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Encl: ✓(1) 2d Battalion, 26th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with references (a), (b) and (c) the Command Chronology for 2d Battalion, 26th Marines for the period 1-30 November 1967 is submitted in enclosure (1)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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## PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

## 1. Personnel

- a. Number of replacements received: 3 USMC Officers;  
210 USMC Enlisted; 0 USN Officers; 6 USN Enlisted.
- b. Number of personnel lost through attrition other than rotation:
- |  |   |
|--|---|
| (1) WIA                                | 2 |
| (2) DOW                                | 1 |
| (3) KIA                                | 2 |
| (4) Humanitarian/Emergency Transfer    | 0 |
| (5) Non-battle Injuries                | 1 |
| (6) Intra-Division/Regiment transfers: |   |
| 5 USMC Officers;                       |   |
| 19 USMC Enlisted; 7 USN Enlisted.      |   |
- c. During November, 39 out-of-country R&R quotas were received and 40 in-country R&R quotas to China Beach were received.

## ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. Designation

## Commanders

2d Battalion, 26th Marines

LtCol D. CHAPLIN 1-30 Nov 67

## Subordinate units

H&S Co.	1stLt R. A. KAROLY	1-11 Nov 67
	1stLt J. T. STOSKUS	12-27 Nov 67
	Capt. S. M. HARTMAN	28-30 Nov 67
"E" Co.	Capt. E.G. BREEDING	1-30 Nov 67
"F" Co.	Capt. C. F. DIVEBBISS	1-30 Nov 67
"G" Co.	Capt. L. R. OVERSTREET	1-30 Nov 67
"H" Co.	Capt. S. M. HARTMAN	1-11 Nov 67
	Capt. C. O. BROUGHTON	12-30 Nov 67

## ATTACHED UNITS

"L" Co 3/26	Capt. R. CAMP	1-5 Nov 67
"M" Co 3/26	Capt. A. LARDIZABO	6-24 Nov 67
"B" CO 1/9	Capt. R. T. BRUNER	24-30 Nov 67

## 2. Location:

1-30 Nov 67

Phu Bai, RVN

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Administrative:

## a. Awards:

(1) Silver Star	0
(2) Bronze Star	1
(3) Navy Commendation Medal	3
(4) Purple Hearts	22

## b. Promotions:

(1) To Sergeant	2
(2) To Corporal	2
(3) To Lance Corporal	1
(4) To Private First Class	21

## c. Postal Services - Satisfactory

## d. Exchange facilities - available and stocked with necessities

## e. Courts - Martial

	Complete	Pending
General Courts Martial	0	0
Special Courts Martial	1	3
Summary Courts Martial	9	1

## 4. Staff Officers

Executive Officer	Maj R. L. BOND	1-30Nov67
S-1	1stLt T. MCCOURT	" " "
S-2	2ndLt R. H. HENRY	" " "
S-3	Maj G. F. KURTH	" " "
S-4	1stLt R. G. BROWN	1 Nov67
	Capt E. J. MARTIKKE, Jr.	2-30Nov67
S-5	2ndLt G. A. GONZALEZ	1-30Nov67

## 5. Average Monthly Strength.

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>ARVN</u>	
<u>OFF.</u>	<u>ENL.</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>ENL.</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>ENL.</u>
40	1030	2	49	1	3

## INTELLIGENCE

HUE-PHU BAI TAOR

A. Enemy Situation at Beginning of Period - The enemy continued close contact with friendly forces employing small arms harassing fire, mortar attacks, booby traps and road interdiction by use anti-vehicular mines and bridge blowing. At the end of the October period, agent reports indicated the enemy was deployed to launch a mortar and/or a sapper attack against the Phu Bai Combat Base, however this threat did not materialize.

B. Enemy Initiated Incidents

1. Contacts - The enemy initiated twenty-two out of a total of fifty infantry contacts during the period.

2. Snipers - Two sniper incidents were reported during this period.

3. Mortar Attacks - Six mortar attacks and all were in the Phu Loc District. This contrasted sharply with the seventeen incidents in October.

4. Mining/Booby Traps - Two bridges (not on Highway #1) were blown in November as opposed to nine in October. Three incidents of anti-vehicular mines were reported, a decrease of eight from last month. There was a significant increase in the number of booby traps discovered from three last period to ten in November.

5. Terrorism - There were no reports of this nature reported to be directed against the local civilian populace.

C. Summary of Enemy Casualties, POW's, and Equipment Captured

1. KIA(C) - 30
2. KIA(P) - 32
3. POW - 0
4. WPNs - 18

D. Significant Trends During the Period.

1. There was a major shift early in the month in enemy unit disposition to the Bach Ma Mountain which posed a serious threat against the Phu Loc District. The following units were reported at the following locations as confirmed by infantry and recon contacts and sightings.

- |                     |         |     |
|---------------------|---------|-----|
| a. K-4B Bn          | ZC 1798 | MF  |
| b. 804th Bn         | ZC 0693 | MF  |
| c. C-19 Engr Co.    | ZC 0798 | NVA |
| d. C-24 Sabotage Co | ZC 0798 | NVA |
| e. C-118 Co.        | ZD 0402 | LF  |

2. The units that posed the threat against the Phu Loc District Headquarters are assumed to have infiltrated back to their normal area of operation after their apparent plans for a ground attack were foiled.

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3. There was a significant increase in agent reports of up to company size units moving from a strongpoint in YD 7605, crossing the Ta Trach River in the vicinity of (YD 7811, then moving along the Northwest boundary of the TAOR into Phu Thu District. The enemy also appears to be using the hamlets vicinity YD 7813 and YD 8014 as coordination/rally points.

4. As a result of the rice collection and centralization program, the enemy is being forced to come deeper into the villages to carry out its rice collection and taxation programs. The primary avenues of approach presently appear to be along both the east and west banks of the Troui River.

5. The 802nd Bn (NVA) is assumed to be building its base camp in the canopy between the Ta Trach River and the Dong Troui Mountain complex (Vic YD 9102).

E. Enemy Situation at End of Period

1. The enemy continues to possess the capability of launching either ground or mortar attacks against isolated PF/ARVN outposts. With the increase in the number of enemy units located around the periphery of the TAOR, the food, rice collection and taxation efforts have taken on more urgency. Although the Troui River approach continues to be used at a high level, the Phu Loc basin and the areas around CAC A 6, 9 and 7 are becoming more attractive target locations for the food collection program. Kln Tach (YD 9314) is being used more extensively as a coordination point for infiltration into the Phu Bai hamlet.

F. Weather

1. There was a 14.47 inch rainfall during twenty one days in November. There was no significant change from October.

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## TRAINING

1. The emphasis in training during the month of November was focused upon those techniques in which Battalions deployed in the Demilitarized Zone are reportedly weak, and in which this Battalion anticipates a need for training were it to be deployed in that area. Current Division deployment indicated a good possibility that 2/26 would be deployed North or West of Quang Tri soon; the Battalion Commander visited 26th Marines Hdqtrs at Khe Sanh, accompanied by his S-2, 3, and 4 officers, from 3 to 4 November as an advanced party to a planned, but later canceled, Battalion participation in a lengthy search and destroy mission. Communications, supply discipline, jungle navigation, immediate action tactics, and attack of fortified position were anticipated as areas of weakness.

2. An average of twenty hours per week of regularly scheduled classes in the following subjects was held by companies in a Sparrow Hawk status.

- a. Zeroing of the M-16 Rifle for new personnel
- b. Ambush and Counterambush
- c. Patrolling
- d. Principles of NCO leadership

An intense two day training period was effected for companies F, G, and H as follows:

1st Day:

Immediate Action Drills - 2 1/2 hours (lecture, demonstration, application).

First Aid in remote Jungle Terrain - 1 hour (lecture).

Weapons Employment in Jungle Terrain - 1 hour (lecture).

Air Support in Jungle Terrain - 1 hour (lecture).

Supporting Arms in Jungle Terrain - 1 hour (lecture).

Individual Supply Accountability - 1 hour (lecture).

\* Jungle Navigation - 1 hour (lecture).

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S-2 briefing on Jungle Vegetation and Terrain - 1 hour (lecture).

\*(Although an overnight march through jungle canopy was planned, it was not executed due to pressing troop deployment commitments to support the overall defense of populated areas.)

2nd Day

Platoon attack of a Fortified Position - 1 Day (lecture, demonstration, and application).

This training was centralized, S-3 appointed instructors from battalion wide resources, and instructors submitted lesson plans to the S-3 for approval. Results were increased self-confidence of Company Commanders through Fire Team Leaders in their own ability to overcome surprise in thick terrain.

3. Formal Schools

a. 6 Marines attended Formal School Training:

- (1) 1 S/SGT to Staff NCO Leadership
- (2) 1 L/Cpl to Communications Section Cryptographic School
- (3) 1 Cpl to Embarkation School
- (4) 1 SGT and 1 L/Cpl to NCO Leadership School
- (5) 1 Cpl to Infantry Weapons School
- (6) 1 Lieutenant attended Military Justice School



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NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL and other SPECIAL TYPES of WARFARE.

1. During the month of November operational commitments and training on other priority subjects hindered the NBC training program. One rifle company received 4 hours of instruction on Chemical Warfare from the Company NBC Officer. This Company was then given a class by the battalion NBC NCO who ~~recovered~~ the chemical aspects of NBC Warfare.

2. It is anticipated that more NBC training will be accomplished during the month of December.

3. No NBC equipment was utilized during the month of November.

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## COMMAND AND CONTROL

1. Command and Control

a. Mission. During the period 1 Nov to 30 Nov 1967 the Battalion was assigned the following mission.

(1) Support the defense of the Phu Bai Vital Area, Combined Action Platoons, National Route #1, and conduct offensive operations in the Phu Bai TAOR and adjacent areas.

(2) Maintain close operations coordination with GAC Phu Bai with emphasis on security and support of RD activities.

(3) Conduct rice denial operations in coordination with appropriate government officials.

(4) On order provide security forces for scheduled Rough Rider operations.

(5) Maintain close operational coordination with Base Defense Coordinator, Phu Bai.

(6) During daylight hours maintain Sparrow Hawk reaction force on fifteen minute alert.

(7) On order conduct planned program of County Fair Operations.

(8) Maintain rapid reaction capability to counter enemy attacks against low-level government structures.

(9) Conduct security operations along Route #1 (Phu Bai to 1st MarDiv Boundary) in support of MCB upgrading project.

(10) On order provide security for hydrographic and/or topographic operations being conducted in areas contiguous to Phu Bai TAOR.

(11) Support as required combat operations being conducted in areas contiguous to Phu Bai TAOR.

(12) Maintain OPCON one attached rifle company (Rein) as security for Nam Hoa Rock Crusher and Ferry.

b. Task Organization: During this reporting period the Battalion was Task Organized basically as follows:

2d Bn, 26th Marines (Rein)

Lt Col F. HEATH

H&S Co (-) Rein

Capt S.M. HARTMAN

Det, H&S Co, 3rd MP Bn, 3rd MarDiv

Det, Scout Sniper Plt, HQ Co, 26th Marines

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Co E (Rein)

Capt E.G. BREEDING

Co E

Det, H&amp;S Co

FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

Det, Intell Sect

Det, Comm Plt

Det, Med Plt

Det, ~~FO Tm~~ "B" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th MarCo F (Rein)Capt C.F. DIVER ~~8158~~

Co F

Det, H&amp;S Co

Squad, 81mm Mort, Plt

Det, Intell Sect

Det, Comm Plt

Det, Med Plt

Det, H&amp;S Co, 3rd MP Bn, 3rd Mar Div

Det, Scout Sniper Plt, HQ Co, 26th Marines

Det, FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Marines

Co G (Rein)

Capt L.R. OVERSTREET

Co G

Det, H&amp;S Co

FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

~~Squad~~, 81mm Mort Plt

Det, Intell Sect

Det, Comm Plt

Det, Med Plt

Det, FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Marines

Det, H&amp;S Co, 3rd MP Bn, 3rd Mar Div

Co H (Rein)

Capt C.O. BROUGHTON

Co H

Det, H&amp;S Co

FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

Det, Intell Sect

Det, Comm Plt

Det, Med Plt

Det, ~~FO Tm~~ "B" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Marines81mm Mortar Plt (-) (Rein)

Lt J.R. MEERKS

81mm Mortar Plt (-)

Det, Comm Plt

106mm Recoilless Rifle Plt (Rein)

SSgt N.J. THIBODEAUX

Squad 81mm mort Platoon

Det, ~~med~~ Platoon

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Capt. R.T. Bruner

Co. E

Det, H&amp;S Co. (-)

Det, FO Tm, 81mm Mort Platoon

Det, Med Platoon

Det, Intell Sect

Det, Comm Platoon

Det, FAC Pty

Det, FO Tm, "D" Btry, 12th Marines

Det, 3rd Eng Bn.

Det, "C" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Marines

1st Platoon "D" Brty, 1/44 Arty USA.

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## c. Command Posts

- (1) The companies were deployed in four general areas during November.
  - (a) The company working the southern sector of operations, an area extending from the Truoi River (XD 958034) to the 1st Marine Division boundary (ZB 1102), had its CP at the Phu Loc District HQ (ZB 097007).
  - (b) The companies assigned the northern sector of the Phu Bai TAOR located their CP's at either one of the Combined Action Platoons in their area, or at the Phu Bai Vital area because it is centrally located for control purposes.
  - (c) The company assigned road and bridge security throughout the Phu Bai TAOR located its CP within the Phu Bai Vital Area because of the necessity to coordinate with various supporting agencies.
  - (d) The company chopped to OPCON (B Company, 1st Bn, 9th Marines) had its CP at MCB 121 Rock Crusher (XD 7413) near Nam Hoa District Headquarters.
  - (e) Attachments and detachments: Bravo Company, 1st Bn, 9th Marines.
  - (f) Controls:
    - (1) All companies are controlled by radio and/or land line from the Combat Operations Center located within the Phu Bai Vital Area. Three companies which were deployed in the field and guarded the Battalion Tac Net and could also communicate with Headquarters via the Combined Action Platoons located within their sector of operations. One company remained in the Phu Bai Vital Area during the day, providing Sparrowhawk, (rescue/exploitation force), and communicated by land line. Just prior to nightfall the company deployed around the Phu Bai Vital Area providing ambush sites between 500 and 2000 meters from the protective wire. Once deployed, the company guarded the Battalion Tac Net or communicated via land line when there was a radio shortage.
    - (2) During Operation Cove, a Battalion minus operation, the two companies were controlled by radio over the Battalion secondary Tactical Net.

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- (3) The primary difficulty of control is inherent in the missions assigned. In order to provide extensive patrolling and ambushing throughout the Phu Bai TAOR, units must be spread over large distances. Therefore, radios on occasion have difficulty reaching the COG, causing us to relay from OP's located on high ground in the TAOR. The numerous ambushes (usually reinforced squads) placed a heavy commitment on the communications element. Each ambush required one radio and all radios received heavy useage.

d. Problem Areas

- (1) There are two problem areas.
- (a) The weather has sometimes caused us to rotate our companies more often than desired. This problem is encountered only with the advent of the Monsoon season.
  - (b) Mobility is another problem area. Due to the size of the TAOR, limited helicopter support, uncertain availability of trucks and distances involved, it is extremely difficult to mass sufficient troops to meet threats or engage targets of opportunity. Added flexibility and mobility would greatly improve our ability to accomplish our mission more effectively.

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## CLOSE COMBAT

1. Close Combat

## a. Operations conducted

(1) Patrols

- (a) Reinforced squad size units, operating from platoon patrol bases, conducted patrolling throughout the Phu Bai TACR pursuant to our mission. The platoon patrol bases are established at first light, then two reinforced squads radiate from the base. At darkness each platoon breaks into units of 15 to 20 men for ambushing and moves into pre-reconnoitered ambush sites during periods of reduced visibility or actual darkness. Ambushes are generally in position by 2000 each night. Squad ambushes are utilized in order to provide greater coverage within the TACR and prevent enemy infiltration into the lowland and populated area along the coast. The picture enclosure (1) graphically depicts the high ground overlooking Phu Lac District Headquarters, (XD 097007). It is from base camps (the buildings on the hill are at Bach Ma ZC 0691) in these hills that the enemy moves onto the lowland below. Encl (1)(2).
- (b) The independent deployment of the Scout/Sniper teams from 26th Marines Regimental HQ Co was attempted on two separate occasions for the first time. The two man sniper team was reinforced with a radio operator, corpsman and six other marines from a rifle squad, making a ten man team. The team therefore had the capability to employ its sniper rifle, call mortar or artillery fire, conduct reconnaissance and ambush at night. One team claimed one (1) KIA(P) while deployed along the Song Dai Giang Canal, opposite Kinh Tac village (YD 934143). Encl (1)(2).
- (c) Seven scout dogs were requested and received from Scout Dog Platoon of Military Police Battalion. One dog was employed with each platoon and accompanied one reinforced squad on daylight patrol and one night ambush. They do provide additional security, especially in night ambush positions. Encl (3).

(2) Operations

- (a) One company was reinforced with another platoon and formed four task organized mobile strike teams. Teams had scout dogs, sniper teams and/or 81mm mortars depending upon mission assigned. Each team was assigned a specific area of the Phu Bai TACR and shifted intact to hot areas indicated by intelligence. The Scout/Sniper team of ten men was organized in two of the strike teams and operated approximately 1500 to 2000 meters in front of the team and was supported by them. The strike teams success depended on mobility, fire power and initiative. Their success was greatly improving as November ended. Encl (5).

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One rifle company was broken down initially into three reinforced platoons in order to protect the areas immediately adjacent to the Phu Hai Vital Area. This was accomplished when two rifle companies were concentrated in Phu Loc, two more were deployed on the highway, one OPCON rifle company was assigned to securing the rock crusher and bridge site, and one of which 2/26 had only recently obtained OPCON (C/1/4) was assigned to protect the Vital Area; at this time Division found it necessary to relieve 2/26 of Sparrow Hawk duties due to the battalion's widespread and very heavy commitments. Because of a new threat posed along the Truoi River South of CAP H3, it was decided to form five separate maneuvering elements from C/1/4. Four platoons(-) and a reinforced scout sniper team were deployed as follows:

1 plat(-) to S. Truoi R. (both sides; a fording location was found at a large sand bar). 1 plat(-) southwest of the Vital Area, one plat(-) west and northwest of Gia Le combat base, one plat(-) in Vital Area during daylight, moving south at night, and the scout sniper team (Rein) southeast of the Vital area and south of CAP-A3. The maneuvering elements, exclusive of the scout sniper team and the plat(-) deployed on S. Truoi R., were rotated clockwise around the terrain adjacent to the Vital Area, daily providing a daylight rest period for the three plats(-) between very long marches. The scout sniper team (Rein) exited from the south perimeter at approx. 2200 nightly with a starlight scope, employed daylight sniping capability until noon, then returned through the perimeter using a new route and reconnoitering a new position for the subsequent evening activity. Each plat(-) was able to split into two smaller maneuvering elements thus providing wider coverage and internal mutual covering capability.

C/1/4 was not conditioned to operation on squad level nor at such great distances. The rotation system for their platoons(-) instilled confidence in the small unit leaders and physically conditioned the entire unit, while at the same time provided for a well-timed rest period, shower break, and PX call.

One plat(-) made contact with one sniper along the S. Song Ta Trach River. The plat cndr exercised his ability to call in artillery and a gunship due to the distance and effectiveness of the enemy involved. See enclosure (3).

Two Sparrow Hawk platoon deployments were necessitated by (1) a 3d MarDiv reconnaissance team became surrounded vic Nui Ke Mountain west of Song Ta Trach River; Sparrow Hawk circled the area in choppers but was not required to land; and (2) Gen. Bruno Hochmuth, 3d MarDiv Commanding General, went down with his Huey helicopter which exploded in midair at YD 665266; his corpse was extracted prior to the arrival of Sparrow Hawk and the Battalion Commander. The platoon was deployed in a large perimeter around the downed chopper while the Battalion Commander directed search teams to collect parts of the wreckage; movement was extremely difficult due to waist-deep rice paddy water, the many indigenous personnel who wanted to get closer to the site posed some problems for the platoon.

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Two days after Gen. Hochmuth's helicopter went down, a platoon was required by 3d MarDiv to provide security for the remains of the wreckage. This was a one day operation which involved convoy and location security while a portable crane retrieved the fuselage. There were no problems encountered in its operation.

(b) No company sized operations were conducted; see para.2 (e) for company (Rein) operation conducted jointly with National Police.

(c) A battalion (-) operation was conducted in the vic of the Phu Loc District Headquarters under the Bravo Command Group. Company E was deployed for local ambushing and patrolling, bridge and highway security, and CB security prior to the Battalion becoming OPCON to 4th Marines (Col. W. DICK) for Operation Cove. 3rd Platoon, Company E obtained 5 KIA (C) and 4 KIA (P) on an ambush; the intense intelligence building up, together with the destruction of a bridge adjacent to and periodic mortar attacks on the Phu Loc District Headquarters prompted the Commanding General to have 2/26 deploy another rifle company at Cau Hai to form a battalion (-) under the Bravo Command Group on very short notice. The Vital Area was reinforced by having 2/26 pick up OPCON of C/1/4 so as to temporarily continue with Sparrowhawk duties.

The Bravo Command Group controlled the ground prior to commencement of Operation Cove when it and companies E and F were required to directly participate together with three companies from 1/4 (LtCol. DEPTULA). See enclosure (4). 2/26 units continued their operations as before the operation, picking up the additional missions of providing security for the manual radio retransmission station (Co. E), artillery battery site (Co. E), three mortar sections (Co. F), and establishing blocking positions D and E through extensive patrolling and ambushing so as to prevent movement of the enemy into the populated area of Cau Hai (Co. F). Only one minor WIA was sustained (Co. F) and only one significant contact was made (9 enemy 60mm mortar rds received by Co. F). The only significant problem encountered was the lack of provision of coordinating instructions for converging forces in the 4th Marines Operation Order. For operating purposes, only the Bravo Command Group and Companies E and F were considered to be directly participating in Phase I of Operation Cove; Phase II, had it been initiated, would have required Co. G in addition. Daily briefings at Phu Bai were given for Col. DICK at 1630 by the 2/26 CO, S-3, S-2 and FSCC on activities exclusive of those in the vicinity of Cau Hai; the 4th Marines' Staff briefed on Operation Cove. All spot reports and 6 hour sitreps normally submitted by 2/26 to 3d MarDiv were submitted to the 4th Marines.

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(e) A company (Rein) conducted a sweep operation in conjunction with 180 National Police and Popular Field Forces on intelligence provided by the Hue Police Chief. The 2/26 Liaison Officer accompanied the U.S. advisors and the police from Hue to the Royal Tombs area on the east bank of the Song Ta Trach River - vic. Thon Chau Chu. See enclosure (8). A platoon from company F having already been positioned at a royal tomb on the previous day, a link-up was required by Company G (Capt L.O. OVERSTREET) and a platoon from L/3/26 to form the cordon towards which the police would sweep from the north. The platoon from Co E was asked to be a cordon force behind the sweep. Friendly Vietnamese troops were equipped with metal probes fashioned by CB 121 from artillery crate stakes and wooden dowels. Chief LAP, Hue Police Chief, had indicated that there was strong evidence of caves and possible weapons and food stores located in this vic, his information coming from former close acquaintances who lived in the area. Chief LAP was hesitant to insert the sweeping units until after daylight, however. The sweep produced negative results. Local villagers indicated that a large force of VC had departed that same area just prior to the sweep and under the cover of darkness. Planning was sufficiently detailed. For example, between the 2/26 S-3 and Police unit leaders it was decided that the crucial period of the sweep would be when the forces converged; the C.O. of the cordon was therefore designated as the overall commander for the operation, although it was openly recognized that 2/26 participation was in support of the police force, who initiated it. Also, all friendly Vietnamese participating wore a black beret and rolled his left sleeve up half way so as to hinder infiltration by the enemy at the time of convergence.

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Significant Events:

- 02 Nov. At 1025H 3d Motor Bn truck overturned on bridge at YD 670270 killing 1 USMC and badly hurting another. Recovered truck.
- 03 Nov. At 1920H CAC-A6 reported that a VN jeep hit a mine on Hwy #1 at YD 816185. No one was injured.
- 04 Nov. At 2300H Hqts Bn on perimeter heard two explosions and small arms fire. One of the bunkers was hit by SAF from YD 897155. Fired illum with negative results.
- 05 Nov. At 1715H CAC-H6 reported 2 CB personnel were shot in the back at Nuoc Ngot Bridge at ZD 148020 by RF stationed there. CAC-H6 sent patrol to check shooting. MedEvac called and completed. At 1630H L/3/26 chopped OpCon. Assumed OpCon M/3/26.
- 06 Nov. At 1030H CAC-A1 PF patrol at YD 871186 received 5 60mm mortar rds. and 1000 rds. of small arms fire from 1 plat. of VC (strength 75). PF patrol returned fire and sent messenger to CAC-A1 requesting assistance. 3 PF's WIA and MedEvaced. AO and Huey checked out area with negative results.

At 1945 Company E patrol at ZC 083996 was fired upon by unknown number of VC. Patrol returned fire and called illum. 1 USMC WIA. Swept area with negative results. WIA MedEvaced.

At 1945H Company H on bridge security at YD 838176 reported jeep stopped 100 meters east of bridge to investigate VN women carrying baskets. When baskets were opened, booby traps and grenades were found. At that time a grenade was thrown resulting in 2 PF's WIA and disabling jeep. Persons carrying baskets escaped. Called illum. and PF's returned SAF. 4 baskets were found in area.

At 2230H MAC-36 patrol observed force of unknown size following patrol at YD 885167. Patrol opened fire resulting in VC KIA 1(p).

At 2055H CAC-H2 ambush made contact with 12 - 15 VC at YD 944071. 1 USMC WIA (minor). Swept area with neg. results.

At 2245H CAC-A3B patrol and CAC-A3B2 secondary patrol were dispatched at YD 908112. CAC-A3B's rear element opened fire on 1 VC at 7 meters, continuing to cover area by fire. At same time forward element came into heavy contact with estimated force of 58. Illumination called and reaction force was sent to link up with patrols. Swept area and found 2 VC KIA's (C), 3 KIA's (F) and blood trails. Captured. 3 AK-47's, 3 magazines, 1 cartridge belt and 1 grenade.

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07 Nov. At 1215H Company G patrol found 1 VN female with arm severed off below elbow at YD 925065 from artillery strike at YD 901022 and a male at YD 903025 with deep cut in rear end. Patrol reported that 2 VN injured were civilian woodcutters who were working with their families in area. Villagers report there were no VC in area. At 1715 1 young girl came to CAC-H2 wounded in shoulder from arty strike; girl MedEvac'd to A Mod. 2/26 S-5 filed a serious incident report.

At 1830H FAC/2/26 received info from recon that secondary explosions were heard when TFO's were dropped in vic of ZC 0595 GS.

08 Nov. At 1845H Company E patrol engaged estimated 40 VC at ZC 089001 to ZC 090994 carrying machine guns, auto-wpns and unknown number of mortars. Enemy was very well camouflaged. VC returned fire, withdrew and returned approx 7 rds of 60mm mortar rds. Swept area finding 5 enemy KIA (C), 2 KIA (P) and captured 1 AK-47 magazines with rds, 1 machine gun with cannisters of ammo, 6 blocks of TNT, 5 AK-47 magazines with rds. Counter mortar conducted with 60mm, 81mm mortars and 106 RR. Air strikes conducted and spooky fire provided. Detainee taken to District Hdq.

At 1940H CAC-H7 reported that on 6 Nov H7A patrol engaged unknown number of VC in Thuy Duong, ZC 189990. AO called on station and directed arty mission on fleeing VC into mountains. AO reports excellent target coverage. PF reported that villagers said 10 VC were killed.

09 Nov. At 1630H Advisory Team #5 reported 10 ARVN's injured by anti-personnel mine at YD 875177.

At 1830H Company G and MAC-16 reported accidental dropping of ordnance at YD 897149. Slight damage to one chopper.

At 2100H M/3/26 reported that at 0815H a patrol sighted 20 VC suspects within TAOR. Group split up into 3 groups and moved into dense under growth. Consulted with Army Advisory Team #5 and was advised to consider suspects as VC. 81mm WP flushed 53 suspects who were apprehended and turned over to Advisory Team #5.

10 Nov. At 1200H S-5/2/26 reported people from hamlet Xom Con Quen at YD 954105 (approx 240) moved to Loc Son (YD 933085) because VC activities and demands of food from them made them decide to go live in a more secure area.

At 1730H Company H bridge security at YD 903189 picked up 1 detainee, who is believed to be tax collector and assassin in that area. Detainee turned over to ITT.

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- 11 Nov. At 0430H 3A/2/26 with National Police picked up 1 detainee at YD 782140 who is a political cadre, and is on black list at District Hdq. Detainee turned over to National Police.
- 12 Nov. At 2340H CAC-A3B patrol made contact with approx 10 VC at YD 908112. 1 USMC WIA. Swept area and found 1 wounded female in house 100 meters from ambush site. VN female and USMC MedEvaced to A Mod.
- 13 Nov. At 0215H CAC-A Hq received 1 rd of either mortar or rocket fire at YD 848171. Rd landed outside C.P. One house on fire.

At 1600H assumed OpCen C/1/4.

At 1915H CAC-H1 reported 1 VN village official was playing cards, he lost his money, got drunk and threw a hand grenade (M-26) into a house at YD 928103 killing two civilians and wounding 7. MedEvac called and completed. Man turned over to CAC-H Hq.

At 2115H CAC-H3B patrol ambushed 6 to 7 VC at YD 954066. Opened fire 1 VC hit by M-60 fire and fell. VC returned fire and broke contact. Swept area at 1st light and found 1 camouflaged helmet with blood on it, resulting in 1 KIA(p). Also found 4 civilians wounded (minor).

At 1745H G/2/26 at ZD 041024 reported one USN was injured riding in 6x6 truck; has cracked rib or ruptured spleen. 1 VN woman 9 months pregnant with complications. Emergency MedEvaced by helo could not be completed. Vehicles dispatched to CAC-H4. Returning with MedEvacs halted by CAC-H3 contact. Vehicles medevaced 1 USMC from CAC-H3.

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**UNCLASSIFIED** 14 Nov At 0400H CAC-H2 on search mission at vic YD 913150 to YD 914114 checked all males for ID cards. Search secured at 1030H. 2 detainees were taken to District Hq by field police force..

At 0715H CAC-H6 reported that at ZD 142010 VC ambushed village officials who sleep in CAC-H6 compound killing 2 ARVNs, 3 village officials, and one villager. 1 village official was wounded and medevaced. CAC-H6 patrol swept area North through Nuoc Ngot. 1 detainee taken and turned over to CIT.

At 1725H Company H bridge security fired 1 round into river. One civilian injured and taken to CAC-A3 for treatment.

15 Nov At 1300H CAC-A7B patrol during search of area at YD 813176 found 1 completed camouflaged bunker and 1 partially built bunker in good condition. Bunkers destroyed.

At 2250H CAC-A3B patrol spotted 1 VC in rice paddy at YD 899114. Opened fire resulting in one VC KIA(G). At same time VC in tree-line opened fire on patrol. Patrol returned fire and swept area finding 2 VC KIA(G) and 1 AK-47 and 1 Soviet 7.62 Sub-machine gun. 1 civilian was wounded and medevaced.

16 Nov At 0900H CAC-H3 PF patrol found VC propaganda leaflets at YD 977072. Leaflets were collected and turned over to CIT.

At 1400H CAC-H6 Marines and PFs while on patrol in village of They Yen detained 2 individuals as blacklisted. Detainees turned over to CIT.

17 Nov At 0300H CAC-H7 patrol received fire from PRU patrol at ZD 199012. CAC patrol fired back, then called cease fire. Incident resulted in 2 non-battle casualties, both medevaced.

At 1200H 2d Bn, 26th Marines Chop OPCON to 4th Marines.

At 1450H CAC-A Hq reported 1 USMC was hit by one S/A round in right thigh vic YD 849171. Round came from passing vehicle or nearby hills occupied by PFs. Medevaced by vehicle.

At 1800H CAC-A1 sent reactionary force to assist PF unit vic YD 872185 which had made contact with an estimated VC Plt. Arty Illum and HE called but later had to be cancelled due to poor communications. Sweep of area at first light revealed blood trails and drag marks.

18 Nov At 0630H in vic YD 910080 2d Plt C/1/4 spotted 9 VN in boat moving south, when VN spotted Marines they attempted to turn around. Boat stopped; VN questioned and found two females without IDs. Women turned over to 15th ITT.

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18 Nov At 1455H vic ZC 091955 the 2d Plt F/2/26 received 9 rounds 60mm mortar. Returned with 60mm mortars from Foxtrots position and 81mm from Echo's position. 1 USMC WIA (minor). Made sweep of area, found only bare foot prints.

19 Nov At 2030H CAC-H8B sprung ambush on 30 - 40 VC at YD 974044. Reactionary force was sent to assist. Results 3 USMC WIA (1 Medevaced), 2 PF WIA (medevaced), 7 VC KIA(G), and 4 VC KIA(P). 3 AK-47, 1 US carbine, 5 ChiCom grenades, 14 AK-47 magazines, 3 packs and 2 cartridge belts were captured.

At 2250H CAC-A3B engaged approx 25 VC at YD 908107. VC returned fire and broke contact. Results: 2 VC KIA(G), 1 AK-47, 1 K-44 and assorted equipment captured. Swept area at first light and found 3 drag trails with blood resulting in 3 VC KIA(P).

21 Nov At 1130H in vic AU 805049 CAC-H1 stated 2 children tripped booby trap in village of Binh An, killing one and injuring the other. Treated child and called medevac.

At 1500H Chopped OPCON C/1/4 to 4th Marines.

At 1630H in vic YD 933084 a dog tripped a flare in CAC-H2 perimeter. Marine fired on dog, round ricocheted and hit VN child in head. Medevaced child to A Med. S-5 notified.

At 1800H OPERATION COVE terminated. 2d Bn 26th Mar chopped OPCON to 3d MarDiv.

22 Nov At 2100H CAC-A Hq reported that VC blew up bridge in vic YD 851173. Bridge not on Hwy #1. PFs swept area with negative results.

At 2115H in vic YD 8813 Company H reported one USMC attempted suicide by cutting both wrists. Marine medevaced to A Med. Marine was UA in Da Nang and apprehended by MPs. Believed to be mentally ill.

At 2215H in vic ZD 140017 CAC-H received info from PFs that 1 male VC will be at above coord tonight. Patrol sent and detained 1 male. Turned over to CIT.

23 Nov At 0400H in vic YD 744134, M/3/26 reported a marine with gunshot wound in leg. Wound superficial. Incident investigated and found to be self inflicted.

24 Nov At 1325H in vic F Sector of Phu Bai Perimeter a wounded ARVN was brought to gate. ARVN was shot in head as a result of training. ARVN was medevaced to A Med.

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24 Nov At 1600H Company G patrol stopped 19 VN carrying excessive amounts of fuel and food. People said they were taking food and fuel to vic YD 778141 to give to VC. 19 VN were detained and turned over to ITT. Some of the detainees reported a mine field on Tien Lan Hill at YD 793138. 2/26 investigated and found a number of booby traps.

At 1745H Chopped OPCON M/3/26 to 4th Marines. B/1/9 Chopped OPCON from 1st Bn, 9th Marines to 2d Bn, 26th Marines.

At 2130H CAC-A7 patrol while moving to ambush site spotted 3 VC at YD 799188 moving towards highway. Patrol opened fire and VC returned fire from all around patrol. VC broke contact. 1 friendly WIA (minor).

At 2345H CAC-A6 patrol while set in ambush at YD 818174 heard dogs barking. Patrol moved to area and set up. A whistle was heard. 1 PF from patrol returned whistle as he ran from ambush site. PF believed to have been VC.

25 Nov At 0925H Company G found 2,500 lb cache of rice at YD 779139. Man said VC come to his area every 2 or 3 days for food. Man was detained and turned over to CIT.

At 1330H in vic YD 697255 MCB-3 reported CB truck hit a road mine. 2 CBs received minor wounds.

At 1900H in vic YD 965034 CAC-H8B apprehended 1 female. PF recognized her as a VC coordinator. Detainee turned over to CIT.

26 Nov At 2250H Company E on bridge security at YD 949069 observed 1 booby trap set off near bridge. Co E received 15 rounds, SAF and 1 grenade. Returned fire, bridge maintained 100% security throughout the night.

27 Nov At 1000H Company F at YD 791129 found the wreckage of an aircraft scattered over an area of 250 X 100 meters. Engine was burned. The plane had 14 2.75 rockets on it. Wreckage was a couple of months old. EOD will destroy on 29 Nov.

At 1530H Company E at YD 979052 had one marine have an accidental discharge with a .45 cal pistol, wounding himself in the foot.

28 Nov At 0830H Company F detained 8 VN males of military age at MD 895075. 1 turned out to be a PF from CAC-A3, the other 7 were turned over to ITT.

At 0900H CAC-H7 at ZD 201010 saw a man examining their defensive wire. Man detained and turned over to CIT.



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28 Nov At 2100H CAC-H8B sprung ambush on 10 VC vic YD 963043. Approx 40 VC followed in trace of the 10, surrounding and bringing heavy fire on ambush. Reactionary force called and linked up. The two forces fought their way out, but were unable to retrieve VC KIAs. Searched area and found 9 VC KIA(8), numerous blood trails, and captured 7 AK-47s, 150 rounds AK-47 ammo, 2 M-26 and 9 ChiCom grenades, 20 AK-47 magazines, numerous documents, 3 packs, ponchos, clothing and 5 cartridge belts. Civilians said that H8B ambushed 20 - 30 VC which was the point for a company, estimated strength 100. Civilians also reported VC took 10 KIAs and had with them numerous WIAs, 3 of which were female.

29 Nov At 0200H CAC-A Hq was informed that VC blew bridge in vic YD-851173. Bridge 25% destroyed. Bridge not on Hwy #1.

At 1115H in vic YD 836162 CAC-A6A found 1 female washing NVA uniform. Woman questioned and detained. Woman then pointed out 2 spider holes with NVA gear and 2 VC. VC fired on A6A, patrol returned fire and threw grenade in hole resulting in 2 VC KIA(C) and 1 POW. Captured 1 AK-47, 1 PP 1943, 500 AK-50 rounds, 28 ChiCom grenades, 2 lbs TNT, 4 Chinese claymore mines, 1 .45 pistol magazine, 1 BAR magazine, 2 flags, 2 radio batteries, 1 camera, 25 bottles penicillin, 25 syringes, 10 rolls of gauze and 1 NVA uniform.

At 1330H in vic YD 875181, while CAC-A1 was checking houses, saw 2 females believed to be VC sympathizers. Detained women and search of house revealed distilled water, 1 M-26 grenade, (1) 1/2 full bottle of penicillin, syringe and various pills.

At 2000H G/2/26 reported spotting movement in vic ZD 097004. Called for illum and spotted figures. G opened fire. Swept area and found 2 freshly dug holes. Villagers reported 1 VC KIA and 1 WIA.

30 Nov At 1640H CAC-A6 reported 2 male children 5-6 yrs old were injured when they broke an old blasting cap at YD 809163. Children treated at CAC-A6 and sent to A Med.

At 1830H CAC-H in combined activity with S-2 unit from Phu Loc Dist Hq swept village of Binh An vic AU 8005. CAC-H7 picked up 20 detainees which were turned over to Dist Hq. Found 5 spider traps 5'x5'x4' made of cement blocks, roof of lumber, tin and reinforced concrete at AU 801055. Spider traps destroyed.

At 1900H CAC-H6 while in blocking position picked up 2 detainees vic ZD 198054. Detainees reported 8 VC were coming toward CAC-H6 position. CAC-H6 spotted VC and opened fire. Swept area and found 1 M-2 magazine and 1 flashlight.

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30 Nov. At 2115H Company F patrol (FA9), was fired on by unknown number of VC in vic YD 787136. During fire fight VC set off explosive device. Fire was returned by FA9, fired hand illum, and pulled to join forces with FA7 and A8. Swept area with neg. results. 2 USMC WIA, MedEvaced.

At 2130H FA1, while in ambush site vic YD 981053 they were fired on with auto-wpns by VC who came behind and through rear security. FA1 returned fire and VC broke contact. FA12 was sent to assist. Results of action: 2 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA (MedEvaced). Area swept with neg. results.

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## LOGISTICS

1. Logistics

The attachment of an additional rifle company (Bravo 1/9) is still in effect and with it the requirement to support same in all classes of supply. Repair parts for combat essential equipment necessary to perform 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance continues to be a problem. We have had no additional monsoon equipment delivered this month. A current complaint regarding the M-16 rifle continues to be extractors. Magazine assemblies continue to be short. Monsoon preparations in the cantonment area continues. There is now potable running water in the Bn. Mess Hall. The cantonment has a new laundry service that appears to be satisfactory as well as a small post exchange facility operated by Bn. personnel. Availability of trucks for administrative runs as well as tactical moves has been short. Due to poor weather, the availability of helicopters has been curtailed sharply.

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COMMUNICATION ELECTRONIC CHRONOLOGY

1. Communication elements of this command operated and maintained continuous communications in the Phu Bai Enclave.

## a. Wire

- (1) Provided internal wire communications for this command post and "F" sector of the perimeter.
- (2) Wire equipment remains totally committed.
- (3) All equipment failures have been corrected without delay.
- (4) Switchboard operations are overburdened with forty-six drops in use causing some delay with the operator.

## b. Radio

- (1) Radio remains the primary means of communications within our TAOR.
- (2) Commitments are being met despite the shortages of T/E equipment, i.e., (16) AN/PRC-25 radios on order, (1) AN/MRC-109.
- (3) There are currently (66) AN/PRC-25 in the Bn., of which (66) are committed. Radios are being loaned from one Company to another, paperwork handled by Comm Supply, to meet the daily requirements of all concerned.

## c. Message Center

- (1) No major problems

## d. Radio Relay

- (1) No major problems.

## e. Maintenance and Supply

- (1) The following combat essential equipment is deadlined:

(a)	AN/MRC-83	--	2 (MT)
(b)	AN/PRC-25	--	5
(c)	RT-52H	--	1
(d)	KW-7 Filter	--	1

- (2) The following are on order:

(a)	TA-1/PT	--	38
(b)	TA-312/PT	--	5
(c)	RT-52H	--	1

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(a)	AN/MRC-109	---	1
(b)	AN/PRC-77	---	19
(c)	AN/PIQ-5	---	1
(d)	AN/TPS-21	---	1
(e)	F-98/U	---	1
(f)	H-261-A/U	---	12
(g)	PU-422	---	2
(h)	MK-992/URG-12	---	1
(i)	PF-2953/U	---	1
(j)	MK-995(25)	---	2
(k)	CRM-55	---	2

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## FIRE SUPPORT AND FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION

## 1. Artillery units providing support/reinforcing arms

## a. General support

1. Bravo Btry, 1st Bn., 13th Marines
2. Lima Btry, 4th Bn., 12th Marines
3. 1st 155 gun Btry (Sp), 4th Bn., 12th Marines

## 2. Naval ships providing naval gunfire support.

## 1. None

## 3. Number and type of missions fired.

## a. Artillery

1. observed -21
2. unobserved -6
3. H&I fires - 1050
4. practice/training -1
5. defensive fires -0
6. prep fires -0
7. registration fires -0
8. group fires -0
9. neutralization fires -0

## b. 81mm Mortars

1. observed -34
2. unobserved -0
3. H&I fires - 720
4. practice/training -0
5. defensive fires -0
6. prep fires -0
7. registration fires -0
8. group fires -0
9. neutralization fires -0

## c. Naval gunfire

## 1. None

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## 4. Ammunition Expenditure by Type and Caliber.

## a. Artillery

## 1. 105 Howitzer

HE - 1941  
 Illum - 271  
 WP - 6  
 Smk - 0

## 2. 155 Howitzer and Gun (SP)

155 How	155 Gun(SP)
HE - 655	HE - 167
Illum - 365	Illum - 21
WP - 12	WP - 7
Smk - 0	Smk - 0

## b. 81mm Mortars

HE (med) - 2082  
 HE (light) - 0  
 WP - 7  
 Illum - 794

## c. 40mm (Twin 40s)

## 1. Data Not Available

## d. Naval Gunfire

## 1. None

## 5. Significant Events:

- a. H&I Fires shot at a moderate rate for this month, concentrating on intelligence reports.
- b. Bravo Btry was displaced to ZD 0900 for OPERATION COVE.

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COMBAT AIR SUPPORT

a. Close Air Support and daily logistics were supplied by the squadrons of the 1st Marine Air Wing.

b. Events during period 1 November to 30 November 1967. All times H

- 1 Nov At 1500 (R)- TAOR/over flight-for S-3 5 pass.  
At 1830-Requested-(R)- Resupply for Hill 230 - 8pass/4500lbs/111 cu/ Started 021808 - Complete 021845 - For 2/26.  
At 1830-Request-TAOR/overflight-(R)- for S-3, went to YD843321 - 7 pass.
- 2 Nov At 1537 MEDEVAC (E) for 2/26 F Co, for 1 US ill. At coord. YD971077. Started 1545--Completed 1600-- to A Med.  
At 2130 RESUPPLY (R) for Hill 230 - 2/26, 5 pass/700lbs/25cu. Started 031500, Completed 041455.
- 4 Nov At 1800 RESUPPLY (R) for Hill 230 - 2/26, 882lbs/28cu. Started 060820, Completed 0930.  
At 1800 RESUPPLY (R) For Hill 180 - 2/26, 4082lbs/107cu. Started 060820, Completed 0930
- 5 Nov At 1530 TAOR/overflight - 2/26, S-3 5 Pass.
- 6 Nov At 1046 Gunships (P) for CAC A at Coord. YD872190, Started 061051, Completed 061150.  
At 2018 MEDEVAC (E) for 2/26, H Co. at Coord. YD838176 Started 062135, Completed 062150, 1 ARVN to Hue Hospital.  
At 2045 MEDEVAC (E) For 2/26, E Co. at Coord. ZD096006 Started 062100, Completed 062114, 1 US to A Med.
- 7 Nov At 1030 TACTICAL AIR STRIKE for 3/26, M Co. On enemy OP and Bunkers at Coord. YD713135 (No times).  
At 1200 Gunships (R) for 2/26 at Coord. YD903022 Started 071230, Completed 071303.  
At 1258 MEDEVAC (E) for 2/26, G Co. At Coord. YD925065 Started 071310, Completed 071318, 1 PF to Hue Hospital  
At 1410 MEDEVAC (R) for 2/26, Hill 230. At Coord. YD903025 Started 071520, Completed 1530, 1 ARVN to Hue Hospital.  
At 1510 RESUPPLY (R) for Hill 230, 2/26. 3918lbs/112cu Started 071330, Completed 071345.  
At 1745 MEDEVAC (P) for 2/26, E Co. at Coord. ZC079986 Started 071814, Completed 071823, 1 US. to A MED.
- 8 Nov At 1620 ADMIN (R) 1 pass, 2/26, to ZD096006 Started 081645, Completed 081700.  
At 2030 GUN & FLARE SHIP (E) for 2/26, 14A, at Coord. ZD0998 Started 082100, Completed 082345.  
At 2215 RESUPPLY (E) (AMMO) for 2/26, E Co. at Coord. ZD104006 Started 082310, Completed 090135. 9000lbs/190cu.  
At 2240 TACTICAL AIR STRIKE (E) for 2/26, 14A. at Coord. ZD0998, Started 082315, Completed 082350.

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- 9 Nov At 1155 MEDEVAC (P) for 3/26, M Co. at coord YD742136. Started 091205, completed 091220. 2 US to A-Med.
- 10 Nov At 1115 MEDEVAC (E) for M/3/26, at coord YD741135. Started 101145, completed 101158. 1 US ill.  
At 1745 RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26, Hill 230. 6 pass/2193 lbs/63 cu. Started 111428, completed 111530.  
At 1745 TAOR/OVERFLIGHT 2/26, S-3 -- 5 pass.  
At 1745 RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26, Hill 180, 100 lbs/4 cu. Started 111530, completed 111536.
- 11 Nov At 1430 AO (R) for M/3/26, at coord YD790110. Started 111430, completed 111515. Neg results.
- 12 Nov At 1300 RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26, Hill 230, 4700 lbs/122 cu. Started 130800, completed 130815.  
At 1300 RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26, Hill 180, 1250 lbs/32 cu. Started 130800, completed 130815.  
At 1400 MEDEVAC (P) for 2/26 F Co. at coord ZD072000. Started at 121420, completed 121440. 1 US heat casualty.
- 13 Nov At 0005 MEDEVAC (E) for CAC A, at coord YD913118 Started 130017, completed 130039. 1 US 1 ARVN.  
At 1444 MEDEVAC (E) for CAC H at coord ZD041023 Started 131456, Complete 131508, 1 ARVN.  
At 1534 RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26, Hill 180, 2500lbs./63cu. Started 160820, Complete 160845.  
At 1545, MEDEVAC (P), for 1/4 C Co. at coord. YD800118 Started 1650 Complete 1655 1 US ill
- 14 Nov At 1800, AO for 1/4 C Co. at coord. YD800118 Started 150800 Complete 150825 Neg. sighting
- 15 Nov At 1707 MEDEVAC (E) for 1/4 C Co. at coord. YD798118 Started 1720 Complete 1730 1 US
- 16 Nov AO (R) for 2/26 14A at ZC089953 Started 1353 Complete 1410 Neg sighting heavy clouds
- 17 Nov At 0210 MEDEVAC (E) for 3/26 M Co. at coord YD744134 Started 0242 Complete 0252 1 US ill  
At 1842 MEDEVAC (E) for 3rd Engineers at coord. YD832153 Started 1910 Complete 1930 2 US ill
- 18 Nov At 1910 TAOR/Overflight (R) 2/26 S-3
- 19 Nov RESUPPLY (R) for 2/26 Hill 230 2 pass 3400 lbs. 95 cu. Started 211325 Complete 211335  
MEDEVAC (E) for CAC H at coord. YD971044 Started 2315 Complete 2340 1 US 2 PF gun shot  
FLARESHIP (P) For CAC H at coord. YD963041 Started 2245 Complete 200015 used good illum.

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- 19 Nov. At 2230 Spooky (P) for CAC H at coor. YD963041  
 Started 2320 Complete 200015 not used  
 At 2245 RESUPPLY (E) Ammo for 2/26 S-3's at coor YD967064  
 1782 lbs.  
 Started 2320 Complete 200015.
- 20 Nov AO (P) for 3/26 M Co. at coor. YD709742 brought in fixed wing  
 Started 1435  
 At 1846 RESUPPLY (R) for Hill 230 2/26 2 pass 4100 lbs. 95 cu.  
 Started 231355 Complete 231430  
 At 1855 MEDEVAC (E) for 2/26 14A at coor. ZD096006  
 Started 1932 Complete 1942 1 US
- 21 Nov At 1530 TAOR/OVERFIGHT (R) 2/26 S-3  
 At 1559 TAOR/OVERFIGHT (R) 2/26 S-3 for 231500  
 At 1543 MEDEVAC (E) for CAC H at coor. YD041023  
 Started 1558 Complete 1607 1 ARVN
- 22 Nov At 2034 MEDEVAC (E) for 2/26 14A at ZD096006  
 Started 2234 Complete 2240 3 US 14 personnel gunshot  
 At 221545 TAOR/OV REIGHT (R) for 2/26 S-3 for 241500  
 At 222215 MEDEVAC (E) for 3rd Eng. at coor. YD833154  
 Started 2237 Complete 2240 1 US ill 3rd Eng.
- 23 Nov At 0200 MEDEVAC (R) for 3/26 M Co. at coor. YD748133  
 Started 0715, Complete 0730 1 US gunshot  
 At 1115 MEDEVAC (R) for 1/4/A at coor. ZD096006  
 Started 1400, Complete 1415 1 US ill  
 At 1505 MEDEVAC (E-P) for 2/26 14A at coor ZD096006  
 Started 1535, Complete 1546 4 civilians  
 At 1750 TAOR/OVERFIGHT for 2/26 S-3 for 251500  
 Started 1931 Complete 1949 1 civ. snake bite  
 At 2015 RESUPPLY (R) FOR 2/26 Hill 230 1400 lbs.  
 Started 241017 Complete 241030  
 At 2015 MEDEVAC (R) For 1/4 at coor ZD096006  
 Started 240550 Complete 240600 1 US ill 1/4 personnel
- 24 Nov At 0430 RESUPPLY (R) for Hill 230 2/26 5350 lbs 136 cu.  
 Started 281430 Complete 281450  
 At 2030 AO (P) For F/2/26 G/2/26 at coor. YD771130  
 Started 250725 Complete 25084
- 25 Nov At 1000 Internal Lift Off, Hill 180 to 8th RRFS, 3000 lbs.  
 Started 281453 Complete 281459  
 At 1000 ADMIN 3 passengers to Hill 230, 2/26  
 Started 260815 Complete 260821  
 At 2010 MEDEVAC (E) at coor. ZD096006  
 Started 252040, Complete 252055 14 US ill
- 26 Nov. At 1315 AO (R) for 14A at coor. ZD097007 to check on enemy  
 movement  
 Started 261355, Complete 261430.

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- 27 Nov At 1545 MEDEVAC (P) (NBC) For E Co, 2/26. At Coord. YD979052  
Started 271552, Completed 271605.
- 28 Nov At 0730 AO (P) For F Co, 2/26. Checked for mortar position,  
Neg. results. Started 280810, Completed 280820.  
At 2155 FLARESHIP (P) For CAC-H At Coord. YD9705  
Started 282205, Completed 282312.  
At 2300 MEDEVAC (E) For CAC-H, At Coord. YD967063  
Started 282322, Completed 282331. 2 US, 2 PF.
- 29 Nov At 0800 MEDEVAC (E) For F Co, 2/26. At Coord. YD931058  
Started 290815, Completed 290820. 1 US ill.  
At 1525 MEDEVAC (E) For G Co, 2/26. At Coord. ZD083997  
Started 291540, Completed 291545. 1 US (NBC).
- 30 Nov At 2130 MEDEVAC (E) For F Co, 2/26. At Coord. YD792140  
Started 302140, Completed 302200. 2 USMC (Gunshot)  
At 2200 FLARESHIP (E) For F Co, 2/26 At Coord. YD955058.  
Started 302220, Completed 010105.  
At 2208 MEDEVAC (E) For F Co, 2/26. At Coord. YD955058.  
Started 302245, Completed 302325. 2 US KIA, 2 US WIA.  
At 2305 MEDEVAC (E) For CAC-A2, At Coord. YD909149.  
Started 302330, Completed 302338.

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## MEDICAL AND DENTAL SUPPORT

- A. Name of Surgeon: LT Bruce D. MASON MC USNR
- B. Significant Events: Nothing of significance to report.
- C. Medical Trends: The Medical Ward has the capacity for 20 patients and between 30 to 40 patients are seen daily at Sickcall.
- D. Number of Battle Casualties: 00
- E. Number of Non-battle patients treated: 591
- (1) Admissions to BAS: 20
  - (2) Emergency treatment:
    - (a) Heat Casualties: 01
    - (b) Lacerations: 13
    - (c) Trauma: 59
    - (d) Burns: 04
  - (3) Number of consultations to 3rdMedPn and NSA Hospitals: 24
  - (4) Cases of significant diseases in the area:
    - (a) Malaria: 02
    - (b) Hookworm: 02
    - (c) Bacillary Dysentery: 01
  - (5) Cases of Venereal Disease: 11
    - (a) Acquired out of country: 07
    - (b) Acquired in country: 04
- F. Preventive Medicine and Sanitation:
- (1) Number of Innoculations: 684
  - (2) Other: The use of mosquito repellant is in effect. All personnel are participating in the malaria prophylaxis program weekly, on Sundays, and have received instruction in Personal Hygiene.

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## MEDICAL AND DENTAL SUPPORT

G. CIVIL AFFAIRS MEDICAL SUPPORT RENDERED:

- (1) Number treated: 428
- (2) Referrals for corrective surgery: 00
- (3) A total of four (4) MedCap trips were made to the Village of Cau Hai in the month of November. A deworming treatment and vitamin therapy is automatically started on all local people seen.

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SECRET1. CHAPLIN SUPPORT for November 1967

a. Name of Chaplin: Samir Jamil Habiby, Lt, CHC, USNR

b. Number of services attendance and type:

(1) BATTALION SERVICES:	<u>No:</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
(a) General Protestant	55	1537
(b) Holy Communion	<u>14</u>	<u>84</u>

Total Battalion Protestant Services:

55+14 = 69 Services

Total Battalion Protestant Attendance

1537+84 = 1621

(c) Roman Catholic Services: These services are held in the Division Chapel (General Hochmuth Memorial Chapel) and figures are not available. The Roman Catholic Chaplains hold services at the CAP compounds and 2/26 Roman Catholic Marines are invited to attend when in the area.

	<u>No</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Roman Catholic Field Services	<u>3</u>	<u>121</u>
(Rock Crusher)	<u>4</u>	<u>100</u>
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>221</u>

(d) Totals: Protestant	69 Services	1621 attendance
R. Catholic	<u>7 Services</u>	<u>221 attendance</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>1842</u>

(e) Memorial Services	1 Service	200 attendance
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Grand Total	77 Services	2042 attendance
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## (2) OTHER SERVICES

(a) Division Episcopal Holy Communion (By Bn Chaplin)

	<u>No</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
	<u>4</u>	<u>75</u>
(b) Jewish Church Party	2	5
(c) E. Orthodox Ch Party	1	3
(d) Holy Baptist	1	9

c. The Bn Chaplin accompanied the Battalion Commander on the 192nd Birthday of the Marine Corps and gave 14 invocations and benedictions.

d. Counselling Sessions 30

e. BAS and Hospital Calls 45

f. Pocket Books Distributed (From friends of the Bn) 1,182

g. Comfort Item Boxes distributed (125) Boxes

h. People to People Boxes given to S-5 8 boxes (150) lbs.

i. Facilities and Motor Transportation: Adequate.

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Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations

1. Mission: to conduct a civic action program that will enhance the prestige of the civil government and to conduct psychological operations to further the efforts of the Government of Viet Nam in re-establishing its effective control over the people.

2. Civic Action Projects and Operations

a. 1 Nov-30 Nov 1967 2d Bn, 26th Marines were responsible for Civil Affairs in the Village of Loc Tri. During that period the following Civil Action was conducted.

(1) The ward on the Cau Hai Dispensary was completed and furnished with beds for eight patients.

(2) An Infirmary for the Cau Hai Catholic Orphanage was started.

(3) Work on the Cau Hai Market Place was continued.

(4) A public head construction project was begun with the first being sited outside the Cau Hai Elementary School.

(5) MEDCAP by the Battalion Surgeon and his staff of Corpsmen treated 329. An additional MEDCAP was conducted by Corpsmen from Foxtrot Company which treated 300, was also held.

b. Seven serious incidents were investigated involving damage to property and injuries sustained while Marines were conducting operations within this TACR. Solatiums were paid in varying amounts to all justified claims. In cases where hospitalization was required, gifts were presented by the S-5 staff.

3. Psychological Operations for the Month of November 1967

a. 7,750,000 leaflets were distributed by air; 36,050 leaflets, newspapers and magazines were distributed by hand.

b. 6:35 hours of aerial broadcast; 12:00 of ground broadcast.

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4. Remarks

a. The Civil Affairs NCO in residence at Loc Tri Village has established a rapport with the Village Officials, school teachers and priests in the area of this Battalion's responsibility. The leaders of the community trust and respect this NCO and work in close co-operation with him.

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- ENCLOSURE
- Enclosures: ✓ 1. Map; 6541 Series, 1:50,000 - Phu Bai TAOR and adjacent Areas
- ✓ 2. Sample Overlay; Day and Night Activities 30 Nov 67
- ✓ 3. Operations Overlay, Plt(-) Rotation, 5 maneuvering elements
- ✓ 4. Operations Overlay, Operation COVE
- ✓ 5. Operation Order 117-67
- ✓ 6. Operations Overlay, National Police Sweep
- ✓ 7. 2d Battalion, 26th Marines, SitRep for Nov.1 to Nov.30, 1967.
- ✓ 8. A/ARpt (OPN COVE)

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Operation Order 117-67

Ref: (a) Map; Hue, VIETNAM 1:50,000 Sheet 6541 IV  
 (b) 2d Bn, 26th Marines Comm Plan  
 (c) Rules of Engagement

TASK ORGANIZATION2nd Bn, 26th Marines

LtCol CHAPLIN

H&S Co(-)  
 Det, H&S Co, 3d MP Bn, 3d MarDiv  
 Det, Scout Sniper Plat, Hq Co, 26th Mar

Co E (Rein)

Capt BREEDING

Co E  
 Det, H&S Co  
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Det, Intell Sect  
 Det, Comm Plat  
 Det, Med Plat  
 FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1/13

Co F (Rein)

Capt DIVEBLISS

Co F  
 Det, H&S Co  
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Squad, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Det, Intel Sect  
 Det, Comm Plat  
 Det, Med Plat  
 FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1/13  
 Det, H&S Co, 3d MP Bn, 3d MarDiv  
 Det, Scout Sniper Plat, Hq Co, 26th Mar

Co G (Rein)

Capt OVERSTREET

Co G  
 Det, H&S Co  
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Squad, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Det, Intel Sect  
 Det, Comm Plat  
 Det, Med Plat  
 FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1/13  
 Det, H&S Co, 3d MP Bn, 3d MarDiv

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Co H (Rein)

Capt BROUGHTON

Co E

Det, M&S Co  
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plat  
 Det, Intel Sect  
 Det, Comm Plat  
 Det, Med Plat  
 FO Tm, "B" Btry, 1/13

81mm Mort Plat(-) (Rein)

Lt MEEKS

81mm Mort Plat(-)  
 Det, Comm Plat

106mm Rcl Rifle Plat (Rein)

SSgt PHIBODEUX

106mm Rcl Rifle Plat  
 Squad, 81mm Mort  
 Det, Med Plat

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Intelligence indicates that the enemy has moved back to the Troui Mountain area and several places along the periphery of the Phu Bai TAOR. He does not appear to be operating in as large of groups as he was a month ago however no firm pattern has been established. He still is attempting to gain food in and around the populated areas under cover of darkness. An attack on small government outpost and CAP units is certainly within his capability.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) Combined Action Platoon located throughout Phu Bai TAOR.
- (2) "C" Co 2/7 located east of Phu Loc District Hdq.
- (3) "B" Co 1/9 OPCON to 2/26 providing security for Rock Crusher / ferry near NAM HOA.
- (4) National Police operating on bridges in TAOR and on call as needed.
- (5) Artillery. "B" Btry, 1st Bn, 13th Mar GS
- (6) Air. 1st MAW continues to provide close air and helicopter support.

c. Attachments and Detachments. (Task Organization)

2. MISSION. Defend the Phu Bai Vital Area, Combined Action Platoons, National route #1 and conduct offensive operations in the Phu Bai TAOR and adjacent areas.

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3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of Operation. One company minus provide security for National route #1 with emphasis on bridge security. One company will operate between the Troui River and Division boundary providing security for Phu Loc District Hdq. One company will provide Sparrowhawk and Sparrowhawk Reserve during daylight hours and night activities beyond the Phu Bai Vital area. The remaining company will be reinforced with another platoon and will establish a Mobile Strike Unit for offensive operations from western edge of TAOR to the Troui River. Annex A (Operation Overlay).
- b. Co E (Rein)
  - (1) Continue with present mission of Route #1 and bridge security. Annex A (Operation Overlay)
  - (2) Determine which two or three bridges can most afford to lose Marine security and make recommendation to the S-3.
  - (3) Detach one platoon which will be under OPCON of "F" Co at 1300H, 26 Nov.
  - (4) Continue to use VN National Police for vehicle search.
  - (5) Conduct daytime patrolling from bridge sites.
- c. Co F (Rein)
  - (1) Task organize organic platoons and attached platoon into mobile strike teams.
  - (2) Commencing at approx 1530H move to team areas of operation by vehicle; strike teams will conduct aggressive patrolling and ambushes from western boundary of TAOR to the Troui River. Annex A (Operation Overlay)
  - (3) Scout Sniper Teams of 10 men will be employed upon coordination between Co Commanders and S-3.
  - (4) Be prepared to reinforce CAP units in your area.
- d. Co G (Rein)
  - (1) Commencing at 0800H, 26 Nov move by vehicles to new area of operation between the Troui River and division boundary; conduct extensive ambushes and patrols within your sector of responsibility Annex A (Operation Overlay)
  - (2) Drop one platoon vicinity of ZD004037 in order to provide security for CB reconnaissance which commences 1030H 27 Nov.

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- (3) Provide protection for Phu Loc District Hdq and CB unit in your area.
  - (4) Secure major bridges along Route #1.
  - (5) Provide security for Marine Artillery in the Phu Loc area until they displace to Phu Bai.
- e. Co H (Rein)
- (1) Assume Sparrowhawk and Sparrowhawk Reserve commencing 0700H, 26 Nov.
  - (2) Provide ambushes around the Phu Bai Vital Area commencing at 1730H each evening. Annex A (Operation Overlay)
  - (3) Conduct training while standing Sparrowhawk.
  - (4) Be prepared to reinforce CAP units in your sector of operation on order.
- f. 81mm Mortar Plan
- (1) Support OP's on Hills 180 and 230 with a squad on each.
  - (2) Provide three squads, one at SR-6/9, R-1 and R-3 respectively. GS, priority of fire to E Co.
  - (3) Attach a squad each to "G" and "F" Co.
  - (4) One squad will provide fire support for Col Co Beach.
- g. 106mm Rcl Rifle Plat (Rein)
- (1) Provide security for OP on Hill 230.
  - (2) Be prepared to conduct a Recon patrol off Hill 230 on order.
- h. Battalion Reserve
- (1) The established provisional platoon.
  - (2) Assemble at COC bunker on call.
- i. Coordination Instructions
- (1) Activities in the Phu Loc area will be coordinated by Lt Hummel at Phu Loc District Hdq.
  - (2) Submit night and day activities NLT 1200H the day before.

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- (3) Do not destroy captured food, supplies or medicine. Report location and await instructions.
- (4) Curfew hours for Huong Thuy District are 2000 to 0600 and Phu Loc District 1930 to 0600.
- (5) Direct liaison with CAC Co Commanders is authorized and must be accomplished prior to operating in CAP TAORs.
- (6) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines.
- (7) Attachments effective 260700H unless otherwise stated.
- (8) CS grenades should be used to break contact with larger force if necessary.
- (9) Co ambushing near Phu Bai Vital Area must coordinate with S-3A who will insure coordination of passage of perimeter.
- (10) Report by fastest means available indication of enemy activities.
- (11) H-hour: 0800H
- (12) D-Day: 26 Nov 67

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Basic load and resupply to be determined by the Co Commander. Request resupply by 1000H each day.
- b. Be alert for signs of immersion foot as this can become a serious problem.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICSa. Comm - Electronics.

- (1) Ref (b)
- (2) All Co's stay on Bn TAC Net at all times; during battery change or radio breakdown, relinquish operational control of the net to a subordinate unit temporarily.

b. Command Posts

- (1) Report locations of all Co and Plt CP's with daily activities or as changes occur.

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ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT

D. CHAPLIN  
Lt Col, U. S. Marine Corps  
Commanding

ANNEXES:

1 - Operation Overlay

DISTRIBUTION: Rifle Companys (8)  
H&S Co (3)  
Phu Loc Ln O (1)  
2d Bn, 26th Mar (1)  
CG, 3d MarDiv (2)  
  
TOTAL (15)

OFFICIAL:

*G. F. Kurth*  
G. F. KURTH  
Major USMC  
S-3

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division(Reia), PMF

SitRep: 010001H to 012400H Nov 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813  
 B/2/26 - YD 097007  
 F/2/26 - YD 932085  
 G/2/26 - YD 910149  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 L/3/26 - YD 774134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. B/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic Truoi River and 1st Marine Division boundry, provided 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H; provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. B/2/26 - Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truoi River, 2d Plt continued to provide Sparrow Hawk until 1500H, Plt rejoined the company at 1700H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter until 1200H. Co(-) returned to LP and assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 1500H, 2d Plt assumed Sparrow Hawk at 1500H. Co began patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H/2/26 - Co provided FO and MAC for Fremont roadrunner at 0645H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad ea Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Gel Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A1, 1 squad at CAC-E3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist HQ.
- F. L/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 012100H 9th ARVN Airborne made contact with one VC company east and south of CAC-A7 TAOR at YD 811143, YD 800142 and YD 805135. After contact VC commenced movement N.E. and east into Marine TAOR. CAC-A relayed for fire mission. Called for illumination swept area and found 2 VC KIA(c) and captured 4 POW, 1 M-2 carbine and 50 kilos of rice.

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## 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 302100H CAC-H3 patrol at YD 967058 sighted possible VC movement with lights and whistles at YD 965057. Waited for VC to move into killing Zone, but VC failed to come into ambush. Opened fire with M-60 and M-79. No fire returned.
- B. At 312300H CAC-H5 patrol at ZD 085003 enroute to CP from ambush site heard 5 mortar Rds landing Approx 200 meters South of CAC-H5 CP. Checked area at ZD 087006 and found no apparent casualties.

## 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, Provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. E/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truc R.
- C. G/2/26 - Co return from patrol and ambush operation outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk reserve at 0630H, 2d Plt provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H/S/2/26 - Co provide FO, FAC for Fremont roadrunner at 0730H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3 and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hq.
- F. L/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

## 6. Scout Sniper Team:

COMMAND GROUP/OP	NO OF TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	RESULTS
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27  
WIA 258

Enemy: VC KIA(e) 118  
VC KIA(p) 219  
DETAINERS 218  
CIVIL DEF 5  
POW 17  
WPMs CAPT 75

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 25th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 022000H to 022400H November 1967

### 1. Locations:

2/26 - ID 8413  
 1/2/26 - ID 097007  
 7/2/26 - ID 932085  
 1/2/26 - ID 919150  
 8/2/26 - ID 8613  
 1/3/26 - ID 744134

### 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 1/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations vlc Traol River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provided 2 squads Co security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations between CAC-A3 and Traol River.
- C. 3/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0700H, 2nd Plt assumed Sparrowhawk at 0700H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0700H, Co began patrol and ambush operations outside the perimeter at 1800H.
- D. 4/2/26 - Co continued to secure route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. 5/2/26 - Co provided FO and PAC for Fremont Roadrunner at 0600H, 106 Plt and Platoon continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81st Marine Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-H5, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hq.
- F. 1/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at NAM HOA.

### 3. Contact:

- A. At 012345H, CAC A Hq reported a 1st sq bunker watch spotted 3 VC at ID 8413. Opened fire, checked area with negative results.
- B. At 012330H, Chieu Hai Village Grid square YD 8615 received 3 incoming grenades and approx 20 rds of 81mm. Returned fire and requested illum. At 020100H received 81mm, and requested illum. Swept area with negative results.
- C. At 020700H, 3d Recon made contact vlc ID 7016 03 and received Spookie support. 1/3/26 called wanting to help if possible. At 020700H 1/3/26 sent one Plt to help sweep. Area checked with negative results.

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- B. At 021025H, 3d HT Bn truck overturned on bridge at YD 670270 killing 1 USMC and 1 USMC badly hurt. Recovered truck.

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 011930H, CAC-A6 reported one ARVN 6x6 truck going NW towards HUE at YD 821179 had grenade thrown at it. The explosion damaged the radiator and shattered front window. Head blocks closed, Hwy stations manned.
- B. At 012830H, CAC-A7 PF's at YD 799194 reported hearing American voices and also heard two explosions which sounded like grenades in front of perimeter. Patrol dispatched to search area and requested illum. Searched area with negative results. Gas house caught on fire by illumination and burned down.
- C. At 000130H, CAC-H4 reported aircraft was bombing area behind CAC-H4's TAOR. At approx 0330H a dud landed near CAC-H4 ambush site. After patrol returned to CP a round hit in the village at ZD 040023 sending shrapnel in CAC-H4's CP. Checked area during hours of darkness but couldn't find the impact area. A few civilians were wounded (minor). Checked area at first light and found 1 house heavily damaged and 2 others slightly damaged.
- D. At 021300H, S-2 2/26 received info that Chieu Hoi Villagers told EGS that the 5 VC who harassed the Chieu Hoi Village last night were presently located at THANH PHU village vic YD 8417-YD 8617.
- E. At 021830H, District Chief reported 1 VC Bn to be in CAC HAI vic ZC 082996. CAC-H5 patrol received report from PF that main force of VC located at ZC 087993 and VC seen receding at ZD 084004.
- F. At 021830H, CAC-H1 received info that at approx 012230H, 12 VC went into AN-NONG I at YD 922104. VC gave two different villagers 500P to buy rice at market. Total sum given to villagers 1000P. VC said they would return to pick up rice in a few days CAC-H1 changed activities for tonight.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26-Continue patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H. Provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26-Continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truc River.
- C. G/2/26-Continue patrol and ambush operation outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk Base at 0630H, 3d Plt provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H.
- D. H/2/26-Continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.

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E. H&S/2/26-Co provide FO, FAC for Fremont Roadrunner at 0730H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-46/9, 1 squad at GAO-43, 1 squad at CAC-HL, 1 squad at CAC-H3 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.

F. 1/3/26-Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>COMMAND GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA (p)

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	118
WIA 258	VC KIA(p)	219
	Detainees	218
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	WPNS CAPT	75

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were <sup>Two</sup> non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

2 Nov 67

From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 030000H to 032400H November 1967

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813  
 E/2/26 - YD 097007  
 F/2/26 - YD 932085  
 G/2/26 - YD 910150  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 L/3/26 - YD 74434

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via Truoi River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provided 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations between CAC-43 and Truoi River.
- C. G/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. 1st Plt assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H. Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H. 3d Plt provided Roughrider to Da Nang at 0630H. Co (-) began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Roughrider to Da Nang at 0630H, FO and FAC for Frequent Runner at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flaming continued security on Hills 180 and 230, Slim Hunter Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-46/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. L/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at NAM HCA.

3. Contacts: NONE

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 031400H, CAC-H5 ARVN reported that 12 VC were suppose to come to ZC 092995 at 1500H. CAC-H5 sent patrol with negative results. People said VC had been there and left.
- B. At 031430H, F/2/26 patrol discovered 2 trail markers at YD 845018. Markers were 200 meters apart and pointing in a southeast direction. One marker was made of bamboo in shape of pyramid. The other marker was smaller and made out of grass and in shape of an arrow. Destroyed markers, and checked area for future ambush sites.

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## 5. Plans:

- A. 8/2/26-Continue patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 2 squads SB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, Provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. 8/2/26-Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truc River.
- C. 8/2/26-Co return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assume Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H, 2d Plt provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H, 3d Plt return from Roughrider to Da Nang.
- D. 8/2/26-Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. 8/2/26-Co provide FO, FAC for Roughrider to Da Nang and for Roadrunner to Fremont at 0730H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, Lima Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 1/3/26-Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

## 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>COMMAND GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	118
MIA	258	VC KIA(p)	219
		Detainees	218
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		NPMS CAPT	75

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Main), FMF

SitRep: 040001H to 042400H November 1967

# 1. Locations:

2/26 - YD8613  
 E/2/26 - YD97007  
 F/2/26 - YD912085  
 G/2/26 - YD980150  
 H/2/26 - YD8613  
 L/3/26 - YD744124

# 2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via Truoi River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provided 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H1.
- B. F/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations between CAC-A3 and Truoi River.
- C. G/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. 1st Plt assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0630H. Co (-) assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0630H. 3d Plt Roughrider at Da Nang at 0630H. Co (-) began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provided FC and FAC for Roughrider at Da Nang, FC and FAC for Fremont at 0800H. 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 150 and 230, and squad at Col Co Beach. Two squads at the perimeter, two squads at the airstrip, one squad at CAC-A6/9, one squad at CAC-H1, one squad at CAC-H3, and one squad at Phu Loc Dist Hq.
- F. L/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

# 3. Contacts:

- A. At 031740H CAC-A Hq's reported 1 VC Plt in area of YD795122 made contact with a ARVN unit. Neg casualties. VC broke contact upon being fired at.
- B. At 032020H CAC-A7 at YD981193 received 8-10 rounds of sniper fire from vic YD803191. Swept area of suspected snipers with neg results.

# 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 031730H F/2/26 patrol spotted red snake at YD995024. Patrol also spotted 2 people dressed in white clothing with field glasses.

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- B. At 021920H CAC-A6 reported an explosion went off NW of CAC-A6 at YD816185. Explosion was from a mine which VC set in on Hwy #1. VN civilian jeep windshield was blown out. No one injured. Patrol sent reported 12" hole 8-10" deep and approx 8" from side of road. No sign of enemy in area.
- C. At 032110H F/2/26 patrol at YD956057 spotted approx 10 or more VC moving towards road. Did not fire because they were out of range. Notified CAC-H3 who is in area.
- D. At 040915H H/2/26 Bridge Security reported that hill at South end of bridge at YD927103 was washed out during rain last night, tried to fill in with sand with neg. results. Request gravel as soon as possible.

### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26- Continue patrol and ambush operations via Truoi River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, Provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H3.
- B. F/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations via CAC-A3 and Truoi River until 1200H. Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 1300H. 1st Plt assume Sparrow Hawk at 1300H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co(-) return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk Reserve until 1300H, 1st Plt provide Sparrow Hawk until 1300H, 3d Plt return from Roughrider at Da Nang, Co(-) begin patrol and ambush operations via GIANG to Truoi River at 1300H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout 24HR.
- E. IHS/2/26- Co provided FC, FAC for Roughrider to DA NANG and roadrunner to Da Nang at 0730H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 189 and 230, 81st Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 189 and 230, 1 squad at Gai Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Hu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. L/2/26- Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

### 6. Scout - River Guard:

COMMAND GROUP/02	NO OF TEAMS	NO EMPLOYED	RESULTS
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	118
MIA	258	VC KIA(p)	219
		Detainees	218
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Mpns Capt	75

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2. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period
3. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FSB

SitRep: 050001H to 052400H Nov 1967

1. Log Entries:

2/26-050013  
 R/2/26-40097007  
 F/2/26-00815  
 G/2/26-0092045  
 H/2/26-0092085  
 L/3/26-0092134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. 1/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic Truoi River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provided 2 squads CC Security at CAG-15 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAG-15.
- B. 1/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations Vic CAG-13 and Truoi River at 0700H. Co(-) assumed Spun Hawk Reserve at 0600H, 1st Plt provided Spun Hawk at 0600H. Co(-) began patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 1730H, 2d Plt provided CC Reserve until 0630H.
- C. 1/2/26 - Co(-) returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, 3d Plt returned from Houarider at DaNang at 1630H, Co(-) began patrol and ambush operations Vic CAG-A3 and Truoi River at 1730H, 3d Plt remain in CP.
- D. 1/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout MOR.
- E. 1/3/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Houarider at DaNang, FO and FAC for Fremont at 0600H, 106 Plt and 106th continued security on Hills 130 and 130, one squad at ColCo Beach, two squads at the perimeter, two squads at the airstrip, one squad at CAG-15/9, one squad at CAG-11, one squad at CAG-3, and one squad at Phu Loc Base Hdq.
- F. 1/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Comments:

- A. At 1100H, CAG-15 patrol in ambush heard digging and people talking in a low voice. Two VC were spotted in rice paddy approx 40 meters in front of ambush. One carrying a M16, one carrying a M14, one carrying a M16. Ambush opened fire and received 20 - 30 rds of SAF and one grenade. Checked area at first light and found 6 holes by surrounding houses. Checked civilians and they all claim to know nothing about VC.
- B. At 1100H, 1st Plt on perimeter heard two explosion and small arms fire and two bunkers were hit by mortar. Vic Y039/155. Fired 11mm with 100 rounds.
- C. At 0500H, 1/2/26 security on perimeter at Y039/155 fired 7 rds of SAF at 6 bunkers around my #1 north of perimeter with neg results.

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- D. At 051207H MAC-1 bunker #6 at YD885158 received no SA rd from unknown direction.
- E. At 051055H 3d Recon Team spotted 3 VC at ZC067968 when sentry dog alerted. VC wearing PJ's carrying AK-47's. Team observed and opened fire resulting in 1 KIA(c) and 2 KIA(p). Heard movement on three sides, called Spooky. 2 additional KIA(c). Team extracted with 1 USMC WIA (minor).

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 042055H 3d Recon on south check point reported one person was seen on road. Illum was shot and three persons were seen crossing road about 350 meters at YD901129. Illum was shot with neg results.
- B. At 051000H S-5/2/26 upon arriving at CAU HAI, S-5 was informed of the presence of enemy forces Vic GS ZD0899. Estimated a company of unfriendlies. Rice and money was taken from villages. Villagers were moving out of out lying areas and into more populated center as a result of VC harassment. E/2/26 was consolidated around CAC HAI and Phu Loc providing security for the area. One Plt will provide screen between CAU HAI village and mountains.
- C. At 051730H E/2/26 had conversation with unit leader in charge with security at construction sites along Route #1 and reported increasing number of incidents of civilian vehicles breaking down at work sites thus blocking Hwy for varied periods of time. Spot Report will be submitted on all future events of this nature.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambush operations Vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. Co(-) return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assume Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H, 2d Plt provide Sparrowhawk at 0630H, Co(-) patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush Vic CAC-A3 and Truc River, 3d Plt provide Roughrider to Dong Ha at 0830H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security Throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provide FO, FAC for Roughrider to Dong Ha at 0830H, and roadrunner to Fremont at 0730H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. L/3/26 - Continue Rock Brusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

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## 6. Combat Air Force Teams:

<u>COMMAND GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

## 7. Casualty Losses:

Friendly:		Enemy:	
KIA	27	VC KIA(c)	118
MIA	250	VC KIA(p)	219
		Detainees	218
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	73

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 0600GHH to 062400 Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26 - XD 8813  
 E/2/26 - ZD 097007  
 F/2/26 - YD 8813  
 G/2/26 - YD 932085  
 H/2/26 - YD 932085  
 M/3/26 - YD 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division boundary, provided 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve, 2d Plt provided Sparrow Hawk at 0630H. Co(-) begun patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 1730H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truc River, 3d Plt provided roughrider to Dong Ha at 0830H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. IES/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Roughrider to Dong Ha at 0830H, FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, two squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26 - Assumed Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 061930H CAC-A1 PF patrol at YD 871186 received 5 60mm mortar rounds and 1000 rounds of SAF from 1 Plt of VC (strength 75) via YD 871186. PF patrol returned fire and sent messenger to CAC-A1 requesting help. 3 PFs WIA and Medevaced. AO and Huey checked out area with negative results.

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- B. At 061115H H/2/26 on bridge security spotted approx 4 VC to the south of their position at YD 980052. Bridge received 5 to 10 rounds of SAF. H/2/26 returned fire with approx 60 rounds of SAF with unknown results.
- C. At 061645H CAC-H7 reported village Officials reported that 7 VC with K-44s and carbines were at ZD 192004. Patrol sent where it began taking SAF. Returned fire, 10 VC spotted fleeing west. Patrol forward to ZD 189984 taking 10 rounds sniper fire. Arty mission called and rounds landed along VC route of withdrawal in vic ZD 185990. No surveillance because of darkness.
- D. At 061830H G/2/26 patrol spotted 1 VC with weapon at YD 954035. Patrol opened fire, VC fled north. Patrol continued to ambush site.
- E. At 061945H E/2/26 patrol at ZC 083996 was fired upon by unknown number of VC. Patrol returned fire and called illum. 1 USMC WIA. Swept area with negative results. *WIA MEDEVACED*
- F. At 061945H H/2/26 on Bridge security at YD 838176 reported jeep proceeding North stopped 100 meters East of bridge. Personnel in jeep stopped to investigate VN <sup>women</sup> carrying a basket. When basket opened, booby traps and grenades found. At that time a grenade was thrown resulting in 2 PFs WIA and disabling jeep. Persons carrying basket escaped. Called illum. PFs returned SAF. *4 BASKETS BEING FOUND IN AREA*

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 051715H CAC-H6 reported 2 CB personnel were shot in the back at Nuec Ngot Bridge (ZD 148020) by RF stationed there. CB's claim they were shot without provocation. RFs claim CBs threw 2 of their personnel into the river. CAC-H6 sent patrol to check shooting. Called for and completed medevacs.
- B. At 051945H FLSC-A on perimeter spotted MG fire 250 meters at vic YD 855135. Also spotted flash light movement. Hill 180 fired a light mission with negative results.
- C. At 052220H 131st ARVN Co radar picked up 3 movements at YD 966066. Believed to be sampans due to smallness of radar indications. CAC-H3 checked area with negative results.
- D. At 052230H CAC-A2 patrol in ambush when dog started barking at bushes. Some one in bushes threw stick at dog and stood up then started to run. Patrol threw grenade and fired SAF with negative results.
- E. At 052230H CAC-A2 heard movement near fence and saw figures in front of C.P. Fence checked, partially opened. Illum fired. Fired 10 SAF at figures running at YD 909144. Swept area with negative results.

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- F. At 060345H Hq Bn on perimeter reported bunker heard sounds in wire near fence at YD 896155. Fired illum with negative results.
- G. At 061120H 2/26 apprehended two male ARVNs who were trying to sell whisky to men on perimeter in F sector. ARVNs taken to 3d MP Bn.
- H. At 060900H H/2/26 on bridge security at YD 838177 received information from villagers that 10 VC are observing bridge activities. VC moved into area at YD 839179 and observed until 0500H. VC were black PJs and carried rifles. More trip flares set around bridge.
- I. At 061100H Advisor Team 5 reported 1 ARVN truck detonated mine at YD 881184 resulting in 4 WIA's. At 1045H 10 PFs were wounded when detonating booby trap at YD 877177. All medevaced.
- J. At 061800H Hill 230 spotted 1 person at YD 859085 wearing white shirt and green trousers. Person appeared to be observing this position.
- K. At 060700H H/2/26 security on bridge found blockade on Hwy 1 at YD 812176. Blockade was 3 ft long and 1 1/2 ft high constructed of sand bags and rocks. Removed blockade.
- L. At 061030H CAC-A3 patrol was on blocking force at YD 837137. PFs checking IDs saw 1 boat flee. PF squad leader fired and patrol pursued by fire. Found VN boy wounded. Boy and sister taken to CAC-A3 position for medical assistance. Punji pit and haystack bunker found at YD 939144. Boy's father known VC.
- M. At 061615H CAC-A1 reported ARVN vehicle hit mine at YD 883179. Patrol sent to investigate.
- N. At 061700H 2/26 FAC received information that 1 company of VC at ZC 067964. Have mission to overrun District Hq as soon as bad weather sets in, so as to isolate attack from air support.

##### 5. Plans

- A. F/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 1 squad CB security at CAC-B5 at 0730H, provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assume Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H, 3d platoon assume Sparrowhawk at 0630H. Co begin special training outside perimeter at 0800H. Patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1800H.

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- C. 6/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truoi River, 3d Plt provide Roughrider from Dong Ha to Phu Bai.
- D. 11/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route 1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. 11/2/26 - Co provide FQ and FAC for Roughrider from Dong Ha to Phu Bai and FO and FAC to Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, Ulm Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 11/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>COMPANY GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	118
WIA 259	VC KIA(p)	219
	Detainees	219
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	75

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.



From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 070000H to 072400H Nov 1967

### 1. Locations:

2/26-XD 8813  
 E/2/26-XD 077007  
 F/2/26-XD 8813  
 G/2/26-XD 930085  
 H/2/26-XD 930085  
 M/3/26-XD 744134

### 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provided 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26-Co(-) returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H. Co conducted special training at Dong Da Training Center until 1600H. Co(-) began patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 1730H. 1st Plt remain in CP.
- C. G/2/26-Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truc River, 3d Plt returned from Roughrider at Dong Ha at 1630H, and began patrol and ambush vic CAC-A3 and Truc River at 1800H.
- D. H/2/26-Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOH.
- E. H&I/2/26-Co provided FO and FAC for Roughrider from Dong Ha to Phu Bai, FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Qal Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, two squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26-Assumed Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at NAM HUA.

### 3. Contacts:

- A. At 062055H, CAC-H2 ambush at YD 944071 was setting Claymores when they spotted 2 VC on opposite side of road at YD 944071. Patrol opened fire with M-79 and SAW. 1 VC returned fire with 12 rifle grenades and 250 SAW. 1 VC KIA (Minor). Patrol advanced across road and observed VC running. Opened fire, swept area with negative results.

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- B. At 2230H, MAG 36 patrol observed force of unknown size following patrol at YD 885167. Patrol fired 6 Rds. 1 VC KIA (p), patrol hampered by excessive illumination and deep rice paddies. At 0715H, checked area and found 1 green flare and 1 bundle of punji stakes and no trace of possible KIA.
- C. At 062245H, CAC-A3B patrol and CAC A3B2 secondary patrol dispatched at YD 908112. CAC-A3B2 set in ambush while CAC-A3B moved South and rear element opened up on 1 VC at 7 meters hearing movement. They continued to cover area by fire, at same time forward element came into heavy contact. Illumination called reaction force was sent to link up with both patrols. Swept area and found blood trails and 2 KIA (c) and 3 KIA (p), captured 3 AK-47, 3 magazines, 1 cartridge belt and 1 grenade. Estimate contact with 1 squad of VC.

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 061800H E/2/26 reported that patrols in GS ZC 0899 observed abnormal increase in male population. Patrol felt VC are in area. Night activities in area.
- B. At 062214H FAC/2/26 reported that at 011500H VC unit deployed at YD 975007 Approx 160 men dressed in green khaki camouflaged with foliage armed with 3 sub-machine guns and many small arms. Approx 40 troops moved to YD 965045 to get info on allies. Info came from Army advisor.
- C. At 062215H FAC/2/26 received info from Army advisor that on 02Nov67 the K-4 Bn held assemblies on southern slope of mountains Approx 200 meters from ZC 105933 to discuss attack on District Hq. 4 Companies of K-4 Bn with support of Heavy weapons Plt armed with 2-82mm mortars, 2-60mm mortars and 3 B-40 rockets.
- D. At 062245H CAC-H1 patrol in ambush at YD 922106 heard movement and heard a bolt go home in front of position. Initiated ambush, swept area w/Neg results.
- E. At 071215H G/2/26 patrol found 1 VN female with arm severed off below elbow at YD 925065 from artillery strike at YD 901022. Patrol found a male at YD 903025 with deep cut in rear end. Patrol reported that 2 Vn injured were civilian woodcutters who were working with their families in area. Villagers reported that there were no VC in area. At 1715H 1 young girl came to CAC-H12 wounded in shoulder from Artillery strike, girl MedEvaced to A-Med. 2/26 S-5 will file a serious incident report.
- F. At 071430H G/2/26 patrol questioned VN male Approx 21 years old at YD 959039. He had an improper ID card. Detainee taken to CAC-H3 and CIT released him as innocent civilian.
- G. At 071800H E1/2/26 patrol was testing a GM blasting cap at ZC 079986 to see if trigger works. Blasting cap exploded injuring right index finger. Treated by corpsman.

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- H. At 071830H FAC/2/26 received info from Recen that a secondary explosions were heard when TPQ's were dropped in vic of ZC 0595 GS.

### 5. Plans

- A. E/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambush operations vic Truoi River and 1st Marine Division Boundry, provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk until 1400H, 1st Plt provide Sparrow Hawk until 1400H. Co begin patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 to Truoi River at 1600H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co return from patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-A3 and Truoi River at 1000H, Co assume Sparrow Hawk at 1400H. Co begin patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. HES/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC to Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hq.
- F. M/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

### 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>COMMAND GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	121
WIA 259	VC KIA(p)	225
	Detainees	219
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	78

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was one non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 080001H to 082400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-YD8813  
 E/2/26-ZD097007  
 F/2/26-YD932085  
 G/2/26-YD913118  
 H/2/26-YD932085  
 M/2/26-YD744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic Truoi River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provided 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provided 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk Reserve until 1300H, 1st Plt provided Sparrowhawk until 1300H, Co began patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-A3 and Truoi River at 1700H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-A3 and Truoi River at 1000H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk Reserve at 1300H, 2d Plt assumed Sparrowhawk at 1300H, Co begin patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. H/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 072220H H/2/26 on Bridge Security spotted 1 VC 75 - 100 meters from bridge at YD979053. Fired illum observed VC fleeing. Opened fire with 15 rds of M-16, and 8 rds of M-79 with neg results.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 072030H north check point on perimeter at YD875148 reported one VN who said he was an ARVN Recruit. VN Police suspects he is a VC. Suspect was searched. He had a helmet, pancho and cartridge belt. Suspect turned over to PMO. PMO says he is a recruit going over the hill.

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- B. At 072130H M/3/26 received info from Local Intel that enemy activity in Vic of YD713135. Previous sightings have been sighted in same vicinity. Requested AO. AO fraged fixed wing. Fixed Wing on station dropped 7 - 50 lb napalm bombs and 12 - 250 lb bombs and reported one large secondary explosion and 2 bunkers burning. Fixed Wing departed and Arty called in 62 rds 105 and 58 rds 155, there were 2 secondary explosions. Will continue REI and plan large size recon in area.
- C. At 080740H CAC-H7 reported that VC had dug trenches across road at 2D 164011 making it impassable. Trenches are 2 ft wide and 1 1/2 ft deep. Three of these trenches go half way across road and one goes all the way across road. CAC-H will send EB Crew to fill up.
- D. At 081130H CAC-H7 received info from Village Officials that 5 to 10 VC would be coming to THUA LUO (AU201010) tomorrow to assassinate Americans and Viet Officials. They will also mortar CAC-H7 CP and Market Place. They will have 1 - 60mm mortars and dressed as PF's. CAC-H7 will be sending extra patrol to check area.
- E. At 081500H CAC-H7 reported two trucks collided. Both trucks unable to drive. One truck VN and other CB truck. No injuries. Trucks towed away.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. M/2/26 - Continued patrol and ambush operations Vic Truc River and 1st Marine Division Boundary, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, provide 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. E/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush Vic Phu Loc and combine with E/2/26 as Bn(-) for defense of Cai Hai terrain compartment. 2d Plt patrol and ambush Vic CAC-H2 at 1700H.
- C. M/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter until 0630H, Co(-) assume Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H, 3d Plt provide Sparrowhawk at 0630H, Co begin patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. M/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H2S/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC to Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt, continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

#### 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>COMMAND GROUP/OP</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>NO EMPLOYED</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

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## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly Losses:	KIA	27	Enemy:	VC KIA(G)	120
	WIA	259		VC KIA(P)	225
				Detainees	219
				Civil Def	5
				POW	17
				Wpns Capt	78

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 24 Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 090000H to 092400H Nov 1967

### 1. Locations

2/26-2D 8813  
 2/26-2D 097007  
 2/26-2D 002097  
 0/26-4D 913113  
 2/26-2D 932005  
 2/26-2D 740334

### 2. Summary of Events

- A. 2/26-00 continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 to combine with 2/26 2d Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command.
- B. 7/2/26-00(-) continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 to combine as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command. 2d Plt returned from patrol and ambush vic CAC-H2 at 1100H, Plt began patrol and ambush vic CAC-H2 at 1730H.
- C. 0/2/26-00 returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0630H. 3d Plt provided Sparrow Hawk at 0630H. Sparrow Hawk alerted and reported to airfield at 1100H, boarded planes at 1636H and flown around Vital Area but were not committed. Landed in Airfield at 1730H. Co began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1800H.
- D. 2/26-00 continued to secure Route 21 with emphasis on bridge security throughout 2400.
- E. H&S/2/26-00 provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Ranch, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-26/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu L, e Dist Hq.
- F. 2/26-Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

### 3. Contacts:

- A. At 081900H 240-MF reported that on 6 Nov NVA patrol engaged unknown number of VC in Thay Duong, XC 189990. AO called on station and directed arty mission on VC fleeing into mountains. AO reported excellent target coverage. PF reported today that villagers said 30 VC were killed. PF who is Chien Hai also reported 4 young males who are 20 are in Thay Duong. Action will be taken to apprehend.

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B. At 081845H E/2/26 patrol in ambush at ZC 089994 engaged estimated 40 VC moving in a Northeast direction at ZC 089001 to ZC 090994 carrying machine guns, automatic weapons and unknown number of mortars. This group of VC moved into ambush and they were not dispersed. Enemy was very well camouflaged. Ambush triggered by claymore, then opened up with M-79 and grenades, 60mm mortars used throughout contact. VC returned fire and retreated with counter mortar fire. (Approx 7 Rds). VC were estimated to be at ZC 089991. Three successful sweeps turned up the following: 5 enemy KIA(e), 2 KIA(p), 1 AK-47 (with magazines & Rds), 1 machine gun with cannisters of ammo, 6 TNT blocks, 5 AK-47 magazines with Rds, 2 web belts with pouches, 1 machine gun cannister pouch, 3 bandages and rags, 1 notebook which may be diary, 4 pouches, 1 rice sack and 2 letters. Counter mortar conducted with 60mm, 81mm mortars, and 106RR. Air strikes conducted, Spooky fire provided. Detained 1 VN leaving area at first light, Detainee taken to District Hdq.

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 081945H CAO-H7 received info from villagers of Thuy Duong that on 6 Nov 50 VC at AU 223019 crossed river and went into mountains.
- B. At 081945H M/3/26 reported seeing a light moving in a N to S direction via YD 726123. Called 81mm mortar HE and 105mm VT. Light went out after initial Rd. Light appeared at 2130H, called in same and light went out.
- C. At 090005H E/2/26 at YD 932085 reported a PC # 945683 with two USMC Capt's and driver. Vehicle approached bridge security going North. They were halted and turned around and head back to Phu Bai.
- D. At 090145H Division COC reported that a man near the perimeter at YD 881156 thought that an incoming Rd landed near the perimeter. 2/26 watch officer checked it out, no one on perimeter watch could verify this.
- E. At 081300H S-2/2/26 Source #1 received report from agent that people of Loc Dien ZD 021026 are voluntarily evacuating the area due to enemy activity. Enemy activity in area has increased 75% since the month of Sept. At 081130H an Officer from 2/26 checked area and found people leaving area.
- F. At 090100H 3d TK Bn at main gate at YD 881156 received one incoming grenade, no action taken.
- G. At 091045H MAC/26 at Phu Loc reported finding 1 marker along trail at ZC 078983. Marker is in shape of 2 triangular logs with their points facing outward. Horizontal lines bisected the main lines which pointed in a 20° azimuth believed to be aiming point for mortar. Marker destroyed in place.
- H. At 082045H S-2 Scout/2/26 at ZC 090995 reported the following information during examination of 5 enemy KIA in E/2/26 ambush. The ages ranged from 18 - 20. They were wearing shirts, shorts, camouflaged covers and were barefoot. The youngest KIA wore a NVA belt and KCS said he was N. Vietnamese.
- I. At 090830H S-2 Scouts/2/26 observed 1 VN walking with a 10 Yr old and was carrying a wood cutting knife. When he sighted Marines they changed direction in an apparent to avoid them. KCS interrogated detainee and sent to CAO-H Hdq. Detainee claimed he heard no firing on previous night even though ambush took place in his ville. Referred to ITT.

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- J. At 091630H Advisory TM #5 reported 10 ARVN injured by anti personnel mine at YD 875177.
- K. At 091525H CAC-H8 received info from villagers that on 082200H 40 to 50 VC armed with 2 M-79, 3 BAR, with assorted S/A at YD 975051. VC set up ambush then broke up later and formed into small groups and moved to houses and told people to have rice and money ready for pick up on unknown date.
- L. At 091830H U/2/26 and MAG-16 reported accidental dropping of ordnance at YD 897119. Slight damage to one chopper. Area was roped off.
- M. At 091925H E/2/26 patrol spotted 1 VC walking down trail towards them at ZC 080998. Fired at VC with Neg Results.
- N. At 091930H CAC-H7 reported that 1 NV VN age 60 from Pgu-Hai was killed by friendly unit, at Approx 1700H at AU 807026. CAC-H Hq notified; will get additional info from friendly unit in morning.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 and combine with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command. Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 and E/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command. 2d Plt return to CP at 0800H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co return from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H. Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0630H, 2d Plt provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security through out TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hq.
- F. M/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

#### 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

Command Group/OP	No of Teams	No Employed	Results
2/26	2	1	1 KIA(p)

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly KIA	27	Enemy VC KIA(o)	125
WIA	264	VC KIA(p)	227
		Detainees	220
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	80

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8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 100001H to 102400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-YD8813  
 E/2/26-ZDLO2007  
 F/2/26-ZDOL1024  
 G/2/26-YD8813  
 H/2/26-YD932085  
 M/3/26-YD744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with E/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, 2nd Plt departed to Nam Hoa at 1400H.
- C. G/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk Reserve at 0630H, 1st Plt assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H, Co begin patrol and ambush operations outside perimeter until 2400H.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 092130H E/2/26 patrol at ZD093995 spotted 3 VC with weapons heading south down trail at ZD094996. Patrol opened fire with M-16's. VC withdrew to village to which they came. Fired illum with neg results.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 091000H Div COC reported that I Corps TOC received info that one VC Bn located Vic CHAU CHU (YD782144), strength 300, at 091500H. Mission to attack somewhere within Huong Thuy District tent. Equipped with heavy MG's, Mortars, AT weapons, BAR's and Small Arms. Notified M/3/26 in area and H/2/26.

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- B. At 092100H M/3/26 reported that at 0815H a patrol sighted 20 VC suspects within TAOR, group split into 3 groups and moved into dense undergrowth, consulted with army advisor Tn 5 and was advised to consider suspects as VC. Took appropriate action. 81mm WP flushed 53 suspects who were apprehended and who were turned over to advisor Tn 5. Awaiting results of interrogation.
- C. At 101200H 3-5/2/26 reported people from hamlet XOM CON QUAN (YD 954105) (approx 80 people) moved to LOC SON (YD 933085) because VC activities and demands of food from them had them to decide to go live in a more secure area. It was confirmed by CAP-H2 NCOIC and LOC SON 3d Tank Civil Affairs Officers.
- D. At 101200H 3-5/2/26 received information from personnel of CAP-A3 and Phu Bai 1 that unfriendly activities in the Phu area had been coming in with the primary mission of buying rice from the people with success. On night of 7 and 8 Nov the unit came in 3 different groups with 5 people in each group trying to buy rice with 500-1000 P's.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 and combine with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command. Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5, 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 and combine with E/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command. 2d Plt provide security for National Police while search is conducted in Than Chau Chu.
- C. G/2/26 - Co move from Phu Bai to vic CAC-A6/9 at 2400H and proceed to vic Than Chau Chu (YD 780142) and form cordon around village while National Police search village at 0600H. Co provide Sparrow Hawk in field.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC ~~for 2nd Plt~~ at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continues to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26 - Co continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa. 2d Plt move at 0300H and provide cordon around Than Chau Chu (YD 780142) tying up with G/2/26.

#### 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

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## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27  
 MIA 264

Enemy: VC KIA(c) 125  
 VC KIA(p) 227  
 Detainees 220  
 Civil Def 5  
 POW 17  
 Wpas Capt 30

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period

9. There was no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), PMF

SitRep: 11000L to 112400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-YD 102007  
 E/2/26-YD 102007  
 F/2/26-YD 012024  
 G/2/26-YD 912118  
 H/2/26-YD 932085  
 M/3/26-YD 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26-Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with E/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, 2nd Plt provided security for National Police at THAN CHAU CHU until 1000H and returned to CP at 1100H, begin patrol and ambush vic CAC-H2 at 1730H.
- C. G/2/26-Co cordon around THAN CHAU CHU (YD 780142) while National Police searched village, Co(-) returned to ~~hilltop~~ CP at 1100H and reassumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve until 1730H, 2nd Plt provided Sparrow Hawk. Co began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. H/2/26-Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26-Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hdq.
- F. M/3/26-Co continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at NAM HOA, 2nd Plt cordon around THAN CHAU CHU (YD 780142) tying up with G/2/26 at 0600H.

3. Significant Events:

- A. At 101730H, H/2/26 Bridge Security at YD 903189 spotted a one legged man crossing Highway. Picked up detainee, man believed to be a tax collector and assassin in that area. Detainee turned over to ITT in the morning.
- B. At 102030H, MAG-36 reported someone threw tear gas grenade in hut at YD 889153. No injuries.

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- C. At 102900H, CAG-H6 at ZD 137009 received info from informer at 1000H that 30 VC were at ZC 142942 at approx 1700H, 5 VC were at ZC 140993, also 95 VC at ZC 146991. Informer reported VC armed with new AK-47's and 82mm Mortars. Fired H&I's at ZC 146991.
- D. At 102000H, CAG-H7 received report from PF's that 100 VC were to move into villages CHANH DUCNG, PHU NAN, and PHU SNA via AU 832063 to buy rice and food for next 2 or 3 days at which time they are to attack CAG-H7.
- E. At 110730H, CAG-A6 reported 3 VN civilians were brought to compound by villagers, as far as we can see people were wounded by unknown type of VC device. People treated by corpsman and MedEvaced by vehicle to RUE.
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- F. At 110430H, 3A/2/26 had report from villagers that 50 to 60 VC were at YD 782140. VC left area moving SW towards village of NGUYET BIEN (YD 782135). Picked up 1 detainee at YD 782140. Detainee is on black list at Dist Hq. He is a political cadre. Detainee turned over to National Police.
- G. At 110815H, CAG-A6 received info that at 102310H, approx 2 Flts of NVA with 1 political cadre led by NGUYEN DINH VINH and THUONG YAN TIEU entered village of Chuong Lam from Dong Lam to Phuong Lam. Two women and men were injured by mine while trying to get out of area. Injured treated by corpsman and sent to Hue. Area was ambushed last night. Enemy entered as ambush moved out.
- H. At 111030H, CAG-H3 received report from Village Chief that at 0900H, 20 VC stole 8 water buffalo from vic YD 962042. Patrol checked area and talked to villagers who could not give any more information except that VC headed South.
- I. At 111100H, National Police in search operations at vic YD 762128 found 1 VC male dead along bank of river. M/3/26 ordered to pick up body. VC had rope burns on neck, believed to have been hung. ARVNS confirmed him to be VC. Instructed villagers to bury him.
- J. At 111415H, M/3/26 reported suspected 100VC at YD 790110. Two Huey Gunships checked out area with negative results. Found 1 50 Cal. MG position at YD 705155, was about 1 month old. One 50 Cal. MG position at YD 713188 about 6 months old.

### 1. Plans:

- E/2/26- Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAG-H5 and combine with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with 3d/2/26 in command. Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAG-H5, 2 squads bridge security at CAG-H5.
- F/2/26- Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAG-H5 and combine with E/2/26 as Bn(-) with 2d/2/26 in command. 2d Plt provide security for National Police while search is conducted in Than Chau Chu.

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G/2/26- Co continue patrol and ambush outside perimeter until 0600H, Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk Reserve, 2d Plt provide Sparrow Hawk.

H/2/26- Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.

H&S/2/26- Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 Sqs at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1 and 1 squad at Phu Loc District Hq, ~~Ann~~ PROVIDED SPARROW HAWK 0630-1400

M/3/26- Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	125
WIA 264	VC KIA(p)	227
	Detainees	221
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	80

8. Weather had no adverse affect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.



From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 25th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), RVN

SitRep: 120001L to 122400H Nov 1967

# 1. Locations:

2/26-03813  
 2/26-20102007  
 2/26-20102024  
 2/26-03813  
 2/26-20932085  
 2/26-20744134

# 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 to combine operations with 2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, provide 2 squads for security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/26 - Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 to combine operations with 2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, 2nd Plt returned from patrol and ambush via CAC-H2 at 0730H, began patrol and ambush via CAC-H3 and CAC-H1 at 1730H.
- C. 2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H, 1st Plt provided Sparrowhawk at 0630H, Co began special training on attack of a fortified position until 1400H, Co began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. 2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security throughout RAOR.
- E. 2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0600H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 31st Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at CalCo Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 2/26 - Co continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Ban Hoa, 2nd Plt border around T. N. SHAU GUL (2070142) tying up with 2/26 at 0600H.

# 3. Contacts:

- A. At 111945H 2/26 3rd Plt heard movement west of CP at 1009997. Received 3 separate bursts of SAF. Called for Illum returned SAF. Searched area and found one firing position.

# 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 113000H 2/3/26 reported two enemy heavy auto-weapon positions or mortar positions with cleared ground, sandbagged reventments and adjoining ditches or trenches were spotted at YD705155 - YD714158. Arty concentrations were fired at positions. MI's are planned for positions nightly and are incorporated into the counter-attack plan.

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- B. At 114010H CAC-H6 patrol at 2213800M spotted 2 men walking by their ambush at 22139009. Called for men to stop and fired 2 rifle rds. One man stopped, but the other didn't. Patrol saw 3 area but was unable to locate second person. Detainee brought to CAC-H6 CP. Detainee interrogated and turned loose as innocent civilian.
- C. At 121130H E Sector Tower at 2005126 reported 1 VN person tampering with wire at YD895127. Two men sent to investigate a 1 man fled. Fired a few rds of 50 cal over his head; man disappeared in tree line.
- D. At 121530H F/2/26 had 1 USMC who had red heat extraction at 20072000. Man MedEvaced at 1440H.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. 2/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 and combine with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command, Co provide 2 squads B Security at CAC-H5, 2 squads bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/2/26 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 and combine with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command, 2nd Plt return from patrol and ambush Vic CAC-A3 and CAC-H1 at 0630H.
- C. 2/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush outside perimeter until 0600H, Co(-) assign the Sparrowhawk Reserve, 3rd Plt provide Sparrowhawk.
- D. 2/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge Security around about TAOR.
- E. 2/2/26 - Co provide FO and M5 Camp Evans at 0600H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continue to provide 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 2/2/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hon.

#### 6. Second Smaller Teams:

<u>Completed Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Deployed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:	KIA	27	Enemy:	VC KIA(e)	125
	KIA	264		VC KIA(p)	227
				Detainees	21
				Civil Def	5
				POW	17
				Wpns Capt	00

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), P.F.

SitRep: 120001H to 122400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-108813  
 E/2/26-20102007  
 E/2/26-20011024  
 E/2/26-108813  
 E/2/26-20932085  
 E/3/26-10744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with F/2/26 as Bn(-) with IO 2/26 in Command, provide 2 squads JS Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 to combine operations with E/2/26 as Bn(-) with IO 2/26 in Command, 2nd Plt returned from patrol and ambush Vic CAC-H2 at 0730H, began patrol and ambush Vic CAC-H3 and CAC-H1 at 1730H.
- C. F/2/26 - Co returned from patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 0630H, Co(-) assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H, 1st Plt provided Sparrowhawk at 0630H, Co began special training on attack of a fortified position until 1400H, Co began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.
- D. E/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security throughout TAOR.
- E. F/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0600H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Calico Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. E/3/26 - Co continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at San Hoa, 2nd Plt cordon around BIN CHAU CHU (YD780112) tying up with D/2/26 at 0600H.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 111945H E/2/26 3rd Plt heard movement west of CP at 20079997. Received 3 separate bursts of SAF. Called for illum returned SAF. Searched area and found one firing position.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 111500H E/3/26 reported two enemy heavy auto-wpn positions or mortar positions with cleared ground, sandbagged reventments and adjoining ditches or trenches were spotted at YD705155 - YD714158. Arty concentrations were fired at positions. HEI's are planned for positions nightly and are incorporated into the counter mortar plan.

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- B. At 130038H, MAG-36 Recon Patrol received SAF at YD 885160. Returned approx 15 SAF at least 8 unidentified personnel in area. Contact broken when fire was returned. Area checked with negative results.
- C. At 122340H CAC-AJB patrol moving south when point man was wounded by 10 or more VC in Ambush. At YD 908112 patrol returned SAF and swept area and found 1 wounded female in house 100 meters from ambush site. Returned to CP and MedEvaced USMC and VN female to "A" Med. Swept area at first light with negative results.

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 130025H, H2/2/26 at YD 934085 reported that a vehicle (mine) was in a ditch approx 50 meters beyond the fence with 5 marines. S-3 instructed to assist in any means possible and to check ID cards. Checked and found they had no permission for using vehicle. There was no trip ticket and Marines claimed to be from 3d Recon. PMO notified and requested to send out wrecker.
- B. At 122250H CAC-A6/9 at YD 820172 spotted 3 or more VC at YD 820178. Patrol was not in a good position for ambush and were moving to better sight. Negative results.
- C. At 122200H CAC-A6 patrol spotted 3 VC crossing road at YD 825175. VC moving from East to West. Hasty ambush set up with Neg results. Believe VC spotted patrol.
- D. At 130026 2/26 reported man on perimeter in Sector Bravo thought he heard something and turned on siren. 2/26 Watch Officer notified and notified perimeter that there was no alert.
- E. At 130215H CAC-A Hdq received 1 Rd of either mortar or rocket fire at YD 848171. Rd landed outside CP. One house on fire.
- F. At 131230H H2/26 on bridge security reported that due to rising water and collapsing banks only vehicles under 3/4 ton are being allowed to cross bridge. Rising water is sinking pontoons. Engineers called and nothing could be done because 1 end of bridge is fixed to bank and bridge cannot rise with water.
- G. At 131430H HqBn 4/14 reported 1 SAF M-16 hit in front of Bn supply at YD 886127. Might have been fired by Arvn training South of Phu Bai Perimeter.
- H. At 131915H CAC-H1 reported 1 VN village Official was playing cards, he lost his money, he got drunk and threw a hand grenade (M-26) into a house at YD 928103 killing two civilians and wounding 7. MedEvaced called and completed. Man at CAC-H1 CP. Will be turned over to CAC-H Hqs in the morning.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command. Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.

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- B. F/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- C. G/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H4 and CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TACR.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Co provide PW and FAC Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81mm Mortar Plt continue to provide security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hq.
- F. M/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.
- G. C/1/4 - Co(-) begin patrol and ambush operations vic South Gia Le at 0700H, 1st Plt assume Sparrow Hawk at 0630H and begin patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.

6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(e)	125
WIA 265	VC KIA(p)	227
	Detainees	222
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	80

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were no non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), PMF

SitRep: 11000H to 14200H Nov 1967

### 1. Locations:

2/25 - YD 8813  
 2/26 - YD 102007  
 2/26 - YD 041024  
 3/2/26 - YD 041024  
 3/2/26 - YD 932085  
 3/3/26 - YD 741134  
 3/2/26 - YD 8813

### 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5, as a Bn(-) with IO in command, provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5, at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with IO 2/26 in command.
- C. 2/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H4 and CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with IO 2/26 in command.
- D. 2/2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOB.
- E. 1123/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 81st Mortar Plt provided 1 squad on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at 041 Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H3, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 2/3/26 - Co continued Book Cracker and Bridge Security at Nam Son.
- G. 2/1/4 - Co(-) began patrol and ambush via South Gia Le and Lo Trach River, 1st Plt assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0630H, plt alerted at 1213H and committed at 1255H. Returned to CP at 1940H.

### 3. Contacts:

- A. At 132115H CAC-H38 patrol at YD 951066 ambushed 6 to 7 VC at YD 951066. Opened fire 1 VC hit by M60 fire and fell. VC returned fire and broke contact. 1 USMC KIA. Swept area at 1st light and found 1 camouflage helmet with blood stains on it resulting in 1 KIA(p). Also found 4 civilians wounded (minor).

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## 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 131745H G/2/26 at 2D 04102H reported one USN was injured riding in 6x6 truck; has cracked rib or ruptured spleen. 1 VN woman 9 months pregnant with complications. Emergency medevac by helo could not be completed. Vehicles dispatched to CAO-H4. Returning with medevacs halted by CAC-H3 contact. Vehicles medevaced 1 USMC from CAO-H2.
- B. At 140715H CAC-H6 reported that at 2D 142010 VC ambushed village officials who sleep in CAC-H6 compound. 2 ARVN, 3 Village Officials, and one Villager were killed. 1 Village Official was wounded and medevaced. CAO-H6 patrol swept area north through Nuec Nget. 1 detainee was brought to CP and turned over to GIT.
- C. At 141250H G/2/26 patrol found caves at 2D 058018. Entrance to caves 5 ft diameter and 8 ft deep. Checked caves with negative results, blew caves.
- D. At 141430H H/2/26 on Bridge security reported information from Mesquin Sgt that there were 5 VC in area at 2D 025165. Mesquin Sgt informed by village. CAO-A6/9 sent patrol to check out with negative results.
- E. At 140400H CAC-H2 on search mission at via 2D 913150 to 2D 921144 checked all males for I.D. cards. Search secured at 14030H. 2 detainees were taken to Dist Hdq. by field police force.
- F. At 141725H H/2/26 on Bridge security fired 1 round M-79 into river. One civilian injured and taken to CAO-A3 for treatment.

## 5. Plans:

- A. G/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations via CAO-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command, Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- C. G/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H4 and CAO-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- D. H/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route 21 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. G/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 81st Mortar Plt continue to provide security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the airstrip, 2 squads on the perimeter, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAO-A3, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H1, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.

F. H/3/26 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

G. C/3/4 - Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations via South Gio Lo and Ta Trach River, 1st Plt provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H, begin patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.

6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:		Enemy:	
KIA	27	VC KIA(s)	125
WIA	266	VC KIA(p)	228
	265	Detainees	223
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	80

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was <sup>7</sup>one non-battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 85th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMP

SitRep: 150000H to 152400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-2D 8813  
 H/2/26-2D 102007  
 F/2/26-2D 081024  
 G/2/26-2D 081024  
 H/2/26-2D 932085  
 H/2/26-2D 711134  
 G/2/26-2D 807140

2. Summary of Events:

- A. H/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5, as a Bn(-) with XO in Command, provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5, at 0730H, and 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- C. G/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H4 and CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- D. H/2/26-Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H.S/2/26-Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 1st Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. H/3/26-Co continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at NAM HOA.
- G. G/1/26-Co(-) continue patrol and ambush vic South Gia Le and Ta Trach River, 1st Plt continued to provide Sparrow Hawk at 0630H, began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 1730H.

3. Contacts: NONE

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 150000H, MCB-3 reported 3 persons believed to be VC were spotted. Illum requested. 2 Rds SA-F fired at YD 881143 with negative results.

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## 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26-Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command, Co provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, 2 squads bridge security at CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26-Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- C. G/2/26-Co continue patrol and ambush operations vic CAC-H4 and CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- D. H/2/26-Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- E. H&S/2/26-Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. I/2/26-Co continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.
- G. C/1/4-Co(-) continue patrol and ambush operations vic South Gia Le and Ta Trach River, 1st Plt return from patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 0630H, assume Sparrowhawk at 0630H.

## 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(P)

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC-KIA (C)	125
WIA	265	VC KIA (P)	228
		Detainees	223
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	80

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 4th Battalion, 3rd Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SigRpt: 150001H to 162400H Nov 1967

# 1. Locations:

2/26-YD8813  
 2/26-ZD012007  
 2/26-ZD011024  
 2/26-ZD011024  
 2/26-YD932085  
 2/3/26-YD744134  
 2/1/4 -YD8813

# 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5, as a Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, and 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command.
- C. 2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H4 and CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command.
- D. 2/26 - Co continued to secure Route #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security throughout TAOR.
- E. 2/26 - Co provided FO and FAS for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4, and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hdq.
- F. 2/3/26 - Co continued Rock Overlook and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.
- G. 2/1/4 - Co(-) continued patrol and ambush operations Vic Sia Le and Ta Trach River until 1100H. Co(-) returned to CP at 1200H, 1st Plt returned from patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 0630H, assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H, began patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 2200H.

# 3. Comments:

- A. At 152250H CAC-A3B patrol moved into treeline along trail when PF spotted 1 VC in a house approx 50 meters away. Patrol was sweeping area at YD 899114 when patrol leader spotted 1 VC in open rice paddy. Patrol opened fire and VC returned fire, patrol moved into rice paddy and fired M-79 resulting in 1 VC KIA(e). At this time VC in treeline opened up on patrol, patrol got on line and swept to treeline where fight followed for 5 minutes before VC broke contact. Searched area and found 2 more VC KIA(e) and 1 AK-47 and 1 Soviet 7.62 Sub-Machine Gun. 1 civilian was wounded and undevaced.

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## 4. Significant events:

- A. At 19100H CAC-A7B patrol during search of area at YD813176 observed 6 camouflaged bunkers and 1 partially built bunker in good condition. Will be destroyed by demolitions.
- B. At 192215H Hq Bn Sector at YD899134 observed movement in front of perimeter, a trip flare was set off. Moved three men OP forward and fired illum and observed 4 to 5 people. No positive identification. Patrol sent with neg results.
- C. At 152255H 3d TK Bn at YD841155 spotted 1 explosion 150 meters to left of YD840157. No action taken.
- D. At 160905H F Sector 2/26 reported receiving approx 5 rds SA fire from Vic YD8712. Seleive rds are from ARVN Training Center. COG 2/26 called Advisory Group 4 to check out incident, at 0940H received another SA rd.
- E. At 160900H CAC-H3 PF patrol found VC propaganda leaflets at YD977072. Leaflets were collected. Leaflets turned over to CIT.
- F. At 161410H G/2/26 found 250 lb bomb at ZD028019. Bomb will be blown by EOD.

## 5. Plans:

- A. 1/2/26 - Co continued patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command, Co provide 2 squads CB Security at CAC-H5 at 0730H, 2 squads Bridge Security at CAC-H5.
- B. 2/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command.
- C. 3/2/26 - Co continue patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-H5 and CAC-H4 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in Command.
- D. 4/2/26 - Co continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security throughout TAOR.
- E. 5/2/26 - Co provide FO and PAC for Camp Evans at 0600H, 106 Plt and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 1 squad at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- F. 6/2/26 - Co continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hou.
- G. 6/1/26 - Co(-) begin patrol and ambush operations Vic CAC-A3 at 1330H, 1st Plt return from patrol and ambush outside perimeter at 0630H, assume Sparrowhawk at 0630H.

## 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group/OP</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	1 KIA(p)

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7. **Official Losses:**

Officially: KIA 27  
WIA 265

Enemy:	VC KIA(c)	128
	VC KIA(p)	231
	Detainees	223
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	32

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMP

SitRep: 170001H to 171200H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-ED 8813  
 H/2/26-ED 012007  
 F/2/26-ED 041024  
 Q/2/26-ED 041024  
 H/2/26-ED 932085  
 M/3/26-ED 744134  
 Q/1/4-ED 8813

2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/26-Chopped OPCON 4th Marines at 171200H
- B. H/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 as Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command, provide 2 squads CB security at CAC-H5 at 0730H and 1 squad bridge security CAC-H5.
- C. H/2/26-Co continued patrol and ambush operations via CAC-H5 as Bn(-) in command.
- D. Q/2/26-Co continued Bridge & Highway Security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc as part of Bn(-) with XO 2/26 in command.
- E. H/2/26-Co continued to secure Rt. #1 with emphasis on Bridge Security from CAC A7 to Dep Dinh River.
- F. H&A/2/26-Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A 6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4, and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- G. M/3/26-Co continued Rock Crusher & Ferry Site
- H. Q/1/4-Co(-) Bn Reserve, 1st Plt returned from perimeter ambushes 0600H. 1st Plt assumed Sparrowhawk at 0630H.

3. CONTACTS

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 161400H, CAC-H6 Marines & PF while on patrol in village of Thuy Yen detained 2 individuals as blacklist. Detainees turned over to CIT. (Results: 2 Detainees).

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- B. At 161900H, CAC A Hq received reports from Huong Thy District Hq that 300-400 VC were at YD 795113 moving north toward YD 786164.
- C. At 162000H, CAC-H6 reported that they had received information from village officials that 2 VC Companies at ZC 146988- H&I's have been plotted in area.
- D. At 170300H, CAC-H7 patrol received fire from PRU patrol at ZD 199012. CAC patrol fired back. CAC called cease fire. Incident resulted in 2 non-battle casualties. Both Medevaced.
- E. At 171130H, 2/26 GOC received a report from Advisory Tm #5 at Deng Da Training Center that at 151830H 150 VC had moved from Deng HQA mountains to YD 810102. Possible mission of unit is to mortar Phu Bai on VC memorial day November 23.
- F. At 171145H, CAC-H7 reported a convey from Phu Bai to Da Nang shot a water buffalo at AU 832908.

#### 5. Plans:

2/26-OPCON 4th Marines Ref Div Msg 170819 Nov 67-Reference OP Order 55-67 Operation Cove.

#### 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

Command Group/OP	No of Teams	No Employed	Results
2/26	1	2	1 KIA(p)

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:	KIA	27	Enemy:	VC KIA(c)	128
	WIA	265		VC KIA(p)	231
				Detainees	225
				Civil Def	5
				POW	17
				Wpns Capt	82

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, FAF  
 Via: 4th Marine Regiment

Sitrep: 171201H to 182400H Nov 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813  
 3/2/26 - YD 041024  
 4/2/26 - YD 041024  
 5/3/26 - YD 744134  
 6/1/4 - YD 8813

2. Summary of Events:

- A. 3/2/26 - Continues bridge and highway security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc.
- B. 4/2/26 - Continues to secure Route #1 and bridge security from CAC-A7 to Dep Dinh River.
- C. 5/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- D. 6/3/26 - Continue mission at Rock Crusher and Ferry site.
- E. 6/1/4 - Continues to conduct patrols and ambushes around and South East of Vital Area.

3. Contacts:

At 171800H in vic YD 872185 a PF unit made contact with an estimated VC Plt. PF unit was receiving S/A and mortar fire. PF unit called CAC-H13 for help. Reactionary force from CAC-H13 went to PF's location. Arty Illuz and HE called on enemy withdrawal routes. Arty had to be cancelled due to poor Communications. Sweep of area at first light revealed blood trails and drag marks.

At 171815H in vic YD 752149 4/3/26 reported 12 VC firing on two trucks from the Sea Bees. M Co called fire mission on same. Excellent coverage on target. Swept area with Neg results. No injuries or damage during contact.

At 180150H in vic YD 892087 2/26 on Hill 230 spotted movement Southeast of their position. Fired 2 106 Rds and 26 Rds of HE with unknown results. Area swept at first light with negative results.

At 180200H in vic YD 922097 CAC-H13 while departing ambush site spotted 4 VC 50 meters to their rear. Opened fire, VC did not return fire and ran in southeasterly direction. Area swept with negative results

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At 180750H in vic ZD 165010 CAC-N Hq reported that Engineers while checking out bridge at above coord, 10 VC command detonated a mine and fired a rocket at same mine. VC were advancing by small arms fire. Uniforms of green and camouflage covers worn; believed to be NVA. The friendly units call sign is DISSENT. Reactionary force from their parent unit was sent to assist. CAC-N was sent as blocking force. Wpns were captured along with a POW.

At 181455H vic ZC 091955 the 2d Plt 2/2/26 received 9 rounds 60mm mortar. Received with 60mm mortars from foxholes position and 81mm from 1/2/26 position. 1 KIA (minor). Made sweep of area found only bare foot prints.

#### 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 171330H in vic AU 808009 a P came to CAC-H7 and told them about a mine. CAC-H7 was shown the location by P. It was 40 lbs TNT. Command detonating. Engineers called and mine blown in place.
- B. At 171450H in vic YD 819171 CAC-A Hq reported 1 USMC was hit by one S/A Rd in right thigh. Rd came from passing vehicle or nearby hills occupied by PVA. Results: 1 USMC MedEvac'd by vehicle.
- C. At 171600H in vic YD 909141 CAC-A Hq informed CAC-A2 of sniper fire on a helicopter. Dispatched CAC-A2 to sweep area of reported sniper with neg results.
- D. At 171930H in vic ZD 140029 CAC-A6 actual was told by detainee that 15-20 VC would be at above coord between 2030 and 2400. Changed activities to comply with intelligence.
- E. At 180830H in vic 910080 2d Plt C/1/4 spotted 9 VN in boat moving S. When VN spotted marines they attempted to turn around. Boat stopped, VN questioned and found two female VN without ID's. Women turned over to 15 ITT.
- F. At 181150H at vic YD 916077 C/1/4 found 1 LOS dud. Dud destroyed in place.
- G. At 181530H in vic ZC 090938 H-11A reported F-3 found 2 dead water Buffalo. Death probably caused by 60mm mortar. Spot Report 181455.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. 2/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambushes in vic CACH5 and CAC-H4.
- B. 2/2/26 - Continue to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- C. 2/2/26 - Co provide FO and support for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 100 and 230, 1 squad at Cal30 Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-A2, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4 and 1 squad at Phu Lee Dist Hq.
- D. 2/2/26 - Co continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Nam.
- E. 2/2/26 - Continue patrol and ambushes vic CAC-A3 and outside Phu Bai Vital Defense Perimeter.

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## 6. Scout Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Deployed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/25	3	3	0

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c) 128
WIA 265	VC KIA(p) 231
	Detainees 225
	Civil Def 5
	POW 17
	Wpns Capt 82

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during the reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Via: 4th Marine Regiment

SitRep: 190001H to 192400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-YD8813  
 G/2/26-ZD 041024  
 H/2/26- YD 041024  
 M/3/26-YD744134  
 C/ 1/4-YD8813

2. Summary of Events:

- A. G/2/26- Continues Bridge and highway security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc.
- B. H/2/26 - Continues to secure Route #1 and bridge security from CAC-A7 to Dep Dinh River.
- C. H & S/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Flt and Flares continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach 2 squad at the perimeter, 2 squad at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, CAC-H4 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- D. M/3/26- Continue mission at Rock Crusher and Ferry Site.
- E. C/1/4 - Continues to conduct patrols and ambushes around and South East of Vital Area.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 191530H in Vic Yd780110 a squad from C/1/4 received 4 rds of sniper fire. Returned fire with M-60, M-79 and Laws. Called in Arty Mission, good effect on target. Unable to check area.
- B. At 192100H in Vic YD964042 CAC-H83 ambush made contact with VC. Radio communications has been lost at this time. Radio Contact regained and calling in Arty Illum. Final Spot Report to follow.
- C. At 192110H in Vic YD979053H Bridge & LP spotted 1 VC. running north to south. Opened up on VC with small arms fire and 2 grenades. Bridge presently on 100% alert. Final Spot Report to follow.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 190800H in Vic YD837174 a villager took a patrol from CAC-A6 to a booby trapped shot gun shell. Booby trap disarmed.
- B. At 191415H in Vic AU806053 a village official informed CAC-H7 CP that 60 VC kidnapped a young female at 191100H for political purposes.

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- C. At 191030H in Vic YD822182 a patrol from CAC-A6 found 100lbs. of rice in three houses. Further search revealed other small amounts. Village Chief stated it was not in excess. And that homes within 200 meters of Highway are safe to store rice. Another check will be made tomorrow.

5. Plans:

- A. G/2/26 - Continues patrol and ambushes in Vic CAC-H5 and CAC-H4.
- B. H/2/26 - Continues to secure Route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- C. H&S/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 10671t and Flames continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at ColCo Beach, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the airstrip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- D. M/3/26 - Co continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.
- E. C/1/4 - Continue patrol and ambushes Vic CAC-A3 and outside Phu Bai Vital defense Perimeter.

6. Scout sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	3	3	0

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	128
WIA	265	VC KIA(p)	231
		Detainees	225
		Civil Def,	5
		POW	17
		Wpms Capt.	82

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
 Via: Commanding Officer, 4th Marines

SitRep: 200001H to 202400H Nov 67

1. 2/26 - YD 8813  
 G/2/26 - YD 041024  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 M/3/26 - YD 744134  
 C/1/4 - YD 8813
2. Summary of Events:
  - A. G/2/26 - Continues bridge and highway security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc.
  - B. H/2/26 - Continues to secure Route #1 and bridge security from CAC-A7 to Dep Dinh River.
  - C. H&S/2/26 - Co provided FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flames continued security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at Col Co Beach, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H4, 2 squads at the perimeter, 2 squads at the air-strip, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
  - D. M/3/26 - Continue mission at Rock Crusher and Ferry Site.
  - E. C/1/4 - Continues to conduct patrols and ambushes around and Southeast of Vital Area.
3. Contacts: At 192030H CAC-H8B sprung a ambush on Approx 30-40 VC at YD 974044.
  - A. CAC-H8B was surrounded, reactionary forces were dispatched. Upon link up with reaction forces area swept and MedEvac was run. Results of action 3 USMC WIA (1 MedEvaced), 2 PF WIA MedEvaced, 7 VC KIA(c), 4 VC KIA(p), 3 AK-47, 1 US Carbine, 5 ChiCom Grenades, 14 AK-47 Mags, 3 packs and 2 cartridge belts were captured.
  - B. At 192120H CAC-A2c received sniper fire and machinegun fire from Coord. YD 920162. CAC-A2 patrol returned fire and called in artillery with negative results. Sweep in daylight showed 2 punji stakes and 2 bunkers which they destroyed.
  - C. AT 192120H CAC-A3B engaged approx 25 VC as they approached YD 908107 from the west CAC initiated fire, VC returned fire and broke contact. Results of action 2 VC KIA(c), 1 AK-47, 1 K-44 and assorted equipment captured. Swept area at first light and found 3 drag trails with blood resulting in addition of 3 VC KIA(c) and 1 fin section of an unknown type rocket.

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## 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 20003H CAC-H5 patrol heard voices in 2 houses at ZD 085014 and ZD 088012. CAC-H5 detained 2 Vietnamese males age 18 who had no military affiliation.
- B. At 201400H M/3/26 received reliable information of 2 Plts of VC at YD 742136. M/3/26 fired 81mm mortars. AO checked area and ran air strike with unknown results.
- C. At 201400H - H/2/26 bridge security at YD 83175 reported 1 PF and 1 civilian tried to sell the marines at their position a compass. H/2/26 began questioning the 2 individuals. The VN(s) fled, H/2/26 fired warning shots in the air and slowed them down but lost them in a village.

## 5. Plans:

- A. G/2/26 - Continues patrol and ambush in Vic CAC-H5 and CAC-H4.
- B. H/2/26 - Continues to secure route #1 with emphasis on bridge security throughout TAOR.
- C. H&S/2/26 - Co provide FO and FAC for Camp Evans at 0800H, 106 Plt and Flares continue security on Hills 180 and 230, 1 squad at CAC-A6/9, 1 squad at CAC-H1, 1 squad at CAC-H3, 1 squad at CAC-H2, 1 squad at CAC-H4 and 1 squad at Phu Loc Dist Hdq.
- D. M/3/26 - Co continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at at Nam Hoa.
- E. G/1/4 - Continue patrol and ambushes Vic CAC-A3 and outside Phu Bai Vital Area Defense Perimeter.

## 6. Scout sniper Teams;

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	3	3	0

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27  
WIA 270

Enemy: VC KIA(c) 137  
VC KIA(p) 238  
Detainees 228  
Civil Def 5  
POW 17  
Wpns Capt 88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 210001H to 212400H Nov 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8313  
 E/2/26 - ZD 105005  
 F/2/26 - ZC 083997  
 G/2/26 - ZD 041024  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 W/3/26 - YD 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Continued to patrol and ambush in vic Cau Hai, CAC-M4 - CAC-M5.
- B. F/2/26 - Continued to patrol and ambush in vic Cau Hai, CAC-M4 - CAC-M5.
- C. G/2/26 - Continued bridge and highway security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc.
- D. H/2/26 - Continued to secure Rt One and bridges from CAC-A7 to Dep Dinh River.
- E. W/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts: None

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 201550H in vic YD 838175 H Bridge 2 reported that 1 PF and 1 civilian tried to sell a compass to 5 USMC troops. When asked for ID Cards, the two ran into village. Marines fired 5 shots into air but the two refused to stop. Sent 5 men after them, with negative results.
- B. At 201540H in vic YD 709142 H/3/26 reported that reliable local intelligence said that there were 2 VC Plts at above coordinates. Fired 81's and 105's, AO arrived on station. Called for air strafing and bombing. After strike AO could not spot any movement.
- C. At 202145H in vic YD 855166 Civil Affairs reported 1 incoming Arty round of unknown origin landed in village at above coordinates. Medevaced 1 civilian and 1 civilian killed. Follow up reported the destruction of one house and surrounding area damaged. Round believed to have come from direction of Phu Bai. This is not definite.

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- D. At 210930H in vic YD 320130 041-45 stated a FF on post 6 that he observed movement shortly after the grenade went off, along with 2 JA's. Alarm sounded and all actions manned. Questioning revealed FF threw the grenade as he thought it was illumination. Also believe he threw the rounds. Results 1 minor ABC.
- E. At 211130H in vic AB 365049 041-45 stated 2 children triggered a 60 mm fired grenade in village of AB 365049, killing one and injuring the other. Trained child and called in 041-45.
- F. At 211530H in vic YD 933034 041-45 observed a flare in 041-42 position. Marine fired on dog. Round ricocheted and hit VW child in rear. Trained child 041-45. S-5 notified.

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1. 10/25 - continue bridge and ramp 1 security.

### 6. Scout Number Teams:

<u>No. and from</u>	<u>No. of Leases</u>	<u>No. Employed</u>	<u>Benefit</u>
2/25	2	2	0

7. Cumulative losses:

Friendly: CIA 27  
CIA 270

Enemy:	VC KIA(c)	137
	VC KIA(P)	23
	Detailees	22
	Civil Det	5
	POW	17
	Wons Capt	

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.



From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 210001H to 212400H Nov 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813  
 E/2/26 - ZB 105005  
 F/2/26 - ZG 083997  
 G/2/26 - ZD 041024  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 M/3/26 - YD 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Continued to patrol and ambush in vic Cau Hai, CAC-H4 - CAC-H5.
- B. F/2/26 - Continued to patrol and ambush in vic Cau Hai, CAC-H4 - CAC-H5.
- C. G/2/26 - Continued bridge and highway security between Dep Dinh River and Phu Loc.
- D. H/2/26 - Continued to secure Rt One and bridges from CAC-A7 to Dep Dinh River.
- E. M/3/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts: None

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 201550H in vic YD 838175 H Bridge 2 reported that 1 PF and 1 civilian tried to sell a compass to 5 USMC troops. When asked for ID Cards, the two ran into village. Marines fired 5 shots into air but the two refused to stop. Sent 5 mm after them, with negative results.
- B. At 201540H in vic YD 709142 M/3/26 reported that reliable local intelligence said that there were 2 VC Plts at above coordinates. Fired 81's and 105's, AO arrived on station. Called for air strafing and bombing. After strike AO could not spot any movement.
- C. At 202145H in vic YD 855166 Civil Affairs reported 1 incoming Arty round of unknown origin landed in village at above coordinates. Wounded 1 civilian and 1 civilian killed. Follow up reported the destruction of one house and surrounding area damaged. Round believed to have come from direction of Phu Bai. This is not definite.

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E. At 211845H in Vic YD716155 recon reported to 17/5/26 that 100 VC will move into area at above coord. N/1/6 moved a Plt into area with neg results.

F. At 212015H in Vic YD324130 CAC-46 reported an explosion believed to be a grenade or satchel charge. Damage to a USA truck 3/4 ton slight, (broken windshield). No casualties. CAC-46 send patrol to investigate with neg results.

At 220715H CAC-A Hdq reported that a medic with the 956 PF Company was wounded in right foot by VC anti personnel mine. PF redeployed to A-Med.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. 17/2/26 - Depart Phu Bai Combat Base at 231400H and conduct security of Hwy #1 and Bridges.
- B. 18/2/26 - Prepare for future operation.
- C. 19/2/26 - Prepare for future operation.
- D. 20/2/26 - Return to Phu Bai Combat Base after being relieved by Bohn Co. Prepare for future operations.
- E. 21/2/26 - Continue assigned mission.

#### 6. Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	137
WIA	270	VC KIA(p)	238
		Detainees	228
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 25th Marine Division  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF

Sitrep: 230000H to 232100H Nov. 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813

2/2/26 - YD 8813

2/2/26 - YD 8813

2/2/26 - YD 8813

2/2/26 - YD 8813

2/2/26 - YD 714134

2. Summary of Events:

A. 2/2/26 - replaced H/2/26 on bridge security and Hwy #1 security.

B. 2/2/26 - remains in Phu Bai CP.

C. 2/2/26 - remains in Phu Bai CP.

D. 2/2/26 - returned to Phu Bai.

E. 2/3/26 - continued Rock Grenade and Bridge security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts: None.

4. Significant Events:

A. At 222100H in vic YD 851 1st GAO A HQ reported that VC blew up bridge at above coord. Bridge passable to 6X6. PF's sweep of area with neg. results. The bridge is not on Hwy #1.

B. At 221515H in vic ZC 187995 GAO H-7 reported that ARVN received info that there was at least 350 to 400 NVA in the village of Thay Dung.

C. At 222115H in vic YD 8813 2/26 reported one USMC K-10333 attempted suicide by cutting both wrists, cuts 2" long 1/2" deep. Marine medicated to a Med. Marine was U.S. in Da Nang and apprehended by MP's. Believed to be mentally ill.

D. At 222115H in vic ZD 14001 GAO H-7 received info from PF's that 1 male VC will be at above coordinates tonight. Sent patrol to above coord. 1 male detainee being held for ID.

E. At 222200H in vic YD 715137 and YD 72125 2/3/26 received word from Hoon radio relay that 1 PVA was armed with 60mm. 82mm and 106mm Rockets moving between the two above coordinates. Fired 82's, 81's, 106mm and 105's. Results unknown.

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F. At 230400H in vic YD 744134 N/2/26 reported a Marine with gunshot wound in leg. Wound superficial. Incident investigated and found to be self inflicted. Report Ref Divo 51101.4A and investigating conducted further.

J. At 231000H in vic YD 933141 during sweep, CAC-A2 and 3 found several non pits, along with villagers making stakes. VC had ordered each villager to make 50 stakes. VC to return at 2000H to get stakes. Stakes and pits destroyed, patrol to be sent in area tonight.

K. At 231500H in vic YD 903088 MAG 36 observed 12 people in black PJs and appeared to be carrying mortar tube. As aircraft flew over they (VC) dispersed and afterwards reassembled. Word passed to CAC Hq.

L. At 231800H in vic ZC 872998 a civilian turned into CAC-49 a land mine, which was found on beach at above coord. Name of civilian taken and reward payment made by 3d CAG.

#### 5. Plans:

A. N/2/26 - Depart Phu Bai Combat Base at 231400H and conduct security of Hwy #1 and bridges.

B. N/2/26 - Prepare for future operation.

C. C/2/26 - Prepare for future operation.

D. H/2/26 - return to Phu Bai and prepare for future operation.

#### 6. Sniper teams

Command group	No of Teams	No. employed	Results
N/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA(c) 139
WIA 270	VC KIA(p) 238
	Detainees 229
	Civil Def 5
	POW 17
	Wans Capt 88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

23 Nov 67

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, (Rein), FME

SitRep: 240001Z to 242400H Nov 67

# 1. Locations

2/26 ~ YD 8013  
 E/2/26 ~ YD 8013  
 F/2/26 ~ YD 8006  
 G/2/26 ~ YD 8208  
 H/2/26 ~ YD 8908  
 B/1/9 ~ YD 741134

# 2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/2/26 ~ Bridge and Hwy #1 security.
- B. F/2/26 ~ Conduct patrols and ambushes from Nong River to Truck River. Provided 2 PM for CB security.
- C. G/2/26 ~ Conducts patrols and ambushes in Nui Can Trad and Nui Dong Hoa.
- D. H/2/26 ~ Conducts patrols and ambushes in vic Song Nong River and Nui Can Trad.
- E. B/1/9 ~ Continued Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

# 3. Contacts:

- A. At 240715Z in vic AU 814007 and AU 815007 CAC-H7 reported road sweep was hit with one 3-40 rocket, mortars and S/A Rds. 6X6 took direct hit from rocket. Road sweep returned fire, called in Arty. H-7 sent reactionary mortar and in route received 2 WP MAs. VC broke contact. Mine sweep had been ordered to check a bridge at coordinates AU 814008. Results of action 7 friendly MIA's. (Note) This incident out of 3d Mardiv T.A.C.R.

# 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 2402100Z in vic YD 918145 villagers notified PF Sgt that 20 VC came to area, fought last night and planted punji stakes. No evidence of punji pits. PF Sgt pulled stakes and returned to AF with 100 stakes.
- B. At 241310Z in vic YD 813135 GP-5 found 1 VC and blown in place.
- C. At 241325Z in vic "F" Sector of phase 1 perimeter a wounded ARVN was brought to VC gate. ARVN was shot in hand as a result of training. "F" Sector requested vehicle and cor. man from 2/26 COC. COC driver arrived on scene to find ARVN in back of ARVN truck. Led ARVN truck to "A" road.
- D. At 241330H in vic ZD 189002 CAC-H7 said that a PF reported 5 VC were in a pagoda at above coord. Sent patrol to area with Neg Results.
- E. At 240500Z in vic YD 833167 A6A found and Com grenade on side of trail with pin pulled and fuse assembly partially gone. Blew grenade in place.

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- F. At 241500H in vic YD 807161 G/2/26 MCS's talked to 19 Vietnamese carrying excess rice and fuel. They were taking food to YD 770141. Some had ID's and some Neg. Held as detainees and moved to CAO-A6/9.
- G. At 241300H in vic YD 918145 CAO-A2 found and removed one 60mm mortar Rd booby trapped and 600 punji stakes. Area to be checked tomorrow.
- H. At 241905 in vic YD 399088 H/2/26 CP's rear security threw two grenades at movement thought to be VC. Checked area with Neg results.
- I. At 241845H in vic YD 919103 a village official informed CAO-H1 that 10-20 VC were supposed to pick up rice at above coord. tonight. Changed patrol routes for tonight.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Conducts security on Hwy #1 and bridges in TAOR. Provide 2 fire teams as CB security.
- B. F/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in vic of Nong and Truoi Rivers.
- C. G/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in eastern portion of TAOR. around royal tombs.
- D. H/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes near Nong River and South of Phu Sai Perimeter.
- E. B/1/9 - Continue Rock Crusher and bridge security at Nam Hoa.

#### 6. Sniper Teams:

Command Group	No of teams	No employed	Results
2/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA 27	Enemy: VC KIA (c)	137
MIA 270	VC KIA (p)	238
	Detainees	229
	Civil Def	5
	POW	17
	Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 250001H to 2524 0H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26-YD8813  
 E/2/26-YD8813  
 E/2/26-YD8813  
 G/2/26-YD 202  
 H/2/26-YD890  
 B/1/9 -YD744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Bridge and Hwy M Security, provide 2 FMF for CB Security.
- B. F/2/26 - Conduct patrols and ambushes from Hong River to Truoi River.
- C. G/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in Nui Can Trud and Nui Dong Hosi.
- D. H/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in Vic Song Mong River and Nui Can Trud.
- E. B/1/9 - Continued Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 242130Z CAC-A7 patrol while moving to ambush site spotted 3 VC at YD799188 moving towards highway. CAC-A7 patrol requested illum and opened fire. VC returned fire from all around CAC-A7 patrol - VC broke contact. Results 1 friendly WIA minor.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 241300Z while on patrol G/2/26 stopped 19 Vietnamese carrying excessive amounts of food and fuel at YD 87161, KCS with G Company talked with people and said that they were taking the food and fuel to Vic YD778141 to give to VC. 19 Vietnamese were detained and turned over to ITT. Some of the detainees reported a minefield on Tien Len Hill at YD792138. 2/26 investigated and found a number of booby traps.
- B. At 241905H H/2/26 CP security at YD899085 thought they heard movement. They threw 2 grenades. Area checked with neg results.
- C. At 241845H CAC-III received a report from a village official that 10 - 20 VC were supposed to pick up rice at YD91809 on nights of 24 - 25 Nov. CAC-III sent patrol to area.
- D. At 242245H CAC-A6 patrol while set in ambush at YD818174 heard dogs barking. Patrol moved to area and set up. A rifle was heard. 1 PF from patrol returned whistle as he ran from ambush site. PF believed to have been VC.

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- E. At 250735H G/2/26 found 2 booby traps and a punji trap at YD784138. Booby traps were made of Chi C m grenade. 1 also had an M-79 round booby trap and punji pit were blown in place.
- F. At 250830H G/2/26 at YD778141 interviewed 2 Vietnamese who stated that on nite of 23 Nov, 2 VC dressed as ARVN's stayed at their homes (YD 778141).
- G. At 250840H H/2/26 spotted approx 40 Vietnamese at YD899083. Checked people and found 4 without ID cards. 4 Detained and turned over to CIT.
- H. At 250810H F/2/26 reported that AO spotted a rope bridge across river from VC989968 to YC987986 with 12 boats parked on west side of river at YC976991. F/2/26 judged area to be normal.
- I. At 250925H G/2/26 found 2 - 500 lbs of rice at YD79139. Vietnamese male with rice claimed it was his rice for his family. Man said VC come to his area every 2 or 3 days for food. Man was detained and turned over to CIT.
- J. At 251555H Detainees taken by G/2/26 at 241600H were taken by ITT and 2-2/26 to field. They pointed following areas as booby trapped or mined (all ID) 779129, 781124, 782129, 783128, 785126, 784128, 785128, 786127, 784126, 788137 and 860143.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 - Conducts security on Hwy #1 and Bridges in TAOR. Provide 2 fir & teams as CB Security.
- B. F/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in Vie Neng and Traci Rivers.
- C. G/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes in eastern portion of TAOR, around rural towns.
- D. F/2/26 - Conducts patrols and ambushes near Hong River and South of Phu Bai Perimeter.
- E. B/1/9 - Continue Rock Crusher and Bridge Security at Nam Hoa.

#### 6. Sniffer Teams:

Command Group	No of Teams	No Employed	Results
2/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	137
MIA	270	VC KIA(p)	238
		Detainees	229
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Office 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FM

31st Regt 260001H to 260400H Nov 19 7

1. Locations:

2/36-YD8810  
 3/2/26-YD8813  
 7/2/26-YD8813  
 6/2/26-XD095006  
 5/2/26-YD8813  
 3/1/9 -YD744124

2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/2/26 - Conducted Bridge and Highway Security.
- B. 3/2/26 - Conducted patrols and ambushes in areas, YD9302, YD8905, YD7912 and YD9311.
- C. 6/2/26 - Conducted patrols and ambushes in Phu Loc Area. Provided 1 Plt Arty Security.
- D. 7/2/26 - Sparrowhawk and Sparrowhawk Reserve. Patrol and ambush around Hital Area.
- E. HPS/2/26 - Continued Security Hill 180 and 290. Provide "F" Sector Security.
- F. 8/1/9 - Conducted Rock Crusher and Ferry Security at Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts: None

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 251300H in Vic YD697255 MGR-3 reported CB truck hit a road mine at above coord. Mine blow hole 3' in diameter and 2 1/2' deep. Mine pressure detonated. 2 CB's received minor wounds did not require MedEvacs.
- B. At 251900H in Vic YD965034 CAG-HSB apprehended 1 female. PF recognized her as a VC Coordinator. Detainee turned over to CIT.
- C. At 261110H in Vic YD794198 CAG-A7 reported a CAG Vehicle at A7 position pulled on the road and hit Civ Vehicle. Injured 2 Koreans. At the time they were thought to be VN, took them to be found out they were Koreans and transferred to Phu Bai. Results 1 Korean with fracture skull taken to ASA. A detailed investigation being conducted by PEO at this time.

5. Plans:

- A. 3/2/26(-) Provide security for Highway M1 and Bridges in assigned area.
- B. 7/2/26 (Rein) - Form four strike teams (Task Organized Platoons); conduct patrols and ambushes in Vic YD9302, YD8905, YD7912 and YD9311. Scout sniper team to patrol in Vic of YD8406.
- C. 6/2/26 - Conduct patrols and ambushes in Vic Phu Loc Hdq, provide security for Phu Loc District Hdq. Provide security for CB Recon commencing at 271030H at YD005036.

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5. 2/2/26 - Sparrowhawk and conduct patrols and ambushes around Vitul Area.  
1 Sqd(-) with scout sniper team work in Vic Kinh Tac.

• 2/2/26 - Continue to provide security of Hills 180 and 230. Also "F" Sector of Vitul Area Defense.

6. 2/1/2 - Go down security for Ferry Site and Rock Crusher at Nam Hoa.

6. Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Men</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
2/26	2	2	0

7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly: KIA	27	Enemy: VC KIA(c)	137
WIA	272	VC KIA(p)	238
		Detainees	248
		Civil Def	5
		POW	17
		Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Captain, Officer 2d Battalion, 25th Marines  
 To: Lieutenant General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 272400Z Nov 67

1. Location:

2/25 - 272400  
 3/2/26 - 272400  
 4/2/26 - 272400  
 5/2/26 - 272400  
 6/2/26 - 272400  
 7/2/26 - 272400  
 8/2/26 - 272400

2. Summary of Events:

- A. 2/2/26 - Co (-) continued bridge and highway security. A7 -  
 Bay Area River.
- B. 3/2/26 - Co (+) Continued Mobile Strike Force, operating  
 in vic. of YD 9302, YD 8905, YD 7912 and YD 7911.
- C. 4/2/26 - Continued patrols and ambushes between Truc  
 River and Division boundary.
- D. 5/2/26 - Returned from perimeter ambushes at 0630.  
 3rd Plt. assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0800. 1st Plt.  
 assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0800. Company began perimeter  
 patrols at 1700H.
- E. 6/2/26 - Provided security for units 180 and 230  
 and 3rd Sector of the perimeter.
- F. 7/2/26 - Continued Rock Crusher and Ferry Site security  
 in the area.

3. Contingency:

- A. At 202250H 8/2/26 on bridge security at YD 949069  
 observed 1 booby trap set off by bridge. Bridge  
 received 15 rds. SA/ and 1 grenade. Bridge returned  
 SA/ and 8 grenades and about 20 M-79 rds. Bridge  
 maintained 100% security throughout the night.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 202100H Phu Bai S-Sector received info. gained by  
 11th Division tactical area reported that VC will use  
 a big force to attack and mortar Phu Bai units tonight  
 on the coming nights.
- B. At 202140H 8/1/9 reporting spotting movement on road in  
 vic. of YD 744134. 8/1/9 fired illumination and received *RECON*  
 by SA/.

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area reconno with fire, neg results.

- C. At 27015H 2 sampans were spotted at ZD 10402H moving along Dam Cau Hai in a southwest direction. District Chief requested 2/26 to fire 31 illumination and HE. 2/26 fired 8 illumination and HE rounds (5) with neg. results. Village Chief then requested end of mission saying they were probably fishermen. Village Chief has given instructions to the fishermen on the curfew laws.
- D. At 271405H E/2/26 checking ID cards at YD 949068 when they found 1 Viet male without an ID card. E/2/26 turned detainee over to ITT.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26 Co (-) continue bridge security between CAC A7 and Dep Dinh.
- B. F/2/26 Co (+) continue as Mobile Strike Force operating in vic. of YD 9302, YD 8905, YD 7912 and YD 9311.
- C. G/2/26 Co continues patrols and ambushes between Truoi River and Division boundary.
- D. H/2/26 COO return from perimeter ambushes at 0600. COB assume Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0630H. 1st plt assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0630H. Company begin perimeter ambushes at 1730H.
- E. ICS/2/26 continue security on hills 230 and 180 and F Sector of the perimeter.
- F. J/1/9 continued security at Rock Crusher and Ferry Site in Nam Hoa.

#### 6. Soldier Teams:

Command Group	No. of Teams	No. Employed	Results
2/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:	KIA	27	Enemy:	VC	KIA (c)	137
	WIA	272		VC	KIA (p)	236
					Detainees	249
					Civil Af	5
					POW	17
					Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer 2d Battalion, 24th Mar  
 To: Commanding General 3d Marine Division (Rein.), FMF

SitRep: 202400H to 202400H Nov 67

1. Locations:

2/26 - ID 8813  
 E/2/26 - ID 8813  
 F/2/26 - ID 8813  
 G/2/26 - ID 093006  
 H/2/26 - ID 8813  
 E/1/9 - ID 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26 - Co (-) continued bridge and highway security. A7 -  
 Co. Binh River.
- B. F/2/26 - Co (-) Continued Mobile Strike Force operating  
 in vic. of YD 9302, ID 8905, and ID 9314.
- C. G/2/26 - Continued patrols and ambushes between Truoi  
 River and Division boundary.
- D. H/2/26 - Returned from perimeter ambushes at 0630.  
 Co (-) Assumed Sparrow Hawk Reserve at 0800. 1st Plt.  
 assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0800. Company began perimeter  
 patrols at 1700H.
- E. H/2/26 - Provided Security for hills 180 and 230  
 in F Sector of the perimeter.
- F. E/1/9 - Continued Rock Crash r and Ferry Site security  
 at Nam Loc.

3. Contacts - None

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 201530H (late entry) E/2/26 at YD 979028 had one marine  
 have an ~~accidental~~ discharge with a .45 caliber pistol. The  
 round struck the marine in the foot. An investigation is being  
 conducted.
- B. At 201100H E/2/26 at YD 791129 found the wreckage of an air-  
 craft scattered over an area of 250 X 100 meters. Engine  
 was burned. The plane had 14 ~~75~~ rockets on it. Wreckage  
 was a couple of months old. GFD will destroy on 29 November.
- C. At 202330H F/1/26 heard the sound of a truck at YD 927055  
 moving south, along Highway 544. AD was requested but was  
 unavailable. Arty. and troops movement were not possible  
 because of F/2/26 distance from the road.

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- D. At 280700H F/2/26 reported receiving 20 RPS. of 82mm mortars from YD 92000. These were attributed to ARVN artillery.
3. Weather support of ARVN operations landed 200 meters from F/2/26. These were in casualties at YD 280705 F/2/26 took 16 more additional ARVN rounds.
- E. At 280900H GAC-17 at YD 201010 saw a man examining their defenses. Man detained and turned over to GIL.
- F. At 280900 F/2/26 detained 8 VC males of military age. YD 895075 - 1 turned out to be a PT from GAC-17 the other 7 were turned over to ITT.
- G. At 281415H GAC-15 reported detaining 1 VC female at YD 974096. Woman sent to GAC-18 area to meet with village chief. A PT recognized her as a VC coordinator. He said her son is a VC Squad Leader. Woman turned over to ITT.

#### 5. Plans:

- A. F/2/26 Co(-) continue bridge security between C 1000 and Day Dinh.
- B. F/2/26 Co (-) continue helicopter strike Force operating in vic. of YD 9302, YD 8904, YD 7912 and YD 9311.
- C. G/2/26 Co continues patrols and ambushes between Trued River and Division boundary.
- D. H/2/26 COO return from perimeter ambushes at 0600. Co(-) assume Sparrow Hawk at 0630H. Company begin perimeter ambushes at 1730H. Also 1st plt. assumed Sparrow Hawk at 0630H.
- E. H&B/2/26 continued security at Rock Crusher and Ferry Site in Nam Huc.

#### 6. Sniper Teams:

Command Group	No. of Teams	No. Employed	Results
2/26	2	2	0

#### 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly			Enemy		
KIA	27		VC	KIA(e)	197
WIA	272		VC	KIA(p)	238
				Detainees	298
				Civil Def	5
				POW	17
				Wpns Capt	88

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.

9. There was 1 non battle casualty during the reporting period.

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From: Co Landing Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMP

Sitrep: 290001H to 292400H Nov 1967

### 1. Locations:

2/26-YD3813  
 E/2/26-YD3813  
 F/2/26-YD3813  
 G/2/26-40095006  
 H/2/26-YD3813  
 B/1/9 -YD744134

### 2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26(-) - Continued bridge security between CAC-A7 and Dep Binh.
- B. F/2/26(Rein) - Continued as Mobile Strike Force operating in Vic of YD9302, YD8905, YD9312 and YD9311.
- C. G/2/26 - Continued patrols and ambushes between Truc River and Division Boundary.
- D. H/2/26 - Co returned from perimeter ambushes at 0600H. Co(-) assumed Sparrow-Hawk at 0600H. Company began perimeter ambushes at 1730H.
- E. H&S/2/26 - Continued security for Hills 130 and 230. Also provided security for "B" Site OR.
- F. B/1/9 - Co continued security at Rock Crusher and Ferry Site at Nam Hoa.

### 3. Contacts:

- A. At 282100H in Vic YD963043 CAC-H8B sprung their ambush on 10 VC. All 10 were believed to have been killed. Approx 40 VC following in trace of the 10, surging and brought heavy fire on the ambush. Requested reactionary force and landed up. Attempted to contact H&S but could not due to no communication. The two forces fought way out, but could not bring 10 KIA. Still sweep area at 1st light. Results of action 3 USMC WIA, 3 PW WIA. Sweep of area.
- B. At 291100H in Vic YD836162 CAC-A6A and APT found 1 female washing NVA uniforms. Female questioned and detained. Women then pointed out 2 spider holes with NVA gear and 2 VC. VC fired on A6A, patrol returned fire and three rounds in hole results of a hit 2 VC KIA(c) and 1 POW. Captured 1 A6A and 1 PP 1943, 500 AK-50 rds, 25 chicom grenades, 2 lbs TNT, 4 chicom claymore mines, 1 - 45 pistol magazine, 1 - BAR magazine, 2 flags, 2 radio bat cries, 1 camera, 25 bottles penicillin, 25 syringes, 10 rolls of gauze and 1 NVA uniform.

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## 4. Significant Events:

- A. At 232230H in Vlc YD937110 FA-11 detained one VC male with light, no ID card. Detainee turned over to ITT.
- B. At 232210H in Vlc ZD187029 CAC-H7 spotted many lights on a bridge not shown on map. Intelligence indicated VC using between hours of 2210H to 2310H. At the same time lights blinking on & off. Called fire mission. Sweep of area at 1st light proved neg.
- C. At 290255H in Vlc YD820152 point man of 3rd AT patrol spotted 3 figures. Opened fire searched area with neg results.
- D. At 290350H in Vlc YD8905 - YD8904 an AO spotted 50 VN on one trail and 30 on another when they saw aircraft they scattered into small groups.
- E. At 290200H in Vlc YD851173 A Hdq was informed that VC blew bridge at above coord. Bridge 25% destroyed. Not on Highway #1.
- F. At 291330H in Vlc YD875181 while CAC-41 was checking houses saw 2 families believed to be VC sympathizers. Detained them and search of house revealed destilled water, 1 M-26 grenade, 1 1/2 full bottle of penicillin, springs and various pills. Turned detainees over to CIT.

## 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26(-) - Continue bridge security between CAC-A7 and Dep Dinh.
- B. F/2/26(Main) - Continues as Mobile Strike Force. Team 1 moves to new areas in western portion of TAOR, near Nam Hoa. Team 2 moves 4000 meters due west of 8905. Team 4 moves to Then An Vinh. Team 1 remains at 9403.
- C. G/2/26 - Conduct patrols and ambushes Vlc Phu Loc. 1 Plt moves 1000 meter to the east bank of Truc River.
- D. H/2/26 - Continues ambushes and patrols adjacent to CAC-Hdq. Also assumes Sparrowhawk at 0630H.
- E. H&D/2/26 - Continues security at Hills 100 and 230, also security of F Sector.
- F. B/1/9 - Continues security of Rock Crusher and Ferry Site.

## 6. Sniper Teams:

Command Group	No of Teams	No Employed	Results
2/26	2	2	0

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:	IA	27	Enemy:	KIA(c)	148
	WIA	275		KIA(p)	248
				Detainee	259
				Civil Def	5
				POW	18
				Wpns Capt	90

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8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were no non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 26th Marines  
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

SitRep: 300001M to 302400H Nov 1967

1. Locations:

2/26 - YD 8813  
 E/2/26 - YD 8813  
 F/2/26 - YD 8813  
 G/2/26 - ZD 095006  
 H/2/26 - YD 8813  
 B/1/9 - YD 744134

2. Summary of Events:

- A. E/2/26(-) - Continued Bridge security between CAC-A7 and Dep Dinh with highway security.
- B. F/2/26 (Rein) - Continued as Mobile Strike Force Team operated in western boundary near Nam Hoa. Team two moved 4000 meters due west of 8905. Team 1 moved to Thon Ha Vinh. Team 1 remains at 9403.
- C. G/2/26(-) - Conducted patrols and ambushes in vic Phu Loc. One platoon moved 1000 meters from the east bank of Treai River.
- D. H/2/26(-) - Continued as Sparrow Hawk as of 0630H. Conducted patrol and ambushes adjacent to COG Hq.
- E. H&S /2/26(-) - Continued security of Hills 180, 230. Provided perimeter security for "F" sector.
- F. B/1/9 - Continued security of Rock Crusher and Ferry Site. Conducted patrols and ambushes in assigned TAC in vic Nam Hoa.

3. Contacts:

- A. At 301920H in vic ZD 108013 G/2/26 reported GA5 in contact with unknown no. VC enroute to ambush site. Returned fire, called 81mm and 60mm illumination. Reactionary force dispatched from G CP. VC broke contact, fired artillery mission on routes of escape. Sweep of area, Neg. results.

4. Significant Events:

- A. At 290600H in vic of YD 964041 ref spot report 282100H, CAC-281 searched area and found 9 VC KIA(c), numerous blood trails, and equipment. A PF questioned civilians and found out H&S ambushed 20 to 30 VC which was the point for a company. Estimated strength to be 100. The VC had one 60mm mortar. Civilians said that the VC took 10 KIAs, with them were numerous WHAs, 3 of which were female. H&S returned to area with 9 VC KIAs.

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weapons, and equipment: 7 AK-47s, 150 rds AK-47 ammo, 2 M-26 grenades, 6 ChiCom grenades, 20 AK-47 magazines, numerous documents, 3 packs, ponchos, clothing, and 5 cartridge belts.

- B. At 201930H in vic YD 910149 one USMC was medevaced due to signs of appendicitis.
- C. At 292000H in vic ZD 097004 GSI reported spotting movement. G-CP fired 60mm illum and 2/26 liason team at Phu Loc Dist Hq fired 81mm illum. GSI spotted figures and opened fire. Sweep of area, proved 2 freshly dug holes, GP2 talked to Villagers at 301530H who stated 1 VC KIA and 1 WIA.
- D. At 292140H in vic YD 968064 CAC-H3 medevaced one USMC with fever of 104.
- E. At 292150H in vic YD 845195, YD 850194, YD 852193, CAC-A Hq reported that 300 from Huong Thuey District spotted lights at approx Loi Nam Canal area. From size and spread of lights estimated one VC Plt. Called for artillery, lights extinguished. Search of area proved negative.
- F. At 301700H in vic YD 960043 ref 301630H S-2 scout received information from Village Chief of 20 VC with 1 mortar while F-4 was at CAC-H3 position. CAC-H3 sent patrol out with negative results.
- G. At 301640H in vic YD 809163 CAC-A6 reported 2 male children 5 to 6 yrs old found a blasting cap. Tried to break cap, when it exploded and blew off 2 fingers and thumb of left hand of one child. Shrapnel in legs, eyes, and chest of other. Children treated at A6 and sent to A-Med.
- H. At 301830H in vic AU 8005 CAC-H in combined activity with S-2 unit from Phu Loc Dist Hq swept village of Binh An. They used CAC-H6 and Dolphin Golf as blocking forces. CAC-H7 picked up 20 detainees and took them to pre-designated area. Also found empty rice cache consisting of an empty 55 gal drum buried in ground at AU 801052, found 5 spider traps at AU 801055 5' x 5' by 4' deep made of cement blocks, roof of lumber, tan, reinforced concrete, 8' barbed wire stakes, and 3" by 12" lumber. S-2 unit received incoming automatic weapons fire from unknown no. of VC from camouflaged positions, by unknown no. of VC. Positions pointed out by female defector from area. Destroyed spider traps, took detainees to Dist Hq. Sweep of area revealed 1 VC blood stained shirt, several raincoats, ponchos, bandages, and assorted quantities of rice.

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## 5. Plans:

- A. E/2/26(-) - continue bridge security between CAC-A7 and Dep Dish.
- B. F/2/26 (Rain) - continue as Mobile Strike force. Team 3 moves to new areas in western portion of TAOR, near Nam Hoa. Teams 2 moves 4000 meters due west of 8905. Team 4 moves to Then Ha Vinh, Team 1 remains at 9403.
- C. G/2/26 - conduct maximum patrolling and ambushing in sector of operation with 2 Plts operating in vic Pha Lee Dist Hq. One Plt along the east bank of the Troai River.
- D. H/2/26 - continues ambushes and patrols adjacent to CAC-Hq. Also assumes Sparrow Hawk at 0630H.
- E. H/2/26 - continues security at Hills 180 and 230, also security of F Sector.
- F. H/2/26 - continues security of Rock Crusher and Ferry Site. Patrol and ambush in vic assigned TAOR near Nam Hoa.

## 6. Sniper Teams:

<u>Command Group</u>	<u>No of Teams</u>	<u>No Employed</u>	<u>Results</u>
E/26	2	2	0

## 7. Cumulative Losses:

Friendly:	KIA	27	Enemy:	KIA(s)	148
	MIA	275		KIA(p)	249
				Detainees	279
				Civil Def	5
				POW	18
				Wpns Capt	90

8. Weather had no adverse effect on operations for this period.
9. There were 2 non-battle casualties during this reporting period.

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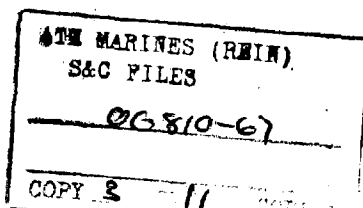
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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 4th Marines  
Subj: Combat Operation After Action Report  
Ref: (a) 3rd MarDiv Frag Order 31-67  
(b) 4th Mar Operation Order 100-67  
(c) 3rd MarDiv Msg 140215Z Nov 67

1. Code Name. Operation COVE Search & Destroy
2. Dates of Operation. 171619H to 211800H Nov 67
3. Location. THUA THIEN Province, QUAN PHU LOC District, Village of CAU HAI and terrain immediately surrounding.
4. Task Organization, 2nd Bn, 26th Mar  
2nd Battalion, 26th Marines(-)  
Company E (Rein)  
Company F (Rein)
5. Supporting Forces
  - a. Artillery Support
    - (1) B, 1st Bn, 13th Mar
    - (2) L, 4th Bn, 12th Mar
6. Summary of Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses
  1. KIA(c) 0
  2. KIA(p) 0
  3. POW 0



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- 4. Detainees 0
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7. Mission. Prevent movement of NVN/VC forces to Highway #1 and vic of CAU HAI.

8. Concept of Operations. One rifle company provide security for Highway 1, bridges, radio station, and artillery battery; one rifle company provide blocking forces and security for 3 sections of 1/4's 81mm mortars, both rifle companies under control of 2/26 "B" Command Group.

9. Intelligence

a. Enemy Situation at beginning of Operation

(1) At the beginning of the operation the presence of the 804th (AKA K4) Battalion and the K 4B Battalion was indicated by the numerous intelligence reports received during the period 04 October - 04 November. One PW report on 2 November gave the location of the 2 battalions as being in the vicinity of (ZC 1097).

b. Enemy Strength. The strength for the enemy units prior to the operation were as follows: K 4B Bn, 350, 804th Bn, 305.

c. Enemy Situation During Operation

(1) During Phase I of the operation the enemy employed delaying tactics in the form of small arms sniper fire, and light to moderate mortar fire, to include 60mm and 82mm.

(2) There were no enemy units identified during the operation and there was no significant intelligence obtained.

d. Weather and Terrain

(1) No adverse weather conditions existed during the operation.

(2) Terrain. The terrain within the operating area afforded the enemy full opportunity for cover and concealment, which aided him in this harassment and withdrawal tactics which he employed against the advancing friendly forces. Two distinctive topographical features are Hill 348 (ZC 116974) and Hill 264 (ZC 093968) which are located on fingers running in a northerly direction from Hill 602 (ZC 116957). Observation was restricted throughout the operating area because of a moderate canopy and thick underbrush. The best avenue of approach into the operating area is the trail located at (ZC 108995). This trail is approximately 1 - 2 meters in width and, although it is not indicated on the AMS Map, scale 1:50,000, it ends at approximately (ZC 123967).

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e. CA/Psypops Estimate. A large number of the people living in that area are VC sympathizers. They are receptive to Civic Action and Psypops programs while Marines are within the area. A Chieu Hoi Propaganda Team and Cultural Drama Team worked within this area with no results known at the present time.

#### 10. Execution

C.O. 2/26 received Ltn Mar Op O 100-67 and 55-67 at 160900H; 2/26 issued a frag order number 114-67 to basic Op Order 111-67 on 162000H, which was issued to the Bravo Command Group at Phu Loc District Hdq on the morning of 17 Nov by 2/26 C.O. at approx 0900H; QX-11, PX-21 and the comm plan were also issued at the same time.

At 180800H Co E was in position providing security for Highway, bridges, manual radio retransmission station, and artillery battery sites; Co F was in blocking positions.

At 181155H 3/4/2/26 via ZC091985 received nine rounds 60mm mortar from approx 1500 meters away over a period of 20 minutes, resulting in one Fr. WIA minor. Returned fire with 60mm and 81mm Mortar, 105mm Artillery and Heavy gunship. Results unknown.

At 182310H 3/4/2/26 (ZD082995) west sector saw movement approx 25 meters away; estimated three VC. Fired two bursts of S/A fire and fired illumination. Searched area with negative results.

At 230100H 3/4/2/26 received approx 40 incoming 82mm mortar rounds from Vic ZDL45036. Arty returned fire with 50 cal. Results unknown. Length of contact; approx 5 minutes.

Weather had no adverse effect on operation. Total time elapsed between 2/26's issuance of Frag Order and completion of Operation COVE: 4 days and 9 hours.

#### 11. Results

- a. Friendly: 1 WIA (minor)
- b. Enemy: None
- c. Gunship requested and received.
- d. No material recovered.

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12. Administrative Matters. The excellent administrative support procedures of the period immediately preceding Operation COVE for the same units in the same area were continued. All supply points were accessible by vehicle and convenient to troop dispositions.

a. Supply

Combat loads, ammunition and weapons carried by assault troops were planned and executed without problems.

b. Maintenance

No maintenance problems were encountered by this battalion's units.

c. Treatment of Casualties

No casualties were taken, other than one WIA (minor) treated by a corpsman.

d. Transportation

Was hampered only by an occasional slowdown of the trucks on the Highway due to frequent large convoys running north and south.

e. Communication.

Initially the Regimental TAC Net was not maintained by this battalion Bravo Command Group because higher headquarters did not see a necessity for it; it was determined that communications between 1/4's and 2/26's adjacent units would be adequate if relayed through 2/26 rear and 4th Marines rear. At 182000 Bravo Command Group entered the Regimental TAC Net when it was indicated that this was the best way to keep that unit informed of the situation. The need for direct communications between converging forces was seen when 2/26 forward units reported their lack of information on 1/4's position, which became crucial when A, B, and D 1/4 moved to positions within 81mm mortar, 60mm mortar and small arms ranges. This was solved by liaison between the Bravo Command Group and 1/4's 81mm mortars which were located with F 2/26.

f. Medical Evaluation.

No problems encountered.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques.

None used.

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**DECLASSIFIED**14. Commander's Analysis.

Because of the nature of 2d Battalion, 26th Marines participation and it's lack of enemy contact, this operation consisted primarily of aggressive patrolling and ambushing at the blocking position.

15. Recommendations

It is recommended that there be detailed coordinating instruction in the operation order on control of converging forces.

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