein) provides direct support artillery fires to 9th Marines.
- (2) 1st MAW provides air support to 9th Marines for close air strikes, interdiction, and resupply as required.
- (3) 3d MarDiv provides periodic direct naval gunfire support as requested for specific short term operations of the 9th Marines.

c. Attachments and Detachments. None

2. MISSION See basic Operation Plan 2-68

3. EXECUTION

A. Concept of Operations. See Annex D (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 2-68

B. Artillery Support

- (1) General The 2d Bn, 12 Mar, in direct support of the 9th Mar, provides artillery fires from its resources which normally include three 105mm howitzer batteries and one 127mm mortar battery. The current concept of employment allows the resident battery at the 1-4 position to exercise technical fire direction while tactical fire direction remains under the control of the artillery battalion. All other batteries are controlled for technical and tactical fire direction by the artillery battalion.

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General support and reinforcing fires are provided upon request to 2d Bn, 12th Marines by two 155mm Howitzer batteries, currently under the operational control of that battalion. Additional general support reinforcing fires are available upon request to the battalion FDC from the resources of 12th Marine Regiment.

(2) Fire Planning.

- (a) Defensive fire plans. The development of effective defensive fire plans must be given the highest priority by all infantry battalions. Artillery targets must be planned, shot in, and placed in an on-call status. These fires must be integrated with those of organic weapons so as to cover deadspace along the best avenues of approach into the position and key terrain features. The defensive fire plan should also include emergency VT targets within the position itself. Each artillery battery is available to provide one final protective fire. Each gun of the battery should be adjusted individually to the desired location on the target. When four batteries are available, one final protective fire target will be authorized for the A-4, A-3, C-2, and C-2 Bridge positions. When additional batteries become OpCon to 2d Bn, 12th Marines, additional FPF's will be authorized for A-3, A-4, C-2 and C-2 bridge position in that order. These fires (FPF's) must be shot in within 24 hours after occupation of the position. All defensive fire targets, once shot in, must be kept current and responsive by firing check rounds daily on each target. Normally, a total of 6 artillery defensive on calls will suffice for each position. Overlays of the defensive fire plan for each position must be forwarded to this headquarters as soon as possible after initial occupation of the position.
- (b) Counter mortar/counter battery plans. In addition to the defensive fire plan, each battalion must develop counter mortar and counter battery plans which integrate organic weapons with artillery to achieve rapid response to enemy incoming on the best known and suspected targets in the general area from which the rounds appear to be

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coming. Forward observers and infantry personnel must be briefed as to the limits of counter mortar/battery sectors and familiarized with the procedures for calling for these fires. As historical data and new inputs from CMR, FO's, patrols, intelligence etc., reveal new and better targets, these targets must be added to the plan and those no longer valid, discarded. The importance of the latter cannot be over stressed.

- (c) Daily planning. Artillery Liaison Officers must develop daily plans for the support of friendly activities with on call fires. In addition, they must plan the H & I program and other preplanned fires (TOTs), preparations, etc) in sufficient time to allow for their scheduling and computation.
- (d) Planning for multi-unit operations. Battalions anticipating a sweep operation of more than one day's duration, or more than 1500 meters distance from their positions should, after reconnaissance, submit their fire support plan to this headquarters (FSCC) indicating the requirements for fire support beyond organic capabilities. Artillery support approved for the operation will be scheduled and target numbers and other coordinating instructions published for the battalion concerned.

C. Air Support

- (1) Air support requests will be submitted in accordance with reference (a).
- (2) CAS/DAS. 1st MAW is requested to provide two aircraft every thirty minutes from 0700 to last light and be fraggd daily by Division Air Section. Air requests should be submitted by the OpCon battalions, 24 hours prior to desired time on target, to 9th Marines Air Section which in turn will pass requests to Division Air. These aircraft will be available on call with ordnance suitable for neutralization of bunkers, artillery/mortar positions, storage areas, and trenches as designated in the request. Ordnance such as napalm and Snake-Eye retarded bombs for

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close in CAS, delivered at low altitude must be scrambled from the hot pad. This latter ordnance will not be delivered in the DMZ. As much lead time as possible in requesting this type ordnance is important in order to reduce the reaction time.

- (3) TPQ. Continuous day and night TPQ's are available on request or for pre-planned targets. Pre-planned targets for night TPQ's submitted by 1700 will be hit that same night, according to their priority assigned. Day TPQ's should be submitted prior to 0600 in order to be hit the same day.

(4) Counter-Battery Fire.

- (a) Attack of targets such as rocket/artillery and mortar positions will be requested via normal air request channels, and will receive immediate response by 1st MAW/FAC/TAC(A) controllable daytime direct strike aircraft, or night TPQ strikes on a priority basis. If a target complex so dictates, a GRAND SLAM type air effort can be requested via the same channels, but a 24 hour to 48 hour delay must be expected.
- (b) It should be noted that troops in the open, where friendly troop safety can be ensured, can be attacked most successfully with the CBU or Daisy Cutter type bombs with two or three hour delay from the time of request to time of delivery. This ordnance is not included in normal hot pad loads, but for emergency situations, over short periods of time, it can be placed in a hot pad status.
- (c) A helo capability on stand-by status IV exists during hours of darkness to move a Sparrow Hawk and Bald Eagle force. A requirement to lift a larger force or a requirement to have an alert readiness posture to move a larger emergency force will require a specific request. Cite nature of the emergency, length of its duration, and normal Frag Helo request information.

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- (d) The possible total reliance on helicopters for resupply during limited periods of extreme weather dictates the need to review internal control procedures to insure that supplies requested are acceptable and landing zones meet criteria and are manned by personnel with operating communications equipment. Every effort must be made to move men and supplies during daylight hours.
- (4) Interdiction. 1st MAW will schedule and conduct air interdiction missions.
- (5) Resupply. Fixed wing and rotary wing resupply operations will be conducted in accordance with reference (a). Exceptionally large helo movements must be requested a minimum of 24 hours ahead of time for priority missions and 48 hours for routine missions. Consideration should be given to the possible requirement of complete reliance upon helicopters for resupply during periods of inclement weather. All units concerned will effect advance planning to provide for resupply under these conditions.
- (6) Observation. One O-1 aircraft will be kept continuously on station during VFR weather and during daylight hours with on station relief, to conduct joint V/R and TACA missions in the 3rd MarDiv Area of Operation. An additional O-1 will also be on station to conduct artillery spot and V/R on assigned areas. These aircraft are available on an on-call basis to the operating units, on a priority assignment basis. Night operations will be limited to emergency situations due to extremely limited resources and the need to maximize daylight availability.
- (7) Miscellaneous.
- (a) Helo emergency medevac operations will be supported during a 24 hour period by two H-34 helos with supporting UH1E gunships. A night-time standby of four H-34's will be available for all emergency medevac and emergency resupply missions. All missions classified as emergencies must be cleared with the Regimental Commander. Guidance

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for decision on emergency requests will be in accordance with reference (a).

- (b) Because of the SAM threat, illumination by fixed wing aircraft is limited to emergency situations in DMZ areas. "Spooky" aircraft can be requested via normal air channels. They operate on station in the DMZ area only when troops are in active contact. At other times they are assigned central orbit points by their controlling headquarters to provide flexibility. All requests for illumination or "Spooky" should be forwarded via normal air request channels.

D. Naval Gunfire Support. Although direct naval gunfire support is not normally available to the 9th Marines, it may be requested and made available for operations of sufficient priority to make its use necessary. Requests for naval gunfire support should be forwarded to this headquarters as much in advance of the planned operation as possible. Missions should be conducted in accordance with references (c) and (d).

E. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Fire support coordination will be in accordance with references (b) and (c).
- (2) Fire support coordination between U. S. and ARVN forces will be accomplished through 9th Marines FSCC. When joint operations are being planned and executed, liaison personnel will be exchanged between this headquarters and Headquarters 2d ARVN Regiment.
- (3) Tactical air strikes will be closely coordinated between the battalion air and artillery officers as to approach and recovery paths so as to maximize the continuous availability of all supporting arms. Maximum use will be made of restrictive fire plans so as to properly control simultaneous air and artillery missions in the same target area.

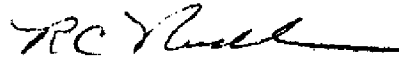
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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See Admin Order 1-68.
5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS. See Annex F to Operation Plan 2-68 and current Regimental SOP for Communications/Electronics.

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Annex D (Concept of Operation) to Operation **Plan 2-68**

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheets
 6342 I and 6442 IV

Time Zone: H

1. MISSION

- a. Establish and defend anti-infiltration system in area of operations.
- b. In coordination with 11th Engr Bn, construct and maintain positions A-3, A-4, C-2, C-3, and LOC's in area of operations.
- c. Man positions A-4, A-3, C-2, C-3 and such other positions as may be directed.
- d. Be prepared to provide interim reinforcement to 1st ARVN Division to assist in employment sensor/surveillance equipment until required skills are developed within ARVN units.
- e. Provide close-in security for anti-infiltration system construction effort to include protection from small arms fire, ambushes, and local ground attack.
- f. Be prepared to provide sensor training to other units as directed.

2. CONCEPT

- a. The mission establishes a requirement for 9th Marines, in coordination with other III MAF units and the 1st ARVN Division to establish an area defense, conduct anti-infiltration operations and construct and defend ~~the strong point/~~ obstacle system towards gaining the greatest practical control over the area bounded to the north by the Ben Hai River, the east by the South China Sea, the south by Route # 9 and the approach to the Ba Long Valley, and the west by the Laotian border.

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- b. The strong point/obstacle system consists of four major components:
- (1) Linear obstacles
 - (2) Surveillance
 - (3) Obstacle support
 - (4) Combat Operating Base
- c. Both the linear obstacles and surveillance component serve the purpose of impeding enemy infiltration, canalizing his movement, early detection of his movement, early detection of his approach and/or infiltration attempts, and providing an auxiliary means of target acquisition. A vital part of these components is the series of squad-sized observation posts with the mission of visual and electronic detection of enemy infiltration, permitting rapid response by supporting arms and/or maneuver elements. The strong point/patrol bases and forward operating bases provide defense in depth and a rapid reaction capability in support of the area defense. Active and aggressive patrolling complements the system.
- d. Each battalion assigned to a Dyemarker position is responsible for the defense and improvement of that position in accordance with approved Dyemarker plans, and, within assigned AO, the protection of the LOC and the conduct of anti-infiltration operations. See Appendix 1 (Operation Overlay). It is envisaged that each battalion assigned a Dyemarker Site will continue construction and maintenance of positions in accordance with Dyemarker plans; organize defense to include integration of surveillance equipment with defensive fire plans; conduct extensive day and night patrols and ambushes to prevent enemy interdiction of LOC and construction effort by small arms fire, ambushes, and/or mining; and maximum employment of supporting arms to include an aggressive program of preemptive fires and air strikes against suspected enemy positions, particularly suspected artillery/mortar/rocket and FO positions. Special operations will be conducted as required, to counter enemy threat, and to extend the anti-infiltration system, and to further impede enemy infiltration efforts. Additional maneuver battalions will normally be employed for these operations, in coordination with battalions assigned to Dyemarker positions. Normal strength distribution will call for

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one full battalion for each principal Dyemarker site, with the exception that C-3 will normally be manned by a three company battalion; the fourth company will be stationed in DONG HA to meet local security requirements for base defense and engineer, road security requirements.

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Annex E (Dyemarker Requirements) to Operation Plan 2-68

Ref: (a) 3rd MarDiv Op Order 61-67
(b) 3rd MarDiv Admin Order 61-67
(c) III MAF Admin Order 13-67
(d) III MAF Op Order 13-67

Time Zone: Hotel

Task Organization. Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) See current INTSUMS and PERINTREPS.

b. Friendly Forces. 3rd MarDiv Op Order 61-67

2. MISSION. See Basic Op Plan.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Annex D (Concept of Operation).

- b. With 11th Engr Bn in general support, construct anti-infiltration barrier positions A-4, A-3, C-2, C-3, and C-3A and LOC's in zone in accordance with directives contained in references (a) and (b).
 - (1) 9th Marines assumes overall responsibility of construction and defense effort.
 - (2) 9th Marines selects specific sites for location of any new sites within sector and submits recommendations for approval to CG, 3rd MarDiv.
 - (3) 9th Marines will be responsible for the construction and implementation of a sensor and obstacle trace in accordance with reference (c).

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- (4) Units of the 9th Marines controlling and occupying Dyemarker sites will operate and maintain sensor/surveillance equipment on site. Training cadres will be maintained in accordance with Annex G of reference (d).
- (5) Employment of sensor/surveillance system equipment will be in accordance with Annex I of reference (d) and as modified by subsequent directives.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Units occupying Dyemarker sites will maintain a turn-over file to contain, but not limited to, the following items:
 - (a) Bunker site plan showing bunkers by type (i.e., 8'x12' or 18'x24', etc) and use (e.g. occupied by 1st sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "A", 1st Bn, 2d Marines and 2 Scout/Sniper Teams Scout/Sniper Plt, Hq Co, 9th Marines, etc).
 - (b) Wire Plan
 - (c) Minefield Plan
 - (d) Site Plan showing locations of bunkers, fighting positions, trenches, weapons locations (e.g. 105mm Howitzers, Tanks, 106mm RR, M-60 MG's, etc.), sensor/surveillance equipment, OP's (towers and/or bunkers), etc.
 - (e) Fire support plan showing all caliber Final Protective Fires and Illumination plans.
 - (f) Counter-Attack Plan.
- (2) Required materials for continuous site improvements and requirements for defoliation for observation and fields of fire are not filled from Project 972 sources and will be provided by submission of requests through normal command channels.
- (3) Living bunker allocation for on-site units and support/tenant elements will be initially determined by the senior unit commander on position and will be adjusted as circumstances warrant. Final approval for allocation will be obtained from the Commanding Officer, 9th Marines.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Administration Order 2-68.
- a. Custodial responsibility and requisitioning procedures for Dyemarker material and equipment will be in accordance with 9th Marines' SOP for Operations and Training.
 - b. Units occupying Dyemarker sites will conduct continuous evaluation and submit recommendations to the Commanding Officer, 9th Marines, for site improvement and additional equipment requirements.
5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS. In accordance with Annex F, Operation Plan 2-68.

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Annex F (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Plan 2-68

- Ref: (a) III MAF Operation Order 13-67
 (b) 3rd MarDiv Operation Order 61-67
 (c) Division O P02000.2F (COI)
 (d) Division O P2000.4C (Comm SOP)
 (e) Regt O 2000.11
 (f) Maps: Cam Lo and Quang Tri 1:50,000, Sheets 6442 IV
 and 6342 I.
 (g) CG 3rd MarDiv 190805Z Dec 1967

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) See annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Plan 2-68
- (2) The enemy has the capability to--
 - (a) Conduct radio interception, imitative deception, and jamming.
 - (b) Salvage, repair, and use discarded communication equipment, especially dry cell batteries.
 - (c) Conduct wire ~~stopping~~ ^{trapping} to gain information.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) See Operation Plan 2-68
- (2) All maintenance of Dyemarker communications electronic sensor equipment above organization level will be performed by FLSG Bravo in accordance with reference (b).
- (3) Command Post.
 - (a) 3rd MarDiv CP located at Dong Ha Combat Base.
 - (b) Headquarters, 9th Marines located at Dong Ha Combat Base.

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(c) Subordinate battalions. (All coor YD):

- (1) C-3 Battalion located at coordinates 142613
- (2) C-2 Battalion located at coordinates 135646
- (3) A-4 Battalion located at coordinates 116700
- (4) A-3 Battalion located at coordinates 175720
- (5) Maneuver Battalion. See current Frag Order.

2. MISSION. To provide communication and electronic support for operations in the assigned AO and technical assistance in the maintenance of communication-electronic/sensor equipment for Project 972.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Communication Platoon, Headquarters 9th Marines.

- (1) Provide technical assistance in the operation and maintenance of surveillance equipment and sensors associated with Operation Plan 2-68.

b. C-3 Battalion. Be prepared to maintain wire cable running from your CP area north to coordinates 133627.

c. C-2 Battalion. Be prepared to maintain wire cable running from coordinates 133627 north to your CP.

d. A-4 Battalion. Be prepared to relay voice radio transmission for maneuver elements north or east of your position to this headquarters.

e. A-3 Battalion. Insure the laying and maintaining of 2 trunks and 1 radio relay COC hot line (channel 4) to any units in your immediate vicinity but outside the battalion CP.

f. Maneuver Battalion (s). Be prepared to establish communications with this headquarters in accordance with this Operation Plan.

g. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Communication-Electronic in accordance with reference (c) and (d).
- (2) Install and operate surveillance equipment and sensors associated with Operation Plan 2-68. See references (b) and Annex E.

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SECRET(3) Communication Center.

- (a) See reference (c).
- (b) Authentication in accordance with reference (d).
- (c) 3rd MarDiv assumes communication and crypto guard for this headquarters and OpCon battalions with rears at Dong Ha Combat Base. This headquarters is the distribution point with delivery and receipt of all message traffic at the Ninth Marines Communication Center.

(4) Messenger Service.

- (a) Make maximum use of messengers forward and rear. Classified teletype traffic will be delivered to rear elements only.
- (b) Utilize helicopter messenger service as available. See reference (d).

(5) Radio

- (a) See appendix 1.
- (b) Tactical call signs in accordance with reference (c).
- (c) OpCon units be prepared to act as relay stations in event of radio difficulties with other battalions, companies, etc, in the Ninth Marines AO.
- (d) RC-292 antenna will be used for radio communications to this headquarters. Jungle rigs (antenna with bamboo or other natural material for masts) may be used.

(6) Integrated wire-radio relay.

- (a) See appendix 2 (wire-radio relay diagram)
- (b) Insure proper channelization of radio-relay at forward positions.
- (c) Battalions assume OpCon of radio relay team upon occupying position.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

- a. See reference (d).
- b. Additional and emergency communication requirements will be forwarded to the Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (SC-10) with information to this headquarters.
- c. Insure strict accountability of 972 equipment in accordance with reference (b).
- d. Mark all Dyemarker equipment "972".

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APPENDIXES

- 1 - Radio Plan
- 2 - Wire and Radio Relay Diagram

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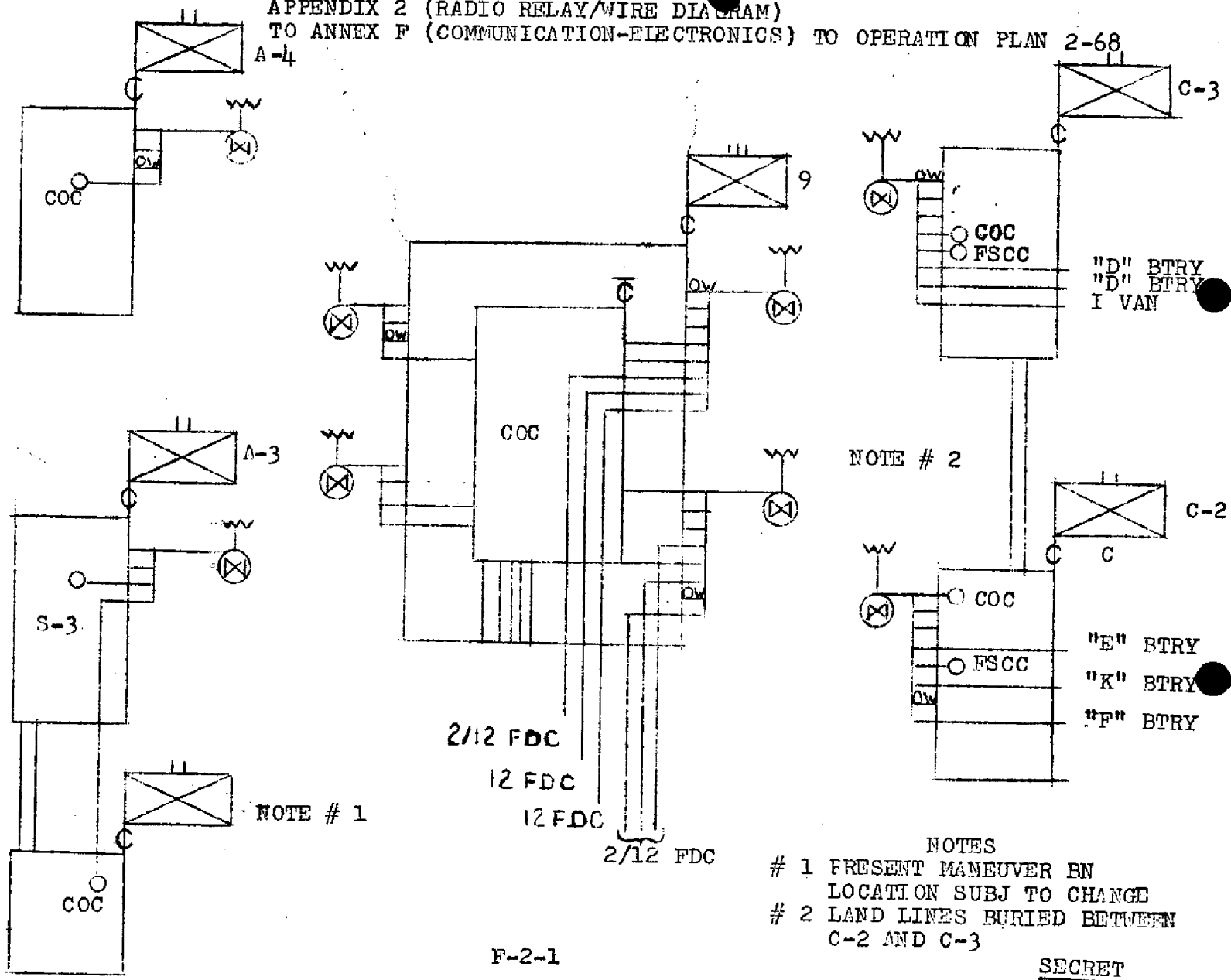
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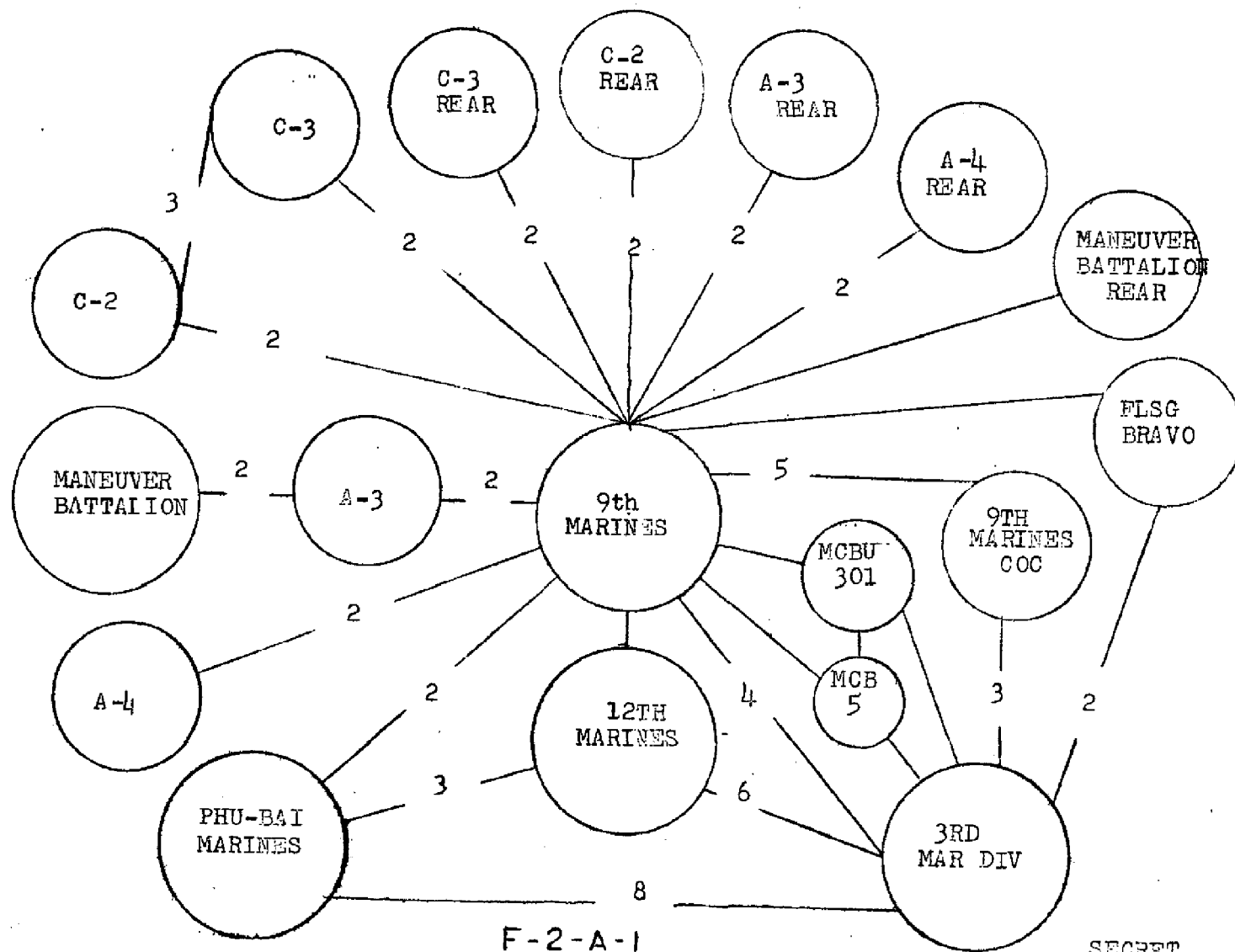
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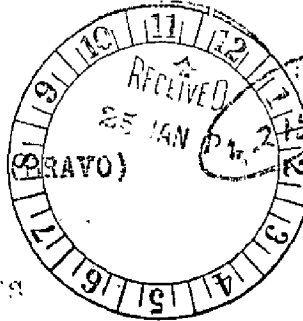
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TO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES

INFO: CG, 3D MAR DIV
ELEVENTH BRIG BN
TWELFTH BRIG BN
SECOND BN, TWELFTH MARINES
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THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES



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ACTION	<i>Kentucky</i>

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SUBJ: COUNTER ABUSE MEASURES FOR SECURITY OF RT 561

1. TO COUNTER INCREASED ENEMY ATTEMPTS AT INTERDICTION OF RT 561
ADDRESSES WILL INITIATE THE FOLLOWING COUNTER MEASURES:

A. ESTABLISH DAYLIGHT OBSERVATION POINTS ON KEY B RANGES -
TWIN CAN LO BRIDGE AND CON TWIN. POSITION, TANKS, DISTANCE, AND
REACTION FOR IMMEDIATE PROTECTION OF ROAD TRAFFIC AND
REACTION TO ABUSE.

B. INCREASE CLOTH-IN DAY AND NIGHT AIRS ALONG ROUTE LINE
ROUTES OF ENEMY INGRESS TO RT 561.

C. REVIEW ALL PATROL ACTIVITIES TOWARDS ACHIEVING SURPRISE
THROUGH VARIATION IN TECHNIQUES AND STAGES OF ABUSE. FOR
EXAMPLE:

- (1) USE HUNTER-KILLER TEAMS AND SNEAKERS.
- (2) MAKE CLASH DISTURBANCE BY USING DARNERS OR
DROP COPS FROM LARGER UNITS.
- (3) USE VARIATIONS. SIMPLY SENDING DAYLIGHT PATROLS TANKING
ALONG PRESELECTED ROUTES HAS SLDON ACHIEVED SIGNIFICANT
RESULTS. THE ENEMY EXPECTS OUR PATROL AROUND OUR
POSITIONS DAILY AND MOVES FREELY ONCE IT HAS PASSED.
- (4) USE SCOUT DOG TEAMS.

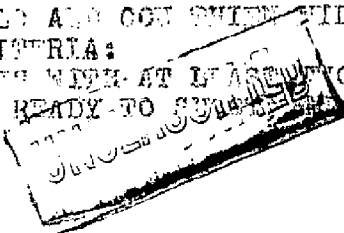
D. CONDUCT ROAD SECURITY PATROLS WITH DOG TEAMS DAILY. VARY
TIMES AND NUMBER OF SUCH PATROLS DAILY.

E. CONDUCT INCREASED HAI FIRMS, DAY AND NIGHT, ALONG LINE
ENEMY ROUTE OF APPROACH TO ROUTE 561.

F. INSURE MAXIMUM USE OF NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICES AND SENSOR
EQUIPMENT ALONG RT 561.

G. ALL TRAFFIC BETWEEN CAN LO AND CON TWIN WILL BE BY CONVOY
MEETING THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM CRITERIA:

- (1) FOUR OR MORE VEHICLES WITH AT LEAST TWO SECURITY
PERSONNEL ARMED AND READY TO SURVEIL BODY OF EACH
VEHICLE.



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1. RT 561 WILL OPEN FOLLOWING THE ROAD WIDENING PROJECT.
 2. DIRECT LIAISON BETWEEN ADDRESSES IS DIRECTED TO COORDINATE
 COUNTER-AMBUSH ACTIVITIES AND TRAFFIC CONTROL.
 3. FURTHER WIDENING OF THE TRAIL ALONG RT 561 IS BEING RE-
 QUESTED.
 4. ~~REPORTS~~ QUITS WILL SUBMIT TO THIS HQ. LOCATIONS OF AMBUSHES,
 OO'S, ETC, BY 1200 FOR THE ENTIRE EVENING AND FOLLOWING DAY AND
 REPORT ANY CHANGES IN POSITIONS AS THEY OCCUR.

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SPOT REPORT

FROM: 9th May TOR: 24 10304

ALPHA: (UNIT) 3/3 () INITIAL () FOLLOW-UP () FINAL

BRAVO: (DTG OF ACTIVITY/INCIDENT) 24 10304

CHARLIE: (COOR) 1. *(FR) 4d 16 731

2. (EN) _____

DELTA: (DESCRIPTION) at 1600 hours + 1000
one man seen by 1st group
R.I.

ECHO: (ACTION TAKEN) Call of 1st group

FOXTROT: (FR KIA) * _____

INDIA (KIA CONF) 1. NVA _____

2. VC _____

GOLF: (FR WIA) 1. (MEDEVAC) 1

2. (MINOR) _____

JULIETT: (KIA PROB)

1. NVA _____

2. VC _____

HOTEL: (FR MIA) _____

KILO: (PW) _____

MIKE: (WPNS CAPTRD) 1. IWC _____

LIMA: _____

2. CSW _____

NOVEMBER: (EQUIP & DOCUMENTS CAPTURED) _____

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