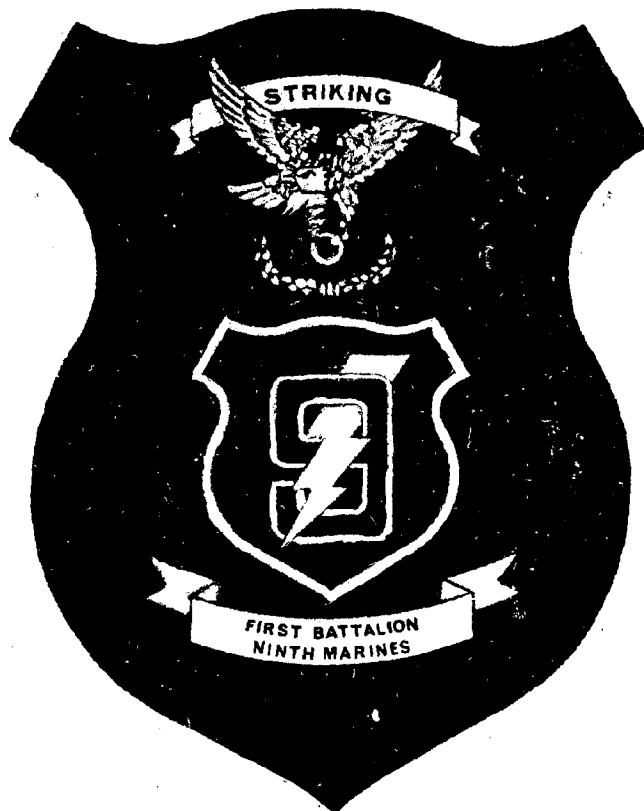


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1. The following pen changes and page inserts are hereby directed within the subject Operation Order.

Page 1: Under reference (d) capitalize letter O in word one. Paragraph 1, a, (2) change CINCDACFLT to CINCPACFLT.

Page 3: Paragraph 3, c, (7) add the words "at the" between the words 2/4 and earliest. Paragraph 3, d, (7) add same as above.

Page 4: Paragraph 3, h, (4) strike letter s from word preparations.

Page 5: Paragraph 4, c change "H" in "H" hour to "L" hour; change word launch to landing; change word "to" to "in".

Page J-1: Unit address incorrect in address portion. Change Camp Schwab, Okinawa, Japan to FPO San Francisco 96602.

Page J-2: Paragraph 3, e change Coordination Instruction to Coordinating Instruction.

Page J-2-1: Change unit address to FPO San Francisco 96602.

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Page J-3-1: Change unit address as above.

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Page N-1-1: After the word Ref: and (a) Annex I (Logistic Support) CTU 79.1.2 OPLAN 1-75.
After word Time Zone: add the letter H.

2. Change "H" hour to "L" hour wherever it appears throughout the OPLAN.
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1. This letter promulgates BLT 1/9 Operation Order 5-75 (Frequent Wind)
2. Operation Order 5-75 provides for the conduct of a Heliborne assault to seize and defend the Air America Compound located in Saigon, Republic of South Vietnam for the purpose of evacuation of designated personnel as required.
3. This Operation Order and contents are assigned the overall classification of SECRET during the planning and execution of Operation Frequent Wind. This order is declassified on 1 May 1981. No report of destruction is required.
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(b) USSAG/7AF msg 181230A April 1975 (FREQUENT WIND)
(c) USSAG/7AF ConPlan 5060V
(d) CTG Seven Nine PT one 191541Z April 1975 (RASEP)
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(e) CTU Seven Nine PT Two OPLAN 1-75 (FREQUENT WIND)(C)

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex B (Intelligence).
- (2) See Current INSTUMS.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) U. S. Embassy Saigon assembles and provides priorities for evacuation of U. S. citizens and designated aliens.
- (2) COMUSSAG/7AF act as coordinating authority for CINCDACFLT NEMVAC operations through COMSEVENTHFLT.
- (3) COMSEVENTHFLT will conduct NEMVAC operations in RVN in order to protect and evacuate U. S. personnel from RVN.
- (4) CTF-76: Execute NEMVAC operations on order, to include helo/ship operations for movement of GSF to EOA and extraction of U. S. citizens and designated aliens.
- (5) CTG 79.1 provide Ground Security Forces (GSF) to DAO/Air America Compound and other areas as required to perform NEMVAC operations. Establish emergency evacuation/marshalling areas as required.
- (6) CTU 79.1.3 provide Logistical Support to GSF in support of NEMVAC operations, support BLT's from landing force assets, form and control maintenance and contact teams during conduct of operations, as required.

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- (7) CTU 79.1.4 be prepared to conduct pre-evacuation operations, provide helo support, conduct visual reconnaissance, control close air support, air support operations, medevac operations, Sparrow Hawk/quick reaction force for SAR operations, and command and control or other specified missions as designated.
- (8) CTU 79.1.2 be prepared to conduct NEMVAC operations in RVN with 3 BLT's by helolift, surface assault, or US/MAC shipping, or a combination of options.

c. Assumptions

- (1) NEMVAC operations will be conducted with short notice.
- (2) Evacuation by fixed wing aircraft from Saigon area will facilitate NEMVAC.
- (3) RLT-4 will be authorized to insert GSF into Saigon and Vung Tau.
- (4) TACAIR/Close Air Support and other types of aircraft are available if required.
- (5) LS/LZ and landing beaches will be unopposed.
- (6) Greatest threat to air is from anti-aircraft artillery and small arms.
- (7) That the extraction of the GSF will be the greatest problem.
- (8) That crowd control/armed ARVN interference in NEMVAC operations is a prime consideration.
- (9) That Naval Gunfire will be available at Vung Tau and that organic BLT weapons and TACAIR will be available to support NEMVAC operations in Saigon.

2. MISSION. BLT 1/9 on H Hour, D Day conduct heliborne assault with one, two or three companies and command elements to seize, occupy and defend the Air America Compound and on order conduct a tactical withdrawal.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations: Annex C (Concept of Operations)

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- b. BLT 1/9, when directed, conduct 2 or 3 company helicopter operations into the Air America Compound, secure the compound and be prepared to establish an emergency evacuation/marshalling area for U. S. citizens and designated aliens. Be prepared to conduct a heliborne/fixed wing tactical withdrawal at completion of operations.

c. Co "B" (Rein)

- (1) Land at H Hour, D Day in assigned LS vicinity Air America Compound, seize, occupy and defend portion of Air America Compound.
- (2) Be prepared to conduct tactical heliborne withdrawal, from assigned or alternate LS.
- (3) Be prepared to assume the mission of other BLT units.
- (4) Be prepared to close and control compound entrances in assigned area with available assets.
- (5) Be prepared to provide one platoon as a reaction force as required.
- (6) Be prepared to close and maintain control of the street complex which separates the Air America Compound and DAO Compound.
- (7) Establish liaison with BLT 2/4 earliest upon arrival at LS.

d. Co "C" (Rein)

- (1) Land at H Hour, D Day in assigned LS vicinity Air America Compound; secure and defend assigned portion of Air America Compound.
- (2) Be prepared to conduct tactical heliborne withdrawal from assigned or alternate LS.
- (3) Be prepared to assume the mission of either BLT units.
- (4) Be prepared to close and control compound entrances in assigned area with available assets.
- (5) Be prepared to provide one platoon as a reaction force as required.
- (6) Be prepared to close and maintain control of the street complex which separates the Air America Compound and DAO Compound.
- (7) Establish liaison with BLT 2/4 earliest upon landing at LS.

e. 81mm Mortar Plt (-)

- (1) Land at L+95 min and establish firing positions as directed upon landing.
- (2) Be prepared to provide 3 sections in a stand-by status for committment as required.
- (3) General Support: Priority of fires as assigned.
- (4) See Annex E (Fire Support Plan).

f. 106RR Plt (-)

- (1) Land at L+95 min and establish initial position, as directed.
- (2) Be prepared to provide three (3) sections in a stand-by status for committment as required.
- (3) General Support.
- (4) See Annex E (Fire Support Plan).

g. Det, Hq Btry "G", 2nd Bn, 12th Mar. Provide the FSC staff and forward observer teams for the BLT units as directed.h. 1st Plt, Co "B", 3rd Engr Bn

- (1) General Support.
- (2) Provide engineer support as required.
- (3) Be prepared to construct static barriers and obstacles of available materials.
- (4) Be prepared to utilize Air America employees as workers in preparations of barriers and to improve protective wire.

i. Det, Hq Btry, 12th Mar. Provide NGF spot team to support Sparrow Hawk/Reaction Force.j. 2nd Plt (-), Co "C", 3rd S.P. Bn

- (1) Provide HST teams as required.
- (2) Be prepared to provide personnel for insertion prior to H Hour.

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(3) General Support.

k. Btry "E", 2nd Bn, 12th Mar. On order chop BLT 3/9.

l. BLT Reserve, Co "A"

- (1) Be prepared to support mission of any committed company.
- (2) Priority of planning to Co "B".
- (3) Be prepared to provide processing/evacuation teams, as required to process personnel for heliborne evacuation.
- (4) Locate most direct route from Air America Compound to DAO Compound.
- (5) Be prepared to provide personnel to act as guides for evacuees from the DAO Compound to the Air America Compound.
- (6) Be prepared to provide platoon size riot control units as required.
- (7) Provide security to LS Red or alternate LSs as required.
- (8) Be prepared to perform passage of lines in emergency riot situations.
- (9) Be prepared to defend LS Red or alternate LSs and be the last unit for helo evacuation.
- (10) Establish liaison with BLT 2/4 at the earliest arrival.

m. RLT Reserve, Co "D". As directed by RLT-4.

4. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The code name for this operation is "FREQUENT WIND".
- b. The exact date/time of this operation - TBA.
- c. "H" Hour is the time of the launch of the first aircraft to the evacuation area.
- d. Units subordinate to the Headquarters are authorized direct liaison.
- e. All personnel will be constantly alert for attempts to perform acts of piracy, high-jacking or other serious crimes against U.S. personnel or equipment.

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- f. Strictly adhere to the Rules of Engagement.
 - g. Use of Riot Control Agents by authority of this Headquarters only.
 - h. Use of force of any kind authorized by this Headquarters only.
5. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See Annex N (Administration and Logistics)
6. COMMAND AND SIGNAL
- a. Annex J (Communications and Electronics)
 - b. Command Posts
 - (1) Afloat

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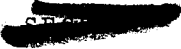

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ANNEXES

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H&S Co (-) (Rein)

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H&S Co (-)

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Det, Hq Bn 3rd Mar Div

Co "A" (Rein)

Capt AUSTIN

Co "A" (-)

Det, H&S Co (-)

Det, Comm Plat

Det, Med Plat

FO Tm 81mm Mort Plat

Det, Intell Sect

FAC

1st Sect, 81mm Mort Plat

FO Tm, Btry "G", 3rd Bn, 12th Mar

1st Sqd, 1st Plat, Co "B", 3rd Engr Bn

Det, 3rd S.P. Bn (-) (HST)

Co "B" (Rein)

Capt PEACHEY

Co "B" (-)

Det, H&S Co (-)

Det, Comm Plat

Det, Med Plat

FO Tm 81mm Mort Plat

Det, Intell Sect

FO Tm, Btry "G", 3rd Bn, 12th Mar

2nd Sqd, 1st Plat, Co "B", 3rd Engr Bn

81mm Mort Plat (-)

2ndLt GIBERSON

106RR Plat (-)

2ndLt SOWERS

1st Plat (-) (Rein), Co "B", 3rd Engr Bn

2ndLt JACKSON

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TBA

Det, 3rd S.P. Bn

2ndLt MULDEN

Det, Btry "G"

2ndLt BARTH

BLT ReserveCo "C" (Rein)

Capt WILLIAMSON

Co "C" (-)

Det, H&S Co

Det, Comm Plat

Det, Med Plat

FO Tm 81mm Mort Plat

Det, Intell Sect

FO Tm, Btry "G", 3rd Bn, 12th Mar

3rd Sqd, 1st Plat, Co "B", 3rd Engr Bn

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Annex B (Intelligence) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) Annex B (Intelligence) to RLT-4 OPLAN 1-75
(b) FMFM 2-1 (Intelligence)

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. The NVA currently has eight (8) main force divisions deployed in MR 3. They are supported by extensive armor, artillery and SAM/AAC units. They can also reinforce with two or three other divisions from MR 1 and 2. The NVA are currently beginning their main offensive against Saigon. The situation within the city could very quickly become untenable for U. S. personnel.
- b. Along with the NVA attacks can be expected stepped up VC sapper and terrorist activity, as well as an increase in the likelihood of civil disturbances. There is also a significant threat from dissidents/deserters within the Vietnamese Armed Forces.
- c. It is not expected that the NVA will introduce air or naval assets into the area, although they have the capability to do so.
- d. See current intelligence reports.

2. POTENTIAL THREATS TO EVACUATION OPERATIONS

- a. The following is a list of potential threats to evacuation operations, listed in order of descending probability, not necessarily in order of descending impact.
 - (1) Massive civil disorder in Saigon and Vung Tau. Accumulation of refugees intensifies the threat. GVN troops/dissidents/deserters may try to interfere with the evacuation.
 - (2) NVA artillery/rocket fire on Saigon including evacuation points.
 - (3) Small arms/SA-7 fire along helicopter ingress/egress routes.
 - (4) SAM/AAA envelope covering Tan Son Nhut airport.
 - (5) Sapper/VC attacks at evacuation points.

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- (6) Sapper attacks along shipping routes.
- (7) Assault on Vung Tau by main force NVA units.
- (8) Heavy NVA artillery attack on evacuation areas.
- (9) Attack by NVA Komar PTG's and torpedo boats.
- (10) Attack by GVN ground/air/naval units.

3. HANDLING OF INDIVIDUALS

- a. Handling of POW's, refugees, evacuees and other non-U. S. military personnel will be in accordance with Annex F (Rules of Engagement).
- b. Documents having a bearing on the immediate tactical situation will be forwarded to this headquarters by the fastest means available.
- c. Confiscated/captured equipment will be disposed of in accordance with Annex F (Rules of Engagement).

4. MAPS AND DOCUMENT SUPPORT. The following maps, photos and charts are available for use in the evacuation.

- (1) Graphic charts of Newport Pier, DAO Compound, DAO Annex and Air America Compound.
- (2) 9th MAB HLZ Intell Study.
- (3) Vietnam city maps, 1:15,000, series L909 (Saigon).
- (4) Vietnam maps, 1:50,000, series L7014, sheets 6330 III and 6330 IV.

5. EVACUATION AREAS

- a. The following have been designated as evacuation areas:

USDAO Compound - LZ Utah - XS 825952
USDAO Annex - XS 823953
Newport Pier/Saigon Commissary - LZ Arkansas - XS 887931

- b. Other evacuation sites/assembly areas may be designated. Photographs and descriptions of the evacuation sites are available as needed.

6. AUXILIARY AGENCIES. At present plans call for augmenting our forces with ITT and CIT personnel. These personnel will be available to assist in the screening and processing of evacuees.

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7. Passwords and countersigns will be promulgated as needed.

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Annex C (Concept of Operation) to OPORD 5-75

Ref: RLT-4 Concept of Operation to OPLAN 1-75

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1. MISSION. BLT 1/9 at L-hour, D-day conducts heliborne assaults, with one, two, or three companies and command elements, to seize, occupy and defend the Air America Compound to accomplish assigned operations.
2. CONCEPT.
 - A. At L-hour, D-day land one, two, or three companies with command elements by heliborne assault to seize and defend Air America Compound. Two lead companies secure outer boundary of compound with reserve units serving as reaction forces, riot control forces, screening/processing/evacuating teams and guides as required, and as otherwise directed.
 - B. No pre-L-hour fires are anticipated. Fire support coordinating elements will be inserted in the eventuality supporting arms are employed. TACAIR is the primary supporting arm.
 - C. Adequate communication and command elements will be deployed to insure a timely and accurate decision making process is effected and that adequate communications at all levels is appropriate to accomplish the mission.
 - D. Logistical support will be provided by established means.
 - E. BLT reserve will consist of one company in the three company operational concept or one platoon in the two company operational concept.
 - F. See Annex D (Operational Overlay) to OPORD 5-75.


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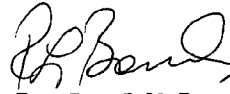
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Annex D (Operation Overlay) to OPLAN 5-75

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1. Overlays will be provided upon assignment of specific mission.



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Annex E (Fire Support Plan) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) Annex E (Fire Support Plan) to RLT-4 OPLAN 1-75
(b) FMFM 7-1 (Fire Support Coordination)

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence) and current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces

(1) Annex A (Task Organization)

(2) Annex K (Air)

(2) Annex G (Naval Gunfire)

2. MISSION. To exercise overall responsibility for coordinating and controlling fires in support of the Battalion Landing Team.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept. Fire Support Coordination will be in accordance with reference (b), Annex F (Rules of Engagement) and current directives.

b. Clearance to Fire. Permission to fire any of the supporting arms will be granted by the BLT FSCC only on approval of the RLT-4 FSCC. Silence is not consent. All fires are restricted to observed fires only.

4. TARGET INFORMATION

a. Target List: TBA

b. Target Numbering: TBA

c. Restricted Targets

(1) Every effort will be made to preserve religious, cultural, medical and public utility installations.

5. AIRCRAFT SAFETY

a. Air sentries will be positioned at all firing units and will check fire when friendly aircraft are observed approaching danger areas.

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- b. Restricted Fire Plans will be submitted through FSCC channels to higher headquarters for approval.
- c. Restrictive Air Plans will be initiated by the 81mm Mortar or Artillery FOC and will be submitted through FSCC channels to higher headquarters for approval.
- d. Flak Supression Fires when required and approved, will be planned to protect aircraft from enemy ground fire.

6. SAFETY OF GROUND FORCES

- a. Minimum Safe Distances:

<u>ORDNANCE</u>	<u>UNPROTECTED</u>	<u>PROTECTED</u>
20mm	180 meters	25 meters
40mm	500 meters	75 meters
CBU-71/58	1,000 meters	100 meters
MK-84 LGB	900 meters	200 meters
105mm/81mm	1,000 meters	100 meters
MK-82	885 meters	200 meters

- b. No-Fire Line. The NFL will be established by the BLT Commander.
- c. Fire Support Coordination Line. The FSCL will be established by higher authority.
- d. Fire Coordination Line. The FCL will be established by higher authority.

7. ADMIN AND LOGISTICS. See Admin/Logistic Plan (Annex N)(Personnel/Logistics)

8. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

- a. Signal. See Annex J (Comm/Electronics)
- b. Command Posts. TBA



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Annex F (Rules of Engagement) to Operation Order 5-75

Ref: (a) Annex F (Rules of Engagement) to R.L.T. 4 Oplan 1-75

1. PURPOSE. To provide Rules of Engagement (ROE) for Ground Security Forces (GSF) and Air Operations in support of Operation FREQUENT WIND.

2. GROUND SECURITY FORCES. The following ROE will apply to the Ground Security Forces during Operation FREQUENT WIND. Additional guidance will be provided as required.

a. The guiding principle to be followed in accomplishment of the mission is to use the minimum force necessary.

b. The Ground Security Force Commander is authorized to use non-deadly force to the degree necessary to accomplish the mission under existing circumstances.

c. The Ground Security Force Commander is authorized to use deadly force, i.e., live ammunition or any other type of physical force likely to cause death or serious bodily harm, only when all three of the following circumstances are present:

(1) Lesser means have been exhausted or are unavailable.

(2) Risk of death or serious bodily harm to innocent persons is not significantly increased by its use.

(3) The purpose of its use is one or more of the following:

(a) Self-defense, to avoid death or serious bodily harm to U. S. Forces.

(b) Defense of lives of the persons to be evacuated.

(c) Prevention of destruction of U. S. Property or equipment vital to accomplishment of the mission.

d. The sequence presented below will normally be followed in the application of force. Although this sequence represents a logical escalation of force application, no one step is mandatory and sequentially following each step is not necessary.

(1) Local national authorities conduct operations to disperse hostile crowds and elements and control the situation.

(2) Show of force by U. S. Troops.

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- (3) Warning proclamation.
- (4) Employment of riot control formations.
- (5) Fix bayonets-use of non-deadly force by troop formation maneuvers.
- (6) Show of force by U. S. TACAIR (No ordnance expended).
- (7) Warning fire.
- (8) Delivery of controlled, well aimed fire by predesignated snipers.
- (9) Delivery of individual weapons.
- (10) Delivery of volume and types of fire necessary in the judgement of the Ground Security Force Commander for the accomplishment of the mission. Use of crew served weapons normally should be limited to observed fire.

e. Firing guidelines are presented below:

- (1) There will be no indiscriminate firing of weapons. Firing of weapons must be approved by and under the control of an officer or non-commissioned officer, unless small units are deployed independently, in which case the senior man will control. Whenever possible, permission to use force or increase force should be requested from the senior U. S. individual in country controlling the evacuation, i.e., the GSF Commander or the COMUSSAG/7AF. If time or communications do not permit prior coordination, COMUSSAG/7AF should be advised as soon as possible.
- (2) The most crucial decision will be to open fire. The GSF Commander must be satisfied that a lesser form of force will not suffice and would gravely endanger the lives of his own personnel and evacuees. Procedures for loading, locking and opening fire will be established by the GSF Commander prior to insertion of the GSF into the objective area.
- (3) Where defensive fire is necessary an effort will be made to positively identify the persons who are threatening the force/evacuees before fire is delivered. The fire will be, initially, small arms fire directed to wound rather than kill.
- (4) An environment approaching chaos may require offensive operations. Such operations will be limited to the seizure, occupation and defense of evacuation points/areas.

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f. The use of Riot Control Agents (RCA) by GSF is authorized for planning purposes only. RCA will not be used unless officially authorized by the senior GSF Commander.

3. AIR OPERATIONS. The following ROE will apply to the Air Operations during the execution of this OPLAN:

- a. The guiding principle to be followed in accomplishing the Noncombatant Emergency Evacuation (NEMVAC) mission is to use the minimum force necessary. To this end, time and the tactical situation permitting, a preliminary show of force by TACAIR elements, without the expenditure of ordnance is authorized.
- b. The crucial decision will be the decision to actually commit TACAIR to expend ordnance in support of the evacuation. The decision to employ TACAIR assets should require that all three of the conditions set forth in paragraph 2.C above be met.
- c. Once the decision has been made to employ TACAIR, the following principles will apply:
 - (1) Tactics and weapons employed will be selected, whenever tactical conditions permit, to minimize collateral damage to civilian property and casualties to innocent persons.
 - (2) Expenditure of ordnance will be limited to:
 - (a) Clearly defined targets or target areas which are the source of active fire directed at airborne assets, elements of the GSF, the designated evacuees or mission essential aircraft and equipment in the landing zones.
 - (b) Interdiction of hostile forces being maneuvered so as to threaten the GSF, evacuees or equipment vital to the mission.
 - (c) Visually delivered conventional ordnance.
 - (3) Aircraft commanders of fixed wing gunships, weapons capable helicopters and TACAIR fighter flight leaders are considered FAC qualified and may direct their own ordnance against properly validated targets. No ordnance will be expended closer than 1,000 meters to GSF/evacuees unless direct two-way communication between the GSF and strike flight is available.
 - (4) All targets for immediate TACAIR strikes must be requested and approved in accordance with the procedures in paragraph 3.C (7) (F) below. The only exceptions will be for strike requests from the commander, GSF, during a declared tactical emergency (TAC-E - A Situation wherein friendly ground positions are in imminent danger of being overrun by hostile forces and heavy casualties can be expected if air support is not immediately

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provide), and the return of ground fire under the conditions authorized in paragraphs 3.C (7) (d) below. In the case of TAC-E, the strike aircraft will render the requested assistance and other controlling/approval agencies will then be notified, as soon as conditions permit, of the circumstances and actions taken.

- (5) All targets selected for preplanned strikes will be nominated, screened and approved in accordance with existing USSAG/7AF procedures. Preplanned strikes will be limited to known areas of significant threat (i.e., artillery, rocket launchers or hostile troop concentrations) to the evacuation operation.
- (6) Ordnance restrictions.
 - (a) Ordnance impacts may be displaced up to 1,000 meters from validated target coordinates, without requesting validation, to insure effective coverage of dispersed/mobile targets (Subject to restrictions of paragraph 3.C (6) (b) below).
 - (b) Air delivered ordnance will not be expended closer to, GSF/evacuee positions, than the maximum lethal radius for unprotected personnel.
 - (c) CBU type ordnance will not be delivered closer than 1,000 meters to GSF/evacuees or within populated areas without ABCCC approval through the GSF Commander.
- (7) Conduct of Air Strikes
 - (a) FAC/flight leader responsibilities:
 - (1) Use of 1:50,000 scale map of the target areas for the purpose of accurate target selection/identification.
 - (2) Ensure that ordnance is appropriate for the intended target and that run-in headings/strike tactics will not unduly endanger the GSF/evacuees or innocent persons in the area.
 - (3) Ensure that positive radio contact is maintained with strike flight, and the GSF Commander or his appointed observer, if required.

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- (4) During CAS activities, maintain positive control during strike operations, mark the target, confirm the accuracy of the mark with GSFC (or his appointed observer) and receive his clearance prior to beginning the attack. For strikes outside 1,000 meters from GSF/evacuees, required coordination may be accomplished through ABCCC, if communication incompatibilities exist. Maintain visual contact with the strike aircraft and confirm run-in alignment on each ordnance delivery pass prior to clearing strike aircraft to expend. Confirm the impact of ordnance on the desired target with the GSFC (or his approved observer) and provide corrections for subsequent ordnance placement or re-mark the target before continuing the strike.
 - (5) During interdiction/fire suppression activities, target marking is not required as long as target can be clearly identified by other means to all strike crews involved.
 - (6) Never hesitate to direct the abort of an attack if confusion develops or there is doubt about any aspect of the attack.
- (b) ROE - Close Air Support (CAS). CAS Operations in support of this OPLAN will be conducted as follows:
- (1) GSF Responsibilities: GSF elements in the vicinity of the intended strike will mark their position (unless clearly visible from the air as a result of natural/man made references) with any available materials/devices prior to the initiation of a strike. If the GSF does not mark due to lack of material or for tactical consideration, no ordnance will be expended until the location(s) of the GSF can be positively identified by the FAC/flight leader by other means.
 - (2) Communications: The GSF will be the single point of contact for the conduct of CAS Operations. He may, once the target has been approved for strike, delegate an on-site member of the GSF to coordinate ordnance placement with the FAC/flight leader. Direct communications between the GSF Commander (or his approved observer) and the FAC/flight leader is mandatory on strike conducted within 1,000 meters of GSF/evacuee positions. Aircrews will discontinue the attack immediately if positive radio contact either direct or through ABCCC cannot be maintained or if confusion/uncertainty exists.

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(3) Targets: All CAS targets cleared for strike must be marked and positively identified by the FAC/flight leader and members of the strike flight prior to expending ordnance. The GSFC (or his approved observer) must confirm the accuracy of the mark and/or provide corrections to the intended target.

(c) ROE of Suppression of Standoff Fire/Interdiction Operations. Operations in support of standoff fire suppression and interdiction requirements will be conducted by TACAIR under FAC/flight leader control under the following guidance:

(1) Suppression of Standoff Fire. Attack By Fire (ABF) situations involving mortars, recoilless rifles, heavy machine guns and similar weapons will normally be dealt with under the provisions of Close Air Support. However, in the case of long range weapons (i.e., 105, 130, and 175mm artillery, 107 and 122mm rockets), since the firing locations of these weapons are not normally known to the GSF, greater reliance on visual reconnaissance (VS), photo reconnaissance, and all-source intelligence will be required to identify sources of active fire and weapons being transported or set up to fire on the GSF/evacuees.

(2) Interdiction. In the absence of other data, an armed formation will be considered hostile if it approaches within 3nm of an evacuation site without being positively identified as friendly.

(3) All sightings of interest and related information on potential targets will be relayed immediately to ABCCC and to the GSF by the most expeditious means available for intelligence analysis and verification. Sighting reports and target requests should include any/all information that can be provided as to size of force, type weapons, vehicles, direction of movement, speed, etc. Requests to expend ordnance will be accomplished in accordance with target validation procedures (paragraph 3.C (7) (F)) below.

(4) Once a target request has been approved, ordnance expenditures will be in accordance with the following guidance:

(a) Standoff Fire Suppression

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- (1) Weapons and tactics will be selected when feasible to minimize collateral damage to civilian property and injury to innocent persons while still ensuring the silencing/destruction of the weapon(s)/launch equipment.
- (2) FAC/flight leader will direct all switches "SAFE" until the target area is cleared for ordnance expenditure. Ordnance delivery activities will be continued until the firing position is silenced/destroyed or until the FAC/flight leader directs a cease fire. At that point, ordnance deliveries will be terminated by all flight members and all armament switches returned to "SAFE".

(b) Interdiction

- (1) If a troop/armor formation is declared hostile under criteria above, time and tactical conditions permit, a preliminary show of force (without weapons expenditure) or warning, fire directed away from the formation may be used in a final attempt to establish intent/identity. In the event that international surrender colors (White) or RVN colors (Orange and Yellow) are shown, the attack will be halted, but surveillance of the formation will continue until it disperses or withdraws.
- (2) If the decision is made to engage, weapons and tactics will be initially selected to impede the movement of or disperse the hostile force without directly engaging that force.
- (3) Only if the above alternatives do not effect the withdrawal or dispersal of the threatening formation, will the force be directly attacked, and then only until dispersal or withdrawal is accomplished.

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(d) ROE - Return of Groundfire: Groundfire, for the purposes of this ROE, is limited to that hostile fire which is specifically directed toward airborne aircraft.

(1) The authorization to return/suppress groundfire while operating in the territorial airspace of RVN will be limited to only those situations where the return of groundfire is absolutely essential to accomplishing the mission.

(2) In all other instances, return of groundfire is authorized only for immediate self-defense. After other attempts to disengage have failed, and then only until the aircraft can withdraw to a safe distance and circumnavigate the threat.

(3) The return of groundfire from any populated area except in the case of immediate self-defense must be under FAC/flight leader control limited to only the immediate area of the source of fire received, and only until the source of fire is silenced. Other sources of groundfire encountered during an approved attack may be attacked without further clearance.

(e) Search and Rescue Operations. Mission aircraft and ships are authorized to use force as necessary to defend the lives of U. S. personnel and to insure their safe return to U. S. control. In the event of attack, the commander concerned will take immediate aggressive action against attacking forces.

(1) Aircraft which are assigned to or become involved in a SAR situation are authorized to initiate protective fire for downed aircrewmembers if such aircrewmembers are receiving hostile fire provided:

(a) The source of hostile fire can be clearly identify by visual means.

(b) The strike can be positively oriented against the source.

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- (c) Hostile fire is of such intensity that counteraction is necessary for protection of downed aircrewmembers.
 - (d) Only the minimum reaction is used which is sufficient to neutralize the threat to the downed aircrewmembers.
 - (2) The return of groundfire directed against the SAR forces will be in accordance with paragraph 3.C (7) (d) above.
 - (f) Target Validation Procedures. All target requests for strikes in connection with the execution of this OPLAN must be validated to insure compliance with these ROE and approved in accordance with the following guidance prior to the expenditure of ordnance.
 - (1) COMUSSAG/7AF is the final approval authority through the Airborne Mission Commander (AMC) aboard ABCCC for airstrikes conducted in support of this OPLAN. This authority may be delegated to subordinate levels/organizations as necessary to ensure timely response to the tactical situation. This in no way precludes the GSFC from taking immediate action in self-defense of his forces, or an aircraft commander from returning groundfire.
 - (2) All airstrike requests originating with the GSF or deployed elements of the GSF must be reviewed and approved by the GSF Commander. He will then forward the requests by the most expeditious means (either through a FAC/flight leader or direct) to ABCCC.
 - (3) For strike requests originating from sources other than the GSF (e.g., from a FAC/flight leader/escort forces), the request will be forwarded to ABCCC, as above; however, if the requested target is within the vicinity of the evacuation site(s) (i.e., if engaging the proposed target will, in any way, affect the tactical situation within operational control of the GSFC), the request must be passed to the GSFC for approval as well.

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- (4) All targets requested for strike will be validated with the assumption that ordnance may be displaced as tactically required within 1,000 meters of the approved coordinates without further approval. Therefore, restrictions on ordnance, tactics and buffers around GSF/evacuee positions must be established with this assumption in mind. Based on this consideration, the requester may, where several targets fall within the area of a one (1) kilometer radius circle, determine the coordinates of the center point of that circle and request strike clearance on just one target, providing a complete description of the threats contained within the area.
- (5) Approval/disapproval of the request and any attack restrictions will then be provided by ABCCC to the GSFC and to the FAC/flight leader (as applicable).
- (6) A non-concurrence by either GOMUSSAG/7AF, AMC or the GSFC constitutes disapproval of the requested strike.
- (7) In order to facilitate the timely validation of target requests in a situation where mission success may depend on the speed of the response, the approval authority must have complete and accurate information upon which to base a decision.
- (8) Targets validated for a specific ordnance must be re-requested and validated, if changes of ordnance are desired. Normally targets validated, but not immediately struck, will require revalidation after two (2) hours of elapsed time.
- (9) Communications
 - (a) Communications on target requests will be by the most direct and rapid means.
 - (b) Target request information transmitted by voice-radio should be transmitted as thoroughly and briefly as time and conditions will permit.

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- (c) Target requests whose anticipated Times on Target (TOT's) are in excess of one hour past request time should be transmitted via secure radio (if applicable), or at the minimum target coordinates should be encrypted using current AKAC procedures.



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Annex G (Naval Gunfire Support) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) Annex G (Naval Gunfire Support) to RLT-4 OPLAN 1-75
(b) NWIP 22-2C
(c) FMFM 7-2 (Naval Gunfire Support)

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: (See Annex A)

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence)
- b. Friendly Forces. See Annex A (Task Organization)

2. MISSION


- a. TU 71.5 Direct Support RLT-4
- b. TU 71.5 General Support TF-71

3. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. All indirect fire missions will be cleared through the Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.
- b. Fire missions will not commence until given positive confirmation of approval by the FSCC.
- c. Target priorities will be as follows:
 - (1) Counter Battery
 - (2) Anti-Mechanized Targets
 - (3) Preplanned Targets
 - (4) On Call Targets
 - (5) Targets of Opportunity
- d. Anti-mechanized Targets have been assigned for protection against possible armored attack.
- e. All direct support ships will be assigned a respective fire support area and/or fire support station by the FSCC in which the ship supports. (See Tab A, Naval Gunfire Support Overlay)

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Ref: (a) RLT-4 OPLAN 1-75

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces. See Annex B to OPLAN 5-75b. Friendly Forces. Establish and maintain internal communications as required.

(1) Task Organization: See Annex A to OPLAN 5-75.

(2) USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) provides communications and crypto guard for BLT 1/9.

(3) COMUSSAG/7AF

(a) Provides airborne radio relay as required.

(b) Provides Airborne Battlefield Command and Control (ABCCC) Center (ABCCC) on USS OKINAWA.

(c) Provides Combat Control Team (CCT) for Airfield.

Mission Commander (AMC) in each airfield evacuation.

(3) AKAC-1219 will be used for authentication and numerical encryption.

(4) COMMAND POSTS Restate times.(a) ASHORE Request for air support and clearance for operations may be made on any available radio net to this force.

CG 9th MAB USS BLUERIDGE (LCC-19) TBA

RLT-4 USS BLUERIDGE (LCC-19) TBA

BLT 1/9 USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) TBA

BLT 2/9 USS OKINAWA (LPH-3) TBA

BLT 3/9 USS CLEVELAND (LPD-6) TBA

2. MISSION. On order establish and maintain communications to support evacuation operations ashore.3. EXECUTIONa. 1st Battalion, 9th Marines Communications Platoon

(1) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

(2) See Appendix 2 (Call Signs)

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(3) Be prepared to operate a circuit with the ABCCC as required or directed.

(4) Establish and maintain internal communications as required.

b. Infantry Companies

(1) See Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

(2) See Appendix 2 (Call Signs).

(3) Establish and maintain internal communications as required.

c. Fire Support Communications. See Annex J and Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

d. Air Support Communications. See Annex K and Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).

e. Coordination Instructions.

(1) Be prepared to establish communications with Command Group Bravo on USS OKINAWA or USS BLUERIDGE.

(2) Hotel time will be used in all message traffic.

(3) AKAC-1519 will be used for authentication and numerical encryption. Restart time is 1400H.

(4) Request for air support and clearance to use deadly force may be made on any available radio net to this Headquarters.

(5) Coordination of firing of crew-served weapons will be made over the FSC net with RLT-4 FSCC.

(6) Visual and Sound. See Appendix 3.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

a. See Annex N to OPLAN 5-75.

b. All units will carry sufficient batteries to sustain operations for two days.

c. Requests for resupply and administrative reports will be made over BLT TAC #2.

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Appendixes:

- 1 - Radio Plan
- 2 - Call Signs
- 3 - Visual and Sound

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LEGEND

C - NET CONTROL
 X - GUARD
 R - GUARD AS
 REQUIRED

UNIT	ENMIS	SECONDARY		PRIMARY		NET	
		FREQS		FREQS		RLT TAC	EVAC COORD #1
RLT 4	36F3	62.40		39.75			
GSFC	3A3J			08230			
SACC	6A3	228.7		289.2			
CMD GROUP B	36F3			57.45			
BLT 2/4	3A3J			11220			
BLT 1/9	3A3J			07346			
CO A	36F3	04657		36.25			
CO B	36F3	38.40		35.00			
CO C	3A3J	59.65		09300			
CO D	36F3	57.65		45.45			
TACP	36F3	69.95		30.10			
NGF SPOT TM	36F3	66.35		68.40			
81 MORT PLT	36F3	30.65		51.15			
ENGRS	36F3	33.35		72.05			
HST	36F3	51.45		32.20			
106RR PLT	36F3	54.15		49.10			
4.2 MORT BTRY	36F3	50.85		63.80			
E BTRY	36F3	42.95		31.50			
	36F3	69.75		53.15			
	36F3	34.75		45.00			
	3A3J			08100			
	36F3			42.60			
	3A3J			03046			
	36F3			67.55			
	36F3			61.65			
	36F3	55.90		35.15			

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1. ENCODE

UNIT

Airborne Mission Commander (ABCCC)
 DAO SAIGON
 CG 9th MAB
 Ground Security Force Commander (GSFC)
 Chief, U. S. Diplomatic Mission
 SAR Control Officer
 USAF A-7 (ESCORT)

USAF F-4

Air Amerca Evac A/C
 BLSG
 DAO LZ Controller
 CTF 76
 RLT 4
 RLT 4 Collective
 Combat Control Team (CCT)
 FAC (AC-130)
 "H" Btry 2/12
 BLT 1/9
 BLT 3/9
 BLT 2/4
 HMM-462
 HMM-463
 HMM-165
 HML-367

CALL SIGN

CRICKET
 LOBSTER
 CUNNINGHAM
 GUNNER
 EMBASSY
 KING 21
 SONIC
 KAREN
 PHIL
 DENNIS
 CHICO
 DOLLAR
 RACER
 POLAR LIGHT
 RAIN BELT
 FANCY DAN
 ILLUSION
 PAPA BEAR
 MYSTERY
 TAILPIPE (PLUS LZ)
 SPECTRE
 SPRING CLEAN
 G I JOE
 JUMP FAST
 MUSTER
 CURATOR
 GAY LEGEND
 SPANIARD
 GLAD LADY

2. DECODE

CALL SIGN

CHICO
 CRICKET
 CUNNINGHAM
 CURATOR
 DENNIS
 DOLLAR

UNIT

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GSFC
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BLT 3/119
USAF A-7
SAR Control Officer
DAO SAIGON
BLT 2/4
RLT 4 Collective
RLT 4
USAF A-7
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Ref: None

Time Zone: H

1. The following signals will be used on the roof top LZ's to augment radio communications.

DAY: GO	Yellow Smoke
	"H" Painted on Roof
NIGHT: GO	Strobe Light
DAY: NO GO	Red Smoke
	Panel "X" over Painted "H"
NIGHT: NO GO	Red Star Cluster

2. Helicopter landing zones not premarked with the letter "H" shall be marked with an equilateral triangle construction by using three panels or an equivalent substitute. The color selected must contrast with the surface of the landing point.

3. All friendly positions must be marked prior to initiation of an air strike.



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Annex K (Air Operations) to Operation Order 5-75

Ref: (a) USSAG/7AF Oplan 5060V
(b) CTG 79.1 191541Z Apr 1975
(c) CTU 79.1.2 192130Z Apr 1975

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Carrier Task Force 77 (CTF77) will provide carrier based fixed wing attack, defensive, reconnaissance, and SAR coordination capabilities.
- (2) 7AF will provide offensive, defensive, reconnaissance, and command fixed wing assets. In addition 7 AF will provide a limited helicopter lift capability to be carrier based.
- (3) 7 AF will control all air assets during feet dry movement. The 388th Tactical Fighter Wing will provide an Airborne Command and Control Center (ABCCC) (HC-130).

2. PROCEDURES

- a. If air strikes are required they will be under the positive control of the TACP or (FAC(A). Requests must be approved by the GSF Commander.
- b. Air support missions will be requested using the format shown in Appendix 1 (Air Mission Request).
- c. L Z briefing format. See Appendix 1 (Air Mission Request).
- d. Medevac request format. See Appendix 1 (Air Mission Request).
- e. Helicopters will be loaded in accordance with Appendix 2 (~~Heliteam~~ Wave and Serial Assignment Table).
- f. Heliteams will be loaded and launched to respective L Z's in accordance with Appendix 3 (Helicopter Employment and Assault Landing Table)

3. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

- a. See Annex J (Communications and Electronics)

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- b. Direction of helicopter final approach to L Z will be accomplished by CCT, HST, or FAC on assigned VHF zone control frequency. FM zone control frequency will be the alternate method.
- c. Requests for Close Air Support will be submitted over the GSF Tactical Net. If unable to contact the GSF Commander, contact the ABCCC or Rescue Commander.


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Appendix:

1. Air Mission Request
2. Heliteam Wave and Serial Assignment Table
3. Helicopter Employment and Assault Landing Table

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Appendix 1 (Air Mission Request Format) to Annex K (Air Operations)
to Operation Order 5-75

MEDEVAC REQUEST

Unit Called: _____ This is: _____ I have:
() Emergency () Priority () Routine Medevac
Pickup Location: _____
Number of: WIA _____ KIA _____ NBC _____
Medical Assistance () is () is not required.

L Z BRIEF

1. Size of zone in meters
2. Obstacles in zone (rocks, stumps, trees).
3. Best heading for approach (winds).
4. Obstacles in approach path.
5. Location of nearest friendly position.
6. Size of defensive perimeter around LZ.
7. Direction of possible enemy fire.
8. When enemy fire last received.
9. Direction last enemy fire came from.
10. Whether cleared to return fire, in what direction.

TACTICAL AIR REQUEST

ELEMENT

EXAMPLE

1. Contact ----- Blue Bird this is Snake Bite
2. Priority of Mission ----- Emergency, priority, or Routine
3. Description of Target ----- Mortar Position
4. Location of Target ----- Grid 123456, North Slope
5. Aircraft Maneuver ----- Run in South, Bull Out Left
6. Marking of Target ----- Will Mark With WP Round
7. Location of Friendlies ----- Friendlies East of River, Will
Mark with Yellow Smoke
8. Degree of Observation ----- Target in Defilade, can see
Flashes, Over

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Appendix 2 (Heliteam Wave and Serial Assignment Tables) to
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HELI TEAM WAVE AND SERIAL ASSIGNMENT TABLE (2 Company)

HELITEAM FLIGHT WAVE SER	PERSONNEL TROOP UNIT	SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT PERS EQUIP	TOTAL	ENPLANING STA.		
1 101	1st Sqd 2nd Plt Company "C"	13	1 M-60			USS HANCOCK	
	2nd Sqd 2nd Plt	12	2 PRC 77				
	1st TM MG Sqd	5					
	2nd Plt Cmdr	1					
	2nd Plt Guide	1					
	Radio Oper	1					
	Corpsman	1					
		34		8650	65		8715
102	3d Sqd 2nd Plt Company "C"	13	1 M-60			USS HANCOCK	
	Plt Corpsman	1	3 PRC 77				
	2nd Plt Sgt	1					
	2nd Tm 2nd MG	4					
	Co Cmdr	1					
	Co GySgt	1					
	Co Radio Op	2					
	Co Corpsman	1					
	Wpns Plt Cmdr	1					
	Arty FO Tm	4					
	Det Engr	4					
		33		7750	65		7815
	103	1st Sqd 3d Plt Co "C"	13	1 M-60			
2nd Sqd 3d Plt		13	2 PRC 77				
1st Tm MG Sqd		5					
3d Plt Cmdr		1					
3d Plt Guide		1					
Radio Op		1					
Corpsman		1					
		35		7875	45	7920	

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HELITEAM FLIGHT		PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES		WEIGHT		ENPLANING STATION	
WAVE	SER	TROOP UNIT	NO.	EQUIPMENT	PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL		
1	104	3d Sqd 3d Plt Co "C" 2d Tm 3d MG Sqd 3d Plt Sgt 3d Plt Msgr 3d Plt Corpsman Co Exec O Co 1st Sgt Co Supp NCO Co Admin Man Wpns Plt Sgt Co Msgr Bn Cmr ALO Comm O Radio Oper Det, HST	10 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 4	1 M-60 6 PRC 77				USS HANCOCK	
			34		6750	45	6795		
	105	1st Sqd 1st Plt Co "C" 1st Tm 1st MG 1st Plt Cmr Radio Op Corpsman Bn S-3 FSCO Radio Op Bn Sgt. Major PAO Tm	13 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 3 1 2	1 M-60 MG 4 PRC 77				USS HANCOCK	
			29		6525	45	6570		
	106	2nd Sqd 1st Plt 3d Sqd 1st Plt 2nd Tm, 1st MG 1st Plt Sgt 1st Plt Guide Corpsman	13 13 4 1 1 1					USS HANCOCK	
			33		7425	45	7470		

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HELITEAM FLIGHT WAVE SER	PERSONNEL TROOP UNIT	SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT PERS EQUIP TOTAL	ENPLANINGS STA.
1 107	Plt Cmār 1st Plt Co "B" Radio Opr Corpsman 1st Sqā 1st Plt 2nd Sqā 1st Plt NBC Tm(-)	1 1 1 13 13 3 32 PRC 25 C.S. Gas Compressor	7200 215 7415	USS HANCOCK
108	Plt Sgt 1st Plt 1st Plt Guide Radio Opr Corpsman 3d Sqā 1st Plt 1st Sqā MG Sect Wpns Plt Cmār C O Co "B" Bn Radio Opr Co GySgt Co Radio Opr NBC Tm (-)	1 1 1 1 13 9 1 1 1 1 1 2 32	7200 295 7495	USS HANCOCK
109	Plt Cmār 2nd Plt Radio Opr Plt Guide Corpsman 1st Sqā 2nd Plt 2nd Sqā 2nd Plt ITT (-)	1 1 1 1 13 13 2 32 PRC 25	7200 15 7215	USS HANCOCK
110	Plt Sgt 2nd Plt Corpsman 3d Sqā 2nd Plt 2nd Sqā MG Sect Arty FO Team 2nd Sqā (-) 1st Plt Co B 3d Eng	1 1 13 9 4 4 32 7200 40 7240		

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HELITEAM WAVE AND SERIAL ASSIGNMENT TABLE (THREE COMPANY)
 PERSONNEL SUPPLIES WEIGHT

WAVE	FLIGHT SERIAL	TROOP UNIT	NO.	AND EQUIPMENT	PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	ENPLANING STATION
1	101	CO CMDR	1					USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		BN RADIO	1	1 PRC 25				
		CO RADIO	1	1 PRC 25				
		PLT CMDR 1ST PLT	1	1 KY 38				
		FAC	1					
		FAC TM	3	2 PRC 25				
		CORPSMAN	1					
		PLT RADIO	1	1 PRC 25				
		1ST & 2ND SQD	26					
			36		7075	75	8050	
	102	3RD SQD	12					USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		PLT SGT	1					
		PLT GUIDE	1					
		PLT CORPSMAN	2					
		81 FO	2	1 PRC 25				
		1 MG SQD	9	2 M60'S				
		ENGRS	1	1 PRC 25				
			38		8350	50	8400	
	103	PLT CMDR 2ND PLT	1					USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		RADIO OP	1	1 PRC 25				
		1ST SQD	13					
		2ND SQD	13					
		1 MG SQD	9	2 M60'S				
		PLT CORPSMAN	1					
			38		8550	55	8605	
	104	PLT SGT 2ND PLT	1					USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		PLT GUIDE	1					
		3RD SQD	13					
		1 MG SQD	9	2 M60'S				
		WPNS PLT CMDR	1					
		PLT CORPSMAN	2					
		DET INTEL SECT	2					
		HST	4	1 PRC 25				
			32		7195	50	7245	

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
I	105	3RD PLT CMDR	1	1 PRC 25	7200	15	7215	USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		RADIO OP	1					
		1ST SQD	13					
		2ND SQD	13					
		PLT CORPSMAN	2					
		CO A XO	1					
		CO GYSGT	1					
			32					
	106	PLT SGT 3RD PLT	1	1 PRC 25 & 2 TUBES	6975	365	7340	USS BLUERIDGE (TENTATIVE)
		PLT GUIDE	1					
		3RD SQD	13					
		CO A CORPSMAN	1					
		1 SECT 81'S	15					
			31					

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
1	207	<u>COMMAND GROUP A</u>						USS HANCOCK
		BLT CO	1					
		BN RADIO OP	3	2 PRC 77				
		S-3	1	1 KY 38				
		ALO	1	1 PRC 41				
		RADIO OP	2	1 PRC 77				
		COMM OFFICER	1					
		PLT CMDR 1ST PLT						
		CO B	1					
		RADIO OP 1ST PLT						
		CO B	1	1 PRC 25				
		CORPSMAN	1					
		1ST SQD 1ST PLT						
		CO B	12					
		2ND SQD 1ST PLT						
		CO B	13					
		MSGR 1ST PLT CO B	1					
			38		8550	75	8625	
1	208	1ST SQD MG SECT	9	2 M60'S				USS HANCOCK
		3RD SQD (-) 1ST						
		PLT CO B	12					
		PLT SGT 1ST PLT	1					
		PLT GUIDE 1ST PLT	1					
		CORPSMAN	1					
		RADIO OP	1	1 PRC 25				
		S-3 A	1					
		ITT TM	4					
		NBC TM (-)	3	COMPRES-				
				SOR/CS				
		2ND SQD (-) 1ST PLT						
		CO B 3RD ENGR BN	6					
			39		9775	260	10035	

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
1	209	PLT CMDR 2ND PLT PLT GUIDE 2ND PLT RADIO OP 2ND PLT CORPSMAN 2ND PLT 1ST SQD 2ND PLT ARTY LNO ARTY LN RADIO OP S-3 CHIEF 81 PLT CMDR 81 PLT RADIO OP S-3 B	1 1 1 1 13 1 4 1 1 1 1 <u>39</u>	1 PRC 77 2 PRC 77/ 2 KY 38 1 PRC 77				USS HANCOCK
1	210	PLT SGT 2ND PLT CORPSMAN 2ND PLT 3RD SQD 2ND PLT 2ND SQD MG SECT WPNS PLT CMDR CO CMDR CO B CO GYSGT CO B BN RADIO OP CO RADIO OP SENIOR CORPSMAN 2ND SQD (-) 1ST PLT CO B 3RD ENGR BN NBC TM (-)	1 1 13 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 6 2 <u>38</u>	2 M60'S 1 PRC 77/ 1 KY 38 1 PRC 25 CS DISP				USS HANCOCK
1	211	PLT CMDR 3RD PLT RADIO OP PLT GUIDE 3RD PLT CORPSMAN 3RD PLT 1ST SQD 3RD PLT 2ND SQD 3RD PLT 3RD SQD (-) MG SECT PLT SGT WPNS PLT ITT	1 1 1 1 13 13 4 1 4 <u>39</u>	1 PRC 25				USS HANCOCK
					8775	75	8850	
					8775	270	9045	
					8775	15	8790	

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
1	212	PLT SGT 3RD PLT	1					USS HANCOCK
		RADIO OP	1	1 PRC 25				
		CORPSMAN 3RD PLT	1					
		3RD SQD 3RD PLT	13					
		3RD SQD (-) MG SECT	4					
		ARTY FO TM	4	1 M60				
		81 FO TM	2	1 PRC 77				
		CO B XO	1	1 PRC 25				
		CO B 1STSGT	1					
		PAO	2					
		DET 3RD SP BN (HST)	4	1 PRC 25				
			34		7650	80	7730	

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			EXPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS.	EQUIP.	TOTAL	
2	313	1ST SQD 2ND PLT CO C 2ND SQD 2ND PLT CO G 2 MG SQD 2ND PLT CMDR 2ND PLT GUIDE RADIO OP 2ND PLT CORPSMAN	13 13 9 1 1 1 2 <u>40</u>	3 PRC 77	9000	45	9045	USS HANCOCK
2	314	3RD SQD 3RD PLT CO C 3RD PLT SGT CO CMDR CO C CO GYSGT CO RADIO OP CO CORPSMAN CO MSGR WPNS PLT CMDR 3RD PLT MSGR ARTY FO TM 2ND PLT SGT 1ST SQD 3RD PLT CO C 2ND PLT MSGR	10 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 4 1 13 <u>1</u> <u>38</u>	5 PRC 77	8550	75	8625	USS HANCOCK
2	315	106RR TM 3RD SQD (-), 1ST PLT CO B 3RD ENGR	4 <u>8</u> <u>12</u>	1 106RR W/MULE	2700	1500	4200	USS HANCOCK
2	316	106RR TM 3RD SQD (-), 1ST PLT CO B 3RD ENGR DET, 3RD S.P. BN (HST)	4 4 <u>4</u> <u>12</u>	1 106RR W/MULE	2700	1500	4200	USS HANCOCK

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WAVE	HELITEAM LIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
2	317	1ST SQD 3RD PLT CO C 3RD MG SQD 3RD PLT CMDR RADIO OP 3RD PLT CORPSMAN CO XO CO 1STSGT 81 FO TM CO ADMIN MEN WPNS PLT SGT CO SUPPLY MAN	13 9 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 <u>33</u>	4 PRC 77				USS HANCOCK
					7425	60	7485	
2	318	106RR TM	<u>4</u> 4	1 106RR W/MULE	900	1500	2400	USS HANCOCK
2	419	106RR TM	<u>4</u> 4	1 106RR W/MULE	900	1500	2400	USS HANCOCK
2	420	81MM MORT SECT 3RD SQD 3RD PLT CO C PLT GUIDE	15 13 <u>1</u> 29	2 81MM MORTARS (COMP) 1 PRC 77	6525	350	6875	USS HANCOCK
2	421	106RR TM BN XO Radio Oper	4 1 <u>3</u> 8	1 106RR W/MULE 3 PRC 77	1800	1550	3350	USS HANCOCK
2	422	106RR TM BN S-4 OFFICER BN SGTMAJ Radio Oper LAW OFFICER	4 1 1 2 <u>1</u> 9	1 106RR W/MULE 2 PRC 77	2025	1530	3555	USS HANCOCK

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
2	423	81MM MORT SECT 3RD SQD 1ST PLT CO C 1ST PLT SGT PLT CORPSMAN	15 13 1 1 <u>30</u>	2 81MM MORTARS (COMP) 1 PRC 77	6750	350	7100	USS HANCOCK
2	424	1ST SQD 1ST PLT CO C 2ND SQD 2ND PLT CO C 1ST MG SQD 1ST PLT CMDR RADIO OP 1ST PLT SGT PLT CORPSMAN	13 13 9 1 1 1 1 <u>39</u>	1 PRC 77 1 PRC 77	8775	30	8805	USS HANCOCK

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HELICOPTER WAVE AND SERIAL ASSIGNMENT TABLE (ONE COMPANY)

WAVE	FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			EXPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
1	101	1ST SQD 2ND PLT	13	1 PRC 77				USS HANCOCK
		CO C						
		2ND SQD 2ND PLT	13	1 PRC 77				
		CO C						
		2ND MG SQD	9	2 M60'S				
		2ND PLT CMDR	1					
		2ND PLT GUIDE	1					
		RADIO OP	1	1 PRC 77				
1	102	2ND PLT CORPSMAN	2					USS HANCOCK
			40		9000	75	9075	
		3RD SQD 2ND PLT						
		CO C	12	1 PRC 77				
		2ND PLT SGT	1					
		CO CMDR CO C	1					
		CO 1STSGT CO C	1					
		CO RADIO OP	2	2 PRC 77				
1	103	CO CORPSMAN	1					USS HANCOCK
		WPNS PLT CMDR	1					
		ARTY FO TM	2	1 PRC 25				
		HST TM	4	1 PRC 25				
		1ST SQD 3RD PLT		1 PRC 77				
		CO C	13					
		3RD PLT SGT	1					
		3RD PLT MSGR	1					
1	103		40		9000	85	9085	USS HANCOCK
		2ND SQD 3RD PLT						
		CO C	13	1 PRC 77				
		3RD SQD 3RD PLT						
		CO C	10	1 PRC 77				
		3RD MG SQD	9	2 M60'S				
		3RD PLT CMDR	1					
		RADIO OP	1	1 PRC 77				
1	103	3RD PLT CORPSMAN	2					USS HANCOCK
		3RD PLT GUIDE	1					
		CO EXEC CO C	1					
		CO 1STSGT CO C	1					
		CO MSGR CO C	1					
			40		9000	105	9105	

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WAVE	HELITEAM FLIGHT SERIAL	PERSONNEL		SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	WEIGHT			ENPLANING STATION
		TROOP UNIT	NO.		PERS	EQUIP	TOTAL	
1	104	81MM MORT SECT	15	2 81MM				USS HANCOCK
		NBC TM	5	COMP/CS				
		3RD SQD 1ST PLT		DISB				
		CO C	13	1 PRC 77				
		1ST PLT SGT	1					
		1ST PLT CORPSMAN	1					
		BN CMDR	1					
		ALO	1					
		RADIO OP	3					
			40					
					9000	725	9725	
1	105	BN S-3	1					USS HANCOCK
		FSCC	1					
		COMMO	1	2 PRC 77				
		RADIO OP	4	2 PRC 77				
		106RR TM	4	1 106RR/ W/MULE				
		CO ADMIN MAN	1					
		CO SUPPLY MAN	1					
		ENGR SQD (-)	5					
			18					
					4725	3780	8505	
1	106	1ST SQD 1ST PLT						USS HANCOCK
		CO C	13	1 PRC 77				
		2ND SQD 1ST PLT						
		CO C	13	1 PRC 77				
		1ST MG SQD	9	2 M60's				
		1ST PLT CMDR	1					
		RADIO OP	1					
		1ST PLT GUIDE	1					
		1ST PLT CORPSMAN	1					
		WPNS PLT SGT	1					
			40					
					9000	90	9090	

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Appendix 3 (Helicopter Employment and Assault Landing Tables) to
Annex K (Air Operations) to Operation Order 5-75

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HELICOPTER EMPLOYMENT AND ASSAULT LANDING TABLE (TWO COMPANY)								TROOP UNIT OR EQUIPMENT	
WAVE	HELICOPTER UNIT AND FLIGHT NO.	NO/TYPE A/C	CARRIER (ORIGIN)	REPORT (LOAD)	LOAD (MIN)	TIME		DESTINATION	
						LAUNCH (MIN)	LAND (MIN)		
1	PINEAPPLE 1	6 CH-53	CVA-19	CVA-19	L-4Q	L-3Q	L+0Q	RED	CO "C" + A COMMAN
2	PINEAPPLE 2	6 CH-53	CVA-19	CVA-19	L-3Q	L-2Q	L+1Q	RED	CO "B"

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HELICOPTER EMPLOYMENT AND ASSAULT LANDING TABLE (THREE COMPANY)

WAVE	HELICOPTER UNIT & FLIGHT NO.	NO/TYPE A/C	FROM	TO	LOAD (MIN)	TIME		DESTINATION LZ LS	TROOP UNIT OR EQUIPMENT
			CARRIER (ORIGIN)	REPORT (LOAD)		LAUNCH (MIN)	LAND (MIN)		
1	PINEAPPLE 1	6 CH-53	CVA-19	LCC-19	L-40	L-30	L+00	RED	GSF CO "A"
2	PINEAPPLE 2	6 CH-53	CVA-19	CVA-19	L-30	L-20	L+10	RED	GSF CO "B" "A" CMD GROUP
3	PINEAPPLE 3	6 CH-53	CVA-19	CVA-19	L+50	L1+05	L1+35	RED	GSF CO "C" 106RR PLT (-)
SECRET	PINEAPPLE 4	6 CH-53	CVA-19	CVA-19	L1+00	L1+15	L1+45	RED	GSF CO "C" 106RR PLT (-) 81MM PLT (-) "B" CMD GROUP

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HELICOPTER EMPLOYMENT AND ASSAULT LANDING TABLE (ONE COMPANY)

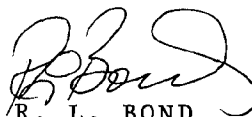
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Annex L (Operational Security) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) CTG 79.1.2 OPLAN 1-75

Time Zone: H

1. PHYSICAL SECURITY

- a. Strict control will be maintained of personnel in evacuation areas. Only authorized evacuees will be permitted in areas where there is access to evacuation personnel and equipment. These people will be screened and searched prior to boarding any transportation.
- b. Military personnel will not fraternize or traffic with indigenous personnel. Non-evacuees will be kept clear of evacuation areas.
- c. Classified material will not be carried into the evacuation areas unless absolutely necessary for the accomplishment of the mission. Strict control will be maintained over any material brought into the operating area in order to prevent unauthorized viewing. Persons holding such material will ensure that they have it in their possession when leaving the area.

2. COMMUNICATION SECURITY. The NVA, PRC and USSR all have the means of intercepting radio traffic in the area. Information regarding evacuations will be passed utilizing the KAL-61.

3. INFORMATION SECURITY

- a. Information regarding evacuation operations will be disseminated on a strict "NEED-TO-KNOW" basis.
- b. At no time will information concerning operations be discussed with evacuees or indigenous personnel in the evacuation areas.
- c. There will almost certainly be newsmen in the evacuation areas. Press inquiries are to be expected. All such inquiries will be referred to Headquarters 9th MAB. Personnel will not discuss any aspect of the operation with newsmen.

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Annex M (Reports) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) CTU msg 211455Z
(b) FMFM 3-1

Time Zone: H

1. PURPOSE. To provide guidelines for use in submission of operational reports in support of operations ashore.
2. SPOT REPORTS (SPOTREP). Spot reports will be submitted to RLT/ GSF Commander in narrative form. Submission of reports should not be delayed because of incomplete information on the subject. Supplementary reports should be used to expand or correct information of previously submitted reports. Spot reports are required, but not limited to, the following events: GSF arrival in LZ; commencement of evacuee loading; completion of evacuee loading; extraction of GSF; any event involving injury to evacuees or U. S. Troops; hostile actions or the threat of hostile actions; initial use of riot control agents; and any event leading to a higher degree of force required. Spot reports on significant problems or incidents will be submitted by Flash Precedent by the most expeditious means of communications. Secure transmissions will be used when available.
3. SITUATION REPORTS (SITREP). SITREPS will be submitted by the S-3 to the RLT. These reports will contain current status of operations and significant events which occur during the preceding 24 hours, (0200-0200), to arrive at RLT Headquarters not later than 0300H daily; including the following items as appropriate:
 1. Type and number of evacuation vehicles.
 2. Number of sorties.
 3. Number and category of passengers, to include branch of service, dependent status, Civil or Diplomatic status and Nationality.
 4. Times and points of departure.
 5. Times and points of arrival.
 6. Future day's evacuation schedule.

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7. Narrative of significant events, actions and activities to include: Details of insertion; use and extraction of GSF; type of force used by U. S. Forces under the Rules of Engagement; and results.
4. SUPPORTING ARMS SUMMARY (SASUM). Submit twice daily at 0500 and 1700H with data for the 12 hour periods of 1700-0500 respectively. See Appendix 4 (Fire Support Coordination) to Annex E (Fire Support Plan).
5. MEDEVAC REPORT/REQUEST
 - a. Medevac's will be controlled by the ABCCC (Call sign CRICKET: Freq 35.00, 59.65, 67.15)
 - b. Format as follows:
 1. CRICKET this is (call sign)
 2. Number walking wounded ()
 3. Number of litter cases ()
 4. Types and nature of wounds ()
 5. LZ secure/not secure
 6. LZ marked with ()
 7. Best direction of approach
6. SUPPLY REQUEST FORMAT
 - a. Supply requests will be submitted to S-4 by 1600H daily. Emergency re-supply requests will be submitted as required.
 - b. Supply requests will be submitted in the following format:
 1. Requesting unit
 2. Type supplies required
 3. Destination
 4. Person to contact at the delivery point
 5. Urgency of request
 6. Desired delivery time/date.
7. POW REPORT. A thorough and complete record will be made on each POW and forwarded to the RLT in the following format:
 1. Name
 2. Rank
 3. Service number
 4. Unit
 5. Location and circumstances surrounding the capture


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8. DAILY PERSONNEL STATUS REPORT. Personnel reports will be submitted in accordance with reference (b).
9. CASREPS. CASREPS will be submitted in the following format:
1. FIRST INITIAL OF LAST NAME, LAST 4 DIGITS OF SSN
 2. UNIT
 3. TYPE OF WOUND (KIA, WIA, MIA, POW, ETC)
 4. HOUR DATE
 5. LOCATION OF INCIDENT
 6. CAUSE-INVOLVED IN
 7. DIAGNOSIS/PROGNOSIS
 8. ATTENDING CHAPLAIN-- IF ANY

Example: (1) M 0655
(2) ALPHA
(3) WIA
(4) 1600 10 APRIL
(5) GRID 635 489
(6) 81MM MORTAR, ON AMBUSH PATROL, ARM AND BOTH
LEGS
(7) GOOD/GOOD
(8) N/A


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Annex N (Admin/Log Plan) to Operation Order 5-75-75

Ref: (a) Annex I (Logistics Support) CTU 79.1.2 Oplan 1-75
 (b) Maps: Viet Nam City Maps 1:50,000 Series L909, Ed 2 Saigon.

1. SITUATION

- A. Enemy: See Annex B (Intelligence)
- B. Friendly: See Annex C (Concept of Operations)
- C. Attachments and Detachments. See Annex C (Concept of Operations)

2. MISSION See Annex C (Concept of Operations)

3. GENERAL

- A. The initial source of logistic support for BLT 1/9 will be a prescribed load. Resupply requirements will be consolidated by the BLT S-4 and forwarded to higher headquarters for execution.
- B. Helicopter Support Teams will be established and inserted with helicopterborne GSF to provide logistical control and coordination during the execution of evacuation operations.
- C. Personnel requirements to perform assigned logistical missions/functions will be carefully evaluated to insure a minimal number of personnel inserted ashore.

4. MATERIAL AND SERVICES

- A. Uniform and equipment: TBA

B. Prescribed loads

Class 1 MCI: 2 DOS
 Water: 2 DOS

Class II Combat essential batteries 2 DOS

Class III Top off all vehicles (1) 5 Gallon can/vehicle

Class IV Minimum required

Class V (w) BA plus 2 DOS

Class VII Minimum equipment as required.

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Class VIII	Basic outfit
Class IX	Minimum required

C. Supply

- (1) Limited stocks of 782 gear and weapons are available for issue.
- (2) Unit commanders will inspect troops individual equipment and basic allowance to insure compliance with uniform and equipment guidance and prescribed load.
- (3) Request to fill equipment shortages and to obtain special equipment will be forwarded to the BLT S-4 in sufficient time to allow procurement/delivery prior to departure from ship.

D. Supply Control and Distribution

- (1) Routine resupply is not anticipated unless evacuation operations exceed 24 hour period.
- (2) In the event routine resupply is required, requests will be submitted to the BLT S-4 in the format prescribed in Appendix I.
- (3) Request for emergency resupply will be directed to the BLT S-4 in accordance with prescribed format by the fastest means available, to include BLT tactical communications nets.
- (4) GSF forces will carry sufficient numbers of thermite grenades to accomplish destruction of equipment should the situation deteriorate to the point where equipment could not be extracted and would be subject to capture.

E. Maintenance

- (1) Appropriate 1st echelon (PM) will be the only maintenance accomplished ashore within the evacuation operations area.
- (2) Deadlined equipment will be evacuated to the ship from which it was landed on the first available helicopter transportation.

F. Engineer Assigned engineer elements will be prepared to:

- (1) Advise local unit commanders of class IV (w) (Demolitions) requirements.
- (2) Construct/breach obstacles as required.
- (3) Destroy equipment and supplies when directed.

5. Personnel. See Appendix 2. Distribution. See Annex.
6. Civil Military Cooperation. See Appendix 2.
7. Command and Electronics See Annex J.



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Appendix:

- 1 - Resupply Request Format

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Appendix 1 to Annex N (Admin/Log Plan) to Operation Order 5-75

Ref:

Time Zone:

1. Resupply request format.

From: (Unit)

To: S-4

Subj: Supply Request

1. Requesting Unit
2. Type and quality of supplies
3. Destination
4. Person to contact at delivery point
5. Urgency of request
6. Desired delivery time/date



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Appendix 2 (Personnel) to Annex N (Admin/Log Plan) to Operation Order 5-75

- Ref: (a) FMFM 3-1
(b) MCO P3040.4 (MARCORCASPROCMAN)
(c) Manual of the Medical Department, Chapters 6 & 15
(d) SECNAVINST P1650.1 (Navy and Marine Awards Manual)

Time Zone: H

1. Strengths

- A. All units when embarked will be at authorized level or under a special manning strength directed for Ground Security Force units.
- B. By name, roster of those Marines going ashore as the GSF will be submitted to S-1, 2 hours prior to insertion by each Company. An additional roster reflecting those individuals remaining behind will be submitted. All rosters will include name, rank, SSN, and MOS.
- C. Casualty reports will be submitted IAW reference (b).
 - 1. Casualties of Foreign Nationals, members of the Ground Security Forces and MIA's will be handled IAW section 6004 and Chapter 7 of reference (b) respectively.
 - 2. Treatment/Medvac priorities are as follows:
 - a. U. S. Nationals and GSF Personnel.
 - b. Third Country Nationals.
 - c. R. V. N. Nationals as designated by DAO/U. S. Embassy.

2. Replacements.

- A. Due to the anticipated short duration of the operation, the need for replacements is questionable. However, if casualty rate is 10% or more, the RLT will be contacted and replacements will be forwarded.

3. Discipline, Law, and Order

- A. Commanders are to insure that their personnel obey and avoid infractions of local laws, customs, traditions, and religious beliefs and practices.
- B. Commanders will take appropriate action to insure against:
 - 1. Pilferage of supplies.
 - 2. Looting
 - 3. Maltreatment of personnel

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4. Prisoner of War (POW) and Detainees

- A. Care and security of POW's will be as set forth by the Geneva Convention Act of 1954, and they will be humanely treated and protected against acts of violence, insults, and maltreatment.
- B. POW/Detainee collection point will be designated and manned by the reserve company.
- C. Those personnel who cannot be classified as POW's or evacuees shall be classified as unauthorized personnel and will be delivered to the POW collection point.
- D. For the purpose of evacuation, only U. S. noncombat personnel will be returned afloat.

5. Grave Registration

- A. Commanders are responsible for the collection, identification of and evacuation of their dead. This policy is to include remains of U. S. Citizens.

6. Personnel procedures, while deployed, will be handled by the Battalion S-1.


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Annex 0 (Marshalling/Control of Evacuees) to Operation Plan 5-75

Ref: (a) CTG Seven nine Pt One Msg 2010032 Apr 75

1. GENERAL. The marshalling/control of evacuees will be conducted IAW the guidelines set forth in this Annex. A series of two or more check points will be established to enable a smooth but speedy search. Any suspicious persons will be ushered to an internal security area and searched under heavy guard. No searches will be made of any evacuees previously processed by the U.S. Embassy or DAO.
2. PERSONNEL
 - A. Searchers. The searchers will be Staff NCO's or Officers, armed with a 45 pistol. They will frisk each person as he or she goes through the baggage check point. The frisk will be complete and, if possible, will be conducted in a closed area for women.
 - B. Baggage Checkers. Two NCO's will be assigned as baggage checkers to empty, check, and repack all luggage. Luggage will be checked for weapons and contraband.
 - C. Guards. Two guards will be stationed at each check point with fixed bayonet only. One Marine will cover the searcher while the other Marine observes the line.
 - D. Interrogator. Consistent with operational time constraints, one person at each check point will record the Name, Branch of service, Dependent Status, Civil or Diplomatic Status, and Nationality of each person checked, if not already accomplished.
 - E. Internal Security Guards. These guards will be used to control the flow of personnel through processing lines, and to protect the internal security area.
 - F. Helo Evacuee Team Organization. An Officer or Staff NCO will be responsible for forming the evacuees into heliteams as they come out of the processing check points. Every effort will be made to put dependents on the same aircraft as their sponsor.
3. SEARCHES Searches will be conducted of all personnel and their accompanying baggage, regardless of rank or diplomatic status, with the exception of those personnel so designated by the Ambassador, The BLT Commander, or their representatives.

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4. Baggage. All baggage will be limited to handbags or containers that can be held during flight. No container that will occupy passenger spaces will be permitted aboard without the approval of the BLT CO/XO.
5. Contraband. All weapons and contraband will be seized from evacuees during processing. The term "contraband" and "weapons" includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - (1) Knives with blades in excess of three inches or with exposed blades of any size.
 - (2) Any type of firearm.
 - (3) Any live ordnance, to include smoke and tear gas containers.
 - (4) Any suspected narcotics/drugs.

Weapons and contraband will be segregated by type; placed in sand bags; and turned over to the S-4 for disposal.



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Annex P (Antimechanized) to OPLAN 5-75

Ref: (a) Annex G (Antimechanized) to RLT-4 OPLAN 1-74
(b) Maps: Vietnam City Maps 1:15,000 series L909 Ed 2,
Saigon

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex B (Intelligence).
- (2) See current INTSUMS

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) See basic Operation Order.
- (2) Naval Gunfire (See Annex G (Naval Gunfire Support)).
- (3) 106's (See basic Operation Order).

2. MISSION. BLT 1/9 detect enemy mechanized forces and determine if they pose a threat to the security of the mission. On order delay, disrupt and destroy all such forces.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation

- (1) Reconnaissance and surveillance agencies emphasize detection of enemy mechanized forces.
- (2) Fire Support (See Annex E (Fire Support Plan)).
- (3) Channelize and delay the enemy mechanized forces by all means available.

b. Naval Gunfire

- (1) Assign antimechanized targets along likely avenues of approach.
- (2) Submit overlay of targets to this headquarters upon receipt of this order.

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- (1) Establish positions along likely avenues of approach as directed.
- (2) Do not engage enemy unless specifically ordered by this Headquarters.

d. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) The sequence of engaging enemy armor is:
 - (a) Aviation Assets
 - (b) Naval Gunfire
 - (c) Organic Antimechanized Weapons
- (2) Report sightings of enemy armor by fastest means available.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

- a. See Admin/Log order 5-75.
- b. Maximum quantity of armor defeating ammunition to be kept on hand.
 - (1) Basic allowance plus 2 DOS.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL. Communications (See Annex J (Communications/Electronics)).

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