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3d Marine Division (Reid), FMP
FFO, San Fransisco, California 96602

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Via. (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

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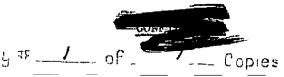
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- 1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted,
- 2. Downgraded at 3 year intervals, declassified after 12 years, DOD Dir 5200.10.

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

3d Battalion, 9th Marines

Lieutenent Colonel E. J. LA MONTAGNE

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company

Captain J. R. CUNNINCHAM

1-30 Apr 1968

Company I

istLt J. W. THEISEN

1-9 Apr 1968

mtain W. A. CONGER

10-00 Apr 1968

Company K

1s+L B. E. BRYAN, JR.

1~70 Apr 1968

Company L

Cantein T. A. SHEIB

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Captain R. A. O'NEIL

1-30 April 1968

ATTACHED UNITS

Company H, 2nd Battalion, 9th

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Captain R. W. ELLISON

27-28 April

Company F, 2d Battalion, 26th

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Captain C. F. DIVELBISS

30 April

34 Platoon, Company A, 3d

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1stit H. BROWN

1-18 April

2ndLt G. E. HACENSEN

19-30 April

1st Finton, Company A, 3d

Tank Battalion

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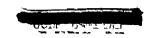
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Company B, ' t Battalion, 9th

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Captain J. P. WILLIAMS JR.

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2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1968 Battelion Command Fort and four (4)
rifle companies, operated from THON SON
IAM, quang Tri Province, Republic of Vietnam.
30 April 1968 Command Group "ALPHA" and three (3)

30 April 1968 Command Group "ALPHA" and three (3)
rifle companies moved to the field
for an operation in the 9th Marines
Area of Operation, (Operation Kentucky Area).

Command Group BRAVO and two (2) rifle companies remained at THON SON LAM.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Major T. J. POWER 1-30 April 1938
S-1	1stLt H. DUGAS 1-26 April 1968
	1 stlt E. H. MEYTR JR. 27-30 April
5–2	1 stlt T. A. MIX 1-30 April 1968
S - 3	Major F. J. ERETH 1-30 April 1968
c~ 4	Captain J. S. ADAMS 1-30 April 1968
5 4-5	1stit D. E. STEPP 1-30 April 1968

4. AVERAGE SPECIFICATION

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MATTIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1-30 April 1968. 3d Battalian,9th Marines continued the defence end occuration of THON SON LAM, (courd XD 98254). This included conducting security operations, denying access through the Battalian Area of Operation and conducting operations to destroy enemy forces and interact enemy LCC's.

OCO9301April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OPCON of Company K to 3d Battalion, 1st Marines and assumed OPCON of Company L, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 3d Battalion, 1st Marines.

101105H April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OFCON of Company M to 3d Battalion, 1st Marines and assumed OFCON of Company K, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 3d Battalion, 1st Marines.

110001H April, assumed OPCON of Company M, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 3d Battalion, 1st Marines. 11 April, THON SON LAM received 32 rounds of enemy artillery in two attacks.

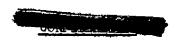
121015H April, commenced Operation CHARLTON as part of Operation LANCASTER II. THON SON LAM received an estimated 15 rounds of enemy artillery and 107mm rockets. 121800H, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OFCON of Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

140600H April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OFCON of Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

15000111 April; 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OPCON of Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines. THON SON LAM received 15 rounds of enemy 122mm rocket fire when convoy crowded into defense perimeter.

16 April, Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines, (coord XD 978480) received nine (9) rounds of enemy 122mm rocket fire. 161200H, Operation CHARLTON ended. 161200H, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OFCON of Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

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17 April; THON SON LAM received 18 rounds of enemy 122mm rocket fire. 171330H, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OFCON of Company L. 3d Battalion, 9th Marines to 3d Battalion, 1st Marines.

181230H April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OPCON of Company L. 3d Battalion, 9th Marines from 3d Battalion, 1st Marines.

18 April, CompanyI moved to the field to conduct search and destroy operation, vicinity coord XD 966496.

22 April, CompanyL, (coord XD 995485) received six (6) enery 122mm rocket fire.

24 April, Company L (-) provided convoy security from Lz STUD; (coord XD 995436) to KHE SANH (coord XD 850418).

25 Tril Company M air lifted from THON SON LAM to the field to conduct operations in the vicinity of coord XD 970479. Company I returned to THON SON LAM. Company L (-) provided convoy security from KHE SANH to landing zone STUD, and returned to THON SON LAM.

26 April, Company M (coord XD 967478) received six (6) rounds of enemy rocket fire.

271800H April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OPCON of Company H, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines, from 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

281700H April, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines passed OFCON of Company H, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

301130N April, 4th Marines passed OFCON of Command Group ALPHA, Companies L, K, and M to 9th Marines. 301130H, Command Group BRAVO, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OFCON of Company F, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines. 301500H Assumed OFCON of Company B, 1st Battalion, 9th Marines. 301900H Assumed OFCON 1st Flatoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1. FMF organization committed to combat.
 - s. Combat mission assigned
- (1) Provide security for the THON SON LAM Operating







- (2) Cc operations to maintain security of MSR Route #9 in AO.
- (3) Conduct operations to interdict enemy LOC's and destroy enemy forces in assigned AO.
 - (4) Peny enemy access through THON SON LAM area.
- (5) Provide reaction force: for convoys on 15 minutes notice.
- (6) Provide road sweep team with security element to sweep MSP, houte #9 within AC.

b. Significant operations conducted.

- (1) Operation CHARLTON, as part of Operation LANCASTER II, 121015H 161200H April.
- (2) 301130H, 3d Battalien (-) began conducting a search and destroy operation 40000m northwest of DOMG HA-

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e. New techniques employed. None.

f. Command relations. Command relations with all supporting units continued to be excellent. Coordination and assistance receivedon all levels of command functions has been excellent During the period of 1-30 April, this unit remained under the OPCON of the 4th Marine Regiment. 301130H, 4th Marines passed OPCON of Command Group ALFRA. Compenies K, L, and M to 9th Marines.



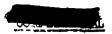
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- g. Equipment. During this period there were no serious problems with equipment and normal Marine Corps issue was sufficient in all reports.
- h. Logistics. Support received during the period was adequate to support operations.
 - i. Civic Action.
- (1) 100 school kits given to the Ca Lu quan Thue hamlet for the opening of their first school.
- j. Administration. There were no administrative difficulties encountered during this period.
- k. Personnel. Replacement personnel have been available in sufficient quantities to replace losses due to combat and rotation to CONUS.
 - 1. Intelligence.
 - (1) Weather
- (a) Temperature the average high for the month was 80-90 degrees Fahrenheit. The mean minimum temperature ranged between 55-70 degrees Fahrenheit.
- (b) Winds during the month of April were mostly from the north-northwest at an average of 8 to 10 knots per hour.
- (c) Precipitation the precipitation was greatest during the last half of the month. The accumulated amount of rainfall during the month was 0.2 inches.
 - (d) Humidaty the relative humidity averaged #5%.
- (c) Clouds cloudiness increased after the first of the month. Clouds were broken to scattered at 500 feet. The weather was clear 3 out of 5 days. Ground for occurred between 2400 0300 and usually cleared between 0000 0930.
- (f) Visibility visibility averaged 5 7 miles exept during the enly morning hours.

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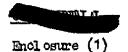
(2) Terrain



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- (a) 3d Battalion, 9th Marines observation post 'Rookpile" (XD 979558), is the most dominant terrain feature in the area and provides the best observation of the AO. The other dominant terrain feature of the AO include the Razorback (XD 964573).
- (b) The terrain of the AO is covered with heavy brush and undergrowth, some of which is secondary jungle. In the low valley areas, elephant grass is predominant from knee high to head high.
- (c) The mountains and hills in the AO range from gradual sloping hills to sheer cliffs. Some of the mountains are so steep that fully combat loaded troops can not move up them.
- (d) The dominant streams and rivers of the AO include the SOME CAM LO; TRINH HIN; and the RIVER DE QUANG TRI. There are numerous small seasonal streams in the AO which run fast and clear:
- (e) Roads The north-south road (XD 999564) to (XD 900436) is an all weather road and accurately marked on the map. (THON DON KINH, Sheets 63421 and 634211).
- (f) Villages All villages except those around CA LU (YD 013543) are destroyed but can be recognized as such. The villages to the east-southeast of CA LU are presently occupied.
- (g) Coservation and Fields of Fire The thick brushand vines which cover the mountains severely hamper observation and fields of fire. The low grassy areas offer excellent observation and fields of fire. The lowlands are either covered with thick brush which limits observation or marshland or old rice paddies covered with knee high to waist high grass and permits excellent observation and fields of fire.
- (h) Cover and Concealment Concealment, except in the areas of low grass, is excellent to outstanding. There is excellentcover in the area.



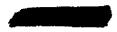


- (i) Obstacles- The major obstaclesfor foot troops is thick brush, parts of which are almost impenetrable. The streams and rivers during and after rains become obstacles. Wheeled and tracked vehicles are restricted to road travel because of wet marshy lowlands and steep hills. Many types of explosive devices have been found in the area.
- (j) Landing Zone HLZ's are limited to low grassy areas, rice paddies, gentle sloping hills, or hill tops which are covered with grass.
- (3) Enemy Situation Intelligence reports indicate that the 8th Battalion, 29th Regiment is located in the vicinity of (XD 990493), Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 812th Regiment in the vicinity of (XD 900600), 64th Regimental Headquarters in the vicinity of (XD 998643), an unidentified company headquarters in the vicinity of (XD 968530), elements of an unidentified division in the vicinity of (XD 923474), and an estimated battalion (-) operating in grids (9247), (9347), (9447), (9547) and (9647).
- (4) Enemy Activity Enemy activity in the area of THON SON LAM increased compared to the month of March. On 11 April Camp ROCKPILE received incoming artillery and rockets from the vicinity of (XD 982576. XD 9861. YD 023738). On 12 April Camp ROCKPILE received incoming artillery and rockets from the vicinity of (XD 980602, 906588 and YD 012669). On 15 April Camp ROCKPILE received rockets from the vicinity of (XD 950534 and XD 934537). On 16 April Lima Company received incoming rockets from the vicinity of (XD 890533). On 17 April Camp ROCKPILE received incoming from the vicinity of (XD 895510, XD935530 and XD 928547). On 22 April Lima Company received incoming rockets from the vicinity of (XD 986466). On 26 April Mike Company received incoming fockets from the vicinity of (XD 986466).

n. Commicstions. The Commilton continued to provide support for te battalion with no difficulties encountered.

n. Fire Suprort

(1) Firing in direct support of the bettalion was the 1st Estalion, 12th Marines.

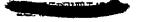


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- (2) During the month of April there were 504 missions fired with a total of 4539 rounds. There were So missioned and 408 observed riscions with 12 illumination missions. Of the total rounds fired, 2543 rounds were FU's and 65 rounds were illumination.
- o. Air Support. A detailed breakdown by types of aircraft is listed below.

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Fix Wing - CAS	5	5
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p. Chaplain

(1)	Divine	Services	_	Protestant
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(a)	Number of services	28
(b)	Total attendance	831

(0)	Lay	Leader	services	3	5

(2) Davine Services - Roman Catholic

(d) Lay Leader attendance

(3)	Masses held by priest	5
(p)	Total attendance	255

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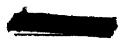
(d) Lay services attendance	1 23
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(3) Other Activities

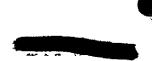
- (a) 3 Memorial services with 130 total attendance.
- (b) 3 choir rehearsals with 27 total attendance.
- (c) 2 Indoctrination lectures with 55 total attendence

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- (d) 2 Hardship Board cases
- (e) 12 boxes of Civic Action material delivered to \$-5.
- (f) S'gn board received & delivered to battalion.
- (g) 1100 Mother's Day cards delivered to battalion.
- (h) 5 food boxes received and delivered to battalion.
- (1) 40 dondolence letters written to NOK
- (3) 11 thank-you letters written on behalf of the battalion.
- (k) Fixed thatch wall of Rockpile chapel entrance.
- (1) Engineers braced sagging front of chapel



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- (1) The medical status of the battalion is presently satisfectry.
- (2) There were 1207 visits to sick call this month 1145 Marines, 7 Nevy, and 55 Army.
- (3) There were 12 clinical laboratory procedures performed this month.
- (4) The present strength of the aid station is 56 Hospital Corpsman and one (1) Medical Officer
 - (5) Medical supply is adequate.
 - (6) The santation of the battalion is good.
- (7) There have been 7 cases of vanerealdisease treated this month.

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Olli23H OP BEN OBSERVED POSSIBLE ENEMY MOVEMENT UNDER CAMOFLAGE
AT (XD 961539)

Ol2115H OP EVE SPOTTED A PERSON OUTSIDE PERIMETER AT (XD 988545), PERSON DISSAPEARED INTO BRUSH.

O21445H CONVOY RECEIVED 1-ROUND MORTAR FIRE FROM SUSPECTED MORTAR SITE AT (YD 063596).

021513H CONVOY RECEIVED 7-ROUNDS MORTAR FIRE FROM (YD 0658).

O40130H 1-GRENADE EXPLODED IN CREEK AND TRIP FLARE WAS DETONAT-ED AT (ZD 983532).

O41925H OP BEN OBSERVED 1-BRIGHT LIGHT IN TREE LINE AT (XD 936535), LIGHT STAYED ON APPROX 40 SECONDS.

O51250H ARMY OBSERVATION HELOCOPTER OBSERVED ENEMY .50 CAL GUN PITS AT (XD 923514).

O51253H ARMY OBSERVATION HELOCOPTER OBSERVED 2-NVA IN TREE LINE AT (XD 915506).

051730H OP SUE FOUND 1-AT MINE IN STREAM BEB 50 METERS NORTH OF TRAIL INTERSECTION AT (XD 983535), MINE HAD FLAT BASE 8" in DIAMETER, WITH LARGE SPRING AND BLUE CAP.

060134H OP WYN (XD 974538) HEARD MOVEMENT WEST OF THEIR POSITION.

062345H OP BEN DETECTED MOVEMENT ON (SID) AT (XD 997541), THEIR WIRE WAS CUT IN 12-15 PLACES AND 3-4 FIGURES WERE SEEN ON WIRE.

072315H OP WYN OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (XD 957518).

O80005H OP WYN OBSERVED LIGHTS MOVING IN A SOUTH-EAST DIRECTION FROM (XD 96/538).

082010H OP BEN REPORTED SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION AT (XD 949538).

O91610H ARMY OBSERVATION HELOCOPTER REPORTED THAT SAPLINGS
WERE IMPLACED ON HIGH GROUND AT (XD 926517), (XD 925512),
and (XD 924517). THESE SAPLINGS ARE NOT NATURAL AND
ARE BELIEVED TO BE AIMING STAKES FOR ARTY/KKT's.

9APR A.O. OBSERVED A BUNKER COMPLEX AND WEAPONS POSITIONS POSITIONS IN LINE FROM (XD 912494) to (XD 922489). POSITIONS WERE CAMOFLAGED RECENTLY, NO PEOPLE WERE OBSER* VED.

090330H OP BEN OBSERVED 1-LIGHT AT (XD 928547).

110715H M Co ROAD SWEEP TEAM RECEIVED SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE FROM 2-3 SNIPERS AT (YD 034576).

110930H M/3 AT (YD 033573) RECEIVED SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE FROM UNKNOWN POSITION.

111133H 3/9 RECEIVED 17-ROUNDS INCOMING ARTY FIRE FROM (XD 982576) AND (XD 9861). ANALYSIS SHOWS 105mm OR LARGER ARTY DUE TO ROTATING BANDS. DIRECTION OF INCOMING WAS 6400 MILLS FROM ROCKPILE OP, POSIBLY 2-FIRING POSITIONS.

111350H 3/9 RECEIVED 15-HOUNDS INCOMING ARTY. AO OBSERVED SMOKE AT (YD 023738).

SUSPECTED ARTY POSITION AT (XD 982576).

SMOKE OBSERVED AT (XD 990585).

SMALL ARMS FIRE RECEIVED FROM (YD 0365/6).

SUSPECTED ARTY POSITION, AND SMOKE WAS SEE BY ROCKPILE OP AT (XD 988614).

OBSERVED SMOKE DURING ATTACK ON ROCKPILE AT (YD 023736).

ORS REPORTED SIGHTING U/1 ENEMY UNIT AT (YD 123641).

120730H M/2 RECEIVED 15-HOUNDS SMIPER FIRE FROM (YD 044573).

121201H 3/9 RECEIVED APPROX 15-ROUNDS ARTY AND 107mm RKT's in 4to 6 ROUND BARRAGES AT A TIME, FROM (XD 988602) AND (XD 986588). CONVOY WAS PASSING THROUGH THIS POSIT DURING ATTACK. EACH FIN ASSEMBLY ON RKT'S WERE NUMBERED DIFFERENTLY. EXPLOSIVE HEADS OF ROCKETS WERE SIERATED TO BREAK UP INTO FRAGMENTS OF ABOUT ½" SQUARES. COUNTER* MORTAR RADAR LOCATED ENEMY POSITION AT (YD 01256698). CRATER ANALYSIS SHOWS ROUNDS CAME FROM 0400 10 0500 MILLS.

121455H OP EVE OBSERVED 2-ENEMY F.O.'s AND MANY CAVES AT (XD 986565).

<u>DTG</u> <u>INCLDENT</u>

- 122110H OP'S WYN, BEN AND SUE OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (XD 969562).
- 130345H RL HEARD CANS RATTLE, 1-1RIP FLARE AND 1-SHOT FIRED FROM (XD 979558).
- 131025H M/3 FOUND STUMP OF CUT TREES IN 50 METER RADIOUS OF (YD 048558). ALSO 4-BURNT OUT CAMP FIRES LESS THAN -3-WEEKS OLD. CUT TREES WERE 3" to 5" IN DIAMETER AND COULD NOT BE FOUND.
- 140900H RECON REPORTED 1-HARBOR SITE, NOT USED FOR 3 to 4 MONTHS. EXSTREAML: THICK VEGETATION AND CANOPY IN AREA OF (YD 005550) to (YD 005543).
- 142200H URS REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY DURING PAST 48-HOURS AT (YD 0860), (YD 0961), AND (YD 0962).
- 150247H 3/9 RECEIVED 15-HOUNDS 122mm RKT's FROM WESLERLY DIRECTION (XD 950534) AND (XD 934537), WHEN CONVOY BUNCHED UP AT THIS POSIT.
- 151518H URS REPORT U/I ENEMY UNIT LOCATED 900 METERS FROM (YD 005665).
- 151518H URS REPORT U/1 ENEMY UNIT LOCATED 700 METERS FROM (XD 998685).
- 151514H URS REPORT U/I ENEMY UNITS WITHIN 1000 METERS OF (YD 151431, 2000 METERS OF (YD 080614) AND 1300 METERS OF (XD 993689).
- 151/14H M Co HEARD GRENADES AND SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM (YD 01/575).
- 151720H F.O. REPORTED POSSIBLE ENEMY ROCKET SITE AT (XD 9034 5283).
- 161030H A.O. SIGHTED A BARREL, BLACK IN COLOR WITH SLIT IN TOP AT (XD 9255/2) AND A HOOCH MADE OF TIMBER IRREGULARY SET AT (XD 9245/0). THESE ARE POSSIBLE SIGHTING DEVICES.
- 161540n L Co RECEIVED 9-122mm HOCKETS FROM (XD 890533).
- 162147H OP BEN OBSERVED A DIM LIGHT AT(XD 962359).
- 170415H BRAVO COMMAND RECEIVED 6-ROUNDS OF UNKNOWN CAL FROM 1000 METERS WEST OF (XD 990468).

DTG INCIDENT 170425H OP EVE OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (YD 002617).

- 17APR RECON OBSERVED 15-NVA APPROX 1500 METERS FROM (XD 966500).
- 170910H M Co FOUND CAVES %' DEEP 12' IN DIAMETER THAT APPEARED TO GO UNDER STREAM BED, AT (YD 017556).
- 171315h 1-RIFLE SHOT WAS RECEIVED WHILE 2-VEHICLES WERE PASS-LNG THROUGH MIKE Co's POSITION AT (YD 018563).
- 171322H 3/9 RECEIVED INCOMING ROCKETS FROM (XD 895510) AND (XD 935530). ENEMY F O. ESTEMATED TO BE AT (XD 928 547). TOTAL ROUNDS RECEIVED 18)
- 172010H OP ADAM AND EVE OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (YD 000585).
- 181410H RECON FOUND A BOTTLE OF U/1 LIQUID AT (XD 991544), and a TRAIL NOT RECENTLY USED, APPROX 100 METERS BEYOND OP EVE TO (YD 002544).
- 191120H I Co FOUND 3-OHIO CLAYMORES, A FIGHTING HOLE 5'Z4'X4'
 COVERED WITH 6" OF LOGS AND A LAYER OF DIRT, APPROX
 2-MONTHS OLD. NVA TYPE C-RATION CANS, APPROX 15-METERS
 FROM THE FIRST, AND 1-ENEMY SUN CAP AT (XD 966496).
- 191215H I Co. SECURITY PLATOON HIT TRIP WIRE, SETTING OFF UNKNOWN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, SEVERAL OTHERS WERE FOUND IN THIS AREA (XD 967407).
- 192105H L Co SPOTTED STEADY BURNING LIGHTS AT (YD 01650/).
- 200/50H L Co WHILE PUTTING OUT OP ON HIGH GROUND WAS JUMPED BY 4 10 6 NVA FIRING SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, FOLLOWED BY 60mm MORTARS, AT (XD 967432).
- 200911H I Co FOUND A WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING SOUTH-WEST FOR 100 METERS TO WATER POINT, FOUND 1-PAIR JUNGLE BOOT PRINTS AND 1-PAIR SANDLE PRINTS APPROX 1-WEEK OLD, AT (XB 971495).
- 200919H I Co FOUND BOOT PRINTS, 3-JUNGLE, 1-SNEAKER, 1-UTILITY COVER. BOOT PRINTS HEADING DUE WEST. AT (XD 957497).
- 201000H I co FOUND FIGHTING HOLES 4'X2'X2\frac{1}{2}' APPROX 1-MONTH OLD.

 1-BUNKER 4'X4'X3' WITH LOGS ON TWO SIDES AND A DIRT
 LAYER ON TOP, APPROX 1-MONTH OLD. AT (XD 973494).

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201047H 1 Co FOUND 5-LIVING HOOCHES 10'X12' MADE OF BAMBOO
AND TREES, APPROX ONE YEAR OLD. 2-TRAILS FROM
HOOCHES LEADING WEST. AT (XD 963485).

201116H I CO FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX WITH 3-LARGE BUNKERS
5'X4'X4' WELL FORTIFIED WITH 6" OF LOGS, 3"OF
BAMBOO, 12" OF DIRT, 6" OF ROCKS AND WITH BAMBOO
FLOORS. NET CAMOUFLAGED. AT (XD 968492).

201200H I Co FOUND 9-FIGHTING HOLES 3'X2'X2', 1-NWA RATION CAN, 3-DISHES, 12' OF ROPE STRETCHED BETWEEN 2-1 REES, 5' OFF THE DECK, PARALLEL WITH A STREAM ON AN AZIMUTH OF 3800 MILS. APPROX ONE MONTH OLD, AT (XD 967491).

201335H I CO FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX WITH 13-BUNKERS 5'X4'X4', CONTAINING BAMBOO RACKS AND CAPABLE OF ACCOMADATING 30 PEOPLE, BANDAGES, TENNIE SHOES, STRAW HAT, TIN COOKING POT 1' IN DIAMETER AND 6" DEEP, 1-NVA HAVERSACK. APPROX ONE MONTH OLD, AT (XD 968490).

220200H OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (XD 993573).

221140H L Co RECEIVED 6-INCOMING ROCKETS AT (XD 986466).

230825H U/I NVA/VC UNIT REPORTED 1000 METERS FROM (XD 991680) AND U/1 ENEMY HQ WITHIN 2900 METERS OF (XD 968537).

I CO FOUND 1-SPIDER HOLE 1'X2'X3' APPROX ONE WEEK OLD, REINFORCED WITH LOGS AND CAMOUFLAGED WITH UNDERBRUSH, 25-FIGHTING HOLES, BUNKERS WITH TUNNEL 4' LONG LEADING TO TRENCH LINE ON SOUTHWEST SIDE OF HILL, AND 1-SIGN WITH THE WRITING (CHI-68) AT (XD 970478).

231135H I Co FOUND AIMING STAKES 10' LONG WITH ELEPHANT GRASS TIED 2' FROM TOP FACING EAST-WEST DIRECTION ON AZIMUTH OF 80° AND 260° RESPECTIVELY AT (XD 949503). ALSO 1-AIMING STAKE ACCESSORY PACK WITH ALUMINUM FOIL TURNED INSIDE OUT FACING SOUTH ON AZIMUTH OF 175°.

240307H F. O. ON ROCKPILLE OBSERVED LIGHT AT (XD 973572)

242233H OPSUE OBSERVED 1-LIGHT AT (XD 993515).

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<u>DTG.</u> 242300н	OPSUE OBSERVED 1-LIGHT AT XD 970615).
251303Н	M Co FOUND AN ALUMINUM DISC THAT APPEARS TO BE PART OF A BOMB AT (XD 970474).
261005Ħ	M CO FOUND A WELL USED TRAIL APPROX ONE MONTH OLD, RUNNUNG EAST AND WEST AT (XD 966488).
261345Ħ	M Co FOUND 2-BUNKERS 6'X3'X4' DEEP WITH ENTRANCE AND EXIT 3' DEEP AND CAMOUFLAGED AT (XD 966477). ROOF CONSTRUCTED OF 4" LOGS AND L' OF ROCKS AND DIRT. ALSO FOUND WAS WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE FIN ASSEMBLY OF A ROCKET, BOOBY-TRAPPED TO BE COMMAND DETONATED. ALL WERE 3 TO 5 DAYS OLD.
262140Н	K Co A3 HEARD MOVEMENT AT (XD 969544).
270750H	M Co FOUND 1-GRASS HOOCH 8'X6'X5' ABANDONED APPROX FOUR MONTHS AT (XD 966480).
27093 5 Н	M Co FOUND ELEPHANT TRACKS HEADING SOUTH-WEST AT (XD 969423). APPROX TWO WEEKS OLD.
271000H	M Co FOUND FRESH TRACKS AT (XD 969475), APPROX 12 HOURS OLD MADE BY TENNIS SHOES AND ELEPHANTS, HEADING SOUTH-SOUTHWEST.
271055H	RECON OBSERVED 4-NVA IN TREELINE AT (XD 923514).
271105H	D-TANKS CAPTURED 1-NVA WOUNDED AND 2-NVA BODIES AT (XD 955428).
271350표	M Co FOUND NUMEROUS U. S. TYPE GEAR AT (XD 966467).
30163 0H	3/9 "A" COMMAND GROUP MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 2-NVA PLATOONS.



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1 245		1	011230日	Company M, OF BEN (coord XD 969540)	
				observed what appeared to be camouflage	d
				enemy movement at coord XD 961539. An	
		<u> </u>	<u></u>	AO was requested, but was not available	·
		ļ		for this mission. A 81 mm fire mission	
		ļ	<u> </u>	of 16 rounds were fired with good	
				coverage on target. Results unknown.	S-F, 4th Ma
2145		2	012115H	H&S Company, OP EVE (coord XD 988545)	
		<u> </u>		observed, and challenged one (1) man	
	ļ <u>.</u>	<u> </u>		outside of the perimeter wire. Upon	
	<u> </u>			being challenged the man disappeared	
		ļ		into the bush Six (6) M-26 fragmentati	
	Ì	<u> </u>		grenades were expended illuminating the	
		<u> </u>		area. Area was searched with negative	
		<u> </u>		results.	S-F, 4th Ma
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		 	,	Marines AO.			5-F.	4th Mar
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1/220		2	031212日	Resumply convoy	in route to 1st Air	Cav		
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		ļ. <u>.</u>		AO.			S-F, 4	th Mar
1712		2	041705Н		t Air Cav Div passed 9th Marines AO in rou		<u> </u>	th Mar

1945		3	041925日	oberved one (1) stayed on for at coord XD 936 mission of two rounds HE, 1556	BEN (coord XD 969540) bright light, which approximately 40 seco 5535. An artillery (2) rounds WP and fi mm were fired with go	nds ve (5) od		
					rget. Enemy casualtı	es	O # 4	
	 			are unknown			S-F, 4	th Mar
2216		4	042130H	(coord XD 9825; enemy grenade v	Platoon, Bridge Defen 32) received one (1) which activated the tonds of M-79 were fire			
				area was search	ned with negative res	ults	S-F. 4	th Mar
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1432	·····	1	051 250H	A U. S. Army aircraft observed .50 cal	
				machine gun pits at coord XD 923514 and	
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	two (2) NVA at coord XD 915506. Coord	
		<u> </u>	·	XD 923514 taken under fire with Rockets	
			l	and M-60 machine gun fire from gun ship:	3.
				155mm artillery mission fired on coord	
		j		XD 915506 with one (1) small secondary	
		 		explosion. Damage assessment and enemy	
		 		casualties are not available	S-F, 4th M
1520		2	_051520H	Convoy passed through 3d Battalion, 9th	
				Merines AO enroute to DONG HA.	S-F, 4th Ma
1950		3	051 <u>830н</u>	Company M, OP SUE (coord XD 986537).	
		<u> </u>		found one (1) AT mine of unknown origin	
		<u> </u>		in stream bed approximately 50 meters	·
		<u> </u>		from trail intersection at coord XD 9835	35
		<u> </u>		Mine had a flat base and was approximate	ely
				eight (8) inches in diameter, a large	
		 		spring with a blue cap Mine appeared	
				to be armed. Description of mine	
-	· 	 -		forwarded by S-2. Mine was destroyed in	
				place	S-F, 4th Ha
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01 45		11	06 01 34H	Company M, OP WYN, he	eard movement to	the		
				west of their position	on. Area was se	arched		
				with negative result			S-F,	4th Mar
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1124		2	0611 ₂₄ H	Resupply convoy to 1			- T	417 77
				through 3d Battalion	, 9th Marines AO	•	<u>S</u> —£*•	4th Mar
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"240		-	061240Д	Resupply convoy to 1 through 3d Battalion			6.10	4th Mar
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1541		4	061541H	Resupply convoys pas	and through Id D			
		 - T	00.54.=	9th Marines AO in ro	ute to DONG HA.	STO PETTO	S-F.	4th Mar
2358		5	062345H	Company M. OP BEN (co	oord XD 969540),	heard		
				movement near outer	wire to their no	rth-		
				west. Area was cove:			.	
		<u> </u>		and an illumination	mission was fir	ed.		
		<u> </u>		Figures were seen ru	oning from wire	and		
		<u> </u>	-	movement was observed	d at coord XD 96	7541.	ļ.———	
					81mm mortar and 105mm artillery missions			
				were fired. Search of the area revailed			<u> </u>	
		.		that the outer wire had been cut. All				
				other findings were	negative.			
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1140		1	091140H	Resupply convoy to 1st Air Cav Div			
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				passed through 3d Battalion, 9th Marin	1es		
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1600		3	091600Н	Convoys passed 3d Battalion, 9th Marin	ies 📗		
	ļ			AO in route to DONG HA.		S-F,	4th Mar
1712	 	4	091635H	IT C Amms as a character of access at a constant			
1112	 	4	DECOIED	U. S. Army air observer observed sapling implanted in an unnatural manor (coord			
-	+	+		XD 926517, XD 925512, and XD 942517).	' 	-	
		 	<u> </u>	Saplings appear to be possible aiming	stakes	·	
				for artillery or rockets Artillery			
				mission was fired to destroy stakes.			
				Damage assoment not available		S-F,	4th Mar
2340	_	5	092330H	Company M, OP BEN (coord XD 969540)			
		ļ		Observed one (1) light (coord XD 92854	17).		
				105mm artillery mission of 22 rounds			
				fired Light was extinguished.		S-F',	4th Mar
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122		2	101120H	Resupply convoy to 1st Air Cav Div		
				passed through 3d Battalion, 9th Marines AO.	S-F, 4th Ma	
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0100		1	1/10001H	3d Battalion, 9th Marines assumed OPCON	
	-			Company M 3d Battalion, 9th Marines	S-F, 4th Ma
0803		2	110715H	Company M, road sweep (coord YD 041566) received small arms harrasing fire from	
				an estimated two (2) to three (3) enemy located coord YD 047570. Enemy	
		 		fire was suppressed with 324 rounds	
	1	1		M-79 fire with unknown enemy casualties	
				One USMC WIA (minor)	S-F, 4th Mg
0830		3	110800H	Company I, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines	
				chop OPCON to 4th Marines	S-F, 4th Ma
0955	 	4	110930H	Company M, 3d Platoon (coord YD 041567)	
				received small arms harrasing fire from	
				enemy estimated to be located coord	
	ļ		<u></u>	YD 040570. 81mm mortar fire mission	
				and 17 rounds 106mm RR was fired Air	
	Observer requested Enemy casualties				
				are unknown	S-F, 4th Ma
1305		5	1 11 133日	THON SON LAM (coord XD 982545) received	
	1			17 rounds incoming enemy artillery	
	ļ			Initial crater analysis indicated enemy	
	 	<u> </u>		rounds were 105mm or larger. Artillery	
	ļ <u>.</u>	ļ <u>.</u>		rotating band fragments found with shell	
		ļ		fragments Direction of enemy fire was	
	<u> </u>	 	 	from 6400 mills as observed from ROCKPILE OP (coord XD 982545) with	
	<u> </u>			range in doubt Possible enemy locations	
				are XD 982576 and XD 9861. Requested	
	<u> </u>	ļ		air observer. Returned fire with 81 mm	
	 	 		morters, 106mm RR, and artillery.	
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Emergency TPQ-10 missions requested on	
	ļ		ļ	enemy targets. Two (2) USMC WIA (minor)	
	: 	<u> </u>		and two (2) U S. Army WIA and medevaced	<u>, </u>
		-		Shell fragments fowarded to 4th Marines S-2.	S-F, 4th Ma
		 			
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			<u>-</u>	from a northly	direction Air obse	erver on		
				station reporte	ed smoke from coord	(T)		
				023738. Air ol	server conducted fir	re miss-		
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				(1) round of small arms was received.	
	<u> </u>			Expended six (6) M-26 grenades. Search	
				of area revealed that the wire on a tri	n
1				flare had been cut	S-F, 4th Mar
1005		2	131000 <u>H</u>	Company M, squad patrol found sturps of	
		<u> </u>		cut trees (coord YD 048558) in a 50m	
		ļ	<u> </u>	radius Found four (4) places where	
		<u> </u>		camp fires had burned, and were less	
	ļ	·		than three (3) weeks old. About 50	
		<u> </u>		trees, three (3) to five (5) inches in	
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	 			but couldn't fine trees	S-F, 4th Mar
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				mission of six (6) rounds WP and 10	
				rounds HE were fired with good covera	ge
			<u> </u>	on target Light was extinguished.	S-F, 4th Ma
1405		2	171322日	THON SON LAM (coord XD 982545) received incoming enemy rockets from coord XD 895510 and XD 935530. Enemy FO was estimated to be coord XD 928547. Fire volley landed at 1322H, second volley	s st
		-		1328H A total of 18 rounds of enemy fire was received. Returned counter	
				rocket fire with 106mm RR, tanks, 40mm	m
		Ĺ		AA guns, 81mm mortars and artillery	
		 _		missions. Air observer Was on statio	n
		<u> </u>		and adjusted fixed wing on enemy targ	ets.
		ļ <u>.</u>		Emergency TPQ-10 bomb drop requested.	
				Damage assessment of enemy position w	
				not available	S-F, 4th Ma
2100		3	172010H	CP ADAM (coord XD 992552) and OP EVE (coord XD 998545) observed lights (coord XD 998545)	ord
		-		YD 000585). A 105mm artillery mission	n
		-		fired three (3) rounds WP and four (4) rounds HE. Lights were extinguished.	S-F, 4th Ma
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				Fighting holes a	nd mines were de	stroyed.	S-F,	4th	Ma.
1 25 5		3	191 215н	explosive device three (3) USMC v Found several ot	ty patrol actival of unknown type (IA and medevaced her explosive de Devices vere des	with vices in	S-F,	4th	Ma
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0910		1	210855H	Company M, squar	d patrol (coord YD 00	7561)		
				found natural c	ave Fragmentation gi	renade		
	<u> </u>			was thrown into	cave Search of are	8 .		
_				revealed abandor	<u>ned sleeming area abo</u>	ut		
					I Found one (1) sho	wer		
		 		shoe and an old	poncho.		S-F.	4th Mar
1620		2	211615н	Resupply convoy	passed through 3d Bat	ttal 10n		.
				9th Marines AO	along Route #9.			4th Mar
2045		3	21 20 25H	OP ADAM (acond	XD 991552) heard move			
204)	 	 	2.20211	that sounded 11	ke two people moving	nen t		
	1			through grass	Threw six (6) grenade	2 g		
					the area Area was			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	į	1		searched with ne	egative results.		S-F.	4th Mar
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0245		1	220200H	OP NAN (coord X	D 980558) observed li	ghts	- · · _ 2		
				(coord XD 99357	Artillery missio	n of			
					HE fired with good		İ		
-					get. Lights were not				
				extinguished an	d is believed to be a	fire.	S-F.	4th Mar	
1200		2	221 150H	Resumply convoy	passed through 3d Ba	ttalion			
		ļ		9th Marines AO	along Route #9.		S-F,	4th Har	
1 220		3	221140H	LZ STUD (coord	XD 995484) received s	ıx (6)			
				rounds enemy ro	unds enemy rockets from coord XD 986466. 1 rounds landed outside of the perimeter				
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		All rounds land	ed outside of the per	ımeter_	2_6	4th Mar	
	 			vith no demage	or casualties.		3-4,	4011 1121	
1325		4	221325H	Resupply convoy	passed through 3d Ba	t talıon			
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1 215		1	231115H	Company I, squar	d natrol (coord XD	970478)		
				found spider ho	le 1X2X3 ft., reinf	orced		
				with logs and co	smouflaged With bri	ish.		
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				holes about two		70 (2)		
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					red to be two (2) 1	nonths		413 34
				old Destroyed	spider hole.		S-2',	4th Maj
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1290	 	 	2)11)11	Company 1, comp	any sweep (coord XI	7 7495051	 	
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1120		1	251120H	Company M, Air lifted to (coord XD 970479) for company sweep.	S=F 4t	h Mar
1 205		2	251 203H	Resupply convoy passed through 3/9 AO along Route #9.	s-F_4t	h, Mar
1510		3	251 455н	Company M, squad patrol (c00rd XD 971477) found heavily used trail, three (3) ft. Wide in elephant grass. Trail ran for 200m NW then forked w/one (1) trail going west and the other NW.		h Mar
1515		4	251500н	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD 970474) found alluminum disk 12 in diameter, and weight of about 15 lbs. Disk returned to CP.	s-F 4t	h Mar
1540		5	251530H	Resupply convoy passed through 3/9 AO along Route #9.	s-F 4t	h Mar
1605		6	251538H	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD 970476) found one (1) NVA boot that had been blown up and was in an artillery crater.	s-F 4t	h Mar
1620		7	251620н	Company L, returned to THON SON LAM.	S-F 4t	h Mer

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0540		1	260500н	Company K, defe	ensive position (coord				
	<u> </u>				d movement near their		<u> </u>		
	<u> </u>	 -			ed one (1) M-79 round				
	 	 		Searched area t	rith negative results.		S- <u>k</u> ',	4th	<u> Ha:</u>
0950		2	260847H		ad patrol (coord XD %	4467)			
	ļ				of a tunnel that had				
	ļ. _				a bomb crater. Arti		<u> </u>		
	!	ļ			ired on area with nega	tive			
		 		results			S-F,	4th	Maj
1040		3	260930H	Company M. (coc	ord XD 952476) and CA	LU			
	<u> </u>			Combat Operatin	ng Base received incom				
	<u> </u>					There			
				were no casualt	ies or damage within				
				Company M's are	ea. Enemy position wa	8			
	 			estimated to be	coord XD 968471.			4th	Маз
1045	 	4	261005H	Company M. squa	ed patrol. (coord XD 9	66488)			—
					trail about one (1)				
		-			ing from east to west	•	S-F,	4th	Men
1405	<u> </u>	5	261345H	Company M, squa	ad patrol (coord XD 966	 5477)	 		
	T			found two (2) w	well fortified and came	ouflage	d		
				bunkers 6X3X4 f	t. Bunkers were reini	forced			
				with four (4)	inch logs and one (1) i	ft. of			
_				rocks and dirt	Inside of bunkers w	ere			
	1			30 ft. of elect	ric wire, two (2) blas	st ing			
-	1	T			e safety pins, part of				
-					d cord that could have			_	
				been used as tr	ip wire Also found w	√hat			
				appeared to be	a rocket assembly and	could	L		
				possibly be use	ed as a command detonat	ted			
				emlosive device	e. Bunkers and equip	ment			
	 	 		vere destroyed			S-F.	4th	Mar
1 557		6	261550H	Company M. (coc	ord XD 967478) received	l six			
				(6) rounds of e	nemy rockets from coor	rd			
				XD 943490. Fir	ed counter-rocket fire	es of			
					d artillery missions.				
		<u> </u>			ency TPQ-10 bomb drop.				
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0800		1	270750H	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD %6480)		
				found grass and bamboo house House was		
				8X6X5 ft. and appears to have been abandon		
				about four (4) months ago House was		
				destroyed.	S-F,	4th Ma
1070			07007EH	Company M, (coord XD %9473) found elephant		
1030			_270 <u>9</u> 35H	tracks 10 inches in diameter and six (6)		
		 		inches deep Also found shower shoe		 -
		 		track about two (2) weeks old Tracks		
}		 		vere going southwest	S_F	4th Ma
		 		Hele gontg southwest	<u>, ,,-,, ,</u>	4 WI TIG
1155		3	271055班	Aerial recon coserved four (4) NVA in		
1)	tree line (coord XD 923514). Artillery		
				mission fired on enemy position with		
				unobserved results	s-F,	4tn Ma
1157		4_	271056н	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD 969475)		
			i 	found fresh ternis shoe tracks of several		
		 		persons and elephant tracks not more		
		}	·	than 12 hours old Tracks were along		
		 		trail moving in a south southwest direct-		
				10n.	S-r,	4th Me
1230	 	5	271 230H	Resupply convoy passed through 3d Battalion		
				9th Marines AO along Route #9.	S-F,	4th Ma
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1 200		 	271250H	Resupply convoy passed through 3d Battalion		441- 37
		 	·	9th Marines AO along Route #9.	S-F ,	4th Ma
1329		7	271320H	Company I (-) departed LZ STUD (coord XD		
				995484) as convoy security to KHE SANH	S-F,	4th Ma
1350		8	271350H	Company M, squad ratrol (coord XD 966467)		
1900			2/19/01	found two (2) white star clusters, one (1)		
		 	 	naversack, two (2) E-tool covers, two (2)		
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	 -		 	canteen covers, one (1) bayonet scabbard, one (1) rifle sling, one (1) machette case,		
	 		 	one (1) magazine pouch M-16 type, six (6)		
	\		 	full bandaleers 5.56mm ammo, one (1) can-		
	t ——	 	 	teen cup, five (5) sets utilities, one (1)		
	 	+		poncho, and one (1) red smore grenade. All		· · · - — - · · —
				gear was US type, and appeared to have		
				been abandoned about three (3) weeks. Also	_	
	1	1		found one (1) NVA pack Unserviceable gear		
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0940		1	28081 OH	Company M, company sweep (coord XD 966495)	<u> </u>	
		L		Air observer on station reported observing		
				three (3) bunkers and fresh fighting holes		
		ļ		(coord XD 967500). One (1) bunker and 15	 	
				fighting noles are possibly still in use	 	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		A 105mm artillery mission vas fired on	· ·	
	 -	<u> </u>		enemy rosition Damage assessment was	0.70 4	Ab Tm
	<u> </u>	 		not available	5-2 9 4	th Lar
1000		2	280930H	Company M reports air observers observed		
				three (3) NVA, (coord XD 949495) Air		
		<u> </u>		chserver ran fixed wing air strike with		
				unknown results	S-F, 4	th Mar
1010		3_	28095班	Company M, company sweep (coord XD 971488)	<u> </u>	
		<u> </u>		found four (4) fighting holes, imprint of	↓	
		<u> </u>	 	82mm mortar base plate, three (3) contain-		
		 		ers for mortar fuses, 10 mortar fuse plugs	<u>, </u>	
		\	ļ	one (1) NVA pack with blood stains,	,	
		 		numerous empty US C-ration cans, 16X18 inc	4	
	<u> </u>	 		aluminum foil bag and .50 cal maching gun	 	
		 	ļ	position. Position appears to be two (2)	 	
		 		to three (3) weeks old. S-2 collected		-
		 	 	rtems of intelligence value. Position was destroyed.	C. TO /	th Mar
	 	 		was descroyed.	<u> </u>	ton nar
1 100		4	281020H	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD 963488)	 	
		1-3-		found well used trail running from east		
		 		to west. Found one (1) foot print made by	T	
				tennis shoe estimated to be five (5) days		
				old.	S-F, 4	lth Mar
1330		<u> </u>	281100 <u>H</u>	Company M, squad patrol (coord XD 971488)		
		<u> </u>		found five (5) bunkers 4X6X3 ft. made with	<u> </u>	
	<u> </u>	 	ļ	U.S. 60mm morter boxes, reinforced with	<u> </u>	
	<u> </u>			logs and bamboo One (1) bunker was water	ļ	
	}	 	 	proofed with a U.S. poncho and a air		
		ļ	ļ	matress Found .50 Cal machine gun posit-	 	
	 	 	 	10n with 30 shell casings, one (1) NVA		
			<u> </u>	neck, two (2) shovels, one (1) U s. type	 	
	 	+	 	pack, U.S type utilities and one (1) helmet Bunkers and unserviceable equip-	+	
	 	 	 	ment were destroyed	S.F. /	ith Mar
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0230		1	290150Н	OP ADAM (coord XD 992552) observed what appeared to be two (2) enemy rocket rounds impacting coord YD 005553. Rounds appeared to be coming from the north	S-F,	4th Max
0335		2	290315H	OP ADAM (coord XD 992552) observed two (2) more rounds impacting coord YD 005553 Rounds are of unknown caliber and may be friendly H&I's.	S-F,	4th Mer
0857		3_	290845H	Company L, road sweep, found and destroyed 81mm mortar dud round coord XD 980512.	S-F,	4th Mar
1410		4	291405H	Air lift of Company M from field to THON SON LAM began and completed 291445H	S-F,	4th Mar
2150		5	292115н	Company K. using night observation device, observed three (3) persons crossing stream, moving west (corid XD 982552) Fired 81mm mortar mission with good coverage on target. No movement was observed after fire mission		4th Mar

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0920		1	300920丑	Received alert order from 4th Marine			
				Regiment to stand by to move ALPHA			
		 		Command Group and three (3) rifle companies			
				to the field within two (2) hours Operat-			
				10n is to be in the 9th Marine Area of Operation, (Operation KENTUCKY).	S-F,	A+h W	
		 -		Operation Coperation Kristricki).		4 411 T	
1115		2	301115班	Command Group ALPHA, Company L, Company			
		ļ		M, and Company K began departing THON SON			
				LAM by air lift and convoy, last elements			
		<u> </u>		departed 301240H.	S-F,	4th_1	
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1205		_ 3	<u> 301130н</u>	4th Marines chop OPCON 3d Battalion, 9th Marines (-), (ALPHA Command Group, Company			
		 		L, Company M, and Company K) to 9th Marines	S-F.	14h 1	
				by company M, and company K, to your marines	، و يا	q bii r	
1 206		4	301130Н	3d Battalion, 9th Marines BRAVO Command	· 		
				Group assumed OPCON of Company F. 2nd			
				Battalion, 26th Marines from 26th Marines.			
				Capt. C. F. DIVELBISS, Company Commander.			
				Company F, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines personnel, three (3) officers, 158 en-			
				personnel, three (3) officers, 158 en-			
		 		listed, and seven (7) USN enlisted	S-F,	4th M	
1500		5	301500H	Assumed OPCON of 1st Platoon, Company A,			
7,00			20.7001	3d Battalion Tanks.	S-F,	4th M	
		 -					
1900		6	301900H	Assumed OFCON of Company B, 1st Battalion,			
				9th Marines	S-F,	4th M	
	 	ļ <u>-</u>					
2340		7	302340H	Command Group ALPHA reports 47 NVA KIA			
	 	-		confirmed, and three (3) NVA POw. Friend- ly casualties were 24 KTA, one (1) DOW.			
			 	and 98 WIA.	S-F,	A+h M	
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