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(ID-5-28-67)(28 JAN 67)

1/69 CH-46 helicopter brings in 3/7 to Duc Pho to relieve the two (2) platoons of ~~3/5~~ 3/5 who have protected a unit from the 1st Engineer Bn. during a road sweep for mines.

(ID-6-28-67)(28 JAN 67)

2/69 Two (2) platoons of 3/5 stand ready to board CH-46 helicopters on being relieved by 3/7 at Duc Pho during the beginning of Operation Desoto.

(ID-8-28-67)(28 JAN 67)

3/69 Troops from 3/7 wait at Quang Ngai for transportation to Duc Pho during the beginning of Operation Desoto.

(ID-9-28-67)(28 JAN 67)

4/69 Troops from 3/7 board helicopters at Quang Ngai for transportation to Duc Pho during the beginning of Operation Desoto.

(ID-10-28-67)(28 JAN 67)

5/69 Members of 3/5 move toward helicopters during their relief by 3/7 at Duc Pho on 27 Jan 67.

(ID-1-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

6/69 2ndLt. V.C. Thomas, platoon Commander of the 2nd Plt Co I 3/7, calls in an air strike against a fortified VC position during Operation Desoto.

(ID-2-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

7/69 A Marine from 2nd Plt Co I 3/7, advances to a forward position while under heavy enemy fire during Operation Desoto.

(ID-3-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

- An A-4 "SkyHawk" makes a bombing run on a fortified VC position after the strike was requested by Co I 3/7, during Operation Desoto.

(ID-4-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

8/69 Cpl. Phillip Hamer, a 1st Marine Division ISO representative attached to 3/7, moves forward under heavy VC fire during Operation Desoto.

(ID-5-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

9/69 LCpl. J.R. Anthony, Co I 3/7, cleans his weapon in a stream after heavy fighting during Operation Desoto.

(ID-6-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

10/69 A CH-46 "Sea Knight" Helicopter carries a 105mm Howitzer from the Quang Ngai Air Field to the 3/7 CP area for support to the men from that Bn during Operation Desoto.

(ID-7-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

11/69 ~~LCpl. J.F. Hunter, a dog handler attached to Co I 3/7, and his Belgium Shepherd named Alf, take a break during Operation Desoto.~~ on 11/67

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(ID-8-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

12/69 SSgt. Hunter, Co I 3/7, checks the identification papers of a Vietnamese Villager during Operation Desoto.

(ID-9-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

13/69 A 60mm Mortar team of Co I 3/7, fire their gun into a small village before the point advanced into it. The platoon had been receiving heavy sniper fire from the village during Operation Desoto.

(ID-10-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

14/69 This M-79 found with protective pouch had been booby-trapped by the Viet Cong and was discovered by Marines of Co I 3/7 during Operation Desoto.

(ID-11-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

15/69 This Marine has found that water and walking will often wear out both feet and boots in the tropical jungles of Vietnam. He is from Co I 3/7, participating in Operation Desoto.

(ID-12-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

16/69 This house lies in ruins after Co I 3/7, called in an air strike on the area after drawing heavy fire from the vicinity during Operation Desoto.

(ID-13-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

17/69 Marines of the 2nd Platoon, Co I 3/7, move forward under heavy fire during Operation Desoto in the Quang Ngai Province.

(ID-14-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

18/69 Marines of Co I 3/7, move through a small village during Operation Desoto.

(ID-15-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

19/69 LCpl. J.R. Anthony and Sgt. J.E. Mullen, part of a 3.5E Rocket team, prepare to open fire on a position prior to a sweep through a small village by Co I 3/7, during Operation Desoto.

(ID-16-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

20/69 LCpl. J.F. Hunter and his Belgium Shepherd "Alf" take a break while on Operation Desoto.

(ID-17-32-67)

21/69 LCpl. J.R. Anthony, 3/7, rinses the mud off of his weapon and himself after a day of crawling in wet rice paddies while on Operation Desoto.

(ID-18-32-67)(1 FEB 67)

22/69 A Marine from 3/7, is forced to crawl to his new position because of the heavy enemy fire during operation Desoto.

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(ID-5-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

20/69 Cpl. N.D. Hatfield of Underwood, Minn., a member of Co C, 1st Engineer Bn. prepares a cratering charge with a half block of C-4 to blow a VC bunker. This bunker was one of eight (8) bunkers used by the Viet Cong to pin down Co M 3/7 during Operation Desoto.

(ID-6-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

21/69 Members of Co M 3/7, patrol through a village while members of the Engineer Bn. prepare to blow the bunkers found in the village.

(ID-8-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

22/69 Two members of Co M 3/7 checking positions and gear on hill occupied by "Mike Co" in Sa Bing village near Duc Pho on Operation Desoto.

(ID-9-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

23/69 LCpl McClain, T.E. a grenadier with Cpl. L.K. Greene his squad leader of Co M 3/7 stand ready for attack at their position in Duc Pho during Operation Desoto.

(ID-12-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

24/69 This napalm burst was from a jet air strike called in by Co M 3/7 to stop hostile fire from a village near Sa Binh village in Duc Pho on Operation Desoto.

(ID-13-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

25/69 C.O. of Co M 3/7 Capt. Johnson, checks over bridge to see what can be done to repair it to get the resupply "mules" across the river on steel girders during Operation Desoto.

(ID-14-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

26/69 Co M 3/7, moves on rice paddy dike as they act as protection force for members of Co C 1st Engineers while they blow up bunkers in Duc Pho during Operation Desoto.

(ID-15-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

27/69 Members Co M 3/7, help slide a wounded man of Co C 1st Engineers up a steel girder to waiting mechanical mules that will take him to the Battalion aid station. He was wounded while probing for a mine that was placed at a bridge at Duc Pho during Operation Desoto.

(ID-17-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

28/69 LCpl L.H. Richard and Cpl. J.L. Mundy watch for Viet Cong to cross the rice paddies across the river from them. During Operation Desoto.

(ID-20-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

29/69 A sniper team watches for the Viet Cong to expose themselves. The unit was attached to Co M 3/7 during Operation Desoto.

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— (ID-22-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

Co L 3/7, escorts members of Co C, 1st Engineers and their explosives in Duc Pho during Operation Desoto.

30/69 (ID-23-34-67)(3 FEB 67)

Supply officer and clerk eat chow in front of the Supply Section 3/7, during Operation Desoto.

31/69 (ID-10-39-67)(8 FEB 67)

A CH-53A lifts an Ontos. To be used at Duc Pho in defense of and offense for 3/7 during Operation Desoto.

32/69 (ID-26-39-67)(8 FEB 67)

White phosphorus artillery rounds strike an area of suspected VC occupation north of Hill 26 in the Duc Pho area during Operation Desoto.

33/69 (ID-27-39-67)(8 FEB 67)

BGen. W.A. Stiles, CG, Task Force X-Ray and his aide, Lt Dillon, are being briefed by LtCol Bronars, CO 3/7 on Operation Desoto.

34/69 (ID-31-38-67)(8 FEB 67)

Marines from Co M 3/5 get water from a river in the Duc Pho area during Operation Desoto.

— (ID-33-38-67)(8 FEB 67)

One of the many punji pits found by 3/7 while on Operation Desoto.

35/69 (ID-34-38-67)(8 FEB 67)

BGen W.A. Stiles, CG, Task Force X-Ray, and his aide, Lt. Dillon being briefed by LtCol. Bronars on the Operations of his unit, 3/7 during Operation Desoto.

36/69 (ID-36-38-67)(8 FEB 67)

A VC mine found on Hill 26 by members of Co M 3/5 during Operation Desoto.

— (ID-40-38-67)(8 FEB 67)

The interior of a cave found by Co M 3/5 while on Operation Desoto.

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(ID-1-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

37/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, prepare to sweep a small village during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-2-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

38/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, hold positions on the LZ at the beginning of Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-3-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

39/69 Marine Snipers attached to 1/5 sight in on enemy positions during Operation Rio Grande. They are Cpl. Gary M. Angel, CO D, (front), and Cpl James T. Dreaden, CO D, (rear).

(ID-4-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

40/69 An ARVN Interpreter attached to 1/5 questions Viet Cong Suspects captured by CO C 1/5, during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-5-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

41/69 Viet Cong suspects captured by CO C 1/5, during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-6-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

42/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, prepare to move out toward a new objective during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-7-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

43/69 One of numerous caves found by 1/5 during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-8-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

44/69 Cpl. Gary M. Angel, CO A 1/5, holds his 7.62mm Remington, Bolt Action sniper Rifle with variable 3-9X scope during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-9-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

45/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, move out on a trail leading to a new objective during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-10-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

46/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, prepare to sweep a small hamlet during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-11-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

47/69 A Marine of CO D 1/5 relieves the pressure of his heavy load while taking a short break during Operation Rio Grande.

(ID-12-50-67)(19 FEB 67)

48/69 Marines of CO D 1/5, move out across a small rice paddy while moving toward a new objective during Operation Rio Grande.

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- (ID -13-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
Mortarmen of 1/5 fire a mission on Operation Rio Grande.
- (ID-14-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
A VC apprehended by 1/5 during Operation Rio Grande.
- (ID-15-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
One of Eight men wounded by a mine while with 1/5 on Operation Rio Grande.
- (ID-16-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
A VC apprehended by 1/5 during Operation Rio Grande.
- 56/69 (ID-17-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
Mortarmen of 1/5 firing a mission on Operation Rio Grande.
- 57/69 (ID-18-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
LtCol. E. H. Hilgartner, CO 1/5, Col Crossfield, CO 7th Marines and Major Warren held a briefing during Operation Rio Grande.
- 58/69 (ID-19-50-67)(19 FEB 67)
An FAC Team during Operation Rio Grande. The team is attached to 1/5.
- 59/69 (ID-1-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
Col. C. C. Crossfield, CO 7th Marines; Brig Gen W.A. Stiles, CG TFX-Ray; and MajGen. E. Nickerson, CG 1st MarDiv look westward from Buddha Mt. into the operational area of Operation Rio Grande.
- 60/69 (ID-2-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
Captured Chinese Communist manufactured fin stabilized rocket during Operation Rio Grande.
- 61/69 (ID-4-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
(ID-5-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
LtCol R.E. Hunter, BrigGen W.A. Stiles and BrigGen Chaisson and Col C.C. Crossfield discuss plans for Operation Rio Grande atop Buddha Mt.
- 62/69 (ID-6-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
A 75mm rifle and an assortment of different weapons captured during Operation Rio Grande by ARVN forces.
- 63/69 (ID-7-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
MajGen Robertshaw, MajGen Nickerson and BrigGen W.A. Stiles look into Operation Rio Grande from Buddha Mt.
- 64/69 (ID-8-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
Col. Crossfield, CO 7th Marines, BrigGen Lam, "I" Corps ARVN Commander, Col. Chang Chief of Staff, 2nd BOK Marine Brigade view the Valley where Operation Rio Grande took place from Buddha Mt.
- 65/69 (ID-9-53-67)(22 FEB 67)
Col. C.C. Crossfield and SgtMaj W. Lake, the CO and SgtMaj of 7th Marines plant the regimental colors atop Buddha Mt during Operation Rio Grande.

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(ID-2-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

49/59 PFC DONVIN, an Information Services writer finds his balance hard to keep as he crosses a Vietnamese bridge during Operation DESOTO with the 3rd Bn 7th Marines.

(ID-5-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

50/69 This sign saying "DON'T SHOOT CIVILIANS" was found in one of the buildings searched by members of Co L 3/7 during a part of Operation DESOTO.

(ID-6-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

51/69 The water is cold as members of Co I 3/7 cross a river during a sweep while on Operation DESOTO.

(ID-7052-67) (21 FEB 67)

52/69 A view of the 3/7 CP taken from the top of the hill. This is the home of the Battalion during Operation DESOTO.

(ID-8-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

53/69 Marines of Co L 3/7 cross a river during Operation DESOTO.

(ID-9-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

54/69 A helping hand is needed to get up the bank of a river being crossed by members of Co I 3/7 during Operation DESOTO.

(ID-11-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

55/69 GYSgt Melvin GUTHRIE of the Naval Gunfire Section of the 3rd Bn 11th Marines attached to Co L 3/7 takes a break after a long walk during Operation DESOTO.

(ID-14-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

56/59 LCpl James B. Mc DONALD, a sniper attached to Co L 3/7 poses for a photograph during Operation DESOTO.

(ID-15-52-67) (21 FEB 67)

A dead Viet Cong has an Ace of Spades in his mouth after being killed by members of Co I 3/7. The company has adopted this as their calling card during Operation DESOTO.

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-(ID-10-53-67) (22 FEB 67)

A display of captured weapons taken during a Tri-Nation Operation called RIO GRANDE. The forces involved are the U.S. Marines, ROK Marines and ARVN forces.

68/69 (ID-5-56-67) (25 FEB 67)

Opening of a field Post Exchange at Duc Pho during Operation DESOTO.

69/69 (ID-16-52-67) (25 FEB 67)

MajGen H. NICKERSON Jr. and LtCol BRONARS talk with one of the few men in 3/7 who has been issued an M-16 rifle.

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1. Make the following page change to appendix 1 Radio Plan to Annex G (Artillery) to FRAG ORDER 8-67 (DESOTO/DECKHOUSE VI), with enclosure (1). Destroy superseded page G-1-1 without report to this Headquarters.

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DESOTO (continued)

FRAG ORDER 8-67 (Operation PUEBLO) *see TRX 250820Z Feb 67 1st Mar Div*

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L701:
Sheets 6659 II, III, IV; AMS Series L7014:
Sheets 6740 III; 6739 I-IV; 6738 I, II;
6838 III, IV.

(b) 1st MarDiv OpO 301-66

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Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

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1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) 1st MarDiv continues opns in Danang TACR and provides combat and combat service support if requested.
- (2) Air. 1st MAF provides helicopter, fixed wing and air control support as required.
- (3) FLC. Provide logistical support through FLSG-B as requested.
- (4) CTG 76.5 provides NGF Units in support: CTU 70.8.9 NGF ships reinforce.
- (5) ARVN Forces. 2nd ARVN Div provides forces for coordinated operations with U. S. Marine forces.
- (6) CTG 115.1 provides PCF's and WPB's to patrol contiguous waters as requested.
- (7) First Coastal Zone (VNN) provides coastal force units to intercept and screen offshore sampan and junk traffic.
- (8) Duc Pho military district provides RF and PF units to operate in conjunction with USMC forces.

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- (9) Quang Ngai Province Chief augments Duc Pho district with additional national police and GVN officials to implement population and resources control measures, and to screen and process detainees and refugees.
- (10) Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization).
 - (a) For planning purposes direct liaison authorized with all units.
 - (b) Attachments to be effected 1000H D-1.
- 2. MISSION. TF X-Ray (-) (Rein), in conjunction with ARVN forces assigned, conducts search and destroy operations in the DUC PHO area, QUANG NGAI province, RVN for a period of 6 days.
- 3. EXECUTION.
 - a. Concept:
 - (1) TF X-Ray conducts a coordinated Search and Destroy opn with elements 2D ARVN Div in AO as follows:
 - (a) D-1, one ARVN Recon Co and APC Troop moves south by motor march from Quang Ngai on rte 1 to establish blocking positions on a line Vic coords BS 7244 to BS 7646.
 - (b) D-Day
 - 1 Two ARVN Bns land by helo vic BS 6939 and attack in .. ENE direction, southern boundary of ZA generally along a line from coordinates BS 7038 to BS 760405 then east along Song Tra Cau to coordinates BS 825406. The Song Cau forms the eastern boundary of ZA.
 - 2 1st Bn 5th Mar lands by helo vic coordinates BS 7136 and attacks in ENE direction. Prepares on order to shift direction of attack south along rte 1. Northern boundary of the ZA is the ARVN southern boundary. The 1/5 southern boundary is line from vic coordinates BS 765352 to BS 825405 until direction of attack changed.
 - 3 3d Bn 7th Mar establishes blocking positions vic coordinates BS 765352 to BS 825405.
 - (c) D-Day+1, SLP executes shore to shore landing vic coordinates BS 8247 and attacks to the south. Western boundary is Song Cau.
 - b. 3rd Bn (Rein), 7th Mar
 - (1) Be prepared to receive TF X-Ray CP and co-located 2d ARVN Div CP on D-1 at a time to be announced.

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- (2) Be prepared to establish blocking positions as directed to support friendly forces commencing on or about D-Day.
 - (3) Be prepared to conduct search and destroy operations as directed by CG, TF X-Ray in conjunction with other friendly forces in the operational area.
 - (4) Conduct psychological operations (Annex E (Psychological Operations)).
- c. 1st Bn, 5th Mar (-) (Rein)
- (1) At L-Hour, D-Day land by helicopter in selected landing zones and conduct search and destroy operations as directed. (Annex C (Operations Overlay)).
 - (2) Be prepared to establish blocking positions as directed to support friendly forces in the operational area.
 - (3) Conduct psychological operations (Annex E (Psychological Operations)).
 - (4) Provide Command Group for forces assigned to defend assigned TAOR in CHU LAI area.
- d. SLF
- (1) On D+1, at a time to be announced, be prepared to execute a shore to shore movement by helo and landing craft in selected landing zones and over designated beaches to conduct search and destroy operations as directed. (Annex C (Operations Overlay)).
 - (2) Be prepared to establish blocking positions as directed to support other friendly forces in the operational area.
 - (3) Conduct Psychological operations (Annex E (Psychological Operations)).
 - (4) Provide helicopter support as directed.
- e. 1st Engr Bn (-) (Rein). Direct support.
- f. 1st SP Bn (-) (Rein). Direct support.
- g. 1st Recon Bn (-) (Rein). Insert and extract OP's as directed within assigned operation areas (Annex C (Operations Overlay)).
- h. 7th MT Bn, FMF. Direct support.
- i. 7th Comm Bn, FMF. Direct support.
- j. 9th Engr Bn, FMF. Direct support.

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- k. 1st Med Bn (-) (Rein). Direct support.
- l. C Co (-) (Rein), 1st AT Bn. Direct support.
- m. 3d Bn 5th Mar. Provide Plt (Rein) for deployed arty security.
- n. TF X-Ray Reserve.

(1) M Co, 3rd Bn, 7th Mar

(a) Assume 1 hour alert standby as of 0800H on D-Day.

(b) Be prepared to displace as directed on order, CG, TF X-Ray.

(2) CLDC. Designate Rifle Co as TF X-Ray Reserve.

o. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day 26 Feb 1967

(2) L-Hour 1100H.

(3) SLF L-Hour/H-Hour TBA D+1.

(4) Rules of engagement, reference (b).

(5) Brief SITREP on arrival LZ then every six hours commencing 1700H to include positions, plans and cumulative casualties including enemy casualties.

(6) Spot reports on crossing phase lines, on significant occurrences, on contact with enemy forces, and on receiving or inflicting casualties.

(7) Position reports of friendly unit locations at least hourly.

(8) Rice destruction only upon specific authority of this Headquarters.

(9) Riot control agents may be employed at the discretion of battalion commander(s). Use will be reported to this Headquarters immediately.

(10) Fire Support Coordination, Annex F.

(11) Artillery, Annex G.

(12) Naval Gunfire, Annex H.

(13) Air Support, Annex I.

(14) Submit INTSUM as of 1800H by 2000H daily.

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- (15) Forward request for psychological operations support to this Headquarters.
 - (16) Commanders are reminded of the VC tactic of attempting to draw friendly fire into areas occupied by non-combatants.
 - (17) Upon termination of the operation provide this Headquarters with copies of Combat After Action Report no later than 10 days after termination.
 - (18) Unclassified USMC code name: Operation "PUEBLO"/"DECKHOUSE VI" (SLF OPN continues identification as DECKHOUSE VI).
 - (19) Unclassified ARVN code name: "LIEN KET 90".
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See Administrative Order 2-67
5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS
- a. Command Posts
 - (1) 7th Mar (-) (Rein) CP located at BS 813385. CP will be established early D-1.
 - (2) Other units report when established.
 - b. Communication-Electronics
 - (1) Communication-Electronics. In accordance with 1st MarDiv O PO2000:2C (CEOI) and Annex D (Communications-Electronics).
 - (2) Thrust Points:
 - BS 8030 Any TOOL
 - BS 9026 Any BEER
 - BS 8534 Any STATE
 - BS 7836 Any DISEASE
 - BS 8040 Any WHISKEY
 - BS 7040 Any COIN
 - BS 8545 Any RISK
 - BS 8048 Any SHIP
 - BS 7345 Any CANDY

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ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization
- B - Intelligence
- C - Operations Overlay
- D - Communications - Electronics
- ~~E~~ - Psychological Warfare
- F - Fire Support Coordination
- G - Artillery
- H - Naval Gunfire
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TASK ORGANIZATION

TFX-Ray (-) (Rein)

BGen STILES

Det, Sub-Unit 2, HqBn, 1st MarDiv
Det, 9th IFF, FIF
Det, 7th CTF, FIF
Det, LP Co
Det, ISO
6th Civ Aff Plat (AA), 29th CA Co
Det, 7th Comm Bn
Det, DASC
Det, PsyWar Tm
Det, ARVN Intelligence, 2nd ARVN Div

7th Mar (-) (Rein)

Col CROSSFIELD

HqCo (-) (Rein), 7th Mar

1st Bn (-) (Rein), 5th Mar

LtCol HILGARTNER

1st Bn (-), 5th Mar
Det, Btry D, 2nd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar
NGF Spot Tm, 2nd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar
Flat, Co C, 1st Engr Bn
Det, Co C, 1st SF Bn (1ST)
Det, Sub-Unit 2, HqBn, 1st MarDiv
Det, 9th IFF, FIF
Det, 7th CTF, FIF
Det, ISO

3rd Bn (Rein), 7th Mar

LtCol BRONKIS

3rd Bn, 7th Mar
Co F, 2nd Bn, 7th Mar
Det, Btry I, 3rd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar

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Flat, Co C, 1st Engr Bn
 Det, Co C, 1st SP Bn (HST)
 Det, Sub-Unit 2, HqBn, 1st MarDiv
 Det, 9th IFF, FIF
 Det, 7th CMT, FIF
 Det, ISO
 Det, 6th Civ Aff Plat (AA)

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Col MORTMAN

Hqs SLE
 1st Bn (rein), 4th Mar
 Prov Arty GP
 4th Plat, Co B, 1st AMTRAC Bn
 2d Plat Co B, 3d AF Bn
 4th Plat, Co B, 3d Engr Bn
 2d Plat, Co A, 3d Recon Bn
 Det, Recon Plat, For Recon Co, FIF
 1st Plat, Co A, 3d Tk Bn
 Det Coll Plat, Co B, 3d Med Bn
 Det, Dental Co, FIF
 Log Spt Unit
 MIM 363

1st FAG, 11th Mar

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Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar
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 Btry I (-), 3rd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar
 Btry D (-), 2nd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar
 Det, 4th Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar

1st Recon Bn (-) (Rein)

Maj RINLY

1st Engr Bn (-) (Rein)

Maj NEWTON

1st SP Bn (-) (Rein)

LtCol JONES

Co C (-) (Rein), 1st AF Bn

Capt DEPOSITO

1st Med Bn (-)

Cdr MITCHELL (USN)

Task Force Reserve

Co M, 3rd Bn, 7th Mar
 One Rifle Co designated by CLDC

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 (b) 1st MarDivO P3800.1F (SOP for Intelligence)
 (c) 1st MarDivO P5510 (SOP for Security of Military Info)

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1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate).
- b. Background. The DUC PHO area is both an important economic center and a long standing reception point for infiltrated weapons, ammunition, medicines, and other material for use by the VC. The inhabitants have nick-named SA HUYNH the "International Contraband Post". Recent information reports a major civilian-military trade service in the area for all of MR 5. The imported products are transported along specific corridors into the mountains. The area also provides the majority of the salt for I Corps and II Corps area. It is also possible that the salt is transported to southern LAOS.
- c. Local Forces. There are two Provincial Mobile Bns, the 38th and 48th, which operate in DUC PHO and MO DUC Districts. The 38th was last located near MO DUC. The 48th is frequently reported in the QUANG NGAI vicinity. However, the unidentified Co located at BS 785500 could be an element of the 48th Bn. There are two confirmed Local Force companies: the C-217, and C-219, and one probable Local Force company: the C-17. In addition, there are an estimated 1370 guerrillas in the MO DUC - DUC PHO areas.
- d. NVA. The 95th Bn(-), 2nd NVA Regiment has been located in the operation area as late as 15 Feb 1967. The 97th Bn, 2nd NVA Regiment has also been reported in the western sector of the area. The strength of the 2nd NVA Regiment is estimated at 1400.

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Within reinforcing distance is the remainder of the 2nd NVA Division. The 12th and 22nd NVA Regts of the 3rd NVA Div are believed to be in BINH DINH Province and are also within striking distance of DUC PHO. The strength of these three regts is approximately 3100. See Appendix 2 (Enemy Situation Overlay) for distribution of enemy forces.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Determine if the enemy will attack NUI DANG and BUI DAU POSITIONS. or the DUC PHO District Headquarters. If so, when, where, in what strength, and with which units? special attention to enemy reconnaissance/sapper activity.
- b. Determine if the enemy will reinforce. If so, when, where, in what strength and with which units?
- c. Determine the current combat effectiveness of the Local Force companies, the 38th Bn, 48th Bn and the 2nd Regt/3rd NVA Div.
- d. Determine enemy anti-aircraft, 105mm How, and 82/120mm Mort capabilities in the area.
- e. Determine the attitude of civilians toward U.S. Forces, ARVN, and VC/NVA.
- f. Determine points and routes of infiltration into the area of operations, and routes of exfiltration from the beach area of enemy personnel, their commodities and supplies.
- g. Will the enemy attempt to counterattack our forces? If so, where, in what strength and weapons and when?

3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS

- a. Orders to subordinate units.
 - (1) 1st Bn, 5th Mar. Be prepared to conduct reconnaissance and observation missions on order.
 - (2) 3rd Bn, 7th Mar. Be prepared to conduct reconnaissance and observation missions on order.
 - (3) SPF. Be prepared to conduct reconnaissance and observation missions on order.
 - (4) CO D (-), 1st Recon Bn. Insert and extract OP's as directed within assigned operating areas.

CONFIDENTIAL(5) Aerial Observers.

- (a) Conduct aerial observation as directed.
- (b) Be prepared to observe area outside of immediate area of operations to observe movements of possible reinforcements.

(6) All Units.

- (a) Observe and report acts of suspicious nature.
- (b) Thoroughly search out assigned areas of responsibility for hidden supply and arms caches.

b. Request to higher, adjacent and supporting units.(1) 1st Marine Division.

- (a) Provide information as available on enemy movements and locations outside the operating area.

(2) 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

- (a) Provide current and predicted weather forecasts.
- (b) Provide aerial photo coverage as requested.

c. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Requests for AO support will be to this Headquarters.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PRISONERS, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND CAPTURED MATERIALSa. Prisoners.

- (1) Reference (b) applies.
- (2) All detainees will be tagged showing the date, place, time and circumstances of capture prior to evacuation.
- (3) All detainees will be exploited for tactical purposes and evacuated rapidly to nearest IFF sub-team in the operation area or to TF X-Ray Collection Point.

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(1) Documents found on prisoners will be tagged, identified and evacuated with the prisoners.

(2) Other documents will be tagged showing time, date, place and circumstances of capture, and evacuated by fastest means to the operation collection point for exploitation and for ~~evacuation~~ evacuation.

c. Captured material. Small arms, machine guns, and other weapons and material will be evacuated to the operation collection point.

a. Maps.

(1) References (a) and (b) apply.

(2) Bns will utilize their own maps in so far as possible. Requests for additional map support will be made via chain of command.

b. Photographs. Photographs will be distributed as required.

6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE.

a. Reference (c) applies.

b. Password and countersign. To be ~~issued~~ issued separately.

c. CI personnel will operate from the operation collection point.

7. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION.

a. Units will submit Spot Reports to this Headquarters in accordance with existing instructions.

b. Spot intelligence reports will be followed up with an amplifying report or exploitation results.

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APPENDICES

1. Intelligence Estimate
2. Enemy Situation and Installation Overlay
3. Enemy Infiltration and Supply Routes Overlay
4. Intelligence Study.
5. Counterintelligence

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1. Orientation. The area included in this estimate is the SP portion of QUANG NGAI Province. Specifically, it is the area bounded by the SONG VE (River) on the North, the I CTZ/BINH DINH (P) boundary on the South, the BS 55 North-South grid line on the West and the Seacoast on the East. It includes all of MO DUC, DUC PHO and NGHIA HANH Districts and the majority of BA TO District.
2. Routes of Communication.
 - a. National Route 1 generally follows the coast line for the entire length of the area. South of MO DUC (BS 7162), the route is habitually impassible due to enemy action and/or weather.
 - b. A railroad generally parallels Route 1. Most of the bridges and overpasses (at least 38) are out. Under ideal conditions, several months would be required to make the rail system operational.
 - c. National Route 515 (Route 74 on some maps) extends from a junction with Route 1 (BS 7646) on the border of MO DUC - DUC PHO Districts and runs generally SW leaving the study area near BA TO CIDG Camp (BS 5933). This road is in poor condition and has been closed for about one year.
 - d. Numerous secondary roads and trails extend inland from Route 1, but after a few miles become impassible and/or have been out by the enemy.
3. Helo Operations. Helo landing zones are abundant on the coastal plains and in the river valleys.
4. ENEMY SITUATION. (MO DUC - DUC PHO)

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CONFIDENTIALa. Dispositions and Strengths.

- (1) Three VC/NVA Base Areas are located in the vicinity of the operating area. Little current intelligence is available as to the units located therein or their present activity. Analysis of the base areas is as follows:
- (a) Base Area 124. Located in NUI CON VU Mountains (BS 7435) five miles west of NUI DANG. Three food storage areas and one ordnance depot are reported in this base area. Enemy activity indicates that this is an operational base and an area for limited logistical support.
 - (b) Base area 225. Located in upper AN L.O Valley (BS 7418) 13 miles southwest of NUI DAU. This is probably a base for Regt and 3rd NVA Div Hq. Enemy activity indicates that it is a training, operations and fairly extensive logistics base.
 - (c) Base Area 123. Located in NUI UOI Mountains (BS 6647) 11 miles northwest of NUI DANG. Eight logistics installations - two prisons, two training areas, three ordnance and one general installation - are reported to be in this area. Indications are that this is an operational and logistics base for operations along the coastal plains in MO DUC, the SONG VE and SONG TRA CAU Rivers, and the roads leading SW to BA TO (BS 5632).

(2) Estimate of enemy forces:

- (a) Locally available. Operating within 10 miles of NUI DAU - NUI DANG

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RPTD LOCATION</u>	<u>ESTIMATED STRENGTH</u>
C-219 Co	LF	BS 7840	100
C-217 Co	LF	BS 8727	75
804HvWpsCo/38th Bn	LF	BS 8042	100
506a Sap Co	LF	BS 7757	100
93rdBn/2ndVCregrt	MF	BS 8341	300

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95Bn/2dVCREgt	MF	BS7443	300
97Bn/2dVCREgt	MF	BS8131	400
38thBn	LF	BS6857	300
			TOTAL 1075

- (b) Reinforcements, within 24 hours after movement commences:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RPTD LOCATION</u>	<u>ESTIMATED STRENGTH</u>
Hq2dVC Regt (Combat Support)	MF	BS7623	UNK
18thRegt (AKA 12 Regt)	NVA	BS7887	450 (Est)
22ndRegt	NVA	BS8517	1600
48thBn	LF	BS6860	400
19thBn	LF	BS7854	300
			TOTAL 2750

- (c) Guerrilla Forces, within the local area:

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>ESTIMATED STRENGTH</u>
MO DUC	590
DUC PHO	780
TOTAL 1370	
(d) Grand total forces available	5795

- b. Recent Activities. See Appendix (2) (Enemy Situation Overlay). The VC have dominated the area for nearly 20 years. Their known activities generally are rice collection, propaganda and political indoctrination of local inhabitants, minor terrorism and sabotage. ~~The recent move of 3rd Division elements from II CTZ into I-CTZ is particularly noteworthy.~~
- c. Logistics. Base Area 124, less than five miles west of NUI DAMG, provides the enemy with an excellent but austere, logistics facility. The value of these facilities is further proved by the close proximity of Base Areas 123 and 225.

CONFIDENTIAL5. ENEMY CAPABILITIESa. Enumeration

- (1) Attack within the Operating Area at any time with a total force of one regiment, one Local Force battalion (including one heavy weapons company), two Local Force companies and one sapper company.
- (2) Defend at a time and place of his choosing with forces enumerated in (1), above.
- (3) Withdraw, avoid combat and conserve his forces for more favorable circumstances.
- (4) Independently, or in conjunction with capabilities (1), (2), and/or (3), above, conduct limited attacks, ambushes, harassment or sabotage within the Operations Area, to include ambush of reaction forces within carefully prepared battle areas.
- (5) Reinforce capabilities above within 24 hours after movement commences with all or part of one combat effective regiment (22nd NVA) and one marginally effective regiment (18th AKA 12th NVA), supported by combat support elements of a NVA Div Hq (3rd NVA).

b. Analysis

- (1) Capability (1) (Attack). The enemy has not been reluctant to move and maintain forces within the DUC Pao area. Despite his normal reluctance to mass forces, the recent reported movements of the three battalions of the 2nd VC Regt to positions shown on Appendix (2) (Enemy Situation Overlay) indicate his capabilities. Additionally, numerous recent instances of violent reaction to reconnaissance insertions are indicative of strength as well as a desire to prevent observation.
- (2) Capability (2) (Defend). The enemy's knowledge of the area, doctrine of carefully selecting the place of battle, and the necessity for keeping long standing supply/infiltration routes open favor adoption of this course of action. The location of his forces and the stiff resistance encountered during Operation DESOTO indicated that the enemy intends to defend in strength.

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- (3) Capability (3) (Withdraw). The known enemy doctrine of retiring in the face of a preponderance of power favors this course of action.
- (4) Capability (4) (Limited operations). The enemy has the capability to continue activities which inflict maximum damage with minimum risk to his main battle forces.
- (5) Capability (5) (Reinforce). Reinforcing elements are readily available and most of the terrain provides relative freedom of enemy movement well within his capabilities. However, friendly operations to the south of the Operating Area, plus his vulnerability, while moving, to detection and destruction by friendly fire support, militate against adoption of this capability. Should he choose to reinforce either in the DUC PHO area or in the Operating Area to the south, he must relinquish control of the vacated area or draw reinforcements from distant areas since he does not have forces to reinforce both areas simultaneously.

6. CONCLUSIONSa. Probability of adoption of enemy capabilities.

- (1) The enemy can be expected to defend in force initially using available forces supported by maximum harrassing tactics.
- (2) In the face of a preponderance of combat power, he will probably attempt to withdraw.
- (3) Adoption of enemy reinforcement capabilities will reduce forces in either the DUC PHO area or the area to the south.
- (4) Should the opportunity be presented, the enemy can be expected to attack isolated elements.

b. Effect on Commander's Mission. In view of the commander's mission and the preponderance of forces available, enemy adoption of attack, defense, and reinforcement will not prevent accomplishment of the mission.

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Enemy withdrawal will delay or preclude destruction of the enemy, but will facilitate control and pacification of the operating area. Enemy harrassing tactics will delay, but not prevent, accomplishment of the commander's mission.

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 (b) Annex B (Intelligence) to 1st MarDiv OP O 301-66
 (c) Detailed Imagery Interpretation Report 106064, NLS Beach 15

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1. Weather, Terrain and Hydrography

- a. Weather. The customary two season weather is associated with I CFZ. September through March is the wet season. The season is dominated by the effects of the Northeastern Monsoon. This whole period is characterized by excess rainfall, maximum cloudiness and "crachin" conditions. Greatest mean precipitation occurs in October with 23 inches, where as September and November means are 16 inches. "Crachin", a prolonged period of widespread fog and light rain with ceilings below 1000 feet and often below 500 feet, begins in December. The periods of "crachin" begin decreasing in January and disappear by April. Monthly mean maximum temperatures are in the high 70's and mean minimums in the low 60's. This season is less desirable for military operations. Governing considerations are marginal flying weather, poor visibility, flooding and unsuitable trafficability.

b. Terrain

(1) Relief

- (a) The coastal plain is a relatively flat strip, six to ten miles in width, which parallels the coast line down to the NUI SANG Mountains in the southeastern corner. The plains are interspersed with isolated hills and ridges and are sectioned in many areas by rice paddies bounded by dikes two to five feet high and from one to several feet wide. The eastern edge of the plain consists of a belt of beach and sand dunes which average 200 meters in width and three to 20 meters in height.

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- (b) There is a very little piedmont and the remaining portion of the area is predominantly mountainous and is covered by high ground vegetation and dense tropical rain forests. This mountainous area is dramatically compartmented by river valleys. The predominant one is the SONG NE - SONG TRA NO - SONG BA TO - SONG VE River valley complex draining generally from southwest to northeast, across the entire west and north borders of the area.
- (c) The southern boundary of the Province is a mountain range which reaches a height of 3700 feet. Several other mountain peaks in this sector reach heights of 2700-3500 feet.
- (2) Drainage. The principal streams rise on the mountain slopes and flow generally northeast onto the coastal plains. In the mountains the rivers flow swiftly through deeply incised, steep-walled valleys and gullies. As they enter the coastal plains they tend to meander aimlessly into the SOUTH CHINA SEA. The streams and rivers become severe obstacles during the rainy season. The SONG TRA CAU will present a limited obstacle at this time of year; however it can be forded with caution by foot troops along most of its length except after heavy rainfall.
- c. Hydrography. The study area is bordered on the east by a nearly straight beach. The southern portion contains two concave beaches. The favorable northern beach provides 19 miles of usable landing area. The width of the beach varies from 100 to 300 yards. Off shore approaches are clear and the bottom is sand and gravel. Tidal range is four to five feet. Surf 4 feet or greater can be expected 53% of the time in winter, 18% in spring, 6% in summer and 24% in fall. The beach is backed by a dune line extending as much as 1000 yards inland. Several lagoons, isolated hills, villages and streams restrict egress from the beach. Beach exits for foot troops are good, but poor for wheeled or tracked vehicles.

2. POLITICS

- a. Communist influence in DUC PHO dates back to 1930 and 1931. In 1945, the Viet Minh formed the BA TO War Zone to train cadre and guerrillas. DUC PHO district has provided many cadre for the VC command staff.

CONFIDENTIAL3. ECONOMICS

- a. The main economic resources of DUC PHO District are: Agriculture, fishing, salt and a few handicrafts such as pottery, bamboo weaving and hat making.

- (1) Agriculture. The most fertile rice fields are located in the northern one-third of the district.
- (2) Industry. The fishermen along the coastal villages produce more than 800 metric tons of fish per month. The inland villagers also cut timber in LAM BINH (BS 850340) and in DAM AN KHE Swamps (BS 905275).
- (3) Salt production. The most important salty marshes lie in TAN DIEM Hamlet (BS 917246) and LONG THINH Hamlet (BS 925253). The total surface is about 30 hectares. Annual production in the past was about 60,000 tons. In 1965 production was only about 30,000 tons due to the lack of security and worker instability. 1966 estimates run as low as 1600 tons. Salt is a product of critical necessity to VC health and comfort.

4. SOCIOLOGY

- a. Population. DUC PHO District consist of 15 villages with a total population of 91,413 inhabitants. The District Headquarters is located in PHO DAI Village, AN THO Hamlet (BS 806377). The coastal people are fishermen and traders. In the lowland, the people live on agriculture. In the mountainous western and southern regions, the people farm and trade with Montagnards.
- b. Religion. Most of the people are Buddhists, Confucionists, and a small number are Catholics.

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There is a Buddhist pagoda in every village; a Roman Catholic Church at TRA CAU, PHO HUNG Village; and a Protestant Church at the District Headquarters.

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1. GENERAL

- a. This appendix amplifies instructions contained in references (a) through (d) concerning counterintelligence procedures.
- b. Security is especially important in a counterinsurgency environment. The enemy can be expected to continue espionage, sabotage, terrorist, and propaganda activities.

2. MILITARY SECURITY

a. Safeguarding Military Information

- (1) Classified information will be handled in accordance with references (a), (b) and (c).
- (2) Classified material will not be taken forward of Bn CP's except when essential for the conduct of operations. In such cases, only extracts of necessary information from classified documents shall be used.
- (3) All paper waste material from unit command posts will be destroyed **by burning.**
- (4) Unclassified maps, training manuals, and similar publications will be given sufficient protection to prevent their seizure by unauthorized personnel. Disposal of such material will be by burning.

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- (5) Classified material furnished to this Command by a foreign government or international organization will be afforded the same, or greater degree of protection, as the US affords to material of a similar classification. Vietnamese classification categories are as follows:

(a) TOI MAT - TOP SECRET

(b) MAT - SECRET

(c) KIN - CONFIDENTIAL

- (6) Upon displacement, commanders will thoroughly police their areas to ensure that nothing of intelligence value is left behind.

b. Communications Security

- (1) Classified information will not be discussed over telephones or voice radio nets. Numerical and operational codes will be used when appropriate to safeguard friendly information.
- (2) Each unit having crypto devices will prepare an Emergency Destruction Plan for crypto material.

c. Challenges and Passwords

- (1) See paragraph 505 of reference (c).

d. Counterespionage

- (1) Commanders will ensure that all personnel are warned of the enemy capability to utilize low level agents (bar girls, vendors, shop keepers, children, cycle drivers) to gather intelligence information.
- (2) The enemy also has the capability of using Caucasian or Negro agents to penetrate friendly installations or units. Any person, regardless of rank or position, who acts suspiciously, expresses undue interest in military routine, or locations of units, or who is observed in a restricted area, will be approached and identified. If he has improper identification, or if his identification requires verification, he will be detained, and the details will be reported immediately to the ACoS, G-2.

e. Countersabotage

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- (1) All units will stress countersabotage in security plans. Particular emphasis will be placed on safeguarding command posts, supply installations, communications centers, and water points.
- (2) Prior to occupying any existing building or structure, a thorough search for hidden explosives or booby traps will be conducted.

f. Countersubversion

- (1) Troop information programs will include the official role of the US in the RVN in both military and political matters.
- (2) Any propaganda directed at US policies or US servicemen will be reported to the ACofS, G-2 with all details possible.
- (3) Any literature from civilian agencies soliciting for opinions or money or asserting political views will be reported to the ACofS, G-2 as soon as possible.
- (4) All personnel will be periodically briefed on their responsibilities as a prisoner of war as outlined in the Code of Conduct.

g. Visitor control

- (1) All units will provide escorts for and control the movement of all visitors within their areas of responsibility.
- (2) Representatives of the press or other mass communications media will be escorted.

h. Protection of ranking officials. Units being visited by ranking government officials or general/flag officers will provide adequate security for such visitors.i. Target lists

- (1) Personalities. Issued separately.
- (2) Facilities and installations. To be issued.

3. CIVIL SECURITY

CONFIDENTIALa. Control of Civilians

- (1) Civilians will not be permitted access to camps or installations unless cleared and authorized by this Headquarters (G-1/PMO).
- (2) All dealings with civilian vendors and merchants will be conducted in authorized liberty areas only. Personnel will not deal with vendors operating in the periphery of camps and along MSR's.

b. Employment of Civilians

- (1) Civilians will not be employed by any Marine unit unless they are cleared and authorized by this Headquarters (G-1/PMO).
- (2) Civilians authorized for employment will be required to wear a pass/badge issued by this Headquarters while working within Div areas.
- (3) Civilian employees will be restricted to their areas of employment and will be kept under close supervision by U. S. Personnel.

c. Civil Leaders. Friendly civilian leaders will be accorded respect due to them as community officials.d. Civil Unrest. Notify the ACoFS, G-2 by fastest means of any incident which may indicate civil unrest or deterioration of relations between U. S. Forces and local civilian personnel.4. CENSORSHIP. Armed Forces censorship, if imposed, will be conducted in accordance with provisions of Section VI of reference (b).5. MISCELLANEOUS. Attached Marine Corps counterintelligence personnel are under the operational control of the unit commander.

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(c) TF X-Ray OpPlan 1-67
(d) TF X-Ray OpO 2-67
(e) SLF (OPG 79.5) COI, 2d edition DEC000000 VI

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces

(1) See Frag Order 8-67

(2) Amphibious Task Group (AG 76.5) provides communication and crypto guard for embarked Special Landing Force Units (TF 79.5) during movement to the objective.

(3) MASS-3 provides point to point multi-channel radio relay and radio communications for Air Support in the objective area.

(4) Command Posts

(a) Afloat

Special Landing Force
1st Bn, 4th Mar

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(b) Ashore

TF X-Ray (fwd) BS813385
7th Mar (fwd) BS813385
3rd Bn, 7th Mar BS813385
2d MCVN Div (fwd) BS813385

All SLF elements report Command Post locations when established in objective area.

2. MISSION. Commencing H-2, D-Day, TF X-Ray Communication-Electronics elements provide communications and electronics support for the accomplishment

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of assigned tasks.

3. EXECUTIONa. 7th Marines (-) (Rein)

- (1) Commencing D-1 assume responsibility for all circuits between the DUC PEO area (BS 813385) and TF X-Ray Headquarters in Chu LAI.
- (2) Expand existing communication facilities in the DUC PEO area (BS813385) as required. See Appendix (Radio Plan) and Appendix 2 (Wire/Radio Relay Plan).
- (3) Commencing H-2 assume net control of Landing Force Tactical and Logistical nets IAW Appendix 1 (Radio Plan).
- (4) Assume Comm/Crypto guard for CG TF X-Ray (fwd).
- (5) Be prepared to establish, operate and maintain multi-channel radio relay, AN/TRC-27, communications as required.

b. SLF BLT Ashore

- (1) Upon landing, guard Landing Force Tactical Net No. 1 (M-1016).
- (2) Upon landing, establish, operate and maintain communications to support accomplishment of assigned tasks.
- (3) Be prepared to establish, operate and maintain multi-channel radio relay, AN/TRC-27, communications as required.

c. 1st Bn, 5th Mar

- (1) Commencing H-2, D-Day guard Landing Force Tactical Net No. 1 (M-1016).
- (2) Establish, operate and maintain communications to support accomplishment of assigned tasks.

d. 3rd Bn, 5th Mar

- (1) Commencing H-2, D-Day guard Landing Force Tactical Net No. 1 (M-1016).
- (2) Establish, operate and maintain communications to support accomplishment of assigned tasks.
- (3) Be prepared on order to resume responsibility for DUC PEO area external communications. See reference (c).

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e. 7th Comm Bn

- (1) Operate and maintain existing radio relay circuits between DUC PHO area and CHU LAI.
- (2) Establish, operate and maintain multi-channel radio relay, AN/MRC-62, vicinity (BS815382) utilizing assets previously provided by 5th Comm Bn and a multi-channel radio relay, AN/MRC-62 vicinity CHU LAI Radio Relay Hill. See Appendix 2 (Wire/Radio Relay Plan).
- (3) Be prepared to establish, operate and maintain multi-channel radio relay, AN/TMC-27, communications as required.

f. 1st Shore Party Bn. Provide communications support for HST logistics as required.g. Air Support Communications. See Annex I (Air Support Operations).h. Artillery Communications. See Annex G (Artillery Support).i. Naval Gunfire Communications. See Annex H (Naval Gunfire Support).j. Communication Security Aids.

(1) Authentication and Numeral Code:

(a) KAC-T 42: Effective Through 28 Feb 1967

(b) KAC-PX: Effective 1 Mar 1967

(2) Operation Code KAC-PX effective edition.

(3) KW-7 KEY LIST: KAK 2641 effective edition.

(4) KY-8 KEY LIST: KAK 3537 effective edition.

k. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) 7th Marines (fwd) voice radio and telephone call signs will be used for all terminations at the 1st Bn (fwd), 7th Marines CP.
- (2) Spare frequencies available for assignment from this Headquarters.
- (3) Report incidents of harmful interference to this Headquarters.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See paragraph 4 of basic order.

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- b. Limited Communication-Electronics resupply available at the LSA.
- c. Limited electronic repair facilities available at LSA.
- d. Organizations provide one Battery BB-451 to LSA for each Radio set AN/PRC-41 or AN/PRC-47 to be employed.
- e. Organizations supply one Battery Charger PP-340 to LSA for each four BB-451's provided.

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APPENDICES:

- 1 - RADIO PLAN
- 2 - WIRE/RADIO RELAY PLAN

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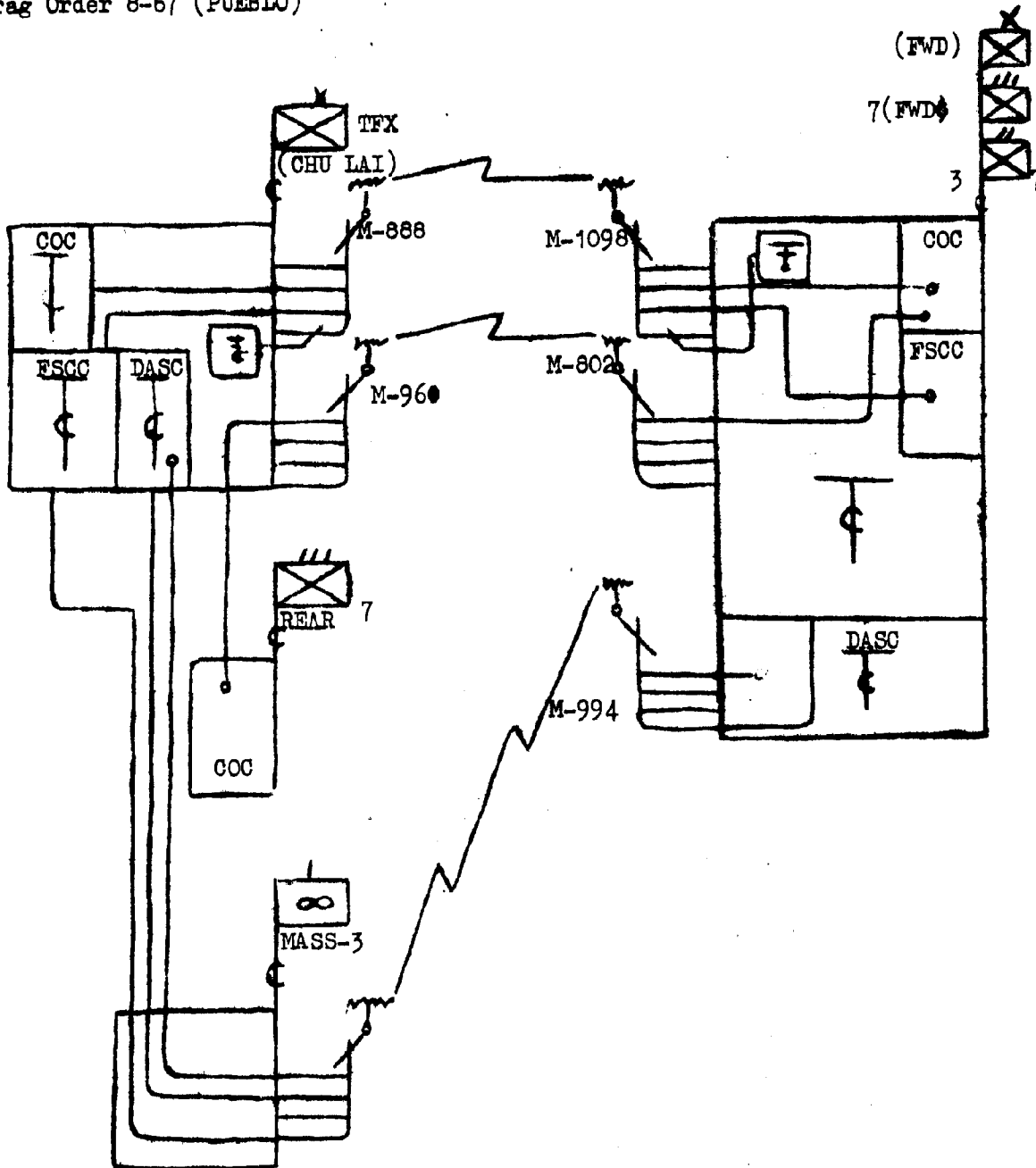
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Annex E (Psychological Operations) to FRAG ORDER 8-67 (PUEBLO)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)
- b. Friendly Forces. See basic order.

2. MISSION. Psychological Operations will be conducted in support of the operation including leaflet-drops and aerial broadcasts within and adjacent to the area of operation.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept: The CHIEU HOI, Reward for Mines and Booby Traps and the "Do Not Run From Marines" themes will be utilized throughout the operation. Leaflets and taped broadcasts will be directed at the families and friends of the VC. Targets of opportunity will be exploited utilizing standard and special leaflets or broadcasts as appropriate. A special theme peculiar to Duc Pho area and VC resistance from fortified shelters will be exploited.
- b. A psyops team will be attached in order to exploit psyops targets of opportunity.
- c. Sequence of Events
 - (1) At L Hour leaflets and aerial broadcasts will be employed in the target area.
 - (2) Additional psyops support will be provided, as requested by the commander.
- d. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) See basic order.
 - (2) All personnel concerned will be briefed on the psyops objectives prior to the commencement of the operation.

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a. All psyops support will be furnished by this headquarters.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION/ELECTRONICS. See Annex D.

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Annex F (Fire Support Coordination) To Frag Order 8-67 (PUEBLO)

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 Sheets 6659 II, III, IV; AMS Series L7014:
 Sheets 6740 III; 6739 I-IV; 6738 I, II;
 6838 III, IV.
 (b) NWIP 22-2(A)
 (c) FMFM 7-1

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces

(1) Annex B (Intelligence) and Current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces

Annex G Artillery

Annex H Naval Gunfire

Annex I Air Support

2. MISSION. The 7th Mar FSOC functioning as Task Force X-Ray Fwd FSOC will exercise overall responsibility for coordinating and planning conventional fires supporting the elements of Task Force X-Ray in Operation PUEBLO. Fires with ARVN forces will be coordinated to the maximum extent possible; thereby ensuring maximum effective fire support and troop safety to all units throughout operation.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept. Fire Support Coordination will be in accordance with references (b) and (c).

(1) Submit Sav-A-Plane restriction to 7th Mar FSOC.

(2) No fire lines will be established.

(3) Be prepared to recommend fire coordination lines, as required, to the 7th Mar FSOC.

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b. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Supporting arms will not be fired into any populated area except when the infantry commander on the ground personally determines that the area is hostile, that such action is necessary to save Marine lives, and that there is no alternative to such course of action.
- (2) All supporting arms missions, with the exception of barrages, pre-planned, and unobserved fires, will be controlled by an airborne or ground FAC, forward observer, or NCF spot team. All observed and unobserved fires, except barrages, will be positively approved at the appropriate FSCC prior to the employment of the supporting arm(s).
- (3) Hamlets or villages not associated with ground operations will not be attacked without prior warning (By leaflets and/or speaker system or appropriate means) even though light fire is received therefrom.
- (4) Hamlets and villages may be attacked without prior warning if the attack is in conjunction with a ground operation involving the movement of ground forces through the area, and if in the judgement of the ground commander, his mission would be jeopardized by such warning.
- (5) None of the foregoing is intended to deny the application of force against the source of hostile fires. Enemy forces engaging friendly troops will be destroyed by utilization of any available means.
- (6) Clear supporting fires with Duc Pho District Hqs.

4. TARGET INFORMATION.a. Target list

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) As maintained by the G-2.
- (3) Targets of opportunity will be passed immediately to the unit in whose sector the target appears.

b. Restricted Targets

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

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5. AIRCRAFT SAFETY.

a. Air Sentries and Lookouts

- (1) Air sentries will be positioned near artillery firing positions and will check fire when friendly aircraft are observed approaching danger areas.
- (2) Artillery forward observers and naval gunfire spotters will check fire when it appears that the trajectories of artillery fire and support ships will endanger friendly aircraft.
- (3) Information on all artillery and naval gunfire missions will be posted to all helicopter and fixed wing control agencies. For this purpose a SAV-A-PLANE report will be used. This report will include the coordinates of the firing unit, the target coordinates, the time period involved and maximum ordinate of the projectiles.

EXAMPLE:

SAV-A-PLANE: A 5404, B 4897, C 0900H, D 1100H, E 5000. THE ARTILLERY UNIT FDC WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PASSING THE SAV-A-PLANE REPORT TO THE TASK FORCE X-RAY FSCC. THE 7TH MAR FSCC WILL DISSEMINATE THE REPORT TO AIR CONTROL AGENCIES.

- b. Anti-Air Suppression Fires. Anti-air suppression fires will be planned in detail to protect support aircraft from enemy ground fire and provide a reasonable degree of safety from the suppressive fire.
- c. Landing Zone Preparations. Insecure helicopter zones will be neutralized by artillery and/or air prep fires, as required, prior to the insertion of troops and supplies by helicopter.

6. SAFETY OF GROUND FORCES.

- a. No fires will be placed across battalion boundaries without the approval of the 7th Mar FSCC. This approval must be voiced--silence does not mean consent. The boundaries between adjacent units are fire coordination lines. The nature of this operation is such that extreme care must be taken to avoid the accidental attack of friendly forces.
- b. It is imperative that this Headquarters be kept informed of the front line positions of all units at all times. "STONEWALL" reports (Front line position reports) will be submitted by Bn FSCC's to the 7th Mar FSCC as soon as practicable after each unit displacement.

7. COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. See Appendix I (Radio Plan) to Annex G (Artillery)
- b. Command posts, as published.

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- (b) Task Force X-Ray Op O 2-67
- (c) FMFM 7-4
- (d) 11th Mar Regt O P3000.3d.
- (e) 1st MarDiv Admin Plan 301-66.

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

(1) Annex B (Intelligence) and current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces

(1) Annex F (Fire Support Coordination)

(2) Annex E (Naval Gunfire)

(3) Annex I (Air Operations)

(4) Platoon 155mm Howitzers ARVN artillery located vicinity BS 868318.

2. MISSION. The 1st Field Artillery Group (-) (Rein) will control fires in support of Task Force X-Ray and 2nd ARVN Division during Opn Pueblo/Deck House VI.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Artillery Employment

- (1) The 1st Field Artillery Group (-) (Rein) will support Task Force X-Ray Operation Pueblo and control the fires of all arty in support of OPN PUEBLO/DECKHOUSE VI. Missions to be assigned as required.

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- (2) One 105mm How Btry (-) will provide General Support Reinforcing fires with priority of fires to 2d ARVN Div forces employed Lien Ket 90.
- (3) Hqs Btry, 3d Bn, 11th Mar will provide tactical fire direction for all Pueblo/DeckHouse VI arty.

b. Prov Arty GP, SLF.

(1) 105mm How Btry

- (a) Direct Support of SLF BLT.
- (b) Occupy position to be designated by CTG 79.5.
- (c) Azimuth of fire ZA of SLF BLT.

(2) 107mm Mortar Btry

- (a) General Support, reinforcing fires of 105mm How Btry, Prov Arty GP.
- (b) Occupy position designated by CTG 79.5.
- (c) Azimuth of fire ZA of SLF BLT.

c. D Btry (-), 2d Bn 1st FAG 11th Mar.

- (1) General support reinforcing with priority of fires in support of ARVN forces.
- (2) Occupy position to be designated by CO of 1st FAG.
- (3) Azimuth of fire ZA of ARVN forces employed.

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d. I Btry (-), 3d Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar

- (1) Direct support 3d Bn, 7th Mar
- (2) Provide fires from primary position area.
- (3) Azimuth of fire - ZA 3d Bn, 7th Mar

e. G Btry (-), 3d Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar

- (1) Direct support 1st Bn, 5th Marines.
- (2) Occupy position to be designated by CO of 1st FAG.
- (3) Azimuth of fire - ZA 1st Bn, 5th Mar

f. Det 4th Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar (ARVN 155 How Plat)

- (1) Provide advisory assistance as required ARVN 155 How, technical fire direction center.
- (2) Establish Ln between ARVN 155 How and Nui Dau technical direction center.

g. Hq Btry, 3d Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar

- (1) Occupy position to be designated in vicinity of Nui Dang.
- (2) Provide tactical fire direction for all artillery units assigned and in support opn Pueblo/DeckHouse VI.

h. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) D-Day and L-Hour to be announced.
- (2) Direct liaison authorized all units.
- (3) Upon termination Operation Pueblo, all units return operational control parent organization.
- (4) Firing chart; grid sheet, scale 1:25,000
- (5) Registration: As required.
- (6) Position areas and fire capabilities: Report changes to Hq Btry 3d Bn 1st FAG (3/11 FDC).
- (7) Concentration numbers in accordance with reference (c) and (d).
- (8) Restriction on fires: Annex F (Fire Support Coordination).

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(9) Emphasize timely submission Sitreps, Intreps, Ammoreps, Weapon Status.

(10) Units will not expend below 200 rounds per battery without approval of controlling Arty Hqs.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Para 4, TF X-Ray Frag Order 8-67

b. Ammunition Requirements in accordance with reference (e).

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS

a. Communication-Electronics see Appendix I (Radio Plan).

b. Command Posts - report locations.

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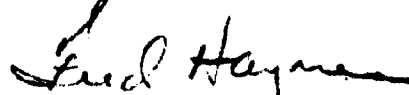
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NET TITLE	3/11 COF NO 1	3/11 COF NO 2	3/11 FD	3/11 COF NO 1	3/11 COF NO 2	3/11 COF NO 3	3/11 COF NO 4	3/11 COF NO 5	
DESIGNATOR	M-460	M-498	M-713	M-633	M-444	M-748	M-662	M-468	
FREQUENCY	35.9 mc	37.8 mc	50.9 mc	44.9 mc	35.3 mc	53.45 mc	46.75 mc	36.3 mc	
UNIT	CALL SIGN								
3/11 FDC	C	C	C	X	X	X	X	X	AVERAGE
I FWD	X		X	O	X	O			AVERAGE INDIA FORWARD
I X-RAY	X		X	O	O	O			AVERAGE INDIA X-RAY
G X-RAY	X		X	O	O	O			AVERAGE GOLF X-RAY
G 3/12	X		X	O	O	O			NEW ROAD GOLF
W 3/12	X		X	X	O	O			NATIVE BLD
7TH MAR FSCC	X	O	X	X	X	X			COMPUTATION 22
5/7 FSCC			X	X	X				CHARGE LYNCH 22
1/4 FSCC			X	X	O				GOLD LEMON 22
ARVN ABN							C		ARTIFICIAL 22
ARVN RMR								C	CHARGE LYNCH 22
TPX AC	O		O	O	O			O	BLACK COAT (PLUS NUMBER)
3/11 (REAR)		X							AVERAGE REAR
1/5 FSCC						X			COTTAGE 22
D 2/11	X	O	X	O	O	X	O	O	ARNICA DELTA

LEGEND:

C - NET CONTROL
 X - GUARD
 O - ON ORDERS/AS REQ

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- (b) TF X-Ray OP ORD 2-67
- (c) COMCRUDESGRUSEVENTHFLT OP ORD 320-67 (GUN 11)
- (d) ATP 4 Allied Naval Gunfire Spotting Procedures
- (e) NWIF 2-22(A) Supporting Arms in Amphibious Operations
- (f) FFM 7-2 Naval Gunfire Support

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

Ships as Assigned by CTU 70.8.9 and CTG 76.5

- 1 C./C.C
- 1 DD (5"/54)
- 2 DD (5"/38)
- 1 LSMR
- 2 LSMR

1. SITUATION.

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

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See basic order.

(2) Naval Gunfire Support Ships provided by CTG 76.5 and augmented by CTU 70.8.9.

(3) Coastal Surveillance Units provided by CTG 115.1 for patrol of contiguous waters.

2. MISSION. Naval Gunfire Ships assigned provide support to TF X-Ray units of Operation PUEBLO and forces of DECKHOUSE VI and LIEN KET 90.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Naval Gunfire Ship Assignments.

(1) The assignment to direct support missions and fire support areas will be by 7th Mar FSCC functioning in dual capacity as

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- (2) Ships will remain in general support TF X-Ray and may be re-assigned as necessary.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

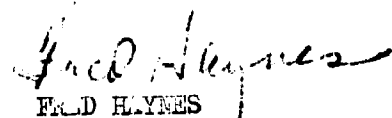
- (1) Whenever possible each Bn and ARVN will have a ship assigned in direct support. When less than four ships are on station ships will be assigned to two or more Bns.
- (2) Priority of attack of targets will be: In support of troops in close contact, observed enemy troops, suspected enemy positions, objective area preparations; intelligence targets; unobserved targets, harassing and interdiction targets.
- (3) Coordination with other Supporting Arms in accordance with references (b) through (f) as amplified below.
 - (a) Coordination with air will be the responsibility of the 7th Mar FSCC who will ensure a SALVAPLANE is published through the DMSOC. In order to minimize delays the FSCC will monitor all FM spots nets and the HF control net and give positive clearance for each target indicating SALVAPLANE designator.
 - (b) The firing ship, liaison and spot teams will be alert to check fire for any aircraft approaching the GTL.
 - (c) Bn ln teams will maintain continuous guard on FM Spot nets keeping ships and FSCC advised of unit locations, desired positions of support ships, requirements for additional support and any problems as they develop.
 - (d) Targets in the proximity of fire coordination lines will be cleared by 7th Mar FSCC with adjacent Bns affected.
 - (e) Each target requires positive clearance from the Bn NGLO and Regt NGLO prior to commencing fire.
- (4) Safety Measures.
 - (a) Neither VT nor HMF will be fired over the heads of friendly troops.
 - (b) Illumination will be cleared for illumination effect and canister impact.
- (5) Radar Beacon. See Appendix 2.
- (6) Reports. See Appendix 4.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. TF X-Ray will coordinate support ships off station times, keeping all concerned advised of ships requirements and potential departures with maximum possible advance notice.
5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS.
 - a. Communications. See Annex D (Communications) and Appendix 3 to this Annex.
 - b. Communications security will be maintained with a maximum use of thrust points, position reports and encryption with K&C 138 and K&C 132.

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Appendixes:

1. Naval Gunfire Operations Overlay Data
2. Radar Beacon Operation
3. Shore Fire Communications Plan
4. Naval Gunfire Reports

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Appendix 1 (Naval Gunfire Operations Overlay Data) to Annex H (Naval Gunfire Support) to FRAG ORDER 8-67 (FUEBLO)

1. Fire Support Areas in grid coordinates:

FSA I BS 795530 to 820530 to 860440 to 832440

FSA II BS 832440 to 860440 to 900360 to 872360

FSA III BS 778580 to 880580 to 880500 to 834500 to 820530 to 795530

FSA IV BS 860440 to 950440 to 990360 to 900360

FSA V BS 872360 to 990360 to 990270 to 930270

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1. TF X-Ray Beacon Team in place on NUI DANG. Activation on request.
2. Beacon data as follows:

Azimuth 0750 mils magnetic

Frequency: Beacon transmit 8960
Beacon receive 8930

Code 1

Coordinates BS 87403245

Altitude 164 meters

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Appendix 3 (Shore Fire Communication Plan) to Annex H (Naval Gunfire Support) to FMAG ORDER 8-67 (PUEBLO)

1. Net.	M72 *	MCL	M990	M673	M	M (C19)	M17	M156	M1185	M1210	M662	M681	S-3/S-4	FLEET comm	VNN comm
Stations															
TF X-Ray NGFO	C	C											D*		
SLE SACC/NGFO		C													
7th Air NGFO		C									D				
1/4 NGLO/SFCP		D	C				D	D			D				
3/7 NGLO/SFCP		D		C			D	D			D				
1/5 NGLO/SFCP		D			C		D	D			D				
RVN ANGLICO		D				C	D	D			D				
Air Observers			X	X	X	X			D	D				D	D
CA/CLG 1		C	X	X	X	X	X	X				D			
DD 1		C	X	X	X	X						D		C	
DD 2		C	X	X	X	X						D		C	
LSMR 1		C	X	X	X	X						D		C	
LSMR 2		C	X	X	X	X						D		C	
RADAR BEACON		X										X			
PCF/APE			D	D	D	D							C		
VNN CRAFT															C

LEGEND: C - Continuous Guard; X - When directed; D - As desired; D* As desired
Controlled Net (Article MCS)

Ckt Design	Title	Frequency
*M-72	1st MarDiv NGF Support	3271 kcs (USB)
MCL	SLE NGF Support	4057 kcs (USB)
M990	NR1 FM Spot net	65.4 mcs
M673	NR2 FM Spot net	47.5 mcs
M840	NR3 FM Spot net	52.8 mcs
M557 (C19)	ANGLICO FM Spot	41.0 mcs
M17 (C24)	HF Spot NR2	2300 kcs (USB)
M156 (C25)	HF Spot NR3	6229 kcs (USB)
M1185 (C26)	Air Spot NR1	239.9 mcs
M1210 (C27)	Air Spot NR2	265.3 mcs
M662	SFCP local	46.95 mcs
M681	Radar Beacon	48.2 mcs
S-3/S-4	Market Time day/night	4085/8500 kcs
	U.S. Fleet common	277.8 mcs
	VNN Fleet common	311.0 mcs

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2. Call Signsa. Coordination Agencies

TF X-Ray NGFO
 SLF SACC
 SLF NGFO
 7th Mar NGFO
 1/4 NGLO
 3/7 NGLO
 1/5 NGLO

Emery Wheel 26
 Company Store
 Hill Dale 26
 Computation 26
 Gold Lemon 26 Oscar
 Crepe Myrtle 26 Oscar
 Cottage 26 Oscar

b. Spotters

USMC Bn/Co
 ARVN Anglico
 Marine MO
 Army MO
 USMC MO

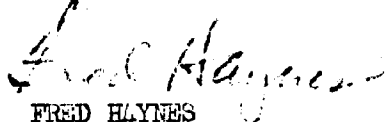
Bn/Co Call 26 Charlie
 Afterburner 26 Charlie
 Blackcoat #
 Catkiller #
 Jake #

c. Clearing Agencies

FSCC
 DLSC (DUC FHO)
 Radar Beacon
 PCF #
 WFB

Unit Bailey
 Landshark "Y"
 Emery Wheel Carburetor
 Ledger India #
 Athletic Coach "R"

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Appendix 4 (Naval Gunfire Reports) to Annex H (Naval Gunfire Support)
to FRAG ORDER 8-67 (FUEBLO)

NAVAL GUNFIRE REPORTS

1. The following routine reports are to be submitted to Task Force X-Ray at the times indicated.

Date Time Group	Report
a. When reporting on station	Pepper
initially or after UNREP	Ketchup
b. Hourly	Mustard
c. 0600 daily	Mustard
d. Commencing fire	Candy
e. Ceasing fire	Sugar
f. As occurring	Onion

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2. Naval Gunfire Report Format

	CANDY	SUGAR	HONEY	SPICE	FICKLE	SALT	PEPPER	MUSTARD	KETCHUP	RELISH	ONION
a. Type mission (Call fire prep, etc)	X										
b. Target number & grid coordinates	X	X	X		X	X					
c. Target description	X		X		X						
d. Battery firing (main, secondary)	X										
e. Agency supported	X										
f. Damage assessment		X				X					
g. Ammunition expended (see code below)		X				X					
h. Percent of Bombardment Ammunition remaining				X							
i. Reason Target not fired (foul range, etc.)					X						
j. Ammunition remaining (see code below)							X				
k. Action taken or contemplated			X								
l. Ship's position (grid square)	X							X			
m. Vertex (in feet)	X										
n. Fuel on board (% in KAC-138)									X		
o. Desired off-station schedule (DAK-138)										X	
p. Casualty (KAC-132) (item dow/ETR)											X

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Ammunition code for items g&j:

CALIBER	PROJECTILE
TUCKER	
RICKENBACKER	3"/50 1. AAC
HARRON	5"/38 2. AP
STANLEY STEPPER	5"/54 5. COIN
DURANT	5"/55R 6. HC
MERCEDES	6" or larger 7. ILL
	Reduced charge 8. VT
	11. WP

(6 RICKENBACKER 10, means 10 rounds of 5"/38 HC)

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CO, 2nd ARVN Div	4	G-4	2
CG, Oregon Div, Hq USARV	1	G-5	1
FLSG-B	4	CEO	1
5th Mar	1	Total	150
1st FAG, 11th Mar	5		
3rd Bn, 1st FAG, 11th Mar	3		
1st SP Bn	4		
1st Recon Bn	4		
1st Engr Bn	3		
Hq Bn	4		
Co C 1st AT Bn	1		
7th MT Bn	2		
7th COMM Bn	2		
MAG-12	1		
MAG-13	1		
MAG-36	5		
DASC	1		
1st Bn, 5th Mar	10		
3rd Bn, 5th Mar	2		
1st Bn, 7th Mar	2		
2nd Bn, 7th Mar	2		
3rd Bn, 7th Mar	10		
1st Med Bn	2		
CTG 76.5	1		
CTG 79.5	5		
CTU 70.8.9	5		
7th Mar NGLO	5		
4th Mar	1		
1st Bn 4th Mar	10		
12th Mar	1		
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Annex I (Air Support) to FRAG ORDER 8-67 (PUB 10)

Ref: (a) 1st MarDiv OpO 301-66
 (b) 1st MarDiv O PO2000.2C (CEOI)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces. Current INTSUMS.B. Friendly Forces

(1) 1st MLI provides air support.

2. MISSION. Conduct air operation in support of TF X-Ray.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Annex C (Operations Overlay).b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Restrictive fire plans in accordance with FMFP 22-2.

(2) CAS will be under positive control of FAC or TAC(A).

(3) Aircraft armament codes in accordance with ref (a).

(4) Air communications in accordance with ref (b).

(5) TIF-10's will be passed to TF X-Ray FSCC. Emergency targets and time sensitive priority targets may be requested prior to 1200 of the day strike is requested.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See basic order.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. All aircraft operating south of the SONG TRI KHUC river must RIO with Landshark Yankee on Amber (326.6) or Bittersweet (31.9).

b. Tactical Air Requests will be made via the HF TLR net on 2227 kc or the FM TLR net on 30.8 Button Magenta.

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- c. Tactical air direction will be controlled on UHF Button Indigo (269.7mc)
- d. Helicopter direction will be on FM Button Bittersweet (31.9).

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Administrative Order 2-67 to Accompany Task Force X-Ray Frag Order 8-67
(Operation PUEBLO)

- Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L701; Sheets 6659 II, III, IV; AMS Series L7014; Sheets 6740 III; 6739 I-IV; 6838 III, IV.
(b) 1st MarDiv Admin Order 301-66
(c) TFX-Ray FragO 8-67

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1. GENERAL. This order provides administrative instructions to accompany Task Force X-Ray Frag Order 8-67.

2. SUPPLYa. Supply Source

(1) FLSG-Bravo is the source of supplies for all classes of supplies. The ISA located at DUC PHO will be utilized as the primary source. The ISA located at QUANG NGAI is the secondary supply source.

(2) FLSG-Alpha is the source of supplies for all classes of supply delivered by airdrops. Request airdrop through Task Force X-Ray (G-4) who in turn forwards request to 1st Marine Division (G-4).

(a) Prescribed Load

1. Class I - 4 MCI's/fuel bar, trioxame, per individual.
2. Class II - Essential T/E and T/A items. Three (3) days salt tablets. Three days halasone tablets.
3. Class III - Fuel tank 3/4 full. Packaged lubricants as required.
4. Class IV - None except as determined absolutely essential by unit commanders.
5. Class V - Basic allowance.

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6. Water - two (2) full canteens per individual; 1st Battalion, 5th Marines pre-stages one full five gallon can of water at the LSA, QUANG NGAI for every five men.

b. Supplies and Equipment Available

(1) Prescribed loads. From unit held supplies; reference (b) applies.

(2) FLSC-Bravo - In accordance with reference (b).

c. Control and Distribution

(1) FLSC-Bravo acts as control agency for all classes of supply except Class III(A) and V(A).

(2) Distribution of supplies from CHU LAI will be accomplished by helicopter lifted means from both LSA's and off shore shipping.

(3) Unit distribution from the LSA's to infantry units.

(4) Supply point distribution for all others.

d. Supply Levels

(1) Infantry Units - As prescribed by Battalion Commanders.

(2) FLSC-Bravo - Maintain twenty days all classes of supply at both LSA's.

e. Resupply

(1) 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines and 1st Battalion, 5th Marines thru HST furnishing direct support. HST request resupply from LSA located DUC PHO.

(2) 1st Battalion, 4th Marines thru HST furnishing direct support. HST request resupply from LPH.

(3) Artillery Units

(a) Artillery batteries located at the DUC PHO operating base will be resupplied by vehicle.

(b) Artillery batteries located at NUI DAU and NUI DANG will be resupplied by helicopter.

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(c) Artillery in support of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines (Rein) will be resupplied by ship to shore landing craft. If this is not feasible, by helicopter.

(d) Artillery battery located at THACH TRU hill mass, Vic BS 764474 will be resupplied by helicopter.

(e) All other units located at the DUC PHO operating base will be resupplied direct from the DUC PHO LSA.

f. Logistical Support Units

(1) Resupply from FLSC-Bravo.

(2) Emergency resupply anytime.

(3) Air Delivery resupply will be utilized only as an emergency means, and when approved by this Headquarters. Reference (b) applies.

g. Transportation of Supplies

(1) By Task Force X-Ray motor transport to QUANG NGAI.

(2) From QUANG NGAI to DUC PHO by helicopters.

(3) From QUANG NGAI to THACH TRU by helicopters.

(4) From DUC PHO LSA to units close to Operating Base by vehicle.

(5) By helicopter to isolated units.

(6) Helicopters will be assigned in support of this operation on a continuing basis for resupply.

h. Captured Material. In accordance with reference (b).

i. Salvage

(1) Units on unit distribution advise this Headquarters of location, nature and amount of salvage for collection.

(2) Every effort will be made to recover worn out batteries to insure they do not fall into hostile control.

j. Excess Material

(1) Helicopter movement will be mandatory for most units throughout this operation. Excess T/E and T/A equipment imposes a constant

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overload on already limited helicopter assets, therefore units will embark only the absolute essential equipment to accomplish their missions.

(2) Any material in the area of operations, determined to be in excess of units needs will be returned to either LSA on departing resupply helicopters..

3. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

a. All emergency casualties via helicopter to USS Repose. If USS Repose not available all emergency casualties to LPH.

b. All other casualties to Collecting and Clearing Platoon located DUC PHO LSA.

4. TRANSPORTATION

a. Surface

(1) Highway. Task Force X-Ray transportation will be used for resupply to QUANG NGAI.

(2) Air

(a) Helicopters will be provided by 1st MAW.

(b) Helicopters will be available on a 24 hour basis for Med-Evac.

(c) 1st MAW provides TAFDS and five (5) DOS Class III(A) at DUC PHO LSA to support six helicopters in direct support for this operation.

(d) Resupply of artillery units may generate additional requirements for H-46 helicopters.

5. SERVICE

a. Functions

(1) Maintenance

(a) 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance by Units.

(b) Backup 2nd echelon and limited 3rd echelon motor transport, ordnance, electronics and engineer maintenance to be provided primarily from the QUANG NGAI LSA, from DUC PHO LSA on order.

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b. Assignment of responsibilities

(1) 1st Shore Party Battalion

(a) Provide support as required to the Logistic Support Units at QUANG NGAI and DUC PHO.

(b) On D-1 provide one LZCP team to support the artillery requirements from QUANG NGAI to DUC PHO.

(c) On D-Day provide one LZCP direct support of the artillery units to be positioned at THACH TRU. Control artillery resupply and HST communications to this Headquarters for the duration of the operation.

(d) Provide HST Control Group to 7th Marines CP on D-1.

(2) 7th Motor Transport Battalion

(a) Provide sufficient transportation to move task organization from CHU LAI TAOR to QUANG NGAI LSA.

c. Request to Supporting Commands(1) CG, 1st MAW

(a) Provide helicopters for resupply, medical evacuation and tactical troop lifts.

(b) Provide Landing Zone Control Unit personnel to support HST's.

(2) FLSG-Bravo

(a) Provide Logistic Support Units to maintain Logistic Support Areas at QUANG NGAI and DUC PHO.

(b) Provide overflow 2d and limited 3d echelon electronic, engineer, motor transport, and ordnance repair capability at QUANG NGAI LSA.

(c) Provide limited float of Comm-Elect and items and accessories for emergency resupply.

(d) Provide recharging capability of BB 451 batteries at both LSA's.

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(3) FLSG-Alpha - Be prepared to provide supplies for airdrop as required.

d. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Units report location of supply support facilities to this Headquarters when established.

(2) FLSG-Bravo provides this Headquarters (G-4) with a daily dump status for LSA's at QUANG NGAI and DUC PHO. Report to be provided by 2000 as of 1800. Report critically short items immediately.

(3) 7th Marines provide FLSG-Bravo with density list of weapons and major items of equipment for all units.

6. PERSONNEL. No change from current operating procedures.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION. All units initiate civic action program in assigned areas of operations when tactical situation permits. Reference (b) applies.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Infantry units will send representatives to the DUC PHO LSA to recover individual equipment from evacuated casualties. Personnel assigned to LSA will collect and assume custody of individual equipment and weapons of their units.

b. Rear Area Defense

(1) Disperse all installations and use revetments where terrain offers no protection.

(2) Special attention to defense against guerrilla attacks and acts of sabotage.

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(3) Units located at the DUC PHO operating base draw Class IV materials direct from the LSA. All isolated artillery units stage and heli-lift to support positions.

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