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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>1. DESIGNATION</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Headquarters, 9th Marines	Col. R. B. SMITH	1-31 March

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SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company	1st Lt D. L. ANDERSON	1-31 March
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ATTACHED UNITS

2nd Bn, 1st Marines	LtCol B. R. DUNCAN	1-24 March
3d Bn, 3d Marines	LtCol J. W. MARCH	1-31 March
1st Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol E. A. DEPTULA	1-31 March
3rd Bn, 4th Marines	LtCol L. R. HENDALL	1-31 March
Co A, 1/502 AMB INF, 101st AbnDiv	Capt T. N. SPIEGELBERG	25-29 March

DIRECT SUPPORT UNITS

Company A, 3d Tank Bn	Capt C. L. SALE	1-31 March
Company A, 3d Anti-Tank Bn	Capt J. O. LEE	1-31 March
Company C, 3d Engineer Bn	Capt E. E. MILLER	1-31 March
Company B, 9th Motor Transport	Capt G. A. LONG	1-31 March
2d Bn, 12th Marines	LtCol R. K. DUNWELL	1-31 March

(It should also be noted that 20 dog teams from 3d Military Police Battalion, Force Logistics Command, DANANG were in support of 9th Marines OPCON Battalions).

2. LOCATION

Headquarters Company, 9th Marines	DONG HA, RVN	1-31 March
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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	LtCol R. C. NEEDHAM	1-31 March
S-1	1st Lt D. J. MOSSEY	1-31 March
S-2	Maj P. J. KIESSELBACH	1-31 March
S-3	LtCol J. C. STUDDT	1-11 March
	Maj J. I. HOPKINS	12-31 March
S-4	Maj C. TYE	1-31 March
S-5	Capt G. L. BARLOW	1-4 March
	Capt J. F. RHODES	1-31 March
Supply Officer	1st Lt W. M. TOMIAS	1-31 March
Off. Officer	SSgt V. F. WILLIAMS	1-31 March
Comm Officer	Maj C. E. GREISER Jr.	1-31 March
Chaplain	Cmdr J. V. BORMACZKE	1-31 March

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4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	
OFF	ENL
18	200

USN	
OFF	ENL
1	3

OTHER	
OFF	ENL
0	0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

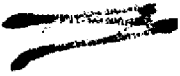
The 9th Marines continued conducting operations according to the mission assigned for Operation KENTUCKY during the month of March. The operation is in its fifth month and has the continuing basic mission of developing and maintaining the anti-infiltration barrier by constructing and defending fixed positions, conducting limited objective patrols, and maintaining surveillance within the AO.

The threat of employment of armor by the NVA in their TET Offensive resulted in a great deal of emphasis being placed in the anti-mechanized aspects of operations. Combat support and combat service support efforts were directed at implementation of anti-mechanized plans. Barrier and obstacle construction was commenced, and reinforcement of positions with weapons capable of resisting a mechanized attack was accomplished. Minefields previously developed in accordance with the anti-infiltration barrier concept to preclude passage by enemy personnel had to be re-oriented in order to prevent armor penetration.

The month of March found enemy pressure being exerted in an attempt to interdict the lines of communications within the 9th Marines AO. The Regiment increased its patrol efforts in the areas contiguous to the road systems, increased the security provided to convoys, conducted continuous mine-sweeping operations, and exercised restrictive controls on all traffic. The embolic surveillance of the MSR resulted in minimizing the threat of interdiction and, thereby, defeating the enemy intent.

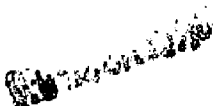
Throughout the month, a daily series of aggressive patrols, carried out by OPCON Battalions, disrupted enemy infiltration and destroyed numerous harboring sites. These patrols and limited objective operations, combining the full spectrum of supporting arms, succeeded in preventing the enemy from lodging and massing for future attacks at known enemy objectives within the AO. In several instances, severe casualties were inflicted upon the enemy.

In order to unbalance and confuse the enemy, deception operations were initiated in two instances during the month. During the period 22 to 25 March a false source of radio traffic was established in order to generate communications representing the departing force of the 2d Bn, 1st Marines to the CULU operations area, in connection with operations directed at the opening of Route 9 to KHE S. NH. Subsequently, a second deception operation was conducted in an attempt to create the impression that units of the 101st Airborne Division were moving into the 9th Marines AO for operations in this area.

In the latter part of the month, the 9th Marines was tasked to perform a salvage and recovery mission far out of its MO. The operation's mission was executed at the site of a downed CH-53 helicopter in which numerous bodies remained which required identification/removal. The mission was accomplished without incident.

On the 29th of March, the 9th Marines relinquished operational control of the A-2 (Gio Linh) position to the 2d ARVN Regiment after holding the position since 261200H February 1968.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat Missions Assigned.a. 3d Marine Division Operation Order 59-67 (Operation KENTUCKY)

(1) Be prepared to provide reinforcements, counterattack, and relief forces for Gio Linh artillery outpost and Cua Viet facility.

(2) Maintain an active ground surveillance program and conduct spoiling attacks throughout assigned AO to detect and destroy NVA personnel.

(3) Provide security for Route 9, Route 561, and Route 1 in assigned AO.

(4) Support RVN RD Program within AO and TAOR.

(5) Maintain Combat Base Con Thien and provide security for Cam Lo Bridge-site.

(6) Maintain Sparrow Hawk platoon.

(7) Coordinate and provide security for engineer fortification operations between Gio Linh and Con Thien.

(8) Provide one rifle company (Reinf) OPCON Gio Linh artillery commander for defense and security of that position.

(9) Maintain and defend Gio Linh artillery outpost.

(10) Assist units located at mouth of Cua Viet River with defense, security measures, and fire support.

(11) Conduct operations as directed in designated AO. Coordinate use of areas with ARVN as required.

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b. CG 3d Marine Division Message 021552Z Mar 68

- (1) In the event of simultaneously or subsequent casualty of the 3d Mar Div CP and the 12th Mar CP, the 9th Marine Regiment is designated control headquarters of the Division and will assume not control of all internal tactical radio nets and will inform higher headquarters of the situation pending the re-establishment of contact.

c. CG 3d Marine Division Terms of Reference Letter of 15 Mar 68

- (1) Undertake planning for combat and combat support operations necessary to open Route 9 between Ca Lai and Khe Sanh Combat Base.

b. CG 3d Marine Division Message 171224Z Mar 68

- (1) Conduct salvage operations and body identification/recovery operations at crash site of CH-53 in vicinity ED 1927 to ensure all possible means of casualty identification have been explored.

c. 3d Marine Division Operation Order 8-68

- (1) Continue operations in zone with emphasis on security of Highway 9.
- (2) Be prepared to assume OPCON of Co "A", 1st Bn, 502d Abn Inf, 101st Abn Div and utilize them to deceive the enemy.

2. Operations

03 March At 1155H, K/3/3, while conducting a patrol, engaged 2 NVA with S/A. This engagement subsided and then, at 1215H, while sweeping the area, they received S/A fire and hand grenades. At 1445H, two platoons of C/1/4 and a heavy section of tanks deployed and secured the right flank of K/3/3. Then they made an attack closely following heavy artillery prep fires and a gas screen from E-8 gas launchers. An estimated 50 NVA faced the attackers and were dug in. Enemy resistance was suppressed primarily by 30 and 50 cal. MG's from the tanks. K/3/3 consolidated the position and maintained pursuit by fire. Losses due to the contact were 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA (NDEVAIC), 21 NVA KIA, and 1 POW. (SitRep 492, 494)

At 1250H, one platoon of L/3/3 made contact with an unknown sized enemy force. An 81mm mortar and an artillery mission were fired. Company L, with a reconnaissance unit, moved to a position to observe the artillery mission. Small groups of enemy were seen closing on the platoon who engaged the enemy within hand grenade range. At 1400H, the remainder of L/3/3 was moved in to relieve the engaged platoon. Fixed-wing aircraft were directed by an AO on station causing a portion of the enemy to break contact. Utilizing air and artillery cover, Company L broke contact upon completion of their Medevacs. Results of the action were 84 NVA KIA by infantry (9 by Regimental Snipers), 14 NVA KIA by air, 34 NVA KIA by artillery, and 4 USMC WIA (NDEVAIC). (SitRep 492, 494)

05 March At 1100H, the lead elements of M/3/3 made contact with an estimated reinforced NVA company. The enemy was dug-in on both sides of a road. An assault was made on the position and during consolidation M/3/3 came under heavy A/W and S/A fire.

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06 March (cont) The company committed its reserve. The enemy fired and accurately adjusted an estimated 150 rounds of 60 and 82mm mortar and 150 to 175 rounds of 105mm artillery. Nearby L/3/3 also received a great deal of artillery fire. Fixed-wing aircraft and artillery missions were fired on the enemy positions. Casualties for the action were 12 USMC KIA, 32 USMC MIA (MEDIV/C), 25 USMC ST (MINOR), and 81 NVA KIA. (SitRep 503, 504, 506)

08 March At 1000H, the 9th Marines chopped OPCON of M/3/4 to the 4th Marines. (SitRep 517) At 1500H, 2/1 assumed OPCON of C-2 and C-2 Bridge positions while 1/4 assumed OPCON of L-4 and L-4A (Yankee Station) positions. (SitRep 517)

10 March At 0900H, the 9th Marines assumed OPCON of M/3/4 from 4th Marines. (SitRep 519)

16 March Third Bn, Third Marines deployed M/3/3 and C/1/4 to make a sweep on both sides of a railroad track NW of Gio Linh. At 0940H, C/1/4 made contact with approximately 40 NVL and deployed both platoons with the left flank moving westward to meet the heaviest resistance. Later, C/1/4 was pulled back to consolidate and allow artillery fire and air support to be exploited. C/1/4 committed the remaining platoon from the L-2 position. At 0940H, M/3/3 also made heavy contact on their left flank with 30-50 dug in NVL. While returning fire Co M received 60mm and 82mm mortars, S/A, L/W fire, and Chicom handgrenades. Artillery and 81mm mortars were used to support M/3/3. Elements of NVL began withdrawing main enemy force. An AD reported approximately 100 NVA in trenches 50-100 meters from Co M. The company held their positions and called for fires by fixed-wing L/3, artillery, gunships, and 60mm and 81mm mortars. The ground action continued throughout a six-hour period resulting in 2 USMC KIA, 2 USMC MIA (MEDIV/C), and 90 NVL KIA. (SitRep 546)

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- 20 March At 1055H, a 2/1 Killer Team observed 20 to 30 NVA moving toward their position. Artillery and air support was called for and the AO ran gunships on the enemy position. Two platoons from the C-2 position moved and linked up with the Killer Team at 1500H. The AO directed air and artillery missions on the enemy while a Medevac was completed. At 1530H, the unit broke contact and withdrew to the C-2 position. Results of the contact were 2 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC), 3 USMC MDC (HEAT EXHAUSTION), 1 Scout Dog killed, and 14 NVA KIA. (SitRep 461, 562)
- 23 March The 9th Marines Chopped OPCON of G/H/2/1 and Alpha Command Group effective 1700H to the 4th Marines. (SitRep 568)
- 24 March Effective 1700H the 9th Marines chopped OPCON of E/F/2/1 and Command Group Bravo to the 4th Marines and assumed OPCON of L/3/1 from the 4th Marines. (SitRep 577)
- 25 March At 1600H the 9th Marines assumed OPCON of Company A, 1st Bn, 502 Airborne Infantry, 101st Airborne Division in accordance with CG, 3d Marine Division Operation Order 8-68. (SitRep 583)
- On 26 March, the deception plan, an attempt to make the enemy believe that major elements of the 101st's presence in the 9th Marines AO, the following tasks were assigned to the company:
- The company was used on road-sweeps to Gio Linh, thereby exposing them to viewing by civilian, PF, and RF traffic.
 - They were trucked to the C-2 position and covertly heli-lifted back to Dong Ha Combat Base, with intent to create the impression of sizeable movement into the AO by elements of the 101st.
 - Jeep patrols were sent out on roads and into villages and hamlets giving the impression of general recon and familiarization by the 101st.
 - Groups were sent to barber shops and laundry and gift shops in the village proximity in order to expose unit members to view by the populace.
 - PK runs were made deliberately to allow exposure to friendly units.
 - Platoon patrols were conducted in the vicinity of the Cam Lo area. This exposed the 101st members to viewing by the local population and created impression of the 101st tactical activity. Liaison was made with ARVN and Cam Lo District Headquarters in order to expose key 101st unit members to view of PF, RF, and ARVN troops.

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g. A squad was sent with a PsyOps team on road and trail checks into villages and hamlets for exposure to population. h. UH-1E's bearing the Screaming Eagle insignia were continuously flown in and around the AO.

27 March At 1145H Operation LONGJUMP, the body identification/recovery mission, commenced. The LZ was secured without incident and eighteen to twenty bodies were recovered. All elements were lifted out by 1630H and the remains of the downed helicopter were blown. (Sit Rep 588)

29 March At 1500H the 9th Marines chopped OPCON of Company "A", 1st Bn/ 502 Abn Inf, 101st Abn Div. to 3d Squadron, 5th Armored Cav. The 9th Marines chopped OPCON of A-2 position to the 2d ARVN Regiment effective 1500H. (Sit Rep 596)

3. Training.

a. Tactical commitments precluded conducting a thorough and detailed formal training program during the reporting period. Personnel were committed to the field or were transient, thereby precluding continuity. However, attention was given to areas of weakness or previously unencountered or unemphasized subjects such as use and defense against riot control agents, anti-mechanized weapons employment, defensive tactics and fortifications, and weapons familiarization.

(1) Vital area defense. During the month of March three drills were held on the Vital Area Defense (Dong Ha). All battalion rear personnel were involved, including HQ Co., 9th Marines. Each drill lasted approximately two hours in order to instruct and correct personnel in their tasks.

(2) FAM Firing. Two times during the month of March, HQ Co personnel were given the opportunity to FAM fire the M-16 rifle and their T/O weapon.

(3) Familiarization and field firing of the LAW. In March, a two-hour class was held at the Dong Ha rifle range in order to familiarize HQ Co personnel with the LAW.

(4) Care, cleaning, and employment of the 106 RR Rifle. During March, the 9th Marines provided instruction to selected ARVN NCO's on the care, cleaning, employment, and FAM firing of the 106 R rifle. The ARVN NCO's then held school for their troops, supervised by the 9th Marine and 3d Mar Div instructors.

b. Formal school. During the month of March, HQ Co, 9th Marines took advantage of formal schools available through higher echelons. These schools were:

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<u>Class</u>	<u>No. of Days</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>No. Pers. Attended</u>
NCO Leadership School	30	Okinawa	1
Telegraph-Telephone School	4	Danang	1
Career Advisory School	6	Okinawa	1
Basic Organic Supply Accounting School	6	Danang	1
MT Maintenance Assistance Course	2	Dong Ha	1

(1) These figures show no increase or decrease in the number of schools attended by HQ Co, 9th Marines personnel from previous months.

c. All replacement personnel received an indoctrination briefing from the 1st Sgt of HQ Co, 9th Marines in accordance with current 3d Marine Division regulations.

4. Casualties Inflicted On The Enemy.

a. Totals for Month of March. Enemy personnel and material losses for the month of March 1968 were 522 KIA, 3 POW, 1 VC returnee, and 178 persons detained, 17 of which were released as innocent civilians. A total of 37 weapons were captured, 27 individual and 10 crew served.

b. Cumulative Totals for Operation KENTUCKY. Total enemy personnel and equipment losses for Operation KENTUCKY, which commenced 1 November 1967, are 1633 KIA, 43 POW's, 2 NVL returnees, 2 VC returnees, and 284 detainees, 70 of which were released as innocent civilians. A total of 230 weapons have been captured, 173 individual and 57 crew served.

5. Friendly casualties sustained.

KIA	40
WIA (Medevac)	186
WIA (Minor)	70

6. New Techniques Employed.

a. On the 5th of March, 8 canisters of CS gas were dropped by air in an area east of G-2 position. This was followed by air strikes utilizing napalm and 250 pound bombs. After the air strikes, artillery missions were fired in the area.

b. Units employed at Dyemarker Sites throughout the 9th Marines 10 have found that the use of the electronic equipment is greatly enhanced by complementary use of the NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICE (NOD) to verify radar sightings.

7. Equipment.

a. The following is a report on the readiness of major items of combat essential equipment:

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~~SECRET~~(1) Motor Transport

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ALLOWANCE</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>OP-READY</u>
Truck, Utility, M422	15	9	6
Truck, Cargo M37	2	2	1
Trailer, Water M107	3	3	3

(2) Communications

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ALLOWANCE</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>OP-READY</u>
AN/MRC-87	2	2	1
AN/TPS-21	2	2	1

b. Major end items previously evacuated to higher echelon maintenance facilities that have not been returned:

(1) Motor Transport

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Truck, Utility $\frac{1}{2}$ ton M422A1	4	Salvage (condition code "H")
Truck, Utility $\frac{1}{2}$ ton M422A1	2	3d FSR, 1st FSR
Unit, Lubrication and Service	1	FLSG-B
Unit High Pressure Cleaning	1	FLSG-B

(2) Communications

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Radio Set, TD-101 AN/TRC-27	5	1st FSR
Radio Set, RT, 252, AN/TRC-27	2	FLSG-B
Radio Set, RT-505, AN/PRC-25	2	FLSG-B
Radio Set, AN/MRC-87	1	1st FSR

(AN/MRC-83 on maintenance "RED-BALL" since 30 Nov 67)

c. Battle losses not replaced: None

6. Logisticsa. Supply and Distribution

(1) Force Logistic Support Group Bravo was the primary source of supply and maintenance support for Headquarters Company, 9th Marines and infantry battalions under the operational control of 9th Marines.

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(2) Significant supply items that were in short supply included gas masks, 5' and 8' metal barbed wire stakes, and MORGAS and diesel fuel. The shortage of 5' and 8' stakes has hampered construction of defensive positions and installations of defensive wire within the 9th Marines area of operations. The shortage of MORGAS and diesel fuel required strict rationing to all units; however the shortage did not affect truck requirements for supply.

(3) Supply point distribution was in effect.

b. Resupply

(1) Resupply figures by class of supply to battalions under OPCON to 9th Marines were as follows:

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>NUMBER POUNDS</u>
I	1,304,850
II	82,950
III	414,770
IV	434,390
V	574,570

(2) Total resupply figures by battalions are as follows:

Third Bn, Fourth Marines	674,020 lbs.
Third Bn, Third Marines	809,600 lbs.
Second Bn, First Marines	541,700 lbs.
First Bn, Fourth Marines	786,210 lbs.

(3) The non-availability of an adequate water supply at SPPE/L-3 has required a daily resupply of water from the DHCB to L-3 by helicopter. The completion of a proposed well at SPPE/L-3 would alleviate this problem. Current plans propose installation of a well at that position.

(4) Hot meals are supplied to the L-3 and L-4 positions on an average of once every 3 days. These meals are prepared at G-2 Bridge for A-4, and at DHCB for A-3. The tactical situation at L-4 and L-3 precludes maintaining permanent mess facilities on position.

c. Supported Strength

The average supported strength for the 9th Marines for the month of March was 4,534 men.

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d. Transportation

(1) Surface transportation utilized Route 1, between Dong Ha and Gio Linh; Route 9, between Dong Ha and Cam Lo District Headquarters; Route 561, between Cam Lo and Con Thien; and on a very limited scale, Route 566, between Route 1 (vic XD 213727) and 3PPB/A-3. Major traffic flow was conducted between unit rear areas and tactical positions along Route 561. Due to the existing tactical situation, all vehicles moved in convoys of not less than two vehicles.

(2) Organic transportation support is inadequate. At present 9 of the 25 authorized vehicles are operationally ready; the remainder are grounded at 3rd and 4th echelon facilities or have been evacuated and consigned to scrap. The need for replacement vehicles at this time is urgent. The need for replacement vehicles is urgent.

(3) Vehicles for tactical and non-tactical troop movements, resupply, and "household" commitments were provided by Co. B, 9th MT Bn which has an average of 17 trucks operationally ready. During normal operations, the Regiment requires a minimum of 5 on-position at Dymarker sites to supply water, re-distribute supplies, collect refuse, and conduct tactical troop lifts; one is needed daily by the 0100. Thus, a total of 15 vehicles are permanently committed to essential runs and cannot be used for resupply. On a normal day it is not possible to provide the operating battalions with a satisfactory level of resupply. In the past, supplementary vehicles were provided by the Division Motor Transport Officer from Division-held resources. With the departure of the 515th Transportation Company from Dong Ha, Division no longer has the capability to assist this command in meeting the minimum transportation requirements. Utilizing all possible economies including trailers and multiple trips whenever possible, the operating battalions have still been forced to draw down the operating stocks on forward positions.

(4) A total of 1,006 tons of resupply were moved by truck to the operating battalions during March.

(5) An average of 18.4 trucks per day were utilized by the 9th Marines during March.

(6) Air transportation was restricted to helicopter support provided by M1G-16 and M1G-36. Helicopters from M1G-36 were utilized for resupply, medical evacuation, and troop lifts under emergency and routine conditions. CH-53 aircraft from M1G-16 were used for routine resupply. All helicopter resupply was coordinated through the Dong Ha LSA and was restricted to 3PPB/A-3.

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(7) A total of 309 tons were moved by helicopter to the APPE/A-3 position during March. A total of 42 helicopter lifts were effected utilizing CH-53, CH-46, and UH-34 helicopters.

e. Engineer Support

(1) Company C, Third Engineer Battalion provided direct combat service support. The support provided has been limited due to the low personnel strength of the unit. This unit has performed the task of laying fortifications at the Cam Lo District Headquarters. Eleventh Engineer Battalion also provided direct combat service support for Project 972, "Dynamarker". The unit also supported road sweeps, tower constructions, and construction of defensive field-fortifications.

f. Services Situation

- (1) This unit used shower, bakery, ice, and laundry services.
- (2) Laundry service from FLSG-B has been inadequate. Excessive time required to wash organizational clothing has made it impossible to ensure that cooks and messmen are provided with clean uniforms.
- (3) Electrical power provided by Base Facilities Coordinator through the 11th Engineer Battalion has been marginal. The 9th Marines GP has received no power at all for periods ranging up to one day and when the electricity is functioning the voltage varies greatly.

g. Headquarters Supply Situation

(1) The only significant problem encountered by Headquarters Company Supply is the shortage of trained personnel whose strength is presently 25% under T/O.

(2) Statistical Data on Priority 02 Requisitions:

- (a) Seventy-two (72) priority 02 requisitions remained unfilled at the beginning of the period.
- (b) Eight (8) Priority 02 requisitions were submitted during the period.
- (c) Eighty (80) Priority 02 requisitions were outstanding during the period.
- (d) One (1) Priority 02 requisition was filled during period.
- (e) Zero (0) Priority 02 requisitions were cancelled during this period.
- (f) Seventy-nine (79) priority requisition outstanding at the end of the reporting period.

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9. Civic Action

a. General. Due to the tactical situation, civil affairs activity during the month of March was curtailed. The level of activity was held to a slightly lower level than in previous months. The outlying areas in most instances were not secure, thus, did not allow the various agencies to move among the people.

b. A noticeable decrease in the amount of materials normally received from higher echelons (ie) cement, roofing tin and food commodities) was experienced. This was probably attributed to the tactical situation, priority being given to the shipping of essential military items instead of the normal allotment of the above-mentioned items. Although faced with this situation, it was still possible to distribute a limited number of supplies to the OPCON units, thus maintaining a reasonable level of activity.

c. A total of 10 MEDCAPS were conducted in which some 2,021 indigenous personnel were treated. It is notable that this was a 50% increase over the previous month, when a total of 612 Vietnamese were treated. This month's total is slightly below the monthly, pre-TET Offensive average of 2,500. However, it is noteworthy that the MEDCAP program was able to "bounce back", thus reassuring the local populace.

d. As has been the case in the past, not all of the units under operational control of the Ninth Marines were able to conduct Civic Action programs because of their location and tactical situation. Third Battalion Fourth Marines and GAC-P #3 were responsible for most of the activity during the month.

10. Psychological Warfare

a. General. The Psychological Warfare role for the month of March was on the same level as that of previous months. The TET Offensive did not seem to have an appreciable effect on this program.

b. Detachment "B", 7th PsyOps Battalion, USA, continued with their broadcasting during March, for a total of 91 hours. This ranks as the second highest number of broadcast hours since the Detachment was assigned to Ninth Marines. One WB Team (mobile broadcast) made a patrol north of DONG HA. The majority of the broadcasts have been conducted in conjunction with MEDCAPS.

c. A total of approximately 1,700,000 leaflets were dropped during the month. The theme of the leaflets was "Overwhelming Power of the U.S. and ARVN Forces", "Chieu Hoi Instructions" and "Overwhelming U.S. Air Power". The leaflets were dropped mainly over known infiltration routes, suspected enemy troop locations, north and south of the CUL VIET River, along the Dye-Marker Activity, and south of the DONG HA Combat Base.

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d. A total of 7 Kit Carson Scouts were deployed during the month. They continue to do fine work, particularly the Scout assigned to Third Battalion, Fourth Marines. The value of this program is again commendable. The Kit Carson Scouts continue to bridge the language and cultural gap between Marines and Vietnamese.

11. Personnel and Administration

a. Headquarters Company, 9th Marines is presently short (2) OIA's. The Manning Level is 9. At present there are only 7; however, of the 7, two are scheduled for rotation in the latter part of April.

b. Personnel

(1) Casualties. Headquarters Company sustained no casualties during the month of March 1968.

(2) Rotations during March

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAV OFF	NAV ENL
5	35	0	0

(3) Replacements received during March

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAV OFF	NAV ENL
3	15	0	0

(4) Informational Services. Headquarters Company had one Corporal meritoriously promoted to Sergeant. One Marine was presented with the Bronze Star and another with a Purple Heart.

(5) Special Services. Personnel of Headquarters, 9th Marines received the following: 100 stationery writing kits (air mail), 15 game kits (chess and checkers), and 3 decks of playing cards.

(6) Discipline

(A) No unusual problems

(b) Courts-Martial

	COMPLETED	PENDING
CCM	0	0
SPCM	0	3
SCM	0	1

(c) Regimental Commander's Office Hours-4

(d) Company Commander's Office Hours-2

(7) Morale, P.X., Postal, Affairs and R&R

(a) Morale. Morale within Headquarters, 9th Marines remains excellent.

(b) Post Exchange Facilities. P.X. facilities remain excellent.

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(c) Postal Affairs. Postal service within the 9th Marine Regiment was good. It was noted however, that the mail service between the Division Post Office and this headquarters was unsatisfactory due to the re-location of the 3d Marine Division Headquarters from Phu Bai to Quang Tri.

(d) R&R. Headquarters, 9th Marines was allocated the following quotas for R&R during the month:

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

Returnees from R&R reported no problems and expressed satisfaction with the program.

c. Chaplain

<u>Protestant Services</u>	<u>Catholic Masses</u>
19 Sunday	17 Sunday
52 Weekday	45 Weekday

12. Intelligence

a. Area of Operations

The 9th Marines AO is situated in the northwestern sector of Quang Tri Province, Republic of South Vietnam. The AO encompasses an area of approximately 140 square miles, consisting generally of rolling plains and hills, of which the elevation ranges from 10 meters to approximately 200 meters. The ground slopes from 10 to 30 percent. The streams are generally 3 to 4 km apart, so that in rolling plains and hills, the topography affords large areas for dispersion. The hills become increasingly restrictive toward the western section, and the Song Cam Lo River, which generally follows Highway #9, constitutes the only natural pass. Significant LOC's in the AO are National Route #9, running from Dong Ha through Cam Lo, and Route #561 generally running north-south along grid line 13, connecting Con Thien with Route #9 at Cam Lo Village.

b. Acquisition

(1) The majority of information concerning the 9th Marines AO was obtained from 31 reports received from the 3d Marine Division for the month of March. Significant additional information is obtained from POW interrogations and from captured document readouts. Agent reports, numbering 160 for March, are used principally as collateral information to substantiate material from other sources.

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(2) A total of 6 APD (People Sniffer) readings for March and Photo Interpretation readouts were also used to obtain and substantiate suspected enemy troop concentrations and strongpoint areas.

c. Dissemination

The OPCON battalions of the 9th Marines are kept current on the intelligence situation by immediate relay of information pertaining to their respective AO's via radio or courier traffic. An OOB situation map and an extensive targeting record are kept and made available to the battalions when requested or when required. In special situations, particularly impending friendly operations, a complete readout is provided covering known or suspected enemy troop concentrations and locations of fortified areas.

d. VC/NVA Tactics

(1) Enemy activity within the 9th Marines AO during March has been predominantly transient in nature, with small elements of a number of major units appearing at different periods of time. Various areas of the AO have been used as troop and supply staging and rest areas. Offensive efforts have been limited to occasional mining of LOC's. There has been a significant decrease in interdiction with rockets, artillery, and mortars.

(2) New activity for March includes the introduction of 120mm mortars in a H&I role and numerous reports of vehicular activity having been heard by USMC units and reported by various agents. There has also been an apparent increase in adjusted enemy fire missions which indicates more use of FO's.

e. VC/NVA Order Of Battle

(1) During the month of March 1968, elements of a new Independent North Vietnamese Infantry Regiment were identified along the eastern boundary of the 9th Marines TACR. The 2d battalion of this regiment was identified as operating within Leatherneck Square.

(2) VC/NVA units operating within 9th Marines TACR were as follows:

(a) 4th Battalion, 52d Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: 329 Officers and Men
 Weapons: 32mm Mortars (3), 60mm Mortars (5), B-41 (2),
 Light and Heavy MG (6)
 Commander: Captain TC VAN TUYEN
 Location: Generally North of the Traps

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(b) 2nd Battalion, 27th Independent Regiment, DMZ Front

Strength: Approximately 400 Officers and Men
 Weapons: Unknown
 Commander: Unknown
 Location: Leatherneck Square (YD 1869 - YD 1863 - YD 1569
 YD 1563)

(c) Headquarters and Regimental Support Units, 48th Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: 779 Officers and Men
 Weapons: 4.2MG (6), 82mm Mortars (6), 82mm RL (4),
 120mm (6) and B-41 (3)
 Commander: Regt CO LtCol HONG SON
 Location: Generally South of the Kinh Phuoc River (YD 2354)

(d) 1st Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: 464 Officers and Men
 Weapons: B-40 and B-41 (11), 120mm (5), 120mm (2), 60mm
 Mortar (5) and 82mm Mortar (1)
 Commander: SrCapt BUI DUNG
 Location: Generally South of the KINH PHUOC River YD 2354

(e) 2d Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: 525 Officers and Men
 Weapons: B-40 and B-41 (16), 120mm (6), 120mm (3), 60mm
 Mortar (6) and 82mm Mortar (3)
 Commander: Capt THIN
 Location: Generally South of the Kinh Phuoc River (YD 2354)

(f) 3d Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: 534 Officers and Men
 Weapons: B-40 and B-41 (16), 120mm (6), 120mm (3), 60mm
 Mortar (6) and 82mm Mortar (3)
 Commander: PHAM VAN BONG (Rank Unknown)
 Location: Generally South of the Kinh Phuoc River (YD 2354)

(g) 27th Independent Infantry Battalion, DMZ Front Headquarters

Strength: 400 Officers and Men (Approximate)
 Weapons: B-40 (?), 120mm (?), 82mm Mortar (5), 120mm (4),
 60mm Mortar (8), (Possible, 120mm Mortar (4))
 Commander: SrCapt HOI
 Location: Battalion Headquarters: Vicinity of (YD 1453).
 Other elements of this battalion operate within
 all areas of the 9th Marines TACR and also to the
 South West and North West of the 9th Mar boundaries.

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(h) 12th Battalion (120mm Mortars), 54th Artillery Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: Approximately 210 Officers and Men
 Weapons: 120mm Mortars (12)
 Commander: Unknown
 Location: Generally along the 9th and 4th Marines Regimental Boundaries (YD 0863)

(i) Cam Lo (Local Force) Company.

Strength: 100 Officers and Men
 Weapons: 60mm Mortars (?), LMG (?)
 Commander: 1st Lt HOANG HUU TOAN
 Location: Operates in the general vicinity of Cam Lo (YD 1259), Cam Vu (YD 1861), and east to Nghia An (YD 2461).

(3) NV/VC units operating adjacent to 9th Marines T.O.R. which influenced enemy operations within the 9th Marines A.D.

(a) Unidentified elements, 54th Infantry Regiment, 320th Division

Strength: Approximately battalion size (350-450)
 Weapons: 60mm and 82mm Mortars, LMG, HMG and B-41
 Location: In the south-eastern section of 9th Marines T.O.R.

(b) 52d Infantry Regiment (Less 4th Bn), 320th Division

Strength: Approximately 1750 Officers and Men
 Weapons: LMG, HMG, 60mm and 82mm Mortars, 82mm/RR and M/MG
 Location: Generally North to North-East of Gio Linh (YD 2173)

(c) 54th Artillery Regiment (Less 12th Bn), 320th Division

Strength: Approximately 600 Officers and Men
 Weapons: 75mm/105mm Howitzers and 75mm/85mm Guns/Howitzers
 Location: East of 9th Marines T.O.R.

(d) 27th Independent Regiment (Less 2d Bn), RMZ Front Headquarters

Strength: Approximately 1500 Officers and Men
 Weapons: LMG, HMG, 60mm and 82mm Mortars, B-41 and RR
 Location: Generally North and East of Gio Linh (YD 2378)

(4) VC/NV units which could influence enemy conducted operations within 12 hours, inside the 9th Marines T.O.R:

Headquarters and Support Elements, 320th Division

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- (a) Strength: Approximately 2,000 Officers and Men
 Weapons: LMG, HMG, AA/MG, 37mm AA Guns, 57/75mm AT Guns
 Location: Generally to the west and north west of Con Thien (XD 1170)
- (b) 270th Independent Infantry Regiment, DMZ Front Headquarters
 Strength: Approximately 1800 Officers and Men
 Weapons: LMG, HMG, AA/MG, 75mm/82mm RR and B-41
 Location: North of Ben Hai River (XD 2082)
- (c) 164th Artillery Regiment (Less 1st and 4th Battalions), DMZ Front Headquarters
 Strength: Unknown
 Weapons: 122mm and 140mm Rockets
 Location: North of Ben Hai River (XD 1076) (XD 2082)
- (d) Van An Artillery Regiment, DMZ Front Headquarters
 Strength: Unknown
 Weapons: 120mm/140mm Rockets, 120mm Mortars, and B-41
 Location: North of Ben Hai River

f. Problem Areas

- (1) There is a critical shortage of maps, AMS Series 17014, 1:50,000, Sheets 6342 I and 6442 IV. Numerous map requests were submitted to 3d Marine Division and were only partially fulfilled.
- (2) Requests for aerial photography are not filled on time to be of any tactical value. One in particular was received the day after the operation was completed.
- (3) There is a shortage of trained interpreters. The lack of interpreters has caused delays in getting information from documents and prisoners that could be of a tactical value to commanders in the field.

g. Weather

The weather throughout the month of March was characterized by interchanging climatic conditions; sunny skies lasting for a number of days would give way to overcast conditions lasting for a number of days. Temperatures increased greatly while humidity decreased somewhat. Occasional thunderstorms occurred during periods of high temperatures. The average high temperature for the month was 78° while the average low was 68°. Relative humidity averaged 82%, while a total of 1.82 inches of rainfall was recorded for the month.

13. Medical and Dental

a. Significant Events:

(1) The Regimental Aid Station, Headquarters Company, 9th Marines 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, 3d Marine Division (Reinf), for use by all personnel in the Dong Ha Combat Base area. Patient referrals are being seen by Medical Officers at Company D, 3d Medical Battalion.

b. New Developments:

(1) Submitted requisitions for Combined Action Company-P for MEDCAP supplies.

(a) Requisition submitted; one for a total of \$60.40 of cold-pills (ORM DE).

c. Problem Areas: No medical problems.

d. Patient Statistical Data:

(1) Number of patients seen at the Regimental Aid station was 225, which shows an increase over last month.

(2) Referrals to Delta Med: 65 (13 to other Medical facilities away from Dong Ha) (e.g. Hospital Ship, Phu Bai, NSA, Danang, etc.).

(a) Admissions: 13

(b) Dental: 14

(c) Diarrhea: 28

(d) Eye Refractions: 4

(e) Gonorrhea: 4

(f) Neuro-psychiatric Consults: 2

(3) The majority of routine treatments given at the Regimental Aid Station were for upper-respiratory infections, minor lacerations, and minor infections, and bacterial and fungal infections.

(4) Casualties requiring treatment beyond the capabilities of organic BLS and RLS level were evacuated to Company D, Third Medical Battalion, for treatment and further evacuation when required.

(a) A total of 361 patients were received at Company D, Third Medical Battalion from the Headquarters, 9th Marines and the operating Battalions.

(b) Patients seen are as follows:

Headquarters Company	50
Third Bn, Third Marines	110
Third Bn, Fourth Marines	88
First Bn, Fourth Marines	66
Second Bn, First Marines	55

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(c) There were no discernible medical trends reflected during this period.

(d) Inoculations and Prophylactic Medicines Administered

(1) During March, 175 immunizations and inoculations were given, which shows a slight decrease over last month. Routine immunizations are given monthly. Personnel of this HQ are notified, the first of each month, of immunizations required. A list reflecting this information is sent to each section. Immunizations are administered daily from the first to the 20th of each month from 1300-1400. Personnel checking in are given necessary immunizations when they report. These immunizations are recorded on individual shot cards and in the health records. This has proved to be a reliable means to keep immunizations up to date in this type of command.

(2) A total of 1,500 Chloroquine-Proflavine tablets were administered as prophylactic against malaria.

(3) Preventive Medicine Section-2 fogging machine has been making routine runs through out the area for fly and mosquito control.

(c) Reports as listed below are submitted in a timely manner

(1) Daily:

(a) Morning Report of the Sick.

(2) Weekly:

(a) Chronology to G-4.

(b) Sanitation Inspection, report of: to Commanding Officer and Preventive Medicine Section-2.

(3) Monthly:

(a) Venereal Disease Report to Preventive Medicine Unit.

(b) Status Report-Project 10 Funds to Division Surgeon and G-2.

(c) Medical Service Report to Division Surgeon.

(d) Verified Date of Departure of Naval Personnel from COMUS to Division Surgeon.

(e) HHSB Team Activity Report to Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force.

(f) Medical Chronology for month to 3-4.

f. Sanitation

General sanitation of the Headquarters Company area is showing improvements. Latrines are burned and urinals polished and lined daily. Mess area has had land fill put in to eliminate stagnant water and reduce mosquitos. Worn and weathered structures have been replaced and overall cleanliness has been emphasized.

g. Medical Supplies

(1) Medical Supplies are adequate and are obtained through Medical FLBU. During the month of March, 32 requisitions were submitted for a total of \$932.14, leaving only 2 unfilled requests. This shows an increase expenditure due to stocking up of mount out block with new and replacement items.

(2) Medical supplies are distributed throughout the company area at the CGC bunker and at First-Aid boxes in all personnel bunkers for emergency use and in connection with the interior defense. Radi Companyman has a Unit One First-Aid pouch. All medical supplies are checked monthly for replenishment and replacement. Two mount-out boxes with dressings, instruments, I.V. fluids and medication for immediate mount-out are located at the A & S.

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14. Air Support

a. Fixed Wing Support

(1) During the month all fixed-wing assets from the 1st MAW became OPCH to the 7th TAF thus delaying the response time between request and delivery. The lag-time between the request and time of drop is too extreme to be sufficiently responsive to highly perishable target intelligence.

(2) Close air support sorties consisted of 215 missions delivering 743,750 pounds of bombs, 87,500 pounds of napalm, 28 Zuni rockets, 8 canisters of CS gas, and 3200 rounds of 30mm cannon.

(3) There were 408 TF4-10 missions flown in support of the 9th Marines delivering 2,635,250 pounds of ordnance.

(4) Tactical Air Observers flew 578 sorties compiling 1241.2 hrs in direct support.

(5) There were 3 targets hit under the Arc Light program.

b. Helicopter Support

(1) The month of March showed a gradual improvement in ceiling and visibility but the bulk of helicopter support went to Khe Sanh.

(2) Total resupply for March was 518,790 pounds.

(3) Medevac missions evacuated 147 personnel.

c. Personnel and Equipment

a. All OPCH battalions have one (1) ALO and one (1) FIC assigned.

b. ALO/FIC's controlled activities within their assigned areas of operations, the majority being controlled in the Con Thien area.

d. Bomb Damage Assessment

- a. KBA (c) 157; (p) 18
- b. bunkers destroyed - 299; damaged- 65
- c. Military structures destroyed-75; damaged-3
- d. Crew served weapons destroyed-2 mortars; damaged 12 artillery pieces.
- e. Positions destroyed - 191 fighting holes; 5,090 meters of trenchline.
- f. Secondary explosions - 35; secondary fires-1.

15. Fire Supporta. Artillery

(1) General. The Second Battalion, Twelfth Marines was in direct support of Ninth Marines throughout the month of March. The following batteries provided direct support artillery fires: D/2/12 (1-31 March); E/2/12 (1-31 March); F/2/12 (1-31 March); 107mm Mortar Battery 2/12 (1-31 March); H/3/12 (1-26 March); 107mm Mortar Battery, 1/12 (-) 2 guns (26-31 March). On 26 March Battery H, Third Battalion Twelfth Marines were, chopped OPCON to First Battalion, Fourth Artillery (USA). On the same date, two guns of the 107mm Mortar Battery, First Battalion, Twelfth Marines at Ca Lu were chopped OPCON to Second Bn, Twelfth Marines and air lifted to the A-3 position.

(2) Significant events. During the month of March, infantry battalions OPCON to Ninth Marines conducted multi-company and battalion-sized sweep operations, always supported by preparation and/or on call fires. Extensive use was also made of smoke for screening friendly movements. An active II and I program was conducted, augmented by a well coordinated OP/Flash/sound/radar target acquisition system which attacked targets of opportunity. Extensive use was also made of aerial observers to attack artillery targets in and north of the DMZ.

(3) Types of Missions fired.

Observed	1233
Unobserved	2101
KRM	2646

(4) Numbers of rounds fired.

105mm	27,731
155	5416
107mm	4036

(5) Significant Surveillances

114	KIA
211	WIA
12	Secondary explosions
21	Bunkers destroyed
2	Automatic weapons destroyed

b. Naval Gunfire

(1) Although naval gunfire was not available in a direct support role, it was of considerable value in providing counter-battery fires on artillery targets north of the DMZ on the coastline. Naval Gunfire was provided upon request to 3d Mar Div.

16. Communications/Electronics

a. General. The Communications Platoon, HQ Co, 9th Marines provided operational and technical support for Operation KATHUCKY throughout March. Wet-Cell battery maintenance of radar units was provided for PROJECT 672 (GEMMAETER).

b. Message Center. The 9th Marines in close proximity to the 3rd Marine Division message center has no requirement to operate teletype circuits to the next higher headquarters. A message distribution center provides this command with message traffic. During the month of March, message distribution processed 230 outgoing and 1181 incoming messages.

c. Radio. All operational radio circuits are located in the 9th Marines SOC (call sign: DRAM POOL). Radio central controls eight (8) FM radio nets plus two (2) FM artillery radio nets. The F600 has one (1) UHF radio net for use of the AOC. As directed by 3rd MarDiv, HF, 55B radio was not operational during this period. On 150001Z March, frequencies were changed throughout the I Corps area. No difficulties were encountered in changing of frequencies within 9th Marines AO.

d. Radio Relay. On 31 March the radio relay (TRC-27) shot at PYTHIA site A-2 was deactivated. On the 3-2 radio relay shot, down time was considerable due to power generator (PG-276) problems. A combination of hot weather, dust, "tired equipment" and limited transportation available for delivery of replacement equipment, contributes to undesirable delays in this tactical communications system.

e. Wire. During March, the 9th Marines switchboard processed a daily average of 1600 to 2000 telephone calls, operating three (3) PBX-222's and one (1) SB-86. Overhead construction of telephone lines within the headquarters company area was completed utilizing aluminum poles. Heavy use of telephones is reflected in the installation of fifty-eight of the sixty telephones authorized by the T/E.

f. Personnel. According to the manning level, the comm platoon is short in 330T's one each RGS 2361 and 2367. Also, message center personnel RGS 2542 are down six (6); however, the operation of a message distribution center instead of a teletype message center does not require the 2542 deficiency be corrected to maintain operations.

g. Special Operations. From 231330Z March 68, 9th Marines communication personnel operated a radio site with the call sign "COMUSMC I AF" at position G-2. Dummy traffic was transmitted from this station to cover the departure of Second Battalion, First Marines, and with the intent of deceiving the enemy as to the disposition/strength of elements remaining at G-2. This operation was terminated at 250001Z March 68 when frequencies were changed throughout I Corps area.

Results of this operation are undetermined; however, an evaluation by the on-site radio team indicated partial success limited only by the short planning period, and recommends continued exploitation of similar tactical situations by electronic deception techniques.

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2. Policy Guidance on Patrolling 9th Marines AO, 080302 Mar 68
3. OPCON M/3/4, 100045Z Mar 68
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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: *M. G. Sorensen* MAJORRELEASED *M. G. Sorensen* MAJORSECTION: *S-3*OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY **292300Z FEB 68**

FROM: TENTH MARINES
 TO: CO, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: FIFTEEN MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FORTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP BR 482 FOR OP KENTUCKY FROM (292400H-010600H) FEB 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. BASE DEFENSE ACTIVATED REACTION FOR EMPLOYMENT AT DIEB LOADING RAMP AT 010300H MAR 68 (2 OFF., 51 ENL.).

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 292130H 3/4 VIC YD 175580 LP DETECTED MOVEMENT AND HEARD VOICES OF 8-10 ENEMY MOVING IN A SW DIRECTION. FIRED 60mm MORTAR MSN WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

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

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 156 KIA

785 WIA (MEDEVAC)

340 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1106 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

216 DETAINEES TOTAL

42 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

119 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

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SECTION: 8-3

010420Z MAR 68
OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

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
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
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 SITREP NR 483 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 010600H-011200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING TO CARRY OUT DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. ALL LOC'S WERE SWEEPED AND SECURED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CHANGE FIGURES PARA 6A, SITREP 480, 291200H TO 291800H FEB 68 TO READ: "A. FRIENDLY: 158 KIA" VICE "A. FRIENDLY: 159 KIA"

B. CHANGE SITREP NR 480 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 291800H TO 292400H FEB 68 TO SITREP NR 481

C. 010900H, 3/4 CHECKED OUT AREA OF ENEMY ACTIVITY YD 175580, REF SPOT REF 292130H FEB 68, AND FOUND SIGNS OF MOVEMENT BUT NO OTHER FINDINGS.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS AND CARRY OUT DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	158	KIA
	785	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	340	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1106	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	216	DETAINABLES TOTAL
	42	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	119	DETAINABLES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 152

CSNG: 47

7. SCOUT SWIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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INFO: 010915H 3/4
INFO: 010915H 3/4

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SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SUTHP NR 484 FOR ONE KENTUCKY FROM 011200H-011800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. OF THE 29TH FEB 68 3/4 COMPLETED A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONAL CLEARING CAN VO AND VICINITY. IT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AS EFFECTIVELY WITHOUT DETAILED COMMAND, SUPERVISION AND COORDINATION AT ALL LEVELS BY OUR SUPPORTING UNITS. 1/4 SWEPT HER AND PROVIDED "I" CO, AS FLANK AND REAR SECURITY IN THE VICINITY OF THUA CHIE. REGIMENT SWEPT AHEAD OF MECHANIZED FORCES, CLEARED BY PASSES, BLEW DAMS AND SWEPT THE VILLAGE. THE TANK AND OTOS SUPPORTED THE TWO ASSAULT COMPANIES BY FIRE AND MANEUVERS WITH THE TANKS SWEPT THROUGH CAN VO. THE OTOS HELPED EVACUATE CAPTURED MATERIAL. TWO OTHERS OCCUPIED A BLOCKING FORCE AND FERRIED CIVILIANS AND 1/3/4 ACROSS CAN LO GIVER. IN COORDINATION WITH 3/4 MARINES IN CAN LC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ADVISORS, RF AND PF FORCES SEARCHED AND DELETED VILLAGE OF CIVILIANS. UNITS OF SECOND ARMY REGT, WORKING TO OUR EAST ACCOUNTED FOR 30 KILLS. CIVILIANS WERE EVACUATED AND A POW WAS CAPTURED. THE ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT ELEMENTS AND PROFESSIONALISM DISPLAYED BY OFFICERS AND MEN OF ALL UNITS PARTICIPATING IN THE OPERATIONS IS COMPLEMENTED.

3. RELY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: 010915H 3/3 OF OBS 15 FVA DISCOVERED IN VIC OF 22848118 AND CALLED AN ARTY WSN RESULTING IN TWO STRIKE AND FOUR MEDIUM SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

B. LATE ENTRY: 010950H 3/4 PATROL WITHIN TD-15 AREA TO FIND IN OLD USMC FIGHTING HOLES AND FOUND 30,82mm FUSE CANS IN ONE HOLE THAT HAD BEEN CLEAR WHEN DAMS PREVIOUSLY. TWO NEW GRAVES WERE ALSO FOUND AND DISTRICT HQ HAS BEEN ASKED FOR PERMISSION TO REMOVE GRAVES AS POSSIBLE AMMO CATCHES.

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C. 011550H 3/3 YD 212830 REC'D 31 RDS 105mm FROM YD 224110
BUNKER. HOLD BUNKER UNDER OBSERVATION FOR POSSIBLE ENEMY
ACTIVITIES.

D. 011550H 3/3 YD 212830 REC'D 31 RDS 105mm FROM YD 224110
RESULTING IN NO CASUALTIES AND FIRED COUNTER BATTERY ON 10
OBS RVED TARGETS.

E. 011422 3/3 A-3 REC'D THREE RDS 105mm FROM YD 224110
AND CALLED ARTY MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

G. 011600H 6/1/4 FOUND SOME PAPERS BELIEVED TO BE OF
SOME INTELLIGENCE VALUE AT YD 199742 WILL PROCESS THE PAPERS
THROUGH CHANNELS.

H. 011615H 1/3/4 REPORTED A DOG WALKED INTO THE NORTHEAST
SIDE OF THE CAM LO NINE FIELD CAUSING A ~~SYMPATHETIC~~ SYMPATHETIC
REACTION OF UNKNOWN SIZE.

I. 011615H 1/3/3 IS IN LIGHT CONTACT VIC YD 194734
WITH A UNKNOWN SIZED ENEMY FORCE. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS AND MAKE
CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	153	KIA
	785	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	340	WIA (MONOR)
B. ENEMY	1106	IWA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	216	DETAINERS TOTAL
	42	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	119	DETAINERS
	2	VC RETURNERS
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IAC: 152

CSMC: 47

7. SCOUT SQUAD REPORT:

UNIT	AM AMMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	R S SCS
3/3	6	4	YD 171731	NEG
		1	YD 172723	NEG
3/4	6	2	CAM LO DIST HQ	2470
		2	C-3-B	NEG
		1	CAP III	NEG
1/4	2	1	C-2	NEG
		1	C-2-B	NEG

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 RECLASSIFIED BY: *[Signature]* LT COL.
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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 011620Z MARCH '68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 485 FOR GVN KENTUCKY FROM 011800Z-012400Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNIT MAINTAINED POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED AMBUSH AND
 ESTABLISHED LF'S IN AO.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 011645H 3/3 VIC YD 194734 MADE CONTACT WITH UNDETERMINED
 SIZE UNIT. EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS AND BROKE CONTACT AT APPROX 011730H.
 TWO PLATOONS WERE INVOLVED IN THE CONTACT, AFTER BREAKING CONTACT,
 ONE PLATOON RET'D TO A-3, ONE FLT. REMAINED IN AREA TO SET IN AMBUSH.
 CUMULATIVE LOSSES WERE ONE USMC KIA.

B. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011025H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OBS 15 NVA VIC
 YD 135723, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN FIVE PROBABLES NVA KIAs.
 (NOT COUNTED ON CUMULATIVE TOTALS).

B. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011220H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OBS 50 NVA VIC
 YD 125701, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN 20 NVA CONFIRMED AND 15
 PROBABLES (PROBABLES NOT INCLUDED IN CUMULATIVE TOTALS)

C. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011335H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OBS SIX NVA
 VIC YD 122736, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN TWO PROBABLES (NOT COUNTED
 IN TOTALS)

D. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011425H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OBS TWO TO
 IN 15 IN A BUNCH LINE, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN 6 NVA CONF.

E. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011430H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OBS SIX NVA
 VIC YD 122737, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN ONE NVA CONF AND TWO
 PROBABLES (PROBABLES NOT COUNTED IN TOTALS).

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F. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011532H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OPS 25
NVA VIC YD 121737, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN 700 NVA PROBABLES
(NOT COUNTED IN TOTALS.)

G. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011550H, 2/1, VIC YD 114701 OPS 15
NVA VIC YD 171692, FIRED 105mm MSN RESULTING IN 0100 PROBABLES
(NOT COUNTED IN TOTALS)

H. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011659H, 3/3, VIC KM A-2, REC'D 16
RDS OF 152mm ARTY PRO IN YD 241325, RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA INDEVAC
AND ONE USMC KIA (KINOR).

I. DELAYED ENTRY: AT 011700H, 3/4, VIC YD C4K LO DYST HQ,
REPORTED THAT DOW DETONATED INES IN NW SECTOR OF HONG TIE
RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA KINOR (KBC) (NOT COUNTED IN TOTALS)

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS AND CONDUCT AMBUSHES
AND ESTABLISH LPS IN AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 159 KIA

287 KIA (INDEVAC)

241 KIA (KINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1133 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

216 DETAINEES TOTAL

47 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

119 DETAINEES

2 VC RETIREES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IAC: 152

CS VC: 47

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SECTION: A-1
 DRAFTER: J. A. [unclear]
 RELEASED BY: J. C. [unclear]

CONFIDENTIALOP IN: DEATH PRIORITY 012300Z MAR 68

FROM: THAT [unclear]
 TO: OP, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND [unclear], FIRST MARINES
THIRD [unclear], THIRD MARINES
FIRST [unclear], FOURTH MARINES
THIRD [unclear], FORTH MARINES
FIRST [unclear], FORTH MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
THIRD MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR QUOTE TRI (P)

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SETH P OR 486 FOR OPS KENTUCKY FR 020001N-020600N MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. UNITARY OPERATIONS:
3. UNITARY INITIAL POSITIONS, CONDUCTED AGAINST
PATROLS, AND HANDLED LPS.
4. UNIT CONTACT: NONE
5. UNITARY INITIAL POSITIONS:
6. LATE [unclear] AT 011500H 3/3 REPORTED TO SPOTTED 6 NVA
AT YD 224818, FIRED ARTY RESULTING IN 6 NVA KIA (CONF). ALSO
FIRED AT ARTY POSIT WHICH RESULTED IN TWO SMALL AND FOUR
MEDIUM SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AT YD 224813, ONE 152MM ARTY
MISC AT YD 224804 DESTROYED COUNTRY FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSION,
AND TWO ARTY FLARES DROPPED AT YD 224830, NIGHT EFFECTS
AND LOSS OF RQV 32.
7. LATE [unclear] AT 011500H 3/3 REPORTED TO SPOTTED 2 NVA ARMED
WITH 1 AK-47 AND 1 SGT APPROACHING FROM SE AT YD 249765 AND
DISAPPEAR INTO WHAT SEEMED TO BE A COUNTRY. SHORTLY AFTER,
ANOTHER 1 NVA SGT APPROACHING SECT AR A FROM THE SOUTH.
CARRYING HEAVY LOADS OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE RICE AND 2 AK-47'S
OR PPS'S, TWO OF THE SET APPEARED TO BE CIVILIANS WHILE THE
ONE REMAINING MIXED TRIFORMS OF MOSTLY GREEN AND BLACK, PRIOR
TO THIS REPORTING, AT 011500H, THE FO REPORTED OBSERVING
2 NVA M. SAID AS A, WEARING SOFT COVER, CIVIL UNIFORMS,
LARGE POPS AND FIRED ARTY AK 17(S). AT 011500H 1 PPSX 1 NVA
UNIFORM, POPS, AND 1 LKMS WERE OBS IN SMOKE DOKES IN SMOKE AREA.
AREA BELIEVED TO BE STATION OR REST AREA ALONG HEAVILY USED
INFILTRATION ROUTE, FIRED 20 RDS ARTY W/UNK RESULTS.
8. AT 020255H 2/1 RECD 6 RDS 22MM MORTAR INSIDE SMOKE AREA
FIRED 20 RDS 22MM MORTAR W/UNK RESULTS. AT 020300H 1 NVA
UNIFORM, POPS, AND 1 LKMS WERE OBS IN SMOKE DOKES IN SMOKE AREA.

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5. PLANS:

- A. MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND THE OP'S. *At*
 B. CONDUCT GUN P AND RECON PATROLS ALONG IRR AND
 C. SUPPLY ALONG LOC'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: 159 KIA
 787 MIA (1 DEWAC)
 341 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1139 NVA KIA (C OF) VC KIA (C OF) 5
 2122 ~~224~~ DIED TOTAL
 47 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 119 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNED
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. IIR: 152
 DOW: 47

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OP IMMEDIATE / PRIORITY 020575 Z FEB 68

FROM: FIFTH MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD AR DIV
INFO: 2100 D BN, 200TH MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
100TH ABN, 100TH AVN BATTAL A BTY, USA
FOR THE RECORDS
THIRD MARINES
100TH MARINES
200TH MARINES
SILVER ADVISOR, CHANG TRI (P)

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SICREP R 487 FOR ONE MINUTE ON 020600Z-021200Z FEB66

1. TRIT LOC VTO TO CHANG
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
- A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND HANGING OPS
- B. RT 9 AND 361 WAS SEPT AND SECURED.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
- A. AT 021030H, 1ST CO "D" BULLER TEAM ATYD 157680 OBSERVED GROUP OF NVA IN OPEN AT YD 158682. TEAM CALLED ARMY MISSION AND TOOK NVA UNDER FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEPS. CHECK OF AREA REVEALED 10 NVA KIA (CONF) AND BUNKERED WEAPONS. TEAM FIGHTING WITH ENEMY UNDER COVER OF ARMY FIRE. DETAILED REPORT TO FOLLOW UPON.
- B. STATUS OF TEAM.
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- A. AT 02800H 373 PATROL, WHILE CHECKING ~~OPEN~~ AREA OF CONTACT OF 02 MARCH, FOUND THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT: ONE NVA HELMET, ONE CHICOM GRENADE, TWO BAGS OF RICE, AND ONE BATTLE DRESSING WRAPPER.
5. PLANS:
- A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND HANGING OPS
- B. RT 1 WILL BE SEPT AND SECURED
- C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

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	787	MI (M. 110)
	341	MIA (MILOR)
F. HREY	2149	MIA MIA (COMF) VU MIA (COMF) 5
	221	DECEASED TOTAL
211	47	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	119	DETAINES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	1	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IVO: 152
CSWC: 47

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DATE OF DEPARTURE: 2/11/52

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1. FROM 021658Z TO 021735Z 1/4 AT C-2 POWER PLANT A TOTAL
 2. 82MM MORTAR 12 AZ OF 5100 MILS, WDS IMPACTED AT
 3. 120MM MORTAR 12 POINTS INSIDE PERIMETER; 2 ADS WERE LOC'D
 4. 021658Z, 2 ADS AT 021710Z, 2 ADS AT 021735Z AND 0 1
 5. 021713Z. CONVENTION MORTAR WERE NOT'D. 82MM MORTARS
 6. 021718Z, 3/4 AT C-3 POSIT, 120MM 7 ADS AT 422-4-4
 7. 120MM MORTAR NO 107622, 120MM 120MM 120MM, 120MM
 8. 120MM 120MM 120MM

9. 120MM:

10. 120MM WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND
 POSITIONS AND TO REPORT NEW-THIS ACTIVITIES.

11. 120MM POSSES:

12. 120MM: 159 KIA

787 KIA (CUBANAC)

341 KIA (VICTOR)

13. 120MM: 1149 EVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

21 221 D.F. FATAL

47 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

129 DEFATERS

2 VC ATTEMPTS

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

14. 120MM: 156

CONF: 47

15. 120MM 120MM 120MM.

DATE	NO. WDS	NO. EMPLOYED	CO. ADS	RESULTS
2/3	5	4	YD 171731	"
		1	172723	"
2/4	5	2	127590	"
		2	146601	"
		1	179588	"
1/4	2	1	133614	"
		1	422623 157680	2 EVA KIA (CONF)

16. 120MM
 17. 120MM

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECO-D BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES; THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 SENIOR ADVISOR QIANG TRI (P)

CCN: 014

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 SITREP BR 489 FOR OP KENTUCKY BR 021800H 022400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED ACTIVE PATROL AND MAINTAINED L'S.
 - B. C-9, D-17, I-3, J-17, AA-1, W-1, CC-7 AND E-1.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE AFTER. AT 021130H 2/3/3 PATROL AT YD 165713 FOUND 2 BUNKERS AND DESTROYED THEM. ALSO AT YD 158711 FOUND 30 OVERHEAD BUNKERS WITH 1 NVA BODY APPROX 100M NORTH OLD IS BUNKER.
 - B. AT 021710H 2/1 RUC'D 42 RDS 82MM ARTY. REC'D W/14 RDS ARTY AT YD 086774, 15 RDS AT YD 02857637, AND 20 RDS AT YD 076775.
 - C. FOLLOW UP REPORT. AT 021718H A TOTAL OF 16 RDS 60MM AND 82MM MORTAR REC'D BY 3/4. LOCATED IN MORTAR POSIT AT YD 154616 AND YD 199630. FIRED 51 RDS 81MM MORTARS. BTRY'S "E" AND "D" FIRED 0218 HOURS 29 RDS 105MM ARTY. 1/3/4 ENGAGED 60MM TGT W/110 RDS 60MM MORTARS. GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.
 - D. AT 021737H 3/3 REC'D 3 RDS EST 105MM ARTY AZ OF 5300 MILS, DISTANCE OF 7000 METERS IMPACTING AT YD 175728.
 - E. AT 021805H 1/4 OP-2 AT YD 133643 SPOTTED 4-5 NVA AT YD 083650 FOUND ARTY ISN W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE AND UNK RESULTS.
 - F. AT 021820H 1/4 AT YD 133643 REC'D 2 RDS 82MM MORTAR FROM AT 5000 MILS. FIRED CTR MORTAR FIRES, SUSTAINED 1 UNSC KIA (MINOR).
 - G. AT 021830H 1/3/4 SPOTTED ACTIVE 82MM AND 60MM MORTARS FIRED APPROX 16 RDS AT C-3 BR YD 124608. FIRED 71 RDS 81MM MORTAR AND 8 RDS 105MM ARTY. MORTARS SILENCED.
 - H. LATE AFTER. AT 021530H 3/3 REPORTED A-2 SPFB REC'D 2 RDS 81MM VT FIRED ARTY BR UNK LOC. POSITION ALERTED.
 - I. AT 022300H C/2/1 AT YD 114701 OP-1 RADAR PICKED UP MOVEMENT AT YD 106708, FIRED 5 RDS 4.2" MORTAR AT ENEMY, MOVEMENT CEASED. UNK RESULTS.

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5. PLANS: A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AIRBORNE
PATROLS, AND MAINTAIN LPM.

6. C-9, D-17, I-3, J-17, AA-8, W-1, CC-8, EE-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. BRITISH: 156 KIA

787 MIA (MID-VAC)

347 MIA (MINOR)

B. AMERICAN: 1150 NVA KIA (C 17) VC KIA (C 17) 5

221 DET TOTAL

47 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

119 DETAINERS

2 VC RETERMS

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. LWC: 156

CSVC: 47

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWENTH MARINES
 S. G. WD 10, FIRST MARINE B
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINE
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIFTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES

CC: 015

SECTION ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (?)

C. FIELD RELAY: "NICHOLAS" INFO/PAS WITHOUT SERVICE
 SITE P. 190 FOR 006 KENTUCKY FROM 022400H-30600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS
 WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. UNIT CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 1000 HOURS: AT 022300H 2/2 OF 1 PIGS WERE NO LONGER AND FIRST
 FIVE ROUNDS OF 4.2" AT YD 105700.

5. FIELD: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS AND CARRY
 OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. COMBATIVE LOSSES:

A. 1000 HOURS: 150 KIA
 787 KIA (1000000)
 342 KIA (110000)
 B. 1000 HOURS: 1150 NVA KIA (0000) VC KIA (0000) 5
 241 DETAINED - TOTAL
 47 POW
 52 INDOCHINA CIVILIANS
 109 DETAINED
 2 VC RETURNED
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. INFO: 150
 CS INFO: 47

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RELEASED BY: J.C. WHITT, LTJG.

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031120Z MARCH 68

CNN: 19

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES

SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES - SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES

THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FOURTH ARMY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SINCE HR 492 FOR GVN KENTUCKY FROM 031200H-031800H MAR 68

2. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

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

B. ROUTE 9 AND 561 STRIP AND CLEARED AND RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 031250H L/3/3 MADE CONTACT WITH USMC SIZE FANVY FORCE
AT YD 155737. FIRED 81mm MORTAR AND ARTY WSN. AO OF STATION
AND SHIPS ON THE WAY.

B. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 030955H L/3/3 SIGHTED FOUR NVA IN TRAIL -
FOLLOWING AT YD 155735. FIRED WSN WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE.B. AT 031010H 3/3 ELEMENT AT A-2 REC'D SIX RDS ARTY DUDS
IMPACTING AT YD 205749 AND YD 202742. POSITION A-2 ALERTED.C. AT 031050H 2/1 PATROL FOUND CAVE 5x3 MET AT YD 103684
AND DESTROYED WITH C-4.D. AT 031150H 2/1 PATROL FOUND ENEMY E-TOOL, CLIPPERS, CANS
OF FRUIT, AND JUICES AT YD 099682. AREA CHECK W/ING RESULTS.E. AT 031155H K/3/3 ENGAGED TWO INDIVIDUALS WITH SMALL ARMS
AT YD 192720. LATER, WHILE SWEeping AREA AT 031215H, K/3/3 REC'D
GRENAD ARMS AND CHICONS RESULTING IN 3 USMC KIA (MAYOR). RET'D
WITH SMALL ARMS AND 60mm MORTARS.F. AT 031300H M/3/4 PATROL LOCATED FANVY TENNIS SHOT TRACKS,
23 FIGHTING HOLES AT YD 130598; TWO L-SHAPED Holes AND
RECTANGULAR Holes 3 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 2 1/2 WITH LEFT TO RIGHT LIMITS 50 METERS.
TRAIL OF HOLES IN POSITION TO COVER RIVER CROSSING POINT. NOTED
CIVILIAN IN CAR LO VILLAGE FILLING SAND BAGS.**CONFIDENTIAL**

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 RELEASING BY: J.C. BLODGET, 1/LT
 SECTION: S-3

031630Z MAR 68

OP: IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: C, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TENTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
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 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. TACTICAL OPERATIONS:

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

1. C-9, D-16, I-3, J-16, W-1, AA-2, CC-7.

3. BATTY CONTACTS:

A. AT 032300H, 3/3 LP AT 171730 OPENED FIRE WITH SCALPERS
 ON FOUR OR FIVE BATTY 25 MILES AWAY. LP MOVED, AND AREA WILL
 BE CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. DATE ENTRY: AT 031707, A PF STATIONED AT CAN LO DIST HQ'S
 GRANTING IS TWO SUSPECTED EVA PICKED UP AT CAN LO RETIRED CENTER.
 BOTH WENT TO 7 TH B.P. AT CAN LO DIST HQ'S. ONE WAS CLARIFIED
 AND RELEASED, THE OTHER HELD FOR INTERVIEW.

B. DATE ENTRY: AT 031715H, B/1/L KILLER TEAM AT YD 1586.3
 HEARD GROWLING AND DISTINGUISHED MOVEMENT AT YD 160666. CALLED AN ARMY
 AK USE OF 25 MDS 105mm HE WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. TKG RESULTS.

C. DATE ENTRY: AT 031740H, 2/1 AT OP 1 CALLED ARMY MSN
 AT 031740H ARMY POSITIONS (9) AT YD 06867747. FIRED FIVE
 RDS OF 8" OF ARTY AND ONE OF LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

D. DATE ENTRY: AT 031745H, 3/3 AT A-3 POSITION REPORTED THREE
 RDS OF 85mm ARTY INSIDE BATTY AREA FROM AT AZ OF 6100 MILES AND
 A DISTANCE OF 7000 METERS. BATTY AREA ARTY FIRED WITH TKG RESULTS.

E. AT 031925H, 3/3 AT A-2 POSITION SPOTTED FOUR SIXTH EVA
 IN OPEN AREA A HOUSE AT YD 228789. BATTY CONDUCTED A TGT
 AT 032100H AND OF AT ONE OF EVA FALL.

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F. AT 001915, 3/3 TOWED AT A-2 LOCATION 1.5 MILES FROM TOWING
 VESSEL (LAT 10 23770). WERE ALSO CAPTURED SEVERAL
 SIMILAR. FISHING BOATS WERE GOOD FOR CONTACT, BUT UNKNOWN.

G. AT 022255, M/3/4 PROVIDED ON AIR. SECURITY TO MOVE
 OF TACE POINT TOWARD TO E/3/4 POSSIBLY. LOW CONTACT
 AT 030002 AND 3/4 ASSUMED OCCUR OF TACE POINT TOWARD, 10/3/17.
 POSITION.

5. PLANS:

F. ALL PARTS IN TACE AND DETECT POSITIONS, CONTACT TOWARD
 AND IN TACE.

1-6, 2-16, 1-6, 3-16, M-1, AA-4, CC-5, D-2.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

7. PRISONERS: 161 WIA

799 WIA (DEAD/VAO)

345 WIA (MINOR)

8. SUMMARY: 1185 WIA WIA (CONF) VC WIA (CONF) 5

222 PRISONERS TOTAL

48 POW

52 PRISONERS/SLAVEBOATS

119 PRISONERS

2 VC PRISONERS

1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

9. WFO: 156

JSWC: 47

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ATTACHED MTS, 6 REG RDS, OTH CORPSMAN HIT.

C. FINAL RPT SEP. L/3/3 PLT (REINF) POST PATROL BASE AT YD 150727 AND OBS SMALL ENEMY MOVING NORTH AT YD 154735 CALLED ARTY WITH MAXIMAL COVERAGE. CO. L COMPANY W/RECONN ELEMENT MOVED FORWARD TO YD 155735 TO OBS RESULTS OF ARTY HSM. FROM THIS POINT, OBS SMALL GROUPS OF EN. COVERTING ON HIS POST, ENGAGED EN W/HC. EN STARTED TO CLOSE FROM BOTH SIDES SO RECONN EL WITHDREW TO PATROL BASE WHICH WAS DISMANTLED FORWARD TO YD 155735. EN CONTINUED TO CLOSE W/INCREASED FORCE AND ENGAGED PATROL WITH HEAVY GUNFIRE. AT 031400H THE REMAINDERS OF L/3/3 WAS SENT TO THE F. AN EN 300 NVA WERE SIGHTED NORTH OF ROAD 1573 AND NORTH POST OF 1572. AT THE TIME RECONN ELEMENT ARRIVED FIXED WIRE CONTROLLED BY EN. AD CAUSED PORTION OF EN TO BREAK CONTACT AND WITHDRAW TO NE. EN PURSUED WITH M-79, S/A, S D ~~EN~~ LAWS FIRE. RECONN SHIPERS ACCOUNTED FOR 9 NVA KIA'S. HSM G AIR AND ARTY FOR COVER, "L" CO BEGAN TO BREAK CONTACT UPON COMPLETION OF EN VAC AT 031615H. IT APPEARS L/3/3 PROBED ENEMY LINED ENEMY MOVING NORTHEAST ON RD WHERE INITIAL CONTACT WAS MADE. EN CARRIED LARGE BACKS, RADIOS, APPEARED TO BE WELL EQUIPPED EN DRESSED IN GREEN AND KHAKI UNIFORMS. RECONN KILLED 1 EN CARRYING BINOCULARS WHO WAS DIRECTING MOVEMENT OF 30 NVA AND WAS ASSUMED TO BE OFFICER. RESULTS WERE 81 NVA KIA (CONF) BY INFANTRY, (5 PREVIOUSLY REPORTED), 34 NVA KIA (CONF) BY ARTY. TACTICAL SITUATION DID NOT PERMIT SEARCH OF AREA FOR WRE. HSMG CASUALTIES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND ENEMY OBS.
B. CONDUCT SWEEP, MAINTAIN SECURITY, AND CONDUCT RESUPPLY ALONG MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PRI ENEMY: KIA 161

799 WIA (MEDIUM)

345 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

1303 LVA KIA (CONF) 5 VC KIA (CONF)

222 DFT TOTAL

48 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

119 DFT

2 VC RETURNERS

1 CIVIL DUPLICANT

C. ENEMY: 162

CSWC: 50

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 032345 MAR 68

CCN: D22

FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, SIXTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, SEVENTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 FIFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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 SETBACK FOR 494 FOR ON KENTUCKY FR 040000L TO 040600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED A BUSH PATROLS,
 AND MAINTAINED LOC.

B. FINAL SPOT R.P. AT 031445H S-3 OF 3/3 W/C/1/4 CMDR AND 2
 PLTS, AND GUY SECTION TAKES DEPLOYED FR A-2 AND TIED IN W/CLIN
 K/3/3 AT 031530H AT YD 193723. C/1/4 SECURED 7/3/3 RIGHT FLANK
 W/Blocking POSIT AT YD 189720. TANK SECTION W/K/3/3 CONDUCTED
 TANK/INF ATTACK INTO 1ST 50 NVA IN DUG-IN POSIT FROM YD 194723
 TO YD 197724. ATTACK CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY ARTY PREP AND GAS
 SCREEN FROM E-8 GAS LAUNCHERS. RESISTANCE WAS BROKEN AND K/3/3
 CONSOLIDATED AT YD 098723. SOME EN WERE DESTROYED WITHDRAWING
 TO SE; MAJORITY KILLED BY S/A. RESISTANCE SURPRISED AT
 HEAVIEST POINT OF CONTACT BY 30 AND 50 CAL NG FR TKS. EN
 EMPLOYED S/A, A/W, CHICOM AND RIFLE GRENADES. 17 NVA BODIES
 FOUND IN TRENCHES AND ONE UNARMED POW (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED).
 EN WAS DRESSED IN KHAKIS, SELF CAMOUFLAGED COVERS, CARTRIDGE
 BELTS, AND EQUIPPED WITH NEW WPNS, LARGE SUPPLY OF FOOD PACKS
 AMPLE AMMO SUPPLY AND FRESH LAUNDRY. ESTIMATE 10-15 EN KILLED
 DURING CONSOLIDATION BY PURSUIT BY FIRE. IT IS WORTHY TO NOTE
 THAT ONLY ONE USMC KIA MINOR WAS SUSTAINED DURING ASSAULT.
 LOSSES FOR CONTACT WERE 1 USMC KIA (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED)
 5 USMC KIA (DEAD/VAC) (PREV REPORTED), 12 NVA KIA (CONF) (IN ADD-
 ITION TO 9 PREV REPORTED), AND ONE POW (PREV REPORTED).

MATERIAL CAPTURED CONSISTS OF 1 AK/W/5-FOLDING STOCK, 5 AK-
 47 (2 W/GRENADE LAUNCHERS), 2 LIGHT NG, 1 RPG LAUNCHER, 6
 CHICOM GRENADES, 2 POUCHES, 3 AK-47 MAG, 3 AK-47 MAG POUCHES,
 9 BOXES 7.62 A/R, 9 FRAG RIFLE GRENADES, 1 SHAPE CHARGE
 RIFLE GRENADE, 4 BLOCKS TNT, 3 PAMMOCKS, 12 POUCHES, 18 PAGES
 12 GAS MASKS, 13 GAS MASK COVERS, 1 I-TOOL, 8 CANTINS, 9
 CANTIN COVERS, 12 SHIRT UNIFORMS, 8 PR SANDLES, 25 SHOULDER
 PADS FOR WPNS, 8 PERSONAL FIRST AID KITS (METAL), 6 FIRST AID
 POUCHES, 1 LEATHER CASE CONTAINING COMPASS AND DOCUMENTS, 1
 WALLET, 1 BOOK, 1 PERSONAL KIT W/PHAMPHLET, 1 LITTER CASE, 5
 NG AND OTS, 2 AK-47 KITS, 9 GRENADES FOR AK-47, 3 LAUNCHER

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 04-0600Z MAR '68

FROM: FIFTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: 1ST LETHAL BATTAL
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, SIXTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, SEVENTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 1ST ADVISOR QUARTERS (P)

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 SINCE IT IS FOR OP KENTUCKY FROM: 01400H TO 01200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATION: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNIT POSITIONS WERE SECURED BY 0100H AND
 MAINTAINED

B. RT 9 AND USR 562 WERE SEPT AND SECURED

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 0100H, 1 WIRE SPOTTER UNIT OF 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV
 MOVING FROM 1ST BN TO 1ST BN AT 0100H. APPROX 15 MAR 68
 FROM THE WEST OF THE VICTIM. FIRST APPROX 15 MAR 68
 ENEMY FAN OUT OF SIGHT.

B. AT 0100H, 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV SPOTTER UNIT WAS
 ENGAGING WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS. APPROX 15 MAR 68.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0100H, 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV SPOTTER UNIT WAS
 ENGAGING WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS. APPROX 15 MAR 68.

B. AT 0100H, 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV SPOTTER UNIT WAS
 ENGAGING WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS. APPROX 15 MAR 68.

C. AT 0100H, 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV SPOTTER UNIT WAS
 ENGAGING WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS. APPROX 15 MAR 68.

D. AT 0100H, 1ST BN, 1ST MAR DIV SPOTTER UNIT WAS
 ENGAGING WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS. APPROX 15 MAR 68.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNIT WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN EXISTING FIELD COMBAT PATROLS AND ROUTING OPS.

B. RT 1 WILL BE STREPT AND C. C. USED.

C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	164	KIA
	835	MIA (HIDEVAC)
	345	MIA (KINOR)
B. ENEMY	1303	FVA KIA (SHEP) VC ET. (CO 1) :
	222	DETAINES TOTAL
	48	POW
	32	INDOCHINESE CIVILIANS
	139	DETAINES
	2	VC RETURN'S
	1	CIVIL DEFENDERS

C. FMO: 162

CMG: 51

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SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

CONDUCTED SECURITY AND RESURVEY ALONG MSR'S.

13. BETWEEN 041300H-041100H MAR68 B/1/4 KILLER IN WHILE SETTING IN HIGH AMPLITUDE YD 155664 HEARD NVA VOICES AND SOUNDS OF CHOPPING

AND DIGGING SEVERAL HUNDRED METERS TO NORTH, THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT OF 3-4 MARCH HEARD SHOOTING AND VOICES, ESTIMATED TO BE ONE NVA COMPANY. AT 040000H WHILE ENROUTE TO ~~THE~~ AMBUSH SITE ENTERED ☒ BUNKER COMPLEX AT YD 158653. AREA COVERED WITH EXTREMELY THICK UNDERGROWTH. BUTNERS WERE FRESHLY LAG AND APPROX 1' FT DEEP WITH HOLLOWED OUT UNDERGROUND SLEEPING AREA, ENOUGH ROOM FOR APPROX 5 MEN. BUNKERS WERE OVERHEADED WITH SAPPLINGS AND DIRT. AS TM MOVED NORTHEAST, THE NUMBER OF BUNKERS INCREASED, TM MOVED SOUTH.

WAS TO ENABLE BO ON STATION TO DIRECT ARTY FIRES ON SUCKER COMPLET.

AT 011030H ANOTHER BURNING COMPLEX WAS FOUND AT YD 157600. APPEAR...

BT TO BE BATTALION SIZE CP AREA WITH BATHING POOL AND NUMEROUS
STAND UP LADENES WERE ALSO PRESENT. IT

IT IS OF INTEREST TO NOTE THAT PSYOPS PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS WERE USED

AS TOTLEY PAPER. BUNKERS RECENTLY OCCUPIED AND ONLY FRESH FOOT-

PRINTS WERE FOUND, LEADING SOUTH, KILLER TM WITHIN TEN AND AIR AND
JMTV WERE CALLED TO STAUROTE AREA.

3. EVERY CONTRAST:

AT OUTPOST 271 REPORTED PLATOON PATROL IN HEAVY CONTACT

AT NO 142652. THE REMAINDER OF THE CO WITH ANOTHER COMPANY

AND END GRP DISPATCHED TO REINF UNIT IN CONTACT.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

AT 091205H 271 GP-2 OSS 15 NVA IN OPEN AT YD 127737, P1 RED

ACTS WSH OF 31 ROS L 2" MORTALITY INFLECTED 1 NVA KIA (CONF)

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- B. AT 041312Z 2/L. AT YD 114701 REC'D 2 RDS OF 82MM MORTAR RDS FR UNK LOC.
- C. AT 041330Z 2/L. REPORTED ARTY AO RAN A/S AT YD 112695 INFLECTED 1 NVA KIA (CONF).
- D. AT 041340Z 1/L. REC'D 2 RDS 82MM MORTAR FR AZ OF 1500 NELS FIRED 15 RDS 82MM MORTAR AT SUSPECT ENPOSIT.
- E. AT 041513Z 2/L. REPORTED SWEEPING AREA OF CONTACT AT YD 112698, CONTACT RESULTED IN 3 USMC KIA AND 3 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC) ALSO FOUND 6 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 LMG, 1 HVT MG, 1 BPT, AND 1 ASSORTED HAND GRENADES.
- X F. AT 041530Z 3/L. KILLER TM REC'D 37 RDS 82MM MORTARS FR YD 174628, ARTY AND MORTARS FIRED ON EN POSIT, RELOCATED KILLER TM, AO CONFIRMED 3 NVA KIA (CONF) AND ONE 82MM MORTAR DESTROYED.
- G. AT 041545Z 3/L. KILLER TM WHILE RELOCATING FOUND AND CAPTURED 6 SUSPECTS RANGING IN AGE FROM 10 TO 18 YRS. RESULTED IN 6 DETAINEES BEING TURNED IN TO ARVN AUTHORITIES.
- H. QUESTIONING.

- I. AT 041600Z 2/L. REC'D 10 RDS MEDIUM ARTY IN SOUTHERN PERIMETER FROM YD 0673 GS. FIRED STR BTRY FIRES WITH G/S.
- J. AT 041615Z 2/L. FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX OF ABOUT 12 BUNKERS AT YD 114695 WHILE CONDUCTING SWEEP AND DESTROYED THEM WITH C-4. ALSO FOUND 3 NVA KIA (CONF) 15 NVA PACKS AND 10 B-40 RDS.
- K. CORRECTION TO PARA 4D SITREP NR 495 CHANGE COOR TO READ YD 223661 VICE 223662. CHANGE TOTAL INJURED CIVILIANS TO 6 KILLED AND 23 WOUNDED VICE 7-11 WOUNDED AND 1 KILLED.
- L. PLANS: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS AND VAN OPS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 167 KIA

818 WIA (MEDEVAC)

345 WIA (MIA)

B. ENEMY: 132 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5 0

228 NET TOTAL

10 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

125 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNED

1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 163

C IWC: 52

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

UNIT	NO TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
173	6	4	YD 171731	NEG
		2	YD 172723	NEG
174	6	2	YD 127590	NEG
		2	YD 118604	NEG
		1	YD 179586	NEG
174	2	1	YD 133644	NEG
			YD 128673	NEG

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 04/705 Z FEB68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV.
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD 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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 SITREP NR 497 FWD ON KENTUCKY PR 041800H-042400H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

A. C-9, D-20, I-6, J-14, W-1, AA-3, CC-5, EE-2.

1. AT 041620H L/3/4. PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH E-6 NVA AT YD 108604 AND ENGAGED WITH S/A. "L" CO OBS MOVEMENT TO ITS WEST AND RECD 82MM MORTARS FROM VIC YD 104614. THE CO DISPLACED TO YD 106597 AND ATTEMPTED TO ESTABLISH LZ BUT RECD MORE INCOMING AND AGAIN DISPLACED TO LZ YD 109596 WHERE THEY RECD MORE INCOMING. THE PATROL THEN WITHDREW TO A VILLAGE WHERE TRUCKS RECOVERED WOUNDED PERSONNEL. TOTAL INCOMING ESTIMATED 60 RDS 82MM, 12 RDS ARTY, 20 RDS RKTs, TOTAL CASUALTIES WERE 2 USMC KIA AND 15 USMC MIA (REDEVAC)

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CORRECTION TO SIT REP 496 PARA 1E ADD 2 USMC MIA (REDEVAC) AND 5 NVA KIA (CONF), 6 NVA PACKS, 4 GAS MASKS, WITH E-TOOLS ASSORTED 782 GEAR AND 1 AK-47.

B. LATE ENTRY. 041650H I/3/3 RECD 2 RDS SNIPER FIRE FROM AND RET'D FIRE WITH 81MM MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

C. LATE ENTRY. 041330H TO 041830H 3/4 PLUS PP FLT SWEP VILLAGE VIC YD 103604. A CAREFULL CHECK OF VT IN THE AREA RESULTED IN 38 DETAILERS WHICH WERE TURNED OVER TO AUTHORITIES.

D. 041830H SOUTHERN TANGO REPORTED 6 NEW LIVING BUNKERS VIC YD 124732 TO 2/1.

E. 041850H 3/3 AT A-2 RECD 2 RDS MECHANICAL TIME FUZZY ARTY RDS APPROX 85MM AND FIRED COUNTER BTRY WITH UNK RESULTS.

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F. 042150Z 1/3/4 DELAYED REPORT OF NVA IN OIS BY
 RF UNIT CROSSING CAN LO RIVER VICND 126599 AND CALLED
 ARTH LST WING GOOD FOT COVERAGE.
 G. 042213Z 1/3/4 TRACKED A BATT MOVING FROM YD 153597
 TO YD 152600, FIRE REQUEST WAS REQUESTED BUT CANCELLED
 BY RAGGED BUTTS BRAVO.
 H. PLANS: ~~XXXX~~
 A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE
 CARRYING OUT NIGHT EL E ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. PREVIOUSLY: 139 KIA

875 KIA (REDEWAG)

245 KIA (MINOR)

B. TODAY: 1335 NVA KIA (CONF) VS KIA (TOTAL) 5

1335 NVA KIA TOTAL

1335 KIA

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1243 1243 DETAINÉES

2 VC RETURNÉES

1 CIVIL DEFENDANT

C. EUC: 164

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DATE: 10/10/00
 BY: 6606/1 JUDT, L'COOL
 SECRETARY: 3-3

042240Z MAR 68
 8P IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CGJ THIRD MARDIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES -
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES X
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES -
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES X
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES X
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA X
 FIRST MARINES X
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES X
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 STREP NR 498 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 042100H-430600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
 AMBUSHES AND MANNING LPS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 042213H M/3/4 OBS WITH NOO IN TOWER ONE
 MAN GOING INTO TREE LINE AT VD 353597. L/3/4 REPORTED THE SAME
 FROM OAM TO DIST HQRS. REQUESTED ARTY MSN BUT DIST HQRS COULD
 NOT CLEAR IT. ONE RD 81MM GP FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 042230H 3/4 AT C-3 SPOTTED FOUR PERSONS
 APPROX 20 METERS SOUTH OF PERIMETER. FIRED SMALL ARMS FROM
 SELECTED RIFLEMAN. ONE MAN FELL. AREA WILL BE CHECKED AT FIRST LATEY

C. LATE ENTRY: AT 042250H, 3/3 AT A-3 POSITION REPORTED THAT
 FIRE HAD BROKEN OUT IN A MORTAR PIT AND SERIES TO THE AIMO
 BUNKER WHICH BURNED AND EXPLODED. APPARENTLY THE RESULT
 OF A ROUND EXPLODING IN THE TUBE. EXACT CAUSE IS UNK AND COMPLETE
 INVESTIGATION WILL FOLLOW. 3 USMC KIA AND 7 USMC TIA (REDEVAL)

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS
 WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MANNING LPS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

#498
 A. FRIENDLY: 1-0 KIA
 882 TIA (REDEVAL)
 345 TIA (REDEVAL)
 B. ENEMY: 982 1335 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 246 DEFENDERS TOTAL
 48 POW
 521 INJURED OVERSEAS
 243 DESERTERS
 2 VC RETIREES
 1 CIVIL DEFENDANT'S

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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
 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)

CCN: 31

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 SITREP NR 499 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 050600Z-051200Z MAR68

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

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. ALL MSR ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING SWEEP.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 050905H, 2/1 OBS TWO NVA VIC YD 102697 AND FIRED 300
 RDS OF M-60 AND ENEMY FIRED INTO TREE LINE.

B. CORRECTION SITREP # 498 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PARA 4C. CHANGE
 7 WIA (MEDEVAC) TO HEAD 1 WIA (MEDEVAC), CHANGE REFLECTED IN
 TOTALS ON THIS SIT REP.

C. AT 050930H, 1/3/4 SWEEP AREA OF NIGHT ACTIVITY, REF SIT
 REP # 498 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PARA 4B WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 051125H, 1/3/4 ROAD SWEEP VIC YD 24661 FOUND AND
 REMOVED 1 TA-41 MINE FROM HWY # 1. AND WILL BRING IT IN TO S-2.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND
 POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 170 KIA

876 WIA (MEDEVAC)

345 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1335 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

246 DETAINEES TOTAL

48 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

143 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNERS

1 CIVIL PRESIDENTS

E. WFO: 16L

CSMC: 52

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051035Z MAR 68
OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES
TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV
INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH 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
SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 500 FOR CPN KENTUCKY FROM 051200Z-051800Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NONE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFINED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. CLEARED AND SECURED LOGS AND CONDUCTED ROUTINE RESUPPLY.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: 051100H 3/4 REPORTS 6 USMC MIA UN ACCOUNTED FOR FROM LIMA CO. ACTIVITIES ON 4 MARCH 68.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 051055H 3/4 REPORTED DUSTER RETURNING WITH MINE SWEEPS OVER PREVIOUSLY SWEEPED AREA VIC YD 132624. STRUCK BY A.T. MINE THAT DISABLED THE DUSTER. TWO TANKS WERE DISPATCHED WITH SECURITY TO TOW THE DUSTER TO C-3. THE INCIDENT RESULTED IN 1 USMC MIA (MINOR).

C. AT 051235H 2/4 REPORTED OF 2 OBS 20 NVA BY A BUNKER VIC YD 12077359 AND FIRED 23 RDS 4.2" AND 11 RDS OF 155mm RESULTING IN FIVE NVA KIA (CONF).

D. AT 051310H 3/4 REPORTED THAT CIVILIANS IN COOPERATION WITH THE CAM LO DAI GI ATTEMPTED TO RECOVER THE SIX MIA'S FROM 3/4. FIVE CIVILIANS WERE APPARENTLY KILLED ON NVA AMBUSH COVERING THE USMC BODIES. CIVILIANS RET'D TO CAM LO ANH 81mm AND ARTY MSN WERE CALLED AT 051236H; 45 RDS 61mm; 25RDS 105mm. WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. AO CREDITED ONE NVA KIA TO 81mm.

E. AT 051445H 3/4 REPORTED A VIETNAMESE CHILD WAS STRUCK BY A TRUCK FROM K/4/12 WHO'S OPERATOR WAS A SGT., MEDEVAC NUMBER K-3203. THE DRIVER WAS DOING 45 MPH AND WAS UNAWARE THAT HE HAD STRUCK THE CHILD UNTIL HE WAS STOPPED BY THE SENTRY AT THE SOUTH END OF THE CAM LO BRIDGE. WITNESS SAID THE CHILD TRIED TO JUMP ON REAR OF REAR OF TRUCK BUT FELL AND WAS HIT BY ONE OF THE REAR WHEELS. CHILD AND MOTHER TAKEN TO 3/4 BAS AND THEN TO D-TED BY HELO. DOCTOR REPORTS PROGNOSIS GOOD MINOR BRUISES.

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F. AT 051450H 2/3 REPORTED OF 2 OBS 20 NVA IN TWO COLUMNS IN VIC YD 12217365 AND FIRED TEN RDS 105mm HE ON ENEMY WITH UNK RESULTS.

G. AT 051530H 3/3 VIC YD 193718 "K" CO PATROL FOUND RIFLE GRENADES: ONE CARRYING CASE WHICH WERE DESTROYED BY ENGINEERS.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 170 KIA
876 WIA (MEDSVAC)
340 WIA (MINOR)
6 USMC MIA

B. ENEMY: 1341 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
251 DETAINEES TOTAL
100 POW
52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
133 143 DETAINEES
2 VC RETURNEES
1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWG: 164

CSWC: 52

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	5	3	YD 117731	NEG
		1	YD 172723	NEG
3/4	6	2	YD 127590	NEG
		2	YD 148604	NEG
		1	YD 179586	NEG
1/4	2	1	YD 133644	NEG
		1	YD 128673	NEG
HQ 9TH	3	0	YD 240609	NEG

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SECTION: S-3

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051640Z MAR 68

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 ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 501 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 051800H-052400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGES

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MANNING LP'S.

B. C-7, I-6, AA-3, CC-5, EE-2

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CORRECTIONS: TO SIT REP # 482 PARA 6B, 111 DETAINEES ADDED WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION. SHOULD READ 105 ADDITIONAL FROM 3/4 SWEEP SITREP # 493 PARA 6B SHOULD ~~BE~~ ^{ADD} ONE ADDITIONAL CIVIL DEFENDANT LISTED IN TEXT. ALL CORRECTIONS FOLLOW THROUGH SUCCEEDING SITREPS. CORRECT TOTAL REFLECTED THIS SITREP.

B. CORRECTION: SITREP # 497, ONE NVA KIA (CONF) ADDED WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION, DELETE ONE NVA KIA (CONF)

C. LATE ENTRY: AT 051630H-051800H, 2/1 OF 2 OBS UPWARDS OF TEN NVA IN OPEN AT DIFFERENT TIME PERIODS. FIRED 53 RDS HE AND ONE RD WP FROM TANKS, AND 20 HEPT AND SIX FLESH/HE FROM ONTOS, RESULTING IN 31 NVA KIA (CONF)

D. AT 052030H 3/4 TOWER AT C-3 POSIT SPOTTED MOVEMENT THROUGH WOD AT YD 113603 81mm MSN CALLED WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.

E. AT 052115H 3/4 REC'D INFO FROM CIT THAT TWO NVA EN WERE SURROUNDING MARINE BODIES VIC YD 104608. REPORT STATED NVA HAVE MINES AND GRENADES UNDER BODIES. CIVILIANS WERE STOPPED BY NVA AND TOLD THEM TAKING BODIES AWAY WAS PROHIBITED. ~~NAME~~ OF BN'S UNK. UNIFORMS WERE KAKHI AND YELLOW. EN'S WERE WEARING HELMETS AND BOOTS. THEY ARRIVED IN BQ THUNG. ALL WEAPONS WERE SMALL ARMS. ARTY AND 81mm MSN FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

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E. REF SITREP 500 PARA 4A CHANGE SIX USMC MIA TO SIX USMC KIA WITH BODIES NOT RECOVERED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MANNING LP'S.

B. C-6, D-16, I-6, J-16, W-1, AA-4, CC-5, EE-2

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 176 KIA
 876 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 340 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1371 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 238 DETAINEES TOTAL
 48 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 114 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164
 CSWC: 52

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CONFIDENTIALSECTION: 8-3DRAFTER: A. F. FERNANDEZ MAJORRELEASED BY: J. J. STREET LTCOLCONFIDENTIALOF IMMEDIATE. PRIORITY OS 2330 Z MAR68

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

THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

THIRTEENTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 502 FOR OPM KENTUCKY FR 060001H-060600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS,
CONDUCTED AMBUSH PATROLS, AND MANUED LP'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 052020H 2/1 USING AN/PPS-5 RADAR OBS ONE NVA COMPANY
SIZE UNIT MOVING SE TO SW AT YD 129762. FIRED 18 RDS HE 105MM
ARTY. OBS ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION, DROPPED TPQ AND OBS

1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE.

B. AT 060130H 3/3 ELEMENT AT YD 214764 (A-2) REC'D 8 RDS
OF 85MM ARTY FR YD 217832, FIRED NGE, OBS 6 FLASHES FROM
YD 234824 AND RAN A TPQ; INCOMING CEASED.5. PLANS: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS
AND MAN OP'S.

A. CLEAR RT 9, 561 AND RT 1 TO C-1 AND CONDUCT RESUPPLY.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 176 KIA

876 WIA (MEDEVAC)

140 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 238 1371 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

DET TOTAL

18 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINÉES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 164

OSMC: 52

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 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)

ccN: 040

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 SITREP NR 503 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 060600H-061200H MARCH 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS
 AND MANNING OP'S

B. ALL LOC'S WERE SWEEP AND SECURED

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 061115H, M/3/3 MADE CONTACT AT YD 151731 WITH UNK SIZE ENEMY
 FORCE RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA (MEDEVAC)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CORRECTION TO SIT REP 502 PARA 6B DETAINEES SHOULD READ 134 AND
 DETAINEES TOTAL SHOULD READ 238

B. AT 060810H 2/1 AT OP-2 OBSERVED 6 DVA MOVING SOUTH EAST WITH PACKS
 AND WEAPONS AT YD 120736 FIRED 16 RDS 4.2 MORTAR WITH NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 060830H 3/3 AT YD 162732 FOUND 25-82mm RDS AND 2-60mm MORTAR
 RDS ALSO FOUND 10 CANS OF INCREMENTS AND MORTAR PIT EST TO BE TWO WKS OLD
 AT YD 162734 FOUND 6-82mm RDS AND 4 CANS OF MORTAR FUZES ALL RDS DESTROYED.

D. AT 060905H 3/4 ROAD SWEEP AT YD 155614 FOUND AT MINES ON MSR.
 DESTROYED MINE IN PLACE AND ~~REMOVED~~ CONTINUED SWEEP.

E. AT 060938H 2/1 AT A-4 POSIT RED'D 15 RDS MED/HEAVY ARTY. RET'D
 FIRE WITH 155 ARTY ON YD 036757, 175 ARTY ON YD 0316176381 AND 90mm TANKS
 ON YD 02857637

F. AT 060930H 3/4 AT CAP III REC'D 30-35 RDS EST 85 TO 100mm ARTY
 FROM DIRECTION OF 6200 MILS. ALSO DIRECTION OF 5850 MILS FROM C-3 TOWER

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND MANNING OP'S

B. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	176	KIA
	878	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	340	WIA (MINOR)
ENEMY:	1373	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	238	DETAINÉES TOTAL
	48	POW
	52	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	134	DETAINÉES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. TWC: 164
CSWC: 52

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 THIRD 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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 SITREP IR 504 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 061200H-061800H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
 - B. CLEARED AND SECURED LOC'S AND CONDUCTED ROUTINE ^{Re} SUPPLY. *At*
 - C. CONTACT STILL MAINTAINED BY 3/3 VIC YD 152732. A/1/4 KILLER TM EXTRACTED AS RESULT OF UNMAINTAINABLE CONTACT *At*.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS:
 - A. AT 061200H A/1/4 KILLER TM VIC YD 108645 OBS 1 NVA IN OPEN CALLED ARTY W/GOOD COVERAGE ON TGT AREA, KILLER TM CHECKING AREA.
 - B. AT 061234H 3/3 STILL IN CONTACT VIC YD 152732; UNIT NOT PINNED DOWN RECEIVING SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE; SITUATION STABLE AT THIS TIME ONE MEDEVAC COMPLETE AT 1424H. 81M AND ARTY BSN IN PROGRESS, MEDEVAC REQUIRED AGAIN. 4 USMC KIA, 9 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) *At*
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 061500H VIC YD 128616 OBS 2 RDS OF INCOMING OF UNK TYPE AND DIRECTION, ONE RD EACH AT YD 128625 AND YD 134626. MOVED 50 METERS AND REMAINED IN POSITION.
 - B. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MANNING LP'S.
 - C. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 180 KIA
 887 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 340 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1375 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 238 DET TOTAL 134 DETAINEES
 43 POW 2 VC RETURNEES
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 - C. INC: 164
 CSAC: 52
7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NO TRAPS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	6	5	YD 171731	<i>At</i> ↑ NEG ↓
3/4	6	1	YD 172723	
		2	127590	
		2	148604	
		1	179586	
1/4	2	1	133644	
		1	128673	

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SECTION: *A. Remondy*DRAFTER: *A. FERNANDEZ MAJOR*RELEASED BY: *J.C. STOUT LTCOL*

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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD 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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 SITREP NR 505 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 061800H-062400H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED AMBUSH PATROLS AND MANNED LP'S.

B. C-9, D-17, I-3, AA-3, J-14, W-1, CC-6, L-2, EE-3.

C. BETWEEN 06100H AND 061400H A/1/4 KILLER TM VIC YD 108645. OBS

S-8 HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED NVA AT YD 105642 MOVING NE, THEN TURNING WEST.

AT 1200H TM OBS 1 NVA AT YD 200643 AND CALLED ARTY MSN AND MOVED FWD

TO CNK AREA. AT YD 102642 LAST MAN IN TM OBS AND KILLED 1 NVA MOVING

TOWARD THEM FROM REAR. THE TM THEN REC'D S/A AND AN FR THE WEST, NORTH

AND SOUTH FR EST 2 BN FLTS. ENGAGED EN KILFING S/A. WITHDRAWAL

TO YD 108645 WAS COMMENCED WHILE ENROUTE TO STAGING AREA THE TM.

LDR WAS WOUNDED IN THE LEG. PO CALLED 81MM AND ARTY MSN. ARTY SILENCED

1 AW POSIT WHILE ATTEMPTING TO MOVE TM YD 108645. REC'D SVY VOLUME

OF S/A FROM SOUTH AND NORTH. TM RET'D FIRE W/S/A, M-79, M-26'S. CONTACT

WAS BROKEN UNDER COVER OF ARTY. TWO PFT'S WERE CO "B" LINKED UP

W/KILLER TM AT 1500H AND COMPLETED EXTRACTION TO C-2. RESULTS OF

CONTACT WERE 1 USMC KIA (MEDICAL) AND 1 NVA KIA (C-2).

3. TRENCH CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFO:

A. EARLY IN MORNING 1/3 COY (C-2) 1/3 COY (C-2) 1/3 COY (C-2) 1/3 COY (C-2)

B. AT 061635H 2/1 VIC YD 114701 REC'D 8 RDS 60MM, INST'D FIRE WITH

81MM MORTARS AT YD 120715 W/10 RDS. AT YD 125724 W/30 RDS. ARTY

ON YD 121717 W/18 RDS, AND YD 121713 W/18 RDS. UNE RESULTS.

C. AT 061745H M/3/3 VIC YD 351731 REC'D INCOMING PHILIP MOVING

CASUALTIES. L/3/3 RET'D TO A-3 POSIT. K/3/3 MOVING TO BLOCKING

AT YD 104722, DEPT'D FIRE AND GUNFIRE ACQUIRED.

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D. AT 062030H K/3/4 AT CAM LO DIST HQ APPREHENDED 2 VC AT 061500H WHILE SWEEPING VILLAGE AT YD 155583, VCS HAD IMPROPER I.D. 2 MORE WERE APPREHENDED AT 061745H, ALSO ONE MORE WAS SEEN BUT NOT TAKEN. CLEARING AREA OF CIVILIANS PRIOR TO FIRING ARTY, ALL 4 WERE TAKEN TO CAM LO DIST HQ, 4 DETAINEES.

E. AT 062100H 3/4 AMBUSH VIC YD 136625 OBS 3 PERSONS WHILE MOVING INTO AMBUSH SITE, EXCHANGED S/A AND EN THREW 5 HAND GRENADES, AMBUSH RELOCATED, WILL CHECK AREA FIRST LITE.

5. PLANS: UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS AND MAN LP'S.

1. C-9, D-7, I-5, AA-5, J-14, W-1, CC-4, L-2, RE-2.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 180 KIA

889 MIA (MEDEVAC)

344 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1379 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DET TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 52

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS, 1/LTRELEASED BY: J.C. STUBT, LTCOL.SECTION: 8-3

OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 06 2330Z MAR '68

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 ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

CCN: 45

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE

SITREP NR 506 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 062400H-070600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 061100H WHILE ON A SWEEP VIC YD 154734 THE LEAD ELEMENT OF M/3/3 ESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED REINFORCED NVA COMPANY DUG IN ON BOTH SIDES OF THE FRENCH ROAD. THE ENEMY HAD AUTO WPNS POSIT ON THE NW WEST SIDE OF THE RIDGE SUPPORTED BY TRENCHES AND FIGHTING HOLES. M/3/3 ELEMENT CAPTURED THREE MG. WHILE CONSALADATING ON RIDGE M/3/3 CAME UNDER HEAVY A/W AND S/A FIRE FROM APPROX 18 FORTIFIED POSITIONS SUPPORTED FIGHTING HOLES AND M /3/3 COMMITTED ITS RESERVE. AT THIS TIME THE THE NVA K OPENED UP WITH 60mm AND 80mm AND 105mm WHICH WAS ACCURATELY ADJUSTED. THE ENEMY ATTEMPTED A FLANKING MOVEMENT BUT THIS WAS THWARTED. L/3/3 WAS IN RESERVE AT VIC YD 163737 WAS HIT WITH 105mm. THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF TROUBLE ESTABLISHING LZ'S BECAUSE THE NVA WOULD BRING HIS ARTY TO BEAR ON THEN RESULTING IN LZ'S BEING SHIFTED TWICE. IT IS ESTIMATED AN NVA BN WAS IN SUPPORT OF THE NVA CO (+) ORIGINALLY ENCOUNTERED. THE LACK OF GUNSHIPS WAS CRITICAL BUT THE AO'S DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB OF ADJUSTING FIX WING STRIKES AND ARTY MSNS.

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MOBILITY WAS NEARLY LOST, DUE TO NVA'S HEAVY USE OF SUPPORTING ARMS AND LARGE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES ALSO SLOWED DOWN THE COMPANY RESULTING IN MAKING IT A BETTER TARGET FOR ENEMY SUPPORTING ARMS. TOTAL INCOMING WAS ESTIMATED AT 150-175 RDS OF 105mm; 150 RDS 82mm AND 60mm TOTAL CASUALTIES WERE 12 USMC KIA (4 PREV REPT'D), 32 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) 25 USMC WIA (MINOR) AND 81 NVA KIA (CONF). WPNS CAPTURED WERE 1 CHINESE LIGHT MG TYPE 56, 1 CHINESE 7.62mm HEAVY MG, 1 RED PATCH KE WITH 2 GOLD STARS

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAYTIME ACTIVITY.

B. ALL LOC'S WILL BE SWEEPED AND SECURED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

910 WIA (MEDEVAC)

369 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1552 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 54

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RELEASED BY: S. G. [REDACTED] 11 FEB 68

SECTION: S-3

OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

070515Z FEB 68

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

CCN: 046

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 SITREP NR 507 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 070600Z-071200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND MANNED OP'S
 - B. MAINTAINED SECURITY OF MSR AND CONDUCTED RESUPPLIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. CORRECT SIT REPS SUBSEQUENT TO NR 504 TO REFLECT FOLLOWING CORRECTED CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR PARA 6B. ENEMY NVA KIA (CONF) 1456.
 - B. FOLLOW-UP SPOT REP. AT 062100H 3/4 AMBUSH ENROUTE TO NIGHT TIME POSITION AT YD 143624 HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR FRONT AND SET A HASTY AMBUSH. USING STAR-LIGHT SCOPE, THEY OBS ONE PERSON SET IN 35 METERS TO THE FRONT. THE AMBUSH FIRED ON THE ENEMY AND REC'D S/A AND TEN GRENADES. AMBUSH BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TO NEW POSITION. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT AND FOUND EVIDENCE OF PRESENCE OF 7-8 PEOP
 - C. AT 070942H 2/1 AT YD 144701 REC'D THREE RDS 60mm MORTARS. FIR 81mm MORTARS AT YD 107718 WITH TEN RDS AND YD 109709 WITH 20 RDS AND YD 140749 WITH TEN RDS.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND MAN OP'S.
 - B. CONDUCT SWEEPS AND SECURITY PATROLS OF MSR AND RESUPPLYING ALONG LOC'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 - 910 WIA (MENEVAC)
 - 396 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1552 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 242 DETAINEES TOTAL
 - 43 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164
 CSWC: 54

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SLIP NR 508 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 071200H-071800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

1. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND MANNED OP'S.
 2. MAINTAINED SECURITY OF MSR AND CONDUCTED RESUPPLIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 071200H 2/1 AT YD 114701 REC'D ACTIVE SNIPER FIRE FROM
 YD 107001. RET'D FIRE WITH 106mm NR AND 81mm MORTARS.

B. FINAL SPOT REPORT. AT 070450H K3/3 UPON RETURN FROM CONTACT
 OF 6 MARCH DETERMINED 1 USMC M.I. A. K/3/3 WAS NOT ENGAGED, BUT PLACED
 AS A BLOCKING FORCE AT YD 159723 FOR THE RETURN OF M/3/3 TO A-3. THE
 ENEMY WAS LAST SEEN AS M/3/3 WAS RETURNED TO A-3 WITH CASUALTIES, NOT
 MORE THAN 1200 METERS WEST OF THE OUTER WIRE. K/3/3 DIRECTED A SEARCH
 OF AREA ON 7 MARCH, RESULTING IN NEGATIVE FINDINGS. AO ALSO SEARCHED
 AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THE SEARCH EFFORTS WILL BE CONTINUED TO
 MINIMUM DEGREE PRACTICAL. PC

C. AT 071700H 2/1 TO (A) SPOTTED AN ENEMY ACTIVE MORTAR POSITION,
 AND FIA USING BUNKERS AND TRENCH LINES. RAN FIVE AIR STRIKES ON YD
 159717, RESULTING IN 13 NVN KIA (CONF) BY AIR, PLUS DESTROYING 16
 BUNKERS, FIVE BUNKERS DAMAGED, ONE MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED AND
 12 MEMBERS OF TRENCH LINES DESTROYED

D. REMARKS:

1. ENEMY BLANK FIRE REVEALED POSITIONS. 30 WERE REVEALED, AND ONE REVEALED.

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CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. POW/DETAINÉES: 148 KIA
 916 MIA (MIA/VA:)
 396 MIA (MISC:)
 1 MIA
 B. UNKOWN: 1565 NVA KIA (CONF); VC KIA (CONF) 5
 242 DETAINÉES TOTAL
 43 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DETAINÉES
 2 VC FETTERED
 2 CIVIL DEPORTEDS

C. KIA: 369

DEAD: 55

SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

DATE	PR PLANS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
1/1	6	4	Y: 172731	NEG
1/3		2	Y: 172729	NEG
1/4	2	1	Y: 248604	NEG
1/4	1	1	Y: 233644	NEG
1/2 2TH DAY	5	6	Y: 244557	NEG

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071730Z MAR 68

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 TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV
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 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SETUP NR 509 FOR DM KENTUCKY FROM 071800H-072400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
 B. C-10, D-9, I-4, J-12, L-1, W-1, AA-5, CC-5, EE-2

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 071435H 3/3 AT YD 158739 OBSERVED NVA IN THE OPEN, FIRED
 100mm R.R. WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE.

B. AT 071800H 2/1 AT YD 114701 OBS ACTIVE ENEMY AREA POSITION
 OF 3 GUNS VIC YD 086798 AND CALLED AC CONTROLLED ONE TPO/10 RESULTING
 IN FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSION. OBS SECOND ENEMY NR ARMY AT YD 07607835
 AND OF ADJ 19 RDS 175mm ON ENEMY RESULTING IN ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION

C. AT 071900H 2/1 YD 114701 PPS-5 PICKED UP BY SIZE TROOP NOVA-
 MENT VIC YD 148746, 3/3 HAD INDICATED TO THIS UNIT THAT AN UNIDENTIFIED
 HELICOPTER WENT DOWN IN THIS AREA. THE RADAR INDICATED THAT A METALIC
 OBJECT WAS POSSIBLY IN THE AREA OF THE ABOVE GRID DUE TO EXCESSIVE
 AMPS. OF STATIC ON THE SCREEN THAT WOULD INDICATE A METALIC OBJECT.
 A TOT WAS FIRED ON YD 148746, MOVEMENT ON SCREEN BROKE INTO TWO
 LARGE GROUPS, ONE MOVING NE THE OTHER SE. MOVEMENT TO SE WASE LOST.
 MOVEMENT TO NE WAS FOLLOWED BY PPS-5 FOR SEVERAL HUNDRED METERS THEN
 LOST CONTACT VIC YD 072135. AT YD 151760 A COMPANY SIZE MOVEMENT WAS
 PICKED UP BY PPS-5 AND A TOT WAS FIRED ON IT. IT CANNOT ASCERTAIN
 WHAT THE MOVEMENT IDENTIFIED AT YD 151760 AS IDENTICAL UNIT PREVIOUSLY
 LISTED AS BEING IN YD 148746. WILL CONTINUE SURVEILLANCE OF AREA.

D. AT 071910H 2/1 YD 114701 REC'D TWO RDS 82mm R.R. FIRE FROM
 YD 11237179 AND RET'D FIRE WITH 4.2" NSM OF 23 RDS, OBS 3 LARGE
 BARRIES.

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E. AT 071934H 3/3 AT A-3 REPORTED SEEING OBSERVING WHAT APPEARED TO BE A LIGHT OBSERVATION HELICOPTER FLY DOWN IN THE 1674 G S. A-2 AND A-3 WERE ALERTED TO OBSERVE FOR MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA.

F. AT 072045H 3/3 AT A-3 HEARD TRACKED VEHICLE ENGINE 2-3 KM NORTH OF TRACK AND ALERTED POST.

G. AT 072150H 2/1 AT YD 114701 ANPPS-5 DETECTED APPROX FETTERMAN COMPANY SIZED UNIT VIC YD 130759 AND FIRED A TOT ON IT. TOT WAS REDUCED IN SIZE AFTER TOT; SET WAS TROUBLE DUE TO POSSIBLE JAMMING.

H. CORRECTIONS TO TOTAL FIGURES:

1. SITREP NR 504 PARA 6B DELTAT 4 EVA KIA (CONF) ENTERED ERROROUSLY.

2. SITREP NR 506 DELTAT 37 NVA KIA (CONF) ENTERED ERROROUSLY.

3. SITREP NR 506 PARA 6A AND 4A ADD 1 USMC KIA (REDEVAS) OMITTED DUE TO ADDITION ERROR.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAINWARD DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

911 KIA (REDEVAS)

396 KIA (MINOR)

1 KIA

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS:

C. INC: 364

CSVC: 54

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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (F)

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
- A. UNIT MAINTAINED POSITIONS, AND CONDUCTED NIGHT TIME MOVEMENTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: 3 AM
5. PLANS:
- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN THE PRESENT POSITIONS UNTIL DAWNING OF DAY WHEN REPOSITIONED.
6. CHANGING POSITIONS:
7. FURTHER: 1000 HRS
8. SUMMARY: 912 WIA (THUANG)
 356 WIA (THUANG)
 1401 WIA BIA (LOAN) 40 WIA (LOAN) 5
 242 DEATH TOTAL
 41 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DMR
 2 VC REMAINS
 2 CIVIL DEATHS

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WILSON, WILLIAM

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5. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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SI REP NR 512 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 081200Z TO 081800Z MAR 68

NO LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFINED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 080900H, YD 13723 3/3 FOUND MIA (REP SPT REP 071723) IN GOOD CONDITION AND UNINJURED.

B. AT 081100H E/2/1 VIC YD 105569 OBS 2 NVA WITH WEAPONS AND WEARING DARK UNIFORMS MOVING RAPIDLY TO THE EAST. FIRED 2 RDS 60mm & 30 RDS 81mm. (A) SCOUT AREA WITH HIG RES.

C. AT 081315H E/2/1 VIC YD 137697 & YD 136697 FOUND PLACE WHERE 6-8 NVA HAD IMPACTED. AREA WAS CLUTTERED WITH 4 BANDAGES, 1 NVA PONCHO, BLOOD, 5 PONCHOS USED AS GROUND CLOTHS, 1/2 SACK OF RICE, 1 COOKING POT, RICE SCATTERED ON GROUND, LARGE POOL OF BLOOD, AND TRAIL HEADING EAST ABOUT 3-6 HRS OLD. (A) FOUND ONE NVA HELMET. THE LOCATION WAS AN EXCELLENT FC OBS & COVERING E/W-N/S TRAIL.

D. AT 081500H ELEMENTS OF 3/4 FOUND FLT. SEEN COMPLEX OF CAMOUFLAGED HIDEOUTS. APPROX. 1-2 HRS OLD. AREA SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT OCCUPATION. (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G) (H) (I) (J) (K) (L) (M) (N) (O) (P) (Q) (R) (S) (T) (U) (V) (W) (X) (Y) (Z) (AA) (AB) (AC) (AD) (AE) (AF) (AG) (AH) (AI) (AJ) (AK) (AL) (AM) (AN) (AO) (AP) (AQ) (AR) (AS) (AT) (AU) (AV) (AW) (AX) (AY) (AZ) (BA) (BB) (BC) (BD) (BE) (BF) (BG) (BH) (BI) (BJ) (BK) (BL) (BM) (BN) (BO) (BP) (BQ) (BR) (BS) (BT) (BU) (BV) (BW) (BX) (BY) (BZ) (CA) (CB) (CC) (CD) (CE) (CF) (CG) (CH) (CI) (CJ) (CK) (CL) (CM) (CN) (CO) (CP) (CQ) (CR) (CS) (CT) (CU) (CV) (CW) (CX) (CY) (CZ) (DA) (DB) (DC) (DD) (DE) (DF) (DG) (DH) (DI) (DJ) (DK) (DL) (DM) (DN) (DO) (DP) (DQ) (DR) (DS) (DT) (DU) (DV) (DW) (DX) (DY) (DZ) (EA) (EB) (EC) (ED) (EE) (EF) (EG) (EH) (EI) (EJ) (EK) (EL) (EM) (EN) (EO) (EP) (EQ) (ER) (ES) (ET) (EU) (EV) (EW) (EX) (EY) (EZ) (FA) (FB) (FC) (FD) (FE) (FF) (FG) (FH) (FI) (FJ) (FK) (FL) (FM) (FN) (FO) (FP) (FQ) (FR) (FS) (FT) (FU) (FV) (FW) (FX) (FY) (FZ) (GA) (GB) (GC) (GD) (GE) (GF) (GG) (GH) (GI) (GJ) (GK) (GL) (GM) (GN) (GO) (GP) (GQ) (GR) (GS) (GT) (GU) (GV) (GW) (GX) (GY) (GZ) (HA) (HB) (HC) (HD) (HE) (HF) (HG) (HH) (HI) (HJ) (HK) (HL) (HM) (HN) (HO) (HP) (HQ) (HR) (HS) (HT) (HU) (HV) (HW) (HX) (HY) (HZ) (IA) (IB) (IC) (ID) (IE) (IF) (IG) (IH) (II) (IJ) (IK) (IL) (IM) (IN) (IO) (IP) (IQ) (IR) (IS) (IT) (IU) (IV) (IW) (IX) (IY) (IZ) (JA) (JB) (JC) (JD) (JE) (JF) (JG) (JH) (JI) (JJ) (JK) (JL) (JM) (JN) (JO) (JP) (JQ) (JR) (JS) (JT) (JU) (JV) (JW) (JX) (JY) (JZ) (KA) (KB) (KC) (KD) (KE) (KF) (KG) (KH) (KI) (KJ) (KK) (KL) (KM) (KN) (KO) (KP) (KQ) (KR) (KS) (KT) (KU) (KV) (KW) (KX) (KY) (KZ) (LA) (LB) (LC) (LD) (LE) (LF) (LG) (LH) (LI) (LJ) (LK) (LL) (LM) (LN) (LO) (LP) (LQ) (LR) (LS) (LT) (LU) (LV) (LW) (LX) (LY) (LZ) (MA) (MB) (MC) (MD) (ME) (MF) (MG) (MH) (MI) (MJ) (MK) (ML) (MM) (MN) (MO) (MP) (MQ) (MR) (MS) (MT) (MU) (MV) (MW) (MX) (MY) (MZ) (NA) (NB) (NC) (ND) (NE) (NF) (NG) (NH) (NI) (NJ) (NK) (NL) (NM) (NN) (NO) (NP) (NQ) (NR) (NS) (NT) (NU) (NV) (NW) (NX) (NY) (NZ) (OA) (OB) (OC) (OD) (OE) (OF) (OG) (OH) (OI) (OJ) (OK) (OL) (OM) (ON) (OO) (OP) (OQ) (OR) (OS) (OT) (OU) (OV) (OW) (OX) (OY) (OZ) (PA) (PB) (PC) (PD) (PE) (PF) (PG) (PH) (PI) (PJ) (PK) (PL) (PM) (PN) (PO) (PP) (PQ) (PR) (PS) (PT) (PU) (PV) (PW) (PX) (PY) (PZ) (QA) (QB) (QC) (QD) (QE) (QF) (QG) (QH) (QI) (QJ) (QK) (QL) (QM) (QN) (QO) (QP) (QQ) (QR) (QS) (QT) (QU) (QV) (QW) (QX) (QY) (QZ) (RA) (RB) (RC) (RD) (RE) (RF) (RG) (RH) (RI) (RJ) (RK) (RL) (RM) (RN) (RO) (RP) (RQ) (RR) (RS) (RT) (RU) (RV) (RW) (RX) (RY) (RZ) (SA) (SB) (SC) (SD) (SE) (SF) (SG) (SH) (SI) (SJ) (SK) (SL) (SM) (SN) (SO) (SP) (SQ) (SR) (SS) (ST) (SU) (SV) (SW) (SX) (SY) (SZ) (TA) (TB) (TC) (TD) (TE) (TF) (TG) (TH) (TI) (TJ) (TK) (TL) (TM) (TN) (TO) (TP) (TQ) (TR) (TS) (TT) (TU) (TV) (TW) (TX) (TY) (TZ) (UA) (UB) (UC) (UD) (UE) (UF) (UG) (UH) (UI) (UJ) (UK) (UL) (UM) (UN) (UO) (UP) (UQ) (UR) (US) (UT) (UU) (UV) (UW) (UX) (UY) (UZ) (VA) (VB) (VC) (VD) (VE) (VF) (VG) (VH) (VI) (VJ) (VK) (VL) (VM) (VN) (VO) (VP) (VQ) (VR) (VS) (VT) (VU) (VV) (VW) (VX) (VY) (VZ) (WA) (WB) (WC) (WD) (WE) (WF) (WG) (WH) (WI) (WJ) (WK) (WL) (WM) (WN) (WO) (WP) (WQ) (WR) (WS) (WT) (WU) (WV) (WW) (WX) (WY) (WZ) (XA) (XB) (XC) (XD) (XE) (XF) (XG) (XH) (XI) (XJ) (XK) (XL) (XM) (XN) (XO) (XP) (XQ) (XR) (XS) (XT) (XU) (XV) (XW) (XX) (XY) (XZ) (YA) (YB) (YC) (YD) (YE) (YF) (YG) (YH) (YI) (YJ) (YK) (YL) (YM) (YN) (YO) (YP) (YQ) (YR) (YS) (YT) (YU) (YV) (YW) (YX) (YZ) (ZA) (ZB) (ZC) (ZD) (ZE) (ZF) (ZG) (ZH) (ZI) (ZJ) (ZK) (ZL) (ZM) (ZN) (ZO) (ZP) (ZQ) (ZR) (ZS) (ZT) (ZU) (ZV) (ZW) (ZX) (ZY) (ZZ)

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3. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS, WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

5. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

1. FRIENDLY:

	138	KIA
AF 911 25	396	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	1484	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY	242	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	43	DETAINEE TOTAL
	52	POW
AF 138 628		INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	2	DETAINEE
	2	VC RETURNEES
	164	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. IVC:	54	
OSMC:		

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

TIME	NR TKS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	1	1	YD 171731	NEG
11ST HQ GAO	1	1	YT 127590	NEG
24	1	1	YL 148608	NEG
14	1	1	YL 133644	NEG

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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 513 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 081800-082400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNIT MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING
 NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES, 18 LP'S AND AMBUSH'S

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. CONTINUE TO DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONTINUE NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	188	KIA	
	911	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	397	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	1484	KIA NVA (CONF)	VC KIA (CONF) 5
	242	DETAINEE'S TOTAL	
	43	POW	
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	2	VC RETURNEES	
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS	
6. IWC:	164		
CSWC:	54		

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SECTION: 8-3

IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 BUTREP NR 514 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 082400H-090600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS, WHILE CONDUCTING
 AMBUSHES AND MANNING LP'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 081500H 3/4 AT YD 202594 FOUND TWO CHI-COM'S A.P.
 MINES, WERE SERRATED TYPE, LAYING OPEN, UNARMED.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 081613H, 2/1 AT A-4 POSITION REC'D 34 RDS ARTY.
 RET'D FIRE WITH 23 RDS ARTY ON YD 094768, 64 RES ON YD 086774, AND 30 RDS
 ARTY ON YD 08887645, RESULTING IN TWO LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

1 USMC WIA (MINOR) (PREVIOUSLY ADDED TO TOTALS).

C. LATE ENTRY: AT 081700H 2D ARVN REGIMENT REPORTED FINDING 30 140mm
 ROCKETS ROUNDS AT YD 256664. EOD ASSISTANCE WAS REQUESTED SINCE ROCKETS
 APPEARED TO BE BOOBY-TRAPPED.

D. LATE ENTRY: AT 082218H, 3/3 AT A-2 POSITION PICKED UP ON RADAR
 APPROX 20 NVA AT YD 213773, FIRED 40mm AND ENEMY MOVED TO DEFILADE
 AT YD 216758, FIRED 60mm MORTAR MSN, WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. ENEMY
 DISPERSED, FURTHER RESULTS UNKNOWN.

E. LATE ENTRY: AT 082325H, 3/3/3 LP AT A-3 POSITION OBS 9-10
 NVA MOVE G ALONG WIRE AT YD 176724, FIRED TEN RDS M-79, AREA WILLAGE
 CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING PATROLS AND MANNING OP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

911 WIA (REDEVAC)

397 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNIES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IVC: 164

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 INFO: TENTH MARINES
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 FIRST MARINES
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 FOURTH MARINES
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 SITREP NR 515 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 090600Z-091200Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
 - B. PSR'S WERE SWEEP AND SECURED FOR VEHICULAR RESUPPLY.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

AT 091500Z, R/374 FOUND ONE P-4A HUNG ON ROAD SWEEP TO C-1, WILL BLOW IN PLACE.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING TO CONDUCT DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 - 911 WIA (MED/VAC)
 - 397 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY
 - 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 242 DETAINEES TOTAL
 - 13 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNES
 - 2 CIVIL DEPENDANTS

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 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
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 SITREP NR 516 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 091200H-091800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NONE CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 090930H AT YD 197718, ONE NEW TYPE NVA PROPAGANDA SHEET WAS FOUND.

B. AT 091550H AT YD 155715 A RESUPPLY CHOPPER DROPPED AN M-37 VEHICLE. M/3/3 CHECKED OUT AREA AND FOUND VEHICLE UNSALVAGEABLE.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE RUNNING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

911 WIA (MEDEVAC)

397 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 54

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
DIST. HQ	1	1	YD 127590	NEG
CAO				
3/4	1	1	YD 148604	NEG
2/3	1	1	YD 133644	NEG
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DRAFTER: *E.C. Blodgett*
 E.C. BLODGETT, 1/LT
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 J.C. STUDD, LTCOL
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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
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 SITREP NR 517 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 091800H-092400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. AT 1000H, 9TH MARINES CHOPPED OPCON OF M/3/4 TO 4TH MARINES.
 4TH MARINES THEN CHOPPED OPCON OF M/3/4 TO 2/9 AT 1100H.

B. AT 1500H 2/1 ASSUMED OPCON OF C-2 AND C-2 BRIDGE POSITION;
 1/4 ASSUMED OPCON OF A-4 AND YANKEE STATION POSITIONS. CHANGE IN
 UNITS TO REFLECT NOW AT A-4 POSITION: F/2/1 AND D/1/4; YANKEE
 STATION: H/2/1; E/2/1, A/1/4, AND H&S 1/4; C-2B: G/2/1 AND B/1/4.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
 AMBUSHES AND HANING LP'S.

B. C-9, I-4, AA-6, CC-2, DE-3

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 091745H, L/3/4 TOWER AT CAM LO DIST HQ REC'D
 TWO RDS SNIPER FIRE FROM TREE AT YD 123591. CAP UNIT WAS SENT OUT
 WITH NEG RESULTS.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 091730H 3/3 TOWER # 9 AT A-3 POSITION, SPOTTED
 THREE NVA AT YD 237765. FIRED 106mm HE AND TWO BEE HIVE RDS WITH UNK RI

C. AT 091940H L/3/4 TOWER AT CAM LO DIST HQ REC'D SIX RDS SNIPER
 FIRE FROM TREE AT YD 173591. MORE SNIPER FIRE WAS REC'D ON NORTH,
 SOUTH, AND WEST SIDES OF PERIMETER. RETID FIRE ON SUSPECTED POSITION.
 CAP UNIT SENT TO SWEEP AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

D. AT 092130H, 1/4 OP 2 AT A-4 POSIT. SPOTTED FOUR NVA AT YD 12871
 USING PFS-5 RADAR. ALSO SPOTTED TWO NVA AT YD 130710. CALLED 81mm
 MORTAR MSN ON BOTH GRIDS WITH EXCELLENT TGT COVERAGE. UNK RESULTS.

E. AT 092220H 3/4 AT YD 173587 REC'D THREE RDS ARTY OR ROCKET FROM
 UNK LOCATION.

F. AT 092300H 1/4 AT A-4 POSITION REPORTED "W" BATTERY PERSONNEL
 OF 120mm DUNKER ACCIDENTALLY STRUCK PRIMER ON 4.2" SHELL CAUSING ACC
 12.0 IN RETARD TO BURN. 4 USMC MIA (MEEHVAC)

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MARCHING LP'S.

B. E-8, AA-4, CC-7, EE-3

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

915 WIA (MEDEVAC)

397 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

242 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IUC: 164

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DRAFTER: A. FERNANDEZ MAJOR

RELEASED BY: J.C. STUDD LT COL

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 TO: CG, THIRD MAP DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
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 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 518 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 092400H-100600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED AMBUSH PATROLS, AND MANNED LP'S.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. CORRECT ALL PREVIOUS SIT REPS TO REFLECT CORRECTED PARA6B, DETAINEES TOTAL, TO READ 237 VIC 242.
 - B. AT 092325H 2/1 AT YD 135646 OBS ACTIVE ROCKETS. FIRED 28 RDS 105MM ARTY AT YD 165657 AND 14 RDS AT YD 162635.
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND MAN OP'S.
 - B. PROVIDE SECURITY AND CONDUCT RESUPPLY ALONG MSR.
 - C. CONTINUE THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN 2/1 AND 1/4 AT A-1 AND C-2.
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 - 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 397 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 237 DET TOTAL
 - 43 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 - C. IWC: 164
 - CSWC: 54

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DRAFTER: F.C. BLOCHET 1/LT

RELEASED BY: F.C. BLOCHET LTCOL

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 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

CCN: 70

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 SITREP NR 519 FOR OPEN KENTUCKY FR 100600H-101200H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. CONNECTION TO SITREP NR 517 PARA LA TIME OF CHOP
 OF M/3/4 TO 4TH MAR SHOULD READ 081000H VICE 1000H.
 B. 9TH MARINES ASSUMED OPCON M/3/4 FROM 4TH MAR
 AT 100600H.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING PATROLS AND MANNING OP'S.
 B. RT 9 AND MSR 561 WERE SWEEPED AND SECURED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS
 WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND MANNING OP'S.
 B. RT 1 TO GIO LINH WILL BE SWEEPED AND SECURED.
 C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

915 WIA (MED/VAC)

397 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

237 DET TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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C. AT 101510Z 1/4 GP-1 SPOTTED ACTIVE ARTY SITE AT YD 066789, FIR D TANK AND ARTY MSN.
 H. AT 101625Z 3/4 RD SWEEP IN VIC OF YD 219637 REG'D
 HDS EST 100MM OR LARGER ARTY.

PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING AMBUSHES AND MANNING LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 397 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 2484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF)
 237 DET TOTAL
 43 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 338 DET
 2 VC RETURNED
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 54

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

UNIT	NO TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
3/1	2	1	YD 148604	NEG
		1	YD 127590	NEG
2/1	1	1	YD 133644	NEG

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 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA

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 SITREP NR 521 FOR OPEN KENDUOCTY FR 101800Z.102400Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED NIGHT-TIME AMBUSHES, AND MANNED LF'S.
 - B. C-6, D-19, J-3, AA-1, CC-6, AND EE-3.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 102100Z 3/4 VIC YD 135610, WHILE ENROUTE TO NIGHT-TIME PARADE, SPOTTED 6 BUNKER AT YD 133610; ALSO OBS EN W/NOG FROM ORIGINATOR, FIELD M-49, 60MM MORTARS, DUAL 40'S, AND TANKS. AS WAS SEEN BURNING INTO HOUSE; GOOD FGT COVERAGE, WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
 - B. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT NIGHT-TIME AMBUSHES, AND MANNED LF'S.
 - C. C-6, D-19, J-3, AA-4, W-1, CC-3, EE-4.
5. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. PRISONERS: 100 KIA
 - 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 397 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. BUNKER: 1404 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 237 DET TOTAL
 - 43 POW
 - 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 130 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC REFUGEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS JR. 1/LT

RELEASED BY: J.C. STUETT LTCOL

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102300Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MARDIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
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 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, 13A
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

CCN: 078

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 SITREP NR 522 FOR OCN KENTUCKY FROM 102400H-110600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING
 NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE
 CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

915 MIA (MRDEVAC)

397 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1,804 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

237 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. TWC: 164

CHWC: 52

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DRAFTER: A. FERNANDEZ, MAJOR

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 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 NR 523 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 110600H-111200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
 DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE
 CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 397 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 237 DETAINEES TOTAL
 43 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 C. IWC: 164
 CSWC: 54

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 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 524 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 111200H-111800H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. E/2/1 - YD 133644/5
 F (-) - YD 133644/5
 PCT, F/2/1 - YD 129674
 G/2/1 - YD 129674
 N/2/1 - YD 118691
 B. A/B (-)/D1/4 - YD 115707/1
 H/2/1 - YD 117690
 C/1/4 - YD 224743
 C. I/3/4 - YD 142562 142613
 K/3/4 - YD 178588
 L/3/4 - YD 128589
 M/3/4 - YD 148604

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND MANNELED OPS.
 B. MAINTAINED SECURITY OF MSR AND CONDUCTED RESUPPLY.

ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 111100H, K/3/3 REPORTED 2 MINES DETONATED AT YD 194697 BELIEVED TO BE COMAND DETONATED. PATROL WITHDRAWN FROM AREA AND FIRED INTO IT FOR SUBSEQUENT CHECK. NEG RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS AND MAN LP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 915 WIA (NEDEVAO)
 397 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 237 DETAINEES TOTAL
 43 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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 CSWC: 54

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NR TEAMS</u>	<u>NR EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
3/3	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
3/4	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
2/1	1	1	YD 228673	NEG
3D RECON	5	ATTENDING SCHOOL	YD 338532	

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111638Z MAR 68

FROM: SEVENTH MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
INFO: SEVENTH MARINES
SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, SEVENTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARCT, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
SEVENTH ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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ATTN: FOR 525 FOR ONE KENTUCKY FROM 111500H-112000H MAR 68.

1. DUE LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
MOST TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. C-3, D-28, J-8, L-4, M-1, O-4, ED-4.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 111750H 3/3 RECD TEN RDS 60mm OUTSIDE POSITION
IMPACTING AT YD 177723. RECD FIRE WITH 60mm AND 81mm MRS ON YD 183718
WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 111750H 3/3 REPORTED RECEIVING SIX RDS OF INCOMING
FROM YD 22082 IN THE A-2 POSITION AND RECD FIRE WITH TANKS.

C. AT 111805H 3/3 OBS FOUR NVA VIC YD 146747 AND FIRED 60mm AND
ARTY FIRE MRS WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE.

D. AT 111805H 3/4 OBS INDIVIDUAL VIC YD 186617 SHIPING AT VELOCITY
ON RSR 561. A 14 RD ARTY FIRE MRS WAS CALLED AND THE SHIPING STOPPED.

E. AT 112000H 1/4 LP VIC YD 187701 OBS FOUR NVA AT A RANGE OF 100
METERS THROUGH A SPANLIGHT SCOPE. FOUR NVA UNDER 8.1 WIRE WITH ONE
RESCUES AND ONE CULIC AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

F. AT 112115H 3/3 VIC YD 187702 REPORTED 2/1/4 REPORTED HEARING
HEAVY THUNDER NOISES APPROX 2500 METERS EAST OF THEIR POSITIONS.

G. CONNECTION: SET YD # 1496 FOR ONE KENTUCKY PARA 60; ADD K
ONE NOT AD D BUT RECORDED IN PARA 60.

H. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
MOST TIME ACTIVITIES.

COMPLATIVE LOSS:

1. KILLED: 108 KIA

115 KIA (MINOR)

397 KIA (MINOR)

2. WOUND: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VS KIA (CONF) 5

237 DETAINERS TOTAL

43 POW

32 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINERS

2 VS RETURNERS

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

3. INFO: 148

4. CR: 55

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ON IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 1123 @ 16 Z MAR 68

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 TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV
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 FIFTH MARINES
 SIXTH MARINES
 SEVENTH MARINES

CCH: 886

SECTION ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 COM-1000000: PERSONAL INFO/PASS/INCHUT RELATION
 SIGNER MR 525 FOR ONE MONTHLY OR 1220000-1200000 MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WITHIN CONTINGENCY NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. BATTLE COMBATS: NONE
4. BATTLE STRATEGIC MOVES: NONE
5. BATTLE ALL UNITS WITHIN DEFENSE AND DEFENSE POSITIONS WITHIN CONTINGENCY PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. BATTLE COMBATS:
7. BATTLE:

1. BATTLE: 1000 NYA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 237 DNT FORTAL
 103 POW
 32 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 133 DEFENSES
 2 VC DEFENSES
 2 CIVIL DEFENSES

1. INFO: 1000
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TO: HONOR MARINES
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 SITREP NR 527 FOR 02N KENTUCKY PR 120600H 120600H 120600H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
3. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
4. 3.0 HAS DELAYED ITS OPERATION IN THE HILL 46 AREA FOR 24 HOURS.
5. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
6. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
7. AT 120600H 3/3 717 YD 195728 FOUND AND DESTROYED A FRESHLY DUG TUNNEL.
8. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
9. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
10. PRISONERS: 108 KVA KVA (CONF) VC KVA (CONF) 5
11. 237 DEF TOTAL
12. 43 POW
13. 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
14. 138 DEVIANTS
15. 2 VC RETURNERS
16. 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C: 100: 360
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FROM: NINTE MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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STREP NR 528 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 121200H-121800H MARCH 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. ALL MSR'S WERE SWEEP AND SECURED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 121130H 3/3 REPORTED A MINE AT A-2 DETONATED RESULTING IN 1 NBC WIA (MEDEVAC).

B. AT 121320H 3/3 REPORTED TOWER OBS 13 PERSONS VIC YD 196741 MOVING NORTH AND FIRED 60MM OVER THEIR HEADS AND MOVEMENT STOPPED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

915 WIA (MEDEVAC)

397 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

237 DET TOTAL

43 POW

52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 VC RETURNEES

138 DETAINEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSAC: 55

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

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YD 171731

NEG RESULTS

3/4 2 TMS 2 EMPLOYED

YD 127590

NEG RESULTS

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD 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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 INTERP VR 529 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 121300H-122400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 1800H 3/3 REDEVELOPED A MAN WHO HAD BEEN BURNED THE PREVIOUS NIGHT (WHILE FILLING A LANTERN).
 - B. AT 1725H 3/3 REC'D 11 RDS 130MM ARTY FR YD 236857, ON AZ OF 100 1045. COUNTER BTRY WAS FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.
 - C. AT 1920H 3/4 YD 185593 REC'D 4-5 RDS OF SLIPPER FIRE FROM NORTH SIDE OF CAM LU RIVER, FIRE REP'D WITH 20 RDS 3.5" AND LAAM ALSO 22 RDS ARTY MSN WAS FIRED WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.
 - D. AT 2000H A PATROL FR 3/4 AT YD 176584 SPOTTED 10-10 NVA, MOVING PARALLEL TO THEM. THEY SET IN HASTY AMBUSH AND CALLED WITH USE OF 26 RDS (VT, HE, WP) SCREAMS WERE HEARD DURING MSN. PATROL CHECKED OUT AREA AND FOUND DRAG MARKS AND SICKLY OBER. PATROL CONTINUED MSN WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
 - E. AT 2200H 3/4 AT YD 122613 PICKED UP 3 MALE DETAINERS (12-15 YRS) WHO WERE TURNED OVER TO DIST HQ AND FOUND TO BE INNOCENT CIVILIANS ASSIGNED TO NAEL POLICE FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING.
 - F. AT 2200H 2/1 SAW 2 NVA IN TREE LINE AT YD 121671. WITH AN/PPS-5 100MM MSN OF 8 RDS WAS FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
 - G. AT 2200H 2/2 SAW A LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AT YD 073652 AT 1700.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND NIGHT POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 398 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 240 DET TOTAL
 43 POW
 55 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C: IWC: 164
 CSNC: 55

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 RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS, MAJOR
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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
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 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 NR 530 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 122400H-130600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHTTIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
 - A. CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
 - B. 3/4 WILL CONDUCT OPERATION NORTH OF CAM LO.
 - C. ALL LOC'S WILL BE SWEEPED AND SECURED.
 - D? RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 - 915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 398 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 240 DETAINEES TOTAL
 - 43 POW
 - 55 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 - C. ING: 164
 - CSWC: 55

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OF IMMEDIATE PRIORITY

SECTION: 3a1

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

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SITHSP NR 531 FOR OPH KENTUCKY FROM 130600H-131200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE ENTRY: REF SPOT REF DTG 121725H- SUSTAINED TWO EVACS CASUALTIES AS A RESULT OF ENEMY INCOMING ARTY.
 - B. AT 0950H 3/4 AT YD 106603 RECOVERED FOUR BODIES FROM OPERATION. (4 KIA'S ALREADY ADDED TO 3/4 DT TOTAL).
 - C. AT 0955H 3/4 AT YD 114598 REC'D INCOMING OF UNK CAL AN UNK DIRECTION. TOTAL NUMBER OF INCOMING RDS IS UNK. NO COUNTER BATTERY FIRE AT THIS TIME. ALSO SUSTAINED 1 KIA WOUNDS.
5. PLANS:
 - A. CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE ON FILE ACTIVITIES.
 - B. ALL AREAS WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.
 - C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIEDOM: 188 KIA
915 WIA (MEDEVAC)
398 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
240 DETAINEES TOTAL
43 POW
55 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
138 DETAINEES
2 VC RETENESS
2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 - C. INC: 146
CSAC: 55

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 DE: J.F. RHODES, CAPTAIN
 RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS, MAJOR

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG THI (P) -

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 SITREP NR 532 FOR OMN KENTUCKY FROM 131200H-131800H MAR68
 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: ALL COORDS: YD

A8 3/3 I CO 170732	1/4 A CO 115701
K CO 173722	B CO 115701
L CO 173722	C CO 214743
M CO 171732	D CO 115701
CP 175721	CP 115701
2/1 E CO 133645	3/4 I CO 142613
F CO 133645	K CO 178586
G CO 129674	L CO 128589
H CO 118691	M CO 148604
CP 133645	CP 142614

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 131106H, 3/3 REC'D 26 RDS OF CAL. 100, 130, 152mm. INF, ARTY, AND TPQ WERE FIRED AT YD 233825 AND YD 220824 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 131215H, ALL UNIT OF 3/4 RET'D TO POSITION. 4 BODIES RECOVERED BY 4/3/4 WERE RET'D TO C-3 AND FROM C-3 MOVED TO D-MED. TP/M TANKS, TWIN 40'S AND ENG. MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE OPERATION A SUCCESS. WELL PLACED PREP FIRES AND ON CALL ARTY FIRES WERE SKILLFULLY EMPLOYED. REHEARSAL OF BODY RECOVERY DETAIL WITH TANK UNIT ALLOWED QUICK TURN AROUND WHILE INCOMING RECEIVED. SEARCH OF ENTIRE AREA OF "L" CONTACT ON 4 MARCH DID NOT REVEAL ADDITIONAL BODIES. TOTAL INCOMING, 8 ROCKETS FROM YD 098615, 4 82mm RDS, AND 8 RDS UNK ARTY, DIRECTION UNK. COUNTER BTRY BY "D" BTRY 105mm 30 RDS.

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6. DIFFERENTIAL LOSSES:

FRIENDLY 168 FIA

91.5 WFL (MEDIAN)

308 WIA (101001)

B. ENEMY: LA 64 NVA REG (CONF) TO 1000 (CONF) 5

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45 POF

55 IMPROVED CIGARETTES

170 DEFENDERS

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2 CIRC DEFENDANT 23

C. TIC: 34.6

CSIC: 55

7. SCOUT SWIMMER REPORT:

UNIT	NO TRANS	NO EMPLOYED	COOKIES	REMARKS
3/2	5	5	YD 174731	NFG
3/4	2	2	YD 127760	NFG
2/1	1	1	YD 118073	NFG

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131610Z MAR 68

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 ARTY, USA

FIRST MARINES

THIRD MARINES

FOURTH MARINES

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 533 FOR OP KENTUCKY FROM 131800H-132400H MAR 68

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

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CORRECTION TO SIT REP # 531. PARA 6A, 1 USMC VIA (MINOR) LISTED IN PARA 4C NOT INCLUDED IN TOTALS. CHANGE TOTAL TO READ 399 USMC VIA (MINOR).

B. CORRECTION TO SIT REP # 531. PARA 6C. INC SHOULD READ 164 VICE

146 CORRECTION ALSO TO SIT REP # 532.

C. AT 131800H, 1/4 OP 2 AT A-4 POSITION REPORTED OBS ACTIVE ARTY POSITION AT -56742 AT TIME WHEN DONG HA WAS RECEIVING INCOMING. FIRED TANKS FROM A-4 WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. ALSO CALLED ARTY MSN, BUT DUE TO RANGE, COULD NOT OBSERVE COVERAGE.

D. AT 132100H 2/1 AT C-2 POSIT R'PORTED ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF 45 CAL. PISTOL RESULTING IN R 1 WBC; WOUND IN LEFT LOWER LEG. MEDEVAC COMPLETED; INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

E. AT 132258H 3/3 REPORTED FOUR RDS EST 105mm ARMY INCOMING IMPACTING AT YD 176718.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA

916 WIA (MEDEVAC)

399 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

240 DETAINEES TOTAL

43 POW

55 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 164

CSWC: 55

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

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 SITREP NR 5M FOR OVN KENTUCKY PR 140001H-210600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING LIGHT FIRE ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANS:

A. UNITS WILL MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, CONDUCT PATROLS, AND MAN OPS.
 B. CLEARING AND MAINTAINING SECURITY OF MSR WILL BE CONDUCTED.
 C. RESUPPLY OF UNITS WILL BE CONDUCTED ALONG MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 916 MIA (MISDVAC)
 399 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1484 KVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 240 DETAINEES
 43 POW
 52 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 138 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNED
 2 CIVIL DEATHS

C. IVC: 164
 CSWC: 55

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SECTION: S-3

DRAFTER: E.C. BLODGET 1/LT

RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS MAJOR

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

SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 535 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 140600H-141200H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.
 - B. RT 9 AND MSR 561 WERE SWEEPED AND SECURED.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 140825H 34 AT YD 153601 DETAINED 3 PERSONS AGES 17-18-19. ONE HAD I.D. CARD AND OTHER TWO HAD PAPERS. ALL TURNED OVER TO DIST HQ, PROVED TO BE COLLEGE STUDENTS
 - 3 DETAINEES, INNOCENT CIVILIANS.
 5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.
 - B. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 188 KIA
 - 916 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 399 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1484 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 2484 DET TOTAL
 - 43 POW
 - 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C: IWC: 164

CSWC: 55

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWENTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
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 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SILENT NR 536 FOR OPN MONTUCKY FROM 141200H-141800H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
 B. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 131620H, RECON TEAM AMBUSHED R VC/NVA AT TD 165539,
 RESULTING IN 2 NVA KIA AND 2 NVA WIA, CAPTURED. 1 WIA LATER DIED. 3 NVA KIA
 (CONF), ONE POW.

B. AT 141230H, 3/4 REPORTED DURING REMOVAL OF MINES AT CAM LO DIST.
 HQTRS, ONE MINE EXPLODED KILLING 3 PERSONS; TWO FROM 1ST AMTRACS AND ONE
 FROM 11TH ENGRS. 3 USMC (KIA NON-HOSTILE).

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 151 KIA
 916 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 399 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 244 DETAINEES TOTAL
 14 POW
 53 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 133 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 184
 CSWC: 53

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS:
101	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
102	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
103	1	1	YD 128673	NEG

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141750Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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 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)

CCN: 104

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 SITREP NR 537 FOR OPN TENTUCKY FROM 141800H-142400H M/68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND MAINTAINED
 R LP'S.

B. C-7, D-23, I-2, AA-3, J-11, CG-6, W-1, L-3, AND H-1

3. ENEMY CONTACT: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 142015H 2/1 AT YD 138618 REPORTED EXPLOSION IN MINE-FIELD
 WHICH WAS NOT THE RESULT OF OUR ACTIVITY OR MOVEMENT. AREA TO BE
 MAINTAINED UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

B. AT 142050H 6/3/4 SPOTTED TWO SUSPECT ENEMY AT YD 128586.
 FIRED SIX RDS 60mm MORTAR RE W/GOOD TOT COVERAGE. WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 142125H 3/4 AT YD 170586 REC'D 30-40 RDS OF INCOMING FROM
 YD 186595. ESTIMATED CALIBER OF RDS AT 60mm MORTAR. CALLED IN ARTY MSN
 AND ALERTED NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

D. AT 142145H 3/2/1 AT YD 125668 SPOTTED ONE NVA AT YD 125669
 MOVING TO RIGHT OF COMBAT OP. FIRED FIVE RDS OF M-16; SAW NVA DROP
 AND MOVE INTO BUSHES. FIRED SIX RDS M-79 INTO BUSHES. WILL CHECK AT
 FIRST LIGHT.

E. AT 142145H 2/1 AT YD 129672, USING STARLIGHT SCOPE, PICKED UP
 ENEMY MOVEMENT ALONG FRONT LINE AT YD 130672. FIRED FIVE RDS M-79 AND 2
 M-26 GRENADES. MOVEMENT CEASED AND WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

F. AT 142215H 3/4 AT YD 178586 REC'D 25 RDS OF 60mm MORTARS.
 ALL RDS WERE SHORT OF PERIMETER WIRE. REC'D FIRE WITH B/A AND A/W.
 CALLED IN ARTY MSN ON YD 186595 OF 25 RDS 105mm RE ARTY WITH GOOD
 TOT COVERAGE. DANGER ZONE, INCOMING CEASED.

G. AT 142305H 3/4 AMBUSH DETECTED MOVEMENT OF APPROX SEVEN
 NVA VIC YD 177583. ADJUSTED 60mm MORTAR MSN ON TGT AREA WITH UNK
 RESULTS. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS, AND
MAINTAIN L.P.'S.

B. C-6, D-23, I-4, J-11, A-2, E-2, CC-2, L-2, AND RU-1.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA

916 MIA (MEDDEVAC)

399 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

244 DETAINMENT TOTAL

44 POW

58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

138 DETAINMENT

2 VC RETURNED

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 164

CSWC: 55

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD MAP DIV
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FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MOUNTAIN ARTY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR CGMC FMV (P)

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SETREP NR 528 FOR OPERATION SWEETKEY FR 143000N TO 1.50600N MAR 68

UNIT LOCATIONS: 10 JUL 68

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS AND UNITS MAINBATTLED AND ENGAGED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT THEIR MAIN ACTIVITIES.

ENERGY CONTRACTS

OTHER SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS: HOUSE

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ALL UNITS WILL REMAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS UNTIL COLLECTING PATROLS
END OF IS.

ALL LOCOS WILL BE SHIPPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGIMENTAL POLICY.

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 150425Z MAR 68

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

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 SITREP NR 539 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 150600Z 06/1200 MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PATROLS AND OP'S.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA
 - 916 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 - 399 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 244 DETAINEES TOTAL
 - 44 POW
 - 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 138 DETAINEES
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 - C. IWC: 164
 - CSWC: 55

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD 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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ITREP NR 540 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 151200H-151800H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.
 - B. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 1100H 6/2/1 AT YD 152682 OBS 12 PERSONS AT YD 160682 PROCEEDING EAST TO SOUTHEAST, KILLER TM INTERCEPTED AND PICKED UP 9 FEMALE DETAINEES, THREE MALE (2 IN UTILITY UNIFORMS AND ONE ~~ONE~~ IN BLACK PJ'S ESCAPED TO THE SOUTH-SOUTHWEST. 32 RDS OF 105MM ARTY WERE FIRED UNTIL BLOCKING FORCE (PLT) WAS IN POSITION. A PLT SIZE REACTION FORCE WAS DISPATCHED AND SEARCHED ENTIRE AREA, ONE ADDITIONAL FEMALE WAS APPREHENDED. ARVN LIAISON OFFICER CONDUCTED INITIAL INTERROGATION OF DETAINEES. LITTLE USEFUL INFO WAS GAINED, ALL DET INSISTED THEY WERE WOODCUTTERS, PEA PICKERS AND CATTLE DRIVERS, WOOD AND PEAS WERE IN THEIR POSITION. THEIR HOME WAS IN THE VIC TRUC LAM (2366) KILLER TM REMAINS IN AREA AND WILL CONTINUE ~~TO~~ SURVEILLANCE, DET WERE FORWARDED TO I.T.T.
 - B. AT 1123H 3/3 AT A-~~D~~ REC'D 5 RDS OF 60MM MORTARS IMPACTING AT YD 176723 RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (MINOR) 81MM MSV WAS FIRED WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE.
 - C. AT 1150H K/3/4 RD SWEEP AT YD 220635 DUSTER HIT MINE RESULTING IN 3 MEDEVACS, PUSHED DUSTER OFF RD TO AWAIT PICKUP.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS AND M&M RP'S.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 161 KIA
 919 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 100 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1187 MVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 254 DEFT TOTAL
 44 POW
 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINÉES
 2 VC RETURNÉES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164
 CSAC: 55

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT.

UNIT	NO. IN	NO. EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
373	1	4	YD 171731	
1ST HQ, CAC	2	2	YD 177590	
	1	1	YD 178673	

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CP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 151645 Z MAR68

FROM: NINE MARINES
TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV
INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
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FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (F)

CCN: 111

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SETRUP NR 541 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 151800Z-152100Z MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
C. 0-9, 0-9, 1-5, J-13, L-4, U-1, AA-3, CC-7, EE-3.
3. NEW MY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
A. 151800H 3/4 REPORTED A MARINE RETURNING FROM A PATROL WHILE INJURING HIS ANKLE AND IS BEING HELD AT SAS FOR TREATMENT (NOT ADDED TO CUMULATIVE TOTALS).
B. 151800H 6/2/71 PATROL LABRUEF REVEALED PATROL REC'D 1 RD BECOMING VIC YD 149878. THE PATROL TOOK COVER AND CALLED 2/1 USCC WHO DETERMINED ROUND WAS NOT FRIENDLY. 4 MORE RDS WERE REC'D FROM A WESTERLY DIRECTION IMPACTING YD 151650.
C. 151915H 7/2/71 REPORTED UNITS OBS 1 EN CRAWLING UP CULLY IN FRONT OF "P" GO LINES. UNIT FIRED 25 RDS 7-16 AND WILL CHK AREA AT FIRST LITE. AS DARKNESS MADE CHECKING INCREASABLE.
D. 152100H 2/1 OP WEST OBS 5 NVA WITH NOD VIC YD 120644. TOOK EN UNDER FIRE WITH 20 RDS 60MM AND 14 RDS 105MM W/GOOD 1ST COVERAGE. WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND SECUR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA
919 WIA (MEND VAC)
400 WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF)
5 VC KIA (CONF)
254 DET TOTAL
14 POW
58 INN CIVILIANS
148 DET
2 CIVIL DEF
2 VC RETROGRESS
C. IWC: 164
CS-C: 55
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FROM: 10TH MARINES
 TO: CO, THIRD MAR DIV
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 FIRST MARINES
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 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR GUANG TRI

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 DIRECTOR 542 FOR ORN KENTUCKY FROM 152400H-160600H MAR 68

1. SUBJECT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

3. NO CONTACTS: NONE

4. UNUSUAL SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 151220H, 2/1 AT YD 135440 REPORTED FIVE BREAKS IN P REINFOR WIRE ON AZIMUTHS OF 155, 160, 165, AND 185 DEGREES. 20 METERS APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN CUT BY SMALL EXPLOSION AT 1420.50 ALONG AZ OF 160 DEGREES. SANDAL TRACKS OF ONE MAN MOVING SOUTH TOWARD TREE LINE WAS DISCOVERED IN AREA OF BREAKS AND SEVERAL MANY ANIMAL TRACKS WERE DISCOVERED THROUGHOUT. REPAIRS BEING MADE AND OBS OF AREA CONTINUING.

B. 152330H, 2/1 ELEMENTS AT YD 135540 HEARD FAN'S VOICE AT YD 130540, WORD APPEARED TO BE "NO". FIRED 4 M-79 RDS AND ONE 40mm RD. ORN 542 RADAR TO COVER AREA; AREA WILL BE CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACT

B. RT 9, INR 561, AND RT 3 TO C-1 POSIT WILL BE SURVEY AND SECURED.

C. SUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

6. COMBATIVE LOSSES:

A. CASUALTY: 191 KIA

919 VIA (NIDVAC)

400 NIA (NIDVAC)

B. WOUNDS 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

254 DETAINED TOTAL

44 POW

58 IN OTHER CIVILIANS

148 DETAINED

2 VC RETURNED

2 CIVIL INTERDANTS

C. INC: 151

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160410Z MARCH 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 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 543 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 160600H-161200H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 160945H M/3/3 VIC YD 187733 AND C(2)/1/4 VIC YD 197742
 CAME IN CONTACT WITH AN UNDETERMINED SIZE ENEMY FORCE. AO AND
 GUNSHIPS WERE CALLED ON STATION IMMEDIATELY.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING
 NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. THE COMMANDING OFFICER AND HIS STAFF WILL GO TO CAMP EVANS
 TO EFFECT LIASON.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA

919 WIA (MDEVAC)

400 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

254 DETAINEES TOTAL

44 POW

58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

148 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS 1/LT.

RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS MAJOR

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

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 SINTP 544 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 161200H-161800H MAR 68

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

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE COND CTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. ALL MSR'S WERE SWEEP; HWY #1 TO C-1 AND RESUPPLY CARRIED OUT.

3. **ENEMY CONTACTS:**

A. 3/3 HAS BEEN IN VARYING DEGREES OF CONTACT SINCE 150945H. A COMPLETE SUMMARY REPORT WILL FOLLOW.

4. **OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

A. AT 161030H 2/1 KILLER TEAM VIC YD 148677 OBS 5 EVA AND TOOK UNDER FIRE WITH 50 RDS OF 105mm WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. WILL SWEEP AREA WHEN EXTRACTION FLT ARRIVES IN THE AREA.

B. AT 161100H M/3/4 PATROL FOUND 2 SHELLS VIC YD 168611, THEY WERE EITHER SHOT GUN SHELLS OR PRIMERS FOR MORTAR SHELLS.

C. AT 161130H 1/4 VIC YD 124696 OBS DETONATION OF 1 SUSPRISE EXPLOSION DEVICE. OBSERVED NO SHRAPNEL EFFECT. AREA WAS CHECKED FOR MORE SUCH DEVICES AND SHIFTED LOCATION TO VIC YD 124699.

D. AT 161200H 1/4 VIC YD 098678 FOUND 2 BUNKERS ABOUT 4 FT DEEP LARGE ENOUGH FOR 1 OR 2 MEN EACH. WILL KEEP UNDER SURVALANCE UNTILL THEY DEPART AREA AND THEN WILL DESTROY THEM.

E. AT 161430H 3/4 REC'D 2 RDS 82mm SUSPECTED FROM VIC YD 139616 AND YD 139613.

F. AT 161430H 2/1 REPORTED REC'ING 2 RDS OF 82mm IN THE PERIMETER AT C-2. OP WEST OBS MORTAR VIC YD 095627, AND FIRED 6 WP AND 10 HE 105mm ON ABOVE ENEMY GRID.

G. AT 161450H 1/3/4 PATROL FOUND 3 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES VIC YD 124616 MEASURING 1 1/2 x 4 x 1. AREA WAS SEARCHED AND PATROL CONTINUED.

H. AT 161724H 2/1 REPORTED REC'ING INCOMING AT C-2 RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA (MEDEVAC). RETURNING FIRE AT THIS TIME.

5. **PLANS:**

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN POSITIONS, CONDUCT AMBUSH PATROLS AND MAN LEADS

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6 CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A FRIENDLY: 191 KIA

920 KIA (MEDEVAC)

400 KIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1487 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

251 DETAINEES TOTAL

44 POW

58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

148 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 164

CSWC: 55

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	5	4	YD 171731	NEG
3/4	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
2	1	1	YD 128673	NEG

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 RELEASED BY: *J. Hopkins* J. HOPKINS MAJOR

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160445Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

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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 545 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 161800H-162400H MAR 68

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

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACT.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 162110H, 173/4 SQUAD AT YD 133625, WHILE MOVING TO NIGHT POSIT., HEARD MOVEMENT TO FRONT AND OPENED FIRE WITH S/A AND M-79 AND REC'D RETURN FIRE. CHECKED AREA AND FOUND 2 NVA (CONF) AND 2 WEAPONS (2 IWC). DEBRIEF WILL FOLLOW.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY AT 160915H, 3/3 AT YD 187736 FOUND 2 HELMETS, 1 DRUM MAG. FOR LIGHT MACHINE GUN, 1 PAIR OF GOGGLES, A HAMMOCK, AND 3 LBS EXPLOSIVE.

B. LATE ENTRY AT 161735H AND AT 161830H, 1/4 OPI AT A-4 POSIT SPOTTED ACTIVE ARTY AT YD 06597493. CALLED 155mm ARTY MSN AND FIRED TANKS WITH EXCELLENT COV RAGE OF TARGET.

C. LATE ENTRY AT 161735H, 2/1 AT YD 135646 REC'D 5 RDS 82mm AND 10 RDS 60mm MORTAR INCOMING, RESULTING IN 5 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC) (1 PREVIOUSLY REPORTED) AND 3 USMC KIA (MINOR). REC'D FIRE WITH 60mm MORTAR ON YD 118643 AND ARTY ON YD 095627, YD 101618, YD 110647, YD 117643, AND YD 119633.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	191	KIA
	924	VIA (MEDEVAC)
	403	VIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY	1489	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	254	DETAINÉES TOTAL
	44	POW
	58	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	148	DETAINÉES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. INC:	166	
CSMC:	55	

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 SITREP FR 546 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 162400H-170600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

3. UNIT CONTACTS:

A. AT 162200H 3/3 VIC A-3, SUMMARY OF H/3/3 AND C/1/4 CONTACT ON 16 MAR. 3/3 DEPLOYED C/1/4 AND H/3/3 TO SUR P BOTH SIDES OF RAIL ROAD TRACK IN GRIDS 1974/1973. AT 0940H C/1/4 WHILE MOVING AT COOR YD 195734 CONTACTED APPROX 40 NVA FIRING FR SEVERAL LOCATIONS TO THE NW AND NE. C/1/4-6 DEPLOYED BOTH PLTS AND REFUSED HIS FLANKS TO THE EAST AND WEST. HIS LEFT FLANK DEPLOYED WESTWARD TO MEET THE HEAVIEST RESISTANCE 3/3-6 ULTIMATLY PULLED 1/4-6 BACK TO YD 197738 TO CONSOLIDATE AND EXPLOIT ARTILLERY FIRE AND AIR SUPPORT. 1/4-C-6 COMMITTED HIS REMAINING PLT FR A-2 TO STRENGTHEN HIS POSIT. AT 0915H H/3/3 REPORTED FINDING FRESHLY DUG HOLE WITH ABANDONED NVA MG AMMO AND 782 GEAR (REF SPT REP 161955H) AND SHORTLY AFTER OBS MOVEMENT H/3/3 MADE HEAVY CONTACT ON LEFT FLANK AT 0940 WITH 30-50 DUG IN NVA. H/3/3 WHILE RETURNING FIRE RCD 60MM AND 81MM ADJUSTED MORTARS, S/A, MG FIRE AND CHICONS. FIXED WING AO AND ARTILLERY AS WELL AS HEAVY 81MM WERE USED TO SUPPORT, WHILE H/3/3 CONSOLIDATED INITIAL GAINS. ELEMENTS OF NVA UNITS BEGAN TO WITHDRAW TO NORTH AND AST. SEVERAL NVA WERE BEGLED AT YD 193741 BY C/1/4 AS THEY WITHDREW FROM CONTACT. ACCOUNTING FOR 12 NVA KIA (CONF) AT ABOUT 1030H H/3/3 CONTINUED TO MOVE FORWARD TO YD 187741 TO DEVELOP CONTACT. H/3/3 FINALLY MADE HEAVY CONTACT WITH SECURITY ELEMENTS OF WITHDRAWING MAIN FORCE. AO REPORTED APPROX 100 NVA IN TRENCHES APPROX 50-100 METERS FR H/3/3 FORWARD FLANK. H/3/3 HELD IN POSIT AND CALLED FIXED WING, GS AND DS ARTY GUNSHIPS, 60MM AND 81MM MORTARS. NVA WITHDREW TO NORTH, ASTSIDE

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TRAIL AT YD 183746. 106RR AND 81MM WERE FIRED ON NVA. OBS WITHDRAWING ACROSS PATTY AT ABOVE COORDS. ACCOUNTING FOR A TOTAL OF 8 NVA KIA (CONF). N/3/3 CONTINUED TO PERSON WITHDRAWING WITH FIRE. N/3/3 CONF 56 NVA BY GROUND FIRE THROUGHOUT 6 HRS GROUND CONTACT. AO EST IN AT ONE BATTALION SIZE. OVER 400 RDS OF TST 105MM ARTY WAS REC'D BY N/3/3, C/1/4 AND A-3 WHICH WAS POORLY ADJUSTED AND GENERALLY INEFFECTIVE. FIXED WING AND AO REC'D HEAVY S/A FIRE FR YD 1774. MAIN ELEMENT ENGAGED BY N/3/3 CLAD IN NEW GREEN UTILITIES, METAL FLAK JACKETS, HELMETS WITH NETS, AND CAMOUFLAGED. 2 ELEMENTS NEAR RR TRACKS IDENTIFIED WITH CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES AND SHEN HATS OR BRUSH HATS. NVA BODIES RECOVERED DID NOT HAVE WEAPONS. 81MM AND ARTY WAS ADJUSTED AND 60MM AND 106RR WERE EFFECTIVELY EMPLOYED FROM VANTAGE POINT ON HILL 28. REQUESTED AO DEBRIEF. RESULTS OF ACTION: 9 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC) 2 USMC KIA ~~(CONF)~~, 12 NVA KIA (CONF) BY C/1/4, 56 NVA KIA (CONF) BY N/3/3, 7 KIA BY 106'S, 1 KIA BY 81'S, 2 KIA BY ARTY AND 5 NVA KIA BY FIXED WING. TOTAL 83 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 2345H 1737E VIC YD 133624 OF OBS 3 PEOPLE WALKING DOWN RT 561 CHECKING OUT EE BODIES LEFT FR PREVIOUS AMBUSH, AMBUSH WAS SPRUNG, SEARCH OF AREA CHECKED OUT KILLING ZONE, REC'D ONE INCOMING CHICOM GRENADE, AMBUSH ON LINE SWEEP AREA OF AMBUSH REVEALING 1 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 1 AK-47, ALSO FOUND ONE TM-31 A.T. MINE.

B. AT 170025H N/2/1 OF OBS LIGHTS MOVING SOUTH AT YD 125646 FIRED 20 RDS OF 60MM WITH RDS ON TGT, LIGHTS WENT OUT.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.

B. RT 9 MSR 561 AND RT 1 TO C-1 POSIT ~~WILL~~ BE SWEEP AND SECURED.

C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER THE MSR.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 109 KIA

922 KIA (MEDEVAC)

1103 KIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1166 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

254 DRT TOTAL

148 DETAINEES

114 POW

2 VC RETURNERS

58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IVC: 167

CSVC: 55

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 SITREP NR 547 FOR GEN AMTUCKY FB 170500N-171200N MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.
 - B. RT 9 TO CAN LO AND POF 561 WERE SWEPT AND SECURED.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. CORRECTION TO SITREP NR 546 PARA (6) (B). 5 NVA KIA (CONF) BY FIXED WING AND 2 NVA KIA (CONF) BY ARTY LISTED IN PARA (3) (A). THESE NOT INCLUDED IN TOTALS. ADD 7 NVA KIA (CONF)
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTIVITIES.
 - B. RESCUE WILL BE CONDUCTED BY HELL AND OTHER MSR.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 193 KIA
 - 933 WIA (REDEVAC)
 - 403 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1573 KIA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 - 254 NET TOTAL
 - 44 POW
 - 53 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 - 2 VC RETURNEES
 - 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

148 DETAINees
 C: INC: 167
 CSWC: 55

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SITREP NR 548 FOR CBN KENTUCKY FROM 171200H-171800H RANGE

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: ALL COORDS: YD

A. 3/3 I CO 170732	2/1 F CO 133645
K CO 173722	F CO 133645
B CO 173722	G CO 129674
H CO 171732	F CO 118691
CP 175721	CP 133645

1/4A CO 115701	3/4 I CO 1142613
B CO 115701	K CO 178586
C CO 214743	L CO 128589
D CO 115701	M CO 1148604
CP 115701	CP 1142614

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER HSR.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE MORNING AT 171115H, 1/4 OP. AT A-4 POSITIONS FIRED 4.2 INCH MORTAR ON TRENCH LINE AT YD 121741 AND OBSERVED ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

B. AT 171405H 3/3 AT A-2 POSITION REPORTED TWO ENGINEERS WORKING IN MINE FIELD ACCIDENTALLY DETONATED A MINE. MEDIVAC REQUESTED AND COMPLETED AT 171428H 11TH ENGINEERS BN WILL HOLD INVESTIGATION 2 USMC VIA (MEDIVACS)

C. AT 171522H, 3/3 REPORTED RESUPPLY HELICO. RECEIVING AUTO WEAPON FIRE FROM 2 TO 3 WEAPONS AT YD 190708. ARTY MISSION FIRED, ONE SILENCED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONFINE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

A. FRIENDLY: 193 KIA

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B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 251 DETAINEES TOTAL
 44 POW
 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNED
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 167

CSMC: 55

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SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NR TEAMS</u>	<u>NR EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
3/3	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
3/A	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
2/A	1	1	YD 128673	NEG

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171640Z MARCH 68

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SITREP NR 519 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 171800H-172400H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 172015H, 3/4 AT YD 129621, WHILE POSITIONING NIGHT TIME ACTS, THE 3D SQUAD OF 1ST FLT. "I" CO (WHICH WAS IN POSITION) MISTAKENLY TOOK UNDER FIRE THE FIRST SQUAD, 2D FLT. OF "I" CO, TO THEIR POSITION, RESULTING IN 1 NON HOSTILE KIA. COORDINATION OF NIGHT TIME ACTS HAD BEEN MADE. CAUSE OF ERROR UNK AT PRESENT. "I" 1C IS RETURNING TO C-3, "I" 2A IS REMAINING IN POSITION, AND KNOX AN INVESTIGATION INITIATED.

B. AT 172130H, 2/1 AT YD 137639, RADAR AT FIGHTING POSITION # 24 SIGHTED ENEMY AT YD 137639. SHIFTED INFRA RED LIGHT TO COVER AREA AND FIRED 30 RDS 60mm AND CONTINUED HE-I FOR 15 MINUTES. AT 172240H OP 1 SPOTTED TWO NVA AT GRID 131636. CALLED ARTY MSN, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT.

C. AT 2200H, AT A-2 TOWER # 9 OBS WHAT APPEARED TO BE A TRUCK CONVOY AT YD 185805. CONVOY PROCEEDED TO YD 160779 AND THEN RET'D TO YD 185805. THIS WAS ANALYZED TO BE AN INFILTRATION ROUTE. SIX HE-I'S, ALONG ROUTE AND MULTIPLE TOT'S PLANNED FOR APPARENT ASSEMBLY AREA AT TERMINAL POINT.

5. PLEASE ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO DEFEND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA

935 WIA (NEDEVAC)

403 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

254 DETAINEES TOTAL

44 POW

253 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

148 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNERS

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IVC: 167

CSWC: 55

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 SITREP NR 550 FOR OPN KENTUCKY NR 172400H-180600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT THEIR NIGHT TIME ACTS.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 172130H 2/1 REPORTED THAT A RADAR UNIT ON ITS LINES PICKED UP AN ENEMY CONTACT VIC YD 137639. AN INFA RED LIGHT WAS USED TO OBS AREA AND 3 RDS OF 60mm WERE FIRED INTO THE AREA PLUS 15 MIN OF H&I'S. THE AREA WILL BE CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.
 - B. AT 172200H TOWER #9 AT A-2 OBS AN APPARENT TRUCK CONVOY VIC YD 185805; CONVOY PROCEEDED TO VIC YD 160774 AND RETURNED TO VIC YD 185805. 3/3 CALLED FIRE MSN OF 50 RDS GS VT IN A 500x500 ZONE AND SHIFT.
 - C. AT 172240H 2/1 REPORTED THAT OP #1 OBS 2 NVA VIC YD 131636 THROUGH A MOD AND CALLED ARTY MSN, WILL CHECK AREA A FIRST LIGHT.
 - D. AT 172315H 2/1 AT C-2 REPORTED HEARING SOUNDS SIMILAR TO WIRE BEING CUT. FIRED 2, 106mm RR FLESHETTE RDS INTO THE AREA AND NOISES STOPPED, WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.
 - E. CORRECTION SITREP FOR 171800H TO 172400H MAR 68. CHANGE SITREP NR FROM 548 TO 549.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTS.
 - B. THE REGIMENTAL COMMANDER WILL VISIT POSITIONS ALONG TRACE TODAY.
 - C. H'Y# 1 WILL BE SEPT AT FIRST LIGHT IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUEST FROM DIV.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	19	KIA
	935	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	403	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1573	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	254	DETAINEE'S TOTAL
	44	POW
	58	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	148	DETAINEE'S
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. INC:	167	
CSWC:	55	

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 SENIOR ADVISER QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 551 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 180600H-181200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTS.

B. ROAD SWEEPS COMPLETED, #1, #9, #561.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0830H 3/4 REPORTED THAT RAGGED LADDER BRAVO HAD REPORTED ONE GVN FEMALE, WHO WAS WORKING WITH A PROPAGANDA TM, WAS FOUND BY HER RELATIVES, WITH HER THROAT CUT IN 6 PLACES. VC HAD ENTERED THE VILLAGE OF CAM HUAG, HUAG HAMLET, PLACED AN "EXECUTION TAG" ON THE WOMAN, CUT HER THROAT AND LEFT HER FOR DEAD. AN EMERGENCY MEDEVAC WAS CALLED FOR AND COMPLETED AT 0845H.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS AND CONTINUE WITH DAY TIME ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA
 935 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 403 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 254 DETAINEES TOTAL
 44 POW
 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 167
 CSWC: 55
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 SITRIP NR 552 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 181200H181800H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY. AT 1000H AT YD 132628 2/1 FOUND 3 EN BODIES. ONLY FEET WERE SHOWING. THESE ARE BELIEVED TO BE SAME EN KILLED AND BURIED BY 3/4 ON 17 MAR (REF 162110H) THEY ALSO FOUND A RONDOLIER OF 5.56 AMMO AND 2 U.S. TYPE GAS MASKS, AND U.S. ANCHO WITH BLOOD ON IT.

B. LATE ENTRY. AT YD 098686 A KILLER TM FR 1/4 DISCOVERED A TUNNEL WITH AIR VENTS, PORTION OF THE TUNNEL WAS COVERED WITH BORDS AND 2 LAYERS OF SOD. A PLT FROM "A" 1/4 CHECKED OUT AREA AND FOUND THAT TUNNEL LINE CONNECTED 2 BUNKERS. COMPLEX DESTROYED WITH C-4.

C. AT 1246H AT YD 135625 3/4 OBS 5 SUSPECTS AMONGST HEND OF COWS, SUSPECTS WERE TAKEN TO CAM LO DIST HQ FOR INTERROGATION.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING ON NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 194 KIA
 935 WIA (REDEVAC)
 403 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 2549 DET TOTAL
 44 POW
 58 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 153 448 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 C. IWC: 167
 CSVC: 55

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 171731	
DIST HQ	2	2	YD 127590	
2/1	1	1	YD 133644	
2/1 B	1	1	YD 128673	
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 SITREP PR 553 FOR OPT KENTUCKY PR 181800H-182400H MARCH 1968

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NVA (S) C-14, D-22, I-4, J-18, L-2, W-1, AA-2, CC-6, EE-1.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. THE 5 SUSPECTS APPREHENDED BY 3/4 (SIT REP 552) PARA 4C WERE DETERMINED TO BE INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND RELEASED, ~~OFFICER~~ INTERROGATION BY ITT AND NAT'L POLICE, *after*
 - B. AT 182115H 2/1 VIC YD 132640 RADAR DETECT D EN MOVEMENT IN WESTERLY DIRECTION 500 M TERS IN FRONT OF FIGHTING BUNKERS, FIRED 11 RDS 60MM W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE, WILL CHK AREA AT FIRST LITE.
 - C. 182115H 3/4 ALBUSH VIC YD 130626 REC'D SEVERAL RDS SUSPECT MORTAR RDS AROUND THEIR POSIT, ACTIVITY REMAINED.
 - D. 182200H 3/3 VIC YD 171733 REC'D 1 RD INCOMING OF UNK PR UNK DIRECTION, WILL CHK AREA AT FIRST LITE.
 - E. 182235H 3/3 AT A-2 REC'D 14 RDS EST 105MM FIRED V.T. DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE UNABLE TO DETECT EN LOCATION.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS AND CARRY OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 198 KIA
 935 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 403 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF)
 5 VC KIA (CONF)
 44 POW
 259 DET TOTAL
 63 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 2 VC RETURNERS
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 148 DETAINEES

C: IWC: 167
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192225Z MAR 68

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 SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 554 FOR AOR KENTUCKY FROM 182400H-190600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT DAY ACT.
 - B. RT 9, NSR 56 AND RT 1 WILL BE SCOUTED AND SECURED
 - C. 1/4 WILL BEGIN OPERATION EAST OF A-4 POSITION.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 19 KIA
 935 MIA (MEDEVAC)
 400 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 153 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

157 REMAINS TOTAL

10 POW

83 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2 REMAINS

10 RETURNERS

10 CRIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 167

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RELEASED BY: *John [illegible]* HOPKINSSECTION: *1-2*

OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 190520Z MAR 68

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 ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES

CCN: 137

SENIOR ADVISOR, QUANG TRI (P)

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 SIEREP NR 555 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 190600H-191200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT: L/3/3 AND B/1/4 AT YD 143693
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ACMD GROUP 1/4, B/1/4 AND L/3/3 COMMENCED OPERATIONS AS PLANNED AT 190600H.

B. ALL UNITS DEFENDED AND MANNED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

C. CHOP OPCON L/3/3 TO 1/4 EFFECTIVE 190600H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: 3/3 AT A-2 REPORTED THAT AT 190600H A PF UNIT WAS AMBUSHED BY A NVA PLT. VIC ID 148693

B. FROM 190845H TO 190940H 1/4 AT A-4 REC'D A TOTAL OF 16 RDS OF ARTY ESTIMATED BETWEEN 130mm AND 152mm. REC'D FIRE ON: YD 06417495, YD 071721, YD 067754, YD 09197612, YD 037784, YD 08357937, YD 0634762.

C. AT 190900H 1/4 PATROL VIC YD 143698 FOUND AND DESTROYED ONE BUNKER 6x4x5 FEET.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES

A. FRIENDLY: 194 KIA

935 MIA (NEDEVA C)

403 MIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

259 DETAINEES TOTAL

44 POW

63 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

148 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEPENDANTS

C. IWC: 167

OSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS JR. 1/LC

RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS MAJOR

SECTION: S-3**CONFIDENTIAL**OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 19/115 2 MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
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 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 556 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 191200H-191800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT THEIR PLANNED DAYTIME ACTS.

B. ALL LOC'S WERE SWEEP AND CLEARED IN THE 9TH MAR AO.

4. ~~OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:~~

A. FOLLOW UP-SIT REP 555 PARA 4B 7RDS IMPACTED IN MINE FIELD ON NE SIDE OF PERIMETER, AND REMAINING RDS IMPACTED IN POSITION. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES, SMALL DAMAGE DONE TO DYEMARKER BUNKER, COMM WIRE AND COUNTER MORTAR RADAR.

B. BETWEEN 191100H TO 191130H REC'D A TOTAL TOTAL OF 8 RDS IN THE PERI-METER RESULTING IN NEG CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE. FIRED COUNTER BATTERY ON GRIDS AS FOLLOWS: 068754, 058761, 064761, 073784, 083772, 01347409.

C. AT 191155H 1/4 OP AT YANKEE STATION OBS 1 NVA MOVING WEST VIC YD 104695 FIRED 60mm MSN WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE.

D. AT 191208H 2/1 AT C-2 REC'D 13 RDS SUSP 120mm ARTY. CRATER ANALYSIS INDICATED A GT LINE OF 5400-5500 MILS. SM 2/4 OBS MUZZEL FLASHES AT YD 045750 AND ENGAGED TARGS. PATROLS WERE RE-ROUTED TO COVER POSSIBLE FO SITES. 81mm MSN FIRED ON OP SITES VIC YD 115656, YD 126647. ICOMING RESULTED IN 3 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

3. ~~ENEMY CONTACTS:~~ ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS AND CARRY OUT NIGHT TIME ACTS.

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6. COMBINATION LOSSES:

A. <u>W/REMOVED:</u>	194	KIA
	935	WIA (MDEWVLS)
	403	WIA (MAYON)
B. <u>ENEMY:</u>	1573	NVA KIA (COMF) VC KIA (COMF) 5
	259	DETAINNES TOTAL
	44	POW
	63	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	148	DETAINNES
	2	VC RETURNED
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. HIC: 167

OSIC: 55

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NR TMS</u>	<u>NR EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
3/8	4	4	YD 173123	NEG
1/4	2	1	YD 114763	NEG
2/1	2	2	YD 135445	NEG
3/4	3	3	YD 203613	NEG

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DRAFTED: E.C. BLODGETT 1/11

RELEASED BY: J. HOPKINS MAJOR

SECTION: 3-3

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 INFO: SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARMY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG THI (F)

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 SITREP NR 557 FOR OPN KENTUCKY SR 191800H-192400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACT.
 - B. C-12; D-19; I-24; J-20; L-2; W-1; AA-5; CC-5; EE-3
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE ENTRY, AT 191600H, 1/4 PATROL FOUND FRESH SANDAL PRINTS AT YD 145692. PRINTS MADE BY 2-3 PEOPLE MOVING WEST TO EAST ON TRAIL.
 - B. LATE ENTRY, AT 191600H, 3/4 RPT'D CAPT PATROL OBS SUSPECTED VC CARRYING BUNDLES VIC YD 115595. PATROL ATTEMPTED TO APPREHEND SUSPECTS, BUT SUSPECTS FLED LEAVING BUNDLES WHICH CONTAINED 2 BODIES BADLY DECOMPOSED. THE BODIES WERE SENT TO D MED, GRAVES REGISTRATION AND ARE BELIEVED TO BE 2 REMAINING MIA FROM 1/3/4 CONTACT. PAYMENT OF 5000 PIASTERS BEING MADE TO PP'S OF POLISH 1 THROUGH DISTRICT CHIEF. AT 192045H, 3/4 RPT THAT GRAVES REGISTRATION HAD IDENTIFIED THE 4 BODIES RECOVERED ON 13 MARCH AND THE 2 BODIES RECOVERED ON 19 MARCH AS BEING THE PERSONNEL PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS KIA, BODIES NOT RECOVERED; NOW MODIFIED TO READ 6 USMC KIA, 6 BODIES RECOVERED. (PREVIOUSLY ADDED TO TOTALS)
 - C. LATE ENTRY AT 191730H 1/4 RPT'D THAT 1/3/3 PATROL FOUND 1 RVA CAP WITH NAME AND SERIAL NO AT YD 139697. THIS POSIT BELIEVED TO BE POSSIBLE OF SITE OCCUPIED BY 4-5 PERSONS APPROX 7 DAYS AGO. CAP BEING FORWARDED TO 9TH MAR 3-2.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT NIGHT ACTS.

B. C-9; D-19; I-1; J-20; L-2; W-1; CC-5; EE-3.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA	
	935	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	403	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	1573	NVA KIA (CONF)	VC KIA (CONF) 5
	259	DETAINÉES TOTAL	
	44	POW	
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	148	DETAINÉES	
	2	VC RETURNEES	
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS	
C. INC:	167		
CSWC:	55		

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: J. P. HOPKINS
RELEASED BY: J. P. HOPKINS

SECTION: 3.3

192235Z MAR 68

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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
 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)

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 SITREP NR 558 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 192400H-200600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NITE TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. INTEL CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 0100, AT YDR 121593, CAP I COMPOUND REC'D FOUR RDS 60mm MORTARS IMPACTING 50-100 METERS OUTSIDE PERIMETER. 41 RDS OF 60mm HE, 6 RDS 120mm AND THREE RDS OF ARTY FIRED AS COUNTER BATTERY WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE AND WILL BE CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT.
5. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS, WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 - A. FRIENDLY: 191 KIA
 935 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 403 WIA (MINOR)
 - B. ENEMY: 1573 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 259 DETAINEES TOTAL
 44 POW
 63 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 167
 CSWC: 55

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DIRECTOR : J. E. HARRIS
RECEIVED BY : J. E. HARRIS

JOHN S. A.

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FROM: MARINE MARINES
TO: 2, FRIEND MAR (1)
INFO: 1, FRIEND MAR (1)
SUBJECT: FIRST MARINES
SECOND MAR, FIRST MARINES
THIRD MAR, SECOND MARINES
FOURTH MAR, THIRD MARINES
FIFTH MAR, FOURTH MARINES
SIXTH MAR, FIFTH MARINES
SEVENTH MAR, SIXTH MARINES
EIGHTH MAR, SEVENTH MARINES
NINTH MAR, EIGHTH MARINES
TENTH MAR, NINTH MARINES
ELEVENTH MAR, TENTH MARINES
TWELFTH MAR, ELEVENTH MARINES
THIRTEENTH MAR, TWELFTH MARINES
FOURTEENTH MAR, THIRTEENTH MARINES
FIFTEENTH MAR, FOURTEENTH MARINES
SIXTEENTH MAR, FIFTEENTH MARINES
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TEN-HUNDRED-MAR, NINE-HUNDRED-NINTH MARINES
TEN-HUNDRED-FIRST MAR, TEN-HUNDRED-MARINES
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TEN-HUNDRED-FIFTH MAR, TEN-HUNDRED-FOURTH MARINES
TEN-HUNDRED-SIXTH MAR, TEN-HUNDRED-FIFTH MARINES
TEN-HUNDRED-SEVENTH MAR, TEN-HUNDRED-SIXTH MARINES
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	913	NVA MEDVIA C	
	903	NVA (MINOR)	
16. EXHIBIT:	187B	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF)	5
	262	DETAINERS FORMER	
	30	POE	
	31	INDICTED IN VIETNAM	
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SENIOR ADVISER QUANG TRI (P)

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 SITREP NR 560 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 201200H-201800H MAR 68

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

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. RT 1 TO C-1 WAS SWEEPED SECURED.

C. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 201055H, 2/1 KILLER TEAM AT YD 159694 OBSERVED 20-30 NVA AT YD 159655 MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSITION UNIT CALLED FOR AIR AND ARTY SUPPORT, AO RESPONDED TO EMERGENCY CALL AND RAN 1 FLIGHT OF GUN SHIPS REACTION FORCE OF 2 PLATOONS MOVED OUT OF C-2 POSITION AND LINKED UP WITH KILLER TEAM AT APPROX 1500H. MEDEVAC REQUESTED AND COMPLETED AT APPROX 1530H. AO ON STATION CONTINUED TO DIRECT ARTY AND AIR AROUND POSITION. UNIT BEGAN WITHDRAWAL TO C-2 POSITION RESULTS OF CONTACT WERE 2 USMC KIA (MEDEVAC) 3 USMC NB (HEAT EXPLOSION) AND 1 SCOUT DOG KIA. AT 201650H, WHILE ON ROUTE TO C-2 POSITION, KILLER TEAM AND REACTION FORCE AT YD 159654 REC'D 25 RDS OF 60 MM INCOMING FROM YD 160660, RESULTING IN NEG CASUALTIES. AO ON STATION CALLED ARTY ON ENEMY COORDINATES.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 201030H, 2/1 PATROL AT YD 136635 SPOTTED 1 NVA MOVING WEST AT YD 136630. FIRED M-16, M-60, AND M-79. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

B. AT 201050H, 3/4 AT C-3 POSITION. REC'D 10-12 RDS OF SMALL ARMS AND 1 WP MORTAR RD, FROM YD 145618. FIRED 81 MM MSN WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. SENT PATROL TO CHECK OUT AREA AND ESTABLISH DAY OP. NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 201200H B/A/4 OP AT YD 158702 OBSERVED 2 NVA W/BUSH COVERS, GREEN UTILITIES AND HEAVY PACKS, NVA HAD APPARENTLY BEEN SLEEPING BEHIND BOMB CRATER APPROX 100 METERS SOUTH OF OP 1 STOOD UP AND BEGAN MOVING NORTH. OP 1 TOOK NVA UNDER FIRE AND OB 1 DROP AS THEY FLED SE. WHILE FIRING, OP OBS 4-5 MORE NVA SIMILARLY ATTIRED AT YD 158659 WHO WERE ALSO RUNNING SE. CALLED IN ARTY AND AIR STRIKE ON POSSIBLE ESCAPE RTS. PATROL CHECKING AREA OF CONTACT OBS DRAG MARKS, BUT NO FURTHER RESULTS.

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5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 194 KIA
947 MIA (MDFVAG)
103 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1573 MVA KIA (SCHEP) VC KIA (CONF) 5
252 DETAINES TOTAL
44 POW
65 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
100 DETAINERS
2 VC RETURNERS
2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 167CSWC: 45

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TRAPS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	4	4	YD 172723	NEG
3/4 (DIST HQ, COO)	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
1/4	1	1	YD 133644	NEG
2/1	3	1	YD 128673	NEG

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DRAFTER: J. F. RHODES CAPT.

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 SITREP NR 561 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 201800H-202400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. FINAL-REP 201055H AT YD 159654 REACTIONARY FORCE EFFECTED LINK-UP
 KILLER TEAM AND EXTRACTED UNIT. RECEIVED 60 MM AT LINK-UP POINT. TOTAL
 2 NVA BY S/A, 8 NVA BY AO. 2 AK-47'S CAPTURED. 1 SCOUT DOG KIA 2USMC WIA

3. HEAT CASUALTIES.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 2050 3/4 AT 126588 REPORTED 1 MAN WOUNDED IN LOWER LEG BY ACCIDENTAL
 DISCHARGES WHILE ON LP. MAN BROUGHT INTO CP. MAN MEDEVACED. INVESTIGATING
 OFFICER APPOINTED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE W/NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 194 KIA
 999 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 403 WIA (MINOR)
 1583 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 262 DETAINEES TOTAL
 44 POW
 66 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNED
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 169

CSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: J. H. CHAMBERS, 1/11
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 SITREP NR 562 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR 212400H-210600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 201055H 2/1 AT YD 159654 EN 159655. E-1 KILLER TM PATROL LOCATED 2 EN GRAVES IN BOMB CRATER GRID 159654. PATROL CHECKED AND FOUND 2 BODIES DRESSED IN NVA UNIFORMS. 1 GRAVE HAD BAG OF CIVILIAN CLOTHES, ONE NVA COLLAR WAS LINED ON UNDERSIDE WITH BLUE CLOTH. DETAILS WILL FOLLOW ON ON INT-LL SUMMARY. DURING THE EXAMINATION OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PATROL AND AP ON STATION ABOVE OBS 30-40 CIVILIANS WEARING SILVER HELMETS APPARENTLY CUTTING WOOD, AT THIS TIME SCOUT DOG AND REAR PARTY WERE ALERTED, 20-30 NVA MOVING TOWARD FRIENDLY POSIT, EN IMMEDIATELY COMMENCED FIRING AND ATTEMPTED TO ENCIRCLE PATROL. PATROL LDR CALLED AO ON STATION WHO RESPONDED WITH AIR AND ARTY, GUNSHIPS, NR AND TYPE OF RDS AND BDA WUNK. REACTION FORCE OF 2 PLTS WAS DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY FROM C-2 POSIT IN AND AROUND BOMB CRATER WAS UNTEENABLE AND NEARLY ENCIRCLED. PTL LDR ELECTED TO BREAK OUT TO NE AND REESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE PERIMETER ON A SMALL RIDGE LINE 100-200 METERS FROM CRATER, DURING BREAKOUT 2 USMC WERE KIA, ONE WAS PATROL LDR, WHO WAS HIT TWICE BUT REMAINED IN CONTROL OF THE PATROL AND DIRECTED THE DEFENSIVE PERIMETER UNTIL RELIEVED BY REACTION FORCE, SCOUT DOG ATTEMPTED TO ATTACK A NVA FIRING AT MEMBERS OF PATROL AND WAS SHOT IN HEAD AND KILLED. 2 USMC SCOUT DOG KIA. DOG HANDLER FIRED AT NVA AND SAW HIM FALL BUT WAS UNABLE TO CONF KIA. 2 NVA KIA CONF BY GRNADIE DURING BREAKOUT. REACTION FORCE WAS UNDER GUIDENCE OF AO AFFECTING JUNCTURE AT ABOUT 201145H.

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WHEN REACTION FORCE APPROACHED THE PATROL POSIT, 2 NVA WERE OBS AND KIA. UPON APPROACH OF REACTION FORCE NVA DISENGAGED AND CONTACT WAS BROKEN. REACTION FORCE CHECKED AREA. MEDEVACED KIA'S AND MEDEVACS AND EXTRACTED KILLER TM. ONE NVA APPEARED TO BE NCO HOWEVER BODY COULD NOT BE CHECKED AS THE GRENADE HAD SET FIRE TO CLOTHING AND HIS AMMO WAS COOKING OFF. AFTER DEPARTING TO C-2 PATROL REC'D 25 RDS 60mm MORTAR NEAR FRIENDLY POSITION. ON RETURN TRIP AO BN STATION CONTROLLED FIXED WING/ARTY FIRES PATROL MEMBERS FEEL THAT CIVILIANS IN SILVER HELMETS WERE A DIVERSION TO ALLOW THE NVA FREEDOM TO ATTEMPT TO ENCIRCLE THE PATROL. RESULTS OF CONTACT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1 KIA SCOUT DOG
 2 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) 3 USMC WIA (MINOR)
 NEG
 6 NVA KIA (CONF) BY GROUND TROOPS. 8 NVA KIA (CONF) BY AO. UNK NR BY AIR/ARTY FIRES
 2 AK-47's, ONE TAKEN OUT WITH MEDEVAC.
 5. PLANS:
 A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTS.
 B. MANUEVER BN: WILL EXECUTE FRAG ORDER 0 FOR 20 MAR 68
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
 A. FRIENDLY: 181 KIA
 93 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 403 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1585 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 262 DETAINEES TOTAL
 44 POW
 65 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 148 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNEES
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 C. IWC: 169
 CSWC: 55
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DRAFTER: J.F. RHODES CAPT.

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 SITREP NR 563 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 210600H-211200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS, WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTS.
 - B. MSR SWEEP
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 210730H AT 158703 B/1/4 FOUND 3 BUNKERS COVERED WITH DIRT AND BAMBOO, EACH COULD ACCOMMODATE 3-4 PEOPLE. BUNKERS HAD NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY AND WERE DESTROYED.
 - B. AT 210920H AT YD 165697, L/3/3 OBS 1 NVA APPROACHING FROM A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION, WITH WEAPON ABOVE HIS HEAD. NVA TAKEN PRISONER. 4-5 OTHER NVA SPOTTED AT YD 165695 THEY WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH S/A AND ARTY.
 - 1 IWC. A SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED A BOX OF AK-47 AMMO AND A DEMO BAG.
 - C. LATE ENTRY: AT 0500H AT YD 122593, CAP I. 6 VC TO THE NW OF CAP I PERIMETER SET OFF A TRIP FLARE. VC TOLD APPROX 400 CIVILIANS IN THE HAMLET TO GET OUT TODAY. PERSONNEL AT CAP I FIRED 70 RDS OF S/A AND 2 RIFLE GRENADES.

PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY ACTS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY:

198

939

403

B. ENEMY:

1585

264

45

66

148

2

2

C. IWC:

170

CSWC:

55

KIA

WIA (DEENYAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

DETAINEES TOTAL

POW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINEES

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: *Michael J.* JF. RHODES CAPT.RELEASED BY: *Michael J.* J.I. HOPKINS MAJCPSECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIALOF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 211030 Z MAR 68

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 SITREP 564 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 211200H-211800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAYTIME ACTS.

B. MSR SWEEP.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 1030H AT YD 186742, 185739, 185738, FOUND THE FOLLOWING- TRIPODS, MORTAR AMMO, AND SACHEL CHARGES DESTROYED, 1 60mm MORTAR, 1 AK-47 WITH GRANADE LAUNCHER, 1 SK-56 CARBINE TRIPOD, 1 RIFLE GRANADE, 16 CANTEENS, 7 HELMETS, 39 E-TOOLS, 2 PICKS, 7 GAS MASKS, 3 RPG, 2 ROCKET RDS, 3 WITH PROPELLENT CHARGES, 1 COMPLETE AMMO CASE RPG 7, 4 BOXES BLANK AMMO 7.62mm, 4 DRUMS 7.62 AMMO, 1 PACK, 13 PONCHOS, 20 HAMMOCKS, 7 AK-47 MAGS, 1 GRANADE, 6 FUSES, 1 60/82 MORTAR SIT, 1 MESS KIT, 2 CARTRIDGE BELTS, 2 FIRST AID KITS METAL, 2 FIRST AID KITS CLOTH, 1 DOCUMENT, VARIOUS 7-82 GEAR.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA	
	939	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	403	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	1585	NVA KIA (CONF)	VC KIA (CONF) 5
	265	DETAINÉES TOTAL	
	45	POW	
	66	INNOCENT CIVILIANS	
	149	DETAINÉES	
	2	VC RETURNÉES	
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS	
C. INC:	370		
CSWG:	85		

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7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NR TEAMS</u>	<u>NR EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORD</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
3/3	4	4	172723	NEG
1/4	1	1	114701	NEG
(DIST HQ CA0)	2	2	127590	NEG
3/4	3	2	133644	NEG
2/1		1	128673	NEG

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SITREP NR 565 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 211800H-212400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE L/3/3 TO YD 175723 B/1/4 TO YD 114703

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PLANNED NIGHT TIME ACTS.

B. C-1; D-19; I-1; J-11; W-1; AA-4; EE-2.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 211000H 3/3 AT A-2 REPORTS AN U.S. ARMY PERSONNEL INTENTIONALLY SHOT 1 ARVN SOLDIER IN THE HAND. MEDEVAC WAS COMPLETED AT 221100H. INITIAL CONFLICT APPEARS TO HAVE OCCURRED AS A RESULT OF ARVN SOLDIERS ATTEMPTING TO SELL MARIJUANA TO ARMY PERSONNEL; SIR TO BE SUBMITTED BY THIS COMMAND 1/44th HAS REQUESTED TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION.

B. LATE ENTRY AT 211020H 3/4 REPORTED NATIONAL POLICE CAPTURED 2 SUSPECTS, 1 MALE AND 1 FEMALE, AT YD 137605 AND YD 140607. SUSPECTS BELIEVED TO BE DISTRIBUTORS OF ILLEGAL WHISKEY, BEER, AND OTHER ITEMS. SUSPECT HAD MANY PAPERS/DOCUMENTS, SHE TURNED OVER VC/NVA. SHE WILL LEAD NATIONAL POLICE TO OTHER SUSPECTS. 2 DETAINEES, WOMAN CLASSIFIED AS CIVIL DEFENDANT.

C. LATE ENTRY AT 211030H 3/3 REPORTED FINDING THE FOLLOWING VIC YD 186742, YD 185739, YD 185738: 11 60mm RDS, BLOWN IN PLACE. 1 CHICOM, BLOWN IN PLACE. 6 E-TOOLS, TURNED OVER TO S-2. 2 CANTEENS, TURNED OVER TO S-2.

D. LATE ENTRY AT 211100H 1/4 REPORTED L/3/3 SWEEP AREA OF 1st PLT CONTACT FINDING A BAG OF AK-47 AMMO, DEMO BAG, AND PPS-43.

E. AT 212210H 1/4 AT A-4 REPORTED OP-2 OBS A LIGHT AND PPS-5 RPT MOVEMENT VIC YD 121711. FIRED 4.2 MSN ON MOVEMENT W/GOOD COVERAGE; MOVEMENT CEASED.

F. 3D RECON REPORTED TM VIC YD 023561 REC'D SNIPER FIRE FROM VIC YD 203559 RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). THE MAN WAS MEDEVACED TO D-MED AND TM CONTINUED MSN, WHILE CALLING ARTY MSN ON SNIPER POSITION.

G. CORRECTION TO SR 563 PARA 6B DELETE 1 DETAINEE TOTAL; ADD ERROR.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 194

939

403

B. ENEMY:

1585

267

45

66

149

2

2

C. IWC:

170

CSWC:

55

KIA

WIA (MEDEVAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

DETAINEES TOTAL

POW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINEES

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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CONFIDENTIALSECTION: S-3DRAFTER: E.C. BLODGET 1/LTRELEASED BY: J.T. HOPKINS, MAJ**CONFIDENTIAL**OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 212210 Z MAR68

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 SITREP NR 566 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 220001-220600H MAR68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
 A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
 B. ALL LOC'S WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	<u>194</u>	KIA
	<u>939</u>	MIA (MDEEVAC)
	<u>403</u>	MIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	<u>1585</u>	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) <u>5</u>
	<u>2674</u>	DETAINERS TOTAL
	<u>45</u>	POW
	<u>66</u>	INNOCENT CIVILLIANS
	<u>149</u>	DETAINERS
	<u>2</u>	VC RETURNEES
	<u>2</u>	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
- C. IWC: 171
 CSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: A. Fernandez MAJORRELEASED BY: J.I. Hopkins MAJORSECTION: S-3

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SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P), SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DISTRICT
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 SITREP NR567 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 220600H-221200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES PRESENTLY IN PROGRESS. WILL REPORT FINAL LOCATIONS ON 1800H SITREP.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED POSITIONS, CONDUCTED PATROLS, AND MANNED OPS.

B. CONDUCTED SWEEP AND SECURITY PATROLS ALONG MSR.

C. COMMENCED EXCHANGE OF UNITS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR 2/1. AT 221200H 4/2/1 VIA TRUCK CONVOY, DEPARTED 9TH MARINES AO FOR CA LU.

D. CONDUCTED LIMITED RESUPPLY DUE TO HEAVY TRUCK COMMITMENTS.

E. AT 0430H 3/4 UNITS DEPARTED CP IAW FRAG O FOR 22MAR68. WHEN IN VIC OBJ 1 AT YD 183605, S/A FIRE WAS HEARD, AREA WAS SWEEPED THROUGH AT 0713H WITH NEG RESULTS. LIVING BUNKERS WERE FOUND AND BLOWN. UNIT MOVED TO OBJ 2 AT 0905H AND SECURED IT. AT 1010H ALL UNITS COMPLETED RIVER CROSSING. NO SIGNS OF PERSONNEL IN AREA WERE FOUND, ALL HOUSES AND SHELTERS IN THON DINH KA WERE BURNED PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM AREA. UNITS RETURNED TO POSITION AT 1045H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 220615H 1/3/3 ARRIVED AT A-2 FOR RELIEF ~~220615H~~ C/1/4, FROM 3/3 TO 1/4. EFFECTIVE 220800H.

B. AT 220800H 3/4 REPORTED DESTROYING A BUNKER 3x8x12FT WITH APPROX ONE FT OVERHEAD. BUNKER APPEARED ABLE TO SUSTAIN LIGHT ARTY AND MORTARS. ADDITIONALLY, FOUND NUMEROUS LIVING BUNKERS 4x12FT WITH 2 FT OVERHEAD.

C. CORRECT ALL PREVIOUS SIT REPS AFTER 563, EXCLUSIVE, TO REFLECT CORRECTED TOTAL DETAINEES REFLECTED THIS SIT REP.

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C. AT 220810Z K/3/4 RD SWEEP FOUND ONE AP MINE AT YD 220636 AND DESTROYED IN PLACE.

5. PLANS:

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

B. CONTINUE RE-DISTRIBUTION OF FORCES IN ORDER TO AUGMENT POSITIONS ENCOVERED BY DEPARTURE OF 2/1 FROM AO.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 194 KIA

939 WIA (MEDEVAC)

403 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1585 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

2684 DET TOTAL

45 POW

66 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

149 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 171

CSWC: 55

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DOWNTOWN: J.M. CHAMBERS 32 11 15

RELEASED: J.T. HOPKINS MAJOR

SECTION: S-3

CONFIDENTIALOP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 22 11 15 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BN NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM-LO DIST.

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 SITREP NR 568 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 221200H-221800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT;

C/1/4	TO	YD 128672
L/3/3	TO	YD 213742
H/2/1	TO	CA-LU
G/2/1	TO	CA-LU
B/1/4	TO	YD 118691 - 4
K/3/4		YD 128592 3/3
L/3/4		YD 143613 3/3

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. EFFECTED THE MOVE OF "A" CMD GROUP, 1200H/G/2/1 TO CA-LU VIA MOTAR MARCH AND HELO LIFT.

C. BN'S RELOCATED THEIR ASSETS IN PREPARATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF OPERATIONS ORDER 15 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. SUMMARY OF 3/4 ACTIVITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH 3/4 FRAG ORDER
 @ FOR 22 MARCH 68, UNIT-DEPARTED, CP ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE. M
 3/4 HEARD S/ARMS FIRE VIC OBJ #1 YD 183605, AFTER SWEEPING THRU
 AREA REP'D NEG RESULTS; AT 220713H MAR 68 OBJ #1 WAS SECURED.
 FOUND SEVERAL LIVING BUNKERS; BLEW 1 OF LARGER BUNKERS AND MOVED
 ON TO OBJ #2 YD 185594; AT 220905H MAR 68 OBJ #2 WAS SECURED.
 AT 221010H MAR 68 ALL UNITS HAD COMPLETED RIVER CROSSING. NO
 FIGHTING BUNKERS WERE FOUND AT EITHER OBJ AND THERE WERE NO SIGNS
 OF PERSONNEL HAVING BEEN IN AREA. ALL HOUSES AND SHELTERS IN THON
 DINH XA WERE BURNED PRIOR TO DEPARTING THE AREA. AT 221045 MAR 68
 UNITS HAD RET'D TO POSITION.

B. 9TH MAR CHOPPED OPCON OF H/2/1 A CMD GROUP AND G/2/1 AT 221700H TO 4TH MAR.

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS FROM CARVED OUT DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

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6. CUMMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA
	939	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	403	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY :	1585	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) <u>5</u>
	2674	DETAINEES TOTAL
	45	POW
	66	INNOCENT CIVILLIANS
	149	DETAINEES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEPENDANTS

C. IWC: 171
 CSWC: 55

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	4	4	YD 171731	NEG
3/4	2	2	YD 127590	NEG
1/4	1	1	YD 114701	NEG
2/1	3	2	YD 133644	NEG
		1	YD 128673	NEG

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: E.C. BLODGET J./LTRELEASED BY: J.I. HOPKINS MAJ.SECTION: S-3**CONFIDENTIAL**OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 221700 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD 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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SITREP NR 569 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 221800-222400 MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. C-6; D-19; I-1; S-10; W-1; AK-4; EE-3

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 221800H 3/4 FO IN TOWER AT C-3 POST CALLED ARTY ~~W/~~ MSN. ON 7 SUSPECTED NVA AT YD 117612. PATROL CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 221800H 3/3 AT A-2 POSIT SIGHTED 3 NVA IN THE OPEN AT YD 230775. FIRED 81 MM MISSION WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE; NVA MOVED INTO GRAVES USED AS BUNKERS; H AND I WILL BE FIRED AT SAME GRID THRU THE NIGHT.

C. AT 222115H 3/4 FO IN TOWER SPOTTED SUSPECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT AT YD 113615 CALLED IN ARTY MISSION OF 10 RDS ~~W/~~ WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

D. AT 222130H F/2/1 AMBUSH SQUAD AT YD 133651 WAS MOVING INTO POSITION WHEN OBSERVED RED LIGHT MOVEMENT AT YD 131652 LEADING FOR THEIR POSITION. OPENED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND CALLED IN ILLUMINATION; NO OBSERVATION OF ENEMY. SET UP HASTY PERIMETER AND WILL CHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

E. AT 222203H, 3/4 FO IN TOWER AT DIST HQ SPOTTED SUSPECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT AT YD 126591. FIRED 1 RD 105 MM ILLUM. W/NEG SIGHTING

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

B. C-8; D-19; J-10; W-1; AA-5; BB-1; CC-2; EE-3

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA	
	939	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	403	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	1585	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF)	5
	2670	DETAINÉES	
	45	POW	
	66	INNOCENT CIVILIANS	
	149	DETAINÉES	
	2	VC RETURNEES	
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS	

C. IWC: 171

CSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: J.F. RHODES CAPT.

RELEASED BY: J.F. HOPKINS MAJ.

SECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIAL 222230Z MARCH 68

FR : NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRDMARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH 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 570 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 232400H-230600H MAR 68

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1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS: ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE AM 2215, PO IN TOWER AT DIST HQ SUSPECT ENEMY MOVEMENT AT YD 126591. 1 RD 105mm ILLUM WAS FIRED WITH NEG SIGHTING.

B. AT 0130 OP-2 AT 1/4 (YD 114701) OBS LIGHTS OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE A 3-10 TRUCK CONVOY AT YD 173829. AT THE SAME TIME A SOUND DETECTION DEVICE HEARD VEHICLES MOVEMENT COMING FROM THE SAME LOCATION. 175mm

MSN WAS FIRED WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. MOVEMENT CEASED AND A LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS OBS. NAVAL GUNFIRE MSN AS WELL AS TPQ WERE CALLED

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA
	939	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	403	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1585	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	2679	DETAINEE'S TOTAL
	45	POW
	66	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	149	DETAINEE'S
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. IWC:	171	
CSWC:	55	
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DRAFT BY: E.C. BLODGET 1/21

RELEASED BY: J.I. HOPKINS MAJOR

SECTION: 3-3

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FM : NINTH MARINES

ccN: 166

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR 571 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 230600H-231200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT 3/A NOW LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:

ICO, YD 136645, KCO, YD 127591, LCO, YD 141614, MCO, YD 148604, CP, YD 141614, AND COMMAND GROUP (B), YD 136645

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. RT #9 AND MSR 561 WERE SWEEP AND SECURED.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. COMPLETE MOVE OF E/2/1 AND F/2/1 TO CA LU

C. SWEEP AND SECURE RT 1 TO C-1 POSIT

D. CONDUCT RESUPPLY OVER MSR

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	194	KIA
	939	VIA (MEDEVAC)
	403	VIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1585	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	267	DETAINEE'S TOTAL
	45	POW
	66	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	149	DETAINEE'S
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. IWC:	171	
CSWC:	55	

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OF IMMEDIATE PRIORITY 231040Z MAR 68

FM : NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
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 SIGNED NR 572 FOR OFF KENTUCKY PR 221200Z-231000Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
- A. ALL UNIT WITHHELD DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCTED DAY AGES
- B. BN 1 TO C-1 POSITION WAS SWEEP AND SECURED
- C. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. NAME ENEMY AT 231000Z 2/2/68 AT C-2 POSIT 1 FIVE 300 YDS OFFICIAL SAFETY ON 45 CAL PISTOL WHEN ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OCCURRED. MAN RAN TO GUNSHOT IN LEFT HAND AND WRIST. TAKEN TO HAZ AND MEDICAL COMPLETED 231010Z. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED. 1 MDD USMC.
- B. AT 231010Z 2/2/68 ROAD PATROL APPREHENDED 2 FIVE 300 YDS OFFICIAL AT YD 148000. SUSPECTS TURNED OVER TO DEPT 3000. USMC QUESTIONED AND RELEASED THEM AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS. 2 FIVE 300 YDS OFFICIAL.
- C. AT 231010Z 2/2/68 AT C-2 POSIT REC'D 10 RDS FROM ENEMY WEST OF 1000 YD MONTAR, RESULTING IN 1 USMC (KIA) AND 1 USMC WIA (REDEVAC), BOTH OF C-2.
- D. AT 231010Z 2/3/68 AT C-2 POSIT REC'D 10 RDS FROM ENEMY MONTAR. REC'D FIRE WITH TOTAL OF 50 RDS ARMY ON YD 094000, 094000, 094000, 094000, AND YD 100500.
- E. AT 231010Z 2/3/68 REC'D 10 RDS INCOMING ARMY OF UNK CAL. CRATER ANALYSIS INDICATED AZ OF 6000 MILS. ARMY FIVE FIRED BY 1/4. AO REC'D 5 USMC WIA (REDEVAC) 1 FROM 3/4, 1 FROM 2/4.
- F. AT 231010Z 2/3/68 AT C-2 POSIT REC'D 16 RDS OF 35mm WIA YD 200000. REC'D FIRE WITH HAVG. (UN FIVE). 1 USMC WIA (REDEVAC)

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSTIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACYS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA
 949 WIA (MEDEVAC)
 432 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1405 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 2396 DETAINEES TOTAL
 43 POW
 68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 149 DETAINEES
 2 VC RETURNED
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 C. INC: 171
 CSWC: 56

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TELLS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3.3	4	4	169731	NEG
2.4	1	1	124701	NEG
2.1	3	2	133044	NEG
		1	124673	NEG
2.4	2	2	124500	NEG

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: J.T. HOPKINSRELEASED BY: J.T. HOPKINSSECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIALOP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 231630 2 MAR 68

FM : NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISER CAM NO DIST

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 SITREP NR 573 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 231800H-232400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED THEIR DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE-AT 1530 3/4 AT C-2 CONDUCTED A SWEEP THRU ~~SAND BAG~~ ^{area near river/kam lo Bridge} EXTENSIVE OPPORTUNITY FOR ILlicit ACTS IN SAND BAG FILLING AND TRUCK WASHING ADJACENT TO BOATS. SWEEP CONDUCTED WITH NAT. POLICE. CIVILIANS WERE POSSIBLY FOR WARNED BECAUSE NO CONTRABAND ITEMS WERE FOUND. CIVILIANS WERE WARNED THAT SALE OF U.S. GOODS IN THIS AREA WAS ILLEGAL. PLAN TO CONTINUE SWEEP TO DISCOURAGE POSSIBLE BLACKMARKET ACTS.
 B. LATE-AT 1715 3/4 AT C-2 REC'D 5 RDS INCOMING FROM DIRECTION YD 083654. AO FIRED MEN ON THIS GRID, OF 20 RDS 105mm HE. APQ WAS ALSO DELIVERED BOTH WITH GOOD COVERAGE UNK RESULTS.
 C. FINAL-AT 1800H ALL MEDEVACS WERE COMPLETE TOTAL OF 8 MEDEVACS FOR INCOMING AT C-3 (2) 2/12 (1) 2/1 (5) 3/4.
 D. AT 2105 3/4 AT A-2 POSIT SPOTTED A LIGHT AT YD 202746 CMR PICKED UP 4-5 MOVING OBJS 81mm FIRED 9 RDS INTO COORD W/GOOD TARGET COVERAGE.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	195	KIA	
	955	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	403	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	1586	NVA KIA (CONF)	VC KIA (CONF) 5
	269	DETAINÉES TOTAL	
	45	POW	
	68	INNOCENT CIVILIANS	
	149	DETAINÉES	
	2	VC RETURNEES	
	2	CIVIL DEPENDANTS	
C. IWC:	172		
CSWC:	55		

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FORCE LOGISTIC COMMAND

DRAFTER: J. M. CHAMBERSRELEASED BY: J. I. HOPKINSSECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIALOP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 232359 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

CCN: 172

TO : CGM THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECONDBN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARIN ES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR 574 FOR OPN KENTUCKY PR ~~240600~~ ~~241200~~ H MAR 68
232400H - 240600H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 240200H M/3/4 LP VIC YD 148699 OBS 4 PERSONS MOVING TOWARD THE POSITION. AT 200 M THEY WERE BARELY VISIBLE SO 81 M AND 60MM ILL MSNS. BECAUSE OF NEARNESS OF VILLAGE NO HE WAS FIRED.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.
 - B. THE REMAINDER OF 2/3 WILL BE HELICO-LIFTED TO CAM LO TODAY.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA955 WIA (MEDEVAC)403 WDA (MINOR)B. ENEMY: 1586 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 52696 DETAINEES TOTAL45 POW68 INNOCENT CIVILLIANS119 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. IWC: 172CSWCB 55

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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
ACT/COG																			
INFO/ COORD																			(A)

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SECTION: 53

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECONDD BN, FIRST MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH ARTY, USA
FIRST MARINES
THIRD MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR 575 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 240600H-241200H MAR 68
240600H-241200H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS,
WHILE CONDUCTING DAY LIGHT ACTIVITY.

B. ROAD SWEEP COMPLETED ON RT. #9-#561.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

REF. SITREP 574-75 PARA B. PLANS - SHOULD READ THE REMAINING

2/1 WILL BE HELICOPTERED TO CA LU VICE CAM LO.

A. LATE REPORT FROM 1/4 AT 0720 C-2 DOWN FIRED ON ARTILLERY
MISSION AT YD 146008. AT SUSPECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT (DURING ROCKET
ATTACK ON DONG HA). UNKNOWN RESULTS. NO FURTHER MOVEMENT NOTED
DURING MORNING.B. AT 0900, AT A-4, 1/4 OF OBSERVED 6 NVA CARRYING WHAT
WAS OBSERVED TO BE A RECOILESS RIFLE. 8 RDS 90 MM WERE FIRED
W/EXCELLENT TARGET COVERAGE. FO AND TANK CREW STATED THAT
NVA HAD POSITIONED THEMSELVES ON A TANK REGISTRATION POINT. ALL
PERSONEL WITNESSING MISSION OBSERVED A DIRECT HIT ON THE ANV OPER.
AN AO OBSERVED A BUNKER COMPLEXTION TARGET. ACTION RESULTING
IN 3 EN KIA.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
ACT/COG																			
INFO/COORD																			(A)

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE
CONDUCTING DAY LIGHT ACTIVITY.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA955 WIA (MEDEVAC)403 WIA (MINOR)B. ENEMY: 1589 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 52686 DETAINEES TOTAL45 POW68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS149 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. INC: 172GSWC: 55

GP: J
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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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INFO/COORD																			(A)

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: J. F. RHODES, CAPT.RELEASED BY: J. I. HOPKINS MAJSECTION: S-3**CONFIDENTIAL**OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 24/000 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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 SITREP NR 576 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 241200H-241800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY LIGHT ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1115 AT A-2 (3-3) REPORTED THAT A MARINE WHO WAS UNLOADING A HELO TRIPPED OVER SOME BARBED WIRE, RESULTING IN A POSSIBLE FRACTURE OF THE RIGHT KNEE MAN WAS MEDEVACED.

B. AT 1150, C-2 REPORTED TAKING 3RDS 82 MM FROM 112635. AN ARTY MISSION WAS FIRED AND ADJUSTED BY C-2 AND C-3 TOWERS WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. FIRING CEASED. 1 KIA (MINOR).

C. AT 1700 3/4 REPORTED ONE CH-46 W/ENGINE TROUBLE AT 131589. A CREW WAS BEING ASSEMBLED FROM QUANG TRI TO STRIP THE BIRD AND LIFT IT OUT BY 2000. 3/4 WAS PROVIDING SECURITY.

5. PLANS:A. ALL UNITS WILL COUNTINUE TO ~~DEFEND~~ DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.**CONFIDENTIAL**

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	<u>195</u>	KIA	
	<u>955</u>	WIA (MEDEVAC)	
	<u>404</u>	WIA (MINOR)	
B. ENEMY:	<u>1589</u>	NVA KIA (CONF)	VC KIA (CONF) <u>5</u>
	<u>2696</u>	DETAINÉES TOTAL	
	<u>43</u>	POW	
	<u>68</u>	INNOCENT CIVILIANS	
	<u>149</u>	DETAINÉES	
	<u>2</u>	VC RETURNEES	
	<u>2</u>	CIVIL DEPENDANTS	
C. IWC:	<u>172</u>		
CSWC:	<u>55</u>		

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 241715 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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SITREP NR577 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 241800H-242400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT, L/3/1 (-) VIC YD 135646
3rd BLT L/3/1 VIC YD 128672
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.
B. 9TH MAR CHOPPED OPCON OF "B" CMD GROUP/E/F/2/1 TO 4 TH MAR AT 241700H.
C. AT 241700H 4TH MARINES CHOPPED OPCON OF L/3/1 TO 9TH MARINES.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
A. AT 241650H K/3/3 VIC YD 187743 FOUND 1 CHI-COM GRENADE, 1 ~~ROCKET~~ CHARGE, 1 "E-TOOL, AND A SMALL BAG OF RICE. ORDINANCE WAS DESTROYED.
B. AT 241700H 3/3 AT A-2 OBS 2 NVA MOVING NORTH VIC YD 217750 AND FIRED AN 81 MM MISSION WITH GOOD TARGET, COVERAGE.
C. AT 231700H K/3/3 FOUND 7 COMBINATION FIGHTING AND LIVING BUNKERS VIC YD 187740 AND DESTROYED THEM.
D. AT 241730H 3/4 AT C-2 REC'D 1 ROUND ESTIMATED 152 MM FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION. TOWERS WERE NOTIFIED.
E. AT 241910H 1/4 AT A-4 OBS LIGHT AND LARGE AMOUNTS OF DUST VIC YD 146787, FIRED TANKS, RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, ARTY W/GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. LIGHTS WENT OUT. TPQ REQUESTED.
5. PLANS:

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 242315Z Z MAR 68

FM 9 NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
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SITREP NR 578 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FR 242400H-250600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
A. AT 242200H 1/4 OP-2 AT A-4 POSIT OBS LIGHTS MOVING EN A SOUTH-
EASTERLY DIRECTION ~~WHICH~~ WHICH APPEARED TO BE A CONVOY AT YD 186793.
FIRED TANKS, ARTY MSN AND TPQ'S WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TGT, LIGHTS
EXTINGUISHED.
B. AT 242200H 1/4 OP-2 A-4 POSIT OBS LIGHTS WHICH APPEARED TO BE A
CONVOY MOVING IN A SOUTH EASTERLY DIRECTION AT YD 168823. FIRED ARTY
MSN WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TGT. OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION ON FIRST
MSN; SECOND FIRE FOR EFFECT OBS A SERIES OF 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
C. AT 242205H 1/4 OP-1 AT A-4 POSIT OBS LIGHTS WHICH APPEARED BRIEFLY
AND THEN WERE EXTINGUISHED AT YD 113731. SUSPECTED ENEMY MONUMENT; FIRED
ARTY MSN WITH GOOD COVERAGE.
D. AT 242250H 1/4 OP-1 AT A-4 POSIT OBS LIGHTS MOVING IN EAST TO WEST
DIRECTION AT YD 113750. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE ON TARGET.
LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.
E. AT 250005H 1/4 OP-2 AT A-4 POSIT OBS LIGHTS WHICH APPEARED TO BE
CONVOY MOVING IN SOUTH EASTERLY DIRECTION AT YD 15848417. FIRED ARTY
MSN AND ADJUSTED TPQ'S. LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED SHORTLY THEREAFTER. LIGHTS
REAPPEARED APPROX 800 METERS FROM ORIGINAT STATION. ~~NO SIGNIFICANT~~

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING D ACTS.

B. RT 9, MSR 561 AND RT 1 WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	195	KIA
	955	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	404	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1589	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	269 64	DETAINEE TOTAL
	45	POW
	68	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	149	DETAINEE
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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 250420 2 MAR 68

FM : NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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SITREP NR 779 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 250600H-251200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTION DAY TIME ACTS.
 - B. ALL LOGS WERE SIMPT AND SECURED.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND AND MAINTAIN POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING DAY
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA
955 WIA (REDEVAC)
404 WIA (HONOR)
B. ENEMY: 1589 UVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
269 100 DETAINEES TOTAL
45 POW
68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
149 DETAINEES

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RELEASED BY: J.L. HOPKINS MAJOR

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 251140Z MAR 68

FM : NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO:

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SITREP NR 580 FOR OMC KENTUCKY FROM 251200H-251800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
- A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME OPS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- A. ENEMY ENTRY: AT 250600H 3/3 VIC YD 277753 REC'D 5 RDS INCOMING OF USA TYPE. TOWERS CAN NOT DETERMINE ENEMY POSITIONS.
- B. AT 251300H 3/4 VIC YD 156595 A PATROL FROM H/3/4 FOUND 7 FIGHTING HOLES AND 1 COMM PIT. BECAUSE OF FRESH DIRT AND ABSENCE OF WATER HOLES BELIEVED NO HAVE BEEN DUG THIS MORNING. HOLES WERE FILLED.
- C. AT 251500H 4/4 OF-2 AT A-2 OBS ACTIVE ARMY FIRING ON A-2 FROM VIC YD 1008 A-5. CALLED A TVMMA WITH GOOD TST COVERAGE.
- D. CORR OF ALL PREVIOUS SIT REPS AFTER 564, INCLUSIVE, TO REFLECT CORRECTED TOTAL DETAINERS REFLECTED THIS SIT REP.
5. PLANS:
- A. ALL UNITS WILL DEFEND THEIR POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195

955

404

B. ENEMY: 1589

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C. INC: 172

CSMC: 55

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TRANS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
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		2		
3/4	2	2	YD127490	NEG
	2	2	YD133644	NEG
	1	1	YD128673	NEG
1/4	1	1	YD114701	NEG

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5. PLANS:
A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT. WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACT.
6. CUMULATIVE LOS ES:
A. FRIENDLY: 795 KIA
955 MIA (REDETAIRED)
104 MIA (RETAIRED)
D. ENEMY: 1612 KIA MIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
266 DETAINED TOTAL
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68 INDIGENT CIVILIANS
139 DETAINED
2 VC RELOCATED
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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
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SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
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CCN: 189

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SITREP VR 582 FOR OPI KENTUCKY FR 252400L-260600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES,
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAYTIME ACTIVITIES.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
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1ST FSR 2100/5 (10/67)

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DRAFTER: E.C. BLODGETT 1/LT

RELEASED BY: J.E. HOPKINS MAJ.

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 25 0440Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
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FIRST MARINES
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FOURTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST
SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)

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SITREP NR 583 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 260600H-261200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY

ACTS.

B. RT 9 AND MSR 561 WERE SWEEP AND SECURED.

C. ASSUMED OPCON OF A CO 1/502 ABN INF, 101ST ABN DIV AT 251600H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 268805H A/1/4 PATROL FOUND AND DESTROYED A DUD 250 POUND BOMB
AND DUD 105 MM ROUND AT YD 104686

B. AT 260935H C/2/4 PATROL AT YD 148678 OBS 5 NVA MOVING INTO TREE
LINE AT YD 153674. FIRED ARTY MISSION WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET.
PATROL WILL CHECK AREA.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
DAY ACTS.

B. RT 1 TO A-2 WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.

C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA955 WIA (MEDEVAC)404 WIA (MINOR)B. ENEMY: 1614 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5266 DETAINEES TOTAL45 POW68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS149 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. IWB: 172CSWC: 55

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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 261030 Z MAR 68

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INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR 584 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 261200H-261800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
 - B. RT 1 WAS SWEEP AND SECURED.
 - C. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 261310H 1/4 PATROL FOUND AN 8 INCH ARTY DUD AT YD 110678 DESTROYED IN PLACE.
 - B. AT 261520H K/3/4 ROAD SWEEP FOUND AN AT MINE AT YD 217702. DESTROYED MINE IN PLACE.
 - C. AT 261400H 3/4 RPT'D 1ST PLT OF 1/502 ABN INF USA. APPRIHENDED ONE VC SUSPECT AT YD 114589 SUSPECT TAKEN TO DIST HQ FOR INTERIGATION.
 - D. AT 261450H 1/3/3 AT 202702 CALLED DANGER CLOSE MSN ON NVA IN THE OPEN TWO RDS IMPACKED NEAR THEIR POSITION, RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (MINOR). CHECK FIRE CALLED, DATA CHECKED AND WAS CORRECT. SERIOUS ACCIDENT REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED BY 3/3.
5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

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J.F. MOSES

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA

955 WIA (MEDEVAC)

405 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1614 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

207 DETAINEES TOTALS

45 POW

68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

150
DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 172

CSWC: 55

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DRAFTER: J.E. RHODES CAPT

RELEASED BY: J.L. HOPKINS MAJ.

SECTION: 8-3

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 261630 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST:

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SITREP NR 585 FOR BIN KENTUCKY FR 261800H-262400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1805 1/4 OBSERVED 35 TO 50 NVA IN THE OPEN AT YD 119728
TANKS, ONTOS 4.2, 105, FIRED. ALL ON TARGET W/EX. COVERAGE. AO
CHECKED AREA AND OBSERVED 1 DESTROYED CREW SERVED W/IN, BELIEVED
TO BE ROCKET, AND 2 NVA BODIES. ALSO SEVERAL OLD BUNKERS AND
TRENCH LINES SIGHTED. A 105 MEN, WAS FIRED ON ESCAPING NVA. ROUNDS
IMPACTED AMONGST NVA, 10 KIA.

B. 1815 FINAL SITREP SEE 262400H SUSPECT APPREHENDED BY
101 AIRBORNE, RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIAN.

C. AT 1900 A-1 REPORTED RECEIVING INCOMING RR RDS FROM YD
108711. ARTY CALLED ON SUSPECT LOCATION-REACT TIME 1 MIN.
INCOMING CEASED. 3RDS, DUDS, INSIDE PERIMETER.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THEIR POSITIONS WHILE
CONDUCTING NIGHTS ACTS.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA

955 WIA (MEDEVAC)

105 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1624 NVA KIA (CONF) VC (CONF) KIA 5

2679 DETAINEES TOTAL

45 POW

69 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

150 DETAINEES

2 VC RETURNERS

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 172

CSWC: 55

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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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DRAFTER: J.M. ENAMBERS JR. 2/1/68
 RELEASED BY: P.T. HOPKINS MAJOR

SECTION: 8-3

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 262245 2 MAR 68

FM: NINETE MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 ENTERED NR 586 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FM 262100H-270600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

1. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT
 ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE EVENING AT 261600H 1/3/3 PATROL FOUND AND EXHUMED 3 FRESH
 GRAVES VIC YD 197731 CONTAINING 3 ENEMY BODIES. 4 WALKING STICKS WERE FOUND
 NEXT TO THE GRAVES, 3 RICE BOWLS, 3 PITH HELMETS, AND BLOODY CLOTHING.
 BODIES BELIEVED TO BE A RESULT OF ARTY MSN OF 22 MAR. ADD ENVA KIA (CONF)

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		(HOREN) VLA	504		
		(OVARETH) VLA	556		
		VIA	561		

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ALL UNITS WITH MAINTENANCE AND DEFEND POSIT WITH CONDUCTING DAY WORK

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DRAFTED: J.F. RHODES ESCAPE

RELEASED BY: J.F. HOPKINS (HJ)

SECTION: 3-7

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 270535Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

CCN: 197

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRU (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DAI

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 STEEP NR 587 FOR BEN KENTUCKY FROM 270600H C/1200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. CLIMATE OF OPERATIONS:
 AT ALL TIMES MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING DAY LIGHT ACTIVITIES.
3. TRENCH CONDITIONS: NONE
4. CLIMATE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

F. COMMUNICATIONS-CHARGE 3RD MAR DIV JOURNAL 270725Z
 TO HEAD/1 USMC BRUISED SHEDDING COVER, NOT WIA. ORLEATE
 ONE WIA (MINOR) FROM CUMULATIVE LOSSES AS REFLECTED
 THIS SINKER.

F. 261600H AT 2D 197711, 1/2/3 DISCOVERED AND EXHUMED
 3 FRESH GRAVES CONTAINING 3 NVA BODIES. AREA NEAR-EST
 LITTERED WITH 4 WALKING STICKS, 3 RICE BOWLS, 3 FATH
 HELMETS AND BLOODY CLOTHING. BODIES 3-5 BAREFOOT. THOUGHT
 TO BE RESPONSE TO A SIGHTING, AND ARTT ISN OF 22 MAR
 SEE 222358Z, 3 NVA (CONF) PREVIOUSLY ADDED TO CUMULATIVE
 TOTAL.

G. AT 0745 3/3, SPOTTED 4 NVA AT 2D 231766 AN STAK WAS BURNED
 WITH GOOD COVERAGE.

D. AT 0930 1/4, OBSERVED 10 NVA AT 230875Z, AND 3 NVA
 AT 23117. ARMY AND 1/2 NEW WIA. 7 NVA SENT TO PALL AT
 2304 20.0075Z 3.

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E. AT 1200 AT YD 1311590 K/3/4 RECEIVED 3 RDS 82 MM FROM 5300 MILS, SUSPECTED MORTAR SITE AT 116603 AND FIRED MSN CALLED AND A.O. REQUESTED.

F. AT 0800 3/4 AT YD 124759, FOUND 1 WHIP TYPE BOOBY TRAP, WITH BAMBOO STICKS. TRAPS DESTROYED.

G. H/3/12 AT 2619330 OBSERVED 15 NVA/VC AT YD 201607, MOVING NW/SE TO YD 198610, THON WHAT LE, ENEMY OBSERVED W/NO D AND PF5-5. FIRE MISSION CALLED W/GD COVERAGE. NO FURTHER SURVEILLANCE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY LIT OPS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	195	KIA
	955	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	401	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	162	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	257	DETAINÉES TOTAL
	45	POW
	69	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	150	DETAINÉES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. IWC:	172	
CSWC:	55	

DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS 1/LT.

RELEASED BY: J.I. HOPKINS MAJ.

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 271210 2 MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG THI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SITREP NR 588 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 271200H TO 271800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED THEIR POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTS.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. AT 271100H, YD 131590 REC'D 3 RDS OF 82mm FM YD 116603. FIRE MSN OF 4 RDS FIRED, THEN CHECKED FIRE BECAUSE OF CIVILIANS IN AREA. FIRE WAS SHIFTED TO ANOTHER SUSPECT LOCATION YD 105602 18 RDS FIRED W/GD TGT COVERAGE, INCOMING CEASED.
 - B. AT 271145H OPN LONGJUMP KICKED OFF. THE LANDING ZONE WAS SECURED W/O INCIDENT. SEVEN BODIES WERE RECOVERED. ALL ELEMENTS WERE LIFTED OUT BY 271630H AND ALL REMAINS OF THE DOWNED HELO WERE BLOWN.
 - C. AT 271330H YD 197746 L/3/3 FOUND ONE BUNKER, 24-48 HRS OLD. BUNKER WAS 3 x 5 W/THATCHED DOORS AND WALL, OVER HEAD CONSTRUCTION WAS OF DIRT AND BOARDS. CAMOUFLAGE WAS NO OLDER THAN 12 HRS. POSIT COVERED OBS OF A-2 BUNKER DESTROYED AND PLOTTED FOR HQ's.
 - D. AT 271535H 3/4 AT C-3 REC'D 2 RDS 82mm IN VIC OF LANDING ZONE. THE HELO LANDING WAS DELAYED UNTIL A FIRE MSN AT YD 155638 WAS COMPLETED NEG RESULTS. LIFT OUT COMPLETED W/O INCIDENT.
 - E. AT 271540H 101st PATROL AT YD 120594 APPREHENDED 1 VC MALE SUSPECT APPEARED TO BE 17 YRS OLD AND WAS W/C I.D. RETURNED TO DIST HQTRS FOR INTERROGATION, DET RMINED TO BE MENTALLY UNSTABLE AND RELEASED.

3. PLEASE

4. AIRUNITS WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

5. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA
 955 MIA (MED/VAC)
 404 MIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1624 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
 268 DETAINERS TOTAL
 45 POW
 70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 150 DETAINERS
 2 VC RETURNERS
 2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INCC 172
 CSWC: 56

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NZ TEAMS	NZ EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/1	5	4	169731	NEG
3/4	4	3	127590	NEG
1/4	4	3	0114701	NEG

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1500H MAR 65

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OF IMMEDIATE PRIORITY 221445Z MAR 65

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRU (T)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DUNG

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 SIGNED BY 169 FOR JEN KENTUCKY FROM 271800Z TO 272400Z MAR 65

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS DEPLOYED POSIT WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTS.
 - B. C-101 D-15, Y-12, W-12, A-6, CC-1, H-1.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE ENTRY AT 271800Z MAR 65 VIA RT ROUTES FOUND 1 RDS (1 CHOC).
 1 DR-LO DIRECTION, LINE AND 1 CHOC. CRUISED 10.000000. CPU BELIEVED
 TO BE UNSURE TO MOVE AND WAS BLOWN IN PLANE WITH DR-LO WIND. CANNAGE
 RETURNED TO 1/3.
 - B. LATE ENTRY: AT 271800Z THE CAL UNIT AT CAM LO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS
 REPORTED THE 271/208 3/4 THAT FIVE ORN 1 DUNG VIO RD 195559. INFORMATION
 PASSED TO 1/3 MARINES.
 - C. LATE ENTRY: AT 271600Z 3/4 AT 6-5 REPORTED POSITIVE 1 RDS 82mm
 (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED) AND FIRED 3 RDS 105 HE OF RD 15 618, AND 21 HE
 61mm ON RD 155638 AND RD 162445 WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE. INCOMING CEASED
 AND RESURED HELLO LEFT AT 271620H.
 - D. LATE ENTRY: AT 271700Z 3/4 AT 6-5 REPORTED 1 RDS 82mm. CRATER ANALYSIS
 REVEALED AN AZIMUTH OF 1640 MILS WAD AT A RANGE OF APPROX 2000 METERS.

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RE. OF 271801Z JUL 62 AND 2-4 JUL 62 IN THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
DIED 1-2 JUL AND 3-4 JUL. THESE WERE BOTH NOT REPORTED TO THE
R DIA VIA (CONF).

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT AND MAINTAIN THEIR DUTY.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	165	KEL
	955	NIA (UNDETAO)
	104	NIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1627	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	284	DETAINERS TOTAL
	45	POW
	70	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	150	DETAINERS
	2	VC REMAINERS
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. UNC:	172	
OSW21	57	

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DRAFTED: E.C. BLOTGET 1/LT

RELEASED BY : J.I. HOPKINS MAJ

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR ~~590~~ FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM: 272400H TO 280600H MAR 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT DAY ACTS.

CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:

195	KIA
955	WIA (MEDEVAC)
404	WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

1627	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) <u>5</u>
2689	DETAINEE TOTAL
45	POW
70	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
150	DETAINEE

2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. INC: 172CSWC: 57

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Michael J.
DRAFTER L.M. CHAMBERS JR., 1/LT

RELEASED BY: JAI. HOPKINS MAJ.

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 280430 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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SITREP NR 594 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM 280600H-TO- 281200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING
PLANNED DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 280150H 373 VIC TD 177722 RECEIVED 1 RD 155MM FROM DIRECTION
2900 MILS. SEVERAL ROUNDS FELL WITHIN 300 METERS OF ABOVE GRID DURING
A 12TH MAR TOT CLEARED AT 181710H. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY
4/12. INCIDENT RESULTED IN 1 KIA (MINOR)

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING
ON DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:**A. FRIENDLY: 195 KIA****955 WIA (MEDEVAC)****405 WIA (MINOR)****B. ENEMY: 1627 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5****2689 DETAINEES TOTAL****45 POW****70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS****150 DETAINEES****2 VC RETURNEES****2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS****C. IWC: 177****CSWC: 57****GP-4
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DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS JR. 1/LT
 RELEASED BY: J.I. HOPKINS MAJOR
 SECTION: S-3

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 281115 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
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 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
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 SITREP NR 592 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 281200H TO 281800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 281400H 3/4 KILLER TEAM REC'D SNIPER FIRE FROM VIC YD 107637 AND FIRED VT ARTY MSN W/ GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. INCIDENT RESULTED IN 1 NVA KIA BY 3/4 SNIPER FIRE.

B. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 280950H 3/3 AT A-2 RECEIVED 67 RDS OF 152 MM FROM VIC YD 21048312 AND FIRED COUNTER BATTERY FIRE W/ UNKNOWN RESULTS.

1 TANK OF A CO 3RD TANK BN SUSTAINED A DIRECT HIT RESULTING IN DAMAGE TO THE HYDROLIC SYSTEM ~~AND~~ RANGE FINDER.

B. AT 280945H 1/4 OP-2 AT A-4 OBS 17 NVA IN OPEN VIC YD 11967325 AND CALLED THE FOLLOWING MSN. 8 105 MM HE, 28 4.2 HE, 1 4.2 WP, 4 155 HE FIRED ARTY AND RAN FIXED WING WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

C. AT 281035H 3/3 AT A-2 REPORTED WHILE FIRING A 60 MM THE GUNNERS HAND HIT THE ROUND LEAVING THE TUBE, RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA (NBC) AND 1 USMC (NON EVAC NBC). INVESTIGATION UNDER WAY; SIR TO FOLLOW (CAS NOT CARRIED ON TOTALS).

D. AT 281940H 1/3/4 KILLER TEAM FOUND 2 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES AND NUMEROUS OLD FIGHTING HOLES AND AN OP IN TREE WHICH HAS EXCELLENT OBSN OF C-2 AND MSR. ALSO FOUND 2 GRAVES W/MARKINGS; (1) 37/27BN, AND (2) 38/27 BN. GRAVES BEING EXHUMED.

E. AT 281135H 3/3 AT A-3 REC'D 7RDS OF 105MM IMPACTING AT YD 179722; UNABLE TO OBSERVE ENEMY POSITION NEG ACTION TAKEN.

F. AT 281145H 3/4 AT C-2 REC'D 10 RDS 82MM MORTARS FROM VIC YD 116634. ARMY RADAR REPORTED COORD OF YD 0872063155 AT 4507 MILS RANGE 4820 METERS. RESULTING IN 5 USMC (MEDEVACS).

G. AT 281305H 1/4 AT A-4 OP-2 OBSERVED 4 NVA IN OPEN AT YD 120733 FIRED 4.2 MSN W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE.

H. AT 281345H K/3/3 VIC YD 160707 FOUND THE FOLLOWING; NVA GEAR; 2 PACKS, 2 BROKEN E-TOOLS, 2 TROUSERS, 4 SHIRTS ALSO 1 ABANDONED FIGHTING HOLE.

I. AT 281452H K/3/3 VIC YD 154704 FOUND TRACKS BELIEVED TO BE MADE BY HALF TRACK VEHICLE APPEARED TO BE 1-2 MONTHS OLD GOING IN SOUTHWESTWARD DIRECTION.

J. AT 281545H 3/4 AT CAM LO DISTRICT HQ REC'D 16 RDS 120 MM MORTAR RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA, 4 USMC WIA (EVAC) AND 2 USMC WIA (MINOR).

K. AT 281625H 3/3 AT A-2 REC'D 15 RDS OF INCOMING FROM GRID YD 211817. COUNTER BATTERY FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS AND ESTABLISH THEIR NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	197	KIA
	964	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	407	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1628	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	288	DETAINEES TOTAL
	45	POW
	70	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	150	DETAINEES
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 177
CWC: 57

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NR TEAMS</u>	<u>NR EMPLOYED</u>	<u>COORDS</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
3/5	5	4	YD 169731	NEG
3/4	4	3	YD 127590	NEG
1/4	4	3	YD 114701	NEG

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 RELEASE FROM: J. J. HOFFMAN
 SECTION: 3-3

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 281640 Z MAR 63

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 SITREP NR 513 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM 261800H TO 282400H MAR 63

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. (B) C-9, D-18, I-2, J-12, W-3, AA-6, CC-4, EE-1
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE.
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 A. AT 180045H 1/4 OF-2 AT A-4 POSIT OBS 17 NVA IN THE GRID AT YD 11967325. FIRED 105 ARTY, 4.2 IN MORTAR, 155 ARTY AND RAN FIXED WING. ALL WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
 B. AT 281625H, 3/3 AT A-2 REC'D 15 RDS INCOMING ARTY FROM YD 214817 COUNTER BATTERY FIRE CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.
 C. AT 281708H, 3/4 RECD 5 RDS EST 82 IN MORTAR AT C-2 POSIT. CALLED ARTY MSN ON GRID FROM CMR MADAR ADJUSTED BY KILLER TEAM, ON YD 1128569220 ONE 1 SECONDARY.
 D. AT 282145H, 3/4 AT C-2 POSIT RPT'D MARINE FROM 1/3/4 BND ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF 45 CAL PISTOL WHILE CLEANING IT, CAUSING FACIAL WOUNDS. MAN TREATED AT 3/4 BAS. WILL BE MEDEVAC ON 29 MAR OVERLAND. INVESTIGATION OFFICER APPOINTED, S.I.R. TO FOLLOW.
 1 USMC VLA (NON HOSTILE) (NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN TOTALS).

E. AT 282200H 3/4 AT C-3 POSIT PICKED UP MOVEMENT WITH PPS-5
RADAR AT YD 153615. FIRED 81 MM MSN WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE MOVE-
MENT CEASED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WHILE
CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

B. C-7, D-18, I-1, J-12, W-1, A-5, CC-8, EE-1.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 197 KIA

964 WIA (MEDEVAC)

407 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY: 1628 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

269 DETAINEES TOTAL

45 POW

70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

150 DETAINEES

2 VC DETAINEES

2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 277

CSWC: 57

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RECEIVED: 2822402 2 MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN, NORTH FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 FIFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 WINTER MR 59, FOR OEN KENTUCKY FROM 292000H TO 290600H MAR 68

1. ENEMY LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

3. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT

4. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

5. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

AT 292200H, AT YD 111577, REPORTED THAT AN UNY BN OF 1.5 BATTAL
 6 WERE WOUNDING 6 VIETNAMESE. THE INJURED WERE MOVED TO 111577
 AND MEDICATED, 2 EMERGENCY, 4 ROUTINE.

6. REMARKS:

ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND EDWARD POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING
 NIGHT AGES.

7. SUMMARY OF LOSSES:

ENEMY	137	KIA	
	66	WIA (MEDICATED)	
	207	WIA (MINOR)	
	1628	NVA KIA (CONF) VC 12A (CONF)	5
	269	DETAINEE TOTAL	
	45	POW	
	70	INNOCENT CIVILIANS	
	150	DETAINEE	
	2	VC RETURNERS	
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS	

8. TNC: 137

9. CMC: 57

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 290500 2 MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

CCN: 207

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SITREP NR 595 FOR DPN KENTUCKY FROM 290600Z TO 291200Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF EVENTS:
 1. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
 2. RT 9 AND MSR 561 WERE SWEEP AND SECURED.
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. CORRECTION TO SITREP NR 593 PAR 6 (A) FRIENDLY KIA SHOULD READ 297 NOT 257.
 - B. LATE ENTRY. AT 290510Z 1/4 AT C-2 BRIDGE RPT'D REC'ING THE FOLLOWING INCOMING RDS: EST TO BE 82mm MORTARS: AT 290505H 1 RD AT YD 123673, AT 290510H 2 RDS AT YD 126671. ENEMY LOCATION UNK.
 - C. AT 290720H 1/4 OP-2 OBS 7 NVA IN OPEN AT YD 120793. FIRED 105mm AND 82mm MORTAR MSN WITH GOOD TOT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
 - B. RT 1 TO A-2 WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.
 - C. RESUPPLY WILL BE CONDUCTED OVER MSR.
 - D. CHOP OPCON A GO 1/502 AEN INF 101st DIV TO 3d SQUADRON 5th ARMORED CAV.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLYS 197

964

407

B. ENEMY: 1688

269

45

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150

2

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C. INC: 177

CSUC: 57

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KIA

WIA (MEDEVAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 3

DETAINÉES TOTAL

POW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINÉES

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 291100 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SITREP NR 596 FOR OPN KENTUCKY FROM 291200H TO 291800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE EXCEPT L/3/3 NOW AT YD 173722
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTED DAY ACTS.
 - B. RT 1 TO A-2 AND MSR 566 WERE SWEEP AND SECURED
 - C. RESUPPLY WAS CONDUCTED OVER MSR
 - D. CHOPPED OPCON OF A CO 1/502 ABN INF. 101ST DIV. TO 3D SQDN 5TH ARVN CAV AT 291300H.
 - E. CHOPPED OPCON OF A-2 POSIT TO 2ND ARVN REGT AT 291500H AT WHICH TIME L/3/3 RETURNED TO A-3 POSIT.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 - A. LATE ENTRY. AT 291023H, 3/3 REC'D 1 RD UNK CAL ARTY FROM UNK DIRECTION IMPACTING AT YD 176717.
 - B. LATE ENTRY. AT 291050H 1/3/4 PATROL FOUND A COMPANY SIZE PERIMETER AT YD 151629 CONSISTING OF 100 HOLES 3x6m WITHOUT OVERHEAD COVERS. HOLES WERE DUG OWN ON SIDES FOR COOKING PURPOSES AND APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 2 WKS OLD.
 - C. LATE ENTRY. AT 291145H, 1/4 OP-2 OBS 12 NVA IN OPEN AT YD 120733 FIRED 81mm AND 4.21mm MSN WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE: OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOS.
 - D. LATE ENTRY. AT 291145H, 1/4 SQUAD RECON TM AT YD 148696 OBS 5-10 NVA WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND SITTING IN A GROUP AT EDGE OF TREELINE AT YD 155696. CALLED ARTY MSN WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE, UNK RESULTS.
 - E. AT 291250H K/3/4 ROAD SWEEP AT APPROX YD 221675 OBS 6 RDS UNK CAL ARTY IMPACTING SOUTH OF G-1 POSIT. AT 291300H. AGAIN OBS 20 RDS UNK CAL ARTY IMPACTING IN SAME POSIT, ALL FROM AZ OF 5200MILS. K/3/4 FO COORD FIRE MSN WITH FO AT A-3 POSIT.

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F2 AT 291400H A 3 SQD UNIT FROM 101ST AEN ARRIVED IN DONG HA AND CONDUCTED RECON PATROL OF DONG HA VILL. AT 291600H, UNIT RETURNED TO PARENT UNIT AT QUANG TRI.

G. AT 291405H, 3/4 AT C-3 POSIT REC'D 6 RDS EST 82mm MORTAR FROM YD 096623 RESULTING IN 1 USMC (KIA) 4 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) AND 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). FIRED COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WITH 151 RDS OF 81 WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. MEDEVAC REQUESTED AND COMPLETED AT 291445H.

H. AT 291553H, 3/4 AT C-3 POSIT REC'D 1 RD 120mm MORTAR FROM AZ 5100MILS. SET'D FIRE WITH 105 MM ON YD 090628 AND YD 078629. INCOMING CEASED. FUZE AND TAIL FIN RECOVERED 2 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC) 3 USMC WIA (MINOR).

I. AT 291900H, 2 UH-1E OPN FOR THE 9TH MARINES WERE RETURNED TO THEIR PARENT UNIT, THE 101ST AEN DIV, AT QUANG TRI.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	198	KIA
	970	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	411	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1628	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	269	DETAINEE TOTAL
	45	POW
	70	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	150	DETAINEE
	2	VC RETURNEES
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 177
CSWC: 57

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORD	RESULTS
3/3	5	4	YD 169711	NEG
3/4	4	3	YD 127590	NEG
1/4	4	3	YD 114701	NEG

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DRAFTER: J.M. CHAMBERS 1/LTRELEASED BY: J.M. CHAMBERS 1/LTSECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIALOP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 292245 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SITREP NR 598 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM: 292400H TO 300600H MAR, 68

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

A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT NIGHT TIME ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 291400H RECON PATROL 1 D.VIC YD 103562 OBS 12 VC MOVING WEST VIC YD 113568. TEAM CHECKED AREA AND DETAINED (1) MAN WEARING UTILITY TROUSERS WHO HAD NO I.D. THE MAN TURNED OVER TO NEAREST FRIENDLY POSIT AND TEAM CONTINUED MSN.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CARRYING OUT PLANNED DAY TIME ACTS.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 198 KIA970 WIA (MEDEVAC)111 WIA (MINOR)B. ENEMY 1628 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5270 DETAINEES TOTAL45 POW70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS151 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. IWC: 177CSWC: 57GP-4
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DRAFTER: *Michael*RELEASED BY: *J.M. CHAPMAN*

SECTION: 2-3

CONFIDENTIALOF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 300430 2 MAR 66

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

CCN: 218

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 DITREP NR 099 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM: 300600H TO 301300H MAR 66

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE
 CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 301027H AT A-4 RECD 11 RDS INCOMING EST 85 MM ON
 100MM ARTY FROM DIRECTION OF 6400 MDS. CALLED COUNTER BATTERY
 FIRE AND AN AC CHECKED AREA. INCOMING RESULTED IN 2 USN WIA
 (MINOR).

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE
 CARRYING OUT DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:A. FRIENDLY: 198 KIA970 WIA (MEDEVAC)113 WIA (MINOR)B. ENEMY: 1628 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5270 DETAINEES TOTAL15 POW70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS151 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNEES2 CIVIL DEPENDANTSC. IWC: 177CSWC: 57GP-4.
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DRAFTER: J.F. RHODES CAPT.RELEASED BY: J.F. RHODES CAPT.SECTION: S-3CONFIDENTIALOP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 30 1100 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, FOURTH 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 SITREP NR 600 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM: 301200H TO 301800H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN AND DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS
 WHILE CONDUCTING DAY TIME ACTIVITIES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. CHANGE ON SITREP 592/281200 TO 281800 MAR 68

PARA 4C. DELETE 1 USMC KIA NBC AND ADD 1 USMC WIA EVAC. NBC

B. AT 1130 3/4 REPORTED A MARINE INJURED BY WHAT IS BELIEVED
 TO BE A FAULTY 3.5 ROUND, NON MEDEVAC AND AN INVESTIGATION IS
 UNDERWAY.

C., AT 1705 M/3/4 PERSONNEL AT YD 164587, RECEIVED SNIPER
 FIRE. APPROXIMATELY 10 WOMEN W/CHILDREN WERE SIGHTED CARRYING
 BASKETS TOWARD THE SUSPECTED SNIPER LOCATION. BASKETS CONTAINED
 BEANS AND RICE. NO OTHER PERSONEL IN AREA.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE
 CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 198 KIA
970 WIA (MEDEVAC)
413 WIA (MINOR)
 B. ENEMY: 1628 NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
270 DETAINEES TOTAL
45 POW
70 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
152 DETAINEES
2 VC RETURNERS
2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 C. IWC: 177
 CSWC: 51

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SECTION: 8.2

COMBINED PLAN

IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 301422Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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INFO: THIRD DIV, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
 FIRST MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWENTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR GUAN THI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAN L0 DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS

CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
 CITE: NR 001 FOR OPERATION KENTUCKY FROM: 201800H TO 300400H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 A. ALL UNITS DEFENDED THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
 1. AT 1800Z A-4 OBSERVED 6 NVA IN THE OPEN AT TD 220412. A 4.2 INB WAS FIRED, W/GOOD TGT COVERAGE. AO CHECKED THE AREA AND SPOTTED ONE APPARENTLY WOUNDED ENEMY. AO FIRED AN ARTY MISSILE.
 2. AT 1830Z A-4 SPOTTED AN ACTIVITY ARTY POST AT TD 215023. AO ARRIVED ON STATION, NO ADJUST. RESULTS UNRELIABLE.
 3. AT 1845 A-4 AT TD 230590 A U.S ARMY TRUCK MOVING EAST BEHIND AND KILLED A VIETNAMESE CHILD DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IS CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION.
5. PLANS:
 A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTIVITIES.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:

198 KIA970 WIA (MEDEVAC)413 WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

1628 EVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5272 DETAINEES TOTAL45 POW72 INNOCENT CIVILIANS151 DETAINEES2 VC RETURNED2 CIVIL DEFENDANTSC. INGS 177CSWGS 57GP-4
BTTO AD ST. RESULTS ~~UNCLASSIFIED~~

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BY HONOLULU TELETYPE 302310 8 MAR 68

FROM: NAHUE MARINES

TO: CC, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, NINETEEN MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES, USA
 FOURTH MARINES
 FIFTH MARINES
 SIXTH MARINES
 SEVENTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAN LO DIST

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 LATER BY 002 FOR CEN KENTUCKY FROM 100000H TO 110600H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 3. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
 4. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 5. OPERATIONAL EVENTS:
 6. AT 0100H (0300Z) AT 0-2 BRIDGE SIGHTED WITH SEARCHLIGHT 3 NVA HEADED
 WEST AT 120000Z. CALLED DOWN MEN WITH UNK RESULTS.

7. REMARKS:
 ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING DAY
 ACTS.

8. RE 9 AND RE 501 WILL BE SWEEP AND SECURED.

9. OPERATIVE LOSS:

10. BATTLES:

	206	ONE (KHEDEVAC)
	113	ONE (MINOR)
1. ENEMY:	1023	ONE KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	272	DETAINES TOTAL
	15	POW
	12	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	151	DETAINES
	2	VC RETIENERS
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS

11. IVC: 277
 CSVC: 57

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CONFIDENTIALDRAFTER: J. M. CHAMBERS JR. 11/17/67
RELEASED BY: J. M. CHAMBERS JR. 11/17/67

SECTION: S-3

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 310430 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTE MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
 TWELFTH MARINES
 SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
 SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SITREP NR 603 FOR CMN KENTUCKY FROM 310600H TO 311200H MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
 - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONDUCTING PLANNED DAY TIME ACTS.
 - B. ALL LOC'S WERE SWEEP AS PLANNED
 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANS:
 - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING DAY TIME ACTS.
 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY:	148	KIA
	970	WIA (MEDEVAC)
	413	WIA (MINOR)
B. ENEMY:	1628	NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5
	272	DETAINEE TOTAL
	45	POW
	72	INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	156	DETAINEE
	2	VC RETURNEE
	2	CIVIL DEFENDANTS
C. INC:	177	
CSWC:	57	
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SECTION: 5-5

OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 31 1046 Z MAR 68

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
GENICF ADVISOR CAM LO DIST

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 SATEEP NR 604 FOR ORN KENTUCKY FROM 311200Z TO 311200Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFENDED POSITIONS WHILE CONTINUING LOG
THREAT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
A. DATE ENTRY: AT 0100HON RECON BY PATROL 3EL (APRIL SHOWERS) VAC BY
APRIL 6 OBS 8 MEN MOVING SW VIC YD 153577. 2 MEN WERE WEARING CYBER
UNIFORMS, 5 WERE WEARING TARNISHED PT'S AND 1 WAS WEARING BLACK. PT
MON WAS CALLED BUT CLEARANCE REFUSED BY CAM LO DIST OFFER AND FIVE MEN
B. DATE ENTRY: AT 012300H 1/L/3/3 IN DONG HA REPORTED A GREY/LS WENT
OFF AS MARINES WERE WAITING FOR CONVOY TO COMMENCE. THERE WERE THREE
VEHICLES AND PERSONNEL IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. FIVE CASUALTIES FROM THE
INCIDENT WERE AS FOLLOWS: 1 USMC KIA (MBC) 7 USMC WFC (WEIIEVAG) 2 NVA
MBC (PFCOR)
C. AT 011300H 3/4 KILLER TM VIC YD 106629 FOUND 82mm ITT W/SHALL
IMPRESSION OF BASE PLATE, 4-5 DAYS OLD, AND 1 1/2 FT. IN DIAMETER. ALSO
FOUND 5 EMPTY 82mm FUZE CANS, 5 EMPTY CHICOM INCENDENT CANS, 30 OR MORE
BLACK FUZE WELL COVERS, 25 HALF COVERED BUNKERS 6x4x24 FT, 23 SPIDER
HOLDS AND 1 EMPTY 82mm OR 81mm CANISTER.
D. AT 011425H 3/4 REPORTED AO OBS FRESHLY DUG FOX HOLE'S VIC YD 120630
A PATROL CHECKED AREA W/NEG RESULTS.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEFEND POSIT WHILE CARRYING OUT...

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 198

970

113

B. ENEMY:

1628

272

45

72

151

2

2

KIA

WIA (MEDEVAC)

WIA (MINOR)

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF)

DETAINERS TOTAL

PCW

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

DETAINES

VC RETURNEES

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. IWC: 177

CSWG: 57

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	COORDS	RESULTS
3/3	3	4	YD 126731	NEG
3/4	4	3	YD 127390	NEG
1/4	4	3	YD 114702	NEG

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OF IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 311635 Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: 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
TWELFTH MARINES
SENIOR ADVISOR QUANG TRI (P)
SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DISTCONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE
SIRUP NR 605 FOR OFN KENTUCKY FROM 311800Z TO 312100Z MAR 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED DEFENSIVE POSIT WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS

B. C-12; D-13; I-3; J-9; L-1; W-1; AA-5; CC-3; EE-3

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. BATTLE ENTRY AT 311700Z 3/3 AT YD 172735 REC'D 4 BMS OF PRIMEIRY
ARTY RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA (MEDVAC) AND 3 USMC (MINOR). PSALINDVA
INVESTIGATION REVEALS ERRONEOUS CHARGE FIRED BY 1/40 USA. INVESTIGATION
IN PROGRESS BY 1/40.B. AT 312030Z K/3/4 REC'D SENIOR ADVISOR CAM LO DIST HQ. WITH ACT
MADE CONTACT WITH EST VC PLT AT YD 128600. 81mm ILLUM AND RS FIRED
WITH UNK RESULTS.C. AT 312124Z 3/4 AMBUSH SPOTTED EST TEN PERSONNEL MOVING WEST
TO EAST DIRECTION AT YD 139602. ENGAGED WITH M-26 AND S/A. OK AREA
WITH ILLUM. NEE RESULTS. AMBUSH MOVED TO SECONDARY POSIT.
MOVEMENT STILL BEING HEARD BUT OBS DIFFICULT DUE TO HEAVY VEG.
WILL RECHECK AREA AT FIRST LIGHT.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
ACT/COG																			
INFO/COORD																			(A)

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSIVE POSITS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT TIME ACTS.

B. 0-8; I-2; W-1; AA-7; CC-4.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: 198

KIA

971

WIA (MEDEVAC)

416

WIA (MINOR)

B. ENEMY:

1628

NVA KIA (CONF) VC KIA (CONF) 5

272

DETAINEE'S TOTAL

45

POW

72

INNOCENT CIVILIANS

151

DETAINEE'S

2

VC RETURNEES

2

CIVIL DEFENDANTS

C. INC: 177

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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
ACT/COG																			
INFO/COORD																			(A)

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 PRIORITY/PRIORITY *011135Z MAR 68*

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH IFT
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 120, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 291800H - 011800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 12 INCIDENTS: 6 EN INITIATED; 5 MORE/ARTY; 1 SNIPER/HARASSING

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 - (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 291340H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 185608) REC 33 RDS
 OF EST 100M ARTY FM EST 5700 HIL AZIMUTH. RPT FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS.
 - (b) DELAYED ENTRY. 291530H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 128590) DOG SET OFF
 MINE WHICH STARTED CHAIN REACTION IN SOUTHERN MINE FIELD.
 - (c) 291830H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 145615) OBS 10 NVA IN OPEN AT
 (YD 086608). FIRED ARTY MSN AND OBS 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
 - (d) 292130H, 3/4 LP AT (YD 145615) DETECTED MOVEMENT AND HEARD
 VOICES OF EST 8-10 MEN MOVING SW AT (YD 175580). FIRED MORE MSN,
 NOISES AND MOVEMENT CEASED. CHECKED AREA WITH REC RESULTS.

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 291130H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 1148) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 STEEL REINF BUNKER 5X10 FT.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 291537H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170722) REC 4 RDS OF 105MM ARTY FM (YD 153834). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. 291728H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 174724) REC 23 RDS OF UNK TYPE INCOMING FM A ZONE OF 6000 YARDS AT RANGE OF 7000M. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) 010915H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170722) OBS 15 NVA DIGGING IN AT (YD 22848118). FIRED ARTY MSN, OBS 6 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(e) 010920H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 155729) REC 30 RDS OF AN FIRE FM (YD 153732). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(f) 011422H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 213743) REC 3 RDS OF 105MM ARTY FM (YD 208648). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 291705H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 35 RDS OF MIXED 82MM AND 60MM MORT FIRE. MORT FIRE AT (YD 122712), (YD 114718), (YD 115723), (YD 119712), (YD 109719), (YD 118711), WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 291800H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 2 NVA RUNNING IN OPEN AT (YD 117722). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 0
2. DETAINEE 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPNS: NEG
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NEG
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARAA A.2.(e)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 011800H MAR 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 1111
2. DETAINEE 106
- PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

27	3	2	1	10	53
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3. WPNS CAPTURED 193: 146/47

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1. NINETH MARINES INTSUM NR 121, OPN KONTUCKY
2. 011800H - 021800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

12 INCIDENTS; 5 EN INFLATED; 5 MORT/ARTY

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

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(d) DELAYED ENTRY. 011659H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 213743) REC 16 RDS OF 152MM ARTY FM (YD 221025). RET ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(e) 021200H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 213743) OBS 60 NMT IN OPEN AT (YD 177764). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(f) 020800H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 168732) WHILE CHECKING OUT SIGHT OF CONTACT ON 1 MAR, FOUND THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT: 1 NVA HELMET, 1 CHICOM GREN, 2 BAGS OF RICE, 1 BATTLE DRESSING WRAPPER. FWD TO BN CP.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 011228H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 50 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 125742). FIRED ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 20 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 011425H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 10-15 NVA IN TRAPLINE WITH PACYS AND WNS. FIRED ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 6 NVA KIA (CONF).

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. 011438H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) OBS 6 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 12217365). FIRED ARTY MSN RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(d) 020255H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 6 RDS OF 82MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 114722). RET FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS.

(e) 021540H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 114702) REC 9 RDS OF UNK CAL ARTY. RET FIRE ON VIC OF (YD 1380) WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 021030H, 1/4 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 157680) OBS GROUP OF NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 158682). CALLED ARTY MSN AND TOOK NVA UNDER FIRE WITH S/A AND AW FIRE. CHECKED AREA 10 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) 021410H, 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 154646) REC 4 RDS OF EST 100MM ARTY FM 5900 HILLS. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 43
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/105/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WNS: 0/0/0/0/0/0
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(d)
 - (c) FACILITIES: NEG

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN BENTUCKY AS OF 021300H MAR 68:

1. ENEMY KIA 1154
2. DETAINEES 211
3. PM(NVA)/PW(VC)/RENT(NVA)/RENT(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

21	2	2	1	1	23
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4. WNS CAPTURED 193: 143/47

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URGENT/PRIORITY 031145Z

INFO: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG NINTH MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION NINTH MARINES
 INFO: FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 1ST AIRBORNE BN
 15TH CYS
 7TH INF
 ICB 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES (FUSIL) NR 122, ON KENNEDY
2. 021800H - 031800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF TERRY ACTIVITY
- 14 THROTTLES; 3 PUMP ACTIONED; 6 MORT/ARTY

1. UNITED STATES1. THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED TERRY. 021755H, 3/4 MINS AT (VD 132645) BPC
 45 TD OF BATT AND BATT FORWARD. OBS 3/4 MINS AT (VD 132645) BPC
 (3.4), TERRY AND TERRY AND TERRY AT (VD 134616) AND (VD 134616)
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(b) SCORPION, 3/4 MINS AT (VD 134616) AND 25 MINS AT (VD 134616)
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AND MANY DEEPER STON TRACKS. AT (YD 130593) HIS 13 FIGHTING
HOURS, WHO WERE BLA STATED IN TOS. FALD THE FIGHTING HOURS
AND IN POSITION TO COVER CROSSING POINT IN RIVER. THESE POSITIONS
WERE BY DESTROYED BODY.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 021430H, 3/3 FMS AT (YD 155713)
AND FIRST 2 SHEETS 4V BT. AT (YD 158711) HIS 30 FIGHTING
AND ONE HVA BODY, DEAD APPROX ONE MILE. 1 HVA KIA (GMP).

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 021530H, 3/3 FMS AT (YD 213745)
FMS 2 RDS OF 621T BT FMS AT UNK LOC.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. 021737H, 3/3 FMS AT (YD 170722)
FMS 3 RDS OF 1051T ARMY MM (YD 175728). FMS AT UNK LOC WITH
UNK RES.

(d) 020955H, 3/3 FMS AT (YD 155735) SIGHTED 4 HVA IN
FIGHTING. FIRE FMS CALLED. CHECKED ONE AREA AND ARE NOT POSIBLY
IN CONTACT WITH AN UNK SIZE BODY TONCH.

(e) 021010H, 3/3 FMS AT (YD 213745) FMS 6 RDS OF UNK FMS
ARMY AT UNK LOC, ALL OF WHICH WERE FMS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 021710H, 2/1 FMS AT (YD 114701) FMS
42 FMS FMS AT (YD 006774), (YD 137747) AND (YD 02764).
FMS AT UNK LOC WITH UNK RES.

(b) 020700H, 2/1 FMS AT (YD 114701) CHECKED UP FMS BT
ON 1401H AT (YD 108708). FMS 3 RDS 4.2 AND FMS BT.

(c) 031030H, 2/1 FMS AT (YD 103604) FMS AND FIRST A
CAME 5X9 BT.

(d) 031450H, 2/1 FMS AT (YD 099682) FMS 1 HVA F-100L.
SIGHTED AND GMS OF FMS AND TIGES.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 021030H, TO FMS TO STU RVE 021030H, PARA 1.4.(a) FMS
FMS FMS 121 ADD THE FMS TO OUR FMS FMS: 2 FMS
FMS AND 2 FMS FMS.

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY. FROM 021558H - 021743H, 1/4 BINS AT (YD 134645) REC 7 RDS 82ND NOV FROM 5100 MINS. FIRED ARTY 1ST DIV UNK YES.

(c) 021805H, 1/4 BINS AT (YD 133643) OVS NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 083650). FIRED ARTY 1ST DIV UNK YES.

(d) 021820H, 1/4 BINS AT (YD 134645) REC 2 RDS 82ND NOV FROM 5000 MINS. FIRED ARTY 1ST DIV UNK YES.

3. OTHER.

(a) 031405H, 3/4 RVC REPORT FROM CAG THAT FIVE THIRTEEN OF RVS VC ARE STRUCK BY VILL. VILL ARTY GROUP 1 STATED 3 VC BINS WITH RECOGNITION AT LBS AND BINS ARE FIGHTING AT (YD 086626), (YD 095621), (YD 105613) AND (YD 062616). REPORTEDLY WILL ATTACK CAP-1 AND CAP-2 DUE TO OF 3-6 BAR.

4. ENTRY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENTRY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENTRY KIA 1
2. DETAINES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. RECOVERED CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WINS: 4/0

(b) RECOVERED: NONE

(c) RECOVERED: SEE PARA A.2.(c), A.2.(c), A.3.(c), A.3.(d)

5. CUMULATIVE ENTRY LOSSES FOR CIVILIAN ENTRY AS OF 031405H BAR 68:

1. ENTRY KIA 1155
 2. DETAINES 211
 3. RECOVERED CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
- | PA(VVA)/PA(VC)/THIR(VVA)/THIR(VC)/CIV 750/IND CIV | 21 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 115 | 22 |
|---|----|---|---|---|-----|----|
| WINS CAPTURED 197: 150/47 | | | | | | |

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SECTION 3-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER JOSEPH L. CUMER

RELEASED P. J. KINSEY

PRIORITY REPORT 041130Z MAR 68

FROM: NINER MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARTY
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH INF
 MCB 5
 MAC 86-A

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1. REPORT NINER MARINES IN-041123, 0411 KENTUCKY
2. 031000Z - 041000Z MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

19 INCIDENTS; 9 ENEMY INITIATED; 4 MORT/ARTY; 2 MINE/BOOBY TRAP

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN
 (b) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN
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 (v) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN
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 (x) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN
 (y) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN
 (z) DELAYED ENTRY. 031707Z, FC STATIONED AT HQ CAN

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(b) 040920H, 3/4 AT (YD 109600) SIGHTED 6 NVA. ENGAGED ENEMY WITH S/A AND MG FIRE. CONTINUED TO CHECK AREA, REC'D 30 RDS 82MM MORTAR AND 4 RDS OF TANK ARTY. FIRED MORTAR AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RES.

(c) 041030H, 3/4 MTNE SWEEP TEAM DISCOVERED AND DEST 4 AT MINES AT (YD 132625).

(d) 041125H, 3/4 REPORTS A. VI WAS HIT AT MINES AT (YD 220648).

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) RET 9TH MAR'S INTSUN NR 122 PARA A.2.(c) 030955H. 031250H, L/3/3 PTL (REINT) ESTABLISHED PATROL BASE AT (YD 150727). OBSERVED SMALL EN FORCE AT (YD 154735). CALLED ARTY BDN. RECON ELEMENTS MOVED FORWARD TO (YD 155735), ENGAGED EN WITH MG FIRE AND WITHDREW TO PATROL BASE. PATROL BASE DISPLACED FORWARD AND ENGAGED THE ENEMY. 031400H, THE REMAINDER OF L/3/3 WAS DISPATCHED TO REINT THE PATROL. APPROX 300 NVA WERE OBSERVED AT (YD 1573) AND (YD 1572). FIXED WING A/C CONTROLLED BY AO CAUSED A PORTION OF ENEMY TO BREAK CONTACT AND WITHDRAW TO NORTHEAST. L/3/3 PURSUED ENEMY WITH S/A, M-79 AND LAAW FIRE. UNDER COVER OF AIR AND ARTY THEY CONTINUED TO BREAK CONTACT AT 031615H. ENEMY WERE DRESSED IN GREEN AND KHAKI UNIFORMS, WELL EQUIPPED, HAD LARGE PACKS AND RADIOS. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WERE 132 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 031155H, 3/3 SWEEP AT (YD 192720) ENGAGED TWO NVA WITH S/A FIRE. AT 031215H, SWEEP RECEIVED S/A AND CLICOM GRENADES. ENGAGED ENEMY WITH S/A AND 60MM MORTARS WITH NEG RESULTS.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY. 031445H, 3/3 ELMS REINT WITH HEAVY TANK SECTION CONDUCTED A TANK INFANTRY ATTACK ON AN ESTIMATED 50 NVA DIG IN AT (YD 194723). NVA WERE DRESSED IN KHAKI, ARMED WITH NEW WEAPONS, HAD LARGE SUPPLY OF FOOD, AMPLE SUPPLY OF AMMO AND FRESH LAUNDRY. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WERE 21 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA POW, 1 AKM, 5 AK-47 RIFLES (2 WITH GRENADE LAUNCHERS), 2 RPG-2'S, 1 RPG-2, 9 RIFLE GRENADES, 6 RPG-2 RDS, 15 GAS MASKS. ASSOCIATED AMMO, DOCUMENTS, PERSONNEL ITEMS, MISC CLOTHING AND GEAR.

(d) DELAYED ENTRY. 031745H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 170722) REC'D 8 RDS OF 82MM ARTY FROM 6400 MILES. ARTY MSN FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(e) 031905H, 3/3 OP AT (YD 213743) SPOTTED 7 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 228789). BOSTERS CONDUCTED A FIRE MSN AND OBS 1 NVA FALL. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

(f) 031915H, 3/3 OP AT (YD 213743) OBS 6 NVA MOVING INTO BUILDING AT (YD 233783). THEY OBSERVED A PERSON FLASHING SIGNALS. FIRED NAVAL GUN MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(g) 032300H, 3/3 LP AT (YD 171730) FIRED S/A AT 4-5 ENEMY FROM 25 METERS. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEG RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY 031740H, 2/1 OP AT (YD 114701) OBS 9 ARTY POSITIONS AT (YD 069775). FIRED ARTY MSN AND OBS ONE LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

(b) 040905H, 2/1 WIRE CHECK TEAM AT (YD 122701) SPOTTED NVA AT (YD 124701) MOVING SE-SW. FIRED 15 RDS 5.56 AND ENEMY RAN OUT OF SIGHT.

(c) 041120H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 142698) ENGAGED IN HEAVY CONTACT WITH UNK NUMBER OF NVA, RESULTING IN 6 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 HMG, 1 RPG AND ASSORTED HAND GRENADES.

(d) 041312H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114701) REC'D 2 RDS OF 82 MM MORTARS FROM UNK LOCATION.

(e) 041245H, 2/1 OP AT (YD 114701) OBS 15 NVA IN OPEN AT (YD 127737). FIRED ARTY AND 4.2MM MSN RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

(f) 041250H, 2/1 CALLED AIR STRIKE ON ENEMY TROOPS RESULTING IN 4 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 031715H, 1/4 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 158 663) HEARD WOOL CHOPPING AND DISTANT MOVEMENT AT (YD 160666). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RES.

(b) 041340H, 1/4 EIMS AT (YD 133647) REC'D 2 RDS OF 82 MM MORTAR FIRE FROM 5400 METS. FIRED MORTAR MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

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3. OTHER:

(a) 031830H, 2D ARTY REG'D REPORT FROM VILL CHIEF THAT LAND LINE HAS BEEN CDS AT (YD 078625), (YD 075605) AND (YD 094598) IN A TRIANGULAR PATTERN.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 164
2. DETAINEES 1/0/0/0/1/1
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPNS: 6/5
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(c), A.4.(c)
- (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OWN KENTUCKY AS OF 041800H MAR 68.

1. ENEMY KIA 1349
2. DETAINEES 244
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTHH(NVA)/RTHH(VN)/CIV DEP/INN CIV
3. WPNS CAPTURED 206: 156/52

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SECTION 9-2 9th MARINES
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 RELEASER *W. E. Emerson*

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FORTY FOURTH
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CTF
 7TH INF
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-1

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM NR 120, OPN KENNYCKRY
2. 041800H - 051800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENTRY ACTIVITY

INCLUSION; ENTRY INITIATED; MOON/ATM; MINE/BOOBY TRAP

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 041530 3/4 KILLER TEAM AT (BD 133614) REC'D 37 EDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE FM (1D 174629). TEAM DISPERSED AND FIRED ARTY AND MORTAR MSE. WHILE TEAM WAS RELOCATING, THEY APPREHENDED SUSPECTS OBSERVING 3/4'S POSITION 6DETAINEEES AND DISCOVERED 3 NVA KIA (CONF).

(b) 041815H 3/4 HELI SWEEP OF THON BAC BINH RESULT IN 18 DETAINEES, TURNED OVER TO DISC. HQ.

(c) CAMBODIA, 3/4 CD 2 AL (YO 123459) RELAYED REPORT OF NVA BN OPERATING NORTH IN 1968. 3RD ARMY 25TH WITH THE HANGERS.

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(d) 042213H, 3/4 PLM AT (YD 129589) OBS WITH MOD 1 ENEMY
AT (YD 152600) FIRED 81mm MORTAR MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(e) 051055H 3/4 PLMS AT (YD 107603) REPORTED, AT 1230H
CIVILIAN REPORTED PLT TO CO. SIZE UNIT HAD PREPARED AN AMBUSH AT
SITE OF CO "L" ACTION OF 4 MAR AND WOULD NOT ALLOW REMOVAL OF
BODIES. 5 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AT SITE. CIVILIANS LEFT AREA.
CALLED ARTY AND MORTAR MSN. RESULTS ONE NVA KIA CONF

(f) 051125H 3/4 ROAD SWEEP DISCOVERED TM-41 MINE AT (YD
223599) FORWARDED TO BN S-2.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY: 041650H, 3/3 PLM AT (YD 166727)
REC'D TWO RDS SNIPER FIRE FROM VIC (YD 166727). FIRED 81mm
MORTAR MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 041850H, 3/3 PLM AT (YD 213745) REC'D TWO RDS OF FST
85mm ARTY AIR BURST FROM DIRECTION OF 0200 HILLS. FIRED ARTY MSN
WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) REF 9TH MARINE INTSUM NR 123 PARA A.3. NVA KIA (CONF),
1 AK-47, 2 RPD MG'S, 4 RPG-2 RKT RDS, 2 AK-47 MAGS, 5 DRUM MG MAGS,
10 PACKS, 4 GAS MASKS AND ASSORTED GEAR, AND CLOTHING.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY: 041608H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 114701) REC'D
TEN RDS OF MEDIUM ARTY FROM GRID SQ. (YD 0673). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH
UNK RESULTS.

(c) DELAYED ENTRY: 041615H, 2/1 SWEEP AT (YD 133697)
DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A BUNKER COMPLEX CONSISTING OF 12 BUNKERS.
FOUND THREE NVA KIA (CONF), 15 PACKS AND TEN RPG-2 RKT RDS.

(d) 041820H, AC RELAYED RPT TO 2/1 AT (YD 123742) THERE
ARE SIX LIVING BUNKERS, 50-60 METERS APART. THEY APPEAR TO HAVE
BEEN RECENTLY USED.

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(f) 050905H, 2/1 ELM AT (YD 116782) OBSERVED 2 NVA AT (YD 1026970) FIRED 60MM MORTARS MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(g) 051235H, 2/1 OPAT (YD 114701) OBS TWENTY NVA FIRED 4.2 AND ARTY MSN AT (YD 12217365) WITH UNK RESULTS.

(h) 051450H, 2/1 DP ELPS (YD 114701) OBS 20 NVA AT (YD 12217365).

(i) 051530H, 2/1 ELM AT (YD 193719) DISCOVERED RIFLE GRENADES AND 1 CARRYING CASE, DESTROYED BY ENGINEERS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 21
2. DETAINEES 24

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPNS: 1/2
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.3.(a), A.3.(c) A.3.(d) A.1.(g)
- (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3.(e)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 051600H MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA 1340

2. DETAINEES 238

FW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

38	3	2	1	103	24
3. <u>WPNS CAPTURED:</u> 211: 157/54					140

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 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARMY
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH INF
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES DIVISION NR 125, OFN KENTUCKY
2. 051800H- 061800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

INCIDENTS: ENEMY INITIATED; MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 041250Z 3/4 OP AT (YE 134615) OBS 4 VC/STA
 1000EAST OF PERIMETER, FIRED S/A OBS 1 MAN FALL CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT
 NEG RESULTS.

(b) 052030Z 3/4 OP (TOWER)ARTY (ED 145614) OBS MOVEMENT WITH MCB
 AT (YD 113603). FIRED MORT MCM WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(g) 060930H 3/4 ROAD SWEEP TEAM AT (YD 145614) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A HARMLESS OBS THAT APPEARED TO BE A MINE.

(e) 060930H 3/4 RDS AT (YD 117587) REC'D 50-35 RDS EST 65 TO 100MM ARMY FROM DIRECTION OF 5850 TO 6200 MINS. AO ON STATION, 2/1 NOTIFIED ARMY MSN BEING CONDUCTED. ARMY MSN FIRED BY 2/1 RESULTED IN 1 SPCCNARY, REQUESTED TPQ MSN.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 060130H 3/3 HIM AT (YD 214744) REC'D 8 RDS 60MM ARTY FROM (YD 217832) FIRED NCF.

(b) 060830H 3/3 HIM AT (YD 162732) AND DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 2 60MM MORTAR RDS 10 CANS OF INCREMENTALS AND MORTAR PIT APPROX 2 WOUNDS DIED AT (YD 162734) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 6 60MM MORTAR RDS AND 4 CANS OF MORTAR FUZES.

(c) 061115H 3/3 HIM AT (YD 151731) MADE CONTACT WITH UNK SIZE ARMY FORCE 061454H STILL IN CONTACT REC SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE AT THIS TIME. JMW MSN IN PROGRESS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) REF 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 123 PARA A.3. (c), ADD 14 NVA KIA (CONF) TO OPR KENTUCKY TOTALS.

(b) CORRECTION TO 9TH MARINES INTSUM NR 124 9 NVA KIA (CONF) WERE ADDED WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION. DELETE 9 NVA KIA (CONF) REFLECTED IN TOTALS

(c) CORRECTION TO 9TH MARINES INTSUM NR 124, PARA A.2. (g) SHOULD READ 5 NVA KIA (CONF) (ALREADY INCLUDED IN TOTAL) VICE UNK RESULTS.

(d) DELAYED ENTRY. 051600-051800 2/1 OP AT (YD 114781) OBS 10 NVA IN OPEN AT DIFFERENT TIME PERIOD AT (YD 120736) FIRED ARTY, TANK AND ARMO MSN RESULTING IN 31 NVA KIA (CONF).

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(e) 062029H 2/1 PPG-5 RADAR AT (YD 114701) PICKED UP APPROX A COMPANY SIZE UNIT MOVING SE-SW AT (YD 121736). FIRED ARTY MSN DROPPED TPQ MSN OBS 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(f) 060810H, 2/1 OF AT (YD 114701) OBS 6 NVA AT (YD 120736). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(g) 060928H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 112701) REC'D 15 RDS MED/HV ARTY FROM (YD 09307404), (YD 0316176381) AND (YD 02857637). FIRED ARTY MSN OBS 1 SECONDARY AT (YD 0316176381).

(h) 061635H, 2/1 AT (YD 114701) REC'D 8 RDS OF COMM MORTAR FIRE FROM (YD 120715), (YD 125724), (YD 121717) AND (YD 121713). FIRED MORTAR AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 061200H, 1/4 KILMER TEAM AT (YD 086437) OBS 1 NVA AT (YD 100643). FIRED ARTY MSN AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) 061526H, AND 061532H, H/1/4 ELMS AT (YD 132645) REC'D 4-6 MIXED 130MM ARTY AND 140MM ROCKET RDS FROM A DIRECTION OF 400 MILS. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 31
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPNS: NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(b)
- (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 061300H MAR 68.

1. ENEMY KIA: 1376
2. DETAINEES: 238
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/HMMB(NVA)/HMMB(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
28 1 2 1 100 54
3. WPNS CAPTURED: 211; 157/54

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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES

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 7TH IYT
 MOB 5
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1. NINTH MARINES JMSOM NR 125, OPS KENTUCKY
2. 061800-071800 MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF JMSOM ACTIVITY

6 INCIDENTS; 4 ENEMY INITIATED; 2 MOIR/ARMY

4. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 062030H, 3/4 ELMS AT (ID 145503) APPREHENDED 4 SUSPECTS WHILE SWERING VILLAGE. THEY HAD IMPROPER I.D. CARDS. SUSPECTS WERE TAKEN TO CAN ID DESQ HQ. 4 REHABILES.

(b) 062100H 3/4 ELMS AN (ID 145624) IN ROUTE TO AMBUSH POSITION HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR FRONT. OBS WITH SPARLIGHT SCOPE, ONE ENEMY 35 METERS TO 1000 METER FIRED S/A ENEMY RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A AND GREEN'S. CHECKED AREA FIRST LIGHT. NEG RESULTS.

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2. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) REF 9TH MAR INTSUM NR 125 PARA A.2. (c) 061115H CONT. 062 226H 3/3 CO 'M' MADE CONTACT WITH EST NVA CO (RSINF) DUG IN AT (YD 154734) WHICH WAS SUPPORTED BY A BN SIZE UNIT LOCATED APPROX 300-500 M NORTH. NVA WERE WELL ARMED WITH ~~82MM~~ 82MM, 82MM AND 60MM MORT, HV AND LIGHT MG'S AND S/A. AN EST 15-175 RDS OF 105MM, 150 RDS 60MM-82MM INCOMING WERE REC'D DURING THIS CONTACT, WHICH RESULTED IN 96 NVA CONF. 1 RPD MG, 1 CHICOM HV MG AND 1 RED PATCH WITH TWO GOLD STARS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 070942H 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 114701) REC'D 3 RDS 60MM MORT FIRE. FIRED MORT MSN AT (YD 107719), (YD 109709) AND (YD 140719) UNK RESULTS.

(b) 071240H 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 116741) REC'D SNIPER FIRE; FIRED FROM (YD 104704), FIRED RR/MORT MSN UNK RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 061005H-061400 1/4 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 102642) OBS 6-8 NVA MOVING NE IN VICINITY OF (YD 105642); LOST CONTACT. 1200H OBS 1 NVA AT (YD 100643). CALLED ARTY MSN. WHILE CHECKING AREA OBS'D AND KILLED 1 NVA. STARTED RECEIVING S/A, A/W FIRE. CALLED ARTY AND MORT MSN. RESULTS 4 NVA KIA (CONF).

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.(a) ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 100
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPS: SEE PARA A.3. (a)
- (b) EQUIPMENT - NONE
- (c) FACILITIES - NONE

(b) CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 071800H MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA 1476
2. DETAINEES 242

PW(NVA)/PW(VC)/RFINER(NVA)/RFINER(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV					
38	3	2	2	144	54
3. WPS CAPTURED 213 157/56

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1. NINTH MARINES DIVISION NR 127, CMT KENTUCKY
2. 071500-001000 MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 18 INCIDENTS; 0 ENEMY KILLED; 36 WOUND/ARTY

4. GROUND REPORT

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) 081500 3/4 BTR AT (15 100000) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED A FLAT
 SIZE COMPLEX OF CONCEALED FIGHTING HOLES. 1-2 WERE BURNED, APPEARED TO
 BE RECENTLY USED, THERE WERE BLOOD STAINS AT COMPLEX REAR.

2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 071700H, 2/1 AT (YD 114701) REPORTS AO ON STATION OBS ACTIVE HOST POSITION AND HVA IN TUNNELS AND TRENCHLINES AT (YD 117717). SAW 5 AIR SERVICES RESULTING IN 12 HVA KIA (DEAD), 16 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 9 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 1 MOUNT FIP AND 200 METERS OF TRENCHLINE DESTROYED.

(b) 071800H, 2/1 OF AT (YD 114701) OBS 2ND ACTIVE ARMY POSITION AT (YD 070752) AND (YD 080728). FIRED ARTY MEN WITH AO ON STATION OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLD. FIP MEN WAS RECEIVED OBS 4 MORE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(c) 071900H, 2/1 FPG-5 RADAR AT (YD 114701) PICKED UP A BN SIZE MOVEMENT AT (YD 146746) RADAR INDICATED A METALIC OBJECT IN SAME AREA. FIRED 10T AND MOVEMENT DISPERSED INTO TWO LARGE GROUPS. RADAR ALSO PICKED UP AC. SIZE MOVEMENT AT (YD 104760) FIRED VUY WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) 071910H, 2/1 HEM AT (YD 114701) MES'D TWO BDE SPWM RR FIRE FROM (YD 112718). FIRED 4.2 MEN OBS 3 LARGED SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(e) 072130H, 2/1 FPG-5 AT (YD 114701) PHASE 10000 UP CO SIZE MOVEMENT AT (YD 130759). FIRED ARTY MEN WITH UNK RES.

(f) 081100H, 2/1 HEM AT (YD 10306601) OBS HVA WITH WENS, WEARING DARK UNIFORMS AT (YD 1466002) FIRED FORT MEN, CHECKED AREA WEN RESULTS.

(g) 081100H, 2/1 HEM AT (YD 136697) DISCOVERED 4 BANDAGES 1 HVA BLACKY PORCHO AND ASSAULTED GEAR. BLOOD TRAIL LEADING EAST ABOUT 3 TO 6 HOURS OLD.

(2) 081610H, 2/1 FIP AT (YD 114701) REC'D 34 BOUNDS MENTION ARTY FROM 1600 MILES FIRED ARTY MEN WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 072430H, 3/3 HEMS AT (YD 136739) OBS 2 HVA AT (YD 136739). FIRED FORT MEN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 072930H, 3/3 OF AT (YD 170112) OBS WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SMALL OBSERVATION HELICOPTER IN VIC OF (YD 1674) (HID).

(c) 073045H, 3/3 OF AT (YD 170722) HEARD TRACK VEHICLE ENGINE ABOUT 2000-2000 METERS SOUTH OF STATION. (B)

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA 13
2. DETAINEES 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPES: NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
- (c) FACILITIES: A.2. (a), A.2. (g) A.1. (a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 081900H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA 1469
2. DETAINEES 242

PW(NVA)	PW(VN)	RTHRE(NVA)	RTHRE(VN)	CIV DEF	INN CIV
18	3	2	1	144	54
3. WPES CAPTURED 213 157/56

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1. NINTH MARINES INTISUM NR 128, OPH KENTUCKY
2. 081600-091600 MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 6 INCIDENTS; 0 ENEMY INITIATED; 1 MORT/ARTY 3 MINES/BOOBY TRAPS

A. GROUND FORCES:

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 061500H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 202594) DISCOVERED
 AND DIST 2 CHY COM AP SERRATED TYPE MINES LYING IN OPEN.
 (b) 091150H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 239638) DISCOVERED AND DEST. 1 TM
 41 AT NINE.

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2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 081613H, 2/1 HIMS AT (YD 215703) NEG'D
34 RDS UNK TYPE ARMY, FROM (YD 094768), (YD 086774) AND (YD 08887645)
FIRED ARMY MSN OBS 2 SECONDARY EXPLO.

3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 082218H, 3/3 EIMS AT (TD 212742) OBS ON RADAR APPROX 20
NVA AT (YD 213773). EN MOVED TO (YD 216758). FIRED 40MM AT (YD 215775)
AND 60MM MORT MSN AT (YD 216758). UNK RESULTS.

((b) 082325H, 3/3 LP AT (YD 176724) OBS 9-10 NVA MOVING ALONG
WIRE. FIRED 10 RDS M-79 RDS, CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT, NEG RESULTS.

(c) 090930H, 3/3 ELM AT (YD 197718) FOUND 1 NEW TYPE NVA PROP-
AGANDA SHEET. WILL FORWARD TO 9TH MARINES S-2.

(c) OTHERS

(a) 9TH MARINES INTWUM NR 119 A.2. (a) ADD 2 INC.

(b) 9TH MARINE INTWUM NR 120 A.1. (a) ADD 5 INC

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSESA. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA NONE
2. DETAINEE NONE
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPMS: NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
- (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3. (c)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 091800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA 1489
2. DETAINEE 242
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNE(NVA)/RTNNE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
38 3 2 1 144 54
3. WENS CAPTURED 215 164/56
220

5. 15 NEG
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REF: 1/1/68
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FROM: SOUTH MARINES
 TO: CC AFHQ MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION SOUTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION NORTH MARINES
 INFO: FOURTH MARINES
 FIFTH MARINES
 SIXTH MARINES
 SEVENTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION EIGHTH MARINES
 FIRST BN ROYAL FOURTH ARMY
 1ST BATTALION
 1ST BN
 1ST BN
 1ST BN
 1ST BN

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1. SOUTH MARINES BATTALION BR 125, ON 12/1/68
2. 12/1/68-12/1/68
3. SUMMARY OF 12/1/68
 1. 12/1/68; 2. 12/1/68; 3. 12/1/68; 4. 12/1/68; 5. 12/1/68
4. 12/1/68
5. 12/1/68
 - (a) 12/1/68, 1/4 OF AT (12 12/1/68) 12/1/68 2 12/1/68
 - 12/1/68 12/1/68 (12 12/1/68) CAP 1 CHECKED AREA 12/1/68
 - (b) 12/1/68, 1/4 OF AT (12 12/1/68) 12/1/68 6 12/1/68 12/1/68
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 - (c) 12/1/68, 1/4 OF AT (12 12/1/68) 12/1/68 3 12/1/68 12/1/68
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(d) 101302, 3/4 ROAD SWEEP TEAM AT (YD 123625) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 2 TH 41, BOTH WITH BOOBY TRAPED WITH 34LB BUCKTENS RIGGED WITH PULL TYPE FUSES.

(e) 101333, 3/4 HILL AT (YD 110525) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 70 WOMEN FIGHTING HOMES EXPOSED WITH OVER HEAD COVER OF DIRT AND LOGS 12-16 IN THICK. 1 HILL BURNING ALICE, 1 155MM DTD.

(f) 101330, 3/4 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 219594) AND DESTROYED 1 HILL. 101330, 3/4 B TO HDS REP 101330 ARTY AT (YD 219594). 101330, 3/4 B TO HDS REP 101330 ARTY AT (YD 219594).

2. ARMED SPECIALIST TROOP MARINES

(a) 101330, 3/4 OP AT (YD 170124) OBS 4 HVA AT (YD 237705) FIRED ARTY MSN WITH DTK RES.

(b) 101330, 3/4 HILLS AT (YD 213744) RES'D 6 RES, ONE TYPE ARTY FROM (YD 213744) 2 DTKS, 2 1/2 AND 2 DELAY WHICH PENETRATED 1/4 FT. BEFORE IMPLOSION. ARTY MSN NOT WITH THE FUSES.

3. ARMED SPECIALIST TROOP MARINES

(a) 101330, 3/4 OP AT (YD 114701) WITH PUS-3 1 HVA OBS 4 HVA AT (YD 123625) AND TWO HVA AT (YD 177710). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH DTK RES.

(b) 101330, 3/4 HILLS AT (YD 143597) OBS 2 HILL FLASHERS, WHILE DONG HE WAS TWISTING TROOPING. FIRED ARTY MSN TROOPING CAME.

(c) 101330, 3/4 HILL AT (YD 114701) OBS ARTY MSN WITH DTK RES. (YD 066709) FIRED ARTY MSN AND TANK WITH DTK RES.

4. ENEMY HUMAN AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA NONE
2. REMAINS 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. REMAINS CAPTURED OR DISCOVERED

- (a) WEAPONS NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT 538-PARA 1.1.0(c), 1.1.0(f)
- (c) FACILITIES SEE PARA A.1.0(c)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR GVN KENTUCKY AS OF 101300H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA 1489
2. REMAINS 242
HVA/PU/VC/REMAINS(HVA)/REMAINS(VC)/ART DTK/ KIM CAV
3. REMAINS CAPTURED OR DISCOVERED 120 16/66

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SHOWDOWN 2-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER J. E. Edmon

RELEASED J. J. McGehee

PROPERTY/PRIORITY 111000Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FOURTH ARMY
 1ST AIRBORNE BN
 7TH CTR
 7TH INF
 MGR 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INFO NR 130, ON KENTUCKY
2. 101000Z-111800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY ON ENEMY ACTIVITIES
5. INCIDENTS; 3 ENEMY DETECTED; 0 WOUND; ARMY 1 MINES; DOBBY TEARS

4. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 102100H, 3/4 EIM AT (YD 144615) OBS WIDE NOB 6 EN VIC (YD 135510). FIRED M-79, 60MM MORTS, M-42 AND TANKS. ENEMY RAN INTO HOUSE. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT, NEG RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 111100H, 5/3 EIM AT (YD 194697) REPORT 2 MINES DETONATED, BELIEVED TO BE COMMAND DETONATED. FIRED FIRE, CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

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(b) 111315H, 3/3 RPT AT (YD 170121) SIGHTED 1 NVA AT (YD 169 706), FIRED 3/A, NEG RES.

(c) 111315H, 3/3 CP AT (YD 171734) RPT'D 2 RDS S/A FROM (YD 183740), AC SENT TO ARMA, NEG SIGHTING.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 104815H, 1/4 RPT AT (YD 142597) HEARD MOVEMENT OF LARGE SIZE FORCE MOVING SOUTH ALONG N.S. GRID LINE 15.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINES: 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WEPS: NONE
- (b) HOISTING: SEE PARA A.2.(a)
- (c) FACILITIES: NONE

D. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR 07H KENTUCKY AS OF 111600Z, MAR 68.

1. ENEMY KIA: 1469
 3. DETAINES: 242
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|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|-----------------|
| PO(NVA) | PO(VN) | PO(NVA) | PO(NVA) | PO(VN) | CIV DEW/DEN CIV |
| 33 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 194 | 24 |
3. WEPS CAPTURED: 220; 164/56

5. - 15. NEG

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REPORT/PROPERTY 11/11/68 11/11/68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION FIFTH MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FOURTH POLISH ARMY
 1ST AMERAG
 15TH CTF
 7TH JTF
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-4

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PERMANENT RECORD TO HQS SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES DIVISION HQ 131, ONI KENTUCKY
2. 111000-112000 MAR 58
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY
 1 INCIDENTS; 2 ENEMY DELETED; 2 WME/ANV FINES/DOCTY TRATS

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 111000H, 3/4 PD AT (YD 145614) OBS SNEP AT (YD 18047) FIRING AT VEHICLE OF NMC 561. CALLED IN ARTY FIRE AND SWEEPING CHASER.

2. THIRD BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) REMAINING. 111730H, 3/5 WME AT (YD 173725) RECD WME (ONE MET FROM (YD 183746) FIRST MORE M-H, ONE RESULTS.

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(c) 111743H, 3/3 BIMS AT (YD 213744) REVD 6 BMS OF ARTY AT (YD 213744). REVD BMS AT (YD 213744), UNK RESULTS

(c) 111809H, 3/3 BIMS AT (YD 170722) SIGHTED 4 NVA AT (YD 160747). FIRED BMS AND ARTY BMS, UNK RESULTS.

(d) 112045H, 3/3 CO AT (YD 211742) HPTS HEARING HEAVY ENGINE NOISES 2500 METERS EAST OF POSIT.

(e) 120600H, 3/3 BIMS AT (YD 195718) DISCOVERED AND DEST. 1 HEAVILY DUG TUNNEL.

(f) 12320H, 3/3 OP AT (YD 213744) OBS 13 ENEMY HEARING BMS AT (YD 198747) FIRED BMS MORE HSN. MOVEMENT DISCONTINUED.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 112000H, 1/4 LP AT (YD 147001) OBS 4NVA AT (YD 110705). TOOK NVA UNDER FIRE WITH S/A. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT, NO RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR MONITORING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DEATHS: 0/0/0/0/0/0/
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WMS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA 4.2.(e)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR ONE MONTHLY AS OF 121600H, MAR 60

1. ENEMY KIA: 1489
2. DEATHS: 242

FW(NVA)/FW(VG)/REMER(TTA)/REMER(VG)/UIC DEW/INN CIV
12 2 2 1 144 24
3. WMS CAPTURED 220 164/56

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OFFICE S-2 9TH MARINES
F. E. Emerson
 DRAFTER F. E. EMERSON
P. J. Kieselbach
 RELEASER P. J. KIESELBACH

131045Z MAR 68

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARMY
 1ST APTAC
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCE 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM 132, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 121800-131800Z MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 11 INCIDENTS; 3 ENEMY INITIATED; 3 MORE/ARMY 1 MINE/BOOBY TRAPS

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 121920H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 179588) REC'D APPROX 4-5 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FM (YD 185593). RET'D FIRE WITH 3.5 AND LAAW. CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 122030H, 3/4 AMBUSH AT (YD 176584) OBS 15-18 NVA MOVING PARRALLEL TO THEM, AT (YD 176584) FIRED ARTY MSN, CHECKED AREA AND FOUND DRAG MARKS.

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(c) 122200H, 3/4 ELMS APPREHENDED 3 MALE DETAINEES (12-15 YRS OLD) AT (YD 122613) TURNED OVER TO DIST HQ PROVED TO BE INNOCENT CIVILIANS. FORWARDED TO NAT'L POLICE FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING.

(d) 130955H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 114598) ON OPERATION TO RECOVER BODIES FROM PREVIOUS OPERATION OF 4 MAR, REC'D 8 RDS ROCKETS FROM (YD 095 615) 4 82MM MORT AND 8 RDS UNK TYPE ARTY FR UNK DIRECTION. FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(e) 131615H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 170587) DETECTED ENEMY AT (YD 196597) FIRING AT VEHICLES ON ROUT #9 HEADING TOWARDS DONG HA. FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 121134H, 3/3 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 211742) DETONATED A UNK TYPE MINE.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 121725H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 213744) REC'D 11 RDS OF 130MM ARTY FROM (YD 236837) AZ OF 0200 MILS.. FIRED ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) 131106H, 3/3 ELMS AT (YD 212743) REC'D 26 RDS 100MM, 130MM AND 152MM ARTY FROM (YD 233825) AND (YD 220824) FIRED WGF, ARTY AND DROPPED TPQ.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 122000H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 135646) WITH FPS-5 RADAR OBS 2 NVA IN TREELINE AT (YD 121674). FIRED ARTY MSN WILL UNK RESULTS.

(b) 122005H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 135646) OBS 1 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AFTER TPQ DROP AT (YD 073652).

(c) 130615H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 140647) REC'D INCOMING GREN, HEARD MOVEMENT VIC OF (YD 142647) FIRED M-79, THREW 2 GREN. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY SD OG 121800H, MAR 1968

1. ENEMY KIA: 1489
2. DETAINEES: 245

PW(NVA)	PW(VC)	RENEE(NVA)	RENEE(VC)	CIV DEF/INN CIV
38	2	2	1	144 51
3. WINS CAPTURED 220 164/56

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141130Z MAR 68

RMA (SEA)

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORRY FOURTH ARMY
 1ST AMTRAC
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-A

CCN: 102

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM 133, OPH KENTUCKY
2. 131800-141800MAR68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

6 INCIDENTS; 1 ENEMY INITIATED; 1 MORT/ARTY MINE/BOoby TRAPS

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 140825H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 153601) DETAINED 3 CIVILIANS AGES 17, 18
 AND 19, ~~TURNED~~ OVER TO DIST HQ. RELEASED TO NATIONAL POLICE 3 DETAINEES.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 132258H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 176718) REC'D 4 RDS OF EST 105MM ARTY
 FM UNK POSITION.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES NEG.**CONFIDENTIAL**

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 131800H, 1/4 OP AT (YD 114701) OBS ACTIVE ENEMY ARTY POST AT (YD 056742) FIRED TANKS AND CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

C. OTHER

(1) 121510H, RECON PATROL AT (YD 162540) OBS 16 NVA MOVING NORTH. ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS AND KHAKI UNIFORMS, CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. ARTY MSN FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

(2) 131620H, RECON PATROL AT (YD 155537) AMBUSHED 4 NVA RESULTING IN 3 NVA KIA (CONF) / NVA PW'S AND CAPTURED MISCELLANEOUS GEAR. RECON TEAM WAS EXTRACTED.

(3) 121650H, RECON PATROL AT (YD 162540) OBS 7 NVA (YD155537) WEARING BLACK PANTS, PACKS AND 1 RIFLE WAS OBS. ENEMY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT INTO SUSPECTED BUNKER COMPLEX.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: 3
2. DETAINEES: 1/0/0/0/3/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARAG C.2.(c)
 - (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY SD OG 141800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1492
2. DETAINEES: 250
PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/RTNED(NVA)/RTNED(VG)/CIV DEF)/INN CIV
39 2 2 1 147 54
3. WPS CAPTURED 220 164/56

5. 15, NEG
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CONFIDENTIALSECTION S-2 9TH MARINESDRAFTER P. E. EMERSONRELEASER P. J. KESSELBACHPRIORITY/PRIORITY 151055 Z

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARTY
 1ST AMTRAC
 15TH CUT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM 134, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 141800-151800MAR68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 9 INCIDENTS; 1 ENEMY INITIATED; 3 MORT/ARTY 1 MINE/BOOBY TRAPS

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 142050H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 115585) OBS 2 ENEMY AT (YD 128586).
 FIRED MORT MSN W/UNK RESULTS.

(b) 142115H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 178586) REC 30-40 RDS OF EST 60MM
 MORTARS FROM (YD 186595) FIRED ARTY MSN, MORT FIRE CEASED.

(c) 142125H, 3/4 AMBUSH AT (YD 173588) DETECTED MOVEMENT OF 7 VC/EVA
 AT (YD 177583). CALLED IN MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(d) 151200H, 3/4 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 220635) 4TH VEHICLE, DUSTER HIT AT-MINE.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 151123H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 174726) REC'D 5 RDS 60MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 183745) FIRED MORT MSN. UNK RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 142015H, 2/1 EIM AT (YD 138645) HEARD EXPLOSION IN MINE FIELD. AREA KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE, NO ACTIVITY OBS, CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT NEG RESULTS.

(b) 142145H, 2/1 EIMS WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE AT (YD 129672) OBS ENEMY MOVEMENT ALONG FRONT LINES AT (YD 130672) FIRED M-79 AND GRENADES WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) 142145H, 2/1 OP WITH STARLIGHT SCOPE AT (YD 125668) OBS 1 NVA AT (YD 129669) TO RIGHT OF POSITION. FIRED S/A AND M-79 WITH UNK RESULTS.

(d) 151100H, 2/1 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 152682) OBS APPROX 12 PERSONS AT (YD 160682) PROCEEDING EAST TO SOUTH EAST. INTERCEPTED AND DETAINED 10 FEMALES, 3 MALES, 2 IN UTILITIES AND 1 IN BLACK PJ'S ESCAPED TO SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST. DETAINEES INSISTED THEY WERE WOOD CUTTERS, PEA PICKERS OR CATTLE DRIVERS. TURNED IN TO 7TH ITT FOR FURTHER INTERROGATION 10 DETAINEES

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD.

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/10/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. COMMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY SD OG 151800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1492
2. DETAINEES: 260
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RENEE(NVA)/RENEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
 39 3 2 1 160 54
3. WPS CAPTURED 220 164/56

5. 15, NEG
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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES
 DRAFTER E. E. EMERSON
 RELEASER P. J. KIESELBACH

PRIORITY/PRIORITY

161110Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARTY
 1ST AMTRAC
 15TH CIT
 7TH ITT
 MCB 5
 MAG 36-A

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PERISHABLE INFO. DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM 135, OVN KENTUCKY
2. 151800-161800MAR68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 12 INCIDENTS; ENEMY INITIATED; 3 MORT/ARTY MINE/BOOBY TRAPS

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) 161100H, 3/4 PATROL AT (YD 168611) DISCOVERED 2 SHELLS, SHOTGUN OR PRIMER FOR MORT. TURNED INTO S-2
 (b) 161223H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 143618) REC'D 2 RD'S EST 82MM. FROM (YD 139616) AND (YD 139613).
 (c) 161450H, 3/4 PATROL AT (YD 124616) DISCOVERED 3 FRESH DUG FIGHTING HOLES.
2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 151225H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 135640) DIS 5 BREAKS IN PERIMETER WIRE. SANDAL TRACKS OF ONE MALE MOVING SOUTH WAS DISCOVERED IN THE AREA. BREAKS REPAIRED.

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(b) 151830H, 2/1 PATROL AT (YD 147670) REC'D 5 JACK TYPES ARMY RD'S FROM UNK LOCATION.

(c) 151915H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 129680) OBS 1 EN CRAWLING UP GULLY AT (YD 131672) FIRED M-16 CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RES.

(d) 152130H, 2/1 OP AT (YD 129670) OBS WITH WED 5 NVA AT (YD 120644). CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RES.

(e) 152330H, 2/1 ELMS AT (YD 135646) HEARD VIETNAMESE VOICE. FIRED M-79 RD'S AND COME MSN. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RES.

(f) 161030H, 2/1 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 147679) OBS 5 NVA AT (YD 149677) FIRED ARTY MSN MOVEMENT CEASED. CHECKED AREA NEG RESULTS.

(g) 161430H, 2/1 OP AT (YD 125668) REC'D 2 82MM MORE RD'S FROM (YD 095627) FIRED ARTY MSN, MORTAR SILENCED.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 161130H, 1/4 OP AT (YD 124696) OBS EXPLOSION 8 METERS TO EAST, CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(b) 161200H, 1/4 KILLER TEAM AT (YD 098678) DISCOVERED AND BEST BUNKERS APPEARED TO BE 1 MONTH OLD.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/0/
3. DETAINMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(c) A.3.(b)

B. COMMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY IS OF 161800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1492
2. DETAINEES: 260
PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/REFUG(NVA)/REFUG(VG)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
30 3 2 1 160 54

3. WPS CAPTURED 220, 164/56

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FOURTH FOURTH ARTY
 1ST AC/ACAC
 1ST BN
 7TH TPT
 MAG 5
 MAG 54-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INSUR 136, CPN KENTUCKY
2. 101000-111000Z MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

A. AC/ACAC

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 062100H, 3/4 SQUAD AT (YD 133625) MOVING TO AMBUSH POSITION, HEARD MOVEMENT TO FRONT. FIRED S/A AND M-79, RECD S/A FIRE. CHECKED AREA FOUND 2 NVA KIA WEARING FIBER TYPE HELMETS, GREEN TROUSERS AND SHIRT, ARMED WITH AK-47s AND GRENADES 2 NVA KIA (CONF) 2 AK-47 CAPTURED.

(b) 062345H, 3/4 BMS AT (YD 133624) OBS AND AMBUSHED 3 VC/NVA MOVING DOWN THE MOUNTAIN FROM NORTH. RESULTING IN 1 NVA (CONF) 1 SKS CAPTURED AND 1 TH 41 MINE DESTROYED.

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2. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 161735H, 2/1 HHS AT (YD 118646) RECD 3 LBS 82MM AND 40 HBS (OWN HOS) FIRE FROM (YD 118646) FIRED MON AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 170025H, 2/1 OP AT (YD 1133544) OBS LIGHTS AT (YD 125646) MOVING SOUTH. FIRED MORT MSN. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 160915H, 3/3 AND 1/4 ELMS AT (YD 167736) DISCOVERED FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES, 1 DRUM IMG AMMO, 1 PR OF GOGGELS 782 GEAR AND 3 LBS EXPLOSIVES. DESTROYED EXPLOSIVES. 0940H OBS MOVEMENT, MADE CONTACT WITH EST 30-50 NVA, 0945H 1/4 MADE CONTACT WITH APPROX 40 NVA AT (YD 195734) AO ON STATION ESTIMATED A BN SKEE UNIT IN AREA, CLOTHED IN NEW GREEN UTILITIES, METAL FLACK JACKETS AND HELMETS. AIR, ARTY, MORT AND S/A EMPLOYED RESULTS 63 NVA KIA (0010F)

(b) 171522H, 3/3 OBS HELICOPTER RECEIVING AW FIRE VIC OF (YD 190708) FROM 2 OR 3 WEAPONS. ARTY MSN BEING FIRED.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 161735H, 1/4 OP AT (YD 115701) OBS ACTIVE ARTY AT (YD 06597493) FIRED ARTY MSN AND FIRED TANK. UNK RESULTS.

(b) 171145H, 1/4 OP AT (YD 115701) FIRED 4.2 MSN AT (YD 121711) ON TRENCH LINE. OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

a. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: 84
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: 3
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(a) A.1.(b) SEE PARA A.3.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3.(a)

B. COMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 171800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1578
2. DETAINEES: 250
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VN)/CIV DEPT/OWN CIV
3. WPS CAPTURED 220 167/56 1 160 54

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARMY
 1ST AMTRAC
 15TH CTF
 7TH FLEET
 MCR 5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM 137, OVN KENTUCKY
2. 171600-181600ZMAR68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 5 INCIDENTS; 1 ENEMY INITIATED;

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 180630Z, 3/4 REPORTED CAM LO DISTRICT HQ AT (YD 12958) REP'D 1 FEMALE GVN PROP TEAM MEMBER AT THERE POSIT WITH HER THREAT GVN RELATIVES. REP. VC ENTERED THE AN HUAG HAMLET, CAM HUAG VILLAGE SOME TIME LAST NIGHT, AN EXECUTED WOMAN.

(b) 181240H, 3/4 PATROL QBS 5 SUSPECTS AT (YD 135625) 3 S-2 SCOUTS SENT TO AREA SUSPECTS TAKEN TO CAM LO DIST HQ. FOR INTERROGATION 5 DETAINEES

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 172200H, 3/3 CP AT (YD 211744) OBS WHAT APPEARED TO BE TRUCK CONVOY AT (YD 185805). CONVOY PROCEEDED TO (YD 160774) AND RETURNED TO (YD 185805). ARTY MSN FIRED WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 172130H, 2/1 CP AT (YD 132645) DETECTED WITH RADAR MOVEMENT AT (YD 137539). FIRED 60MM MORT MSN. AT 172240H, CP OBS 2 NVA AT (YD 131636) FIRED ARTY, CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RESULTS.

(b) 172315H, 2/1 EIMS AT (YD 131668) HEARD SOUND LIKE WIRE BEING CUT. FIRED RR MSN. NOISE CEASED CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT. NEG RESULTS

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 180950H, 1/4 ROAD SWEEP AT (YD 132628) DISCOVERED 3 BODIES BURIED AT (YD 132628) BANDOLEER OF 5.56MM AMMO, 2 U.S. TYPE GAS MASK, FIELD JACKET, AND PONCHO. BODIES WERE RESULTS OF 1/4 CONTACT YESTERDAY.

(b) 181000H, 1/4 KILLER TM. AT (YD 098687) DISCOVERED TUNNEL WITH AIR VENT. A PORTION OF THE TUNNEL COVERED WITH BOARDS AND 2 LAYERS OF SOD. CHECKING TUNNEL.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/5/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPB: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.4.(a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(b)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 181800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1570
2. DETAINEES: 223
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
39 3 2 1 165 54
3. WNS CAPTURED 223 167/56

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SECTION 2 9TH MARINES

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RELEASER P. J. KESSLER

PRIORITY/PRIORITY 191120Z MARCH

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
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 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD MARINES
 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARMY
 1ST ANTRAC BN
 15TH CTF
 7TH CTF
 MCB-5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #138, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 181800 - 191800H, MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

10 INCIDENTS; 3 VC INITIATED; 7 MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) REF 9TH MAR'S INTSUM NR 137 PARA A-1.(b). AT 182015H,
 5 DETAINEES WERE INTERROGATED BY 7TH ITT AND NATIONAL POLICE AND WERE
 RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(b) 182125H, 3/4 AMBUSH AT (YD 130626) REC'D SEVERAL RDS OF
 SUSPECTED MORTARS FROM UNK POSITION.

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 182200H, 3/3 ELM AT (YD 171733) REC'D 1 RD UNK CAL FROM UNK DIRECTION.

(b) 182235H, 3/3 ELM AT (YD 213742) REC'D 14 RDS EST 105MM VT ARTY FROM UNK LOCATION.

(c) 190200H, 3/3 RTT'S PF UNIT WAS AMBUSHED BY NVA PLT AT (YD 223714). NO OTHER INFO AVAILABLE.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 182115H, 2/1 ELM WITH RADAR AT (YD 132640) DETECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT 500 METERS FORWARD OF FIGHTING BUNKER AT (YD 136637). FIRED MORT MSN. CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT NEG RESULTS.

(b) 191208H, 2/1 ELM AT (YD 133640) REC'D 13 RDS OF ESTIMATED 120MM ARTY FROM (YD 045750). FIRED ARTY MSN, NEG RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 190843H - 190940H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 114744) REC'D 18 RDS ESTIMATED 130MM, 152MM ARTY FROM DIRECTION OF 700 MILS, FIRED ARTY MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(b) 190900H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 148698) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 BUNKER (6x4x5 FT) APPROX 1-2 MONTHS OLD.

(c) 191100H - 191130H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 114744) REC'D 6 RDS (3 WERE DUDS) ESTIMATED 130MM, 152MM ARTY FROM DIRECTION OF 5700 MILS. FIRED ARTY MSN, UNK RESULTS.

(d) 191155H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 118640) OBS 1 NVA MOVING WEST AT (YD 104695). FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

C. OTHER

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 180640H, RECON TEAM AT (YD 131528) REC'D AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM THE SOUTH AT (YD 130523). TEAM RET'D FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND CALLED ARTY MISSION WITH UNK RESULTS. TEAM WAS EXTRACTED.

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 180825H, RECON TEAM AT (YD 114553) OBS 250 CIVILIANS MOVING SOUTH AT (YD 115556). 75 OF THESE PEOPLE WERE MEN 16-20 YRS OLD. THE REST WERE MEN AND WOMEN AND APPEARED TO BE WOOD CUTTERS, AND WERE DRESSED IN REXED CLOTHING. THE YOUNG MEN MOVED ON TRAIL TO SOUTH WHILE THE OLDER MAN AND WOMEN SPREAD OUT AND BEGAN GATHERING WOOD. RECON TEAM CONTINUED MISSION.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING-- 10D

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/5
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR TEST OYED
 - (a) WINS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(b)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OVN KENTUCKY AS OF 191800H MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1578
2. DETAINEES: 264

PM(NVA)	PM(VC)	PM(NVA)	PM(VC)	CIV TIF	INN CIV
32	3	2	1	165	59
3. WINS CAPTURED: 223; 167/56

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH MARINES
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 9TH CIT
 7TH CIT
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES IMPSON #139, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 191600 - 201800H, MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

2 INCIDENTS; 2 VC INITIATED; 2 MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 191600H, 3/4 RPT'S CAP-1 PATROL AT (YD 115595) OBS VC SUSPECT CARRYING BUNDLES. VC FLED. BUNDLES CONTAINED 2 BODIES IDENTIFIED AS MARINES THAT WERE MIA RESULTING FROM 3/4 ACTION OF 13 MAR.

(b) 200820H - 201100H, 3/4 RPT AT (YD 130608) DETAINED 3 MALE SUSPECTS WITHOUT I.D. CARDS. TURNED OVER TO CIT AND RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS. 3 INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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(c) 204050H, 3/4 ELM AT (YD 145615) REC'D 10-12 RDS OF S/A FIRE FROM (YD 145618). FIRED MORT FSN AND CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 191730H, 3/3 ELM AT (YD 139697) DISCOVERED 1 NVA CAP WITH NAME AND SERIAL NUMBER AT A POSSIBLE OP SIGHT OCCUPIED BY 4-5 PERSONS 7 DAYS AGO.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 204055H, 2/1 ELM AT (YD 159654) OBS 20-30 NVA MOVING TOWARD POSITION AT (YD 159655). HAN AIR STRIKE, RESULTS UNK. CHECKING AREA.

(b) 204650H, 2/1 ELM WITH KILLER TEAM AT (YD 159654) REC'D 25 RDS OF 60MM MORT FIRE FM (YD 160660). AG ON STATION RAN ARTY FSN WITH NEG RESULTS.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 191500H, 1/4 ELM FOUND FRESH SANDAL PRINTS AT (YD 145692), MADE BY 2-3 PEOPLE MOVING WEST TO EAST ON TRAIL.

(b) 204200H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 158702) OBS 2 NVA IN GREEN UTILITIES, WITH PACKS AT (YD 158700) AND 4-5 AT (YD 158695). FIRED S/A, ARTY FSN AND AIR STRIKE. CHECKED AREA, OBS DRAG MARKS.

5. OTHER.

(a) 200100H, CAP-1 AT (YD 124596) REC'D 4 RDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE FROM (YD 121593). ROUNDS IMPACTED APPROX 50-100 METERS OUTSIDE PERIMETER. REC'D FIRE WITH MORTARS, ARTY, NEG RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

(a) ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/3
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPKS: NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(a)
- (c) FACILITIES: NONE

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2. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR DMN KAMUCKY A" OF 201800H

1. ENEMY KIA: 1578
 2. DETAINEES: 272
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|-----------|----------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| P(NVA) | PL(VC) | RENNES(NVA) | RENNES(VC) | CIV DEE | INN CIV |
| <u>22</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>165</u> | <u>62</u> |

3. WENS CAPTURED: 223; 167/56

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RELEASER P. J. KNESELBACH

PRIORITY/PRIORITY 211100Z MAR 68

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 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH ARTY
 1ST AMTRAC BN
 15TH CIT
 7TH TIT
 MCB-5
 MAG 36-A

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1. NINTH MARINES INESUM # 140
2. 201800H - 211800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 6 INCIDENTS; 3 VC INITIATED

A. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 211020H, 3/4 ELM AT (YD 137605) RPT'S NATIONAL POLICE CAPTURED 1 FEMALE SUSPECT. SUSPECT HAD MANY DOCUMENTS AND INFO PAPERS WHICH SHE HAD TURNED OVER TO NVA/VC. SHE WILL LEAD NATIONAL POLICE TO OTHER SUSPECTS.

(b) 211130H, 3/4 ELM AT (YD 122593) OBS 6 VC SETTING OFF TRIP FLARE ON THE WEST AND NORTH SIDES OF PERIMETER. CAP-1 FIRED S/A AND 2 RIFLE GRENADES WITH NEG RESULTS. ALSO REPORTED, VC TOLD 400 CIVILIANS IN THE HAMLET TO GET OUT TODAY.

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2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 210930H, 3/3 ELM AT (YD 165697) OBS 1 VC APPROACHING FROM THE SOUTH WITH WEAPON HELD ABOVE HIS HEAD. 1 VC PW, 1 PFS TYPE 43. OBS 4-5 NVA VIC (YD 165695). FIRED S/A AND ARTY MSN. CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS.

(b) 211030H, 3/3 EIMS AT (YD 186742) WHILE SWEEPING AREA OF 3/3 CONTACT ON 16 MAR DISCOVERED THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT: 1-60MM MORTAR, 1 AK-47 WITH GRENADE LAUNCHER, 1 CARBINE WITH TRIPOD, 16 CANNONS, 7 HELMETS, 39 E-TOOLS, 2 PICKS, 7 GAS MASKS, 3 RIG-2 ROUNDS, 3 WITH PROPELLANT CHARGES, 7.62 AMMO, 1 PACK, 13 PONCHOS, 20 HAMMOCKS, 7 AK-47 MAGS, 1 GRENADE, 6 FUSES, 1 60/82 MORTAR SITE AND VARIOUS 782 GEAR AND DOCUMENTS.

3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 201055H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 159654) DISCOVERED 2 NVA BODIES BURIED IN BOMB CRATER. DURING EXAMINATION OF THE GRAVES OBS 20-30 NVA AT (YD 159655) MOVING TOWARD FRIENDLY POSITION. S/A FIRE WAS EXCHANGED. ARTY MSN AND AIR STRIKE CALLED RESULTING IN 12 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 2 AK-47 RIFLES CAPTURED.

4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 210730H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 158703) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 3 BUNKERS WHICH WERE NOT RECENTLY USED.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.(a) ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: 12
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/1/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPNs: SEE PARA A.2.(a), A.2.(b), A.3.(d)
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2.(b)
- (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.4.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 211600H MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1590
2. DETAINEES: 274

PW(NVA)	PW(VN)	RTNNEE(NVA)	RTNNEE(VN)	CIV DEE/INN CIV
32	1	2	2	166 62
3. WPNs CAPTURED: 229; 172/57

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SECTION S-2, 9TH MARINES
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 1ST ANTRAC
 15TH CHT
 7TH ITP
 MAG 36-A

ccn: 160

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM #141, OFN KENTUCKY
2. 201800Z-221800H, MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 4 INCIDENTS; 2 VC INITIATED;

- A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 220325H - 221045H, 3/4 SWEEP HEARD S/A FIRE VIC (YD 183505). CHECKED AREA, DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 BUNKER 12 FT WITH 4 FT OVERHEAD. SEVERAL SMALL LIVING BUNKERS WERE OBSERVED. SWEEP THROUGH AREA REVEALED NO SIGHT OF RECENT OCCUPANCY.

(b) 220810H, 3/4 ELMS AT (YD 219639) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED 1 UNK TYPE AP MINE.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES - NEG RPT
3. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES - NEG RPT

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4. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 212210H, 1/4 ELM AT (YD 115701) OBS LIGHT AND PES-5
PICKED UP MOVEMENT AT (YD 121711). FIRED FORT BSN, MOVEMENT
CEASED.

C. OTHER

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 211710H, RECON TEAM AT (YD 203561)
REC'D 1 SNIPER RD FRO (YD 203599). REC'D S/A FIRE AND ARMY
BSN WITH UNK RES.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WPS: NONE
- (b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.1.(b)
- (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 221800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1590
2. DETAINEES: 274

PW(NVA)/	PW(VC)/	RTNNEE(NVA)/	RTNNEE(VC)/	CIV DEE/	INN CIV
<u>39</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>62</u>
3. WPS CAPTURED: 229; 172/57

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SECTION SP-2, 9TH MARINES
 DRAFTER *P. E. Emerson*
 RELEASEE *P. J. Kesselbach*

PRIORITY/PRIORITY 231130Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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1. NINTH MARINES DIVISION # 142, CTF KENTUCKY
2. 221600Z-231130Z MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF HOSTILE ACTIVITIES
 12 INCIDENTS; 1 VC INITIATED; 3 MORT/ARTY;

A. GROUND ENGAGEMENTS

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 221600Z 3/4 FO (YD 144616) FIRED ARTY MNT AT SUSPECTED NVA (YD 117612)
 CHECKED AREA, NEG RESULTS

(b) 221705Z, 3/4 FO (YD 144616) OBS SUSPECTED IN (SUSPECTED) (YD 113615) FIRED
 ARTY MNT WITH NEG RESULTS

(c) 222100Z 3/4 FO (YD 144616) OBS SUSPECTED IN (YD 102605) FIRED ILLUM
 MNT, NEG SIGHTING.

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(d) 232230H, 3/4 FO (YD 129589) OBS SUSPECTED FT MOVEMENT (YD 126591) FIRED ILLUM MSN, NEG OBSERVING.

(e) 231214H, 3/4 PTL (YD 148612) DETAINED 2 FEMALE SUSPECTS, AGES 21 AND 15, TAKEN TO DISTRICT HQ AND LATER RELEASED AS INN CIVILIANS.

(f) 231440H, 3/4 ELM (YD 130643) REC'D 11 RDS 60MM AND 82MM MORTARS FROM (YD 084657), (YD 097655), (YD 095635), (YD 164645), (YD 116570) AND (YD 111632). FIRED MORTAR AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(g) 231530H, 3/4 AT (YD 134652) REC'D 10 RDS UNK ARTY OF UNK CALIBER FROM EST 6000 N/LS. FIRED ARTY MSN W/UNK RESULTS.

2. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 230130H, 1/4 OP (YD 114701) IS LIGHTS OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE A 3-10 TRUCK CONVOY (YD 173829) FIRED ARTY MSN OBS SECONDARY EXPLOSION. CALLED NGP MSN AND TPQ.

3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 221800H, 3/5 ELM (YD 213743) OBS 3 NVA (YD 230775). FIRED MORT MSN NVA MOVED INTO JUNGLES. FIRED IN AREA WITH UNK RESULTS.

(b) 221550H, 3/3 ELM (YD 175725) WITH AN/PS PICKED UP SEVERAL MOVEMENTS BETWEEN 2000 AND 3600 HILLS RANGE 1760 TO 2300 METERS. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(c) 231426H, 3/3 AT (YD 110722) REC'D 26 RDS OF 85MM ARTY (YD 214831). FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

4. SECOND BATTALION FIRST MARINES

(a) 222130H, 2/1 SQUAD (YD 133651) MOVING TO AMBUSH SITE OBS RED LIGHT AND MOVEMENT (YD 133652) FIRED S/A, CALL ILLUM, NEG OBSERVATION, CHECKED AT FIRST LIGHT NEG RESULTS.

C. OTHERS

(a) 221950H, RECON PTL AT (YD 154550) EXCHANGED S/A FIRE WITH (4) NVA/VC AT (YD 154549) WHICH RESULTED IN 1 NVA KIA 1 AK-47, 1 PR FIELD GLASSES, WALLET, 2 AK-47 MAGAZINES, (2) CHICOM GRENADES, 2 CANTEENS, 1 SET UTILITIES, PONCHO AND BELT.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

(a) ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: 1

2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/2

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPS: 1

(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA C.(a)

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3.(a)

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B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENBUCKY AS OF 231800H, MAR 68

1. ~~REBELS~~ KIA: 15912. DETAINEES: 276

PW (NVA)/PW (VC)/RENEE (NVA)/RENEE (VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

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3. WBS CAPTURED 230 173/57

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM # 143, OFN KENTUCKY
2. 231800H-241800H, MAR68
3. SUMMARY OF ENTRY ACTIVITIES
7 INCIDENTS; VC INITIATED; 2 MORT/ARTY

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
(a) DELAYED ENTRY 231530H, 3/4 EIM CONDUCTED SWEEP THROUGH SAM PAN
(YD 148604) WITH NEG RESULTS.
(b) DELAYED ENTRY 231715H, 3/4 EIM (YD 129644) REC'D 5 RDS EST 120MM
ARTY FM VIC (YD 089654) FIRED ARTY MSN AND RAN TPQ UNK RESULTS.
(c) 240200H, 3/4 LP (YD 148609) OBS 4 NVA/VC VIC (YD 146608) FIRED
ILLUM MSN NEG RESULTS.
(d) 240720H, 3/4 EIM (YD 129644) OBS ROCKETS BEING FIRE 1600 MILS
APPROX 3,500 METERS FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

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(a) 24115CH, 3/4 EIM (YD 129644) REC'D 3 EST 82MM MORT WDS FROM (YD 112635) FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) 252105H, 3/3 OP (YD 212744) OBS LIGHT (YD 202746) FIRED MORT MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 240900H, 1/4 OP (YD 116704) OBS 6 NVA CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE RR (YD 116732) FIRED 90MM (TANK) OBS DIRECT HIT ON RR AND NVA. AO OBS BUNKER COMPLEX IN AREA.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE

2. DETAINES: 0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPS: NONE

(b) EQUIPMENT: NONE

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.3.(a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 241800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1591

2. DETAINES: 276

PW(NVA)/PW(VG)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VG)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
5 3 2 2 166 64

3. WPS CAPTURED 230 173/57

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SECTION 22 9TH MARINES
 DRAFTER F. E. EMERSON
 RELEASER P. J. KISSLEACH

PRIORITY/PRIORITY 251100Z MAR 68

FROM: TWENTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
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 FIRST MARINES
 SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH MARINES
 1ST AIRTRAC
 15TH CIT
 7TH INT
 MAC 50-A

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PERSONNEL INFO DO NOT SERVICE

1. NINTH MARINES DTSUM # 144, CEM KENTUCKY
2. 251000Z-231000 MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF EVENT ACTIVITIES
 13 INCIDENTS; 1 MORT/ARTY

1. THIRD BATTALION

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 241730H, 3/4 EIM (YD 132646) REC'D 1 152MM ARTY RD FROM
 UNKNOWN LOCATION.

(b) 251730H, 3/4 PATROL (YD 136595) DISCOVERED AND DEST 7 FIGHTING HOLES
 WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN DUG THIS MORNING.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 241650H, 3/3 EIM (YD 187743) DISCOVERED AND DEST 1 CHI-
 SON GRENADE/SAMUEL CHARGE, 1 POOL AND SMALL BAG RICE.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 241700H, 3/3 EIM (YD 187740) DISCOVERED AND DEST 7 BUNKERS
 COMBINATION LIVING AND FIGHTING.

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(c) DELAYED ENTRY 241700Z, 3/3 EIM (YD 217744) OBS 2 IVA MOVING NORTH (YD 217750) FIRED MORE MSN UNK RESULTS.

(d) 2508 OH, 3/3 EIM (YD 217743) REQ'D : EOS UNK TYPE FROM UNK LOCATION.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 2419 OH, 1/4 EIM (YD 117701) OBS LIGHTS AND DUST (YD 145767) FIRED TANK AND ARTY MSN. LOST SIGHT OF LIGHTS.

(b) 2422 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE CONVOY MOVING S. E. (YD 162823) FIRED ARTY MSN 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

(c) 2422 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE MOVING S. E. (YD 113733) FIRED TANK, ARTY MSN AND DROP TPQ, LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

(c) 2422 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119700) OBS LIGHT (YD 113731) APPEARED TO BE ENEMY MOVEMENT, FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(c) 2422 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119700) OBS LIGHTS MOVING WEST (YD 113750) FIRED ARTY MSN, LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

(d) 2500 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE CONVOY MOVING S. E. (YD 159484) FIRED ARTY MSN, DROP TPQ'S LIGHTS WENT OUT, REAPPEARED APPROX 300 METERS WEST OF TPQ'S LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

(e) 2515 OH, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS ACTIVE ARTY FIRE (YD 400845) FIRED ARTY MSN, REQUESTED TPQ.

4. PRELIMINARY ENEMY LOSSES SUMMARY

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR OBSERVING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: NONE
3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (1) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A. 2. (a)
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A. 2. (1)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KINTOUKI AS OF 121600H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1591
2. DETAINEES: 276

IN (NVA)	PR (VC)	RTNIE (NVA)	RTNIE (VC)	CIV DEF	INN CIV
39	1	2	2	166	64
3. ITEMS CAPTURED 230 173/57

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RELEASER P. M. KIESSELHAPRIORITY/PRIORITY 261130Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM # 145, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 251600H-261800H, MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
13 INCIDENTS, 1 VC INITIATED;

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 - (a) 261520H, 3/4 ROAD SWEEP (YD 217702) DISCOVERED AND DEST UNK TYPE AT MINE.
 - (b) 261400H, 3/4 ELM REPORTS 1/502 ABN INF USA APPENDED 1 VC (YD 1145) SUSPECT TAKEN TO DIST NO. 1 DETAINEE
2. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 - (a) REF 9TH INTSUM # 143 PARA 3.(a) 240900H, ADD 3 KIA CONF
 - (b) 251830H, 1/4 PTL (YD 147703) OBS 1 NVA THAT APPEARED TO BE THE SCOUT FOR SMALL PATROL. NVA FIRED WARNING SHOTS, FLED TO NORTH. PATROL FIRED S M-79 AND FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.
 - (c) 260845H, 1/4 PTL (YD 104686) DISCOVERED AND DEST 250LB BOMB AND 105MM ARTY RD.
 - (d) 260935H, 1/4 PTL (YD 148678) OBS 5 NVA MOVING INTO TREE LINE (YD 153674) FIRED ARTY MSN, CHECKED AREA NEG RESULTS.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMET	ADJ	C50	T/E	LOG	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISB	INCH	ARTY	RD.
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3. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: 28
2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/1/0
3. EQUIPMENT: CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA C. (d)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 261800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1616
2. DETAINEES: 217
PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
39 2 2 2 167 64
3. WPS CAPTURED 230 173/57

C. OTHER

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 251130H, RECON TEAM (YD 160555) OBS 6-8 NVA/VC CARRYING UNK TYPE MORTAR, WEARING MDCED UTILITIES, MOVING S. E. ENTRY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT BEFORE FIRE MSN COULD BE CALLED.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY 251300H, RECON TEAM (YD 158532) OBS 7 NVA/VC CARRYING UNK TYPE MORTAR (YD 155243) CALLED FIRE MSN ENTRY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT BEFORE MSN FIRED

(d) DELAYED ENTRY 251715H, RECON TEAM (YD 144537) DISCOVERED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BN CP CONSISTING OF MESS HALL AND 40-5 MAN BUNKERS. MAPS AND PAPERS FOUND WILL BE FORWARDED TO BN S-2.

(e) DELAYED ENTRY 251445H, RECON TEAM (YD 184549) OBS 10-15 NVA CARRYING RIFLES AND UNK TYPE MORTARS (YD 154547) FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(f) DELAYED ENTRY. 251805H, RECON TEAM (YD 170528) OBS EST 260 NVA CARRYING AK-47'S, MORTAR TUBES AND PACES VIC (YD 188532) FIRED ARTY MSN 25 KIA

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 TO: US ARMY MARINES DIVISION
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1. 1ST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES + 345, 001, 001, 001
2. 2ND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, MAR 68
3. 3RD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, 100-100-100-100
4. 4TH BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, 100-100-100-100

4. 4TH BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

1. 1ST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 1ST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES + 345, 001, 001, 001

(b) 2ND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, 3/4 PTL (100-100-100-100) DISCOVERED AND DESTROYED MALAYAN WIP.

(c) 3RD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, 3/4 PTL (100-100-100-100) RECEIVED 3 82MM ROCKET MDS FROM (100-100-100-100). CALLED FIRE MSN, 100-100-100-100 BECAUSE CIV IN AREA.

(d) 4TH BATTALION FOURTH MARINES, 3/4 PTL (100-100-100-100) APPREHENDED 1 MALE SUSPECT W/OUT A.D. CARD. FORCED IN LAST HQ, RELEASED AS CIV & DEPORTED & IMMIGRANT

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2. 3RD BATTALION THIRD MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 261600H, 3/3 EIMS (YD 197711) DISCOVERED 3 FRESH GRAVES CONTAINING 3 NVA BODIES. 3 FATH HEMNETS AND BLOODY CLOTHING FOUND IN VIC OF GRAVES. A. REF. NVA-10201

(b) 210745H, 3/3 EIM (YD 211742) OBS 4 NVA (YD 235766) FIRED MORT MSH UNK RESULTS.

3. 2ND BATTALION EIGHTH MARINES
 (a) 250000H, 1/4 OP (YD 119702) OBS 55 TO 50 NVA (YD 119729) FIRED ARTY MORTS, MORTS AND MORT, NO CHECKED AREA RESULTING IN 10 NVA (CONF)

(b) 250000H, 1/4 EIM (YD 114705) RECEIVED 4 MDS ESE RR UNK CAL FROM (YD 114701) (YD 11987325) AND (YD 135717) FIRED MORT MSH, UNK RESULTS.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES:

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD:

- 1. ENEMY KIA: 13
- 2. DEATHS: 0/0/0/0/0/1
- 3. MOBILIZED CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

- (a) WTS: NONE
- (b) POUNTERS: NONE
- (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR GVN KENTUCKY AS OF 271800H, MAR 68

- 1. ENEMY KIA: 1623
 - 2. DEATHS: 278
 - 3. PR(NVA)/PR(VN)/PR(NVA)/PR(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
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| 32 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 167 | 55 |
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3. WTS CAPTURED 230 173/57

- 2. WTS
- 3. CIVIL

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 260912H, RECON AT (YD 179577) OBS 7 VC/NVA WEARING MANTLES, HEMNETS, GART BELTS AND ARMED WITH RIFLES MOVING N.E. AT (YD 161570) REQUESTED ARTY HST BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA.

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FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
FOURTH MARINES
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SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH MARINES
1ST ANTRAC
19TH CIT
7TH ITT
MAC 36-A
A CO 101ST AIR BORN

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1. NINTH MARINES DTSUM # 147, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 271800H-281800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
15 INCIDENTS; 9 VC INITIATED; 6 MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY 271445H, 3/4 ELM RPT PF'S OBS 4 TANKS (YD 095559). 4TH MARINES NOTIFIED.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY 271720H, 3/4 ELM (YD 135646) REC'D 4 EST 82MM MORT (YD 118639) FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(c) 281040H, 3/4 PTL (YD 099638) DISCOVERED 2 FRESH AND NUMEROUS OLD FIGHTING HOLES AND 2 GRAVES MARKED 37/27 BN AND 38/27 BN. DIGGING UP GRAVES.

(d) 281145H, 3/4 ELM AT CAM LO DIST HQ REC'D 8-10 RDS 120MM ARTY FROM UNK LOCATION.

(e) 281145H, 3/4 ELM (YD 132643) REC'D 10 RDS EST 82MM MORT FROM (YD 116634) FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

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(f) 281400H, 3/4 PTL (YD 107637) REC'D SNIPER FIRE, RETURNED S/A FIRE AND CAUSED ARTY MSN. 1 KIA CONF

(g) 281545H, 3/4 ELM AT CAM LO DIST HQ REC'D 3 RDS EST 120MM MORT. ARTY MSN FIRED ON SUSPECTED AREA.

2. FIRST BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELATED ENTRY 271100H, 3/3 ELM (YD 197746) DISCOVERED AND DEST RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKER 3X5 FT.

(b) DELATED ENTRY 271425H, 3/3 ELM (YD 183735) DISCOVERED AND DEST RPG-2 AND DH-10 MINE.

(c) 280950H, 3/3 ELM (YD 211742) REC'D 67 RDS 152MM ARTY FROM (YD 210831) FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(d) 281145H, 3/3 ELM (YD 216732) REC'D OF EST 105MM ARTY FROM UNK LOCATION.

(e) 281345H, 3/3 ELM (YD 160707) DISCOVERED FIGHTING HOLE, 2 PACKS, 2 E TOOLS, 2 TROUSERS AND 4 SHIRTS.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) 271345H, 1/4 ELM (YD 116701) OBS 20 NVA TIG (YD 119732) FIRED TANKS ONTOS 4.2MM AND ARTY. 3 KIA CONF

(b) 281305H, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS 4 NVA (YD 120733) FIRED MORT MSN UNK RESULTS.

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) WB: NONE

(b) EQUIPMENT: SEE PARA A.2. (a)

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.2. (a)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY AS OF 281800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1633

2. DETAINEES: 278

PW(NVA)	PW(VC)	RTNNE(NVA)	RTNNE(VC)	CIV DEF	INN CIV
39	3	2	2	167	65

3. WPS CAPTURED: 230 173/57

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C. OTHERS

PSYOP PTL OF 28 MAR 68 REPORTS DURING SWEEP OF VILLAGES ALONG SONG VINH PHUOC AND N.W. ALONG SONG THACH HAN BOAT DWELLERS (YD 299584) REPORTED DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS UNK NO. VC, WITH UNK TYPE ARMS, MOVING FROM THE N.E. AND DOWN THE SONG VINH PHUOC TO AREA (YD 2454)

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 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH MARINES
 1ST AMTRAC
 15TH CTF
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 MAG 36-A
 A CO. 101ST AIR BORN

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM # 148, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 281800H, 291800H, MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 14 INCIDENTS; 7 MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES

1. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 281708H, 3/4 EIM (YD 129645) REC'D 5 EST 82MM MORT
 RDS FROM (YD 11226312) FIRED ARTY MSN. OBS 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

(b) 282200H, 3/4 EIM (YD 145614) PPS-6 PICKED UP MOVEMENT (YD 153615)
 FIRED MORT MSN, MOVEMENT CEASED.

(c) 282215H, 3/4 REPORTS CAP 6 (YD 105577) REC'D UNK NR AND TYPE RDS
 FROM UNK LOCATION.

(d) 291050H, 3/4 PTL (YD 151629) DISCOVERED CO SIZE AREA CONSISTING
 OF 100 HOLES 3X6X1, 1-2 WEEKS OLD. AREA MARKED FOR H&I FIRE

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(e) 291250H, 3/4 ROAD SWEEP (YD 221675) REC'D 26 RDS UNK CAL FROM AZ OF 5200 MILS. ARTY MSN FIRED UNK RESULTS.

(f) 291405H, 3/4 EIM (YD 142615) REC'D 6 RDS EST 82MM MORTARS FROM (YD 096623) FIRES MORT MSN UNK RESULTS.

(g) 291555H, 3/4 EIMS AT (YD 145616) REC'D 1 RD OF 120MM MORTAR FROM AZMITH OF 5100 MILS. FIRED MORTAR MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

2. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 281425H, 3/3 EIM (YD 154704) DISCOVERED TRACKS, APPEARED TO BE MADE BY HALF TRACK APPROX 1-2 MONTHS OLD.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 281625H, 3/3 EIM (YD 212743) REC'D 15 RDS UNK TYPE ARTY FROM (YD 214817) FIRED ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(c) 291023H, 3/3 EIM (YD 176717) REC'D 1 RD UNK TYPE FROM UNK DIRECTION.

3. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 280945H, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS 17 NVA (YD 11967325) FIRED MORT TANK AND ARTY. DROPPED TPO. UNK RESULTS.

(b) 290510H, 1/4 EIM (YD 129674) REC'D 6 RDS 82MM MORT FROM UNK LOCATION.

(c) 290720H, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS 7 NVA (YD 120733) FIRED MORT AND ARTY MSN UNK RESULTS.

(d) 291145H, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS 12 NVA (YD 120733), FIRED MORT MSN, OBS SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

4. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE

2. DETAINEES: NONE 0/0/0/0/0/0

3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED

(a) WPS: NONE

(b) EQUIPMENT: NONE

(c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(d)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 291800H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1633

2. DETAINEES: 278

PW(NVA)/PW(VC)/RTNNEE(NVA)/RTNNEE(VC)/CIV DEF/INN CIV

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3. WPS CAPTURED: 230 173/57

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SECTION S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER *J. E. Emerson*
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P. J. KIESELBACHPRIORITY/PRIORITY 301105 MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
 THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
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 FIRST BN FORTY FOURTH MARINES
 1ST ABTRAC
 1ST CIT
 7TH ITT
 MAG 36-A
 A CO. 101ST AIR BORN

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1. NINTH MARINES INTSUM # 149, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 291800H-301800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
 & INCIDENTS: 1 MORT/ARTY

A. GROUND FORCES

1. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) 292100H, 1/4 ELM (YD 117692) PPS RADAR NOTED MOVEMENT (YD 128 661) FIRED MORT MSN CHECK AREA AT FIRST 1200H NEG RESULTS.
 (b) 301027H, 1/4 ELM (YD 117692) PPS (D 11) EDS EST 85-100MM ARTY FROM AZ OF 6400 HILLS FIRED ARTY MSE UNK RESULTS.

C. OTHERS

- (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 291400H, RECON TM (YD 103562) OBS 1200H MOVING WEST (YD 113558). DETAINED (1) MALE WEARING UTILITY TROUSERS AND BLACK SHIRT NO I.D. MALE TAKEN TO NEAREST FRIENDLY POSIT. 1 DETAINEE

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(b) DELAYED ENTRY 291400H, RFCON TM (YD 181568) HEARD MOTOR AND 8-10 RDS FIRED FROM TRACK VEHICLE (YD 188546). IDS BELIEVED TO BE APPROX 81MM.

2. ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
2. DETAINEES: 1/0/0/0/0/0
3. EQUIPMENT: CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 - (a) WPS: NONE
 - (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - (c) FACILITIES: NONE

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPEN KENTUCKY AS OF 301800Z, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1533
2. DETAINEES: 279

PW(NVA)	PW(VC)	RENEE(NVA)	RENEE(VC)	CIV DEF	INN CIV
<u>40</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>68</u>
3. WPS CAPTURED: 230 173/57

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TO: CG THIRD MARINES DIVISION
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SECOND BATTALION TWELFTH MARINES
1ST ANTRAC
15TH CIT
7TH IFT
MAG 36-

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1. NINTH MARINES INTISUM # 150, OPN KENTUCKY
2. 301200H -341800H MAR 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
8 INCIDENTS; 1 VC INITIATED; 1 MORT/ARTY

A 5. GROUND FORCES

9c. THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES

(a) DELAYED ENTRY. 3/4 EIM (YD 164587) REC'D SWIRL FIRE FROM VIC (YD 164588) APPROX 10 WOMEN WITH CHILDREN WERE SIGHTED IN AREA WHERE SWIRL FIRE OBSERVED.

(b) DELAYED ENTRY. 3/4 PTL (YD 116581) APPENDED 4 MALE CIV FISHING FROM AREA WHERE HELO WAS FISHING, 2 DID NOT POSSESS PROPER I.D. AND WERE TURNED IN TO DIST HQ. LATER RELEASED AS INN CIV. 2 DETAINERS 2 MONTHS.

(c) 311300H, 3/4 PTL (ID 106629) DISCOVERED 82MM MORTAR FIB WITH BASE PLATE IMPRESSION 4-5 DAYS OLD, 5 EMPTY 82MM FUSE CANS, 25 HALF COVERED BUNDLES GAX2 1 FT, AND 25 SPIDER ROLLS. AREA MARKED FOR FUTURE DISCOVERY. 6. 311300H, 3/4 PTL (ID 106629) DISCOVERED 82MM MORTAR FIB WITH BASE PLATE IMPRESSION 4-5 DAYS OLD, 5 EMPTY 82MM FUSE CANS, 25 HALF COVERED BUNDLES GAX2 1 FT, AND 25 SPIDER ROLLS. AREA MARKED FOR FUTURE DISCOVERY.

(A) 399425R, 3/4 REPORTS AO FLYING OVER AREA LOCATED FROM TUG
FIGHTING HOLES (YD 150656) PATROL CHECKED AREA NEG RESULTS.

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2. FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES
 (a) DELAYED ENTRY. 301705H, 1/4 OP (YD119704) OBS 6 NVA AT (YD 124732) FIRED MORT AND ARTY MSN, OBS 1 NVA WOUNDED.
 (b) 301845H, 1/4 OP (YD 119704) OBS ACTIVE ARTY POSIT AT (YD 295823) FIRED ARTY MSN, UNK RESULTS.
 (c) 310125H, 1/4 ELM (YD 127672) OBS WITH SEARCH LIGHT, 3 NVA MOVING WEST AT (YD 124667) FIRED MORT MSN, UNK RESULTS.

3. THIRD BATTALION THIRD MARINES NEG4. ENEMY POSSESSION AND MATERIAL LOSSES.A. ENEMY LOSSES FOR 24 HOUR REPORTING PERIOD

1. ENEMY KIA: NONE
 2. DETAINEES: 0/0/0/0/0/2
 3. EQUIPMENT CAPTURED OR DESTROYED
 (a) WTS: NONE
 (b) EQUIPMENT: NONE
 (c) FACILITIES: SEE PARA A.1.(c)

B. CUMULATIVE ENEMY LOSSES FOR OPN KENTUCKY AS OF 310001H, MAR 68

1. ENEMY KIA: 1633
 2. DETAINEES: 24
 PW(NVA)/PW(VN)/RTREE(NVA)/RTREE(VN)/CIV DEF/INN CIV
 40 3 2 2 167 70
 3. WTS CAPTURED: 230 173/57

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G. OTHERS RECON

(a) 311020H, RECON TM (YD 155566) OBS 8 MEN, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, MOVING S.W. (YD 153577). THEY WERE CARRYING SUSPECTED WEAPONS WRAPPED IN GREEN CLOTH. FIRE MSN CALLED BUT WAS NOT CLEARED BY CAM LO DIST HQ.

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
 TO: FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 INFO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 TASK FORCE ROBBIE
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

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FRAG ORDER 14 (OPN KENTUCKY)

- A. MAPS, VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS SERIES L7014, SHEETS 6342 I AND 6442 IV
- B. 9TH MAR O P3800.1F (INTELL SOP)
- C. 9TH MAR OP PLAN 2-68
- D. DIV O P02000.2F (COI)

TIME ZONE: HOTEL

TASK ORGANIZATION: NO CHANGE

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY FORCES.

(1) RECENT ACTIVITIES.

(A) UNITS IDENTIFIED AND PRESENTLY OPERATING WITHIN PHU OC (YD 1469) AND LAC SON (YD 1660) AREA ARE ELEM 48TH REGT, 320TH DIV.

(B) PHU OC AND LAC SON ARE KNOWN AREAS OF EN SUPPLY AND ASS'Y POINTS. ONE OF MAJOR INFILTRATION/SUPPLY ROUTES IN EASTERN DMZ GENERALLY RUNS THROUGH THIS AREA.

(C) ENEM 2/1 MADE CONTACT ON 4 MAR 68 W/ESTIMATED PLT/CO VIC HILL 86 (YD 143697). TRANSLATION DOCUMENTS FOUND DURING THIS ENGAGEMENT INDICATED ELEM 3D CO, 43D BN, UNK REGT AND ELEM 42D BN, UNK REGT INVOLVED.

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(2) INTELL ACQUISITION TASKS.

- (A) RECORD LOCATION, AMOUNT, AND FREQ OF USE TRAILS.
 - (B) RECORD SIZE, TYPE CONSTR, CAMOUFLAGE, AND INTENDED USE BUNKER COMPLEXES.
 - (C) RECORD SIZE, LOCATION, AND FREQ OF USE HARBOR SITES/ASS'Y AREAS.
 - (D) IDENTIFICATION EN UNITS OPER IN AREA.
- (3) ASTRONOMICAL DATA.
- (A) TO BE PROVIDED SEPARATELY.
- (4) PRISONERS, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS.
- (A) TAW REF B AND CURRENT MACV SICR'S.
 - (B) DOCUMENTS FROM POW TO ACCOMPANY POW TO THIS HQTRS.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES.

- (1) REF (C).

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES CHOP ONE RIFLE CO (REINF) TO FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES WHEN DIRECTED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS.

2. MISSION. ON D-DAY THE 9TH MARINES CONDUCTS A SEARCH/DESTROY OPERATION IN THE PHU OC/AN PHU/LAC SON COMPLEX TO DESTROY ENEMY PERSONNEL, BUNKERS, AND HARBOR SITES IN THIS AREA, AND TO INTERDICT ENEMY INFILTRATION AND RESUPPLY ROUTES.

3. EXECUTION.

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATION. A CMD GRP W/2 CO'S CONDUCTS A 2-3 DAY SEARCH/DESTROY OPERATION IN THE PHU OC/AN PHU/LAC SON AREA WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IN PREVENTING ENEMY INFILTRATION TO THE SOUTH.

B. 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES (-) (REINF)

(1) COMMENCING ON D-DAY, CONDUCT A TWO COMPANY SEARCH/DESTROY OPERATION VIC PHU OC (YD 1469) WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON INTERDICTING EN INFILTRATION ROUTES TO THE SOUTH.

(2) ON ORDER AND O/A D+1 BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT SIMILAR OPS (PARA 3B (1)), VIC AN PHU/LAC SON (YD 1570/YD 1670) FOR PERIOD APPROX TWO DAYS.

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(3) ON ORDER BE PREPARED TO REINF A-3 OR A-4.

C. 2D BN, 1ST MAR (-) (REINF)

(1) CARRY OUT MISSION ASSIGNED REF (C).

(2) UPON COMMENCEMENT OF OPN BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE (1) CO ON 30 MIN ALERT FOR HELO-LIFT/FOOT MARCH TO REINF 1ST BN, 4TH MAR.

D. 3D BN, 3D MARINES (-) (REINF)

(1) DETACH (1) RIFLE CO (REINF) TO 1ST BN, 4TH MAR FOR SEARCH/DESTROY OPERATIONS IN VIC PHU OC/AN PHU/LAC SON, ON ORDER.

(2) CARRY OUT MISSION ASSIGNED BY REF (C).

3D BN, 4TH MARINES (REINF)

(1) CARRY OUT MISSION ASSIGNED BY REF (C).

F. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) TENTATIVE D-DAY 19 MAR 68. TO BE CONFIRMED BY MESSAGE. OPERATION DURATION APPROX 2-3 DAYS.

(2) DIR LN AUTH ALCON.

(3) 1ST BN, 4TH MAR SUBMIT OP ORDER THIS HQTRS BY 1200 D-2. OVERLAY TYPE ORDER ACCEPTABLE.

(4) EL OBS FIRE HAS BEEN DELIVERED IN PAST ON UNITS OPER IN OBJ AREA.

(5) SUBMIT FIRE AND A R SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS THIS HQTRS NLT D-2.

(6) CAS, UH-1E GUNSHIPS, AND FLARE-SHIPS AVAIL ON-CALL W/APPROX 1-HR DELAY FR SUBMISSION ON REQ.

(7) AO AVAIL PRIORITY BASIS.

(8) HOURLY SITREPS, OR AS REQUIRED, SUBMITTED THIS HQTRS.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

A. SUPPLIES AND EQUIP PRESCRIBED BY CO, 1/4.

B. NO PLANNED RESUPPLY; AVAIL EMERG BASIS ONLY AS REQ CO, 1/4.

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- (1) REQUEST VIA MOST DIR MEANS.
- (2) SPECIFY ITEMS AND AMOUNTS.
- C. MEDEVAC BY HELO FRAGGED AS REQUIRED.
- 5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.
 - A. IAW SOP AND REF D.
 - B. CMD GRP PERS RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING AND CLEARING FIRES IN OBJ AREA.
 - C. FIRE MISSIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON 1ST BN, 4TH MAR CONDUCT OF FIRE NET.
 - D. BE PREPARED TO ESTABLISH UHF RADIO COMM.
 - E. USE ~~EFF~~ EDITIONS
 - (1) KAC-QX NUMERICAL CODE
 - (2) ~~KAC-PX OPS CODE~~
 - (3) THRUST POINTS
 - F. REPORT LOCATION OF CP AS SOON AS ESTABLISHED.
 - G. THE INITIAL ENTRY OF THE CHOP CO FROM 3/3 IN OP WILL BE DETERMINED BY 1/4.

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 TO: SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES
 THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES
 FIRST BN, FOURTH MARINES
 THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, TWELFTH MARINES
 INFO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
 TWELFTH MARINES

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FRAG ORDER 15 (OPERATION KENTUCKY)

- A. MAPS: VIETNAM: 1:50,000 AMS SERIES L7014 SHEETS 6342 I
 AND 6442 IV.
 B. G-3, 3D MAR DIV VERBAL GUIDANCE ISSUED 20MAR68
 C. DIVO P02000
 D. DIVO 2000.4C

TIME ZONE: HOTEL

TASK ORGANIZATION: NO CHANGE

1. SITUATION

- A. ENEMY FORCES. NO CHANGE
 B. FRIENDLY FORCES. NO CHANGE

2. MISSION. ON ORDER, REDISTRIBUTE CURRENT ASSETS
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE INDICATED BELOW AND EFFECT THE BOUNDARY
 CHANGES INDICATED IN ANNEX A (BOUNDARY CHANGE).

- UNIT
 A. 3D BN, 3D MARINES
 B. 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES

22 MAR 68
 CHOP OPCON 6/1/4 TO 1/4
 CHOP OPCON H/2/1 TO 2/1

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF (B), IT
 IS NECESSARY TO REDISTRIBUTE CURRENT ASSETS AND CHANGE UNIT
 BOUNDARIES WITHIN THE 9TH MAR AO.

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SECRETB. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES.

1. ON 22 MAR 68 MOVE THE TWO COMPANIES AT YANKEE STATION AND C-2 (BRIDGE) AND A COMMAND GROUP VIA HELO AND TRUCK TRANSPORTATION TO CA LU VIC YD 018453. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE COMPANY AT C-2 (BRIDGE) WILL BE TRUCKED TO CA LU.

2. EFFECT TURN-OVER OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR C-2 (BRIDGE) TO 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES ON 22 MAR 68 IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOUNDARY DEPICTED IN ANNEX A.

3. EFFECT TURN-OVER OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR C-2 TO 3D BN, 4TH MARINES ON 23 MAR 68, AND BE PREPARED TO MOVE THE REMAINDER OF THE BATTALION TO CA LU (TRANSPORTATION MODE AND SCHEDULE TO BE ANNOUNCED).

C. 3D BN, 3D MARINES.

1. EFFECTIVE 22 MAR 68, REDISTRIBUTE ORGANIC ASSETS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN ADEQUATE SECURITY ON POSITION WITHIN PRESENT AO.

D. 1ST BN, 4TH MARINES.

1. EFFECTIVE 22 MAR 68 ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR C-2 BRIDGE SITE VIC YD 128672.

E. 3D BN, 4TH MARINES.

1. ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR C-2 POSITION (YD 135646), EFFECTIVE 23 MAR 68. IT CAN BE ANTICIPATED THAT ONE COMPANY FROM THE 4TH MARINES WILL BE CHOPPED TO YOU IN NEAR FUTURE.

F. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS.

1. DIR LN AUTH ALCON

2. EFFECT RELIEF-IN-PLACE AT A-2 (YD 211742), A-4-a (YD 118691), C-2 BRIDGE (YD 128672), AND C-2 (YD 135646).

3. ALL COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE UNITS AND EQUIPMENT ON POSITIONS PROVIDE CONTINUING SUPPORT TO RELIEVING UNIT.

4. INSURE TURN-OVER OF DYEMARKER AND HEADQUARTERS, 9TH MARINES ON-POSITION ASSETS.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

A. TIMES AND MODES OF TRANSPORTATION TO BE ANNOUNCED WHEN DIRECTED BY 3D MAR DIV.

B. PROVIDE LOGISTICAL PLANNING DATA TO THIS HEADQUARTERS EARLIEST.

C. TURN OVER ON-POSITION STOCKS TO RELIEVING UNIT.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

A. 2D BN, 1ST MARINES CHOP OPCON TO COMMAND TO BE ANNOUNCED WHEN DIRECTED BY CG, THIRD MAR DIV.

B. COMMUNICATIONS IAW REFERENCES (C) AND (D).

C. REPORT TIMES OF DEPARTURES, TIMES OF ARRIVALS, AND CP LOCATIONS WHEN ESTABLISHED.

ACTION ADDRESSEES ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT VIA TELECON THIS HEADQUARTERS.

ANNEXES:

A. BOUNDARY CHANGES (PASEP)

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FROM: NINTH MARINES
TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
FIRST BN, FORTY FOURTH ARTY, USA
BASE DEFENSE, DHCB
TWELFTH MARINES
THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

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FRAG ORDER 16 (OPERATION KENTUCKY)

1. SITUATIONA. ENEMY - POSSIBLE ENEMY ELEMENTS IN AREA SOUTH OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE.B. FRIENDLY.

- (1) 9TH MARINE REGIMENT CONTINUES CURRENT OPERATIONS.
- (2) THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES PROVIDES SPARROW HAWK ON 30 MINUTE STANDBY.
- (3) TWELFTH MARINES PROVIDES GENERAL SUPPORT.
- (4) VMO-6 PROVIDES GUNSHIPS ON CALL.
- (5) FIRST AIR WING PROVIDES FIXED WING ON CALL.
- (6) G-2 PROVIDES AO'S ON CALL.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS. 1/4TH ARTY, USA PROVIDES ONE SECTION M-121 TO SUPPORT PLT FOR OPERATION.2. MISSION

A. TO SWEEP THE AREA SOUTH OF DONG HA COMBAT BASE FOR POSSIBLE ENEMY ACTIVITY AND TO COUNTER CIVILIAN MOVEMENT.

3. EXECUTIONA. CONCEPT OF OPERATION. WITH ONE PLATOON, CONDUCT A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION ALONG THE AXIS OF ADVANCE (SEE OP OVERLAY) TO CLEAR THE AREA OF ENEMY AND TO MONITOR CIVILIAN MOVEMENT.

HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ADJ	CEO	T/E	LOC	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO			
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B. PLATOON (REIN) CO "K", 3D BN, 4TH MAR

ATTACHED: FO TEAM
EAC TEAM

C. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) PLATOON (REIN) CO "K", 3D BN, 4TH MARINES WILL LINK UP WITH SECTION OF M-42A1'S, 1ST/44TH ARTY AT 241045H AT REAR GATE, ROUTE #9 DHCB.

(2) THE TWO UNITS WILL PROCEED TOGETHER TO YD 209599 AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BEGIN THE OPERATION.

(3) ARTILLERY ON CALLS HAVE BEEN PLOTTED ALONG THE AXIS OF ADVANCE (SEE OPS OVERLAY)

(4) THE UNIT WILL NOTIFY DRAKEPOOL-3 AS IT PASSES THE 5 CHECK POINTS (SEE OPS OVERLAY)

(5) 9TH MARINES WILL PROVIDE 3 TRUCKS TO PICK UP THE PLATOON AT CHECKPOINT 5, ON ORDER (APPROX 1630).

(6) A.O. GUNSHIPS, FIXED WING ARE ON CALL.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. NORMAL COMBAT LOAD.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. REG. TAC #1 - M-706, - FREQ 59.10 CALL SIGN- DRAKEPOOL

B. REG. TAC #2 - M-2066, FREQ 63.50 CALL SIGN- DRAKEPOOL

C. GREEN AND YELLOW SMOKE MARKS FRIENDLY POSITIONS.

ANNEXES

A - OPERATION OVERLAY (PASEP)

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HQ FLC	C/S	S/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT	ASST	LEGAL	MED	TRNG	DISBO				
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TO : THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
SECOND BN, TWELFTH MARINES
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C CO, THIRD SP BN
C CO, THIRD ENGR BN
FL3G-3INFO: CG, III MAF
CG, PCV
CG, THIRD MAR DIV
CG, FIRST AIR CAV DIV
CG, FMAV
CG, FLC
TWELFTH MARINES
THIRD RECON BN**SECRET**

OPERATION ORDER 6-68 (LONG JUMP)

- A. MAPS, VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS SERIES 17011, SHEET 0442 III
- B. CG, THIRD MAR DIV WARNING ORDER MSG 171224Z MAR 68
- C. THIRD MAR DIV O P02000
- D. THIRD MAR DIV O 2000.4C

TIME ZONE: H

1. SITUATION

A. ENEMY SITUATION THERE HAS BEEN NO OBSERVED OR REPORTED ENY
ACTIVITY IN AREA OF OP.

(1) TERRAIN: THE AREA OF OPERATION IS CHARACTERIZED BY LOW MOUNTAINS, ROCKY HILLS, AND HIGHLY DISSECTED LAND. IT IS COMMONLY FORESTED WITH THICK CANOPY, TREES 25-30 FEET HIGH, AND SMALL TREES AND DENSE UNDERGROWTH. NUMEROUS STEEP-WALLED VALLEYS, GORGES, AND RAVINES ARE PREDOMINANT.

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(2) RATE OF MOVEMENT: APPROXIMATELY 200 METERS PER HOUR.

(3) GROUND AVENUES OF APPROACH: NO KNOWN AVENUES OF APPROACH HAVE BEEN OBSERVED OR REPORTED.

(4) HELICOPTER LANDING ZONE: ONE HELICOPTER LANDING ZONE IS LOCATED VIC YD 2127. IT IS OVAL SHAPED, 150 x 90 FEET, ACCOMODATING ONE CH-46. THE BEST APPROACH IS SOUTH EAST TO NORTH WEST; EXIT SOUTH EAST TO NORTH.

B. FRIENDLY FORCES:

(1) 3D MAR DIV CONTINUES CURRENT OPS.

(2) TWELFTH MARINES PROVIDES G/S ARTILLERY, AS REQUIRED.

(3) 1ST MAW PROVIDES AIR SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

C. ATTACHMENTS AND DETACHMENTS:

(1) 3D BN, 4TH MARINES CHOP ONE RIFLE CO TO THIS HQTRS AT H-2 HRS AND PREPOSITION AT MAG-26 HLZ, DONG HA COMBAT BASE.

(2) DET, CO C, 3D ENGR BN

(3) DET, CO C, 3D SP BN

(4) DET, FLSC-B

2. MISSION: AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY, 9TH MARINES CONDUCTS BODY RECOVERY/ WRECKAGE DESTRUCTION OPS VIC DONG BA LE MOUNTAIN, YD 1927, AT CRASH-SITE OF CH-53 MISSING 081915H JAN 68.

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS: THE 9TH MARINES CONDUCTS HELO-LIFT OF ONE REIN RIFLE PLAT TO HLZ VIC CRASH-SITE; SECURES LZ, CONDUCTS SEARCH, RECOVERS REMAINS, AND DESTROYS REMAINING PORTIONS OF CH-53 WRECK.

B. PLATOON (REIN), CO E, 3D BN, 4TH MARINES: ATTACHED: FO TEAM, FAC TEAM, AND 60MM MORTAR TEAM (2).

(1) COMMENCING AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY CONDUCT HELO-LIFT TO HLZ VIC CRASH-SITE AND EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING TASKS:

(A) SECURE LZ AND CRASH-SITE.

(B) SEARCH CRASH-SITE AREA FOR BODIES.

(C) PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO BODY RECOVERY EFFORT.

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- (D) DESTROY REMAINS OF CH-53 WRECK ON ORDER OF TF CMDR.
- (E) PROVIDE HLZ CONTROL UNTIL HST IS INSERTED.
- (F) ESTABLISH OP's VIC HLZ AND CRASH-SITE DURING ENTIRE CONDUCT OF OPS.
- (G) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ENGR DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATE LZ IF REQUIRED.

C. DET. CO (C), 3D ENGR BN:

- (1) PROVIDE ENGR REF TO HELO-LIFT AT H-HOUR WITH RIFLE PLAT SECURITY TO DETERMINE LOCATION AND WORK REQUIREMENTS OF ALTERNATE HLZ's AT CH-53 CRASH-SITE.
- (2) ON ORDER OF TF CMDR, BE PREPARED TO INSERT PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF ALT. LZ.

D. DET. CO (C), 3D SF BN:

- (1) PROVIDE HST FOR CONTROL AT MAC-16 HLZ, DECB, DURING LIFT OF REIN RIFLE PLAT.
- (2) ON ORDER, BE PREPARED TO LAUNCH TF RESERVE AND INSERT HST IN HLZ VIC CRASH-SITE.

E. DET. FLSC-B (GRAVES REGISTRATION)

- (1) AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY, HELO-LIFT WITH RIFLE PLAT SECURITY TO CH-53 CRASH-SITE AND SEARCH/RECOVER ALL POSSIBLE REMAINS.

F. TASK FORCE RESERVE:

- (1) CO E (-), 3D BN, 4TH MAR
 - (A) BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT HELO-BORNE OPNS VIC CRASH-SITE ON ORDER TF CMDR.
 - (B) STAND-BY ON 30 MIN ALERT VIC MAC-16 HLZ, DECB.

G. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

- (1) D-DAY ON ORDER 3D MAR DIV; H-HOUR TBA IAW WEATHER SITUATION.
- (2) CRITICAL TIME FACTORS:
 - (A) 1100H - LATEST H-HR. IF WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS PRECLUDE COMMENCEMENT OPS BY THIS TIME, OPN WILL BE POSTPONED 24-HRS.
 - (B) 6TH IN CASE COMBATIVITY TENSE.

(c) 1800H - LATEST TIME FOR COMMENCEMENT OF EXTRACTION.

(3) ELEMENTS OF TF BE PREPARED TO FORM EQUIPMENT AND PERS ON 24-HR NOTICE.

(4) ALL ELEMENTS OF TF WILL BE PREPARED TO REMAIN OVER-NIGHT.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. PRESCRIBED LOAD:

(1) BASIC ALLOWANCE PLUS 1 DOA

(2) NORMAL COMBAT ARMS AND EQUIPMENT TO INCLUDE GAS-MASKS.

(3) 1 MCL

B. NO PLANNED RESUPPLY; AVAIL EMERG BASIS ONLY AS REQ TF CMDR.

C. RIFLE PLAT WILL HAVE THREE 50 FT LENGTHS OF 1 IN. ROPE AVAIL AT CRASH-SITE.

D. ENGR ELEMENT PROVIDE REQUIRED SHOVELS, PICKS, CROW-BARS, ETC.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. S-3A, 9TH MARINES TASK FORCE CMDR.

B. COMM IAW REF C AND D.

C. INITIAL CP LOC TF CMDR WILL BE AIRBORNE VIC HLZ. CP LOC REPORTED WHEN ESTAB.

D. FIRST MAW PROVIDES AUTOMATIC RETRANSMISSION (AIRBORNE) FOR FM ON M-706, M-89, AND M-2055.

E. USE EFFECTIVE EDITIONS:

(1) KAC-QX NUMERICAL CODE

(2) KAC-PX OPS CODE

F. PAC WILL HAVE UHF CAPABILITY (AN/PRC-41).

G. CODE WORD FOR EXTRACTION IS "OLE YELLER"

H. CODE WORD FOR COMMITTING RESERVE IS "POUNCER."

I. (SEE RADIO PLAN)

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ANNEX A (FIRE SUPPORT)

1. SITUATION: NO CHANGE

2. MISSION : NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION:

A. CONCEPT OF OPS: NO CHANGEB. ARTILLERY SUPPORT: THE OBJECTIVE AREA IS BEYOND RANGE OF D/S ARTY.

(1) 2D BN, 94TH ARTY (USA) PROVIDES ARTY SUPPORT WITH 175mm GUNS UPON REQUEST.

(2) 1ST AIR CAV DIV (USA) PROVIDES AERIAL ^{ROCKET} ARTY SUPPORT (2.75 INCH RKTS) ON EMERG BASIS UPON REQUEST.C. AIR SUPPORT: FIRST MAW PROVIDES:

(1) TWO UH-1E GUNSHIPS FOR HLZ PREP FROM H PLUS 15 TO H PLUS 25. A/C REMAIN ON-CALL.

(2) FOUR CH-46's WILL COMMENCE LIFT AT H-HR OF (1) RIFLE PLAT (REIN) (54 PERS W/100 LBS EQUIP) FROM MAG-16 HLZ IN DHCB TO ARRIVE OBJ AREA HLZ AT H PLUS 20. A/C REMAIN ON-CALL AND ARE PREPARED TO LIFT TF RESERVE (RIFLE CO (-) FR MAG-16 HLZ, DHCB). CH-46's WILL EXECUTE EXTRACTION OF TF ON REQUEST OF TF CMDR.

(3) ^{ONE} A/C AND C ON STATION THROUGHOUT OPERATION WITH TF CMDR.

(4) A/C WITH AUTOMATIC FM RETRANSMISSION CAPABILITY BETWEEN OBJ AREA AND DHCB FOR DURATION OF OPS.

(5) A TAC (A) ON STATION FOR DURATION OPS.

(6) FIXED WING ON 15 MIN STRIP ALERT.

(7) MEDIVAC AND RESUPPLY LIFTS AS REQ.

(8) FLARE-SHIP, GUNSHIPS, FIXED-WING A/C, AND AO WILL BE AVAIL ON-CALL IN EVENT OF RON OF TF.

D. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) ARTY FO WILL MAINTAIN RADIO CONTACT W/9TH MAR FSGC AND 2D BN, 94TH ARTY UNTIL ARA IS REQUIRED. AT THAT TIME, NOTIFY THIS HQTRS AND SWITCH TO APPROPRIATE FREQ.

4. ADMIN AND LOG: NO CHANGE

5. COMMAND AND COM/ELECT: PARA 5, BASIC ORDER.

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I. RADIO PLAN

TASK FORCE	DESIG	FREQ	59.15	51.4		70.4	60.4	37.3	
UNIT			M 818	PRIMARY M 1202		M 547	M 1161	M 811	
9TH MAR CP	DRAKEPOOL		X						
9TH MAR(TF CMDR)	DRAKEPOOL 3A		X						
9TH MAR ALO-TAC (A)	DRAKEPOOL 14			X					
9TH MAR FSCC	DRAKEPOOL BAILEY					X			
KILO 3/4	DARTING STAR KILO 6		X				X		
3 PLT "K" 3/4	DARTING STAR KILO 3		X				X		
"K" 3/4 FO	DARTING STAR 62					X			
3/4 FAC	DARTING STAR KILO 14			X					
DIV AO	AMERICAN BEAUTY			X					
DIV AO	SOUTHERN			X					
HST	DAGMAR CHARLIE							X	
1 ACD ARTY	BUCKSHOT 8					X			
1 ACB ARTY	QUICK COUGER 8					X			
2D BN 94. ARTY USA	COLORADO 13					X			

X ACTIVATE AT H-2
R ACTIVATE AS REQUIRED

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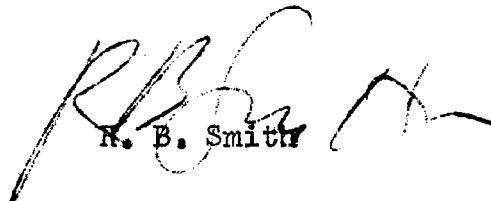
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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on Major A. FERNANDEZ Operation After-
Action Report, 3/AF/jef, 3100 of 28 Mar 68

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Subj: Operation After-Action Report

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R. B. Smith

9th Marines

4th Operations Unit

27 Mar 1968

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From: Major A. FERNANDEZ 077477 USMC
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division

Via: (1) Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Operation After Action Report

Ref: (a) CG, 3d Mar Div Warning Order Msg 171224Z Mar 68
 (b) 9th Mar Msg 240830Z Mar 68, Operation Order 6-68

1. Code Name. Operation LONGJUMP. In accordance with the provisions contained in reference (a), Operation LONGJUMP, reference (b), was conducted in order to recover the remains of personnel lost in the CH-53 reported missing 081815H March 1968, forty-one nautical miles northeast of Phu Bai while on flight from Dong Ha to Danang.

2. Dates of Operation. Operation LONGJUMP commenced at 270700H and terminated at 271700H March 1968.

3. Location. The Objective Area is located in the YD 2027 grid square. The helicopter crash-site is located 180° and 18 nautical miles from channel 109 (Dong Ha). Another means of locating the site is from the summit of Dong Ba Le Mountain (YD 199277) turn left to a heading of 125° magnetic for 1000 meters. The HLZ and crash-site are readily visible on a peak about 800 meters above MSL. The HLZ is clear of obstacles and is large enough for one CH-46 to land at a time. Sharp gradients exist to the northeast, east, south, and southwest. There is heavy vegetation in the objective area with 25-30 foot high trees. There are only two potential alternate LZ sites within 70-200 meters of the present HLZ. However, these would require extensive pioneer work.

4. Task Organization.

9th Marines Task Force

Major FERNANDEZ

3d Plat. (Rein), Co K, 3d Bn, 4th Mar

Det, Co C, 3d Engr Bn

Det, Co C, 3d Shore Party Bn

Det, Graves Registration, H&S Bn, Support Co, 1st, FSR, FLC

TF Rcs: Co K (-) (Rein), 3d Bn, 4th Mar

Capt. LEROY

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5. Supporting Forces.

a. Twelfth Marines provided G/S artillery on an as required basis; none was required. Additionally, the 2d Battalion, 94th Artillery, USA was prepared to provide Aerial Rocket Artillery on emergency request; none was required.

b. The 1st Marine Aircraft Wing was requested to provide the following:

- (1) Fixed-wing on 15 minute strip alert.
- (2) Two UH-1E Gunships for HLZ preparation and to remain on-call thereafter.
- (3) A Tactical Air Controller (airborne) on station for duration of operation.
- (4) A command and Control aircraft for the TF Commander for duration of the operation.
- (5) Medevac and resupply helicopter lift capability as required; none were needed.
- (6) Aircraft with automatic FM retransmission capability between the objective area and Dong Ha Combat Base for the duration of the operation.
- (7) In the event the Task Force was required to remain over-night, flare-ships, gun-ships, fixed-wing aircraft, and aerial observer capability was requested on call. The Task Force did not remain over-night.
- (8) Four CH-46 helicopters were requested in order to perform the troop-lift to the objective area. The total lift was accomplished with two waves of 3 aircraft each.

6. Intelligence. There had been no observed or reported enemy activity in the objective area. During initial conduct of the operation, extreme caution was used in order to insure tactical security and to preclude detonating possible surprise firing devices. However, no sightings or contact were made. There was no evidence of enemy presence at the crash-site, at any time.

7. Mission. As directed by reference (a), the mission was to, on order, conduct salvage operations and body identification/recovery operations at crash-site vicinity YD 1927 in order to ensure all possible means of casualty identification had been exploited.

8. Concept of Operations. The 9th Marines conducts a helicopter lift of one reinforced platoon to the ELZ in the vicinity of the crash-site; secures the ELZ; conducts search; recovers personnel remains; and destroys remaining portions of CH-53 wreck.

9. Execution. Upon receipt of reference (a), a planning conference with representatives of all units and agencies involved in the operation was held at 1300H on 20 March 1968. The required planning and coordination was effected and the operation was formalized upon issuance of reference (b). A 24-hour alert was announced on 26 March 1968 and the Task Force assembled in preparation for executing the operation on 27 March 1968. At 271050H March 1968, weather clearance over the objective area was given and H-Hour was announced. Lift-off of the Task Force commenced at 271105H and the first wave touched down at the ELZ in the objective area at 1135H. No enemy contact or sightings were made and the ELZ was secured without incident. As the build-up of forces continued in the objective area, the security of the ELZ was expanded to include the crash-site. By 1210H, a deliberate search of the entire area had commenced. The immediate crash-site was searched in detail and all recoverable materials and human remains were recovered. At the conclusion of the search/recovery phase, extraction of the Task Force was requested and the lift commenced at 1620H. The last element to depart consisted of the FAC Team, security element, engineers who set the demolition charges for the destruction of the remains of the CH-53, and the command group. The final lift was accomplished at 1655H. Upon arrival in Dong Ha Combat Base, the Task Force was disbanded and the human remains and other identification materials were turned in to Graves Registration for processing.

10. Results:

a. There were no personnel or materiel losses incurred in the operation.

b. A search of the crash-site and general area surrounding it resulted in recovery of approximately 18 to 20 personnel remains. A major portion of the remains had been subjected to extreme mangling, burning, and decomposition. They were, therefore, to a large degree, undistinguishable as individual corpses. All portions of remains that could conceivably serve identification purposes were extracted. A total of five (5) of the bodies were individually distinguishable and were identified as follows:

(1) ELNIS G.W. 010697 USMC- dog-tag found in the immediate vicinity of the remains. The body was approximately 40 meters from the bulk of the wreckage and the nearest body.

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(2) PRICE, M.E. 099241 USMC- dog-tag found on the body. Additionally, the collar rank-insignia of a warrant officer and red, plastic name-plate on the utility coat was found on the body. The body was found underneath the rear ramp of the aircraft on the left side of the wreckage.

(3) CHAPMAN, J.T. 091527 USMC- dog-tags were found on the body, and a boot and utility cover bearing the name were found in close proximity. The body was one of the few discernible ones found in the largest pile of remains.

(4) OLSON, BEN- identified by the leather patch bearing the name on what was probably a flight-suit. The body was also discernible as an individual one and was found underneath a portion of the tail of the fuselage.

(5) UGINO, John J. 234370 USMC- identified by clothing markings and a packet of receipted mail addressed to UGINO found in close proximity to the body. The remains were isolated in a portion of the tail section of the CH-53 fuselage.

c. The CH-53 was totally destroyed and debris was strewn in an area approximately 175 meters by 60 meters. The major portion of the remaining wreckage was concentrated at the southern end of the crash-site and consisted of the tail-rotor and pylon and approximately 14 feet of the tail section. The main rotor and engines were at the southwest corner of the crash-site. The engines were impaled under large tree trunks, rocks, and debris which were accumulated on impact. Except for the tail-section, the aircraft was totally burned and disintegrated. There was no evidence of salvageable portions of the aircraft. The wreckage revealed the hull number of the aircraft to be #37 and the aircraft number to be #153710.

d. Among the recovered items were four maps which were standard issue, 1:50,000 Vietnam maps. These were in a high state of deterioration due to partial burning, water-logging, and discoloration. The undersigned personally examined the maps and no markings or other possible intelligence disclosures existed. The map scraps were destroyed by burning in place.

e. Destruction of the remaining portion of wreckage was accomplished by placing 80 pounds of C-4 with triple fuzing throughout the wreckage. Detonation was verified from the air after departure from the site.

11. Administrative Matters. No problems developed in the area of transportation, communications using normal transmitting means, or resupply.

12. Special Equipment and Techniques.

a. An Adequate amount of demolitions and pioneer equipment were staged with an engineer team in the LSA in the event the requirement to develop an alternate ELZ became necessary.

b. The standard landing-zone marking equipment (i.e., panels, pyro-technics, smoke grenades, marker lights, etc.) was available to the Task Force.

c. In order to work on the wreckage, the following items of equipment were taken:

- (1) Grappling hooks
- (2) Rope
- (3) Shovels, Picks, Axes, and wrecking bars.

d. The following equipment was available for use in handling personnel remains:

- (1) Body-bags and inserts
- (2) Surgeons gloves
- (3) Gas masks (not used)

13. Commanders Analysis. The main factors influencing the operation were the enemy, the weather, and the possibility of another helicopter accident in the AO. Flexibility in the plans for the operation would have permitted adequate reaction to any of these contingencies, none of which developed.

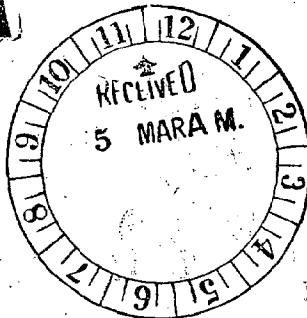
14. Recommendations.

a. That no further effort be expended in recovery operations at the crash-site.

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Co C, 3d Shore Party Bn
Co C, 3d Engr Bn

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PRIORITY 050230Z MAR68

FROM: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
 TO: NINTH MARINES

INFO: TWELFTH MARINES
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ROTATION OF UNITS

1. ON 8 MAR EFFECT RELIEF OF 2/1 IN PLANS WITH 1/4 ONE COMPANY AT A TIME.
2. A FOUR COMPANY BATTALION MUST BE MAINTAINED AT CON TIENT.

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 RESEARCHED BY: J.B. SMITH, CO.
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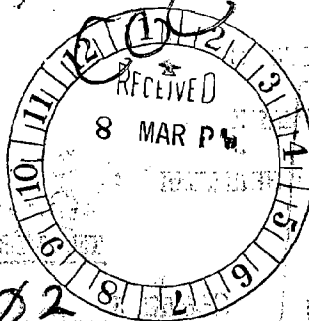
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SUBJECT

POLICY GUIDANCE ON PATROLLING IN 9TH MARINES AO.

1. DURING THE LAST WEEK, 9TH MARINES DOMINANT SIZE PATROLS HAVE SUSTAINED HEAVY CASUALTIES FROM WELL-ADJUSTED ENEMY ARTILLERY AND MORTARS. IN SOME INSTANCES, PATROLS WERE APPROACHING FORTIFIED, KNOWN ENEMY POSITIONS.

2. IF VIEW ENEMY'S DECREASED CAPABILITY TO RAPIDLY EMPLOY SUPPORTING ARMS, THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PATROLLING IN 9TH MARINES AO:

A. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PENETRATE ENEMY'S FORWARD EDGE OF DEFENSE AREA (ENEMY) WITH PATROL ACTUAL I.D., EASTWEST ROAD WEST-ROTH OF CON TERN. LINE AND NO FORTIFICATION (G 1-3) IN THE AREA. BUT LA HRS AND WILL AG TO WEST OF RD 362.

B. DO NOT REPOSE LARGE SIZE PATROLS IN AREAS WITHIN 500 METERS OF KNOWN ENEMY POSITIONS OR AREAS KNOWN TO BE UNDER DIRECT OBSERVATION OF ENEMY POSITIONS.

C. CONDUCT EXTENSIVE AMBUSHES TO KILL ENEMY AGENTS TO AREAS BETWEEN ALL MAIN POSITIONS AND FRIENDLY POSITIONS.

D. STRESS NIGHT MOVEMENT AND USE OF MUTUALLY SUPPORTING KILLER TEAMS AND AMBUSHES INSERTED AT NIGHT.

E. REDUCE MOVING DAYLIGHT PATROLS TO THOSE ESSENTIAL FOR CLOSE IN SECURITY AND THE INSERTION OF AMBUSH/KILLER TEAMS.

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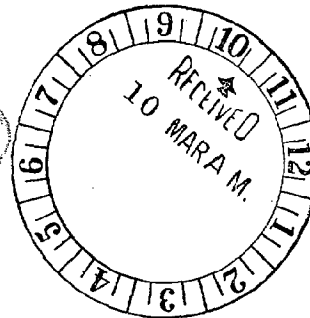
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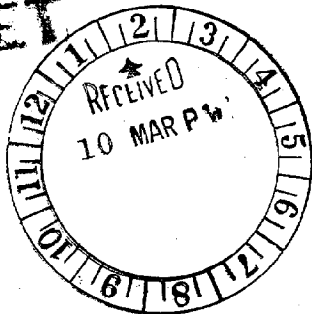
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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO : CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: FOURTH MARINES
 SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES

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A. CG, THIRD MARINE DIVISION MSG 211409Z MAR 68

1. IAW REF A CHOPPED OPCON CO H/G/2/1 AND "A" COMMAND GROUP TO
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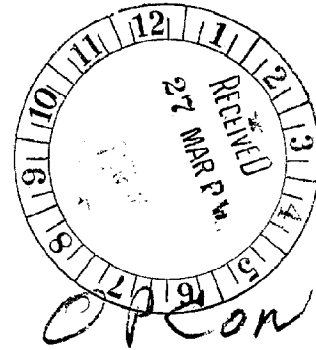
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FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR, DIV

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THIRD BN, FIRST MARINES

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1. CHOPPED OPCON CMC GROUP B, CO R/P 241 TO LTH MARINES EFFECTIVE 241700H MAR 68

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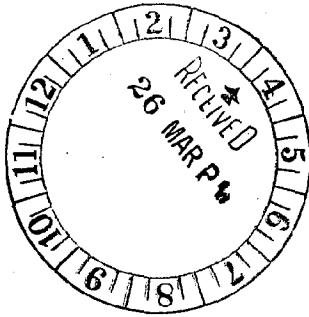
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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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1. ASSUMED OPCON CO A 1/502 ABN INF 101ST ABN DIV EFFECTIVE 251600H MAR 68

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FM : NINTH MARINES

TO : THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES
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INFO: CG, PCV
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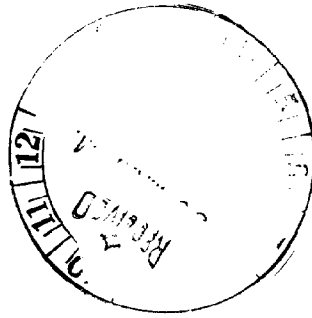
1. E-DAY 27 MAR 68 FOR OPERATION CONTAINED REF A. H-HR, PENDING WEATHER, TBA VIA RADIO ON D-DAY.
2. ALL ELEMENTS CONCERNED ASSEMBLE BY 270700H AT MAC-16 H LZ IN DONG HA COMBAT BASE.
3. TF RESERVE WILL REMAIN AT CAM LO DIST HQRS PREPARED TO LIFT FROM THAT LOCATION ON 30 MIN ALERT.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT REF A AND THIS MSG VIA FASTEST MEANS.

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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

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A. TELECON W/3RD MAR DIV (OPS)

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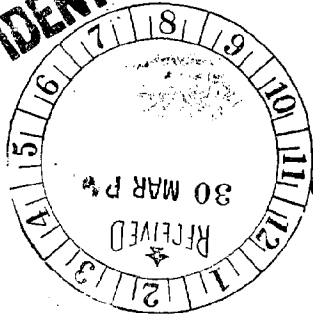
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PRIORITY 30/0140Z MAR 68

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TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV
CO, 2D ARVN REGTINFO: TWELFTH MARINES
THIRD BN, THIRD MARINES

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A. TELECON W/3D MAR DIV (OPS)

1. IAW REF A, 9TH MARINES RELINQUISHED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE A-2 POSITION TO THE 2D ARVN REGIMENT EFFECTIVE 291500H AT WHICH TIME L/3/3 WAS WITHDRAWN TO A-3

2. THE CURRENT, ADJUSTED BOUNDARY ALTERS THE PREVIOUS BOUNDARY WITH LINE FROM YD 1770 EAST TO YD 2070, THEN NORTH ALONG GRID-LINE 20 TO THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE DMZ. BOUNDARY CHANGE EFFECTIVE 291500H MAR 68.

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OP IMMEDIATE/PRIORITY 300215Z MAR 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES

TO: CG, THIRD MAR DIV

INFO: A CG 1/502 AEN INF 101ST AEN DIV

3RD BN, 3RD MAR

1ST BN, 4TH MAR

3RD BN, 4TH MAR

THIRD SQDN FIFTH ARMD CAV

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A. CG, 3RD MAR DIV 291340 Z MAR 68

B. 9TH MAR MSG 290715 Z MAR 68

1. IAW WITH REF A CHANGE PARA 1 OF REF B TO READ: "EFFECTIVE 291500H VICE 291300H MAR 68"

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