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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 May to 30 May 1969

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1. DESIGNATION.Battalion Landing Team 1/26

Col. G. C. KILLEBOTH

1-31 May 69

TASK ORGANIZATIONH&S Company (-) (Rein)

Capt. K. E. DAHLBERG

1-4 May 69

1st Lt. J. P. WILSON

5-31 May 69

Det. Hq. Bn., 5th Mar Div
 Det. Hq. Co., 26th Marines (Radio Relay)
 Det. 15th Dent. Co., 9th MAB

Company A (Rein)

Capt. L. C. VETTER Jr.

1-31 May 69

Co. A
 Det. H&S Co.

FO Team, Section, 81mm Mortars.
 Det. Comm Plt.
 Sect. 4, 106mm RR Plt.
 3rd Squad, 2nd Section, Flame Plt.
 Det. Med. Plt.
 S-2 Scout

FO Team "A" Btry 1/13
 Det. 1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn.
 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn. (HST)

Company B (Rein)

Capt. H. W. REGAN

1-31 May 69

Company B
 Det. H&S Co.

FO Team, Section, 81mm Mortars.
 Det. Comm Plt.
 Det. Med. Plt.
 S-2 Scout

FO Team, "A" Btry, 1/13
 Det. 1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn
 Sect. 3, 106mm RR Plt.
 4th Squad, Section 2, Flame Plt.
 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn. (HST)

Company C (Rein)

Capt. H. W. REED

1-31 May 69

Co. C
 Det. H&S Co.

FO Team, Section, 81mm Mortars

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Det. Comm Plt.
 Det. Med. Plt.
 S-2 Scout

FO Team "A" Btry 1/13
 Det. 1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn.
 Sect. 1, 106mm RR Plt.
 1st Squad, 1st Section, Flame Section
 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn. (HST)

Company D (Rein)

Capt. W. W. MOORHEAD Jr. 1-31 May 68

Co. D
 Det. H&S Co.

FO Team, Section, 81mm Mortars
 Det. Comm Plt.
 Sect. 2, 106mm RR Plt.
 2nd Squad, 1st Section, Flame Plt.

FO Team "A" Btry 1/13
 Det. 1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn.
 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn. (HST)

<u>81mm Mortar Plt. (-)</u>	Lt. D. E. WEIR	1-31 May 68
<u>106mm RR Plt. (-)</u>	GySgt. V. E. COVINGTON	1-31 May 68
<u>"A" Btry 1/13</u>	Capt. J. B. CREEL Jr.	1-31 May 68
<u>"W" Btry 1/11</u>	Lt. C. A. BELLIS Jr.	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th Amtrac Bn. (Rein)</u>	Lt. J. T. BARTEE	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th AT Bn. (Rein)</u>	Lt. P. S. COURTIN Lt. J. M. YAEGER	1-15 May 68 16-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th Engr Bn. (-)</u>	Lt. P. J. SHEA	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th MT Bn.</u>	Lt. L. P. MALINOWSKI	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th Recon Bn.</u>	Lt. W. B. COE	1-31 May 68
<u>2nd Plt. Co A, 5th SP Bn. (-) (Rein)</u>	Lt. J. B. QUINN	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Plt. Co A, 5th TK Bn. (Rein)</u>	Lt. J. E. VOSS	1-31 May 68
<u>1st Clearing Plt. Co D, 5th Med. Bn.</u>	Lt. I. ROUBAL (USN)	1-31 May 68
<u>Det. A, BMU, NBC</u>	Lt/JG MEACHUM	1-31 May 68
<u>LSU</u>	Lt. W. DOMKE	1-31 May 68

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2. LOCATION. 1-31 May 69 ARG Shipping.3. STAFF OFFICERS.

Executive Officer	Maj. D. S. TOWNSEND	1-31 May 69
S-1/Adjutant	1stLt. J. P. WILSON	1-31 May 69
Assistant S-1	2ndLt. J. C. HOOGERWERFF	1-31 May 69
S-2	1stLt. B. P. O'CONNOR	1-31 May 69
S-3	Maj. O. D. HOWE III	1-31 May 69
S-3A	1stLt. E. P. ARNOLDS-PATRON	1-31 May 69
S-4	1stLt. D. A. STEVENSON	1-31 May 69
Battalion Surgeon	Lt. T. R. GADACZ	1-31 May 69
Assistant Surgeon	Lt. T. C. HANCOCK	1-31 May 69
Battalion Chaplain	Lt. W. A. WILL	1-31 May 69

4. AVERAGE STRENGTH.

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
63	1786	8	87

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the month of May 1969 the Battalion Landing Team participated in three operations in which both VC and NVA tactics were encountered.
 - a. Operation "Daring Rebel" conducted on Barrier Island approximately 18 miles to the South of Danang, RVN in conjunction with the 51st ARVN Regiment to the north and the Americal Division to the south and west of the BLT. Barrier Island, which has long posed as a haven for VC/NVA Units, was found to be well fortified with bunkers, tunnels and fighting holes throughout the BLT AOA.
 - b. Operation Gallant Leader and Pipestone Canyon consisted of off loading the BLT; with the BLT rear at Hill 34 and BLT forward at Hill 55 south of Danang. Operation Pipestone Canyon involved seven battalions to block off the Dodge City/Go Noi Island area with a subsequent mission to search and destroy within the entire area. Company C was chopped to 3/5 for the operation.
2. During Operation Pipestone Canyon the BLT encountered a heavy volume of booby traps and mines, resulting in a large number of casualties among BLT Marines. Their profusion within the area created difficulties in searching out the booby traps and destroying them.
3. Significantly, on 27 May 1969 Alfa Company discovered a large ammunition cache at grid (AT 938555), and Alfa 1/13 while in general support from Hill 55 received several 82 mortar rounds and three 175mm lob rounds which resulted in three (3) KIA's and 29 WIA's plus one 105 howitzer destroyed.
4. The BLT suffered 23 KIA's and 157 WIA's this reporting period. Enemy casualties were 124 KIA's, 61 POW and 107 VCI captured.

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LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. MISSIONS/OPERATIONS.a. Major Operations.

- (1) The Battalion Landing Team participated in three (3) Major Operations this reporting period.

- (a) Daring Rebel 5/20 May 1969.
- (b) Gallant Leader 23/25 May 1969.
- (c) Pipestone Canyon 26/31 May 1969.

b. Command Relations.

- (1) The BLT was OpCon to CTG 79.4 from 1/23 May 1969.
- (2) OpCon to III MAF 26/31 May 1969.

c. Combat Missions Assigned.

- (1) Daring Rebel. Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, BLT 1/26 conducts a Helicopterborne and surface amphibious assault in AOA; assists in transfer of civilian population from AOA to CHIC to eliminate VCI on Barrier Island; conducts search and clear operations in AOA to locate, capture and destroy all enemy caches or installations.
- (2) Gallant Leader. To conduct Heliborne and surface debarkation of elements of BLT 1/26 for operations ashore.
- (3) Pipestone Canyon.
 - (a) Seventh Marines with BLT 1/26 participates in Phase I of operation Pipestone Canyon by conducting combat operations to deceive enemy forces and clear areas west of Dodge City. See Annex C (Operation Overlay - Sheet 1).
 - (b) First Marines (-) (Rein), in close coordination and cooperation with ARVN and ROKMC forces conducts Phase II and III of Operations Pipestone Canyon to find, fix and destroy enemy forces (NVA, VC and VC Infrastructure), harbor sites and fortifications; to open Route 4 from Dien Ban west to the intersection with the railroad berm at (AT 992587); to conduct land clearing operations on Go Noi Island; in cooperation and coordination with Provincial and District Phoenix Committees conducts Counter-VCI Operations in AO.

d. Command Control.

- (1) The Battalion Rear was located aboard the SLF/ARG Shipping USS Okinawa for operation Daring Rebel, with the forward CP control element located at grid 247463.

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- (2) The Battalion was moved to Hill 34 at grid (AT 985715) for operation Gallant Leader with the forward control element located at Hill 55, grid (AT 971614).
- (3) During operation Pipestone Canyon the Battalion Rear remained located at grid (AT 927573) from 26 May to 29 May 69. On 29 May 69, the control element moved to a new CP site at grid (AT 965589) where it remained until the end of reporting period.

e. Organic Operations.

- (1) Throughout operations, Daring Rebel, Gallant Leader and Pipestone Canyon the BLT ran numerous day light patrols, night ambushes and listening posts.
- (2) Numerous tunnels, trenches, bunkers, spider holes, and fighting holes were blown up and destroyed.

f. NBC Warfare.

All equipment previously turned in for 5th Echelon maintenance.

2. INTELLIGENCE.

a. Enemy Situation. (Operation Daring Rebel).

- (1) There were no known units operating or using Barrier Island as a base area. It is being utilized as a rest and rehabilitation area and for sapper and guerilla warfare training center by various local and main force units. It's location is ideal for hit and run operations in the southern portion of the DaNang TACR and control over it's local population could have great political influence in and around the city of Hoi An. The area has long been used as a semi-safe heaven and supply base for local forces and main force NVA.
- (2) As a result of Operation Daring Rebel, over 300 VC/VCI were eliminated from the infrastructure of Barrier Island. At the Combined Holding and Interrogation Center, over 3300 civilians were screened and indoctrinated after being extracted from Barrier Island. Although major efforts were conducted on Barrier Island, it is still a likely staging area for VC/NVA units in the Hoi An area.
- (3) (Operation Pipestone Canyon-Phase I) the enemy had used this area as a route and staging area to Go Noi Island. They tried to deny the area to friendly forces by setting up extensive networks of booby traps and surprise firing devices. The enemy made no attempt to take our units under fire. Their main tactic was to withdraw to the east and seek refuge on Go Noi Island.

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b. Enemy Initiated Incidents.

On 060115H, a VC Unit operating west of our AOA dropped 24 mortars on Co "D" 1/26 GP.

c. Enemy Losses. (Operations Daring Rebel and Pipestone Canyon)

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (1) VC/NVA - 108 | (4) Individual Weapons - 18 |
| (2) POW - 81 | (5) Crew Serve Weapons - None |
| (3) 8000 lbs rice; 35 chickens | (6) Detainees - 3333 |

d. Enemy Trends.

The enemy during both operations Daring Rebel and Pipestone Canyon preferred to withdraw or hide in tunnels and bunkers rather than engage friendly forces. VC and VCI tried to disguise themselves as innocent civilians at Battalion Collection Points during Operation Daring Rebel. During Operation Pipestone Canyon-Phase I, the enemy heavily booby trapped our TAOR and withdrew to the east as the Battalion advanced.

e. Weather Conditions.

The weather has had little effect on enemy or friendly movement throughout the area of operations this month. The maximum temperature for the month of May was 103 degrees and the low was 71 degrees. The total amount of rainfall for the month was 0.32 in the DaNang area.

f. Combat Missions Assigned.(1) Mission.(a) Daring Rebel.

Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, BLT 1/26 conducts a helicopter borne and surface amphibious assault in AOA; assists in transfer of civilian population from AOA to CHIC to eliminate VCI on Barrier Island; conducts search and clear operations in AOA to locate, capture or kill all enemy forces and to locate capture and destroy all enemy caches or installations.

(b) Gallant Leader.

To conduct Heliborne and Surface Debarkation of elements of BLT 1/26 from SLF/ARG Shipping.

(c) Pipestone Canyon.

- (1) Phase I. Seventh Marines with BLT 1/26 participates in Phase I of Operation Pipestone Canyon by conducting combat operation to clear areas west of Dodge City area.

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- (2) Phase II. First Marines (-) (Rein) in close coordination and cooperation with ARVN and ROKMC forces conducts Phase II and III of Operation Pipestone Canyon to find fix and destroy enemy forces (NVA, VC, and VC Infrastructure), Harbor sites, and fortifications to open Route 4 from Dien Ban west to the intersection with the railroad bend at coordinate (AT 992578) to conduct land clearing operations on Go Noi Islands in cooperation and coordination with Provincial and District Phoenix Committees, conduct Counter - VCI Operations in AO.

3. SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

- a. 01 May 69. BLT 1/26 conducted a rehearsal helicopter and waterborne landing to the north of NamO Bridge, DaNang, RVN.
- b. 02 May 69. BLT 1/26 conducted combat operations within the force beach head in the NamO area.
- c. 03 May 69. BLT 1/26 executed an amphibious withdrawal and re-embarked aboard SLF/ARG Shipping.
- d. 04 May 69. BLT 1/26 embarked aboard SLF/ARG Shipping preparing for operation "Daring Rebel".
- e. 05 May 69. 051000H BLT 1/26 landed on Barrier Island with Co A landing over Beach Red at coordinates (BT 253456) and Co C and Co D landing at LZ Lion and LZ Tiger coordinates (BT 176494) and (BT 198473) respectively.

051800 Alfa 1-1 spotted 1 man running towards a spider hole. Alfa 1-1 fired small arms which wounded enemy. Enemy crawled into spider hole and Alfa 1-1 threw 1 M-26 grenade taking 7 VC KIA's.
- f. 061115 Co "D" took 24 incoming 60mm mortar rounds. Fired arty and 81 mortars in counter-mortar fire.

061500 NGF fired 5 inch SS Rockets. Observed large secondary explosion. Fired additional 12 rounds with neg results.

061800 Delta 2-2 spotted 25-30 enemy moving near river at grid 193481. Called in arty mission swept area finding 10 enemy KIA's.
- g. 070005 C-3 received enemy automatic weapons fire at grid (BT 177487). Turned fire on enemy called in air strike. Swept area finding 3 VC KIA's and 1 SKS rifle.
- h. 080345 NGF conducting a recon by fire mission at grid 238484. Result in 4 secondary explosions.
- i. 091810 Co D spotted 6 enemy in small boat traveling east. Fired on boat with M-60 and M-79 resulting in 3 VC KIA's.

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j. 100600 Co "C" had numerous probes of perimeter at grid (187495). Fired M-16, M-79, and M-26 to repel by fire. Swept area finding 5 VC KIA's and captured 2 detainees.

k. 110300 Co "B" received 5 incoming RPG rounds and AK-47 fire from grid 19834804. Returned fire with small arms, M-60, M-79 and 81mm HE with unknown results.

l. 120400 Co "C" received 4 incoming mortar rounds and AK-47 fire. Returned fire with small arms, swept area with neg results.

121025 Co "B" spotted 5 enemy in a spider hole at grid 211489. Three VC Chieu Hoi and two tried to escape. Co "B" fired at two trying to escape wounding 1 and killing the other.

m. 132100 Co "C" captured 91 VN detainees sent to CHIC.

n. 140914 Delta 3-2 found several bunkers. Fired small arms and swept area finding 1 NVA KIA.

141900 Alfa 3-1 spotted 2 VC on trail. Fired small arms resulting in 2 VC KIAs.

o. 152015 Charlie 2-2 spotted a light at grid 214513. Threw illumination grenade spotted 2 VC getting rice from tunnel. Fired small arms killing 1 VC. Swept area found 1 chicom grenade.

p. 161025 Delta 2 blew a bunker at grid 218506, after explosion recovered persons medevaced to CHIC.

q. 170200 CHIC received 6 incoming B-40 rockets which landed approximately 75 meters outside perimeter.

171400 Co B spotted 15 to 20 enemy at grid 197467. Fired arty swept area finding 3 VC KIA's.

r. 181500 Co "B" spotted 15 enemy at grid 199464. Fired 60mm mortars and arty resulting in 5 VC KIA's.

s. 190555 Delta 3 fired on 2 enemy at grid 208505, swept area finding 2 KIA's, 1 M-26, documents, maps and assorted medicine.

191615 Charlie 1 while searching bunkers at grid 186492, threw M-26 and smoke grenades. Swept area finding 2 NVA KIA's, 2 detainees, 2 carbine rifles, 2 AK-47's and 3 M-26 grenades.

191900 Bravo 3-2 spotted 20-25 enemy at grid 202462. Fired 60mm mortar and arty. Swept area finding 7 VC KIA's.

t. 200700 BLT 1/26 backloading aboard SLF/ARG Shipping.

u. 210700 BLT 1/26 Commander to III MAF for conference and briefing on operation Gallant Leader and Pipestone Canyon.

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- v. 210700 BLT 1/26 cleared area, weapons and training in preparation for next operation.
- w. 220700 BLT 1/26 continuing training and preparing for operations ashore.
- x. 230630 commenced off load of BLT 1/26 for operations Gallant Leader at Pipestone Canyon.
- 231045 BLT 1/26 Command Group ashore with CP set up at grid 972614.
- 231500 Delta Co deployed at from grid (AT 966602) to (AT 963596). Conducting patrols and ambushes.
- y. 241230 Point man for Delta 3-1 tripped a booby trap. Wounded both leg and back. Medevaced.
- z. 250700 BLT 1/26 preparing for operation Pipestone Canyon.
- aa. 261100 Co's "A" and "B" to line of departure. CP group and 81 section to follow.
- bb. 270700 Co "A" found ammo cache at grid 938555. Blown in place. See spot report dtg 270700 in journal for details.
- 272245 Alfa 1/13 received mortars and 3 lob 175mm rounds. Resulting in 3 KIA's and 29 WIA's.
- cc. 280900 1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn. on a routine mine sweep of road leading to CP area found 1 anti-personnel mine. Blew in place.
- dd. 291400 Co "A" observed 1 enemy at grid 950566. Fired one round of 90mm wounding enemy. Swept area capturing 1 NVA WIA and 1 AK-47. Medevaced.
- ee. 301550 Marine from CP while searching water hole was injured by punji stake in tall grass. Stake made of steel with barb on end.
- ff. 312150 Delta 1-4 fired on 5 enemy moving west at grid 968596. Swept area finding 2 VC KIA's, misc gear, 2 AK-47's, 3 chicom's, 5 AK-47 magazines, and 4 M-26 grenades.

4. FIRE SUPPORT.

During the month of May fire support was credited with 45 enemy confirmed kills. These confirmed kills were a result of observed missions with the combined fires of "A" Battery, 1st Bn., 13th Marines, "W" Battery, 1st Bn., 11th Marines, and the BLT 1/26 organic 81mm mortar platoon.

(a) Direct Support.

During Operation Daring Rebel "A" 1/13 was in direct support of BLT 1/26 with "W" 1/11 providing reinforcing fires when assigned by "A" 1/13. Upon commencement of Operation Pipestone Canyon "A" 1/13 was put under operational control of 3/11 (25 May), along with "W" 1/11.

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On 31 May operational control was turned over to 1/11. Both batteries fired contact missions, preparatory and withdrawal fires, harassing fires, interdicting fires, and counter-battery. During May, "A" 1/13 fired a total of 246 missions and 4,423 rounds "W" 1/11 fired 175 missions and 1,878 rounds.

(b) Naval Gunfire.

During Operation Daring Rebel, Naval Gunfire was used to the maximum. Preparatory fires, withdrawal fires, contact illumination missions, intelligence missions, harassing fires, and interdicting fires were used. One spot team was provided to Company "C", and one to Company "D" for the operation. The Naval Gunfire Team has the capability of providing three (3) spot teams at this time. On Operation Pipestone Canyon, no Naval Gunfire was available until 31 May. During May, Naval Gunfire fired a total of 78 missions and 2,900 rounds.

(c) 81mm Mortar Platoon.

The 81 platoon maintained its tactical integrity for operation Daring Rebel. All mortars were displaced as a platoon and fired by one FIC. On 25 May two (2) mortars were attached to Company "C" and put under operational control of 3rd Bn., 5th Marines; therefore, the 81 platoon had six (6) mortars in general support of the line companies on Operation Pipestone Canyon. The 81mm Mortar Platoon participated in observed missions with "A" 1/13, and "W" 1/11 which resulted in 14 of the enemy confirmed kills. Besides contact missions they fired harassing fires, interdicting fires, contact illumination missions, preparatory missions, and one counter-mortar mission.

5. AIR SUPPORT.

During the month of May, BLT 1/26 used helicopters for 168 med-evacs, nine troop lifts and 4,883 sorties. A total of 3,333 civilians were moved to Combined Holding Interrogation Center (CHIC) for relocation, and 9,825 pounds of rice were removed from cache's, villages, etc. Resupplies were handled in forty-nine lifts containing some 82,589 pounds. Fifty aerial observers were used, along with twenty gunships and eight spookies.

This is a total of the air craft used for the stated purposes during the month of May 1969, and includes uses on all or part of the two different operations in effect then.

6. PERSONNEL

a. Combat Losses.

<u>WIA</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
EVAC	4	79
MINOR	9	22
<u>KIA</u>	0	12

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b. Non-Combat Losses.

<u>Injured</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
EVAC		71
MINOR		3
<u>Killed</u>	0	0

c. WIA's Returned to Duty

Seventeen (17)

d. R&R Trips - 120e. Personnel Rotated PCS - 92f. Replacements Received - 4 OFF - 172 ENL7. ADMINISTRATION.a. Personnel Accounting.

On 24 May 1969 the Battalion S-1 along with all Company/Battery Administrative Sections and Supply elements for the Battalion moved ashore from the USS Okinawa (LPH-3) as a part of the back load phase of debarking the BLT. Company/Battery Administration remains intact with close supervision from Cognizant Battalion Staff. The entire administration of the Battalion is centrally located in order to expedite the process of administration.

b. Awards.

2 - Navy Commendations
14 - Navy Achievements
7 - Purple Heart

c. Promotions.

6 to First Lieutenant
1 to Master Sergeant
4 to Gunnery Sergeant
1 to Staff Sergeant
1 to Sergeant
212 to Corporal
64 to Lance Corporal
14 to Private First Class

d. Significant Events.

Eight Marines were promoted combat meritoriously during May for outstanding performance of duty during Operation Daring Rebel; six to Corporal, one to Lance Corporal and one to Sergeant. A total of 212 Marines were promoted to Corporal by this Battalion as a result of achieving the required GMC composite score.

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8. LOGISTICS.a. Supply and Resupply.

Shortages of major items of equipment did not affect the operational capabilities of this battalion during the month of May.

b. Food/Water.

Battalion Supply operating stocks were set up aboard the USS Okinawa. During operation Daring Rebel, two days of classes I, III, and V were maintained in a BSA ashore. HMM 362 surface craft from ARG Shipping were used to resupply the BSA ashore. HMM 362 provided transportation for resupply from the BSA to the Company positions. FSC DaNang provided resupply of class I and V and transportation from Tien Sha ramp to the BSA ashore was provided by ARG Shipping. During Operation Pipe Stone Canyon, a battalion rear consisting of all Company and Battery Administration Sections, Battalion Supply operating stocks, and Battalion Motor Transport was set up and maintained at Hill 34. A Battalion forward was maintained at Hill 55 consisting of the Shore Party Platoon and personnel from the S-4. All class I, III, and V were drawn from the LSA on Hill 55. Supplies of Class II and IV were called for from Hill 34 and delivered to Hill 55 by organic trucking. Resupply of all Company positions and the Battalion CP were accomplished by truck or helicopter.

c. Maintenance.

1st Force Service Regiment (FSR) provided this unit with the necessary support in repairing deadline combat essential equipment and we are still in the state of C-1 operational readiness. Items that have been deadline for 3rd and 4th echelon repair have either been replaced by Float Maintenance or repaired.

d. Camp Facilities Development.

At the present time recommendations for improved living conditions are being made for Hill 34.

9. TRAINING.

a. A total of twenty-five newly joined personnel attended indoctrination class.

- (1) From 20 May 1969 - 23 May 1969 the Battalion was embarked aboard the USS Okinawa LPH-3 and conducted general military subjects classes on Company level.

10. CIVIC ACTION/PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE.

a. Civic Action during the month of May consisted of the dropping of Chi. Hoi leaflets and Psy Ops during operation Daring Rebel and Broadcasts informing the indigenous to move toward civilian collection points. USS Okinawa supplied 100 loaves of bread per day for the feeding of detainees being processed at the Combined Holding and Interrogation Center.

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5. Civil Action and Psy Ops were not utilized during Operation Pipestone Canyon.

11. COMMUNICATIONS.

- a. Radio. 1 to 4 May preparation for pending operations. From 5 May to 21 May during operation Daring Rebel Communications were established in accordance with CTG 79.4 COI. Throughout the operation Communication with ARG Shipping and the SLF-A was maintained over the following circuits:

- (1) SLF TAC NET
- (2) LOG/Admin Net
- (3) TAC LOG NET

In addition Air, Naval Gun Fire, and Artillery circuits were installed as required. To retain a reliable communication link, even through periods of great separation with the ARG Shipping, an HF circuit was established on the tactical Air request net.

23 to 25 May the offload was conducted on TAC LOG and Battalion TAC circuit with the Command Group established on Hill 55 and the Battalion Rear, with Message Center, on Hill 34.

On 23 May Communication Guard was shifted from the USS Okinawa to 1st Tank Battalion. A Messenger courier run was established from BLT 7/26 Rear to 1st Tank Battalion Message Center.

A Regimental Tac Circuit was entered with 7th Marines on Hill 55. The southern sector defense circuit was entered on Hill 34 with 1st Tank Battalion.

On 26 May Operation Pipestone Canyon.

7th Marine Regiment TAC NET was maintained until 310600 May. At 310600 7th Marine Regiment TAC was dropped and 1st Marine Regiment TAC #2, #3, and #4 were entered.

- b. Radio Relay. During Operation Pipestone Canyon a PCC-1 shot was attempted with limited results due to frequency complications and antenna configuration.
- c. Wire. Internal wire communications was maintained throughout operation Daring Rebel from 5 May to 21 May. On 23 May on Hill 55 the 7th Marine Regiment wire switchboard was entered on a common user circuit. On 26 May this line was removed upon moving the CP from Hill 55 and entering Operation Pipestone Canyon AO. Internal Battalion Wire Communication Circuits were maintained for Operation Pipestone Canyon.
- d. Maintenance/Supply. Aboard the USS Okinawa the Tech Shop was set up in a limited area due to lack of available space. During operation Daring Rebel, two technicians were attached to the Command Group and performed 2nd echelon maintenance in the field. That equipment requiring more

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detailed maintenance returned to the USS Okinawa and repaired aboard or sent to [redacted] for repair. No significant problems were encountered. After moving the BLT Rear to Hill 34 the Tech Shop was set up on Hill 34 and there maintained operations throughout operation Pipestone Canyon. Communication supplies were well coordinated with Battalion Supply due to continuous liaison by both parties.

- e. Significant Events. The entire month of May was an immense strain on both equipment and communication personnel. Initiative of all individuals was the primary factor in maintaining effective and efficient communications for BLT 1/26.

12. MEDICAL/DENTAL SUPPORT.

a. Medical.

- (1) Location of the BAS: 1 May 1969 to 23 May 1969 (USS Okinawa, LPH 24 May 1969 to 31 May 1969 (Hill 34)
- (2) Number of Doctors/Corpsmen: 2 Doctors
58 Corpsmen
- (3) Casualties/Injuries treated:
 - (a) Combat: 111
 - (b) Non-Combat: 539

b. Dental.

- (1) Location of Dental Clinic: 1 May 1969 to 31 May 1969 (USS Okinawa LPH-3)
- (2) Number of personnel treated: Not available.

c. Significant Events.

- (1) HM3 Richard L. COX killed in action on 27 May 1969.
- (2) HN Joseph C. WILTSIE killed in action on 31 May 1969.

13. RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES.

a. Personnel. 1 Chaplain and 1 Assistant.

b. Services Conducted.

- (1) Sunday: 7 Services; 452 attended.
- (2) Weekday: 10 Services; 145 attended.
- (3) Memorial 2 Services; 800 attended.
- (4) Communions: 262 Communicants.

c. Facilities. Not Applicable.

d. Significant Events. Not Applicable.

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From: Commander BLT 1/26

To: Commander, Task Group 79.4

Subj: Combat after Action Report, Operation Daring Rebel

Ref: (a) CTG 79.4

Encl: (1) BLT 1/26 After Action Report, Daring Rebel

1. Enclosure (1), is submitted in accordance with reference (a).


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COMBAT AFTER ACTION REPORT, DARING REBEL

1. NAME OF OPERATION: DARING REBEL
2. INCLUSIVE DATES AND LOCATION OF OPERATION: 051000H May 1969/201200H May 1969, Map Reference Vietnam 1:50,000, AMS Series 7014 Sheet 6640 I. The assigned Force Beachhead was in the Northeast corner of Quang Tin Province from BT 253460 inland to BT 220460 North along the Truong Giang River north to BT 170494 following the Quang Tin Province/Quang Nam Province Boundary to the Beach at BT 229523.
3. COMMAND HEADQUARTERS. Commanders, Task Group 79.4 embarked aboard SLF/ARG Shipping. BLT 1/26 OPCON to Commander 79.4.
4. TASK ORGANIZATION.

Task Group 79.4	Col. W. C. DOTE
BLT 1/26	LtCol. G. C. KLIEFOTH
HMM 362	LtCol. J. E. SCHLARP
5. INTELLIGENCE. (SLF Intelligence estimate for Operation Daring Rebel)

a. Enemy Situation.

General. No specific unit uses the area as a permanent base of operations. In the Past, however, the enemy has utilized Barrier Island as a rest and rehabilitation area. Further, the location of the island poses it as a potential staging area for attacks against DaNang or Hoi An. Hostile forces known to be operating in or near the AOA are listed in paragraph 5 b. There are unconfirmed reports from ARVN sources of an unidentified enemy battalion in the AOA. The enemy has fortified the area with well constructed fighting holes, trenches, bunkers and tunnel complexes, which are generally oriented to repel attacks from the north.

b. Enemy Order of Battle.

- (1) The following list of enemy units are known to be operating in or near the area of operation.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>AKA</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>EST STRENGTH</u>	<u>CURRENT PROB LOCATION</u>
Q.80th Co.	HOI AN Co.; X 62 Co; 72 Co; Q.12 Co; 44th BN; F.12 Co;	LF	105	BT 1758
Q.81st Co.	DUY XUYEN Co; Q.13 Co; 103rd Co; 73rd; Q.13B	LF	105	BT 1053
36th NVA Regt.	Unit 1016	NVA	725	BT 0050
38th NVA Regt.	E38 Quang Da Prov. Regt;	NVA/LF	1,230	BT 0254

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D. 21; Thang Bing Co;
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BT 1735

90th NVA Regt. 3rd Regt.

NVA 1,500

AT 7950

- c. Operational Effect on Enemy. The enemy has the ability to attack, at anytime or place on Barrier or to defend well concealed and reinforced bunkers; also to evade direct or sustained contact with our forces. The enemy also has the ability to withdraw or conceal his forces utilizing the waterways for withdrawal or using prepared tunnels and bunker complexes for concealment of troops, supplies and equipment. Because of overwhelming friendly forces blocking withdrawal routes it was expected once the enemy knew of the operation he would make every attempt to flee the area or to hide until the operation was complete.
6. MISSION. Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, BLT 1/26 conducted a helicopter-borne and surface amphibious assault in AOA. Assisted in transfer of civilian population from AOA to CHIC to eliminate VCI on Barrier Island; Conducted search and clear operations in AOA, to locate, capture, or kill all enemy forces and to locate and capture all enemy caches or installations.
7. CONCEPT OF OPERATION. At L-Hour, on D-Day BLT 1/26 conducts amphibious helo assault of two Companies into Western portion of AOA. At H-Hour, conduct a one Company surface assault over Southern Beach in AOA and establish Arty/Mortar Fire Support Base (FSB), to include BSA and screen of Southern AOA boundary. BLT 1/26 assisted by Psy-Ops assets moved Civilian Population to Collection Points for further transportation by helicopter to CHIC and subsequently conducts a thorough search and clear operation throughout (AOA). (See Operation Order for Correct wording.)
8. EXECUTION. Messages.
- a. 30/April 4 May CTG 79.4 conducted liaison with 1st MAW and 51st ARVN Regt. and completed coordination for amphibious OP Daring Rebel on Barrier Island South of DaNang RVN.
- b. 021300H May 69 initiating directive for operation Daring Rebel received by BLT 1/26 from CTG 79.4.
- c. 050900H May 69. BLT 1/26 prepares to land on Barrier Island and assume control of AOA as designated on operation overlay.
- d. 051000H to 052400H May 69.
- (1) 1000H Co D landed in LZ Tiger at BT 198473. Received automatic weapons fire from across the waterway to the West.
- (2) 1000H Co C landed in LZ Lion at BT 176494. Received sniper fire from tree line from across waterway to the West.
- (3) 1005H Co A landed over Beach Red with Negative contact.

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(k) 51st ARVN Regt. captured 24 POW's sent to CHIC.

(5) Co A killed 7 VC in a spider hole. Bn CP Perimeter heard movement - ontos fired small arms resulting in 1 VC KIA.

(6) HMM 362 remains aboard LPH 3 USS Okinawa.

(7) BLT 1/26 suffered 8 WIA's this period.

e. 060001H to 062400H May 69.

(1) Co D received 24 mortar rounds. Fired Counter Mortar fire and called in medevac.

(2) Co C discovered tunnels and caves. Swept area and found 125 civilians.

(3) NGF fired 256 rounds of 5 inch SS Rockets at grid 210500 observed secondary explosion.

(4) Helicopters received several bursts of automatic weapons fire at Co C CP. Fired arty, 60mm mortars and 106mm RR with neg results.

(5) BLT 1/26 killed 19 enemy on 06 May for a total of 27 enemy dead this reporting period.

(6) BLT 1/26 suffered 2 dead and 9 wounded this period.

f. 070001H to 072400H May 69.

(1) Co C received automatic weapons fire.

(2) Co D received small arms fire from 20 to 40 enemy.

(3) Recon saw approximately 50 women at grids 238482 and 238486.

(4) Co C found 700 pounds of rice, 2 chickens, and misc. gear at grid 189498 found 2000 pounds of rice.

(5) Co B received small arms and RPG rounds from grid 199480.

(6) BLT 1/26 killed 3 enemy during this period and suffered 6 Marines wounded.

g. 080001H to 082400H May 69.

(1) D Co fired on unknown number of enemy moving east across waterway found 1 VC KIA.

(2) NGF conducted recon by fire resulting in 4 secondary explosions. One mission on fortified ville resulted in 1 secondary explosion and a sustained fire for approximately 10 minutes.

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- (3) Co B received small arms and RPG rounds.
 - (4) A total of 17 VC POW's, 37 VCI are being held at CHIC.
 - (5) BLT 1/26 killed 2 VC for a total to date of 32 VC KIA's.
 - (6) BLT suffered 5 WIA's this period.
- h. 090001H to 092400H May 69.
- (1) Co D fired on 6-10 enemy resulting in 1 VC KIA.
 - (2) Co A found 900 pounds of rice.
 - (3) Co B found hidden tunnel behind false wall along with 8 POW's, documents, and 500 pounds of rice.
 - (4) Co B fired 60mm, 81mm and arty at 40 enemy at grid 207505 with unknown results.
 - (5) BLT killed 6 VC on 9 May for a total of 38 VC KIA's.
 - (6) BLT 1/26 suffered 1 WIA on 09 May 1969.
- i. 100001H to 102400H May 69.
- (1) Co C had numerous probes at grid 187495. Fired M-16, M-79s and threw M-26. Swept area found 5 VC KIA's.
 - (2) Co B fired on suspected enemy movement at grid 195480, resulting in 6 VC KIA's and 1 detainee.
 - (3) BLT killed 12 VC this period for a total of 50 VC KIA's.
 - (4) BLT 1/26 suffered 4 WIA's this period.
- j. 110001H to 102400H May 69.
- (1) Co C received small arms fire. Returned fire with M-60 with unknown results.
 - (2) Co B took 5 RPG rounds and AK-47 fire. Returned fire with M-60, M-79 and 81mm HE with unknown results.
 - (3) BLT 1/26 killed 3 VC on 11 May for a total of 53 VC KIA's.
 - (4) BLT 1/26 suffered 3 WIA's on, 11 May 69.
- k. 120001H to 122400H May 69.
- (1) Co C received 4 incoming mortar rounds and AK-47 fire. Returned fire with negative results.

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(2) BLT 1/26 killed 7 VC on 12 May for a total of 60 VC KIA's this operation.

(3) BLT 1/26 suffered 5 WIA's on 12 May 69.

l. 130001H to 132400H May 69.

(1) Co C, Co D, Co A, made numerous contacts during the day.

(2) Co C spotted 40 enemy at grid 201509 and fired small arms, 106mm RR and arty swept area finding 11 VC KIA's.

(3) CHIC has held 69 interrogations to date which has resulted in 37 POWs and 70 VCI.

(4) BLT 1/26 killed 13 VC on 13 May for a total of 73 VC KIA's this operation.

(5) BLT 1/26 suffered 3 WIA's on 13 May 69.

m. 140001H to 142400H May 69.

(1) Co's continued search and clear of AOA with numerous small contacts resulting in 37 POW's and 3 VC KIA's for a total of 76 VC KIA's this operation.

(2) BLT 1/26 suffered 4 WIA's on 14 May 69.

n. 150001H to 152400H May 69.

(1) Co's apprehended a total of 7 VC POW's and killed 1 VC for a total of 77 VC KIA's this operation.

(2) BLT 1/26 suffered 2 WIA's on 15 May 69.

o. 160001H to 162400H May 69.

(1) Co's continued search and clear operations and blowing of tunnel and cave complexes.

(2) No VC KIA's this period.

(3) BLT 1/26 suffered 1 WIA on 16 May 69.

p. 170001H to 172400H May 69.

(1) CHIC received 6 D-40 Rockets landing 75 meters outside perimeter.

(2) PF from CHIC spotted 20 VC at grid 204427. Fired arty from A/1/13 resulted in 3 VC KIA's.

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- (3) The CHIC Center has received throughout the operation a total of 3313 detainees interrogation of which has resulted in 66 VC POW's and 109 VCI.
- (4) BLT 1/26 killed 8 VC on 17 May for a total of 85 VC KIA's this operation.
- (5) BLT 1/26 suffered 1 WIA on 17 May 69.
- q. 180001H to 182400H May 69.
- (1) Co D captured 3 enemy at grid 211501 and 2 others at grid 2095504.
- (2) Co D fired 60mm mortars and arty at 15 enemy at grid 199464 resulting in 5 VC KIA's.
- (3) BLT 1/26 suffered 2 WIA's on 18 May 69.
- r. 190001H to 192400H May 69.
- (1) Co D opened fire on 2 enemy at grid 208505 which resulted in 2 VC KIA's, 1 M-26 grenade, and assorted documents and messages.
- (2) Co B captured 5 women, 4 children and 1 man.
- (3) Co C found hidden bunker with 1 VC hiding inside.
- (4) Co D captured 2 detainees hiding in bunker with 2 M-26 grenades and personal gear.
- (5) Co B fired 60mm and arty at 20 - 25 VC in open at grid 20194624 which resulted in 7 VC KIA.
- (6) BLT 1/26 killed 15 VC this period for an operation total of 105 VC KIA's.
- (7) BLT 1/26 suffered 2 WIA's on 19 May 69.
- s. 200001H to 201230H May 69.
- (1) Co's made negative contact this period and start backload of the BLT at 0615H.
- (2) Backload completed at 201230H May 69.
- t. 201800H May 69.
- (1) SLF/ARG Alfa terminate operation Daring Rebel.
- u. On termination of Operation Daring Rebel, casualties were as follows:

FRIENDLY

KIA - 4
WIA - 56

ENEMY

KIA - 105
WIA - Unknown

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Civil affairs and Psychological activities were limited to 4 Psychological over flights telling the civilians where to go and the feeding and transporting of detainees to CHIC Centers.

9. RESULTS: See para 5 c. above. Friendly losses are outlined in para 10 of below, enemy losses covered in closing remarks of para 8 i. above. Friendly equipment lost or destroyed was negligible.

10. COMMANDER ANALYSIS.

Pre-operation amphibious training had been limited by higher authority and the availability of suitable "secure" landing areas. Amphibious training was basically subordinate ship to shore movements, limited ~~exercising~~ of the TACLOG and ships platoons, and amphibious CPX's. As a result, difficulties were experienced in both command and control (particularly communication response) and resupply upon landing and during the initial steps of the operation.

The former was rectified rapidly on D-Day. However, as a result of lack of familiarity with the HMM nucleus-operandi, in addition to ~~inexperience~~ with the BLT, resupply procedures were not completely smoothed out until D + 4. Despite this, no supply deficiencies developed. It was merely a sake of doing things the hard way at the onset.

Existence of the RATF SACC created delays and frustrations until FSOC personnel of the BLT become adjusted to its existence and completely familiar with its procedures. The existence of a "coordination/cooperation" arrangement with flanking RVN units in line of "Unity of Command" is considered to have diminished the effectiveness of the operation. Independent action and occasional refusal to "cooperate" caused gaps in the overall Barrier Island front or cordon. It is believed upwards of 100-150 enemy "escaped" as a result.

The Team works, esprit, and mutual support within the BLT, with the HMM and SLF Headquarters contributed greatly to the success of the operations, is evidence of the soundness and efficacy of the MEU concept.

a. Planning.

- (1) Prior to and throughout the operation continuous and close planning and liaison was conducted with pertinent commanders.

b. Command Relationships.

- (1) BLT 1/26 was under OPCON of CTG 79.4 during the entire operation.

c. Enemy Contact: (See para 5 c. above)

d. Supporting Arms:

A/1/13

Missions - 240
Rounds - 4,241

W/1/11

Missions - 175
Rounds - 1,878

NGF

Missions - 78
Rounds - 2900

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Total Missions: 493
Total Rounds: 9,019

e. Logistics:(1) Planning.

- (a) Liaison established with FLC DaNang.
- (b) DLT drew supply/resupply from in-country sources.

(2) Execution.

- (a) DLT supply rear established LZ 460.
- (b) All requisitioning of supplies I through V accomplished ashore through FLC, DaNang.
- (c) DLT 1/26 Admin Rear remained aboard ARG shipping.
- (d) SLF/ARG with HMM 362 remained holding area in support of operations ashore from 1000H 5 May 69.
- (e) HMM 362 provided helos for C and C for SLF and DLT 1/26.
- (f) HMM 362 maintained 15 minutes medevac standby.
- (g) No insurmountable supply problems were encountered.
- (h) The USS Tortuga was designated as primary control ship (PCS).

- f. Casualty Reporting. Casualty reporting was conducted in accordance with current directives. The 9th MAB CRCC-ALFA was located aboard the USS Okinawa (LPH-3), which was designated the Primary Casualty Receiving Ship. DLT 1/26 and TG 79.4 casualty representatives were positioned at NSA DaNang RVN to collect and pass casualty information concerning Special Landing Force ALPHA personnel.

Casualty Recapitulation.

05-20 May 1969.
Friendly

KIA - 4
WIA - 51
WIA NE - 5
Non-Hostile - 64
Total - 124

- g. Civic Action: Civic action during this operation consisted of the dropping of Chieu Hoi leaflets and Psy Ops. Broadcasts informing the indigenous to move toward civilian collection points. The USS Okinawa supplied 100 loaves of bread per day for the feeding of the detainees being processed at the Combined Holding and Interrogation Center.
- h. ISO: Photographers and journalists were supplied the DLT by the SLF to provide information service coverage.

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1. Communications: Communications were established IAW and Message Center was maintained afloat. CTG 79.4 maintained Communication while BLT 3/26 maintained message distribution and accounting responsibility.

- (1) The following Nets were effective during Operation Daring Rebel.

SLF
BN TAC
LOG Admin
TAC LOG
LZ Control
BN TACP
Tactical Air Request
Air Observers Spot-Net
Naval Gun Fire Support Control
Arty Command
Conduct of Fire Net
81mm Mortar COF

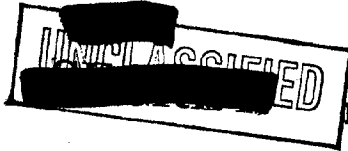
- (2) General.

- (a) The first two days of the operation considerable mutual interference was encountered. This problem was solved by greater distension of antennas and frequency shifting.
- (b) On D + 3 an HF circuit was established on the Tactical Air Request Net as a backup to overcome possible Communications failure due to the distance between the USS Okinawa and the above based CP.

11. LESSONS LEARNED: Prior to this operation BLT 1st Bn., 26th Marines when still functioning as a battalion, made most of it's enemy contact with NVA. Just the reverse was true in operation "Daring Rebel", where the majority of the enemy encountered are VC, who are extremely adept in planting booby traps, concealing themselves in well prepared tunnels and bunkers, etc. These tunnels and bunkers used by the VC on Barrier Island were strong enough to withstand artillery and airstrikes. Many of the tunnels and underground bunkers were so well concealed that only through the use of metal probes were many of family living bunkers and underground caches found. Only by remaining in the area for long periods of time, would it be possible to detect and destroy all bunkers and enemy living in them. The continued use of established LZs caused helicopters on many occasions to draw enemy fire. With very little effort the enemy was able to secure a "fix" on the LZs exact location.

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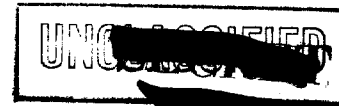
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Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence) and BLT 1/26 Frag Orders for specific operations.
- (2) Current Intelligence Summaries.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) References (a) and (b).
- (2) U. S. Seventh Fleet. (COMSEVENTHFLT) provides naval forces for amphibious operations by initiating directive.
- (3) Special Landing Force ALFA (TG 79.4) conducts amphibious operations for the purpose of establishing Battalion Landing Team 1/26 ashore to conduct further air and ground operations; and, when directed, conducts an amphibious withdrawal.
- (4) Submarine Group (TG 70.9), when directed, provides APSS for clandestine insertion of landing force personnel.
- (5) Coastal Surveillance Force (TF 115) provides necessary Market Time Forces and intelligence support.
- (6) "In-Country" Free World Forces conduct combat operations against the enemy.
- (7) Air Support
 - (a) Attack Carrier Strike Force (TF 77), when directed, provides Air Support.
 - (b) CG, III MAF or 7th Air Force provides Air Support when directed.

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- (c) Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron assigned, provides helicopters in the Ship-to-shore movement in accordance with the BMT Landing Plan and provides helicopter support ashore, as required.

(8) Naval Gunfire

- (a) Annex E (Naval Gunfire Support).
- (b) Cruiser Destroyer Group (TG 70.3) when directed, provides naval gunfire support.

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization).
- (2) TG 79.4 Frag Orders and ~~BMT~~ 1/26 Frag Orders for specific operations.

2. MISSION. Battalion Landing Team 1/26 conducts amphibious assaults by helicopterborne and/or waterborne assault landings; seizes designated objectives; conducts combat operations within the force beachhead to destroy enemy forces, supplies, installations, and lines of communication; or such other missions as may be assigned, and upon completion of assigned mission or when ordered, executes an amphibious withdrawal.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of Operations. Annex C (Concept of operations).

b. Companies A, B, C and D (Rein)

- (1) Commencing at H-Hour or L-Hour, land over designated landing beach by landing craft/amphibian vehicle or into designated landing zone by helicopter in the assigned objective area.
- (2) Conduct combat operations to destroy enemy forces, supplies, installations and lines of communications as directed; or such other missions as may be assigned.
- (3) Be prepared to assume the missions assigned the BMT Reserve.
- (4) Upon Completion of assigned mission and when ordered, execute an amphibious withdrawal.

c. 81mm Mortar Platoon

- (1) Maintain a General Support status and be prepared to provide direct support as may be directed by particular BMT 1/26 Frag Orders.

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e. A Battery, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines

- (1) Direct Support of BLT 1/26.
- (2) Be prepared to land on order over assigned beach by waterborne craft.
- (3) Conduct operations in accordance with Annex F (Artillery).

f. Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines

- (1) Direct Support of BLT 1/26.
- (2) Be prepared to land on order over assigned beach by heli-borne and/or waterborne assault into designated landing zone and/or beach.
- (3) Conduct operations in accordance with Annex F (Artillery).

g. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th AMTRAC Bn

- (1) Provide Amphibian vehicle support for waterborne landing as directed.
- (2) Maintain capability to displace ashore in support of land operations and riverine operations as directed.

h. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th AT Bn

- (1) Provide anti-mechanized defense and assault capability as directed by particular BLT 1/26 Frag Orders.
- (2) Provide additional direct support fires on order.

i. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th Eng Bn

- (1) Detach engineer teams to assault elements as directed.
- (2) Conduct additional engineer tasks on order.

j. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th LT Bn

- (1) Provide motor vehicle support as may be directed in particular BLT 1/26 Frag Orders.

k. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th Recon Bn

- (1) Be prepared to provide reconnaissance elements for insertion into amphibious objective area prior to D-Day, H-Hour, and L-Hour.
- (2) Provide reconnaissance support to operations ashore as directed.

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1. 2nd Plt. Co A, 5th SP Bn

- (1) Provide HST support as directed to control the landing and movement of helicopterborne forces, equipment, and supplies and to evacuate from the landing zone casualties, prisoners of war, or other personnel and equipment as directed.
- (2) Control landing and movement off the beaches of troops, equipment and supplies as directed.
- (3) Evacuate from the beaches casualties and prisoners of war as directed.
- (4) Provide for beaching, retraction, and salvage of landing ships and craft as directed.

m. 1st Plt. Co A, 5th TK Bn

- (1) Provide mechanized assault capability for coordinated tank and infantry operations ashore as directed.
- (2) Provide anti-mechanized defense as directed.
- (3) Provide other direct support fires on order.
- (4) Provide indirect fire support on order.

n. BLT Reserve

- (1) Be prepared to assume the mission of any of the assault companies.
- (2) On D-Day or upon pre-D-Day insertion of reconnaissance unit, provide Sparrow Hawk Force of one Rifle Platoon (Rein) prepared to embark aboard aircraft within 10 minutes. Reference (b) refers.

o. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) This plan is effective for planning upon receipt and for execution upon receipt of appropriate Frag Orders for each operation.
- (2) Liaison will be maintained with adjacent and supported friendly units. This includes liaison with government officials of the Republic of Vietnam at all levels when authorized.
- (3) All elements of the landing force will be instructed with regard to rules of engagement prior to each amphibious operation.
- (4) Day/Hour Designations
 - (a) ~~S-Day~~ -- ~~Day~~ reconnaissance unit lands.

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- (b) T-Hour - Hour reconnaissance unit lands.
 - (c) D-Day - Day Amphibious assault forces land.
 - (d) H-Hour - Hour waterborne amphibious assault forces land.
 - (e) L-Hour - Hour helicopterborne amphibious assault forces land.
 - (f) W-Hour - Hour tactical units begin final tactical movement to close on beaches and/or landing zones for withdrawal.
- (5) Authority to change helicopter approach and retirement lanes will remain with CATF, or when control is passed ashore, with CIF. Change of lanes will be directed by HDC over appropriate nets. SACC will notify all supporting arms of the change.
 - (6) Authority to change landing zones from primary to alternate when such change does not entail deviation from assigned approach and retirement lanes are vested in the senior troop commander embarked in the helicopterborne force. Where a landing zone change necessitates deviation from assigned approach and retirement lanes, authority to change zones is vested in CATF, or with CIF when control of air is passed ashore.
 - (7) Where actual flight safety considerations preclude use of the primary LZ, the flight leader will make recommendations to the senior troop commander embarked to authorize diverting to a designated alternate LZ.
 - (8) Termination instructions will be contained in appropriate Frag Orders for each operation.
 - (9) Instructions for amphibious withdrawal will be contained in appropriate Frag Orders for each operation.
 - (10) Fire Support Coordination. Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
 - (11) Naval Gunfire Support. Annex E (Naval Gunfire Support).
 - (12) Artillery Support. Annex F (Artillery).
 - (13) Use of riot control agents (RCA) will be in accordance with appropriate Frag Orders for each operation.
 - (14) Reports. Annex R (Reports).
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Annex I (Administration and Logistics).
 5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.
 - (a) Annex H (Communications-Electronics).

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(b) Command Posts(1) Afloat

CAIF (CTD 7944) To be designated,

CLF (CTD 7944) To be designated,

CLF (BLT 1/26) To be designated.

(2) Ashore. To be designated.*G. C. Kliefoth*
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ANNEXES:

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1st Bn.. 26th Marines

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H&S Co. (-) (Rein)

Lt. Wilson

Det. Hq Bn, 5th MarDiv
 Det. Hq Co, 26th Marines
 Det. 15th Dent. Co, 9th MAB

Co A (Rein)

Capt. VETTER

Co A
 Det. H&S Co.
 FO Team, section, 81mm Mortars
 Det. Comm Plt
 Det. Med. Plt.
 S-2 Scout
 FO Team "A" Btry 1/13
 Det. 1st Plt., Co A, 5th Engr Bn.
 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SF Bn. (HST)
 NGF Spot Team

Co B (Rein)

Capt. REGAN

Co B
 Det. H&S Co.
 FO Team, Section, 81mm Mortars
 Det. Comm Plt
 Det. Med Plt
 S-2 Scout
 FO Team, "A" Btry, 1/13
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 Det. 2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SF Bn (HST)

Co C (Rein)Capt. ~~Regan~~

Co C
 Det. H&S Co
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 Det. Comm Plt
 Det. Med Plt
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Co D (Rein)

Co D

Det. H&S Co

FO Team, section, 81mm Mortars

Det. Comm Plt

Det. Med Plt

S-2 Scout

FO Team, "A" Btry, 1/13

Capt. MOOREHEAD

81mm Mortar Plt (-)

Lt. WEIR

106mm RH Plt

Lt. FRUIT

"A" Btry, 1/13 (-)

Capt. CREEL

"W" Btry, 1/11

Lt. BELLIS

1st Plt, Co A, 5th AMTRAC Bn (Rein)

Lt. BARTEE

1st Plt, Co A, 5th AT Bn (Rein)1st Plt, Co A, 5th Engr Bn (-)

Lt. SHEA

1st Plt, Co A, 5th MT Bn

Lt. MALINOWSKI

1st Plt, Co A, 5th Recon Bn

Lt. COE

2nd Plt, Co A, 5th SP Bn (-) (Rein)

Lt. JINN

1st Plt, Co A, 5th TK Bn (Rein)

Lt. VOSS

1st Clearing Plt, Co D, 5th Med Bn

Lt. ROUBAL

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Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

- Ref: (a) Map series and sheet numbers to be published for each objective area
 (b) MACV Directive 190-3 of 29 Oct 1969
 (c) FM 30-5
 (d) I CTZ Intelligence Estimate 12-68
 (e) Task Force 79 Operation Plan 120-(YR)
 (f) BRIGO P3000.1

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF THE ENEMY SITUATION

- a. Detailed intelligence will be promulgated by S-2 prior to each operation to include Order of Battle, an analysis of the weather and terrain and political situation as appropriate.
- b. Basic intelligence of the area of operation is derived from a variety of publications. These include but are not limited to the following:

(1) Order of Battle.

- (a) CINCPACFLT Order of Battle, Communist Forces, Far East.
 (b) COMUSMACV Viet Cong Military Order of Battle, Volume 1.
 (c) COMUSMACV Viet Cong Political Order of Battle, Volume 1.

(2) Current Intelligence.

- (a) III MAF INTSUMS.
 (b) I FFORCEV INTSUMS.
 (c) II FFORCEV INTSUMS.
 (d) IV CTZ INTSUMS.
 (e) COMNAVFORV INTSUMS.
 (f) Special Reports as available.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Specific essential elements of information (EEI) will be issued for each operation. The following EEI's relate to all objective areas in accordance with references (d) and (e).

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- (1) Determine the strength, location, identification, composition, and organization of enemy forces in the objective area.
- (2) Determine the political affection of the populace.
- (3) Determine if operations in the objective area have a significant effect on the political, sociological, and economic attitude of the populace, and, if so, the effect.
- (4) Determine the current condition of local facilities such as structures, roads, river crossings, etc.
- (5) Determine if opposing forces will use NBC warfare. If so, when, where, and which types.
- (6) Determine the opposing forces capability for AA fire. Determine identifications and dispositions, weapons, doctrine, patterns, and weaknesses.
- (7) Determine opposing forces sources of weapons, equipment, food, salt, and other supplies. Determine methods of delivery and main land and sea logistic infiltration routes. Determine methods of delivery and main land and sea logistic support areas within our AOA.
- (8) Determine opposing forces methods for marking AP/AT mine locations, including patterns and habits of emplacing mines in friendly AOA.
- (9) Determine the locations of helicopter landing sites in areas not controlled by the World Forces. Determine nature of defensive measures against friendly helicopter operations.
- (10) Determine if any operations prior to large scale helicopter operations alert opposing forces that a landing will take place.
- (11) Determine opposing forces' tactics as defense against large scale helicopter operations.
- (12) Determine what type of communications equipment is at the disposal of opposing forces. Determine methods of command and control between opposing forces echelons.
- (13) Determine what methods the opposing forces use to gain control and keep control of the civil populace. Determine the effectiveness of the methods.
- (14) Determine what actions of the civil populace are indications of opposing forces presence in friendly AOA.

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Determine effects of Marine operations on attitude of civil populace in areas defined as pacified, under pacification, cleared, under opposing force control, and under neither FW forces or opposing forces control. Determine what factors affect attitudes.

- (16) Determine the methods of opposing forces executing tribute to include the control structure, items taxed, rates, tax collect- or identities, methods of transporting taxes collected, cache points for collected taxes, and methods of protecting the col- lectors.
- (17) Determine effects of H and I fire on opposing forces operations and morale.
- (18) Determine effects of supporting arms, including aerial bombing on opposing forces' troop movements, base camps, logistic areas, and morale.
- (19) Determine the identity, composition, missions, and personalities of any opposing forces intelligence or security elements.
- (20) Determine the relationship between regulars and insurgent forces. Determine if the units are being intermingled, to what extent, who commands, and what the effect is on morale.
- (21) Determine evidence of coordination between main, local, and guerilla type units in MOA.
- (22) Determine the opposing forces capability of employing mechanized forces.
- (23) Determine the opposing forces capability of conducting air at- tacks with any type aircraft.

3. INTELLIGENCE ACQUISITION TASKS.

a. Orders to subordinate units.

(1) Battalion Landing Team.

- (a) Collect and report all information as to hostile contacts, sightings, and incidents.
- (b) Report time and direction of any significant movement of the local civil population.
- (c) Conduct reconnaissance as required within the area assigned.
- (d) Provide information of EEI's.

b. Request to higher, adjacent, and supporting units.

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(1) Commander, Amphibious Task Force.

- (a) Provide or arrange for aerial photography as requested. Provide route and area reconnaissance on call.
- (b) Provide current and predicted weather as required.
- (c) Provide information as obtained on beach and surf conditions.
- (d) Provide information as obtained on hostile Order of Battle in area of operations.

(2) Helicopter Squadron.

- (a) Collect and report all information as to hostile contacts, sightings, and incidents to include AA fire positions within EIT AOA.
- (b) Conduct visual reconnaissance within capabilities.
- (c) Report time and direction of any significant movement of the local civil population.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING CAPTURED PERSONNEL, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS, AND CAPTURED MATERIAL WILL BE ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE (a) AND THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Captured Personnel.

- (1) All captured personnel will be referred to as detainees until their final status has been determined by competent authority. All detainees will be eventually designated as prisoners of war, returnees, civil dependents, or innocent civilians.
- (2) All detainees will be treated in a humane manner. Upon capture they will be disarmed, searched, tagged, and held by the Battalion Landing Team until they can be evacuated to a location designated by this headquarters where a final determination as to their status will be made. Detainees may be interrogated by the capturing level for intelligence of immediate value.
- (3) Wounded detainees will be given adequate medical treatment and evacuated through captive or medical channels as appropriate. Medical personnel will relay to the nearest S-2 any information voluntarily disclosed by wounded detainees. Medical personnel will not interrogate wounded detainees.

b. Captured Documents.

- (1) All captured documents will be exploited within local capabilities prior to forwarding to TG 79.4 headquarters.

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All documents will be tagged and evacuated to TG 79.4 headquarters for evaluation and exploitation by intelligence personnel.

c. Captured Material.

- (1) All captured enemy equipment will be tagged with a POW/Captured Equipment Tag. When possible, items of captured equipment will be evacuated to TG 79.4 headquarters. Those items of equipment which cannot be moved will be safeguarded in place and photographs taken if possible. In the event captured equipment is in danger of imminent recapture by the enemy, unit commanders will destroy or otherwise render equipment inoperable to deny its reuse by the enemy.
- (2) IAW reference (f), any captured material becomes the property of the United States and appropriation thereof for personal use is forbidden. Items of captured material of no intelligence value may be returned to the finder as a souvenir if he so desires.
- (3) Captured foodstuffs, clothing and housekeeping supplies will not be destroyed unless the situation does not permit evacuation. These items will be disposed of in accordance with instructions to be promulgated by this headquarters.
- (4) An estimate of stocks contained in storage sites will be made and forwarded to TG 79.4 headquarters as a spot report.
- (5) In the event TG 79.4 comes under operational control of CTG 79 all captured enemy equipment will be processed in accordance with ref (f).

5. DOCUMENTS AND/OR EQUIPMENT REQUIRED.

- a. Appropriate maps and charts will be issued by this headquarters on an as required basis without requisitions.
- b. Requests for photography will be submitted to CTG 79.4 (Attn: S-2) using the following format:

Lima: (Air) (Surface) (Submarine) reconnaissance request.
Command making request and request number.

Mike: Photo reconnaissance.

November: Map series and sheet number.

Oscar: Description of target and coordinates.

Papa: Reason for making request.

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Quebec: Photo scale, type (vertical, forward firing, high, or low oblique, etc.).

Romeo: Number of prints, plots, or reports required.

Sierra: Delivery address, date and time.

Tango: 1 test acceptable date and time.

Uniform: Special instructions.

4. COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE

a. Military Security:

- (1) All information required for planning and operations will be strictly controlled with classified information to be used on a "need to know" basis.
- (2) Positive steps will be taken to ensure correct classification of all written material.
- (3) Security areas will be afforded positive control at all times.
- (4) All violations of security measures will be reported to this headquarters.
- (5) All personnel will be thoroughly familiar with the proper employment of the challenge and password.
 - (a) In the event of password compromise, this headquarters will be notified immediately.
 - (b) Assignment of password and countersign will be by numeral code and will be published by this headquarters in Frag Orders for each operation.
- (6) Personal or Government-issue effects such as correspondence, liberty cards, photographs, etc., which may tend to identify any units of the task force will not be introduced into the land area of operations.

b. Censorship. All personnel will be indoctrinated as to the practices of voluntary personal censorship of official and unofficial writing and conversation.

c. Special Operations. Measures must be established within the area of operations to prevent the introduction and use of sabotage and espionage agents. Emphasis should be placed on detecting/preventing the introduction of NEC weapons.

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REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE (c).a. Reports. Annex R (Reports)

- (1) Intelligence Summaries (INTSUMS) may be submitted in the clear with no reference to friendly forces. INTSUMS will be submitted in accordance with Annex R (Reports.).
- (2) Spot Reports are used to forward information of an urgent or critical nature. Initial and subsequent contacts with the enemy will be reported as expeditiously as possible by the BJT/Scdn utilizing the Spot Report. Spot Reports will be in accordance with Annex R (Reports.).
- (3) Flash Reports will be used to forward intelligence concerning a situation or an event which could possibly affect the task force mission.
- (4) Shellreps, Mortreps, and Bombreps will be submitted in accordance with Annex R (Reports.).

8. MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUCTIONS.

- a. The specific characteristics of an area of operation will be promulgated prior to each operation. Publications which provide basic orientation and reference data include but are not limited to the following:
 - (1) FMFPAC Area Studies.
 - (2) COMUSMACV, CIGV Area Analysis Data Book.
 - (3) JDT Hydrographic and Beach Reconnaissance Reports.
- b. The target list will be initially maintained by CATF. When responsibility for coordination of supporting arms is assumed by CIG the target list will be maintained by the BJT FSCC.
- c. Interrogator-translator personnel will normally be provided to TG 79.4 by "in-country" commands. IPT personnel, when available, will remain at the designated collection point for captives. A minimum of two liaison/advisor personnel will normally be assigned to each rifle company.
- d. All personnel assigned to or attached to BJT 1/76 must be thoroughly familiar with the Code of Conduct for Members of the Armed Forces.
- e. Black, Gray, and White lists will be published when appropriate.

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Annex C (Concept of Operations) To Operation Plan 120 (Yr)

- Ref: (a) CINCPACFLT/COMUSMACV Agreement for U. S. Naval Support Operations Conducted in RVN.
(b) UCS Pub 2, Unified Action Armed Forces
(c) NWP 22 (b)

TIME ZONE H

1. MISSION. Battalion Landing Team 1/26 conducts amphibious operations by helicopterborne and/or waterborne assault landings; seizes designated objectives; conducts combat operations within the force beach-head to destroy enemy forces, supplies, installations, and lines of communications or such other missions as may be assigned and, upon completion of assigned mission or when ordered, executes and amphibious withdrawal.

2. CONCEPT

- a. This plan contains instructions for the conduct of amphibious operations along the littoral of Viet Nam in accordance with reference (a) and other countries in the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia.
- b. Amphibious assault operations conducted by the BLT will be so oriented as to make maximum use of its inherent mobility to insure maximum surprise and shock effect and to allow a rapid buildup of forces ashore. The scheme of maneuver ashore will be characterized by mobility, aggressive maneuver, and maximum feasible utilization of supporting fires. The flexible nature of the BLT enables it to maintain a posture allowing for rapid reaction to all contingencies.
- c. Amphibious operations in which the BLT may participate are categorized as follows.
 - (1) Unilateral fleet amphibious operations in which the landing force is composed of Pacific Fleet Amphibious Forces.
 - (2) Amphibious operations in which the predominant effort to accomplish the overall mission is by the amphibious force with "in-country" free world forces involved to a lesser degree.
 - (3) "In-country" operations requiring a supporting amphibious force operation with the landing force ashore acting in a lesser capacity.
 - (4) Joint operations by "in-country" free world forces and the amphibious force.
- d. All amphibious operations will be conducted in accordance with paragraphs 30277, 30278, and 30279 of reference (b) and with reference (c).

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- e. Objectives for the employment of the BLT for amphibious operations may vary from isolated points where operations require a minimum of coordination with "in-country" free world forces to combined force operations where the amphibious operation is a portion of a larger operation requiring detailed coordination. Operations may vary in duration from rapidly executed amphibious raids, to the establishment of fortified locations from which further actions may emanate.
- f. Due to the fluidity of the situation in the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia it is imperative that the BLT be prepared for short notice amphibious operations at any time.
- g. The BLT landing plan and scheme of maneuver ashore vary with each operation. Specifics will be promulgated by the BLT Frag Order for a particular operation.
- h. At the conclusion of the operations ashore and/or on order, the BLT executes an amphibious withdrawal.



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Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

- Ref: (a) SLFA Operation Plan 120A-(YR)
 (b) Special Landing Force Alpha (TG 79.4) SOP
 (c) FMFM 7-1
 (d) NWIP 22-2(A)

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TASK ORGANIZATION: Annex A

1. SITUATION.a. Enemy Forces - Annex B (Intelligence)b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Annex F (Artillery).
- (2) Annex G (Air Operations).
- (3) Annex E (Naval Gunfire).

2. MISSION. The Battalion Landing Team 1/26 Fire Support Coordination Center (FSCC) will exercise overall responsibility for planning, coordinating and controlling the conventional fires supporting the elements of the BLT 1/26, thereby ensuring maximum effective fire support and troop safety to all units throughout the operation.

3. EXECUTIONa. Concept

- (1) Fire Support coordination afloat will be in accordance with reference (d).
- (2) Landing Force fire support coordination will be in accordance with references (b) and (c).

b. CATF initially coordinates supporting fires, close air support and helicopter operations through the ~~Supporting Arms~~ Coordination Center (SACC)/Helicopter Direction Center (HDC).

c. BLT 1/26 will establish a Fire Support Coordination Center ashore for coordination of supporting arms. When the BLT 1/26 FSCC is full functional ashore, the Commander BLT 1/26 will inform FATF. Responsibility for coordination of supporting arms will then be assumed by Commander BLT 1/26.

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However, the BLT 1/26 FSCC will be returned to the SACC for air clearance.

- d. Coordination of supporting arms will be returned to the SACC prior to commencement of the amphibious withdrawal.
- e. Close air support will be in accordance with Annex G (Air Operations) and established Rules of Engagement.
- f. Artillery and naval gunfire will normally be under the positive control of the forward observer, naval gunfire spotter, or aerial observer in accordance with established Rules of Engagement.
- g. The FSCC, with the approval of the Commander BLT 1/26, will prepare scheduled fires or preplanned, on call fires on beach and helicopter landing zones. Such preparatory fires and on call fires will also be prepared whenever applicable to any phase of the operation, with recommendations from BLT 1/26, subordinate unit commanders. After approval from Commander BLT 1/26, these fires will be submitted to SACC for coordination.
- h. If operational control of BLT 1/26 passes to an "in-country" Free World Force, fire support coordination will be in accordance with the established "in-country" fire support coordination organization. The FSCC will effect sufficient liaison with "in-country" forces to ensure a smooth passage of control.
- i. In addition to the coordination of conventional supporting arms the FSCC will coordinate and insure the safety of 81mm Mortar Fires. 81mm Mortar support will be under the final control of the Commander BLT 1/26. Maximum effective safety precautions concerning ground forces and aircraft will be observed.

4. TARGET INFORMATION

- a. A target list will be maintained in accordance with Annex B (Intelligence). The target list, which will be maintained initially by the CATF, will be passed to the Commander BLT 1/26. Commands will maintain that portion of the target list that pertains to their assigned zones of action. The FSCC will adhere closely to this information while scheduling preplanned fires.
- b. Restricted targets
 - (1) Every effort will be made to preserve religious, cultural, medical, and public utility installations. Fires in heavily populated areas will be kept to a minimum. Specific restricted targets are designated in the target list.

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- (2) Destruction of restricted targets is prohibited except on the approval of the GAF or the Commander BLT 1/26, or when failure to destroy would jeopardize the mission of the BLT prior to receipt of the necessary approval.

5. AIRBORNE ELEMENTa. Air Sentries and Lookouts

- (1) Air sentries will be positioned at artillery firing units and on naval gunfire support ships, and will cease fire when friendly aircraft are approaching danger areas.
- (2) Artillery forward observers and naval gunfire spotters will check fire when it appears that the trajectories of artillery and support ships will endanger friendly aircraft.
- (3) Unless special coordination measures are prescribed, fires on helicopter routes in use are restricted to observed fires where the observer is capable of ensuring the safety of the helicopters using the route.

- b. The use of restrictive fire plans and save-a-planes will be utilized to further insure the safety of aircraft when necessary. These techniques will be utilized in accordance with appendices 2 and 3.

6. SAFETY OF GROUND FORCES

The FSCG, under approval and direction of the Commander BLT 1/26, will coordinate fire support through the use of no fire lines, fire support coordination lines, and other measures. These will be submitted to EAGC for coordination with other elements and units. These techniques will be utilized in accordance with appendix 1.

7. COMMAND - COORDINATIONS - ELECTRONICS

- a. (1) Annex E (Communications-Electronics)
- (2) Appendix 5 (Fire Support Coordination Communications)

b. Command Posts(1) Afloat

GAF (CMT 79.4) (3100) to be designated
 GAF (BLT 1/26) (7900) to be designated
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(2) Ashore - to be announced.

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APPENDICES:

- ✓ 1. Coordination Methods
- ✓ 2. Restrictive Fire Plans
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- ✓ 4. Target Numbering System
- 5. Fire Support Coordination Communications

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Appendix 1 (Coordination Methods) to Annex D (Fire support Coordination) to Operation Plan 120-(VR)

1. The following coordinating techniques will be utilized by BLT 1/26 to permit rapid attack of targets of opportunity without the necessity for prior formal coordination.
 - a. No Fire Line (NFL) Commander BLT 1/26 will recommend a NFL to the SLF ALFA Commander beyond which artillery and naval gunfire can fire at targets of opportunity without further coordination.
 - b. Fire Support Coordination Line (FSCL) A line designated by SLF ALFA Commander, based upon recommendations of Commander BLT 1/26 and SLF ALFA Air Officer beyond which air strikes may be conducted without further coordination.
 - c. Fire Coordination Line (FCL) The FCL is used to regulate all supporting fires, as well as offensive air strikes, during link up operations. Neither forces, link up or stationary, will deliver fires or strikes across the FCL without prior clearance of the other unit.

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Appendix 2 (Restrictive Fire Plan) To Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to
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- a. A restrictive fire plan establishes air space for the operation of aircraft that is reasonably safe from friendly conventional fires (figure I)
- b. If Commander BLT 1/26 deems a restrictive plan necessary, it will be submitted to SLF ALFA Commander through FSOC channels for approval and publication.
- c. If approved, the restrictive fire plan will be published on the required air, artillery and naval gunfire net by SACC. Where possible, the desired restrictive fire plan should be submitted with the close air support request.
- d. To assure safety of helicopters in rapidly moving situations, during periods of reduced visibility and to support certain schemes of maneuver utilizing heliborne troops preplanned special restrictive fire plans will be used. These plans will be published by SACC and activated when necessary by a flash message over the appropriate nets by SACC.

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RESTRICTIVE FIRE PLAN

CODE NAME: As designated in the Operation Order (ex. HOT SHOT).

DESCRIPTION: All surface fires are prohibited between prescribed altitudes within the specified rectangular area during the time the plan is in effect. The length of the area is designated by two or more coordinate points and the width is specified by a given distance to either side of the line joining these points.

REQUEST FORMAT:EXAMPLE

a. Code Name	Hot Shot 06-1 (Sixth day, 1st plan)
b. Coordinates	782306 to 791316
c. Width	500 meters
d. Altitude	800 to 1500 feet
e. Expected Time	0900 - 0930

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Appendix 3 (Save-A-Plane) to Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Plan 120-(VR)

1. The "save-a-plane" system is designed to warn pilots of all artillery and naval gunfire in an area without restricting the ground commander's flexibility in using his supporting arms.
2. "Save-a-plane" warning system will be utilized in the following manner:
 - a. The BLT 1/26 FSOC will notify SACC or SLF FSOC of planned fire missions in the following format:

	<u>EXAMPLE</u>
(1) Unit Firing	Bad Actor Alpha
(2) TGT. Location (6 digit Coord.)	672548
(3) TGT. Number	AK 108
(4) Max. Ordinate	2000 Feet
(5) Estimated Time of Fire	1000 to 1015
3. The SACC will convert the information from the above paragraph to a MAGAN bearing/distance, assign a "Save-a-Plane" number and publish the warning to air crews.
4. Upon publication of the warning, SACC will then notify the BLT 1/26 FSOC of its clearance to fire using the following format:
 - a. "Clear to fire Target AL 108, Save-A-Plane 30-1".
 - b. The firing unit is then clear to fire the mission.
5. "Save-a-Plane" will be positively cancelled, "Save-a-Plane" warnings will not expire until actual completion of the firing. Therefore, upon completion of firing the following action will be taken:
 - a. BLT FSOC will notify SACC/FSOC on completion of fire mission to cancel "Save-a-Plane".
 - b. SACC/FSOC will cancel the appropriate "Save-A-Plane".

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6. Upon publication of the "Save-a-Plane", it becomes the responsibility of the aircraft commander to remain clear of the area where artiller or Naval Gunfire is in progress.

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Appendix 4 (Target Numbering System) to Annex D (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. Designation and allocation of target numbers within BLT 1/26 is required to indicate to SLFA the firing/planning unit and to coordinate fire support plans without unnecessary duplication.
2. The assignment of target designators and numbers to BLT 1/26 will be in accordance to current SLFA procedures. When the objective area is within an area already utilizing a specific system, assigned designators will conform to that system.
3. Designation and allocation of target numbers will depend upon the units assigned and will be promulgated for each specific operation in the operation order.
4. Artillery groups of fires consisting of two or more targets covering a tactical locality will be designated by inserting a numeral between the two letters of the target numbers.
(Ex. Target numbers AK 101, AK 102, and AK 103 becomes AK1)
5. Artillery series consisting of two or more groups of fires or a group of fires and another target will be designated by Code Names. The Code will be designated in the operation orders.
(Ex. Artillery groups D12 and L23 are designated series ABLE.)
6. Designation of Counter-fire targets will follow procedures outlined in Para 2308 of FM 7-4.
7. Artillery FFE Designation will be designated by battery letter as follows:

4.2 mortar = $\frac{4.2}{W}$ 200 meters

105 mm = $\frac{105}{A}$ 200 meters

155mm = $\frac{155}{B}$ 300 meters
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Annex E (Naval Gunfire Support) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

Ref: (a) COMUSMAC Letter Ser No 0022, 10 Jan 1966
 (b) NWIP 22-2
 (c) FMFM 7-2
 (d) FMFM 7-1
 (e) SLF ALFA SOP for Fire Support Coordination
 (f) NWIP 22-1 (B)

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: TU 76.4.1 Naval Gunfire and Screen Unit (Naval Gunfire ships will be assigned by COMSEVENTHFLT initiating directive for each amphibious operation).

1. SITUATION.

a. General.

- (1) Reference (a) states that in other than built-up areas naval gunfire may be directed against VC forces on contact in accordance with normal procedures. When not in contact, unobserved fire will be directed only at targets or target areas declared hostile by GVN, VN liaison personnel, observers, or forward air controllers. Further, unobserved naval gunfire will be employed only under exceptional circumstances and in cases where:
 - (a) The requested naval gunfire missions cannot be observed due to geography, weather, or other factors; or
 - (b) No U. S. TACP, SFCP, FAC's or airborne artillery spotters trained in naval gunfire spotting are available.
- (2) In other non-hostile areas of the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia, similar restrictions will be observed unless otherwise directed by COMUSMAC of the country in which operations are conducted.

b. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) Current INTSUMS

c. Friendly Forces.

- (1) See Friendly Forces Annex A (Task Organization) and BLT 1/26 Frag Orders for specific operations.
- (2) Annex G (Air Operations).

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- (3) Appropriate SLF ALPHA Frag Orders.

2. MISSION.

Naval Gunfire and Screen Unit (TU 76.4.1) supports the landing and operations ashore of Battalion Landing Team 1/26 with naval gunfire.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Specific naval gunfire instructions will be issued by Frag Order for each amphibious operation.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Fire support areas and stations, boundaries, and zones responsibility of fire support ships will be promulgated by CATF for each operation.
- (2) SACC will coordinate naval gunfire with other supporting arms in accordance with reference (b).
- (3) When fire support coordination is passed to BLT Cmdr, naval gunfire will be coordinated with other supporting arms in accordance with references (c), (d), and (e).
- (4) Requests for naval gunfire support will be made to the gunfire support ships by the shore fire control party and/or airborne spotter assigned.
- (5) VT and MT fuzed projectiles not set on safe will not be fired over the heads or within 300 yards of friendly ships, troops, or landing craft unless specifically requested by the supported unit commanders.
- (6) Use UTM grid reference system or reference point system all target locations.
- (7) Target priority will be in accordance with paragraph 815 of reference (b).
- (8) Restrictive fire plans will be in accordance with paragraph 816 of reference (b), and reference (d) and (e). The code name for a restrictive fire plan will be numbered consecutively with each new series beginning at 0001 local time.
- (9) Shore fire control party and individual NCF spot teams will make an hourly report of friendly positions to the naval gunfire ship (s) and SACC/FSCC respectively. Friendly position reports will also be made whenever there is a significant change.
- (10) Controlled pre - L/H - Hour fires may be directed on HLZ's and beaches. All fires will be under positive control and will be fired only in areas not normally occupied by nonhostile or indigenous personnel in the normal business of the day. There will be no preparation fires in villages and hamlets.

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- (11) Landing Force FSCC will coordinate naval gunfire zones of responsibility to correspond to the boundaries of the supported troop units in accordance with paragraph 310 of reference (b).
- (12) Requirements for D-Day schedule of fires will be submitted to BLT Cmr.
- (13) Smoke and illumination will be coordinated with adjacent units through SACC/FSCC (whichever is coordinating supporting fires).
- (14) Rockets will not be fired over friendly troops, landing craft or shipping.
- (15) Coordination of air support, artillery, and naval gunfire in accordance with Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).
- (16) SFCs will establish radio communications with direct support ships at H-60. In the interval before SFC's commence functioning ashore, ships will execute schedule fires, using air spotters as appropriate. Air spotters may recommend repetition, acceleration, or reduction of scheduled fires as the situation dictates.
- (17) Fires through helicopter routes are permitted only when the ship and/or spotter can observe and ensure that no aircraft are endangered.
- (18) Free fire zones, if applicable, will be designated for each objective area and by Frag Order.
- (19) Reports. Submit concise consolidated reports of targets fired on and the results of such firing for each six hour period, beginning at 1200 D-Day in accordance with ref (f), pages A-66 through A-70.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. To be issued for each operation.5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Annex H (Communications-Electronics)
- b. Basic Plan.



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Annex F (Artillery) to Operation Plan 120-1-69

Ref: (a) Maps: Maps of operation area. Scale 1:50,000
 (b) Firing Chart: Grid Sheet. Scale 1:25,000
 (c) BLT 1/26 COI

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence) and current INTSUMS.
- b. Friendly Forces. Annex A (Task Organization) and BLT 1/26 Operation Plan.
- c. Attachments & Detachments.
 - (1) Attachments
 - (a) Btry A, 1st Bn., 13th Mar
 - (b) Btry A, 1st Bn., 11th Mar
 - (2) Detachments. None

2. MISSION. BLT artillery land on order over beaches and in landing zones to be designated; support operations conducted by BLT 1/26.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of Operation. Annex C (Concept of Operation)
- b. Btry A, 1st Bn., 13th Mar. Direct support of BLT 1/26.
 - (1) Answer calls for fire from BLT 1/26, own observers, and higher artillery headquarters respectively.
 - (2) Establish liaison with BLT 1/26.
 - (3) Establish communication with BLT 1/26.
 - (4) Zone of fires is zone of BLT 1/26.
 - (5) Furnish forward observers to each company sized maneuver element of BLT 1/26.
 - (6) Displace when battery commander deems necessary, or ordered by higher artillery headquarters/BLT CO.

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(7) Develop own fire plan to best support BRT 1/26.

c. Btry W, 1st Bn, 11th Mar. Reinforce fires Btry A and/or direct support of BRT 1/26.

- (1) Answer calls for fire from Btry A, own observers, and higher artillery headquarters respectively.
- (2) Establish liaison with Btry A.
- (3) Establish communication with Btry A.
- (4) Zone of fires is zone of Btry A.
- (5) Furnish forward observers upon request of Btry A.
- (6) Displace when requested by Btry A or ordered by higher artillery headquarters.
- (7) Fire plan developed by Btry A.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) D-Day, to be announced.
- (2) H-Hour, to be announced.
- (3) Position areas and fire capabilities (Ref. (a)) Appendix 1 (Position Areas and Fire Capabilities).
- (4) Firing chart (Ref: (b)).
- (5) Registration: No restrictions.
- (6) Registration points: Established by direct support battery FDC as needed (coordination with the FSC and FO).
- (7) Survey: To be furnished by local artillery battalion in the area of operation.
- (8) Target numbers: Ref. (c).
- (9) Counter battery/Counter mortar policy: Active.
- (10) Meteorological data: To be furnished by local METT Station (artillery battalion) in the area of operation.
- (11) ~~Ammunition restrictions:~~ Units will not expend more than 80 per cent of available supply rate without approval by BRT CO.
- (12) ~~No-fire lines:~~ Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).

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(13) Restrictions of fires: Annex D (Fire Support Coordination).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Report: Annex R (Report)

b. Available supply rate (rds/gun/day)

(1) 105mm How..... To be announced.

(2) 107mm Mortar..... To be announced.

c. Basic load (carried on organic vehicles - Ref. (d))

(1) 105mm How.....	HE plugged.....	126
	HE w/PD fuze.....	312
	Firecracker (M444).....	42
	WP.....	83
	Illumination.....	80
	HC smoke.....	10
	Green smoke.....	2
	Red smoke.....	3
	Yellow smoke.....	3
	Beehives.....	21
	(VT fuze.....)	126
	<u>Total.....</u>	<u>682</u>

(2) 107mm Mortar.....	HE w/PD fuze.....	236
	HE plugged.....	79
	WP.....	84
	Illumination.....	21
	(VT fuze.....)	79
	<u>Total.....</u>	<u>420</u>

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Annex H (Communication-Electronics)

b. Ref. (c) and (f).

c. Command Posts:

(1) Afloat:

Btry A, 1st Bn., 13th Mar. To be designated.
Btry W, 1st Bn., 11th Mar. To be designated.

(2) Ashore: Appendix 1 (Position Areas and Fire Capabilities)

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Units report location to FSOC/CIC when established.



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1. Position Areas and Fire Capabilities: To be included in Frag Order for specific operation.

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Annex G (Air Operations) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

Ref: (a) SLF ALPHA Operations Plan 120A-(YR)
 (b) COMUSMACV Directive No. 95.4
 (c) FMFM 7-3
 (d) FMFM 3-3

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

- a. General. Reference (b) establishes guidance, procedures, and instructions on the employment of U. S. Military Air delivered fire power in RVN.
- b. Enemy Forces: Annex B (Intelligence) and current intsums.
- c. Friendly Forces.
 - (1) Annex A (Task Organization)
 - (2) TG 76.4.0.2 provides the coordination and control of all air assigned to support the operations; establishes TACC and Provides HDC Liaison as appropriate; coordinates and controls all operations; and exercises control of all friendly air operating within the AOA.
 - (3) HMM provides direct support for BLT 1/26.
 - (4) 1st MAW will be requested to provide additional Air Support as required.
 - (5) The SLF Operation Order for each amphibious operation will indicate the aviation support available to BLT 1/26.
 - (6) Attack Carrier Strike Force (TF77), when directed, provides air support.

2. MISSION

Assigned aviation units conduct air operations in support of BLT 1/26.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Annex C (Concept of Operation)
- b. Annex D (Fire Support Coordination)
- c. The AOA will be defined in the SLF and BLT Frag Order for each amphibious operation

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d. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Control of all Air Operations by TACC until such times as control passed ashore.
- (2) Fire Support Coordination Line (FSCL) established by GO BLT 1/26 and modified as required by Frag Order.
- (3) Air Craft will be requested using standard mission request forms (Appendix 1) through the TAR net to include the following missions: Pre-D-day operations, ship-to-shore movement, ~~helo~~ escort, med-evac, close air support, TAC (A), Spooky, and Flaeship.
- (4) Preplanned missions must be submitted prior to 1000 on Day prior.
- (5) On call missions may be requested any time.
- (6) Air strikes will be coordinated with guidelines set down in Annex D (FSC).
- (7) Helo lanes will be established in accordance with helo landing plan for each operation.
- (8) Other Heli-borne and tactical air support will be conducted in accordance with references (c) and (d).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex I (Administration and Logistics)5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICSa. Communication-Electronics.

- (1) Communications in accordance with Annex H (Communication-Electronics)

b. Location of control agencies.

(1) COMPONENT	AGENCY	LOCATION
TF 79.4	TACC/TADC	To be designated
	Standby TADC	(Issued Separate
	DASC	in Air OPs Overlay)

- (2) Transfer of control functions ashore in accordance with NWP 22 (R) and NWIP 22-2 (A).



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APPENDIXES:

1. Mission Request Form
2. Med-evac Form

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Appendix 1 (Mission Request Form) to Annex 3 (Air Operations) to Operation Plan 120-(IR)

NAME REQ _____	TOC _____	WING DISC _____
UNIT REQ _____	DISC _____	WING CALL _____

1. REQUEST NUMBER _____ MISSION NUMBER _____

2. AIRCRAFT: () HELICO () OL/LIAISON () FIXED WING _____

3. CLASSIFICATION: () EMERGENCY () PRIORITY () ROUTINE

4. TASKS: () TROOPS () ADMIN () VR/SPOT-OBSERVE () RECON
 () LOGISTIC () STAFF () UNIT CMDR () OTHER _____

5. AIRLIFT DESCRIPTION:
 NUMBER OF TROOPS BY LINE _____
 CARGO WT/TIME INTERNAL _____
 CARGO WT/TIME EXTERNAL _____

6. INSTRUCTIONS FOR EACH TASK:

	PICK UP COORDINATES	DATE/TIME	DEST. COORDINATES
A. _____	_____	_____	_____
B. _____	_____	_____	_____
C. _____	_____	_____	_____

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

8. LZ/SITE () MARKED () SMOKE O/C () PANELS () LIGHTS ()

9. COMMUNICATIONS:

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Appendix 2 (Med-evac Request Form) to Annex G (Air Operations) to Operation
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MISSION NUMBER _____

* EMERGENCY _____ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE _____

DATE TIME GROUP REQUEST RECEIVED FROM COMPANY _____

REQUESTOR _____ DELAYED BY _____

* PICKUP AREA (COORDINATES) _____

* TACAN RADIAL AND DISTANCE _____

* NUMBER AND TYPE CASUALTIES: WIA _____ KIA _____ ILL _____ US _____ ARVN _____ CIV _____

* AAA REQ'D? _____ (AAA MEANS A DOCTOR. THERE WILL BE A CORPSMAN ON HELO
 UNLESS WE ARE TOLD OTHERWISE.)

* LANDING ZONE: SECURE _____ NOT SECURE _____

* BEST APPROACH DIRECTION _____

* CAN HELO LAND IN ZONE: YES _____ NO _____

* IF HELO CAN'T LAND, IS BASKET OR JUNGLE PENETRATOR REQ'D AND HOW TALL ARE
 TREES?

* LZ MARKED BY: SMOKE _____ PANELS _____ LIGHTS _____ OTHER _____

* CONTACT (CALL SIGN) _____ ON (FREQ) _____

* REMARKS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/TYPE WOUNDS AND WHAT CAUSED BY _____

TIME REQUEST CALLED TO REGT OR DASC _____

TIME HELOS AIRBORNE (TIME YOU FIRST HEAR THEM) _____

TIME HELOS CHECK IN WITH UNIT REQUIRING MED&VAC _____

TIME HELOS LIFT OUT OF ZONE WITH CASUALTIES _____

WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO TAKE CASUALTIES (CORPSMAN ON HELO USUALLY WILL DE-
 CIDE UNLESS JNTPY OFFICE TELLS YOU WHERE HE WANTS THEM TAKEN.)

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* GIVE THIS INFO TO REGT OR BASC. IF IT IS EMERGENCY AND ALL INFO IS NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE, ASK FOR HELOS TO BE LAUNCHED AND HE WILL PASS OTHER INFO WHEN AVAILABLE.

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Annex H (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

Ref: (a) Special Landing Force Alpha (TG 79.4) Operation Plan 120A-69
 (b) Communication Electronic Instruction (COI) TG 79.4
 (c) 9th MAB O 2000.1 (Comm SOP) dtd 23 Feb 69

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) The enemy has the capability to:
 - (a) Conduct limited interception, deception, and jamming on all radio circuits.
 - (b) Ambush wire teams, and wire tap long trunk lines.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization)

2. MISSION

Commencing at L or H-Hour, (-) 120 minutes, whichever is earlier, D-Day, Communication units assigned will provide Communication-Electronics support for the landing and subsequent operations ashore for the BLT.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Establish and maintain a Communication Center afloat.
- b. Radio silence will be lifted on order by the BLT.
- c. On order, establish radio relay communications between BLT 1/26 and TG 79.4 afloat.
- d. On order, establish DY-8 (Nestor-Crypto System). Between BLT 1/26 and TG 79.4 afloat.
- e. Helicopter messenger service will be provided by HMM.
- f. Air Support Communication
 - (1) Reference (c)
 - (2) Appendix (2) Radio Plan

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SECRETh. Coordinating Instructions.(1) Communication Center

- (a) All messages passed over all radio nets will use local time for the "Date-Time-Group".
- (b) Local time will be utilized when authenticating traffic sent on all radio nets.
- (c) Couriers will be employed when delivery of classified or lengthy reports is of sufficient importance to warrant their use.

(2) Authentication, Numeral Codes.

- (a) Authentication- KAC-QAG (Effective Edition)
- (b) Numer Code - KAC-QAG (Effective Edition)

(3) Radio.

- (a) Call signs and frequencies in accordance with reference (b). (COI)
- (b) Radio nets in accordance with appendix 2. (Radio Plan)
- (c) Radio silence will be lifted only by the BLT.
- (d) Commence guarding assigned circuits at (-) 120 minutes of L or H-Hour on D-Day.
- (e) All radio equipment is subject to enemy interception and no security information will be transmitted over uncovered circuits. Messages transmitted over uncovered circuits will be encrypted or encoded.
- (f) Command administrative traffic may be processed by the communications center for ultimate delivery over all types of nets in the event normal command channels fail.
- (g) BLT 1/26 radio nets will be operated as "directed" nets at all times unless otherwise directed.
- (h) Radio silence conditions are normally established in the Communications Annex for each operation. When imposed or lifted, radio silence must be authenticated, strict adherence to radio silence must be mandatory.
- (i) Net Control Stations (NCS) will act in a firm and positive manner to suppress procedural violations, ensure strong net discipline and minimize outage time.

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- (j) Antenna installations which may present a safety hazard to helicopter or low flying aircraft will be marked with panels, VS-4, VS-6 or other suitable material.
- (k) Radio Stations will be secured only on orders from or with the permission of the net control station.
- (l) Loss or capture by the enemy of any radio equipment will be reported to the Communications Officer immediately. This report will contain the following information:
 - (a) Type of radio, quantity, serial number(s), and number of batteries.
 - (b) Loss or capture.
 - (c) When.
 - (d) Where.
 - (e) Condition of radio; operative or inoperative.
 - (f) Any known or suspected use of the radio by the enemy.
 - (g) Additional comments (include frequency).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

- a. Annex I (Administration and Logistic).
- b. All radios will land with (2) batteries BA-386 or battery BB-451.
- c. Battery BB-452S will be charged aboard ship and resupplied daily as needed.
- d. Destruction of dry cell batteries will be in accordance with current instruction (burning, breaking, drowning).
- e. Limited second echelon maintenance ashore.
- f. Limited third echelon maintenance afloat.

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Appendixes:

- 1. Radio Relay
- 2. Radio Plan - to be issued for each separate operation

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1. The LRM is designated terminal "A"
2. Polarization: Vertical
3. Channelization as follows:
 - a. Common user
 - b. FSCC to SACC
 - c. BLT S-3 to SLP S-3
 - d. BLT S-4 to TAC LOG
4. Frequencies will be issued as needed.

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Annex I (Administration and Logistics) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

Ref: (a) Annex AE (Administration and Logistics) To CAG 79.4 Operation Plan 120-(YR)

(b) Brigo P5800.2

1. Supply

a. General

(1) Supply Sources

- (a) Supplies will be prepared and staged aboard assigned amphibious ships and ready for loading for helicopter and/or surface lift prior to D-Day.
- (b) Prescribed loads will be drawn from BLT supplies. L Form supplies will be issued only when approved by CAG 79.4.
- (c) Supply source will shift on order to designated LSA ashore.

(2) Prescribed Loads

(a) Class I

- 1 Meal, Combat Individual - 3 meals
- 2 Fuel, Amioxane Bar - 1 per meal
- 3 Salt Tablets - 4 per individual/day

(b) Class II

- 1 Combat essential
- 2 Dry cell batteries - 2 days

(c) Class III

- 1 Vehicle/tanks 3/4 full; filled 5 gallon fuel cans mounted on vehicles.
- 2 Rifle oil - each unit ensure they have enough LSA and bore cleaner for 15 day operation.
- 3 Two 1000 tankers loaded at LSO superdock, filled with diesel fuel.

SECRET(d) Class IV1 Combat essential.(e) Class V1 Basic allowance for all weapons to be landed.(f) Water1 Two filled canteens per individual.2 Halizone tablets - one bottle per man.(g) Medical1 Each corpsman carry a complete Unit 1 plus 4 weeks supply of malaria tablets for the unit to which attached.2 Each individual carry at least two battle dressings in first aid pack and tow in left trouser pocket.

(h) Maps. Maps will be issued by the BLT S-2 prior to beach operation.

b. Supplies and equipment available.

- (1) Supplies and equipment embarked aboard the assigned shipping will support independent operations ashore for a 15 day period.
- (2) For landings made in ERM, subsequent to D-Day, in - country supply sources will normally be utilized. Authorization for their use will be given by CGF 79.4.

c. Control and distribution of supplies.(1) Control

- (a) The BLT will establish a TACLOG group aboard the PCS with representation aboard other shipping on which embarked.
- (b) Custody, control, and distribution of supplies and equipment is a BLT responsibility. All requests for transportation will be submitted to TACLOG.

(2) Distribution.

- (a) Levels of supply in the objective area will not exceed one day of supply for any class unless approved by CGF 79.4.
- (b) Resupply will be by unit distribution.

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SECRET(3) Shore Party

- (a) The Shore Party Team will control points of embarkation and landing beaches over which supplies move to and from the ship.
- (b) Each time the BLT lands, Shore Party will be prepared to establish a Logistic Support Area on order at a designated place inland.
- (c) A Landing Zone Control Party will be attached to each line company upon embarkation.

d. Plan for landing supplies.

- (1) Helicopter and surface landed assault troops will carry prescribed loads as indicated in paragraph 1. (a) (2) above.
- (2) LVT's will be prepared to carry supplies to include Classes I, III, and priority V. This will be on as required basis when directed by the BLT Commander.

e. Resupply.

- (1) Resupply of all classes of supplies will be requested through the BLT TAGLOG no later than 1500 Hours the day before the resupply is desired.
- (2) As soon as possible after each landing, a helicopter support team consisting of Shore Party personnel and a representative from the BLT S-4 will report to a designated LSA to coordinate in-country resupply.

f. Captured material.

- (1) All captured material will be evacuated to the BLT intelligence section for evaluation and processing.
- (2) Units will report type, quantity, condition, location and date of all captured material.
- (3) Captured food that has not been contaminated will be salvaged.

g. Salvage.

- (1) All material requiring salvage will be reported and returned to amphibious shipping by most expeditious means.
- (2) No material of potential use to the enemy will be abandoned. Particular attention in this area should be given to the possibility of materials containing explosives and/or surprise firing devices.

2. Evacuation and Hospitalization.a. General.

SECRET(1) Sanitation and Preventive Medicine.

- (a) Troop Commanders will ensure maximum sanitary discipline under combat conditions.
- (b) Periodic foot inspections and changing of socks will be effected.
- (c) When natural water points are utilized, halizone tablets will be used.
- (d) Troop Commanders will ensure all personnel take their weekly malaria tablet.
- (e) Medical personnel will ensure that all immunizations are kept up to date.

b. Evacuation.

- (1) Assault Phase. Casualties occurring in landing craft or helicopters will remain aboard, if possible, and will be evacuated to medical facilities afloat.

(2) Ashore Phase.

- (a) Casualties occurring ashore will be evacuated to designated medical facilities afloat as directed by CTG 79.4.
- (b) Whenever possible, helicopters will be used for evacuation. Requests for routine med-evacs will be sent through the BMT MSGLOG. Requests for emergency med-evacs will be forwarded through the fastest means possible.
- (c) Every effort should be made to evacuate individual weapons and equipment with the casualty. Weapons must be cleared and all items should be tagged with the name and unit of the casualty.
- (d) All hand grenades, pyrotechnics, excess ammunition, organizational equipment, crew served weapons, and other serialized items such as radios, starlight scopes, binoculars, etc., must be removed from the evacuee for redistribution prior to evacuation from the field.

3. Transportation.

- a. Ocean. Assigned landing craft and afloats.

- b. Land. The landing of wheeled or tracked vehicles is restricted to those required for accomplishment of the mission.

- c. Air. Assigned aircraft.

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SECRET4. Service.

- a. Maintenance support for the BLT will be organic. Supply blocks of selected spare parts, clothing, and medical supplies are maintained aboard ARG shipping to be utilized only upon authorization of CEG 79.4.
- b. ISU
 - (1) Provide EOD support as requested.
 - (2) Provide 3rd echelon maintenance for tracked vehicles, Motor Transport, Engineer equipment, and Communications equipment as required.
 - (3) Be prepared to provide heavy equipment operators as ordered.
 - (4) Maintain bulk fuel supply support capabilities.
 - (5) Provide Ammunition Technicians support on order.

5. Personnel

- a. Strengths. All units will debark with appropriate strengths required to provide maximum combat efficiency.
- b. Replacements. Will be provided by normal input or upon special request to higher authority.
- c. Discipline, Law, and Order. Matters pertaining to discipline, law, and order will be handled in accordance with reference (b).
- d. Prisoners of War. Matters pertaining to prisoners of war will be handled in accordance with the instructions contained in Annex B (Intelligence).
 - (1) All provisions of the Geneva Convention will be observed when administering captives.
 - (2) Unit apprehending captives will ensure that an immediate search of the person is made.
 - (3) Disposition will be in accordance with Annex B (Intelligence) and the BLT Frag Order issued for each operation.
- e. Graves Registration. DIA's will be collected and evacuated to the LPH by whatever means are available, for processing and further delivery to the appropriate Mortuary. Disposition of personal effects of deceased personnel will be handled in accordance with current casualty handling instructions.
- f. Morale and Personnel Services.
 - (1) Personnel scheduled to go on RFR will be returned to the LPH at least 48 hours prior to scheduled departure from the BLT.

- (2) Personnel being transferred from the LPH will be returned to the LPH at least 72 hours prior to scheduled departure.
- (3) Award recommendations for acts of heroism will be processed in a most expeditious manner.
- (4) Naval Postal Service is available aboard all ARG shipping.
 - (a) Mail matter. All incoming/outgoing mail will be delivered to the respective company/attachments for delivery to the addressees at the earliest, tactical situation permitting.
- (5) Pay rosters will be routed to each company approximately 10 days prior to payday. It is recommended that Commanders advise their respective personnel to draw only the amount of money necessary for their immediate needs. Personnel will be paid commencing the first day of the month.
- (6) Religious services/activities are available on board ARG ships. Services in the field during operations will be conducted as a matter of routine by the BLT Chaplain and the Phibron Chaplain.

g. Civil Affairs/Civic Action

- (1) See 9th MAB Order 5710.2_ (SCP for Civil Affairs) and Annex S (Rules of Engagement).
- (2) Action taken will be the minimum required to gain cooperation of local populace, to include medical treatment, distribution of food and medical supplies as practicable.
- (3) Positive control must be exerted by all combat elements to ensure positive identification of targets as hostile before they are taken under fire. Indiscriminate destruction of villages or hamlets is forbidden.
- (4) Every effort will be made to separate women, children and men from VC, NVA or Detainees, giving them all the humanitarian consideration possible consistent with operational requirements.
- (5) Unit Commanders will ensure that troops are especially careful not to damage property, livestock, religious structures, graves, shrines, and other property which hold particular significance to the people.
- (6) Use of churches, temples, and other religious institutions for military purposes is prohibited.
- (7) No encouragement should be given sympathizers, in view of the short time ashore and limited evacuation facilities.

- h. Personnel Procedures. Procurement, classification and reclassification, assignment, promotion and reduction, transfer, rotation, separation, and retirement will be handled in accordance with current directives.

SECRET6. Miscellaneous.

- a. Security of all supplies, equipment, and personal effects while aboard ship is the responsibility of the Commanding Officer of Troops.
- b. Prior to debarkation for an operation, each individual will ensure that all personal property and equipment is stored in a locked sea-bag or foot locker and properly identified.
- c. When operating ashore, all expended dry cell batteries will be destroyed to prevent use by the enemy.
- d. Maximum command attention will be exercised in the care and maintenance of equipment.


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Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. General. This Annex contains instructions for the submission of Operational Reports required by CTG 79.4 on 1/26.

2. Required Reports.

<u>REPORTS</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>REMARKS/REFERENCES</u>
a. INTSUM	BLT	CTG 79.4	Commencing at H plus 4 covering the previous 4 hours and every 6 hours thereafter	Appendix 1 this Annex
b. SITUATION REPORT	BLT	CTG 79.4	Commencing at H plus 4 covering the previous 4 hours and every 6 hours thereafter	See Appendix 2 this Annex for format to be used when under OPCON SLF AFM or "in country" units. Use format of Tab A, Appendix 2 when under OPCON CTF 79.
c. SPOT REPORTS	BLT	CTG 79.4	As occurring	Appendix 3 this Annex
d. AFTER ACTION REPORT	BLT	CTG 79.4	5 days after completion of operation	Appendix 4 this Annex
e. JAMMING	BLT	CTG 79.4	As occurring	
f. SHELL REP/MORT REP/ BOMB REP	BLT	CTG 79.4	As occurring	Appendix 5 this Annex
g. CASUALTY REPORTS	BLT	CTG 79.4	As occurring	Appendix 6 this Annex

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h. MUSTER REPORTS	BLT	CTG 79.4	Upon reembarkation after operation ashore	
i. MAJOR ORDNANCE ENGINEER/EQUIPMENT LOST/DAMAGE REPORT	BLT	CTG 79.4	As occurring	Appendix 7 this Annex
j. REPORT OF SUPPLIES EXPENDED	BLT	CTG 79.4	24 hours after completion of operation	
k. LFORM ISSUED	BLT	CTG 79.4	Daily by 2000 as of 1800	List by class of supplies by ship. For Class V give DODAC and no. of rounds.
l. EQUIPMENT STATUS	BLT	CTG 79.4	Daily by 1800 as of 1600	Report status of combat essential equipment as listed in Frigo A000.1A
m. DUMP STATUS REPORT	SP(BLT)	CTG 79.4	Daily by 1800 as of 1600	Report status of classes of supplies on hand. Submit only when ISA is established ashore from assets afloat.
n. SMALL UNIT ACTIVITY IN MAJOR OPERATIONS	BLT	CTG 79.4	Daily; covering period from 0001H to 2400H	Appendix 8 this Annex Required only when OPCON to CTG 79 or CTG 79.4

APPENDIXES:

- 1-INTSUM
- 2-SITREP
- 3-SPOTREP
- 4-AFTER ACTION REPORT
- 5-(SHELLREP) (MORTREP) (BOMBEREP)
- 6-CASUALTY REPORT

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7-MAJOR ORDNANCE/ENGINEER EQUIPMENT LOSS/DAMAGE REPORT
8-SMALL UNIT ACTIVITY IN MAJOR OPERATIONS

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Appendix 1 (Intelligence Summary) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(IR)

1. REPORT TITLE

Intelligence Summary.

2. FORMAT

Message.

a. Issuing unit and INTOSU number.

b. Local date/time group for reporting period.

c. Summary of enemy activity.

(1) Ground activity.

(2) Air activity (if applicable).

(a) Air.

(b) Anti-air.

(3) Secondary explosions.

(4) Other.

(a) Counter-intelligence

(b) (Use this and subsequent sub-paragraphs for new VC/NVA tactics, techniques, etc. Use a sub-paragraph heading for each, e.g., "New Tactics").

d. Enemy personnel and equipment losses.

(1) KIA by: KMAC/S/ADGF/KRAF/KRA/KRAA/TOTAL.

(2) Confirmed.

(3) Captives Ralliers

VC/NVA

(4) Equipment destroyed or captured:

(a) Weapons.

(b) Equipment.

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- (c) Facilities.
- (d) Other.
- e. New obstacles and barriers.
 - (1) Within unit AO.
 - (2) Lines of communication.
- f. Administration activities. (Including information on VC/NVA logistics, infiltration routes, lines of communication, morale, etc.).
- g. New identifications.
 - (1) Units.
 - (2) Personalities.
 - (3) Weapons.
- h. Enemy movement.
 - (1) Movements.
 - (2) Locations.
- i. Weather and terrain conditions.
 - (1) Weather. (As detailed as desired).
 - (2) Terrain. (Conditions within unit AO).
- j. Brief discussion of capabilities and vulnerabilities.
- k. Conclusions.
- l. Number of instances of nationals volunteering information.
- m. Other
- n. Late entries.



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Appendix 2 (Situation Report BLT) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE

Situation Report

2. FORMAT

Message

- a. Unit locations.
- b. Summary (brief description of activities during reporting period).
- c. *Contacts.
- d. Significant Events.
- e. *Casualties.
 - (1) During period;
 - (a) Friendly.
 - (b) Enemy.
 - (2) Cumulative;
 - (a) Friendly.
 - (b) Enemy.
- f. *Civic action (brief description of activities).
- g. Plans (intentions for future ops).

*(Omit if Negative)



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Tab A to Appendix 2 (Situation Report BLT) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE

Situation Report.

2. FORMAT

Message.

a. Enemy.

- (1) Units in contact.
- (2) Enemy activity during period.

b. Own Situation.

- (1) Location of CP at the end of the period.
- (2) Front line positions and boundaries.
- (3) Own operations during period to include type and number of missions:
 - (a) Scheme of maneuver.
 - (b) Patrols - routes, size, type.
 - (c) Ambushes - location, size.
 - (d) Combat efficiency.
 - (e) Results of operations.
 - (f) Supporting arms employment to include type and number of missions fired.

c. Personnel.

(1) Own

- (a) Strength at end of period.
- (b) Casualties - KIA, WIA, MIA.

(2) Enemy

- (a) Casualties.
- (b) Captives.

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SECRETd. Logistics.

- (1) Location of administrative type troops and installations.
- (2) Status of supply and classes.
- (3) Equipment out of action - give circumstances surrounding how and where.
- (4) Captured material and weapons by type and number.

e. Civic Action Taken. Brief description.f. Any Unusual Events.g. Intentions. Brief summary of contemplated operations.

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Appendix 3 (Spot Report) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE

Spot Report

2. FORMAT

Message.

A. Contact Unit.

B. Date Time Group.

C. Coordinates. (a) friendly (b) enemy

D. Resume.

E. Action Taken.

F. KIA (friendly)

G. (1) WIA (evacuated) (2) WIA (minor)

H. MIA (friendly).


I. (1) VC KIA. (2) NVA KIA.

J. POW

K. Detainees.

L. Weapons Captured.

M. Equipment Captured.


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Appendix 4 (After Action Report) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE

After Action Report.

2. FORMAT

Formal Report.

(heading)

(date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commander, Task Force 79.4

Subj: Combat After Action Report (Operation _____)

Encl: (1) Overlay of the Operation

- (1) Name of Operation and/or Types of Operation.
- (2) Inclusive Dates and Location of the Operation.
- (3) Command Headquarters.
- (4) Task Organization.
- (5) Intelligence. A brief estimate of enemy strength, location, disposition, and situation anticipated in the objective area prior to the operation. Make a brief statement of enemy strength found as the operation was conducted.
- (6) Mission. State the mission as directed by higher authority.
- (7) Concept of the Operation. Include the who, what, where, and how. Sketches and/or overlays are appropriate.
- (8) Execution. Give, in chronological order, a narrative statement of events. Start with the receipt or issuance of the order and end with the termination of the operation. Highlight significant action and list losses to both sides as they occurred. Indicate duration of close contacts (fire fights) and results. Include techniques, tactics, deceptions, and decisions utilized. State the Civil Affairs and Psychological activity. Include all other pertinent information.
- (9) Results. Summarize casualties, prisoners, apprehensions, equipment, material and weapons captured. On friendly losses indicate the number of personnel and equipment lost or destroyed.

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- (10) Commander's Analysis. Statement by the commander as to the problems encountered and lessons learned. Include comments on CA/PSYOPS activities and planning or lack thereof. Include plans or actions taken with civilians, how controlled, evacuated, medically treated, relocated, etc.
- (11) Lessons Learned. Submit recommended solutions to problem encountered, explanations and descriptions giving the backgrounds of these problems, and action taken as desired.

3. FREQUENCY

After Action Reports will be submitted to this Headquarters within five days after the operation ends. After Action Reports will be submitted in the original and fifty copies.

4. SUBMITTED BY

BLT/HMM

5. SUBMITTED TO

Commander Task Group 79.4.



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Appendix 5 (SHELREP) (MORTREP) (BOMBREP) To Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

(SHELREP) (MORTREP) (BOMBREP) (State which)

- A. Reporting Unit
- B. Position of Observers - (Should be coupled)
- C. Grid/Magnetic Azimuth of Flash/Sound/Furrow
- D. Time From
- E. Time To
- F. Area Shelled/Mortared/Bombed. May be sent as:
 - 1. Azimuth and distance from observer (must be coupled).
 - 2. Grid coordinate.
- G. Number, caliber or size, and nature of weapon.
- H. Nature of Fire (registration, bombardment, harassment, etc).
- I. Number and type of shells, rockets, bombs, etc.
- J. Time of Flash to Bang.
- K. Damage.

- Notes:
- 1. The report must be preceded by the appropriate Code Word, SHELREP, MORTREP, BOMBREP.
 - 2. Paragraph headings are not transmitted. Only the letters corresponding to the paragraph heading is used plus the information.
 - 3. Paragraphs which cannot be completed or are not applicable will be omitted in the transmission of the report.
 - 4. Classification of the report may be warranted and may be used when the originator considers prevailing conditions require such action.

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All Marines will be made fully aware of the intelligence requirements of BIT 1/26 and every effort will be made to ensure timely, accurate, and detailed dissemination to all hands.


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Appendix 6 (Casualty Report) to Annex R (Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE.

Casualty Report.

2. FORMAT.

Message

- (1) Report number
- (2) Last name and last four digits of service number
- (3) Date time group of incident
- (4) Organization (Call sign of parent organization)
- (5) Type of wound (Gun shot wound (GSW), Fragmentation wound, Concussion, Heat exhaustion, etc.)
- (6) What caused injury and whether hostile or non-hostile (Enemy rifle, mine, grenade, punji-stake, accidental discharge, etc.). In questionable cases of hostile or non-hostile, company/battery commanders will make the decision).
- (7) Parts of the body affected (Identify parts of the body affected, i.e., right side of face, left ear, left hand, right foot, lower left leg, lower abdomen, etc.).
- (8) Condition (Indicate condition as given by medical representative. Use brevity code as follows):

Alfa - excellent
 Bravo - good
 Charlie - fair
 Delta - serious
 Echo - very serious
 Foxtrot - fatal

- (9) Prognosis (Indicate prognosis as given by medical representative. Use brevity code as follows):

Alfa - excellent
 Bravo - good
 Charlie - fair
 Delta - serious
 Echo - very serious
 Foxtrot - guarded

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- (10) Notification of next of kin. (Indicate whether individual does or does not desire notification of next of kin. Insert yes or no.) Always ask the individual.
- (11) Estimated period of hospitalization (enter estimated period of hospitalization. If hospitalized but period of hospitalization is unknown, enter "UNK". If not applicable, enter N/A.)

- (12) Status (indicate individual's status by using the following brevity code):

Alfa - treated in the field and returned to duty
 Bravo - treated in the field and awaiting evacuation
 Charlie - evacuated (if known, enter place evacuated by using the following brevity codes):

Echo - LPH
 Foxtrot - Repose
 Golf - Sanctuary
 Hotel - "A" Med, Phu Bai
 India - NSA DaNang
 Juliet - 1st Hospital Company, DaNang
 Kilo - 3rd Med Battalion, Quang Tri
 Lima - 22nd Casualty Support Facility, DaNang

Delta - Temporary Burial

- (13) Last Rites (This item will be reported on all MIA and DOW personnel. A statement of whether last rites were administered and the name and rank of the Chaplain who administered the rites).

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Appendix 7 (Major Ordnance/Engineer Equipment Loss/Damage Reports) to Annex R
(Reports) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

1. REPORT TITLE

Equipment Casualty Report

2. FORMAT

Message

- a. Item Description.
- b. Coordinates where lost/damaged.
- c. DTG of occurrence.
- d. Extent of damage.
- e. Circumstances concerning incident.
- f. Replacement required (yes or no).

3. FREQUENCY

As occurring

4. SUBMITTED BY

Unit concerned.

5. SUBMITTED TO

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Appendix 7 (Small Unit Activity in Major Operations) to Annex R (Reports) to
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1. REPORT TITLE

Small Unit Activity in Major Operations

2. FORMAT

Message

- a. Number of fire team, squad and platoon patrols
- b. Number of fire team, squad and platoon ambushes
- c. Number of company search and destroy operations
- d. Number of listening posts
- e. Number of scout/sniper actions
- f. Total casualties

(1) USMC

- (a) KIA
- (b) WIA (E)
- (c) WIA (NE)
- (d) MIA
- (e) NDC

(2) Enemy

- (a) KIA
- (b) VC PW
- (c) NVA PW
- (d) IWC
- (e) CSWC
- (f) DET

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(g) CIV DEF

(h) IN CIV



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Annex S (Rules of Engagement) To Operation Plan 120- (H)

Ref: (a) FMFPac Order 1610.2 w/ch 1
 (b) 9th MAB Order 1610.2 w/ch 1
 (c) COMSEVENTHFLT Op Order 201- (H), Annex R
 (d) COMUSMACV Directive Number 52-9 of 2 February 1966
 (e) CG FMFPac Spdltr 31/RAS/hss over 3305

Time Zone: H

1. GENERAL

- a. Rules of Engagement will be prescribed by the operational commander for a given situation/Operation and will vary according to the type of unit, its location and disposition. In the case of ground units, Rules of Engagement will vary from instructions to sentries on interior guard to patrols in enemy territory.
- b. Nothing shall infringe on the inherent right of the individual Marine to defend himself against attack. In the event of attack, the individual concerned may take immediate, aggressive action against the attacking force by any means available.
- c. In order to avoid embittering the friendly indigenous population against U. S. Forces, unit commanders must avoid the use of unnecessary force leading to noncombatant battle casualties.
- d. Maximum use will be made of friendly indigenous personnel (liaison) during the conduct of operations in order to provide identification of friendly forces and as a means of contact and identification of civilians.
- e. Prior to operations individuals will be instructed so as to increase awareness concerning responsibility for their acts and the acts of their subordinates in the combat environment to be encountered. Reference (a) and (b).

2. MINIMIZING NONCOMBATANT CASUALTIES

Commanders will hold troop indoctrination briefings prior to conducting operations to emphasize the importance of minimizing noncombatant casualties. Operations will be conducted utilizing the contents of reference (c) as a guide for operations in RVN and as guidance for operations in other non-hostile countries. In addition, the following guidelines are applicable:

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- a. In cases where defensive fire is undertaken, care will be exercised to ensure that friendly or innocent personnel are not endangered.
- b. In situations where light small arms fire is received from a populated area, every effort will be made to identify the exact target before engagement.
- c. The proper selection of landing zones, the careful planning and execution of air strikes, and the proper employment of artillery and armed helicopters will avoid unnecessary damage to lives and property of non-combatants.
- d. TGPs, SFOPs, and pilots of armed helicopters will be briefed on areas to be avoided due to the presence of a friendly or potentially friendly population. Such information will be determined from local officials by CTG 79.4, and promulgated in overlay form prior to operations, if feasible.

3. SAFEGUARDING OF VIETNAMESE AND NON-HOSTILE INDIGENOUS PERSONAL PROPERTIES AND FOOD SUPPLIES

Reference (c) promulgates the following guidelines concerning property and food supplies:

- a. Marines engaged in search and clear operations will take all practicable measures to minimize the destruction of non-hostile, indigenous personal property. The destruction of dwellings and livestock by U. S. Forces as a denial measure is prohibited. Such actions must be performed by local forces designated in the initiating directive.
- b. Requests by indigenous authorities for employment of U. S. Forces to destroy indigenous property, including livestock, will be referred to BLT Cntr.
- c. Large food caches discovered or captured will be reported to the BLT Cntr. for extraction and redistribution by local officials.

4. RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

- a. Unit commanders will instruct troops to fire only under the following circumstances:
 - (1) When they observe and identify a person or persons as enemy.
 - (2) When fire is being delivered on friendly troops.
 - (3) When personnel are obviously attempting, by hasty or suspicious acts, to avoid contact with friendly troops.
 - (4) When requested to fire by friendly armed forces commanders, after approval from appropriate headquarters.

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b. Reference (d) authorized artillery and naval gunfire missions to be conducted in accordance with the following:

- (1) In areas exclusive of villages and hamlets, artillery fire, and naval gunfire may be directed against enemy forces in accordance with normal fire direction procedures.
- (2) Unobserved artillery fire will be employed only in cases where requested missions cannot be observed due to terrain, weather, or when no U. S. TAC (A), TAO, or SFCP is available, and then only at targets declared hostile by GVN or VN liaison personnel.
- (3) Missions against known or suspected VC targets in hamlets and villages occupied by non-combatants will be conducted as follows:
 - (a) All fire missions on inhabited areas will be controlled by TAO or ground forward observer (FO) and will be executed only after local government officials approval, as appropriate.
 - (b) Inhabited areas not associated with ground operations will not be attacked by gunfire without prior warning (by leaflets and/or speaker systems or other appropriate means) even though light fire is received from them.
 - (c) Inhabited areas may be attacked without prior warning if the attack is in conjunction with a ground operation involving the movement of ground forces through the area and if, in the judgement of the ground commander, his mission would be jeopardized by such warning.

c. Reference (f) authorizes close air support missions to be conducted in accordance with the following:

- (1) All targets selected for an air strike will be approved by the Province Chief directly or through higher RVN authority if operations are being conducted in RVN. In other non-hostile countries the approving official will be identified in the SLF FRAG ORDER.
- (2) In an emergency, when no qualified means of control is available, the commander of the BLT unit engaged with the enemy, may designate the target for strike aircraft.
- (3) Close air support missions that involve strikes on inhabited areas must always be controlled by a FAC. If the attack on an inhabited area is deemed necessary and is executed in conjunction with ground forces in the area, the attack may be made without warning; however, appropriate local government approval is required, except in emergencies. If the attack on an inhabited area is not in conjunction with any immediate ground operation, the inhabitants must be warned by leaflets, and/or loudspeaker system prior to the attack and must be given sufficient time to evacuate the area.

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(4) AIO-ELC will:

- (a) Have thorough knowledge of the ground scheme of maneuver.
- (b) Make every effort to secure a local force observer if not available; an AIO/ELC is authorized to direct the air strike.
- (c) Maintain reliable communications with the ground unit and strike aircraft.
- (d) Make positive identification and mark the target.
- (e) Ensure that strike pilots are aware of friendly locations in relation to target, characteristics of target area, and local weather conditions.
- (f) Use 1:50,000 scale maps of target area, and photographs when available.

5. CONDUCT OF LANDING FORCE PERSONNEL

a. In order to win and maintain the support of the people of non-hostile nations and to gain their assistance in the U. S. struggle against enemy forces, all troops will be indoctrinated in the following rules of conduct while ashore:

- (1) They are guests of the non-hostile nation and should act as such. Local customs must be respected to the fullest possible extent.
- (2) They should join with the people and try to help them in any way possible.
- (3) They should be particularly polite to women and children.
- (4) They should make friends with their local counterparts.
- (5) They should be alert to civilian actions and attitude.
- (6) They should give the indigenous personnel the right of way whenever they are driving a vehicle.
- (7) They should not be loud or boisterous.
- (8) They should not "show off" money when in the company of indigenous personnel.
- (9) They should reflect honor on themselves and their country at all times.

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6. VIETNAM DEMILITARIZED ZONE

Rules of Engagement for action in the vicinity of the VIETNAM DEMILITARIZED ZONE will be ~~issued~~ separately.

7. SAMPLE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

The following is a sample set of Rules of Engagement for the individual Marine. It is a guide only and should be considered applicable to any unit or any particular area of operation.

- a. Rounds will not be in individual weapons unless contact with the enemy is imminent. The senior Marine present will determine whether, in his judgment, this measure must be taken to preserve lives of USMC personnel. Initiation of any offensive or defensive formation implies imminent contact with the enemy.
- b. Magazines will not be inserted in weapons in a camp area during daylight hours unless under attack.
- c. During the hours of darkness the sequence of engagement will be:
 - (1) Challenge.
 - (2) If the person challenged makes an overt attempt to avoid apprehension, opens fire or commits any other hostile act and therefore endangers the life of the challenger, the challenger may open fire.
 - (3) Unit commanders may prescribe illumination prior to firing if local circumstances allow.
 - (4) The requirement for challenge may be waived by the local commander if required by the tactical situation and friendly forces are known not to be operating in the area.


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Appendix 2 (Serial Assignment Table) to Annex W (Landing Plan) to Operation
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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
200	CTG 79.4	2	1 MRC-110 1 MRC-62 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LKA	
300	HMM 265	2	1 M679 1 M38 2 M100	1 LCM-8	LPH	
301	BJU	7	1 SHELTER 1 GOAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
321	COMM	4	26 PALLETS SUPPLY	1 LCM-8	LPH	
400	"A" 1st & CP	97	NORMAL COMBAT	4 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
401	"A" 2nd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	3 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
402	"A" 3rd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	3 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
403	A CO. HQ's	6	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
405	"C" 1st & CP	97	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
406	"C" 2nd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
407	"C" 3rd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
408	C HQ's	6	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
410	"D" 1st & CP	97	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
411	"D" 2nd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
412	"D" 3rd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
413	D HQ's	6	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
415	"B" 1st & CP	97	NORMAL COMBAT	4 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
416	"B" 2nd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	3 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
417	"B" 3rd	69	NORMAL COMBAT	3 LVTP-5 1 LCM-8	LPD	
418	B HQ's	6	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
430	81's	45	2 M274A2 4 81mm MORTAR TUBES	1 LCM-8	LPH	
431	81's	50	4 81mm MORTAR TUBES 3 M274A2	1 LCM-8	LPH	
435	106's FLAMES	25 8	4 M274A2 W/106's 2 M274A2 W/FLAMES	1 LCM-8	LPH	
436	106's FLAMES	25 8	4 M274A2 W/106's 2 M274A2 W/FLAMES	1 LCM-8	LPH	
440	HQ "A" COMM & S-3	5 1	2 MRC-83 1 MRC-87 2 MRC-109 1 M151A1 1 M16B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
441	"A"	3	3 M274A2	1 LCM-8	LPD	
442	"A", S-4 EMBARK MT	4	4 M151A1 2 M16B1 1 HPCU 1 LUBE UNIT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
443	CHAP, "B", COMM, SUP.	4	4 M151A1 4 M16B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
444	H&S, S-1, "C", "D"	4	4 M151A1 4 M16B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
445	BN. MT	3	3 M151A1 3 M16B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
446	BN. MT BAS	1	1 M170	1 LCM-8	LPD	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
447	S-2, MT CO (DLT) XO (DLT)	4	4 M151A1 4 M416B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
448	"B" Co. H&S Co.	4	3 M274A2 1 M274A2	1 LCM-8	LPH	
449	"C" & "D"	6	6 M274A2	1 LCM-8	LPH	
500	AMTRAC	40	10 LVTP-5A1		LPD	
501	AMTRAC	5	1 LVTC CMD		LPD	
505	TANKS	27	4 M48A3	4 LCM-8	LPD	Preloaded LCM-8
506	TANKS	8	1 M48A3	1 LCM-8	LPD	
507	TANKS	1	1 M54, 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LPD	
508	TANKS	1	1 M151A1 1 M416B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
510	AT's	12	3 M-50	1 LCM-8	LSD	Preloaded LCM-8
511	AT's	12	2 M50 1 M151 1 M416	1 LCM-8	LSD	Preloaded LCM-8
512	AT's	1	1 M37 1 M101	1 LCM-8	LSD	
513	AT's	1	1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LSD	
520	CTG 79.4	1	1 M49	1 LCM-8	LSD	
521	CTG 79.4	1	1 M49	1 LCM-8	LSD	
600	RECON	1	1 M151A1 1 M416B1	1 LCM-8	LPH	
601	RECON	22	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPH	
605	ENG	12	3 M274A2	1 LCM-8	LSD	
606	ENG	8	1 M37 1 M101 1 TD15 1 M54 1 WPU	2 LCM-8	LSD	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
607	ENG	4	1 M51A2 1 BATH UNIT	1 LCM-8 1 LCM-8	LSD LSD	
610	SP	10	1 M151 1 M416 1 M51 1 M107 1 TRIR FLOODLIGHT SET 1 6,000 RTF 2 2N CRANES 1 M37 1 M101		LSD	Preloaded on LCU
611	SP	4	2 ATR-30	1 LCM-8	LSD	
613	SP	4	1 M37 1 M101 1 M60		LSD	Preloaded on LCU
614	BMU	1	1 TD25	1 LCM-8	LSD	Preloaded on LCU
615	BMU	15	2 LARG-5		LSD	
616	BMU	2	1 M35 1 M107 1 MRC 109	1 LCM-8	LSD LSD	Preloaded on LCU
617	UDT	11	NORMAL COMBAT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
619	5th MT	2	1 M49	1 LCM-8	LSD	
620	5th MT	4	2 M35 2 M105	2 LCM-8	LKA	
621	5th MT	4	2 M35 2 M105	2 LCM-8	LKA	
622	5th MT	4	2 M35 2 M105	2 LCM-8	LKA	
623	5th MT	5	1 M151 1 M416 1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LKA	
624	5th MT	4	2 M35 2 M105	2 LCM-8	LKA	
625	5th MT	4	2 M35 1 M105	2 LCM-8	LKA	
626	5th MT	4	2 M35	2 LCM-8	LKA	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
627	5th MT	4	2 M35	2 LCM-8	LKA	
700	W 1/11	18	1 M35 1 M107	1 LCM	LSD	
701	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
702	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
703	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
704	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
705	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
706	W 1/11	7	1 M37 1 M30 1 M101A1	1 LCM	LPD	
707	W 1/11	23	2 MRC-109 2 M35 2 M105	2 LCM-8	LPD	
708	W 1/11	3	3 M151A1 3 M416B1	1 LCM-8	LPD	
709	W 1/11	4	1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LSD	
710	W 1/11	4	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
720	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	
721	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	
722	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
723	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	
724	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	
725	A 1/13	10	1 M35 1 105 (HOW)	1 LCM-8	LSD	
726	A 1/13	2	1 M35 1 M107	1 LCM-8	LSD	
727	A 1/13	2	1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LSD	
728	A 1/13	3	1 TD15 1 FORKLIFT-TRACTOR MOUNTED	1 LCM-8	LSD	
729	A 1/13	3	1 MRC 109 1 M35 1 MRC 83 1 M151	1 LCM-8	LSD	
730	A 1/13	2	1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LSD	
731	A 1/13	2	1 M35 1 M105	1 LCM-8	LSD	
732	A 1/13	4	3 M151 4 M116 1 MRC 109	1 LCM-8	LSD	
734	A 1/13	3	3 M151 3 M116	1 LCM-8	LSD	
736	A 1/13	4	4 PALLETS OFF EQUIPMENT	1 LCM-8	LPD	
800	5th MED	3	2 M13 1 M170	1 LCM-8	LKA	
801	5th MED	5	2 M35 1 M107 1 PU581	1 LCM-8	LKA	
850	LSU	5	3 M151 1 M116 HPCU	1 LCM-8	LKA	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
851	LSU	2	1 6,000 RTF	1 LCM-8	LKA	
852	LSU	5	3 M35 1 M107 2 M105	3 LCM-8	LKA	
853	LSU	3	2 M151 1 1/4 T LUBER	1 LCM-8	LKA	
854	LSU	2	1 M543 1 LUBER	1 LCM-8	LKA	
855	LSU	4	1 M37 1 M101 1 ART-30	1 LCM-8	LKA	
856	LSU	3	1 M37 1 M101	1 LCM-8	LKA	
857	5th TANKS	1	1 M49	1 LCM-8	LSD	
1000	BN. SUP.	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPD	
1001	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPD	
1002	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPD	
1003	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPD	
1004	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1005	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1006	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1007	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1008	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1009	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	

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SERIAL	UNIT	PERS	EQUIPMENT	CRAFT	SHIP	REMARKS
1010	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1011	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1012	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1013	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1014	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1015	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	
1016	BN. SUP	1	20 PALLETS OF STOCK	1 LCM-8	LPH	



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Appendix 3 (Landing Sequence Table) to Annex W (Landing Plan) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

UNIT	ELEMENT	SERIAL NO.	CRAFT	SHIP
Tank Platoon	1 M48A3	506	1 LCM-8	LPD
W/1/11	ALL	700	1 LCM-8	LSD
	COMBAT	701	1 LCM-8	LPD
	ESSENTIAL	702	1 LCM-8	LPD
		703	1 LCM-8	LPD
		704	1 LCM-8	LPD
		705	1 LCM-8	LPD
		706	1 LCM-8	LPD
		707	3 LCM-8	LPD
		708	1 LCM-8	LPD
		709	1 LCM-8	LSD
A/1/13	ALL	720	1 LCM-8	LSD
	COMBAT	721	1 LCM-8	LSD
	ESSENTIAL	722	1 LCM-8	LSD
		723	1 LCM-8	LSD
		724	1 LCM-8	LSD
		725	1 LCM-8	LSD
		726	1 LCM-8	LSD
		727	1 LCM-8	LSD
		728	1 LCM-8	LSD
		729	1 LCM-8	LSD
		730	1 LCM-8	LSD
		731	1 LCM-8	LSD
		732	1 LCM-8	LSD
		734	1 LCM-8	LSD
Truck Platoon		620	2 LCM-8	LKA
	ALL	621	2 LCM-8	LKA
	COMBAT	622	2 LCM-8	LKA
	ESSENTIAL	623	1 LCM-8	LKA
		624	2 LCM-8	LKA
		625	2 LCM-8	LKA
		626	2 LCM-8	LKA
		627	2 LCM-8	LKA

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Appendix 5 (Landing Craft and Amphibious Vehicles Assignment Table) to
 Annex W (Landing Plan) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
LVTP-5	1-1	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-1 X
LVTP-5	1-2	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-2 X
LVTP-5	1-3	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-3 X
LVTP-5	1-4	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-4 X
LVTP-5	1-5	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-5 X
LVTP-5	1-6	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt	34	1-6 X
LVTP-5	1-7	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt.	34	1-7 X
LVTP-5	1-8	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt.	34	1-8 X
LVTP-5	1-9	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt.	36	1-9 X
LVTP-5	1-10	Elem. Co. A or B and AMTRAC Plt.	36	1-10
LCM-8	2-4	1 M-48/Crew	4	2-4 X
LCM-8	2-2	1 M-48/Crew	4	2-2 X
LCM-8	2-1	1 M-48/Crew	4	2-1 X
LCM-8	2-3	1 M-48/Crew	4	2-3
LARC	3-2	B MU (-)	8	3-2 X
LCU	3-1	S.P. Plt and BMU (-) 1 TD15 1 M151 1 M51 1 M416 1 M107 1 Trlr Floodlight set 1 6,000 RTF 2 2N Cranes 2 ART - 30 1 M37 1 M60	21	3-1

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CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
<u>LCU (CON'T)</u>				
		1 TD25		
		1 M35		
		1 M107		
		1 M109		

LCM-8	4-2	3 M-50/Crew	12	4-2
				X
LCM-8	4-1	2 M-50/Crew	11	4-1
				X

LCM-8	5-1	1 M-48/Crew	4	5-1

LCM-8	6-6	Elem. W/1/11	18	6-6
		1 M-35		
		1 M-107		X

LCM-8	6-4	Elem. W/1/11	7	6-4
		1 M-37		
		1 M-30		X
		1 M101A1		

LCM-8	6-2	Elem. W/1/11	7	6-2
		1 M-37		
		1 M-30		X
		1 M101A1		

LCM-8	6-1	Elem. W/1/11	7	6-1
		1 M-37		
		1 M-30		X
		1 M101A1		

LCM-8	6-3	Elem. W/1/11	7	6-3
		1 M-37		
		1 M-30		X
		1 M101A1		

LCM-8	6-5	Elem. W/1/11	7	6-5
		1 M-37		
		1 M-30		X
		1 M101A1		

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CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
LCM-8	7-4	Elem. W/1/11 1 M-37 1 M-30 1 M101A1	7	7-4 X
LCM-8	7-2	Elem. W/1/11 1 M-35 1 M-105 1 MRC-109	8	7-2 X
LCM-8	7-1	Elem. W/1/11 1 M-35 1 M-105 1 MRC-109	8	7-1 X
LCM-8	7-3	Elem. W/1/11 1 M-35 1 M-105	5	7-3 X
LCM-5	7-5	Elem. W/1/11 3 M151A1 3 M416B1	4	7-5
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LCM-8	8-6	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-6 X
LCM-8	8-4	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-4 X
LCM-8	8-2	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-2 X
LCM-8	8-1	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-1 X
LCM-8	8-3	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-3 X

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CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
LCM-8	8-5	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 105 (HOW)	10	8-5 X
LCM-8	9-6	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 M-107	2	9-6 X
LCM-8	9-4	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	9-4 X
LCM-8	9-2	Elem. A/1/13 1 TD-15 1 Fork Lift - Tractor MT	3	9-2 X
LCM-8	9-1	Elem. A/1/13 1 MRC-191 1 M151 1 MRC-83 1 M35	3	9-1 X
LCM-8	9-3	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	9-3 X
LCM-8	9-5	Elem. A/1/13 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	9-5 X
LCM-8	10-2	Elem. A/1/13 3 M151 1 MRC-109 4 M416	4	10-2 X
LCM-8	10-1	Elem. A/1/13 3 M151 3 M416	3	10-1
LCM-8	11-6	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	11-6 X
LCM-8	11-4	Elem. Truck Plt. 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	11-4 X

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CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
LCM-8	11-2	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	11-2 X
LCM-8	11-1	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	11-1 X
LCM-8	11-3	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	11-3 X
LCM-8	11-5	Truck Plt 1 M-151 1 M-416 1 M-35 1 M-105	5	11-5
LCM-8	12-6	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	12-6 X
LCM-8	12-4	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	12-4 X
LCM-8	12-2	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	12-2 X
LCM-8	12-1	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35	2	12-1 X
LCM-8	12-3	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35	2	12-3 X
LCM-8	12-5	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35	2	12-5 X
LCM-8	13-2	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	13-2 X
LCM-8	13-1	Elem. Truck Plt 1 M-35 1 M-105	2	13-1 X

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CRAFT		PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT	BOAT SPACES	FORMATION
LCM-8	13-3	Elem. Truck Plt	2	13-3
		1 M-35		
		1 M-105		X


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Appendix 6 (Heliteam Wave and Serial Assignment Table) to Annex W (Landing Plan) to Operation Plan 120-(YR)

SER	UNIT	PERS	EQUIP & MATERIAL	PERS	WEIGHT EQUIP	TOTAL	A/C REQ	REMARKS
100	A & CP	97	Normal Combat	19400		19400	10	Located
101	2nd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	on
102	3rd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	LPD
110	B & CP	97	Normal Combat	19400		19400	10	Located
111	2nd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	on
112	3rd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	LPD
120	C & CP	97	Normal Combat	19400		19400	10	Located
121	2nd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	on
122	3rd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	LPH
130	D & CP	97	Normal Combat	19400		19400	10	Located
131	2nd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	on
132	3rd	69	Normal Combat	13800		13800	7	LPH
140	106 Plt	13	2 106 W/2 M274A2 Ammo/Norm Equip	2600	800 750 2250	6400	3	Located on LPH
141	106 Plt	12	2 106 W/2 M274A2	2400	800 750 2250	6200	3	Located on LPH
142	106 Plt	13	2 106 W/2 M274A2	2600	800 750 2250	6400	3	Located on LPH
143	106 Plt	12	2 106 W/2 M274A2	2400	800 750 2250	6200	3	Located on LPH
150	81's	20	2-81's, M274A2 Ammo/Norm Equip	4000	2000	6000	3	Located on LPH
151	81's	15	2-81's, M274A2 Ammo/Norm Equip	3000	2000	5000	3	Located on LPH
152	81's	15	1 M274A2 Ammo	3000	2000	5000	3	Located on LPH
153	81's	23	2-81's 1 M274A2 Ammo/Norm Equip	4600	2000	6600	3	Located on LPH

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SER	UNIT	PERS	EQUIP & MATERIAL	PERS	WEIGHT EQUIP	TOTAL	A/C REG	REMARKS
154	81's	22	2-81's 1 M274A2 Ammo/Norm Equip	4400	2000	6400	3	Located on LPH
160	W 1/11	18	FDC/COM/CP	3600	1000	4600	3	Located on LPD
161	W 1/11	14	2-4.2 Mortars Equip	2800	2000	4800	3	Located on LPD
162	W 1/11	14	2-4.2 Mortars Equip	2800	2000	4800	3	Located on LPD
163	W 1/11	14	2-4.2 Mortars Equip	2800	2000	4800	3	Located on LPD
170	A CMD	20		4000		4000	2	Located on LPD
171	B CMD	20		4000		4000	2	Located on LPD
172	C CMD	35		7000	1000	8000	4	Located on LPH & LPD
180	Flames	6	1 M274A2 2 Flame Guns	1200	1150	2350	2	Located on LPH
181	Flames	5	1 M274A2 2 Flame Guns	1200	1150	2350	2	Located on LPH
182	Flames	6	1 M274A2 2 Flame Guns	1200	1150	2350	2	Located on LPH
183	Flames	5	1 M274A2 2 Flame Guns	1000	1150	2350	2	Located on LPH
185	Recon	25	Normal Combat	5000		5000	3	Located on LPH
186	UDT	15	Normal Combat	3000		3000	2	Located on LPH
190	A Co	3	3 M274A2	600	3000	3600	3	Located on LPH
191	B Co	3	3 M274A2	600	3000	3600	3	Located on LPH
192	C Co	3	3 M274A2	600	3000	3600	3	Located on LPH
193	D Co	3	3 M274A2	600	3000	3600	3	Located on LPH

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SER	UNIT	PERS	EQUIP & MATERIAL	PERS	WEIGHT EQUIP	TOTAL	A/C REQ	REMARKS
194	H&S Co	1	M274A2	200	1000	1200	1	Located on LPH



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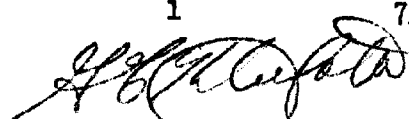
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