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TF X-RAY SITREPS

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SITUATION REPORTS

SITREP NUMBER

CG TASK FORCE X-RAY DTG

✓Special # 37 Deckhouse VI	282318Z February 1967
✓Special # 38 Deckhouse VI	010545Z March 1967
✓Special # 39 Deckhouse VI	011218Z February 1967
✓Special # 40 Deckhouse VI	011741Z March 1967
✓Special # 129 Desoto	282319Z February 1967
✓Special # 130 Desoto	010548Z March 1967
✓Special # 131 Desoto	011217Z February 1967
✓Special # 132 Desoto	011740Z March 1967
✓143	011405Z March 1967
✓Special # 41 Deckhouse VI	012330Z March 1967
✓Special # 42 Deckhouse VI	020515Z March 1967
✓Special # 43 Deckhouse VI	021250Z February 1967
✓Special # 44 Deckhouse VI	021655Z February 1967
✓Special # 133 Desoto	012331Z March 1967
✓Special # 134 Desoto	020516Z March 1967
✓Special # 135 Desoto	021252Z February 1967
✓Special # 136 Desoto	021658Z March 1967
✓144	021418Z March 1967
✓Special # 45 Deckhouse VI	030125Z March 1967
✓Special # 46 Deckhouse VI	030520Z March 1967
✓Special # 47 Deckhouse VI	031158Z March 1967
✓Special # 137 Desoto	022335Z March 1967
✓Special # 138 Desoto	030601Z March 1967
✓Special # 139 Desoto	031156Z March 1967
✓Special # 140 Desoto	031655Z March 1967
✓145	031435Z March 1967
✓Special # 141 Desoto	040106Z March 1967
✓Special # 142 Desoto	040645Z March 1967
✓Special # 143 Desoto	041225Z March 1967
✓Special # 144 Desoto	041535Z March 1967
✓146	041510Z March 1967
✓Special # 145 Desoto	042355Z March 1967
✓Special # 146 Desoto	050526Z March 1967
✓Special # 147 Desoto	051150Z March 1967
✓Special # 148 Desoto	051710Z March 1967
✓147	051435Z March 1967
✓Special # 149 Desoto	060140Z March 1967
✓Special # 150 Desoto	060520Z March 1967
✓Special # 151 Desoto	061240Z March 1967
✓Special # 152 Desoto	061630Z March 1967
✓148	061500Z March 1967
✓Special # 153 Desoto	070020Z March 1967
✓Special # 154 Desoto	070636Z March 1967
✓Special # 155 Desoto	071210Z March 1967
✓Special # 156 Desoto	071622Z March 1967

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✓149	071430Z March 1967
✓Special # 157 Desoto	072320Z March 1967
✓Special # 158 Desoto	080625Z March 1967
✓Special # 159 Desoto	081220Z March 1967
✓Special # 160 Desoto	081730Z March 1967
✓150	081425Z March 1967
✓Special # 161 Desoto	082350Z March 1967
✓Special # 162 Desoto	090500Z March 1967
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✓Special # 164 Desoto	091710Z March 1967
✓151	091415Z March 1967
✓Special # 165 Desoto	092345Z March 1967
✓Special # 166 Desoto	100458Z March 1967
✓Special # 167 Desoto	101230Z March 1967
✓Special # 168 Desoto	101645Z March 1967
✓152	101500Z March 1967
✓Special # 169 Desoto	102350Z March 1967
✓Special # 170 Desoto	110640Z March 1967
✓Special # 171 Desoto	111245Z March 1967
✓Special # 172 Desoto	111800Z March 1967
✓153	111500Z March 1967
✓Special # 173 Desoto	120130Z March 1967
✓Special # 174 Desoto	120636Z March 1967
✓Special # 175 Desoto	121330Z March 1967
✓Special # 176 Desoto	121801Z March 1967
✓154	121800Z March 1967
✓Special # 177 Desoto	130058Z March 1967
✓Special # 178 Desoto	130510Z March 1967
✓Special # 179 Desoto	131205Z March 1967
✓Special # 180 Desoto	131735Z March 1967
✓Special # 1 Tippecanoe	131318Z March 1967
✓Special # 2 Tippecanoe	131730Z March 1967
✓155	131500Z March 1967
✓Special # 181 Desoto	140058Z March 1967
✓Special # 182 Desoto	140515Z March 1967
✓Special # 183 Desoto	141132Z March 1967
✓Special # 184 Desoto	141750Z March 1967
✓Special # 3 Tippecanoe	140056Z March 1967
✓Special # 4 Tippecanoe	140516Z March 1967
✓Special # 5 Tippecanoe	141430Z March 1967
✓Special # 6 Tippecanoe	141752Z March 1967
✓156	141620Z March 1967
✓Special # 185 Desoto	150221Z March 1967
✓Special # 186 Desoto	150535Z March 1967
✓Special # 187 Desoto	151222Z March 1967
✓Special # 188 Desoto	151832Z March 1967
✓Special # 7 Tippecanoe	150220Z March 1967
✓Special # 8 Tippecanoe	150540Z March 1967
✓Special # 9 Tippecanoe	151220Z March 1967

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✓ Special # 9 Tippecanoe
 ✓ Special # 10 Tippecanoe
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 ✓ Special # 189 Desoto
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 ✓ Special # 192 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 11 Tippecanoe
 ✓ Special # 12 Tippecanoe
 ✓ Special # 13 Tippecanoe
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✓ Special # 217 Desoto
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 ✓ Special # 221 Desoto
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 ✓ Special # 225 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 226 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 227 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 228 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 1 Perry
 ✓ Special # 2 Perry
 ✓ Special # 3 Perry
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 ✓ Special # 229 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 230 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 231 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 232 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 4 Perry
 ✓ Special # 5 Perry
 ✓ Special # 6 Perry
 ✓ Special # 7 Perry
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 ✓ Special # 233 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 234 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 235 Desoto
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 ✓ Special # 8 Perry
 ✓ Special # 9 Perry
 ✓ Special # 10 Perry
 ✓ Special # 11 Perry
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 ✓ Special # 237 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 238 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 239 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 240 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 12 Perry
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 ✓ Special # 241 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 242 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 243 Desoto
 ✓ Special # 244 Desoto
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✓ Special # 251 Desoto
✓ Special # 252 Desoto
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300120Z March 1967
300528Z March 1967
301130Z March 1967
301945Z March 1967
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310126Z March 1967
310530Z March 1967
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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 37 FOR OPN DECK HOUSE VI FOR 010001H TO 010600H
 MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: 0245, THE CO B 1/4 PER PSN (BS 809468) RECD 12 RDS
 60MM MORTAR FIRE VIC (BS 807465) IN AND NEAR THEIR PSN. RETD 15
 RDS 81MM MORTAR. WILL SEARCH AT 0700.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE

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O P 011218Z FEB 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WNR/CG SECOND ROX MAR BDE
 EST 7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 39 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI FOR
 011201H TO 011800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 1/4 CMD GRU AT (BS 810488), CO A 1/4 AT (BS 821425), CO B 1/4 AT (BS 832428), CO C 1/4 AT (BS 807477), CO D 1/4 AT (BS 792483).
2. SUMMARY: 1/4 UNITS CONT S&D OPN IN ASSIGNED AREA.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 011050, CO D 1/4 (BS 795488) RECD HVY SA/AW FM (BS 795482) AS HCPTRS APPROACHED LZ. FIVE USMC WIA (EVAC). RETD 200 RDS SA, FIVE RDS M-79. SEARCH FOUND SIX VC KIA (CONF), TEN KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) 011050, CO D 1/4 (BS 795488) OBS THREE VC (BS 795488) FIRING ON ADJACENT UNITS RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). RETD 15 RDS SA, TWO VC KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) 011100, CO B 1/4 (BS 817445) RECD TEN RDS

SA FM VIC (BS 817446). RETD TEN RDS SA, TWO LAAWS. SEARCH FOUND TWO VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) 011145, 1/4 RECON PLAT (BS 803497) OBS ONE VC WITH WPN. ATTACHED SNIPER TEAM FIRED ONE RD SA. ONE VC KIA. 011235, CO D 1/4 (BS 766470) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM (BS 806470). RETD 40 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-79. SEARCH FOUND ONE VC KIA, EVID OF TWO VC KIA (PROB). 011430, CO D 1/4 (BS 793500) RECD 20 RDS SA FM UNK NR VC VIC (BS 793500). RETD 40 RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND EVID OF THREE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS. CONDUCT PTLS AND AMBS.
6. CUM CAS: USMC: FIVE KIA, 70 WIA. VC: 256 KIA, 213 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW (VC).

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O P 011741Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WN7R/CG SECOND ROK MAR 67
 EST 7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 40 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI FOR
 011801H TO 012400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO A 1/4 (BS 820420-828426), CO B 1/4 (BS 828424 - 837426). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.
 2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT
 3. CONTACTS: NONE
 4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
 6. PLANS: 02 MAR, 1/4 (REIN) CONTS S&D OPNS IN ASSIGNED SECTOR.
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O P 282319Z FEB 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO WN7R/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

M8NW/CTG 76.5

M8NW/CTG 79.5

EST7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 129 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 010001H TO 010600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUE WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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O P 010540Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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 SPECIAL SITREP NR 130 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 010601H TO 011200H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSN: 3/7 AND GRU, CO I 3/7 AND CO K 3/7 NO CHANGE.
 CO L 3/7 AT (BS 797398) TO (BS 796385), CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403)
 CO F 2/7 AT (BS 785381), 1/5 AND GRU AND CO D 1/5 AT (BS 792419)
 CO B 1/5 AT (BS 800424), CO C 1/5 AT (BS 800424).
 2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONT DEFENSE OF NUI DANG AND NUI DAU, CO M
 3/7 CONT OPS IN ASSIGNED AREA, CO F 2/7, CO K 3/7, CO L 3/7 CONDUCTED
 S&D IN ASSIGNED AREAS. 1/5 CONT S&D TO E.
 3. CONTACTS: 010730, CO H & S 1/5 S&D FOUND TWO 500LB BOMBS IN VIC
 (BS 788416), 1ST ENGR DESTR BOMBS IN PLACE.
 010815, CO B 1/5 S&D (BS 794414) RECD ONE RD SNIPER FIRE FOR UNOBS

LOCATION, RETD FIVE RDS SA AT SUSP PSN (BS 798413). SEARCHED AREA.
 NO EVID VC CAS.
 010845, CO D 1/5 (BS 792414), HCPTA MAKING RESUPPLY RECD 20 RDS AW
 FIRE FM ACROSS RIVER VIC (BS 786416). RETD 45 RDS SA. SEARCHED WITH
 NO EVID VC CAS, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 010915, CO D 1/5 (BS 789417) MED EVAC HCPTA RECD 15 RDS SA FM VIC
 (BS 785418). CO D 1/5 RETD 60 RDS SA, TWO M-79. SEARCHED WITH NO
 EVID, VC CAS, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 011035, CO C 1/5, (BS 802419) RECD 150 RDS SA FM EST FIVE VC
 (BS 803426) RETD 325 RDS SA AND 11 RDS M-79. VC BROKE CONTACT.
 FLED N. SEARCH FOUND THREE VC KIA (CONF). ALSO FOUND ONE M-1
 CARBINE, ONE CHI COM GREN, TWO CARTRIDGE BELTS. FWD BN S-2.
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. PLANS: NO CHANGE
 6. CUMULATIVE CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 303 WIA, THREE DOW
 VC: 224 KIA, 488 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS,
 SEVEN DET AND SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.
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INFO WN7R/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

M8W/CTG 76.5

M8W/CTG 79.5

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 131 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 011201H TO 011800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU AND CO I 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO K 3/7 AT (BS 832322), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403), CO F 2/7 AT (BS 814384), 1/5 CMD GRU AT (BS 800426), CO B 1/5 AT (BS 800426), CO C 1/5 AT (BS 804428), CO D 1/5 AT (BS 812425).

2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONT DEF OF 3/7 CP. CO M 3/7 CONT OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREA. CO L 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 RETD TO 3/7 CP IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE OPNS. CO K 3/7 CONT OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREA. ALL 1/5 UNITS CONT S&D IN ASSIGNED AREA.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 011045, CO C 1/5 S&D CMB (BS 802419)

RECD 150 RDS SA FIRE FM VIC (BS 803426) FM EST 30 VC. RETD 325 RDS SA AND 11 RDS M-79, VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED N. SEARCH FOUND 12 VC KIA AND INDICATIONS OF TWO VC KIA (PROB). FOUND ONE M-1 THREE CARBINES, ONE BOLT ACTION RUSSIAN CARBINE, ONE CHICOM GREN, ONE M-26 GREN, SIX CARTRIDGE BELTS, ONE HOMEMADE MINE (C RATION CAN FILLED WITH EXPLOSIVE), ONE PITH HELMET WITH CAMO COVER, 12 CARBINE MAGS, TEN CLIPS 30 CAL AMMO, ONE KNIFE. MINE DESTROYED IN PLACE. OTHER WPNS AND EQUIP FWD BN S-2. ALSO APPREH FOUR VC HIDING UNDER WATER BREATHING THROUGH STRAWS. DETAINEES FWD BN S-2. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 011130, CO B 1/5 S&D (BS 800426) OBS ONE VC IN BLK PJ'S CAME OUT OF TUNNEL AFTER ASSAULT PLAT HAD PASSED. VC ATTEMPTED TO FLEE N. FIRED 15 RDS SA, ONE RD M-79 WOUNDING VC. VC PULLED PIN ON GREN BEFORE HE FELL AND BLEW HIMSELF UP. TUNNEL SEARCHED. NO FURTHER EVID OF VC. ONE VC KIA.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS. CONDUCT PTLS AND AMBS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 304 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 237 KIA, 490 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 11 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WNR/CG SECOND FOR MAR 67
 MBNW/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 MBNW/CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 EST 7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 132 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 011801H TO 012400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 834395). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 010830-011630, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 791384) DISCOVERED EIGHT BUNKERS WITH ONE AND TWO APERTURES VIC (BS 786 387) CONSTRUCTED OF STEEL CROSS TIES COVERED WITH DIRT. PRIMARY DIRECTION OF BUNKERS NE, TO SE, TO SW. ALL BUNKERS DESTR. (LATE ENTRY) 011710, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 834396) RECD ONE RD SA. OBS TWO VC WITH WPNS VIC (BS 845405) MOVING N TO S. ARTY MSN CALLED. SEARCH OF AREA 020700H.
4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: 02 MAR, 1/5 TO CONT S&D VIC OBJ E AND F. CO K 3/7 AND CO M 3/7 TO CONT S&D N AND NE OF NUI DANG/BN CP. 020900, CO L 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 TO LAND BY HCPTN AND ATTACK AND SEIZE OBJ VIC (BS 850355). ARVN UNITS TO TERMINATE OPN.
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 INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
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 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 143 FOR 010001H TO 012400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPNS: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8042)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: TF XRAY CMD GRU, 7TH MAR CMD GRU,
 1/5 (-) (REIN), 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS WHITE RIVER LSMR 536, USS CLARION RIVER LSMR
 409, USS TURNER JOY DD 951
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

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- I. CUM CAS: VC: 237 KIA, 490 KIA (R OB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 11 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: 31 KIA, 304 WIA, THREE DOW.
- J. WEATHER CONDITIONS HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: DECKHOUSE VI
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8144)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 1/4 (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: USS WHITE RIVER LSMR 536, USS CLARION RIVER LSMR 409, USS TURNER JOY DD 951
- G. DTG INITIATED: 160930H
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: 256 KIA, 213 KIA (R OB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW (VC). USMC: FIVE KIA, 70 WIA.
- J. WEATHER CONDITIONS HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 280745, CO D SQD (REIN) SEC PTL (BT 662014) APPREH ONE VCS WHO APPEARED TO BE OBS PTL. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 281505, CO D CAC SQD L-3 (BS 662976) FOUND CAVE (10'X3'X3') COVERED WITH BRUSH. CAVE SEARCHED AND DESTR.

010945, CO B SQD SEC PTL (BS 699949) OBS ONE VC, BLK PJ'S MOVING N VIC (BS 697949). FIRED THREE RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE CHICOM GREN DROPPED BY VC.

011100, CO D SQD CMB PTL (BS 654995) OBS THREE VC WITH WPNS VIC (BS 653997). FIRED 75 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-79. OBS ONE VC FALL. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE VC KIA (R OB).

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 281030, CO G SQD CMB PTL (BS 502948) OBS FOUR VC BLK PJ'S RUNNING TO W VIC (BS 500948). CHALL IN VN THREE TIMES. VC CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 20 RDS SA. RECD TWO RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA, NO ID.

010915, CO G SQD CMB PTL (BS 542966) OBS THREE VC, BLK PJ'S, WPNS RUNNING INTO HAMLET VIC (BS 543966). SEARCHED AND APPREH EIGHT VCS. EIGHT DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

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011040, CO G SQD CMB PTL (BS 510915) OBS ONE VC RUNNING VIC (BS 511915). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED TWO WARNING RDS. VC CONT TO FLEE. FIRED FOUR RDS SA. SEARCHED REVEALED ONE VC KIA, NO ID.

(3) 1/5: 011110, CO D (1/26 OPCON 1/5) SQD SEC PTL (BT 409114) RECD THREE RDS SA FM VIC (BT 409111). COULD NOT OBS VC. DURING SEARCH RECD 15 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 401111). COULD NOT OBS VC. CONT SEARCH FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

011500, CAC I-4 SQD SEC PTL (BT 338100) OBS THREE VC, WPNS, B.K PJ'S, VIC (BT 335102). FIRED 50 RDS SA, OBS ONE VC FALL. SEARCH REVEALED POOL OF BLOOD. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

(4) 3/5: NO CONTACTS

B. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

C. 1/4: CONTS OPN DECKHOUSE VI

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACTS

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACTS

F. 1ST AT BN: 010800, 3D PLAT CO C (BT 555402) RECD THREE RDS SA FM VIC (BT 554900). RECD 50 RDS .30 CAL, ONE RD 106MM. AO OBS THREE VC VIC (BS 554900). FIRED THREE RDS 106MM. SQD SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

G. 1ST FAG: (LATE ENTRY) 280835, BTRY M 4/11 FIRED MSN ON 20 VC VIC (BS 500890). 15 VC KIA REPT BY AN HOA VILLAGE CHIEF.

(LATE ENTRY) 281755, BTRY M 4/11 FIRED MSN ON 14 VC VIC (BS 477851). 14 VC KIA (PROB) OBS BY USMC FO AT AN HOA.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105 H	15	8	66	89	83	6
107 HT	2		5	7	7	
155 H	9	2	20	31	18	13
155 G	1	1		2	2	
175 G	4	1		5	5	

	ROUNDS EXPENDED:				OTHER	TOTAL
	HE	ILLUM	WP			
105 H	687	38	22			747
107 HT	37	1				38
155 H	327	19		3		349
155 G	12					12
175 G	82					82

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ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING: DESOTO

OBS

H&I TOTAL

MAF

105 H

9

38

47

47

5 H

1

1

1

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE

ILLUM

WP

OTHER

TOTAL

105 H

497

36

19

552

155 H

3

3

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED: DESOTO

OBS: 5

3"/50

30

5" SS R KTS

474

5"/54

29

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS

NR EMPLOYED

1/7

4

4

RSLTS NEG

KIT CARSON

NR INDIV

NR EMPLOYED

1/7

2

2

2/7

1

1

1/5

1

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3/5

1

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KIT CARSON RESULTS: 1/7, BOTH TMS EMPLOYED AT BN AS INTERROGATORS.

2/7, KIT CARSON IS WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH BINH SON HQS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT			
1/5	47	15	0	7	5	0	1	10	0
3/5	44	5	0	18	0	0	0	65	0
1/7	38	18	0	27	2	0	0	41	0
2/7	28	15	0	8	3	0	0	19	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

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1/4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
QLDC	9	1	0	6	2	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF XRAY									
TOTALS	180	54	14	66	12	0	3	153	8

TOTAL CONTACTS: 9 DAY, 0 NIGHT, 2 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 KIA
1 KIA (R OB)
1 WIA (R OB)

USMC: 9 DET
NONE

TF XRAY SMALL UNITS CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DIG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 662014	280745	SQD SEC	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BT 554900	010800	PLAT PER	C-1-AT NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 409110	011110	SQD SEC	D-1-26 OPCON 1/5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 338165	011500	SQD SEC	CAC-I-1-5 NONE	UNK 1 WIA (P)	US
QUANG NGAI					
BS 502948	281030	SQD CMB	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 542966	010915	SQD S&D	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 8 DET	US
BS 699949	010945	SQD SEC	B-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 654995	011100	SQD CMB	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA (P)	US
BS 510915	011040	SQD S&D	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US

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O P 012330ZZ MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR LDE
 CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 41 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI FOR 020001N TO 020600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
 3. CONTACTS: 020015, CO D 1/4 PER PSN (BS 793483) OBS THREE VC AS A RESULT OF A TRIP FLARE BEING RELEASED. ONE CLAYMORE WAS FIRED IN THE DIRECTION OF THE VC (BS 793482). THREE VC WIA (PROB) WILL SEARCH AREA 020700. 020045, CO B 1/4 (BS 833428) RECD ONE 81MM MORTAR INCOMING. ONE USMC KIA AND FIVE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: VC 256 KIA, 213 KIA (PROB), THREE VC WIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES. ONE PW (VC). USMC: SIX KIA, 75 WIA.
 6. PLANS: NO CHANGE
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O P 020515Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 42 FOR OPN DECK HOUSE VI FOR 020601H TO 021200H
 MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 1/4 CMD GRU, CO C 1/4, CO D 1/4 NO CHANGE, CO A 1/4
 AT (BS 832412). CO B 1/4 AT (BS 839418).
2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONT S&D IN ASSIGNED AREA
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: NO CHANGE
6. CUMULATIVE CAS: NO CHANGE

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FM CGTF XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 43 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI FOR 021201H TO 021800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO B 1/4 (BS 845416), CO A 1/4 (BS 845416). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MOD CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS (LATE ENTRY) 021000, CO D 1/4 S&D (BS 793483) RECD 75 RDS SA FM CONCEALED PSNS VIC (BS 793487). RETD 60 RDS SA. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). THREE VC KIA, SIX VC KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) 021045, CO D 1/4 S&D (BS 792489) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM VIC (BS 796485). RETD 50 RDS SA. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). TWO VC KIA. (LATE ENTRY) 021100, CO D 1/4 S&D (BS 793493) RECD 30 RDS AW FM VIC (BS 792495). RETD 125 RDS SA, SIX RDS M-79. THREE VC KIA, SIX VC KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) 021455, CO D 1/4 S&D (BS 792475) RECD TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BS 792474). RETD 40 RDS SA. ONE USMC

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WIA (EVAC). TWO VC KIA.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 266 KIA, 225 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW (VC). USMC: FIVE KIA, 75 WIA.
6. PLANS: ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS, LP'S.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 44 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI
 FOR 021801H TO 022400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 022205, CO D 1/4 FT AMB (BS 793478) SPRUNG AMB ON UNK NR VC VIC (BS 792478). FIRED 200 RDS SA, FOUR RDS M-79. RECD 50 RDS SA. VC BROKE CONTACT IN UNK DIRECTION. FOUR VC KIA, FIVE VC KIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 270 KIA, 230 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW (VC). USMC: SIX KIA, 80 WIA.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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O P 012334Z MAR 67
 FM CG IASI FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CI SECOND ROK MAR EDE
 CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 133 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 020001H TO 020600H MAR 67
 1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
 2. CUN CAS: VC: 234 KIA (CHANGE DUE TO 011035 COUNT BEING INCLUDED
 IN 011045 COUNT).
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O P 020516Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 134 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 020601H TO 021200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU, 1/5 CMD GRU, CO I 3/7, CO B 1/5,
CO C 1/5, CO D 1/5 NO CHANGE. CO K 3/7 AT (BS 835395) CO L 3/7
AT (BS 870357) CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 865357).

2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONT ASSIGNED MSNS, CO L 3/7 AND CO F 2/7
COMPLETED HELILIFT TO ASSIGNED AREA AT 020910, AND COMMENCED
S&D OPNS.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 020330, CO B 1/5 (BS 802424) RECD TWO
GREN FM EST ONE VC. NO FIRE RETD. AREA SEARCHED. NO EVID OF VC.
020900, CO B 1/5 SQD CMBT (BS 792422) OBS THREE VC IN GREEN CLOTHING
WEARING PACKS (BS 785416). VC APPEARED TO BE CARRYING RIFLES. PTL

FIRED 20 RDS SA. ARTY FIRED EIGHT RDS 105MM HE. SEARCHED AREA.
NO EVIDE VC CAS.

020915, CO D 1/5 SQD CMBT (BS 792422) OBS GROUP OF TEN VN AT
DISTANCE OF 200M (BS 790422). AS PTL APPROACHED GROUP, GROUP
DISPERSED MOVING W. ONE VN MALE BEGAN TO RUN. PTL ORDERED VN
TO HALT AND APPREH HIM. VN WAS 18 YRS OLD AND HAD NO ID CARD.
FWD DETAINEE TO BN S-2.

021025, CO C 1/5 SQD OP (BS 812425) APPREH ONE VN MALE HIDING
IN HOLE. VN WAS MALE APPROX 35 YRS OLD AND HAD NO ID CARD.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUMULATIVE CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 234 KIA, 490 KIA (PROB),
48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 13 DETAINEES SEVEN INNOCENT
CIVILIANS.

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O P 021252Z FEB 67

FM CT TF XRAY

O DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO WN7R/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

MBNW/CTG 76.5

MBNW/CTG 79.5

ES17/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 135 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 021201H TO 021800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU, CO I 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO K 3/7 AT (BS 835395), CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403), 1/5 CMD GRU, CO B 1/5, CO C 1/5 AND CO D 1/5 AT (BS 800420).

2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONT OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 021000, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 863362) OBS ONE VC IN TRENCH. FIRED TWO RDS SA AND SEARCHED AREA. APPREH ONE DETAINEE IN AREA. FWD TO BN S-2. NO EVID OF VC CAS. (LATE ENTRY) 021100, CO C 1/5 S&D (BS 800424) DISCOVERED 250 LB BOMB (WD WITHOUT MARKING). ENGRS DESTROY IN PLACE. (LATE ENTRY) 021100, CO L 3/7 (BS 863363). APPREH TWO DETAINEES WITH NO ID CARDS.

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FWD BN S-2. (LATE ENTRY) 021145, CO F 2/7 SQD CMB PTL (BS 855387) FOUND FORTIFIED BUNKER AND TRENCH LINE 100M LONG. BUNKER HAD ONE OPENING FACING SOUTH. DESTROY BUNKER. 021230, CO L 3/7 S&D APPREH THREE MALE DETAINEES (BS 865370). FWD BN S-2. 021240, CO D 1/5 S&D (BS 784418) OBS THREE VC WITH PACKS 100M AWAY. VC FLED ON SEEING USMC: CHALLENGED TO HALT IN VN. VC CONT TO FLEE W. VC WERE DRESSED IN BLK, GREEN, AND WHITE PJ'S. FIRED TEN RDS SA AND PHYSICALLY PURSUED. APPREH TWO VC IN GREEN AND WHITE PJ'S. ONE VC PACK WITH ASSORTED CLOTHING. OTHER HAD WELL SUPPLIED FIRST AID KIT. THIRD VC FLED IN HVY BRUSH MOVING W. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

021315, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 845360) WHILE MOVING TO HIGH GROUND, DETONATED TWO BOOBYTRAPPED 500 LB BOMBS WITH PRESSURE TYPE FIRING DEVICE. ONE PF KIA, FIVE USMC WIA (EVAC), ONE PF WIA (EVAC).

021315, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 848362) RECD UNK NR SNIPER RDS FM VIC (BS 847360). RETD 50 RDS SA AND MOVED INTO HVY FORTIFIED HAMLET. TWO VC KIA. 021345, CO D 1/5 S&D (BS 773423) RECD 50 RDS SA FM FOUR VC SNIPERS 100M AWAY VIC (BS 773422). VC BROKE CONTACT AND FLED W. RETD 150 RDS SA, THREE RDS 3.5, 12 RDS M-79, TEN RDS 60MM. PHYSICALLY PURSUED VC. FOUND ONE VC KIA AND ONE VC FEMALE WITH

WPN, WIA. ALSO FOUND ONE M-1 RIFLE, ONE CARBINE, ONE M-26 GREN, ONE CHICOM GREN, CART BELT, ASSORTED CLOTHING, ONE PACK. EQUIP FWD TO BN S-2. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2. 021400, CO F 2/7 (BS 842367) OBS ONE VC MOVING S TOWARD PSN VIC (BS 843374). SNIPER TEAM FIRED THREE RDS SA. OBS VC FALL. ONE VC KIA. 021600, CO L 3/7 (BS 864368) APPREH ONE MALE DETAINEE. FWD BN S-2. 021645, CO L 3/7 (BS 863369) APPREH TWO MALE DETAINEES, NO ID CARDS. FWD BN S-2.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: ARVN OPN LIEN KET 90 REPORTS FOLLOWING CUM CAS: ARVN: THREE KIA, 12 WIA. VC: 46 KIA (30 US CONF), SEVEN PW (VC, 23 DETAINEES, THREE WPNS CAPTURED. PLANS ARE TO TERMINATE OPN LIEN KET 90 ON 2 MAR 67.

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS. CONDUCT PTLs AND AMBS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 309 WIA, THREE DOW. PF'S: ONE KIA, ONE WIA. VC: 238 KIA, 490 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 24 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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O P 021658Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WN7R/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 M8NW/CTG 76.5
 M8NW/CTG 79.5
 5T7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 136 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 021801H TO 022400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO L 3/7 (BS 858377). OTHERS REMAIN SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 020845, 4TH PLAT CO A 1ST RECON BN (BS 698418) OBS TWO VC, BLK PJ'S, PACK, WPN, MOVING W VIC (BS 699428). CALLED FIRE MSN. TWO VC KIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 238 KIA, 492 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CDIV DEFENDANTS, 24 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: 31 KIA, 309 WIA, THREE DOW.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
 CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 144 FOR 020001H TO 022400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8042)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: TF XRAY CMD GRU, 7TH MAR CMD GRU,
 1/5 (-) (REIN), 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS TURNER JOY DD951, USS WHITE RIVER LSMR 409,
 USS CLARION RIVER LSMR 536
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 202000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

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- I. CUM CAS: VC: 238 KIA, 490 KIA (FR OB), 48 WIA (FR OB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 24 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS. USMC: 31 KIA, 309 WIA, THREE DOW.
- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: DECKHOUSE VI
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8047)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 1/4 (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: USS CLARION RIVER LSMR 536
- G. DTG INITIATED: 160930H FEB 67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: 266 KIA, 225 KIA (FR OB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW (VC). USMC: FIVE KIA, 75 WIA.
- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
 - A. SEVENTH MARINES

(I) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 011330, CO B SQD SEC PTL (BS 719 950) APPREHEND TWO VN, NO ID, ID BY HAMLET CHIEF AS VC. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 011430, CO A SQD CMB PTL (BT 658023) OBS FOUR VC WITH WPNS VIC (BT 655018). CALLED ARTY MSN, FIRED TEN RDS 105MM HE. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 011630, CO C SQD CMB PTL (BS 626964) RECD SA FM ACROSS RIVER VIC (BS 633961). ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). CALLED ARTY MSN. ARTY FIRED SMOKE SCREEN TO COVER MED EVAC. HCPTR RECD EIGHT RDS SA AND WAS FORCED TO LAND 1/7 CP VIC (BS 628 997). AO ON STATION OBS SA COMING FM CAVE VIC (BS 663961) AND DIRECTED FIXED WING AIRSTRIKE. 011830, PTL EXTRACTED BY HCPTR. AO REPTD THREE CAVES DESTR.

(LATE ENTRY) 011930, CO A CMB BASE PER FSN (BT 624004) RECD 20 RDS SA FM VIC (BT 626003). COULD NOT OBS VC. SQD SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 012150, CO D CMB BASE PER FSN (BS 663984) RECD TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BS 662987). RETD 30 RDS SA, SIX RDS 60MM HE, SEVEN RDS 81MM ILLUM. SQD SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

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020234, CAC PTL ESTBL UNAUTHORIZED AMB VIC (BS 712556) AND OPENED FIRE ON CO B 1/7 SQD CMB PTL. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC), TWO PF WIA (EVAC). PTLs HAD BEEN BRIEFED ON EACH OTHERS PLANNED ROUTES AND LOCATIONS, BUT NO AMB HAD BEEN SCHEDULED. INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS. SERIOUS INCIDENT REPT TO FOLLOW.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 021630, CO G SQD CMB PTL (BS 519 941) TRIPPED ONE CHICOM GREN BOOBYTRAP. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

020730, CO H SQD (PLUS) CMB PTL (BS 537900) APPREH TWO VNS. WHILE SEARCHING VNS, RECD TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BS 537896), RETD FIVE RDS M-79, 20 RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

(3) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 011700, CO D (1/26 OPCON 1/5) SQD SEC PTL (BT 421101) APPREH ONE VN FEMALE, NO ID, RUNNING TO SE VIC (BT 424102). ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(4) 3/5: 021215, CO K FT RECON PTL (BT 499042) APPREH ON VN MALE, NO ID, CARRYING ONE M-26 GREN. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

B. 3/7: COMS OPN DESOTO

C. 1/4: COMS OPN DECKHOUSE VI

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACTS

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACTS

F. 1ST FAG: 021055, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON TWO VC BUILDING BUNKERS VIC (BS 486754). TWO VC KIA OBS BY USMC FO AT NUI TRON.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105 H	16	10	84	110	101	9
107 HT	1		5	6	6	
155 H	2	3	26	31	17	14
155 G	1	6		7	7	
8" H	1	2		3	2	1
175 G	3	7	1	11	11	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
10 H	585	19	59		763
107 HT	32	2			34
155 H	303	20	11		334
155 G	76			8	84
8" H	9				9
175 G	129				129

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 ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO
 NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105 H	14		44	59	59		
155 H	1		4	5	5		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105 H	375	8	59	442
155 H	69		11	79

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

OBS: 3

	HE
5" SS RKTS	192
5"/38	30
5"/54	3

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
 SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
1/7	4	4	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	2
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	5	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, BOTH TMS EMPLOYED AT BN CP CONDUCTING INITIAL SCREENING OF DET & DOC.

2/7, KIT CARSON HAVING LETTERS SMUGGLED TO KNOWN VC ENCOURAGING THEM TO SURRENDER.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQ	FLT	FT	SQ	FLT			
1/5	55	7	0	11	2	0	1	10	0
3/5	59	18	2	22	0	0	0	50	0

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1/7	57	22	0	34	8	0	0	41	8
2/7	26	6	0	7	1	0	0	19	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1/4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST FAG	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	0
CLDC	9	1	0	6	2	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF XRAY									
TOTALS	220	54	15	80	13	0	3	148	8

TOTAL CONTACT: 8 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 4 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 6 DET

USMC: 1 KIA

2 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE	TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN BT 658023	011430	SQD	CMB	A-1-7	UNK	US
BT 421101	011700	SQD	SEC	NONE D-1-26	NONE UNK	US
BT 626003	011930	CP	PER	NONE A-1-7	1 DET UNK	VC
BT 499042	021215	FT	RECON	NONE K-3-5	NONE UNK	US
QUANG NGAI BT 719950	011330	SQD	SEC	NONE B-1-7	2 DET UNK	US
BS 633961	011630	SQD	CMB	C-1-7 1 KIA, 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 519941	011630	SQD	S&D	G-2-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 662987	012150	CO	PER	D-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 537900	020730	SQD	S&D	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BS 635588	021125	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US

NONE

NONE

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 45 FOR OPN DECK HOUSE VI FOR 030001H TO 030600H MAR 67
 UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

1. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE

3. CONTACTS: 030110, CO D 1/4 DEF PSN (BS 793483) RECD ONE 60MM
 RD. 81MM FO SAW MUZZLE FLASH. FIRE MSN EXPENDED 36 RDS OF 4.2
 AND FOUR RDS 81MM VIC (BS 792448). SEARCH OF AREA 030730.
 030430, CO D 1/4 AMBUSH (BS 794483) TOOK APPROX 12 VC UNDER FIRE
 EXPENDING 250 RDS SA, THREE M-79, ONE LAAW. VC RETD APPROX 80
 RDS SA FIVE VC KIA (CONF), THREE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: 275 VC KIA, 233 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES, ONE PW
 (VC). USMC: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: CONTINUE OPNS IN ZONE AND COMMENCE REPOSITIONING.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 46 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI TO 030601H TO 031200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO A, CMD GRU, CO D 1/4 COMPLETED REPOSITIONING.
 CO B 1/4 AT (BS 844416). CO C 1/4 AT (BS 808476).
2. SUMMARY: AT 030920, UNITS OF SLF BEGAN REPOSITIONING ABOARD
 LPH (2). BY 031130, CO A, CO D, AND CMD GRU HAD COMPLETED REPOSITIONING
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 030430, CO D 1/4 AMB (BS 794483) TOOK APPROX
 12 VC UNDER FIRE EXPENDING 250 RDS. SA, THREE M-79, ONE LAAW. VC
 REID APPROX 80 RDS SA, FIVE VC KIA (CONF), THREE VC KIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 280 KIA, 236 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES,
 ONE PW (VC).
6. PLANS: CONTINUE REPOSITIONING

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O P 031158Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WN7R/CG SECOND FOR MAR BDE
 EST 7/CG FIRST AIR CAV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 47 FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI TO
 031201H TO 031800H MAR 67

1. UNITS COMPLETED WITHDRAWAL TO LPH (2) AT 031600H WITH
 NEG CONTACT. OPN DECKHOUSE VI 031600H MAR 67.
2. CAVES DISCOVERED DURING OPN DECKHOUSE VI WERE DESTROYED
 WHEREVER POSSIBLE. IN SEARCHING CAVES, CS GREN WERE USED TO
 FLUSH VC FM CAVES IN WHICH VC PRESENCE WAS SUSPECTED OR DETECTED.
 CAVES WHICH COULD NOT BE DESTR DUE TO TACTICAL EXIGENCIES WERE
 SATURATED WITH CS TO PROHIBIT IMMEDIATE USE TO VC.
3. THIS THE FINAL SITREP FOR OPN DECKHOUSE VI.

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O P 022335Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO DXIU/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO WNR/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 M8W/CTG 76.5
 M8W/CTG 79.5
 EST 7/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 137HFOR OPN DESOTO FOR
 030001H TO 030600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 021515, CO D 1/5 (BS 774422) (BS 774417)
 WHILE CROSSING RICE PADDY RECD 500 RDS SA/AW FIRE FM EST 15 VC VIC (BS-
 77410, (BS 773419), (BS 765423), (BS 768418). RETD 2000 RDS SA,
 15 RDS M-79, FOUR RDS 3.5. CALLED AIR STRIKE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).
 CALLED ARTY MSN. FIRED 85 RDS 105MM WP TO PROVIDE SMOKE SCREEN FOR
 EVAC OF CAS; FM RICE PADDY FIVE VC KIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONTINUE PTL AND AMBS. CO L 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONTINUE
 S&D VIC (BS 8537)

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 311 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 237 KIA, 496
 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, 24
 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS. (CHANGE 021400 SPOT REPT TO
 READ ONE VC KIA (PROB). THIS IS CORRECTED CAS COUNT).

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O P 030601Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROX MAR BDE
 CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 138 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 030601H TO 031200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO I 3/7 AND 3/7 CMD GRU NO CHANGE, CO K 3/7 (BS 835395), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403), CO L 3/7 (BS 854396), CO F 2/7 (BS 846387). UNITS OF 1/5 IN PROCESS OF BEING HELILIFTED TO QUANG NGAI.
2. SUMMARY: 3/7 UNITS CONTINUED S&D OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREAS. 1/5 UNITS BEING HELILIFTED TO QUANG NGAI.
3. CONTACTS: 030740, CO C 1/5 (BS 801393) S&D RECD 50 RDS AW/SA FM UNKNOWN NR OF VC (BS 796397) (BS 795394) REID 50 RDS SA. CO B 1/5 REID 20 RDS SA AND THREE RDS 3.5WP. NO SEARCH DUE TO MISSION. 031100, CO F 2/7 (BS 849391) S&D OBS 12 VC MOVING IN OPEN (BS 865369).

CALLED NGF MSN. 18 RDS ON TGT. FOUR VC KIA (PROB). 031135, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 852398) CAPTD 18 VC WITH TWO WPNS. DETAINEES FWD TO BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 3/7 UNITS TO CONTINUE S&D OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREAS AND 1/5 UNITS COMPLETE HELILIFT TO QUANG NGAI AND RETURN TO TAOR.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 237 KIA, 500 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB). 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, 43 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMFUAH/CTG 76.5
 RUMFUAK/CTG 79.5
 ZEN/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 139 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 031201H TO 031800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 AND GRU AT (BS 814384). CO I 3/7 AT (BS 814384)

AND (BS 372322). CO K 3/7 AT (BS 835395). CO L 3/7 AT (BS 851400)

CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391).

2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONT DEFENSE OF NUI DOU AND NUI DANG. CO K

3/7 CONDUCTED PTLs AND MAINTAINED BLOCKING PSNS ON HILL 26 VIC

(BS 835395). CO M 3/7 CONDUCTED PTLs IN ASSIGNED AREAS. CO I 3/7

AND AND CO F 2/7 CONDUCTED S&D OF NUI CUA VIC (BS 850390). AT 031630,

3/7 ASSUMED OPCON OF OPN DESOTO TAOR. 3/7 ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY

FOR FIRE SUPPORT AND COORDINATION EFFECTIVE 031530. ALL 1/5 UNITS

IN PROCESS OF RETURNING TO 1/5 TAOR.

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3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) CO M 3/7 (BS 811411) OBS SIX VC IN BLK PJ'S IN TREE LINE MOVING S. FIRED WP RIFLE GREN. GREN FELL SHORT THREE USMC WIA (NON-EVAC)

031210, CO L 1/7 S&D (BS 853400) SWEEPING OBJ FOUR OBS THREE VC IN TRENCH LINE (BS 854399). FIRED 25 RDS SA. THREE VC KIA (CONF). SEARCH OF AREA PRODUCED 20 DETAINEES (AGE 25 - 30) BELIEVED TO BE HAMLET DWELLERS. DETAINEES SENT TO BN S-2, COLLECTION POINT FOR INTERROGATION. ALSO FOUND TWO MAS 36 RIFLES, ONE MOSIN NG, FOUR GREN, 50 RDS 7.62MM AMMO. FWD BN S-2.

031400 CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 853399) WHILE SEARCHING CAVE COMPLEX ON MUI CUA. RECD ONE RD SA RESULTING ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). RECD TEN RDS .45 CAL., FIVE M-26 GRENS. AS USMC ASSAULTED VC PSN RECD ONE GREN RESULTING IN TWO USMC WIA (NON-EVAC). CAPTURED FIVE VC AND ONE M-1 RIFLE NR 1696429, ONE CART. BELT, AND ONE CHI COM GRN. FWD FIVE DETAINEES AND EQUIP TO BN S-2. TOTAL CAS: THREE USMC WIA (ONE EVAC), TWO VC KIA (CONF).

031600 CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 853399) WHILE SEARCHING AREA ALONG BEACH, THE TIDE CAME IN AND RISING WATER FORCED ONE VC FROM CAVE. APPREH VC W/WPN AND FWD DETAINEE W/WPN TO BN-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT AMB AND COMBAT PATROLS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 317 WIA, 3 DOW, VC 242 KIA, 500 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 69 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR 67
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 ZEN/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 140 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 031801H TO 032300H MAR 67

UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 031230H, SPECIAL SITREP NR 139)
 CHANGE "ONE MOSIN MG" TO "ONE SOVIET K-44 CARBINE."

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 242 KIA, 500 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV
 DEFENDANTS, 51 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. (CHANGE IN NR OF
 DETAINEES IS DUE TO ERROR IN ENTRY 031230H IN WHICH 20 DETAINEES
 APPREH INCLUDED 18 DETAINEES APPREH EARLIER IN ENTRY 031135H).

USMC: 31 KIA, 317 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: NO CHANGE

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O P 03 1435Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
) CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
 CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 145 FOR 030001H TO 032400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8042)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN) OPCON REMAINS UNDER CG
 TF XRAY. 031200H 1ST BN (-) REIN 5TH MAR PASSED OPCON TO 7TH
 MAR AND RETD TO CHU LAI TAOR.

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS CLARION RIVER LSMR 536, USS MANLET DD 940

G. DTG INITIATED: 202000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT BY 3/7 REIN OPCON REMAINS CG TF XRAY

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1. CUM CAS: VC: 242 KIA, 500 KI
KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 51 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: 31
KIA, 317 WIA, THREE DOW.
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
A. NAME OF OPN: DECKHOUSE VI
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8148)
D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: CTG 79.5 (SLF) W 1/4 (REIN) AS PART
OF TASK ORG PASSED OPCON CG 1ST MARDIV AT 031800H.
E. CAS: 1ST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 160930H FEB 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: 031800H MAR 67
I. CUM CAS: VC: 280 KIA, 236 KIA (PROB), 19 DETAINEES,
ONE PW (VC). USMC: SIX KIA, 80 WIA.
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
3. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 021245, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BT 605018) APPREH TWO VCS, NO ID. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.
(LATE ENTRY) 022220, CO A CAC L-2 PF SEC VIL (BT 608012)
REC'D 200 RDS FM VIC (BT 609014). RETD 300 RDS SA. VC BROKE
CONTACT TO W. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY
CASUALTIES. FIVE PF WIA (EVAC).

031215, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 643013) REC'D APPROX 100 RDS
SA FM 15 VC IN GREEN UNIFORMS, CART BELTS, HELMETS. VIC (BT 64-
2012), (BT 646014), (BT 639017). RETD 500 RDS SA. VC BROKE CONTACT
TO SW. SEARCHED AREA FOR ONE HR FINDING BLOOD SPOTS, EXPENDED
7.02, .30 CAL. AND .45 CAL RDS. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

(2) 2/7: 031340, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 510955)
REC'D TEN RDS AW/SA VIC (BS 50995 D). RETD 100 RDS SA, THREE
RDS 60MM HE, FIVE RDS M-79. SEARCHED AREA FOR 30 MIN FINDING
NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. 1 USMC WIA (EVAC).

(3) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 021645, CO D FT SEC PTL (BT
437145) APPREH ONE VN RUNNING FM PTL VIC (BT 438145), NO ID.
ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(4) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 020100, CAC K-4 CMBT PTL SEARCHING:
ON INFO FM PF THAT TEN VC WERE HIDING IN CAVES VIC (BT 448078).

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FOUND THREE CAVES CONTAINING ONE BOUNCING BETTY TYPE MINE AND
RICE PLAKES WHICH INDICATED RECENT USE. CAVES AND MINE DESTROYED
BY DEMO.

(LATE ENTRY) 021215, CO K FT (PLUS) SEC PTL (BT 444076)
APPREH ONE VN, NO ID, CARRYING ONE M-26 GREN. ONE DETAINEE FWD
ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 021715, CO L FT SEC PTL (BS 473934)
RECD 100 RDS AW/SA FM VIC (BS 474936). RETD SIX RDS M-79,
100 RDS, SA. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
ENEMY CASUALTIES.

(LATE ENTRY) 021800, CO L FT SEC PTL (BS 483930)
RECD 15 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 483932). RETD 20 RDS SA, ONE RD M-70,
ONE LAAW. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

030854, CO I FT SEC PTL (BS 482949) RECD FOUR RDS SA
FM VIC (BS 481949). RETD 15 RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING
NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

031116, CO L FT SEC PTL (BS 476943) RECD FIVE RDS SA
FM VIC (BS 474942). RETD EIGHT RDS SA. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.
B. 3/7: COMTS OPN DESOTO

C. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: 031200, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TWO

C. BLK RJ'S, WPNS MOVING E. ON TRAIL VIC (BS 659578). CALLED
FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

E. 1ST FAG: 031300, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON FIVE
VC IN BUNKERS VIC (BS 485755). FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED, FIVE VC KIA
(PROB), OBS BY USMC AO FM NUI TRON.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	29	6	82	117	103	14
107H	1	0	2	3	3	
155H	6	10	12	28	20	8
8" H	1	2	0	3	2	1
175G	8	7	0	15	15	

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FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
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INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 141 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 040001H TO 040600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU AT (BS 814384). CO I 3/7 AT (BS 814384 & BS 872322). CO K 3/7 AT (BS 835395). CO L 3/7 AT (BS 851401). CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: ALL UNITS IN NIGHT POS CONDUCTED LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS.
3. CONTACTS: 040145, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 845395) OBS THREE VC MOVING ALONG BEACH. SQD FIRED 30 RDS SA, ONE VC DROPPED TO GROUND VIC (BS 846396). TWO VC STUMBLED INTO CANE FIELD. FOUR ARTY ILLUM FIRED. OBS ONE VC BODY ON BEACH. VC BODY UNDER OBS. AMB ESTABL. A SWEEP OF THE CANE FIELD AT 040700H. FOUND NO EVID

OF ENEMY. ONE VC KIA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 243 KIA, 502 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, 51 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.
6. PLANS: 3/7 CONTINUES S&D OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED TAOR. CO I CONTINUE DEFENSE OF NUI DANG, BN CP, AND NUI DAU. CO K CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN ASSIGNED ZONE. BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS FROM PRESENT POSITIONS THROUGH AN LAC HAMLETS, WITH AXIS OF ADVANCE FROM (BS 825395), TO (BS 835378, BS 831850, BS 825367, AND BS 817367). CO L CONTINUE THOROUGH SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSIONS VIC NUI CAU. BE PREPARED, ON ORDER, TO DISPLACE TO VIC (BS 823403). CO M CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN ASSIGNED ZONE. PREPARE FOR RELIEF OF COMBAT BASE RESPONSIBILITY BY CO L & CO F/2/7, CONTINUE THOROUGH SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION NUI CAU. PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR ELEMENTS, 1ST RECON BN, CONDUCTING BEACHLINE SURVEY OF NUI CAU.

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O P 040645Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 142 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 040601H TO 041200H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU AND CO I 3/7 AT (S 814384) CO I 3/7 AT
(BS 84384) PLUS (BS 872343). CO K 3/7 AT (BS 835395). CO L 3/7
AT (BS 851401). CO M 3/7 AT (BS 822403). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONTINUE DEFENSE OF 3/7 CP AND NUI DAU.
CO K 3/7, CO L 3/7, CO M 3/7 & CO F 2/7 CONDUCT S&D IN ASSIGNED
AREAS.
3. CONTACTS: 040830, CO K 3/7 (BS 833396) APPREH FIVE VC (S) IN
HAMLET. SEARCH FOUND USMC PACK AND PERSONAL ITEMS BELONGING TO
USMC FM CO I 3/7 WHO WAS WIA ON INITIAL LANDING ALSO FOUND MEDICAL
SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS. FWD DETAINEES, EQUIP, SUPPLIES, AND DOC

UMENTS TO BN S-2.

041015, CO L 3/7 ON S&D (BS 842401) FOUND ONE VC BODY ALONG COAST
LINE IN ROCKS. SEARCH OF BODY FOUND NO WPNS SUSPECT THAT VC WAS
KILLED BY NGF. ONE KIA (CONF).

041030, 4TH PLAT CO A 1ST RECON BN (BS 855265) OBS FIVE VC (BS-
868364) WEARING BLK PJ'S WITH ONE PACK AND TWO RIFLES MOVING S ON
TRAIL. CALLED 105MM MSN WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. OBS FOUR VC KIA
(PROB).

041120, 4TH PLAT CO A 1ST RECON BN (BS 855265) OBS TWO VC (BS 87-
8266) WEARING BLK PJ'S CARRYING TWO RIFLES MOVING W ON TRAIL.
CALLED 105MM MSN WITH GOOD TGT COVERAGE. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CO L 3/7 RETURN TO CP IN PREPARATION FOR RELIEF OF
CO M 3/7. OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

6. CUMULATIVE CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 244 KIA, 508 KIA (PROB).
48 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, 56 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT
CIVILIANS.

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0 P 04 1225Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
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INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR DBD
RUMVIG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 143 FOR OPN DESOTO 04 1201H TO 04 1800H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: CP 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 814384) AND
(BS 812322), CO K 3/7 (BS 835395), CO L 3/7 (BS 814384),
CO M 3/7 (BS 822403) AND CO F 2/7 (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 DEFENDED 3/7 CP. CO K 3/7, CO L 3/7,
CO M 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONDUCTED S&D IN ASSIGNED AREA. AT
04 1730 CO L 3/7 RETURNED TO CP.
3. CONTACTS: 04 1230, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 814412) OBS FIVE VC
B K PJ'S ONE WPN. VIC (BS 809414), AS USMC APPROACHED, THREE VC FLED
SW INTO AREELINE. FWD THREE RDS SA. ONE VC KIA (CONF)
APPREHEND TWO VCS. FWD TWO DETAINEES TO BN S-2.
04 1245, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 829394) WHILE DESTROY BUNKER
WHICH HAD BEEN CHECKED, UNK TYPE ENEMY DEVICE FLEW FM BUNKER

AND DETONATED AS IT STRUCK NEAR BY TREE. RESULTED IN ONE USMC
WIA (EVAC). FURTHER CHECK OF AREA DISCOVERED TWO ADD'L BUNKERS.
BUNKERS DESTROYED.

04 1320, CO F 2/7 ON S&D HAD SQD PATROL RETURN TO HAMLET
TO SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE VC. RECD RDS FM RANGE OF 75M RESULTING
IN ONE USMC WIA. RETD 100 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO
EVIDENCE OF VC. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: H&I FIRES FM 1ST AIR CAV ARTY PSNS S
QUANG NGAI PROVINCE BOUNDARY LANDED IN NFZ OF PSN OCCUPIED
BY 4TH PLAT, CO A 1ST RECON BN IN AREA OF CIDG CAMP
(BS 893273) NO CAS WERE INCURRED.

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND CONDUCT
PATROLS AND AMB.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 31 KIA, 319 KIA, THREE DOW. VC: 245 KIA
568 KIA ROB), (FR OB), 48 WIA (FR OB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 56 DETAINEES,
SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 RUMNVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 144 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 041801H TO 042400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (FOLLOW UP TO AIR STRIKES AND ARTY MSNS
 CONDUCTED ON 03 MAR) CI REPTD 15 VC KIA (PROB), 28 VC WIA
 (PROB) AS RESULT OF AIR STRIKES AND ARTY MSNS ON 03 MAR.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 245 KIA, 523 KIA (PROB), 76 WIA (PROB), 26
 CIV DEFENDANTS, 50 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

USMC: 31 KIA, 319 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: NO CHANGE

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE X-RAY SITREP NR 146 FOR 040001H TO 042400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 377 GREIN

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS MANLEY DD 940

G. DIG INITIATED: 202000H JAN 67

H. DIG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 245 KIA, 528 KIA (PROB), 48 WIA (PROB),

26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 56 DETAINERS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC:

31 KIA, 319 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(P) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 031500, COASTAL GROUP 15 JUNK FLEET
SUPPORTING 1/7 CONDUCTING PHYSICAL RECON OF AREA (BS 82981)
RECD FOUR RDS SA FM VIC (BS 82981). RETD SEVEN RDS SA. SEARCHED
FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

040800, CO B SQD GREIN CMBT PTL (BS 5697955) APPRHX TWO
VCS, NO ID. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITI.

041033, CO A SQD (BS 822981) FOUND THREE CAVES (5°X5°X3°),
(3°X3°X10°), (10°X10°X3°). SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.
BLOWN BY ENGRS.

041100, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 650012) RECD 20 RDS SA FM
EST SEVEN VC 150M TO NE VIC (BT 651013). RETD 40 RDS SA, FIVE
RDS M-79, THREE RDS 3.5. VC BROKE CONTACT TO SE. PURSUED
AND SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.
TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

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(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 031550, CO H SQD (CROSS) CMBT PTL (BS 533896) RECD APPROX 200 RDS SA FM EST REIN VC SQD EMPLOYED ON A 50M FRONT 300M TO E VIC (BS 535895). RETD 300 RDS SA. ONE USN KIA. CALLED ARTY MSN AND AIR STRIKE. FIRED 33 RDS 105MM HE. PURSUED AND SEARCHED AREA WHICH REVEALED TRENCHLINE 300M LONG, THREE FRESHLY DUG SPIDER HOLES, BLOOD SPOTS AND BLOOD STAINED CLOTHING. DURING SEARCH OBS TWO VC WITH WPNS. FIRED 50 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA, OTHER VC ESCAPED WITH WPNS. ALSO APPREH TWO VCS IN AREA. CUM CAS: ONE USN KIA, ONE VC KIA, SIX VC KIA (PROB), TWO DETAINEES.

040850, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 547914) OBS FOUR VC IN OPEN 10M TO E VIC (BS 554914) CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE POSS .50 CAL MG CALLED ARTY MSN, FIRED 50 RDS SA. OBS TWO VC FALL. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. TWO VC WIA (PROB).

040945, CO H SQD (BS 536918) APPREH ONE VN, AGE 17, NO ID. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

041200, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 504953) OBS SIX VC RUNNING ACROSS RICE PADDY INTO HAMLET VIC (BS 5503957). PURSUED AND SEARCHED. FOUND HOT FOOD APPARENTLY DESERTED, ONE BAYONET, ONE JUNGLE SHIRT. GEAR FOUND, FWD BN S-2.

041230, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 536895) APPREH TWO VCS, ONE HAVING WOUND SEVERAL DAYS OLD. TWO DETAINEES FWD TO BN S-2.

(3) 1/5: 040810, CO C SQD SEC PTL (BT 364155) OBS THREE VC, BLK R'S, KHAKI'S, WPNS, PACK, 200M TO SW VIC (BT 362153). FIRED 25 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-79, 13 RDS 3.5. RECD FIVE RDS SA. VC BROKE CONTACT TO SW. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

041015, CO C SQD SEC PTL (BT 352153) RECD 75 RDS SA FM EST THREE VC VIC (BT 352155). RETD 150 RDS SA, ONE RD 3.5. CALLED FOR NINE RDS 105MM HE ARTY. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

(4) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 032045, CO M FLAT PER PSN (BT 417035) RECD THREE GRENS FM EST THREE VC VIC (BT 418035). RETD TWO RDS M-79, FIVE RDS SA. ONE USMC WIA (NON-EVAC). 040700, FT SEARCHED FOR 15 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

(LATE ENTRY) 032145, CO I CMBT BASE PER PSN (BT 435079) HEARD NOISES AT PER WIRE 60M TO N. CALLED FOR FOUR RDS 81MM ILLMM. OBS THREE FIGURES FLEEING TO NE VIC (BT 434078). FIRED FOUR RDS SA, ONE M-26 GREN. SQD SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

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B. 3/7: COM: UPN DESOT 0
 C. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACT
 D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT
 E. 1ST FAG: (LATE ENTRY) 031840, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON
 FOUR VC VIC (BS 485755). TWO VC KIA (PROB) OBS BY USMC FO AT
 NUI-TRON.

041115, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON THREE VC VIC (BS 505743).
 THREE VC KIA OBS BY USMC FO AT NUI-TRON.

041530, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON THREE VC VIC (BS 502753).
 THREE VC WIA OBS BY USMC FO AT NUI TRON.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105 H	26	20	64	110	98	12
107 HT			2	2	2	
155 H	15	4	5	24	18	6
155 G	4			4	4	
8" H	2	2		4	4	
175 G	7	2		9	9	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

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	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105 H	788	80	72	940
107 H	8			8
155 H	186	15	4	205
155 G	28			28
8" H	29			29
175 G	98			98

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

OBS UNOBS H&I TOTAL

MAF

105 H	14	3	27	44	44
155 H	8	3	1	12	12

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	472	49	20		541
155 H	59	6		4	69

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: (DESOTO)

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

UNOBS: 1

5"/54

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EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPN

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS

NR EMPLOYED

RESULT:

1/7

4

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KIT CARSON

NR INDIV

NR EMPLOYED

1/7

2

2

2/7

1

0

1/5

1

0

3/5

1

0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7: BOTH TEAMS EMPLOYED AT BN CP. 1 ON TERRAIN STUDY AND THE OTHER ON ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE FOR FORTHCOMING OPN.

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RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROL S			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQ	RT	FT	SQ	RT			
1/5	50	4	0	11	2	0	0	13	0
3/5	55	14	2	27	0	0	0	0	0
1/7	47	25	0	32	3	0	0	0	0
2/7	24	19	0	7	4	0	0	41	8
QDC	9	1	0	6	2	0	0	19	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	9	0	0	0	1	0	0
TF XRAY			0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	206	63	11	83	11	0	1	22	0
TOTAL CONTACTS: 8 DAY, 3 NIGHT, 4 VC INITIATED.									
TOTAL CASUALTIES:									

VC: 1 KIA
6 KIA (PROB)
2 WIA (PROB)
8 DET
USMC: 1 KIA
3 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DIG	SIZE	ACTION TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN BT 418035	032045	CO	PER	M-3-5	UNK	VC
BT 435079	032145	CO	PER	1 WIA T-3-5	NONE	US
BT 364155	040810	PLAT	SP	NONE	UNK	US
BT 352155	041015	PLAT	SP	C-1-5	NONE	US
BT 651017	041100	SQD	CMB	NONE	UNK	VC
QUANG NGAI BS 535895	031550	SQD	S&D	A-1-1 2 WIA	NONE	VC
BS 536895	032130	SQD	CMB	H-2-7 1 KIA	UNK	VC
				H-2-7 NONE	1 KIA 2 DET 6 KIA (P) UNK 1 DET	US
BS 697955	040800	SQD	CMB	B-1-7	UNK	US
BS 547914	040850	SQD	CMB	NONE	2 DET	US
BS 536895	040945	CO	S&D	H-2-7	UNK	US
BS 536895	041230	SQD	CMB	NONE	2 WIA (P)	US
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				NONE	1 DET	

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 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/XG SECOND ROX MAR BDE
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 RUMGUAK/CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 145 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 050001H TO 050600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: 042220, CO K 3/7 S&D AMBUSH PTL (BS 844396) ONE VC WALKED INTO AMBUSH SITE, ALONG RIVER BANK. FIRED 20 RDS SA. VC FELL INTO RIVER SEARCH FOUND BODY FLOATING IN WATER. ONE VC KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS. NONE
5. CUN CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 246 KIA, 523 KIA (PROB), 76 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, 58 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

6. PLANS: AT APPROX 050900 EXECUTE HELILIFT TO POSITION ON NUI DAU. CONTINUE DEFENSE OF NUI DAU TO INCLUDE LOCAL PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO K ON ORDER, CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPER FM PRESENT POSITIONS THROUGH AN LAC (1), AND LAC (2), NINH PHUO (2), AND RETURN TO BN CP THROUGH AN THOUNG (2). CO L AT APPROX 050930, DISPLACE FM BN CP TO VIC (BS 822403), TO RELIEVE CO M OF ESTABLISHED POSITIONS. CONDUCT DAYLIGHT PATROL TO VIC HAI MON (1) AND HILL 26. CONDUCT LOCAL NIGHTTIME PATROLS AND AMB IN ASSIGNED AREA. CO M ON ORDER DISPLACE FM POSITIONS VIC (BS 822403) TO BN CP. UPON ARRIVAL ASSUME DEFENSE ZONE OF BN CP AND CONDUCT LOCAL PATROL AND AMB. MAINTAIN REACTION FORCE FOR REINFORCEMENT OF DUC PHON DISTRICT HQS CONDUCT RECON IN FORCE TO VIC (BS 797317) ALONG SEH TRAM IN CONJUNCTION WITH OVERLAND INSERTION OF DONAHUE RECON OP. RETURN ROUTE RECON IN FORCE ALONG LO BO VO VALLEY TO INCLUDE VAN VAT AND NHO LAM (1). CO F 2/7 CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS OF NUI CUA HILL COMPLEX, CENTERED AT (BS 850390). AT APPROX 050730 CONDUCT CO (-) S&D OPERATIONS FROM POSITIONS ON NUI CUA THROUGH HAMLETS VIC (BS 845406, BS 835405) (BS 837402), AND RETURN.

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O P 050526Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROX MAR 67
 10MNVF/CG 1ST AIRCAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 146 FOR OPN DESOT 0 FOR 050601H TO 051200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CP 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 814384) AND (BS 872322)
 CO K 3/7 (BS 826383), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO M 3/7 (BS 815342)
 AND (BS 822403), CO F 2/7 (BS 846384) AND (BS 852403).

2. SUMMARY: CO L 3/7 DISPLACED TO CO M 3/7 PSN. CO F 2/7 CONT S&D OPNS
 S OF NUI CUA, CO K 3/7 COMMENCED S&D OPNS S OF HILL 26. CO I 3/7
 PREPARED FOR DISPLACEMENT BY HCPTN TO NUI DAU. CO M (-) 3/7 CONDUCTED
 RECON IN FORCE SW 3/7 CP.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: CO M 3/7 ELEMENTS TO DISPLACE TO 3/7 CP. CO I 3/7 TO DISPLACE
 TO NUI DAU, NO CHANGE FOR OTHER UNITS.

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OP 051150Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV (REIN)
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMVNG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 147 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 051201H TO 051800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD AND GRU 3/7, (BS 814384), CO K 3/7 (BS 814384)
 CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO F 2/7 (BS 849391).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 051300, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 828375) RECD TEN RDS SA
 FM UNK NR VC IN CONCEALED PSN VIC (BS 830355). RETD 50 RDS SA
 AND PURSUED. DURING PURSUIT DETONATED 250 LB BOMB AND 155MM RD,
 BOTH BOOBYTRAPPED. TWO USMC KIA, FIVE USMC WIA (EVAC). SEARCH
 REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 246 KIA, 523 KIA (PROB), 76 WIA (PROB), 26
 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS, USMC: 33 KIA, 324
 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS. CONDUCT PILS, AMB AND LP'S.

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 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROX MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 148 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 051201H TO 052400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MOD CONTACT
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 051000, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 849393) OBS TWO VC RUNNING ALONG BEACH VIC (BS 845405). VC ENTERED BOAT. BOAT MOVED W ON RIVER ALONG N BANK VIC (BS 843402). FIRED 200 RDS SA. BOAT DRIFTED DOWN STREAM, OBS ONE VC BODY LYING IN BOTTOM OF BOAT. ONE VC KIA (PROB).
 (LATE ENTRY) 051630, CO F 2/7 S&D FOUND TRENCH LINE WITH BUNKERS EVERY 75M RUNNING N TO S FM VIC (BS 851374-850369). DESTROY ALL BUNKERS. FOLLOWING TRACE OF TRENCH LINE (BS 849364) RECD 200 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 849368). OBS EIGHT VC, KNAKI'S, CART BELTS, HELMETS, WITH M-14 RIFLES WITHDRAWING TO SE AND SW. PURSUED

AND RECD APPROX 500 RDS SA FM CONCEALED PSNS VIC (BS 853366). RETD 1000 RDS SA, 40 RDS M-79, 60 RDS 105MM HE. VC BROKE CONTACT IN UNK DIRECTION. TWO VC KIA, SEVEN VC KIA (PROB), THREE VC WIA (PROB). ONE USMC KIA, SIX USMC WIA EVAC.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: 06 MAR, CO I TO CONT DEF OF NUI DAU. CONDUCT LOCAL COMBAT PTLS VIC PHUOC DIEN NR 3 (BS 881321). CO L TO CONDUCT PTLS VIC PRESENT PSNS. CO M TO CONT DEF BN CP/NUI DANG. PROVIDE SEC FORCE FOR ONTOS RECON OF TRACKED VEHICLE ROUTE FM BN CP TO CO L PSN VIC (BS 822403) AND (BS 834396). CO K TO CONDUCT NINE SWEEP OF AREAS SE AND S OF NUI DANG FM (BS 812377) TO (BS 822377). CO F TO CONDUCT PTLS VIC HAMLETS VIC (BS 842379, 854379, 857384).

6. CUM CAS: VC: 248 KIA, 531 KIA (PROB), 79 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS. USMC: 34 KIA, 330 WIA, THREE DOW.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE X-RAY SITREP NR 47 FOR 050001H TO 052400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX NR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 020000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 246 KIA, 523 WIA (PROB), 76 WIA (PROB),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: 33 KIA, 324 WIA,

THREE DOW.

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7; (LATE ENTRY) 040600, CO B S&D CMBT PTL
(BT 020004) APPREH TWO VCS, NO ID, BLK PJ'S, AGES 25 AND 30.
TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 041540, TWO VESSELS FM JUNK FLEET (BS 633968)
RECD 70 RDS SA, FIVE RIFLES GRENS, FM VIC (BS 027972). RETD 1600
RDS SA. TWO VNN KIA, ONE VNN WIA. TWO VC KIA (PROB). CO D SQD CMBT
PTL SEARCHED FOR THREE HRS. APPREH EIGHT VCS IN AREA; TWO WERE
HIDING IN CAVE, TWO ATTEMPTED TO EVADE PTL, FOUR HIDING IN HOUSE.
EIGHT DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 042130, CAC L-5 CMBT BASE (BS 712973) RECD
50 RDS SA FM EST TEN VC VIC (BS 712969). PF'S RETD 100 RDS SA.
FOUR RDS 81MM ILLUM. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
ENEMY CASUALTIES.

(LATE ENTRY) 042330, CO A FT (REIN) AMB (BT 020014)

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CHECKING REPT OF VC VIC (BT 620014) - RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM VIC (BT 621017). DID NOT RETD FIRE DUE TO VN HOUSES IN LINE OF FIRE. SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. ONE PF KIA, ONE PF WIA.

050035, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 647011) RECD 30 RDS SA FM TWO VC IN HEAVY BRUSH ACROSS SONG CAU RIVER VIC (BT 653012). RETD 80 RDS SA, FIVE RDS M-79. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

050915, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 647025) OBS TWO VC, BLK PJ'S RUNNING N. FM PTL VIC (BT 647026). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED THREE WARNING RDS. VC CONT TO FLEE. FIRED FIVE RDS SA. PURSUED AND FOUND ONE VC KIA.

051015, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 644018) OBS APPROX FIVE VCS WITH WPNS, GREEN UTILITIES, VIC (BT 645015). RECD THREE RDS SA. RETD 85 RDS SA. VC FLED TO SE. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

051100, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 693955) APPREH ONE VCS, AGE 25, NO ID, IDENT BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS AS VC. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 041820, CO M SQD CMBT PTL (BS 535094) OBS TWO VCS, BLK PJ'S RUNNING FM PTL VIC (BS 536896). CHALLENGED IN VN. VCS CONT TO FLEE. FIRED THREE RDS SA. PURSUED AND APPREH

TWO VCS (ONE WIA). TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 041915, CO G FT AMB MOVING TO AMB SITE VIC (BS 523944) OBS ONE VC, BLK PJ'S WITH WPN, RUNNING TO N VIC (BS 524944). FIRED 15 RDS SA, ONE M-26 GREN. ONE VC WIA. CAPTURED ONE US CARBINE, THREE MAGS, 30 RDS SA, ONE CART BELT, FWD BN S-2

050730 CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 542895) RECD ONE RD SA FM 75M TO SW. RETD 30 RDS SA. PURSUED AND RECD ONE GREN. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

050910, CO H FT SEC (BS 578922) OBS ONE VN, AGE 60, IN SAME VIC. VN YELLED WHEN HE OBS USMC. IMMEDIATELY RECD THREE RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. ONE DETAINEE FWD TO BN S-2.

(3) 1/5: NO CONTACT

(4) 3/5: NO CONTACT

B. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

C. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACT

D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

E. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON 3P

A. WEATHER CONDITIONS: INTERMITTENT FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 051400, OBS SIX VC NEAR SHORE LINE VIC (BS 505743). CALLED FIRE MSN. VC DISPERSED.

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E. ARTY MSNS FIRED:

1. OBS: ONE

F. MISC: NONE

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER CONDITIONS: FAIR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NONE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: NONE

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. ARTY MSN FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105 H	19	14	52	85	77	8	
107 HT	1		2	3	3		
155 H	3	2	16	21	14	6	1
155 G		1		1	1		
175 G	3	3	4	10	9	1	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	479	70	31		580
107 HT	8	4			12
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155 H	158	23	2	183
155 G			9	9
175 G	91			91

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO
NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105 H	19	22	41	41
155 H	2		2	2

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105 H	277	47	11	335
155 H	16	3		19

EFFECT OF WEATHER: NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS NR EMPLOYED

RESULTS: NEG

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KIT CARSON

NR INDIV

NR EMPLOYED

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KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7: BOTH TEAMS EMPLOYED AT BN CONDUCTING INITIAL TRANSLATION OF DOC.

2/7 KIT CARSON IS EMPLOYED AT H CO CMBT BASE ASSISTING IN THE INTERROGATION OF VCS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT			
1/5	58	15	2	8	5	0	0	13	0
3/5	48	8	0	21	0	0	0	0	0
1/7	53	23	0	34	5	0	0	41	2

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2/7	27	12	0	9	2	0	0	19	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	0	0
QLDC	9	1	0	6	2	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF X-RAY								22	0

TOTALS 206 59 12 78 14 0 1 95 3

TOTAL CONTACTS: 8 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 4 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 3 KIA

14 DET
USMC: 2 WIA

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 602004	040600	SQD CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 620014	042330	FT AMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 647011	050835	SQD CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC

BT 647025	050915	SQD CMBT	NONE A-1-7	NONE UNK	US
BT 644018	051015	SQD CMBT	NONE A-1-7	1 KIA UNK	US
QUANG NGAI			NONE	NONE	
BS 627972	041540	FLAT CMBT	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 8 DET	US
BS 535894	041820	SQD S&D	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BS 523944	041915	FT AMB	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 712969	042130	CAC L-5	CAC-L-5-1/7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 542895	050730	SQD CMBT	H-2-7 2 WIA	UNK 1 KIA	VC
BS 578922	050910	FT SEC	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BS 693955	051100	SQD CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
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P 060140Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 149 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 060001H TO 060600H MAR 67
 1. OPERATION DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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O P 060520Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 150 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 060601H TO 061200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CP 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 826380), CO L 3/7 (BS 823702), & (BS 831397), CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO F 2/7 (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT TO DEF 3/7 CP. ALSO PROVIDED SEC FOR ONTOS AND RECON OF TRACKED VEH ROUTE TO CO L 3/7 PSN FROM CP 3/7. CO I 3/7 CO L 3/7, CO F 2/7 CONTINUED PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREAS. CO K (-) 3/7 COND SWEEP OF AREA SE OF NUI DANG.
3. CONTACTS: 061156, CO K 3/7 SQD FOUND ONE BUNKER VIC (BS 826377). BUNKER DESTROYED.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: NO CHANGE.
6. CUM CAS: USMC 34 KIA, 337 WIA, THREE DOW. (CHANGE IN USMC CAS

WIA FIGURES DUE TO SEVEN USMC WIA NON3-EVAC NOT REPORTED ON SPOT REPS. RECONCILIATION OF CAS WITH MED CLEARING PLAT UNCOVERED ERROR. VC: NO CHANGE.

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 RUMVVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 151 FOR OPN DESCTO FOR 061201 H TO 061800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONT DEFENSE OF NUI DAU WITH PTLs REPORTING LIGHT CONTACT. CO K 3/7, CO L 3/7, AND CO F 2/7 CONT OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREA REPORTING LIGHT CONTACT. ONE CS SECTION NOW LOCATED AT CO L 3/7 PSN. CO M 3/7 CONT TO DEFEND CP AT NUI DANG.

3. CONTACTS:

061156 CO K 3/7 S&D CMBT PTL FOUND ONE BUNKER VIC (BS 826377). BUNKER DEST.

061230 CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 823377) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM UNK NUMBER OF VC (BS 827388). WHILE MOVING USMC TRIPPED 155MM RD BOOBY TRAP (PRESSURE TYPE DEVICE). TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

061400 CO F 2/7 S&D CMBT (BS 853383) RECD FOUR RDS CARBINE FIRE FM VIC (BS 853384). PTL RETD 25 RDS SA AND ONE M-26 GREN.

SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED TWO VC KIA (CONF).

061400 CO I 3/7 S&D CMBT PTL (BS 881323) ENCOUNTERED EST VC S&D WITH WPNS, KHAKIS, AND HELMETS IN TRENCH LINE. FIRED 50 RDS SA AND RECD ONE GREN. PURSUED AND OBS VC ATTEMPTING TO REMOVE THREE VC KIS. FIRED 250 RDS SA. PURSUED AND FOUND SIX VC KIA (CONF), ONE VC KIA (PROB). REMAINING VC ESCAPED WITH WPNS. ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

061400 CO K 3/7 S&D MSN (BS 827374) OBS THREE VC IN KHAKI CLOTHING MOVING W (BS 830375). FIRED 150 RD SA. NO EVIDENCE OF VC CAS.

061400 CO L 3/7 S&D MSN (BS 823403) RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM UNOBS VC N OF RIVER (BS 829408). CALLED ARTY MSN (12 RDS 105MM). SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF VC CAS.

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT PTLs AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREA.

6. CUM CAS: USMC 35 KIA, 333 WIA AND THREE DOW. VC: 256 KIA, 532 KIA (PROB) 79 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND 58 DETAINEES.

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O P 061630Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO ZEN/CG SECOND FOR MAR 67
RUMNMG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SONG RUN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 152 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 061301H TO 062400H
MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONT WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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O P 061500Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE X-RAY SITREP NR 148 FOR 060000H TO 062400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAC: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS MANLEY DD940

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 250 KIA, 532 KIA (PROB), 79 WIA (PROB),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 58 DETAINEES. USMC:

35 KIA, 333 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 052115, CAC L-2 SQD CMBT PTL
(BS 611983) RECD 150 RDS SA, FOUR GRENS FM EST SIX VC VIC (BS 611983)
RETD 200 RDS SA. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
ENEMY CASUALTIES. ONE PF KIA, ONE USMC WIA (NON-EVAC).

060715, CO D (-) S&D (BS 636954) OBS FOUR VC WITH WPNS
VIC (BS 635955). FIRED 50 RDS SA, THREE 60MM RDS. VC BROKE
CONTACT TO SW. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY
CASUALTIES.

060800, CO D FT (PLUS) CMBT PTL FOUND ONE MINE VIC (BS 645988)
CONSISTING OF APPROX 30 LBS TNT WITH PRESSURE TYPE DETONATOR AND
BURIED 12" IN GRD. DISARMED AND FWD ON TO S-2.

060830, CO D SQD CMBT PTL VIC (BS 633457) FOUND FIVE
M-79 RDS RIGGED AS PRESSURE TYPE BOOBYTRAPS. BLOWN IN PLACE.

061000, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 634956) FOUND 250 LB BOMB

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TEN FT OFF TRAIL COVERED WITH BAMBOO, BLOWN IN PLACE.

061030, CO D SQD CMBT PTL FOUND 100 LB BOMB VIC (BS 630964).
BLOWN IN PLACE.

061100, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 635957) FOUND SMALL CAVE WITH
LINE ATTACHED TO ENTRANCE. PTL PULLED LINE. RECD THREE GRENS
FM CAVE. ONE KIT CARSON WIA (NON EVAC). THREE VC ATTEMPTED
TO FLEE FM CAVE. FIRED TEN RDS SA. ONE VC KIA. OTHER TWO ESCAPED
INTO THICK BRUSH. SEARCH OF CAVE REVEALED THREE ADDITIONAL VC
(TWO MALE, ONE FEMALE). ALSO FOUND TWO US CARBINES, ONE CHI COM
SMG, TEN GRENS, MED SUPPLIES, AMMO, PACK, DOCUMENTS. THREE
DETAINEES, AND EQUIPMENT FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 051645, CO H CMBT BASE (BS 74922).
SENTRY APPREH ONE VC, AGE 16, BLK PJ'S, APPREARED TO GIVING ARM
AND SIGNALS. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 051745, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 503944) RECD
FOUR RDS SA FM 100M TO SW VIC (BS 502943). RETD 25 RDS SA.
SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.
TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 052150, H&S CO PER PSN (BS 570961) OBS THREE
VC WITH WPNS IN FRONT OF PSN VIC (BS 570963). FIRED 15 RDS
SA. OBS ONE VC FALL, REMAINDER FLED TO NE. SQD SEARCHED FOR

30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

(3) 1/5: NO CONTACT

(4) 3/5: NO CONTACT

B. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

C. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D: 060930, 1ST PLAT (BS 635988) OBS FIVE VC, BLK PJ'S
WPNS MOVING SW VIC (BS 643571). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE
OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

E. 9TH ENGR: 061040, SQD SEC PTL (BT 507052) RECD TEN RDS SA FM
VIC (508052). COULD NOT OBS VC, DID NOT RETN FIRE. PURSUED AND
APPREHENDED ONE VCS, NO ID, RUNNING FM PTL. ONE DETAINEE FWD
BN S-2.

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: RAIN AND FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 051740, OBS TEN VC VIC (BS 509807),
APPEARING TO BE BLK RD. CALLED ARTY MSN. ONE VC KIA, ONE VC WIA

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PROB) 061400, OBS FOUR VC ON TRAIL VIC (BS 533765). CALLED ARTY MSN. UNABLE TO OBS RESULTS DUE TO FOG.

E. ARTY MSN FIRED: OBS: 2

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER CONDITION: FAIR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NONE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. ARTY MSN FIRED: NONE

G. MISC: 060030, MAG-12 RECD EST 55 RDS 82MM MORTAR FM VIC (BT 509080). CENTER OF IMPACT WAS ALONG EDGE OF RUNWAY VIC (BT 535069) AND LIVING QUARTERS VIC (BT 535076). SEVEN USMC KIA (NON EVAC), TWO AIRCRAFT RECD MINOR DAMAGE, ONE ELEC GENERATOR RECD MINOR DAMAGE, TWO MINOR HOLES IN RUNWAY (WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH AIR OPNS). 060035, MAG-36 RECD APPROX 15 RDS 82MM MORTAR FM VIC (BT 509080). CENTER OF IMPACT (BT 526103). MAG-36 SUSTAINED NO CAS AND NO DAMAGE. 060105, FLARE SHIP COMMENCED DROPPING FLARES. 060135, SWIFT BOATS COMMENCED SWEEPING ADJACENT RIVER AREA. 060530, CLDC UNITS COMMENCED SWEEP VIC (BT 5007) TO (BT 5209), FOUND MORTAR PSNS VIC (BT 509080). 060755, CO D 1/5 LANDED ON KY XUAN VIC (BT 4909) AND COMMENCED SWEEP. 061500 SWEEP TERMINATED WITH NO CONTACT.

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	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105 H	16	5	61	82	82	
107 HT			2	2	2	
155 H	2	1	17	20	16	4
155 G			1	1	1	
8" H		1		1	1	
175 G	6	2		8	8	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105 H	797	58	24	879
107 HT	6			6

155 H	169	2	18	189
5G	9			9
8" H	12			12
175 G	38			38

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: (DESOTO)**NUMBER OF MISSIONS****SUPPORTING:**

	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105 H	13	22	35	35
155 H	2		2	2

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	455	24	7	486
155 H	8	2		10

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO**TOTAL MSNS FIRED:****AMMO EXPENDED:****HE****OBS: 1****5"/54****34**

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER CONDITIONS CAUSED CANCELLATION OF TWO RECON INSERTS, THREE AO FLIGHTS, THREE LEAFLET DROPS.

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SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS
 NR TEAMS 3 NR EMPLOYED 3 RESULTS
 1/7 3 NEG

KIT CARSON
 NR INDIV NR EMPLOYED
 1/7 2 2
 2/7 1 1
 1/5 1 0
 3/5 1 0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM EMPLOYED ON S&C OPNS. ONE TM EMPLOYED IN BN CP FOR INITIAL SCREENING OF DETAINEES.

2/7, KIT CARSON WORKING WITH CO H ASSISTING IN INTERV OF VCS & WORKING W/CAC PROGRAM IN PHU LE (1) & (3).

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&C-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	SA
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5	71	10	4	11	2	0	0	13	0	0
3/5	44	11	0	17	0	0	0	55	0	0
1/7	40	25	0	26	5	0	2	41	6	0

2/7	22	20	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0
1/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLDC	10	1	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0
TF XRAY										
TOTALS	198	67	10	60	9	0	2	143	6	1

TOTAL CONTACTS: 6 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 3 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 1 KIA
 5 DET
 1 WIA (P)

USMC: 3 WIA

TF X-RAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/	DTG	ACTION	FWD UNIT/	ENEMY UNIT/	INIT
COORDINATES	SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	LOSSES	BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 508052	061040	SQD	SP	STH ENG BN UNK	VC
QUANG NGAI			NONE	1 DET	

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BS 574922	051645	CO	PER	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
BS 503944	051745	SQ	CMBT	G-2-1	UNK	VC
				2 WIA	NONE	
BS 62115	052115	SQ	CMBT	CAC-L-2-1/7	UNK	VC
				1 WIA	NONE	
BS 570961	052150	CO	PER	H&S-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 WIA (P)	
BS 636954	060715	CO	S&D	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 63588	060930	PLT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	UNK	
BS 635757	061100	SQ	CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	(1 KIA - 3 DET)	

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O P 070020Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 153 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 070001H TO 070600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
 2. PLANS: OPN DESOTO: CO I MAINTAIN DEF OF NUI DAI PSNS.
 CONDUCT DAYLIGHT CMBT PTLS VIC THUY TACH (2), (BS 864320), THUY
 THACH (1) (BS 867325), AND QUY THIEN (2), (BS 865338), AND LOCAL
 NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS, CO K, MAINTAIN PSNS VIC NUI DANG IN PREPARATION
 FOR FURTHER OPNS. CONDUCT CO (-) RECON-IN-FORCE TO VIC (BS 797317)
 ALONG S.E. SLOPES AND FOOTHILLS OF NUI TRUNG TRAM IN CONJUNCTION
 WITH OVERLAND INSERTION OF ANTI-FREEZE OPN; RETURN ROUTE
 RECON-IN-FORCE ALONG LOBO VALLEY TO INCLUDE VAN VAT AND WHO LAN
 (1), CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS VIC (BS 822403). CONDUCT DAY CMBT PTLS
 AND PROVIDE SEC FOR ONTOS RECON FROM (BS 822403) TO VIC (BS 831397)
 CONDUCT LOCAL NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREAS. CO M, CONT

DEF OF BN CP/NUI DANG. CONDUCT LOCAL DAY AND NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS.
 CO F 2/7, MAINTAIN PSNS VIC (BS 849391). DAY CMBT PTLS VIC (BS-
 847380), (BS 854380), (BS 847384) AND VIC (BS 851391) MAINTAIN
 CONTROL MOVEMENT ON WATERWAYS TO W AND N OF NUI CUA.

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O P 070636Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CGSECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 154 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 070601H TO 071200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384). CO I 3/7 (BS 872322).
 CO K 3/7 (BS 801321). CO L 3/7 (BS 823802). CO M 3/7 (BS 814384).
 CO F 2/7 (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT TO DEF 3/7 CP. CO I 3/7 CONT DEF OF NUI
 DAU. CO K 3/7 CONDUCTED RECON IN FORCE VIC (BS 797317) IN CONJUNCTION
 WITH OVER LAND INSERTION OF ANTI FREEZE (RECON OP). CO L 3/7 AND CO
 F 2/7 CONDUCTED LOCAL PATROLS FROM COORDINATES ABOVE.
3. CONTACTS: NEGATIVE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: NO CHANGE
6. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

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 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 155 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 071201H TO 071800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322),
 CO K, CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO F 2/7
 (BS 849391).

2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT DEF OF 3/7 CP. CO F 2/7 CONT DEF OF
 NUI DAU AND CONT LOCAL PTLS. CO K (-) 3/7 COND RECON-IN-FORCE FOR
 INSERTION OF RECON OP ANTIFREEZE SW OF NUI DANG. CO L 3/7 AND
 CO F 2/7 COND PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 071025, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT (BS 804325)
 FOUND 155MM RD BOOBYTRAP (PULL RELEASE TYPE). BOOBY TRAP DESTROYED
 IN PLACE.

071610, BTRY I (BD 823385) OBS THREE VC WITH WPNS WASHING
 CLOTHES (BS 814383). FIRED 100 RDS SA, VC FLED E TO TREELINE.
 FIRED SIX 106MM INTO TREELINE. OBS VC DRAGGING ONE BODY. ONE

VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND COND PTLS AND AMBS
 IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 256 KIA, 533 KIA (PROB),
 79 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT
 CIVILIANS, 58 DETAINEES.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 156 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 071800H TO 072400H MAR 67
1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 1 OF 2
TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 109 FOR 070001H TO 072400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HK SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)
D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
E. CAS: 1ST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
I. CUM CAS: VC: 256 KIA, 533 KIA (PROB), 79 WIA (PROB),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 48 DETAINEES. USMC:

- 35 KIA, 340 WIA, THREE DOW.
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 061445, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 640960) TRIPPED BOOBYTRAP (PROB Z-10 MINES) WITH PULL TYPE DEVICE. FOUR USMC WIA (EVAC)

(LATE ENTRY) 061210, CO D (-) S&D (BS 633957) FOUND THREE M-79 RDS BOOBYTRAPPED ON TRAIL. BLOWN IN PLACE BY ENGRS.

(LATE ENTRY) 062000, CO C FT CMBT PTL (BS 614982) RECD ONE GREN FM APPROX 30M TO S. RECD 300 RDS SA, FIVE RDS M-79. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

070505, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 660026) APPREN TWO VCS WHO RAN FM PTL. TWO DETAINEES FWD LIT.

070950, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 632957) OBS TWO VCS, BLK PJ'S, MOVING W VIC (BS 632958). VCS OBS PTL AND FLED. FIRED 30 RDS SA, TWO M-79 RDS. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

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070950, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 632957) FOUND SACK IN BRUSH CONTAINING ONE CHICOM GREN, 30 RDS SA, MED SUPPLIES, ONE PONCHO, TWO BLASTING CAPS, ONE PR GREEN UTIL, THREE PR CIV CLOTHES, DOCUMENTS. GEAR FWD BN S-2.

071245, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 662034) RECD 200 RDS SA FM VIC (BT 662038). RETD 400 RDS SA, ONE RD M-79. CALLED FOR EIGHT RDS 105MM HE. SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

071325, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BT 713960) TRIPPED M-26 GREN BOOBYTRAP RIGGED WITH TRIPWIRE. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 061530, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 523903) OBS 15 VC WITH WPNS MOVING ACROSS RIVER APPROX 1000M TO SE VIC (BS 533889). CALLED ARTY MSN OF 28 RDS 105MM HE. PTL MOVED TO SEARCH AREA. 061736, PTL VIC (BS 523902) OBS 20 VC CROSSING RIVER VIC (BS 533894). CALLED FOR 30 RDS 105MM HE. GOOD COVERAGE. 061830, PTL (BS 530895) RECD APPROX 20 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 532893). RETD 40 RDS SA. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC). VC BROKE CONTACT IN UNK DIRECTION. 061846, OBS SEVEN VC CROSSING RIVER VIC (BS 532894) WITH POSS 60MM MORTAR. CALLED FOR 18 RDS 105MM HE. GOOD COVERAGE. 070700, SEARCHED AREA FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE

OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 062300, BN CMBT BASE (BS 565957) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM VIC (BS 564949). RETD FIVE RDS 81MM HE AT MUZZLE FLASHES. 070700, FT SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

070830, CO H VEHICLE VIC (BS 588935) DETONATED TWO MINES BELIEVED TO CONSIST OF C-4 ENCLOSED IN A PONCHO OR PLASTIC COVER. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC). ENGRS HAD PREVIOUSLY SWEEPED AREA 070730.

071015, CO H (-) S&D (BS 551897) RECD 30 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 553895). RETD 100 RDS SA, FOUR RDS M-79. ONE USMC KIA. SQD SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

071600, GO G PLAT S&D (BS 544895) OBS SIX VC WITH WPNS, GREEN SHIRTS AND SHORTS, VIC (BS 533896). FIRED FIVE RDS SA. OBS ONE VC HIT. RECD 50 RDS SA. RETD 150 RDS SA, FOUR RDS M-79. OBS ONE VC HIT. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY. TWO VC WIA (PROB).

(3) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 062230, CO C SQD AMB (BT 569147) OBS FOUR VC 25M TO E. FIRED 150 RDS SA. CALLED FOR 12 RDS 105MM ILLUM. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

(4) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 061700, CO L FT SEC PTL (BT 440036) APPREH ONE VN, AGE 50, NO ID, CARVING PUNJI STAKES. ONE

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DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 062015, CO 1 FT SEC FOR BRIDGE VIC (BT 430109L)
 RECD THREE RDS SA FM UNK SOURCE. FIRED THREE RDS 81MM ILLUM.
 OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

071100, CO M SQD SEC PTL (BT 465064) FOUND SIX BOUNCING BETTY
 TYPE MINES. DESTR BY ENGRS.

071535, CO K FT SEC PTL (BT 495038) FOUND M-26 GREN IN C-RATION
 CAN RIGGED AS MINE WITH TRIP WIRE. DEST IN PLACE.

B. 3/7: CONTS OPNS DESOTO

C. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D: 071015, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS 11 VC, WPNS,
 PACK, MOVING SW VIC (BS 635570). FIRED TEN RDS .50 CAL. ONE VC
 KIA. 071215, OBS EIGHT VC, BLK PJ'S, WPNS, VIC (BS 655575).
 CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

E. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: RAIN AND FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. ARTY MSNS: NONE

(2) AN KOA OP

A. WEATHER: RAIN AND FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. ARTY MSNS: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/ RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	M&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	22	9	49	80	73	7
107HT	1		7	8	8	
155H	4	5	17	26	22	4
155G		1		1	1	
8" H		3		3	3	
175G	2		2	4	4	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	535	96	47		678
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107HT	26	4		30
155H	256	19	2	277
155G	4			4
8" H	10			10
175G	31			31

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO
NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	3	14	17	17
155H	2	4	6	6

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	100	24	8	132

155H 34 2 36
EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER CONDITIONS CAUSED CANCELCATION OF ONE AO
FLIGHT, FOUR RECON INSERTS, THREE RECON EXTRACTS, THREE LEAFLET DROPS.

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/7	3	3	NEG
7TH MAR CP 7		0	NEG
3/7	5	5	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	2
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM EMPLOYED WITH CO D ON S&C OPN. ONE TM
EMPLOYED AT BN INTERR DETAINEES.

2/7, KIT CARSON EMPLOYED IN INTERROGATING PERSONNEL IN PHU LE (1).

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO			
1/5	49	26	4	5	8	0	0	13	0	

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3/5	54	9	0	19	0	0	0	55	0
1/7	24	19	0	32	5	0	2	41	6
2/7	24	19	2	6	4	0	2	17	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
CLDC	7	1	0	6	2	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF XRAY									
TOTALS	169	74	14	68	19	0	4	148	16

TOTAL CONTACTS: 14 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 6 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 1 KIA

2 WIA (PROB)

2 DET

USMC: 1 KIA

14 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 440036	061700	FT SEC	L-3-5	UNK	US

BT 430109	062015	FT SEC	NONE I-3-5	1 DET UNK	VC
BT 369147	062230	SQD AMB	NONE C-1-5	UNK	US
BT 660026	070905	SQD CMBT	NONE A-1-7	UNK	US
BT 465064	071100	SQD SEC	NONE M-3-5	2 DET UNK	VC
BT 662038	071245	SQD CMB	NONE A-1-7	UNK	VC
BT 713960	071325	SQD CMB	2 WIA B-1-7	NONE UNK	US
BT 495038	071535	FT SEC	2 WIA K-3-5	NONE UNK	US
QUANG NGAI			NONE	NONE	
BS 640960	061445	SQD CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	US
BS 523903	061530	SQD CMBT	4 WIA K-2-7	NONE UNK	US
			2 WIA	NONE	

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BS 614982	062045	FT	CMBT	C-1-7 2 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 564949	062300	BN	PER	2/7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 588935	070830	VEH	CONVOY	H-2-7 2 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BS 632957	070930	S&D	CMBT	D-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 551897	071015	CO	S&D	H-2-7 1 KIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 635588	071015	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 635588	071215	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 544895	071600	PLAT	CMBT	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 WIA CP	US

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 157 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 080001H TO 080600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT
 2. PLANS: OPN DESOTO: COI: MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF NUI DAU; CONDUCT DAY-LIGHT PATROLS VIC QUY THIEN (2), NBS 865338, AND LOCAL NIGHTTIME PATROLS AND AMBUSHES, COK: MAINTAIN POSITIONS VIC UI DANG IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. AT APPROX 0700, CONDUCT CO (-) SWEEP REM PRESENT POSITIONS THROUGH AN THUONG (1), BS 809371, AN THONG (2), BS 817388, AND VINH PHOC (2) BS 832363, ON ORDER, BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT COL OR CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS OF AN LAC (2), VIC BS 831371, COL: MAINTAIN POSITIONS VIC BS 822403. AT APPROX 0700, CONDUCT 800(-) SWEEP FROM PRESENT POSITIONS SOUTH THROUGH AN LAC (1), BS 825388, TO BS 825378, ON ORDER, BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT COK OR CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS OF AN LAC (2) VIC BS 831373. COM: MAINTAIN DEFENSE

OF BN CP/NUI DANG CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT OF PERIMETER POSITIONS, MAINTAIN REACTION FORCE FOR DUC PHO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE REACTION FORCE FOR COK OR COL. CONDUCT LOCAL DAY AND NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES VIC NUI DANG. CO F 2/7 MAINTAIN POSITIONS ON NUI CAU, VIC (BS 849391). AT APPROX 0700 CONDUCT CO (-) SWEEP SOUTH OF PRESENT POSITIONS THROUGH THANH HIEU (1), VIC (BS 848379) THANH HIEU (2), VIC (BS 845373) TO HIGH GROUND VIC (BS 841367), AND RETURN TO NUI CAU. BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS OF COL AND COK. MAINTAIN DAYLIGHT OBSERVATION POSTS AND NIGHT AND PATROLS AND AMBUSHES TO CONTROL WATERWAYS TO WEST AND NORTH OF NUI CAU.

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0 P 080625Z MAR 67
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 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
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 ZEN/CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SEPCIAL SITREP NR 158 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 080601H TO 081200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CP 3/7 AT (BS 814384). CO I 3/7 AT (BS 872322). CO K 3/7 AT (BS 826324). CO L 3/7 AT (BS 824376). CO M 3/7 AT (BS 814384). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 846372).
2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT DEF OF CP 3/7. CO L 3/7, CO K 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONT SWEEPS IN ASSIGNED AREAS, AND REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 080845, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT (BS 840380), RECD THREE RDS SA SNIPER FIRE FM ONE VC (BS 848379) WHILE DESTROYING Z-10 BBTRAP. RETD 10 RDS SA AND SWEEP THROUGH HAMLET. WHILE SWEEPING FOUND ONE BUNKER AND DESTROYED. RECD FOUR MORE RDS SA SNIPER FIRE. RETD 40 RDS SA AND VC BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF VC CAS. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). 081000, CO L 3/7 SQD (REIN) CMBT (BS 826381) WHILE CROSSING OPEN RICE PADDY TRIPPED UNK TYPE BBTRAP. ONE

USMC WIA (EVAC).

081055 CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT (BS 826363) RECD 20 RDS CARBINE FIRE FM VIC (BS 830369). PTL RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND BAYONET AND CARTRIDGE BELT. NO EVID OF VC CAS. FWD BAYONET AND CARTRIDGE BELT BN 081130, CO F 2/7 CO S&D (BS 847373) POINT RECD FIVE RDS SA. RETD 20 RDS SA AND SWEEP AREA. ONE VC THREW TWO CHICOM GREN AND FLED LEAVING BLOOD TRAIL. ONE VC WIA (PROB)

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONT WITH ASSIGNED MSNS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 35 KIA, 343 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 256 KIA, 533 KIA (PROB), 80 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDENTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND 58 DETAINEES.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 159 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 081201H TO 081800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU AND CO M 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 AT (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 AT (BS 826354), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822423), CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391).

2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT DEF OF 3/7 CP. CO I 3/7 COND PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREAS. CO L, CO K 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONT CO (-) SWEEPS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

3. CONTACTS: 081300, CO K 3/7 CO S&D (BS 865337) RECD 20 RDS SA FM SNIPER. RETD 300 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 60MM MORT WP AND 15 RDS 81MM MORT WP. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).

081315, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT (BS 833365) RECD 60 RDS SA FM EST SEVEN VC. RETD 134 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA. FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF

VC CAS.

081315, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT (BS 844373) OBS UNK NR VC EST RANGE 100M. PTL FIRED TEN RDS SA. SEARCH OF AREA FOUND ONE VC KIA.

081630, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 832365) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM ENEMY SNIPER VIC (BS 833361). CONT MOVING N. RETD 20 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVID OF VC CAS. ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC)

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT PTLS AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 343 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 257 KIA, 533 KIA (PROB), 80 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND 58 DETAINEES.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 160 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 081801H TO 082400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 081000, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 849391) OBS ONE VC WITH WPN, GREY UNIFORM VIC (BS 851397). FIRED FIVE RDS SA. OBS VC FALL. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY - FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 081300H, CO I 3/7 S&D) CHANGE CUM CAS TO READ: SIX USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 081330, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 847404) OBS ONE VC WITH WPN, BLK PJ'S VIC (BS 845404), FIRED ONE RD SA. OBS VC FALL. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS M ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 081615, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS IRREUEL RECD TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BS 844373). RETD 32 RDS SA. OBS ONE VC FALL. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC WIA (PROB). TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 257 KIA, 535 KIA (PROB), 81 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 58 DETAINEES. USMC: 36 WIA, 349 WIA, THREE DOW.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 150 FOR 080001H TO 082400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

- A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: USS MANLEY DD 940
- G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: 257 KIA N 533 KIA (PROB), 60 WIA (PROB),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 58 DETAINEES, USMC: 36

KIA, 343 WIA, THREE DOW.

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- 3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
- 4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 071430, CO D (-) S&D (BS 639954).
KIT CARSON FOUND CAMO CAVE (2M/ WM X5M) IN WHICH FOUR VN WERE HIDING
(AGES 17, 34, 40, 41). SEARCH OF CAVE REVEALED ONE M-1 BANDOLIER,
ONE VC GAS MASK, ONE BANDAGE, ONE CAN OF MILK. FOUR DETAINEES
FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 071730, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 640950) RECD THREE
RDS SA FM VIC (BS 643957). RECD TEN RDS SA M SEARCH REVEALED
BLOOD TRAILS. 080730, CONT SEARCH. BLOOD TRAILS LED TO CAVE
(2"X2"X12"). SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA.

080830, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 636960) FOUND ONE CAVE (2"X3"X10")
DESTR BY ENGRS.

080930, CO A SQD CMBT PTL 1 (BT 647022) FOUND ONE CAVE (3"X4"X30")
DESTR BY ENGRS. APPREH ONE VN IN SAME AREA, TRYING TO EVADE PTL.
ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

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080930, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 632961) FOUND ONE 250 LB BOMB.
 DESTR BY ENGRS.
 081300, CO D S&D (BS 632959). KIT CARSON FOUND CAVE IN BRUSH
 (1 1/2° X 10°). DESTR BY ENGRS.
 081300, CO D S&D (BS 634958) OBS ONE VC, WPN, BLK PJ'S VIC
 (BS 639949) FIRED TWO RDS SA M OBS VC FALL. SEARCHED FOR 45
 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. ONE VC KIA (PROB).
 (2) 2/7: 081230, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 573948)
 OBS ONE VN RUNNING VIC (BS 573949). CHALL IN VN AND FIRED WARNING
 RDS. VN CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 15 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA. SEARCH REVEALED
 CAMO SHIRT UNDERNEATH BLK PJ'S, CART BELT, ONE M-26 GREN, ONE CHOCOM
 GREN, ONE PONCHO, FWD BN S-2.
 (3) 1/5: NO CONTACT
 (4) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 071300, CO M FT SEC PTL (BT 465
 064). VN BOY, AGE 15, LED USMC TO LOCATION OF MINE. SEARCH
 REVEALED 13 M-16 USA TYPE AP MINES. DISARMED AND FWD TO EOD.
 ONE WAS DESTR IN PLACE.
 (LATE ENTRY) 071600, CO I FT SEC PTL (BT 433092) APPREH ONE
 VN, AGE 30, FALSE ID. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.
 B. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

C. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D: (LATE ENTRY) 071750, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS
 TEN VC, BLK PJ'S, WPNS VIC (BS 620553). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS
 NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.
 081415, 2ND PLAT (BS 447714) OBS TWO VC, BLK PJ'S N WPN, PACK,
 MOVING N VIC (BS 425725). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF
 ENEMY CAS. 081530, OBS FIVE VC, GREY KHAKI'S, HELMET, WPNS, PACKS
 MOVING N VIC (BS 454726). CALLED FIRE MSN M OBS NO EVIDENCE OF
 ENEMY CAS.
 D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT
 E. 1ST FAG:
 (1) 081300, 3RD PLAT 3RD 155 GUN BTRY FIRED MSN ON FOUR
 VC VIC (BT 318022). ONE VC KIA (PROB), THREE VC WIA OBS BY USA AG.
 080030, BTRY N 4/11 (BS 504782) RECD 20 RDS SA FM UNK SOURCE.
 NO FIRE REID.

(2) NUI TRON OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 081120, BTRY M 4/11 FIRED MSN

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ON VC PLAT VIC (BS 511812). FIVE VC KIA (PROB), TEN VC WIA (PROB).

E. ARTY MSNS: OBS: 1

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NONE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. 080915, OP RECD SA FM VIC (BS 476851). ROK AND ARVN UNITS RETD SA. CALLED FIRE MSN. COULD NOT OBS DUE TO BRUSH.

081000, BTRY M 4/11 FIRED MSN ON FIVE VC VIC (BS 480 877). FIVE VC KIA (PROB).

E. ARTY MSNS C OBS C W

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	14		42	56	51	5
107HT	2			2	2	
155H	9	1	23	33	20	13
155G	3			3	2	1
8" H	1			1		1
175G	5			5	4	1

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	254	66	10	330
107HT		3		3
155H	303	9	15	327
155G	32	3	11	46
8" H	3			3
175G	30			30

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: 1 DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSION

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	5		11	16	16
155H	3	1		4	4

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	36	15		51
155H	19	1	5	25

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

DESOTO

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	5"/54	43
OBS: 2			
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EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/7	3	3	1 VC KIA

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	2
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM EMPLOYED W/CO D ON S&D OPN. ONE TM AT BN EMPLOYED ON INITIAL SCREENING OF DET A DOC.
2/7, ATTACHED TO CO K TO ASSIST IN INTERV OF DETAINEES.

RECAP OF BN OPNS C

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D AOPNS LIST		SCOUT SNIPER	BN SOL
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST		
1/5	55	23	0	7	5	0	0	13	0	
3/5	45	15	0	19	0	0	0	55	0	
1/7	51	19	1	31	8	0	2	44	6	
2/7	22	18	0	5	4	0	1	17	0	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	
CLDC	9	3	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST RCN BN	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TF X-RAY										
TOTALS	193	78	9	75	17	0	3	151	6	

TOTAL CONTACTS: 9 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 3 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VCS 2 KIA
1 KIA (PROB)
6 DET

USMC: NONE

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:
PROVINCE/ DTG ACTION
COORDINATES SIZE TYPE

FRD UNIT/ ENEMY UNIT INIT
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QUANG TIN						
BT 433092	071600	FI	SP	I -3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
BT 647022	080930	SQD	CMBT	A -1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
QUANG NGAI						
BS 639954	071430	CO	SPD	D -1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	4 DET	
BS 643957	071730	SQD	CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	1 KIA	
BS 635588	080143	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 504782	080830	BTRY	PER	N-BTRY-		
				1ST FAG	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 573948	081230	SQD	CMBT	G-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA	
BS 634958	081300	CO	SPD	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA (P)	
BS 447714	081430	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 447714	081530	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
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 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND KOR MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 161 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 090001H TO 090600H MAR 67
 1. NO CHANGE NEG CONTACTS.
 2. PLANS: CO I MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF NUI DAU; CONDUCT DAY AND NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES, INCLUDING MEDCAP PATROLS TO THUY THACH (2) VIC (BS 863314). CO L MAINTAIN POSITIONS VIC (BS 822403) CONDUCT DAYLIGHT COMBAT PATROLS THROUGH THUY TRIEU (1), VIC (BS 815403), TO AN TRUNG (2), VIC (BS 810411) AND RETURN; DISPLACE ONE PLATOON FROM PRESENT POSITIONS TO C BN CP/ NUI DANG BY 0800H TO ASSIST WITH PERIMETER DEFENSE; CONTINUE LOCAL NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO F 2/7 MAINTAIN POSITIONS ON NUI CUA, VIC (BS 849391). AT APPROX 0900H ESTABLISH CO (-) BLOCKING POSITIONS ORIENTED SOUTH FROM (BS 847383) TO (BS 856387). CO E PREPARED TO SUPPORT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS OF CO M AND CO K. MAINTAIN DAYLIGHT

OBSERVATIONS POSTS VICINITY PRESENT POSITIONS TO CONTROL MOVEMENT ON ND NORTH. CONDUCT LOCAL NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO K AT APPROX 0930H, EXECUTE HELICOPTER ASSAULT FROM BN CP TO LZ VIC (BS 873508). CONDUCT S&D OPERATIONS THROUGH DONG TRUAN (1) VIC (BS 854358), AND LOC AN, W (BS 864362). SEIZE BATTALION OBJECTIVE HILL 70, VIC (BS 857363). ON ORDER, CONTINUE S&D OPERATIONS NORTH THROUGH THANK HIEU (2), (BS 855370), THANK HIEU (5), (BS 862365) THANK HIEU (4), (BS 861369), THANK HIEU (3), (BS 854373) AND THANK GIENG HAMLET COMPLEX TO THE NORTH; COORDINATE NORTHWARD MOVEMENT WITH CO M. BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT CO M FROM POSITIONS ON HILL 70. CO M AT APPROX 0945H, EXECUTE HELICOPTER ASSAULT FROM BN CP TO LZ VIC (BS 847362). INITIALLY, CONDUCT S&D OPERATIONS OF LAM BINH, VIC (BS 845363). SEIZE BATTALION OBJECTIVE VIC (BS 843567); EXECUTE OVERLAND INSERTION OF ANTI-FREEZE RECON VIC THAT LOCATION; BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT MOVEMENT OF CO K. ON ORDER, CONTINUE S&D OPERATIONS THROUGH THANH HIEU (2), (BS 845373). COORDINATE NORTHWARD MOVEMENT WITH CO K.

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 RUMNVF/CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 162 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 090601H TO 091200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS : NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: CO M 3/7 CONT DEFENSE OF BN CP. CO F 2/7 AND CO K 3/7
 CONT LOCAL PTLS AND AMB. CO I 3/7 AND CO L 3/7 CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.
 ORIGINAL PLANS AND INTENTIONS FOR 09 MAR WERE POSTPONED FOR 24 HRS
 DUE TO WEATHER RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF A/C.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 081615, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 844373)
 WHILE MOVING SIX DETAINEES APPRH FM VILLAGE (BS 844373) RECD
 SNIPER FIRE. RETD 30 RDS AND OBS ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED AREA . FOUND
 NO EVID OF VC. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). ONE VC WIA (PROB). SIX DETAINEES
 FWD TO BN S-2. 090840, CO I 3/7 SQD OP (BS 874330) WHILE MOVING PSA,
 DETONATED GREM RIGGED AS AP MINE. FOUND TWO OTHER GREM TYPE NINE IN
 SAME AREA. DESTRO IN PLACE. NO CAS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUM CAS : USMC: 36 KIA, 351 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 257 KIA, 535 KIA
 (PROB), 82 WIA (PROB), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTES, SEVEN INNOCENT, 64
 DETAINEES .

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RUMNUG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON AVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 163 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 091201H TO 091800H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGES NO CONTACT.
2. PLANS C CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT PTLS AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 164 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 091801H TO 092400H MAR 67

1. OPN CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACTS. PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. PLANS: 10 MAR, CO I 3/7 TO CONT DEF NUI DAU; CONDUCT LOCAL PTLS, AMBS.

10 MAR: CO L 3/7, TO REMAIN IN FSN VIC (BS 822493) AND (BS 833393); CONDUCT LOCAL PTLS, AMBS.

100900, CO F 2/7, TO ESTBL BLKG PSNS-ORIENTED S FM (BS 847383-86387).

100930, CO K 3/7 COMMENCE HOPTH ASSAULT VIC (BS 873358); CONDUCT S&D THROUGH HAMLETS VIC (BS 866357, 854358, 864362). SEIZE OBJ 70 VIC (BS 857363). ON ORDER CONT S&D TO N THROUGH HAMLETS VIC (BS 855370, 862365, 861369, 854373). ALL COORD WITH CO M 3/7.

100945, CO M 3/7, COMMENCE HOPTH ASSAULT VIC (BS 847362);

CONDUCT S&D VIC (BS 845355), SEIZE OBJ VIC (BS 843367); CONT S&D THROUGH HAMLET VIC (BS 845373). ALL COORD WITH CO K 3/7.

IN EVENT WEATHER CANCELS HOPTH OPNS CO L 3/7 TO CONDUCT S&D THROUGH HAMLETS VIC (BS 833342-834346-833358) IN CONJUNCTION WITH CO K 3/7 S&D VIC (BS 822363-833363).

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV (REIN)
INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 151 FOR 090001H TO 092400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY C
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 257 KIA, 535 KIA (PROB), 82 WIA (PROB),
26 DIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 64 DETAINEES. USMC: 36

KIA, 351 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER CONDITIONS LIMITED OPNS TO LOCAL PTLS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES ASSUMED OPCON 1/5 AND 3/5 AT 091200H MAR 67

(1) 1/5: NO CONTACTS

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 081400, CO M SQD PTL (BT 473067) RECD ONE RD FM UNK SOURCE. NO CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 081430, CO I FT SEC PTL (BT 422096) RECD 15 RDS FM ACROSS RIVER VIC (BT 421096). RETD 30 RDS SA AND PURSUED. RECD 40 RDS SA FM SAME VIC. RETD 80 RDS SA, TWO LAAWS. OBS APPROX 15 VN RUNNING FM VILL IN SAME AREA. CO I SQD SENT TO ASSIST. APPREN FIVE VCS RUNNING FM PTL. FIVE DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

090530, CO I FT AMB (BT 423103) APPREN ONE VCS, AGE 20, TRYING TO EVADE PTL. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S AWM

091038, CO L SQD RECON PTL LED TO ONE M-26 GREM RIGGED AS MINE VIC (BT 464066) BY VN BOY. DESTN IN PLACE. ALSO FOUND IN SAME AREA AND DESTN, TWO SMALL CAVES, ONE 30M LONG TUNNEL. VN BOY WAS REWARDED 1200 P.S.

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(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 081145, CO D (-) SQD (BS 632962) TRIPPED M-26 GRENADE RIGGED AS MINE WITH TRIP WIRE ACROSS TRAIL. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 081500, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 648954) OBS THREE VC WITH WPNS, GREEN CLOTHING, VIC (BS 649956). FIRED 50 RDS SA. OBS ONE VC HIT, AIDED BY REMINING VC. SEARCH REVEALED BLOOD STAIN. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 081650, CO D CMBT BASE PER PSN (BS 634956). SNIPER TM OBS SEVEN VC WITH WPNS 100MM TC SE VIC (BS 642946). FIRED ONE RD SA. OBS ONE VC FALL. CALLED FOR TEN RDS 105MM HL. OBS THREE VC FALL. VC DISPERSED INTO THICK BRUSH. TWO VC KIA. ONE VC KIA (PROB), ONE VC WIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 082315, CO C PT (PLUS) CMBT PTL (BS 612984) RECD TWO GRENS FM VIC (BS 612985). RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

090920, CO D SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL TRIPPED CHICOM GRENADE RIGGED AS MINE WITH TRIP WIRE VIC (BS 646956). THREE USMC WIA (EVAC).

090924, CO B SQD CMBT PTL TRIPPED DEVICE BURIED IN TRAIL VIC (BS 570988). ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

090940, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 655958) OBS ONE VC, BLK PJ'S, CARRYING POUCH VIC (BS 654955). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. VC CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 30 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA. CAPTD ONE M-26 GRENADE, DOCUMENTS, FWD BN S-2.

091245, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 646976) FOUND TWO CAVES (2X3X5') AND (2X3X15'). CAVES DESTROYED.

091455, CO A SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL (BS 665948) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH WPNS VIC (BS 665950). FIRED 30 RDS SA. OBS TWO ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED FOUND ONE VC WIA. ONE PW (VC FWD III). ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(2) 2/7: 091145, CO H SQD AME (BS 563925) OBS FIVE ENEMY WITH WPNS, GRAY UNIFORMS, BLK PJ'S. FIRED 100 RDS SA. OBS TWO ENEMY FALL. RECD 50 RDS SA. RETD 100 RDS SA. ONFOS IN AREA RECD 40 RDS SA, ONE RD 106MM. SEARCH REVEALED THREE BLOOD POOLS. THREE VC WIA. CAPTURED ONE 1944 RUSS 7.62 CARB, FWD BN S-2. ALSO APPREH TWO VN IN AREA. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D: (LATE ENTRY) 081700-082130, 2ND PLAT RECD SA FM EST 20 VC VIC (BS 448718), GRAY UNIFORMS, CARBINES, M-1'S. RETD SA, CALLED AIR STRIKE. FIVE VC KIA (PROB).

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E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) (LATE ENTRY) 081835, BTRY F (-) 2/11 FIRED MSN ON FOUR VC VIC (BT 127094). FOUR VC KIA OBS BY USA SF.

(LATE ENTRY) 081840, BTRY F (-) 2/11 FIRED MSN ON SIX VC VIC (BT 123090). SIX VC WIA OBS BY USA SF.

(LATE ENTRY) 082110, 4/11 PER PSN (BS 441215) RECD ONE GREEN FM SE. RECD ONE M-26 GREEN. FT SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(2) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: RAIN AND FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS 090845, OBS THREE VC BOATS MOVING SUPPLIES VIC (BS 504743). CALLED FIRE MSN. ONE VC WIA (PROB). 090920, OBS TEN VC WITH WPNS VIC (BS 551258). CALLED FIRE MSN. FIVE VC KIA (PROB).

E. MSNS FIRED: OBS: 2

(3) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: RAIN AND FOG

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NONE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING

OBS H&I TOTAL

KAF ARVN

105H

36

60

96

66

30

107HT

6

6

6

155H

3

22

25

17

8

175G

7

7

7

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE ILLUM WP OTHER TOTAL

105H

618

108

30

757

107HT

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155H

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175G

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2/7	23	23	0	6	6	0	2	12	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
IST FAG	11	0	0	0	2	0	2	22	0
CLDC	8	1	0	7	2	0	2	0	0
IST RCN BN	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	2
TF X-RAY									
TOTALS	199	70	8	72	14	0	2	146	8

TOTAL CONTACTS 8 11 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 4 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES VC: 3 KIA, 70 KIA (PROB)

3 WIA, 2 WIA (PROB)

1 PW (VC)

8 DET

USMC: 5 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FWD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 473067	081400	SQD SEC	M-3-5	UNK	VC
BT 421096	081430	FT SEC	NONE	NONE	
			I-3-5	UNK	VC

BT 423103	090530	FT	AMB	NONE	5 DET	
				I-3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
QUANG NGAI						
BS 632962	081140	GD	S&D	D-1-7	UNK	US
				1 WIA	NONE	
BS 648954	081500	SQD	CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 WIA (P)	
BS 634956	081650	CP	PER	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA,	
					1 KIA (P),	
					1 WIA (P)	
BS 447714	081700	PLSG	CP	IST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	5 KIA (PROB)	
BS 441015	082110	BN	PER	4/11	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 612984	082315	FI	AMB	C-1-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 646956	090920	SQD	S GD	D-1-7	UNK	US

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BS 655958	090940	SGD	CMBT	3 WIA D-1-7	NONE UNK	US
BS 564924	091145	SGD	S&D	NONE H-2-7 NONE	1 KIA UNK	US
BS 665948	091450	SGD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	3 WIA 2 DET UNK	US
BS 570988	090924	SGD	CMBT	B-1-7 1 WIA	1 KIA (P), 1 PV (VC) UNK NONE	VC

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 165 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 100001H TO 100600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L
SPECIAL SITREP NR 166 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 100601 TO 101200H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME EXCEPT FOR CO K 3/7 AT (BS 824361)
AND CO M 3/7 AT (BS 832338)
2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO WITH NO CHANGES IN PLANS AND NO CONTACTS.
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 167 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 101201H TO 101800H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: 3/7 CMD GRU AT (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 AT (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 AT (BS 831303), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403), CO M 3/7 AT (BS 832358), CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391).
 2. SUMMARY: CO L 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONDUCTED PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREAS. CO I 3/7 CONT DEF OF NUI DAU AND CONT CLEARING OPN IN THAT AREA. CO M 3/7 AND CO K 3/7 COND S&D OPNS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.
 3. CONTACTS: 101340, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 831361) RECD TEN RDS SA FM EST THREE VC (BS 832362). RETD 30 RDS SA. ADDL INFO TO FOLLOW. 101610, CO I 3/7 SQD SEC PTL (BS 872328) WITH MINE SWEEPING TEAM DISCOVERED TWO Z-10 MINES WITH TRIP WIRES. DESTR IN PLACE. 101630, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 831364) SWEEPING EASTWARD RECD 300 RDS SA FM EST 20 VC IN KHAKI AND GREEN UNIF, WITH HELMETS AND IN

CONCEALED PSNS (BS 832364). RETD APPROX 200 RDS SA, 20 RDS M-79, 20 RDS 60MM (HE). PURSUED THROUGH PSNS AND VC BROKE CONTACT TO E. UHIE RETD SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. THREE VC KIA, FIVE VC WIA (PROB). FOUR USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: EXPLOIT DAYLIGHT CONTACTS BY CONSOLIDATING NIGHT PSNS AND CONDUCTING PTLS AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 355 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 260 KIA, 535 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV, 64 DETAINEES.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 168 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 101801H TO 102400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO M 3/7 (BS 830355), CO K 3/7 (BS 831363) OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 101730, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 832361) ENCOUNTERED FIVE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, WPN, GRENS, COMING OUT OF BUNKER 30M TO N. FIRED 27 RDS SA. FIVE VC KIA, CAPTURED ONE CARBINE, FWD BN S-2. GRENS DESTR.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 265 KIA, 535 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: 11 MAR, CO I TO CONT REF NUI DAU; CONT S&D VIC

(BS 870333), (BS 874333), (BS 872322), CONDUCT LOCAL PTLS.
 11 MAR, CO F TO ESTAB BLKG PSNS VIC (BS 846384) AND (BS 852388);
 CONDUCT S&D FM (BS 846380) TO (BS 845375) TO (BS 844371).

11 MAR, CO K TO MAINTAIN BLKG PSN VIC (BS 834362)

11 MAR, CO K TO CONDUCT S&D FM (BS 831363) TO (BS 884363) TO (BS 855359) TO (BS 864364) TO (BS 861370) IN TRACE OF CO M.

11 MAR, CO M TO MAINTAIN BLKG PSNS VIC (BS 834365); CONDUCT S&D FM (BS 832367) TO (BS 845363) TO (BS 851369) TO (BS 854372).

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 152 FOR 100001H TO 102400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS MANLEY DD 940

G. DIG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DIG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 260 KIA, 535 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB),
 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: 36

KIA, 355 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 091710, CO B S&D (BT 335169) RECD
 40 RDS AW FM 500M VIC (BT 340155). RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR
 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101010, CO B SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL OBS ONE ENEMY, BLUE SHIRT, BLK
 SHORTS, WPN ON TRAIL VIC (BT 313153). FIRED FIVE RDS SA. ONE VC
 KIA. CAPTURED ONE M14 RIFLE, FIVE MAG, FWD BN S-2.

101020, CO B S&D (BT 310154) RECD TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BT 307155).
 RETD 30 RDS SA, FOUR RDS 3.5. SQD SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING
 NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101150, CO B SQD SEC PTL (BT 309139) RECD TEN RDS SA FM 500M
 TO NW (BT 302144). RETD 50 RDS SA, ONE RD M-79, THREE RDS 60MM.
 SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101210, CO B SQD SEC PTL (BT 303143) RECD 75 RDS SA FM 105M
 TO N VIC (BT 303145). RETD 200 RDS SA, PURSUED. SEARCHED FOR ONE

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HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101300, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BT 309145) DETONATED UNK TYPE MINE. ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 092130, CO I FT SEC PTL (BT 430109) RECD TEN RDS M-79, TEN RDS SA FM VIC (BT 428113, 431112, 431105). RETD 50 RDS, SA PURSUED AND SEARCHED FOR 40 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

100355, CO I FT SEC FOR BRIDGE VIC (BT 430109) REC ONE RD SA FM VIC (BT 427108). RETD THREE RDS SA. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101425, CO M SQD OP (BS 525997) OBS 40 VC, BLK PJ'S, MOVING SW IN COLUMN VIC (BS 521988). CALLED ARTY MSN. 101635, CO L 3/5 34 MAN REACTION FORCE HELILIFTED VIC (BS 520985) TO COMMENCE SWEEP TO NW.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 091645, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 654014) FOUND CAVE (2'X3'X30M). OBS NOISE INSIDE CAVE. PF'S CHALL IN VN. RECD NO RESPONSE. THREW ONE SMOKE GREN IN CAVE IN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE SECONDARY ENTRANCE. THREW ONE M-26 GREN. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA, BLK PJ'S. CAVE DESTR.

(LATE ENTRY) 091840, CO C SQD OP (BS 638990) OBS NINE ENEMY WITH TWO WPNS MOVING N VIC (BS 634990). RECD 20 RDS SA. RETD 60 RDS SA. FT SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

101045, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 632958) OBS TWO VC WITH WPNS VIC (BS 637957). FIRED TWO RDS SA. RECD ONE GREN. RETD TEN RDS SA AND PURSUED. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA, ONE VC WIA. CAPTURED ONE US CARBINE, ONE M-26 GREN, TWO MAGS, ONE HOMEMADE GAS MASK, FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 101230, CO H SQD (PLUS) CMBT BASE VIC (BS 554908) RECD TEN RDS SA FM 50M TO NE. RETD 40 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-79. SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACTS.

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) (LATE ENTRY) 092110, 4/11 PER PSN (BS 441100) RECD ONE GREN, SIX RDS SA FM 25M TO W. RETD ONE GREN, TWO HAND ILLUMS. FT SEARCHED FOR 20 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(2) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: LIGHT RAIN

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B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 101350, OBS ONE VC SNIPING AT
 HCPTR VIC (BS 526756), CALLED FIRE MSN. SNIPER PSN DESTR.
 E. MSNS FIRED: OBS: 1

(3) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: LIGHT RAIN
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NONE
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	17	2	91	110	102	8
107HT	1		6	7	7	
155H	7	3	21	31	23	8
155G		1		1	1	
8"H		4		4	4	
175G	5			5	5	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	369	42	2	413
107HT	38			38
155H	214	20		234
155G	12			12
8"H	26			26
175G	50			50

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:
	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	8	47	55	55
155H	5		6	6

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	TOTAL
105H	290	8	298
155H	5	6	11

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER CONDITIONS CAUSED CANCELLATION OF
 THREE RCN INSERTS, THREE LEAFLET DROPS.

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SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS			
	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/7	3	3	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	5	5	NEG

KIT CARSON		
	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	1
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	1
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS: 1/5, NEG.

1/7, ONE TM EMPLOYED W/CO D ON S&C OPNS. ONE TM EMPLOYED AT BN CP AS INTERROGATOR.

2/7, KIT CARSON EMPLOYED WITH H/2/7 ON PTLS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO			
1/5	60	5	1	9	2	0	2	13	0	
3/5	55	15	0	23	0	0	0	65	2	
1/7	42	29	0	26	4	0	0	42	6	
2/7	22	11	0	7	2	0	2	12	0	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	
CLDC	7	1	0	3	5	2	0	0	0	
1ST RCN BN	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TF X-RAY										
TOTALS	197	61	8	68	13	0	4	154	8	1

TOTAL CONTACTS: 9 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 9 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 3 KIA

1 WIA

USMC: 1 KIA

1 WIA

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PROVINCE/ DTG ACTION FRD UNIT/ ENEMY UNIT/ INIT

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COORDINATES	SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	LOSSES	BY
QUANT TIN					
BT 554014 091645	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BT 340155 091710	CO	S&D	B-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 431112 092130	FT	SEC	I-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 427108 100355	FT	SEC	I-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 313153 101010	SQD	S&D	B-1-5 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
WPNS CAPTURED: 1 M-14 RIFLE					
BT 307155 101020	CO	S&D	B-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 302144 101150	SQD	SEC	B-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 303043 101210	SQD	SEC	B-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 309145 101300	SQD	CMBT	B-1-5	UNK	US
			1 KIA, 1 WIA	NONE	
QUANG NGAI					
BS 638990 091340	SQD	OP	C-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 441100 092110	BN	PER	4-11 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 632958 101045	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA, 1 WIA	US
WPNS CAPTURED: 1 US CARBINE					
BS 554908 101230	CO	S&D	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
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SPECISL SITREP NR 169 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 110000H TO 110600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CP 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 AT (BS 72323).

CO K 3/7 AT (BS 831363), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403).

COF 2/7 AT (BS 849391), CO M 3/7 AT (BS 830355).

2. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 170 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 110601H TO 111200H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU AT (BS 814384). CO I 3/7 AT (BS 872322).
 CO K 3/7 AT (BS 850362). CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403). CO M 3/7 AT
 (BS 844363). CO F 2/7 AT (BS 849391) AND (BS 843372).

2. SUMMARY: CO F 2/7, CO K 3/7 AND CO M 3/7 CONT THREE PRONG
 SSG OPN SOUTH OF NUI CUA PSN WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CO I 3/7 CONT
 DEFENSE OF NUI DAU. CO L 3/7 CONT OPN IN ASSIGNED AREA.

3. CONTACTS: 110715, CO F 2/7, SQD CMBT (BS 846380) RECD THREE RDS
 SNIPER FIRE FM (BS 848376). RETD TEN RDS SA. VC BROKE CONTACT.
 SEARCHED AREA. NO EVID OF VC CAS. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

110845, CO L 3/7 SQD CMBT (BS 824386) RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM ONE VC
 (BS 825386). RETD 20 RDS SA AND ASSAULTED VC PSN. APPREH ONE PW (VC)
 WITH M-1 RIFLE. VC WAS WOUNDED. FWD PW AND WPN TO ITT.

110900, CO M 3/7 (BS 835364) IN CONJUNCTION WITH AO CONTROLLED
 FIXED WING STRIKE ON FORTIFIED AREA RESULTING IN EXTENSIVE DAMAGE
 TO FORTIFIED PSNS AND NINE VC KIA (PROB) OBS BY AO. AIR CRAFT RECD
 SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE.

110900, CO F 2/7 (BS 848375) SWEEPING SOUTH RECD 15 RDS
 SA AND ONE GREN FM CONCEALED TRENCH LINE. RETD 25 RDS SA AND
 ASSAULTED THROUGH VC PSNS. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE
 OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

111145, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 850362) POINT MAN DETONATED
 POSSIBLE 81MM OR 105 RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 NO SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

4. PLANS: NO CHANGE

5. CUMULATIVE CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 359 WIA, THREE DOW.

VC: 265 KIA, 544 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL
 DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 171 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 111201H TO 111800H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO K AND CO M 3/7 AT (BS 814384), CO I
3/7 AT (BS 872322), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403), CO F 2/7 AT (BS

840391).

2. SUMMARY: CO I 3/7 CONT DEF OF NUI DAU. CO L 3/7 CONDUCTED
PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREA. CO K 3/7, CO M 3/7 AND CO F 2/7 CONDUCTED
RDS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

3. CONTACTS: 111300, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL OBS FOUR VC MOVING
EAST TO WEST ON TRAIL (BS 855369). PTL FIRED 150 RDS SA, TEN
RDS M-79. SEARCH FOUND ONE VC KIA AND INDICATIONS OF ONE VC KIA
(PROB). ALSO FOUND ONE CHICOM GREN. DESTR IN PLACE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS. CONDUCT PTLs AND AMBS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 266 KIA, 545 KIA (PROB),
87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES,
5 DEAD INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 172 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 111801H TO 112400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: OPN COMTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 111145, CO K 3/7
 SQD CMBT PTL CUM CAS TO READ: USMC: TWO WIA (ONE EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 111600, CO D 1ST RECON BN 3RD PLAT (BS 733380)
 DETECTED MOVEMENT TO NW AND SE OF PSN. RECD TWO GRENS FM SE.
 RECD 20 RDS SA, FOUR CS GRENS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. 111700,
 EXTRACTATION COMPLETED.

(LATE ENTRY) 111730, CO F 2/7 SQD OP (BS 849389) OBS FIVE VC
 WITH WPNS WORKING ON FORTIFIED PSN VIC (BS 853373). FIRED 110
 RDS TO CAL OBS THREE VC FALL. THREE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. COM CAS: VC: 266 KIA, 548 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE
 PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.
 WIA: 36 KIA, 360 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: CO I: MAINTAIN DEF OF NUI DAU; CONT IMPROVEMENT OF
 RECON COND PTL FM CP TO (BS 871334-868336-865323-867315) AND
 RETURN TO CP. CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS.

CO K: COND JOINT PLAT AND ONTO RECON PTL FM (BS 817379)
 ALONG FOOTHILLS ON NUI DANG IN COUNTER-CLOCKWISE DIRECTIONS.
 CHECK FOR TRAFFICABILITY AND SUITABILITY AREA OF EMPLOYMENT FOR
 TRACKED VEHICLES; IF SUITABLE TRAFFICABILITY EXISTS AND FORDING
 BODIES AVAILABLE, CONDUCT PTL THROUGH AN THOUNG (3) AND AN LAV
 CID AND RETURN. COND CO (-) SWEEP FROM BN CP. COND NIGHT PTLS
 AND AMBS. PROVIDE SQD AS COVERING FORCE ON S BANK OF STREAM VIC
 (BS 819394) FOR ENGR SURVEY OF BRIDGE SITE.

CO L: MAINTAIN PSN VIC (BS 822403). CONDUCT SEARCH AND
 RECON OPERATIONS FM (BS 822403-829400-819395-822403) AND FROM
 (BS 822403-817401-821409-822403). CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS.
 PROVIDE SQD FOR COVERING FORCE ON N BANK STREAM VIC (BS 819394)
 FOR ENGR SURVEY.

CO M: MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE PSNS AT NUI DANG CONDUCT NIGHT
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PTLS AND AMBS.

C 2/7: COND S&D OPN FM (BS 849394-843983-853378-858379-849394). COND PTL FM (BS 849394-844385-845375) AND RETURN.
COND NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS.

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A F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
 10 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 153 FOR 110000H TO 112400H MAR 67
 11 MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
 12 MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 13 NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 14 TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 15 AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8239)
 16 UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 17 CASE: 1ST MAW
 18 NSF: NONE
 19 DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 57
 20 DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 21 CUM CASE VC: 26S KIA, 54S KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB),
 22 VC (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.

23 36 KIA, 359 WIA, THREE DOW.
 24 WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
 25 ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
 26 DAILY PAIR OPNS:
 27 5-12

(1) DTG INIT/DTG TERM: 110600H/CONT
 (2) LOC: BICH NGO (3) (BT 3417)
 (3) PARTICIPATING: UNITS: CO B (-) (REIN), DET H&S CO
 , CAC 1 (-), RF AND PF UNITS, NAT POLICE TM, CENSUS GRIEVANCE
 DISTRICT OFFICIALS, GVN REPRESENTATIVES, CULTURAL DRAMA TM,
 224 PSY OPNS CO, 15TH AIR COMMANDO AIR BROADCAST TM.
 (4) OBJ: TO ELIMINATE VC INFRASTRUCTURE AND TO WIN OVER
 28 TO THE GOVERNMENT,
 (5) FRIENDLY CAS: NONE
 (6) DR VD SCREENED: 218
 (7) VC LOSSES: NONE
 (8) EFFECT ON VC INFRASTRUCTURE: UNK AT THIS TIME.
 (9) CIVIC ACTION SUPP RENDERED: MED CAP AND DENT CAP TREATED 300
 (10) PSY OP SUPPORT RENDERED: CULTURAL TM AND PSY OPS TM
 29 SPEECHES AND DEMONSTRATIONS
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(11) OTHER SIGNIF RESULTS: NONE

(12) OTHER REMARKS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 101700, CO B S&D (BT 313145)

APPREH FOUR VN FEMALES, NO ID, WHOM KIT CARSON BELIEVES ARE USED AS NO LOOKOUTS AND SUPPLY CARRIERS. FOUR DETAINEES FWD ITT.

101705, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BT 348167) RECD 30 RDS SA FM 500M TO NE VIC (BT 355170). RETD 50 RDS SA, TWO RDS 3.5 WP. SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 101700, CO M SQD CMBT PTL (BS 479200) RECD TEN RDS SA FM APPROX EIGHT ENEMY RUNNING FM HAMLET (BS 479920). RETD 50 RDS SA AND PURSUED. LOST CONTACT IN HEAVY BRUSH. SEARCHED HAMLET AND FOUND TWO VNS HIDING IN HOUSE WITH WPNS. TWO DETAINEES, ONE CHICOM RIFLE, ONE SHOT GUN, ONE DARK BELT, ONE CHICOM GREN, ONE PACK CONTAINING MED GEAR, DOCUMENTS, FWD ITT. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 102035, CO K PER PSN (BT 522021) RECD TWO RDS SA FM VIC (BT 526024). RETD 20 RDS SA, TWO RDS 60MM ILLUM. SQD SEARCHED FOR 40 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 102210, CO M PLAT PER PSN (BS 476937) RECD EST THREE GRENS, TWO RDS SA FM VIC (BS 476938). RETD 12 RDS SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

10350, CO M PLAT S&D (BS 476947) RECD TWO RDS SA FM UNK SOURCE. ONE USMC KIA.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 101045, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 65362) FOUND CAVE (3'X3'X4'). SEARCH REVEALED ONE 10CC SYRINGE CAS, TWO EMPTY PLASTIC BAGS, FWD BN S-2. CAVE DESTROYED.

(LATE ENTRY) 101445, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 655011) RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM ONE ENEMY IN BLUE PJ'S VIC (BT 655003). RETD 50 RDS SA, PURSUED TO SE. SEARCH REVEALED ONE M-1 CLIP, FIVE SPENT CAS NOS.

(LATE ENTRY) 101610, CO B SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL (BS 653956) APPREH FOUR VN FEMALES, AGES 30, NO ID. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 101840, CO D FT CMBT PTL (BS 653991) RECD TEN RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY 500M TO NE VIC (BS 644994). RETD TEN RDS SA. PURSUED TO E. SEARCHED FOR 40 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 101840, CO A PLAT (-) S&D (BT 653046) RECD 50

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FM SIX ENEMY 1000 TO SE VIC (BT 658044). REID 100 RDS SA,
 3.5. CALLED FOR THREE RDS 105MM HE. PURSUED TO S AND
 SEARCHED FOR ONE HR FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.
 115, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BS 638023) OBS FOUR ENEMY, BLK
 WPNS VIC (BT 638019). FIRED 30 RDS SA, RECD 15 RDS SA.
 REVEALED ONE VC KIA.
 190, CO B SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL (BS 695944) RECD 15 RDS SA FM
 ENEMY 350M TO S VIC (BS 695940). REID FIVE RDS SA. PUR-
 SUED TO S AND SEARCHED FOR 45 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.
 ONE WIA (EVAC).
 250, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 653976) FOUND CAVE (3'X3'X15').
 BY ENGRS.
 350, CO A SQD (PLUS) CMBT PTL (BT 643058) OBS TWO ENEMY, WPNS,
 GREEN PONCHOS 300M TO S VIC (BT 643055). FIRED 20 RDS
 PURSUED TO W. SEARCH REVEALED BLOOD SPOTS. ONE VC WIA.
 415, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 658047) APPREH TWO VCS VIC
 (BT 658047) ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE TO SEA. SEARCH OF BOAT REVEALED
 POWDER CANNISTERS. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.
 440, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 662027) RECD 30 RDS SA FM VIC
 (BT 65030). REID 50 RDS SA, FOUR RDS 106MM HE. SEARCHED FOR

FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.
 (2) 2/7: 111350, CO G SQD BLKG PSN (BS 541930) RECD
 SA FM ONE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, WPN, 500M TO SW. REID 100
 RDS SA. SQD SEARCHED AREA FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
 ENEMY CAS.

1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: 111445, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS FIVE VC,
 20, KHAKI'S, GREEN UTILITIES, WPN, CART BELT VIC (BS
 635588). CALLED FIRE MSN. ONE VC KIA.
 COU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT.

1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

- A. WEATHER: OVERCAST, FAIR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 110945, OBS ONE VC VIC (BS 483745).

110950, VC ESCAPED INTO HUY BRUSH. 111010, OBS THREE
 (BS 487759). CALLED FIRE MSN. THREE VC KIA (PROB).
 111020, OBS 12 VC VIC (BS 476784). CALLED FIRE MSN. THREE VC
 (PROB).

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E. MSN FIRED: OBS: 3

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: OVERCAST, FAIR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSN FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
100	20	63	83	71	12
107	4	5	9	9	
105	8	5	21	24	10

100	2	2	2
107	13	13	13

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
100	490	74	18	582
107	43	8		51
105	463	11		474
100	48			48
107	124			124

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSION			SUPPORTING: DESOTO	
OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	
100	8	23	31	
107	1	1	1	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
100	195	31	9	235
107	1			1

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

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NR EMPLOYED

RESULTS

1/1	3	3	NEG
3/1	1	1	NEG
1/2	4	4	NEG
2/2	2	2	NEG
3/2	5	5	NEG

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NR EMPLOYED

1/1	2	1
1/2	1	1
1/3	1	1
1/4	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/5, EMPLOYED W/B/1/5 ON S&D OPN.

1/6, EMPLOYED W/C/1/7 ON PSY WAR MSN.

2/5, EMPLOYED W/H/2/7 ON PTLs.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

PATROLS

AMBUSHES

S&D-OPNS

LIST

SCOUT

	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	BN	POST	SNIPER
0117									
1/5	37	14	0	4	5	0	0	8	0

3/5	62	24	0	24	2	0	0	55	2
1/7	50	35	0	32	2	1	0	41	8
1/7	22	19	0	6	4	0	0	12	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST IAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
CHDC	9	6	0	12	2	0	0	0	0
1ST FCN BN	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST K-RAY									
TOTALS	191	98	11	78	15	1	1	138	10

INITIAL CONTACTS: 13 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 41 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 KIA
1 WIA
10 DEIUSMC: 2 KIA
3 WIA

TERRY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/	DIG	ACTION	FRD UNIT	ENEMY UNIT/	INIT
COORDINATES	SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	LOSSES	BY
QUANG TR					
BT 85043	101445	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK
					VC

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BT 51-145	101700	CO	S&D	NONE	NONE	US
BT 523044	101840	PLAT	CMBT	B-1-5	UNK	VC
BT 523024	102035	CO	PER	NONE	4 DET	VC
BT 523170	110705	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC
BT 63058	111330	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	US
BT 63047	111415	SQD	CMBT	K-3-5	UNK	US
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	B-1-5	UNK	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	US
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	US
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	1 WIA	US
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	2 DET	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	US
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	NONE	2 DET	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	M-3-5	UNK	VC
BT 63030	111450	SQD	CMBT	1 WIA	2 DET	VC

WINS CAPTURED: 1 CHICOM RIFLE, 1 SHOT GUN

BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	NONE	NONE	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	M-3-5	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	1 KIA,	NONE	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	1 WIA	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	M-3-5	NONE	US
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	1 KIA	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	A-1-7	1 KIA	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	NONE	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	B-1-7	NONE	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	1 WIA	UNK	VC
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	G-2-7	UNK	US
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	NONE	NONE	US
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	1ST RECON	UNK	US
BT 644994	101840	FT	CMBT	NONE	1 KIA	US

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FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
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RUMNVE/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 173 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 120001H TO 120600H MAR 67

1. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.
2. (FOLLOW-UP TO 110900 F 2/7) CUM CAS: USMC FOUR WIA (THREE EVAC).
3. CUM CAS: 36 KIA, 363 WIA, THREE DOW.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 174 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 120601H TO 121200H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 AND CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7
(BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 824385), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO F
2/7 (BS 849391).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC 266 KIA, 548 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW
(VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.
USMC: 36 KIA, 302 WIA, THREE DOW.
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.
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 SPECIAL SITREP NR 175 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 121201H TO 121800H MAR 67
 1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
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TO C3 FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 154 FOR 120001H TO 122400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 266 KIA, 548 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE
PW (VC) 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.

USMC: 36 KIA, 382 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER HAD NO EFFECT ON OPNS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS:

A. 5-12

(1) DTG INITIATED: 121800/CONT

(2) LOC: BICH NGO (3) (BT 3417)

(3) PARTICIPATING: UNITS: CO B (-) REIN, DET H&S CO 1/5,

CAC 1, RF AND PF UNITS, NAT POLICE TM, CENSUS/GRIEVANCE TEAM, DIST
OFFICIALS, CVM REPRESENTATIVES, CULTURAL DRAMA TM, DET 224 PSY OPS
CO, 15TH AIR COMMANDO TM.

(4) OBJ: TO ELIMINATE VC INFRASTRUCTURE AND WIN PEOPLE
OVER TO THE GOVERNMENT.

(5) FRIENDLY CAS: NONE

(6) NR OF VN SCREENED: 600

(7) VC LOSSES: NONE

(8) EFFECT ON VC INFRASTRUCTURE: UNK AT THIS TIME

(9) CIVIC ACTION SUPPORT RENDERED: MEDCAP, DENTCAP TREAT-

ED 220 PEOPLE.

(10) PSY OPNS SUPPORT RENDERED: LOUDSPEAKER BROADCAST BY

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VILLAGE DIST CHIEF. DIST NEWSPAPER AND PSY WAR PAMPLETS DISTRIBUTED.

(11) OTHER SIGNIF EVENTS: DIST AND VILLAGE REVEALED THAT LOCAL PEOPLE WERE PLEASED WITH OPN AND LOOKED FORWARD TO ANOTHER. THEY WELCOMED PRESENCE OF USMC.

(12) OTHER REMARKS: 600 PEOPLE WELL FED AT NOON MEAL. VISIT BY DEVOTE 6 AND SELECT 6 WARMLY WELCOMED VN FLAG PRESENTED TO VILLAGE CHIEF BY DEVOTE 6.

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 110715, CAC I (BT 349172) RECD TEN RDS SA FM EST ONE SNIPER AT A RANGE OF 800M (BT 325161). RETD 25 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 111315, CAC I (BT 348163) RECD 14 RDS SA FM EST 900M (BT 353158). SQD PTL SENT TO SEARCH AREA, RECD 60 RDS SA FM EST SIX SNIPERS AT (BT 366157) AND (BT 359153). SQD PTL RETD 30 RDS SA AT BOTH PSNS. SEARCH OF PSNS FOUND ONE VCS (MALE), NO ID. FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 111420, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BT 324175) OBS TWO ENEMY 50M NW WITH WPNS IN WHITE TROUSERS, BLK SHIRTS. PTL FIRED 30 RDS SA. OBS ONE VC FALL. ONE VC WIA. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 112200, CO B S&D (BT 348168) RECD 25 RDS SA FM ONE SNIPER AT (BT 352116). RTD 30 RDS SA AND FIVE RDS M-79. SQD SEARCHED AREA WITH NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

120930, CO B SQD SEC PTL (BT 352146) ENCOUNTERED FOUR VC WITH WPNS ON TRAIL. PTL FIRED 20 RDS SA. SEARCH OF AREA FOUND TWO VC KIA. ONE CARBINE AND SEVERAL FRAG GRENS. WPNS FWD BN S-2.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 111700, CO M S&D APPROACHED BY 25 VILLAGERS FM AN KHOUNG (1) (BS 475936) WHO REQ TO BE RELOCATED. ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH 7TH MAR AND HQ AT BINH SON. VILLAGERS TO BE EVAC TO BINH SON.

(LATE ENTRY) CO I FT SEC PTL (BT 430110) RECD FOUR RDS SA FM (BT 427109). RETD EIGHT RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

120815, CO M SQD CMBT PTL (BS 475938) DETONATED PRESSURE TYPE AP MINE (BS 478948). NO USMC CAS. SEARCH OF AREA FOUND 20 HONE-MADE SHOTGUN SHELLS, FIVE M-14 RDS, FOUR CHICOM GRENS, TWO 81MM HE RDS, ONE WP GREN, EXPLOSIVE PARTS OF GRENS, MATERIAL FOR BAN-GALORE TORPEDO, ONE PR US KHAKI TROUSERS, AND ONE VN KHAKI SHIRT.

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ALL GEAR FWD TO BN S-2.

120850, CO M S&D (BS 475938) RECD ONE RD SNIPER FIRE FM UNOBS ENEMY PSN. SQD CMBT PTL (BS 476937) RECD TEN RDS SA AND PURSUED. SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND POOL OF BLOOD AND DRAG MARKS. ONE VC KIA (PROB) AND ONE PF WIA (NON EVAC).

120955, CO I SQD CMBT PTL ENCOUNTERED ONE FISHING VESSEL (BT 452118) WITH FOUR VN MALES (30-40 YRS OLD). ALL HAD ID CARDS. VESSEL CONTAINED SIX CASES C-RATIONS. FOUR DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

121130, CO L FT RECON PTL (BT 452095) RECD FIVE RDS SA AND ONE DUD M-20 GREN FM ONE ENEMY WEARING WHITE TROUSERS, BLK SHIRT (BT 54096). ENEMY FLED. PTL FIRED TWO RDS SA. ONE VC KIA.

121430, CO M S&D (BS 475938) APPREHENDED THREE VN MALES. THREE DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 111630, CO B PLAT CMBT (BS 704937) FOUND CAVE SYSTEM (BS 704937) WITH NUMEROUS ENTRANCES AND TWO LEVELS WHICH EXTENDED IN EXCESS OF 200M. ROKMC HAVE GRANTED PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN AREA UNTIL 130600. DEMO TO BE FLOWN IN BY HCPT. SEARCH FOUND TWO PACKS. FWD BN S-2. ADDLN INFO TO FOLLOW.

121100, CO B FT SEC PTL (BS 703937) RECD 20 RDS SA AND TWO GRENS FM HVY BRUSH (BS 703835). RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

121150, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 703936). USMC SNIPER OBS THREE ENEMY WITH WPNS 1000M SE (BS 710930). FIRED TWO RDS SA, OBS ONE ENEMY FALL WHO WAS DRAGGED AWAY BY OTHERS. ONE VC WIA.

121300, (FOLLOW UP TO 101630) CO B CAVES (BS 704937) DIMENSIONS VARY FM 3°-4° IN WIDTH AND 4°-5° IN HEIGHT. INITIAL SEARCH REVEALED NUMEROUS METAL PLATES 2° IN DIAMETER REIN CAVE. FOUND THREE PRESSURE TYPE AP MINES (TO BE DESTR). SECOND BRANCH OF CAVE TO S YET TO BE SEARCHED. ADDLN INFO TO FOLLOW. 121700, FOUND CAVE TO BE 600M LONG WITH THREE LEVELS AND THREE SLEEPING ROOMS (10X10X5°). METAL PLATES IN PREVIOUS SPOT REPT DETERMINED TO BE COVERS FOR SIMP HOLES. ROKMC HAVE GRANTED PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN AREA UNTIL 140600H. CAVE TO BE DESTR 13 MAR 67.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 111430, CO H SQD CMBT (BS 536920) PTL RECD WP RDS SA FM 500M FM EST FOUR ENEMY SNIPERS AT UNOBS PSN. PURSUED TO AREA, NO CONTACT ENCOUNTERED. TWO USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).

120730, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 507916) OBS THREE VC ON TRAIL ASSEMBLING AP MINE (BS 510908). ALSO OBS TWO VCS WITH WPNS IN BT

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 BLK PJ'S RUN INTO HOUSE (BS 511905). CALLED ARTY MSN OF 29 RDS
 105MM HE. GOOD COVERAGE OF TGT. ONE VC KIA, FOUR VC KIA (PROB).
 121040, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 525940) APPREH TWO VCS. TWO
 ETAINES FWD ITT.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: 121045, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS SEVEN
 ENEMY MOVING INTO WOOD LINE (BS 635588), WEARING BLK, KHAKI AND
 GREEN PJ'S, THREE RIFLES AND ONE PACK. FIRE MSN CALLED WITH
 EXCELLENT COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

121115, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS 14 VCS MOVING W (BS 618533)
 WITH BLK PJ'S. NO WPNS OR EQUIP OBS.

121140, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS EIGHT VC MOVING ALONG TRAIL

(BS 627607), FOUR IN BLK PJ'S AND FOUR IN KHAKI PJ'S WITH THREE
 RIFLES, ONE AW AND ONE PACK. FIRE MSN CALLED WITH EXCELLENT
 COVERAGE. FOUR VC KIA.

121215, 3RD PLAT (BS 415849) OBS ONE VC MOVING E ON TRAIL
 (BS 425871) BLK PJ'S AND RIFLE.

121415, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TWO ENEMY WALKING SE ON TRAIL
 (BS 642573) WEARING BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. FIRED FIVE RDS .50 CAL.
 ONE VC KIA.

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) AN HOA OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: MODERATE
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
- E. MSN FIRED: NONE

(2) NUI TRON OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: MODERATE
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

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D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: (LATE ENTRY) 111830, OBS ONE ENEMY IN TREELINE (BS 528708). CALLED FIRE MSN. ONE VC KIA.
(LATE ENTRY) 112200, OBS LIGHTS AT (BS 544745). FIRE MSN CALLED. 8000 COVERAGE ON TGT. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

E. MSNS FIRED: TWO

(3) 1ST FAG: (LATE ENTRY) 112020, BTRY H 3/11 PER PSN (BS 568957) OP OBS ONE PERSON ON DEF WIRE. FIRED TEN RDS SA AND ONE 81MM ILLUM. PERSON FLED. FT SEARCHED AREA FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 112130, BTRY H 3/11 PER PSN (BS 568957) RECD THREE RDS SA FM NE APPROX 300M (BS 591957). FIRED ONE RD 81MM ILLUM. OBS NO MOVEMENT.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	19	59	78	62	16
107HT		5	5	5	
155H	6	41	47	39	8
155C	2		2	2	
8" H	1		1	1	

1750	8	2	10	10
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ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	767	94	59	920
107HT	26			26
155H	167	20		187
155C	13			13
8" H	16			16
1750	102			102

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	1	17	18	18
155H		23	23	23

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	164		52	216
155H	37	3		40

SPECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

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	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/5	3	3	NEG
3/5	1	1	NEG
1/7	6	6	1 VC WIA
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	5	5	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/7	2	1	
2/7	1	1	
1/5	1	1	NEG
3/5	1	0	NEG

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, EMPLOYED W/C/1/7 FOR PSY OPS IN VIC MY HUE HAMLET.
 2/7, ASSISTING CAC UNITS IN PHU LE (1) & (3).

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT			
1/5	37	14	0	4	5	0	0	8	0
3/5	52	24	0	24	2	0	0	55	2

1/7	49	17	2	28	0	0	0	41	8
2/7	27	12	0	8	2	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
CLDC	8	5	0	15	1	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF X-RAY									
TOTALS	154	72	16	79	10	0	1	138	14

TOTAL CONTACTS: 17 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 9 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 9 KIA
 5 KIA (PROB)
 2 WIA, 10 DET
 USMC: 3 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DIG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 125161	110715	PLAT SP	CAC-1-5	UNK	VC
			NONE	NONE	
BT 153158	111315	PLAT SP	CAC-1-5	UNK	VC
BT					

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BS 324175	111420	SQD	SP	NONE	1 DET	
				B-1-5	UNK	US
BS 427109	112145	FT	SP	NONE	1 WIA	
				I-3-5	UNK	VC
BS 352166	112200	PLAT	PER	NONE	NONE	
				B-1-5	UNK	VC
BS 352146	120930	SQD	SEC	NONE	NONE	
				B-1-5	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA	
WINS CAPTURED: 1 US CARBINE						
BS 432118	120955	SQD	CMBT	I-3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	4 DET	
BS 454096	121130	FT	RCN PTL	L-3-5	UNK	VC

				NONE	1 KIA	
QUANG NGAI						
BS 536920	111430	SQD	S&D	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				2 WIA	NONE	
BS 568957	112020	BTRY	PER	H-3-11	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 581957	112130	BTRY	PER	H-3-11	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 507916	120730	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA, 4 KIA (P)	
BS 475938	120815	SQD	CMBT	M-3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 475958	120850	CO	S&D	M-3-5	UNK	VC
				NONE	1 KIA (P)	
BS 525940	121040	SQD	CMBT	G-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	2 DET	
BS 635988	121045	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 703835	121100	FT	SP	B-1-7	UNK	VC
				1 WIA	NONE	

BS 635988	121140	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	4 KIA	
BS 703935	121150	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 WIA	
BS 635988	121415	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA	
BS 475938	121430	CO	S&D	M-3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	3 DET	

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMVFF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 177 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 130001H TO 130600H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME EXCEPT FOR CO K 3/7 AT (BS 814384).
 2. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.
 3. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN DEFENSE OF NUI DAU CONTINUE IMPROVEMENT
 OF POSITIONS. CONDUCT PATROL FROM CP TO (BS 867315) TO (BS 873317)
 TO (BS 879321) TO (BS 873321). PATROL FROM CP TO (BS 872327) TO
 (BS 870333) TO (BS 873330). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.
 F 2/7 DISPLACE FROM NUI CAU AND CONDUCT A COMPANY SWEEP TO NUI
 DANG ALONG THE GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT FROM PRESENT CP TO (BS 841376)
 TO (BS 834380) TO AN(LACI) (BS 828388) TO BN CP. CONDUCT NIGHT
 PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. PREPARE FOR HELOLIFT ON 140800H
 MARCH TO LZ VIC (BS 744390). MOVEMENT OF CO L 3/7 TO NUI CAU
 FOR DEFENSE OF THAT POSITION COMPLETED 121745H MARCH. CO L

MAINTAIN POSITION VIC (BS 822403). CONDUCT SQUAD PATROL FROM
 CP TO (BS 823395) TO (BS 814398) TO (BS 818404) AND TO
 (BS 822403). MAINTAIN CO L 3/7 ON NUI CUA FOR DEFENSE OF THAT POSITION.
 CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO M 3/7 CONDUCT COMPANY SWEEP
 FROM BN CP TO POSITIONS (BS 768386) AND (BS 771393) ALONG GENERAL
 AXIS OF ADVANCE (BS 792361) TO (BS 779349) TO (BS 768367) TO
 (BS 768371). TO POSITIONS. CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.
 BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT HELICOPTER ASSAULT OF CO F 2/7 ON 140830H
 VIC (BS 744390) ON ORDER, PROVIDE SECURITY IN AREA FROM
 (BS 756381) TO (BS 761393).
 CO M 3/7 CONDUCT COMPANY SWEEP IN TRACE OF CO K 3/7 TO (BS 791365).
 CONTINUE SWEEP ALONG AXIS OF ADVANCE (BS 785370) TO (BS 785380)
 TO OBJECTIVE THAM LAMB (1) (BS 788386). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND
 AMBUSHES. CO M, 3/7 CO K 3/7, AND CO F 2/7 COORDINATE IN A TWO
 TO THREE DAY OPERATION TO PROVIDE SECURITY TO ENABLE LOCAL
 VILLAGERS TO RECOVER PROPERTY, RICE, AND WATER BUFFALO
 ABANDONED WHEN THEY WERE FORCED TO FLEE THE VC. THIS OPERATION WILL
 PERMIT RECOVERY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, DENY AID AND SHELTER TO
 VC, AND PERMIT THE VILLAGERS TO ESTABLISH HOMES IN SECURE AREA
 AROUND NUI DANG. MOVEMENT OF VILLAGERS FROM DUC PHON TO OPERATIONAL

AREA WILL COMMENCE AT 140700H MARCH.

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RUMNVH/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 178 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 130601H TO 121200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7, CO F 2/7 AT (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 AT
(BS 872322),

OK 3/7 AT (BS 784345), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403) AND (BS 849341),
CO M 3/7 AT (BS 786371).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 130000, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 847380)
TRIPPED APPARENT CHI COM GREN RIGGED AS MINE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).
131130, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 788366) DETONATED CHI COM GREN RIGGED AS AP
MINE. AREA SEARCHED FINDING NO OTHER MINES. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC 266 KIA, 548 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC),
26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 64 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS. USMC: 35 KIA.

306 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS

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 INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 179 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 131201H TO 131800H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7, CO F 2/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 766372), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403) AND (BS 840391), CO M 3/7 (BS 787386).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH HEAVY CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 131230, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 786373) FOUND TWO M-26 GRENS RIG GED AS PRESSURE RELEASE TYPE MINES. DESTR IN PLACE.
 131245, CO I 3/7 S&D (BS 878323) RECD SEVERAL HUNDRED RDS A /AW FM 1ST REIN VC SQD IN TRENCH LINE VIC (BS 880324). RETD SA, 8-75, 81MM WP, 81MM HE, 60MM WP, 60MM HE, VC BROKE CONTACT TO SE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. 131310, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 786373) OBS FIVE VCS, BLK PJ'S, WPNS MOVING IN TREELINE 1800M SW VIC (BS 773368). CALLED ARTY MSN.

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EXCELLENT COVERAGE. COULD NOT OBS ANY ENEMY CAS.

131500, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 849291) NGF SPOTTER TM OBS THREE VC DIGGING TRENCH APPROX 2000M TO SE VIC (BS 853360). CALLED FOR 30RDS 57RDS. OBS THREE VC KIA (PROB).

131530, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 782352) APPREH ONE VN AGE 16 WHOM INTERPRETER BELIEVES KNOWS LOCATION OF FOUR ADDITIONAL VC IN AREA ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

131545, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 789378) FOUND TUNNEL (350 X 4 X 4) WITH FOUR CAVERNS (4 X 5 X 12). DESTROY SAME.

131615, CO I 3/7 S&D (BS 787395) RECD 30 RDS SA FM APPROX SIX VC, BLK PJ'S, IN BUNKERS AND TRENCHLINE ALONG RAILROAD TRACKS VIC (BS 790397). RECD 250 RDS SA, 20 RDS M-79. CALLED ARTY MSN. VC BROKE CONTACT TO NW. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. BUNKERS IN AREA WERE DESTROYED.

131622, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 784381) RECD 25 RDS SA FM EST THREE VC, BLK PJ'S VIC (BS 783386). RECD 250 RDS SA. CALLED 81MM MSN. VC APPEARED TO HAVE FLED TO W. FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. OUR CAS: VC: 266 KIA, 551 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), 9,3 ONE

PO (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.

USMC: 36 KIA, 308 WIA, THREE DOW.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, FTLS, AMBS AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 180 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 131801H TO 132400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: 131800, CO K 3/7 (BS 767384) AND CO M 3/7

(BS 787564) REPORTED CIV MOVING W TO E ON TRAIL FM

OPN OBJ AREA. PEOPLE WERE OBS TO BE CARRYING PERSONAL BELONGINGS.

PRELIMINARY QUESTIONING OF 384 PEOPLE INDICATED CIV WERE

SEEKING REFUGEE IN DIST HQS. INTELL INFO ON ENEMY ROUTES

OF EGRESS OBTAINED FM PEOPLE NOW BEING ACTED UPON WITH H&I

FIRES THIS PM. ADDLN INFO TO FOLLOW.

132300, CO F 2/7 (BS 525975) PER PSN BUNKER RECD TWO
INCOMING GRENS APPROX 50 FT IN FRONT OF PSN. SENTRY DID
NOT OBS ENEMY. SEARCH OF AREA 140630H.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: NO CHANGE

6. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 1 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 131230H TO 131800H MAR 67

1. OPN TIPPECANOE, A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPN CONDUCTED BY 1ST BN (-) 5TH MARINES, COMMENCED AND 131230H. EST DURATION OF OPN IS FIVE DAYS.
2. OPN AREA: BOUNDED ON N BY N BOUNDARY CHU LAI TAOR, ON E BY RT NR 1, ON S FM (BT 4113-3804), ON W BY TAOR BOUNDARY EXCEPT FOR SECTOR EXTENDING INTO RZ FM (BT 280136-290109-340070-360070).
3. TASK ORGANIZATION: 1ST BN (-), 5TH MAR, H&S CO (-), CL A (-), CO B (-), CO D (-).
4. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO B 1/5 (BT 321121), CO C 1/5, (BT 329110), CO D (BT 353083).
5. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MODERATE CONTACT.
6. CONTACTS: 131345, CO C 1/5 S&D (BT 327109) RECD ONE RD SA FM HUT 100M TO SE VIC (BT 328108). PURSUED AND ENCOUNTERED TWO ENEMY FLEEING FM HUT TO SE. FIRED 50 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC

KIA, ONE VC WIA (PROB).

131605, CO B 1/5 PLAT S&D (BT 303142) RECD 350 RDS SA FM EST 20 ENEMY FM NW AND N VIC (BT 299143). VC BROKE CONTACT. RETD 400 RDS SA, 12 RDS M-79. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC KIA. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

7. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

8. CUM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA (PROB). USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA.

9. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS, AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 2 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 131801H TO 132400 MAR 67
OPN TIPPECANOE CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 155 FOR 130001H TO 132400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: FIRST MAW

F. NGF: USS MANLEY DD 940, USS WHITE RIVER LSMR 536

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 308 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 266
KIA, 591 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS,

65 DETAINEES, AND SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

J. WEATHER HAD NO EFFECT ON OPNS.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TINH PROVINCE (BT 3513)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 1ST BN (-) 5TH MARINES

E. CAS: FIRST MAW

F. NGF: NONE

G. DTG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA. VC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA
(PROB).

J. WEATHER HAD NO EFFECT ON OPN

K. ENEMY SITUATION: 72ND BN (LF) (BT 2119), 14TH CO (LF)

(BT 3416), 75TH CO (LF) (BT 3014), 74TH CO (LF) (BT 2810), 706TH
CO (LF) (BT 3710), K 54TH CO (LF) (BT 2319) AND K 53RD CO (LF)
(BT 3910)

3. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS:

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(1) DTG INITIATED: 110600H/TERMINATED 130930H

(2) LOC: BICH NGO (3) (BT 3417)

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(3) PARTICIPATING UNITS: CO B (-) 1/5 (REIN), DET
H&S CO 1/5, CAC 1, RF AND PF UNITS, NAT POLICE TM, CENSUS/GRIEVANCE
TM, DET 224 PSY OPNS CO AIR COMMANDO TM.

(4) OBJ: TO ELIMINATE VC INFRASTRUCTURE AND WIN PEOPLE
OVER TO GOVERNMENT.

(5) FRIENDLY CAS: NONE

(6) NR OF VN SCREENED: 514

(7) VC LOSSES: TWO VC KIA, ONE KIA (PROB) AND ONE DETAINEE.

(8) EFFECT ON VC INFRASTRUCTURE: NO SIGNIF INDICATION OF
AN ORGANIZED VC INFRASTRUCTURE HAS BEEN ESTBL. SCREENING REVEALED
TEN CIV AS POSS VC TO BE CLOSELY OBS BY VILLAGE CHIEF. SCREENING
AND INTERR PRODUCED NAMES OF 20 VC FOLLOWERS, NAMES OF TEN VC ACTIVE
FM THE BICH NGO (3) AREA AND NAMES OF TEN VC FM BICH NGO (3)
PRESENTLY IN NORTH VN.

(9) CIVIC ACTION SUPPORT RENDERED: MED CAP AND DENTCAP
TREATED 466 PEOPLE.

(10) PSY OPS SUPPORT RENDERED: 2000 PSY WAR LEAFLETS PASSED
OUT AND 700 NEWSPAPERS. SHOWED MOVIES FOR TWO HRS.

(11) OTHER SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

(12) OTHER REMARKS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 122310, CAC 1-6 PER PSN (BT 325179)
RECD TWO INCOMING GRENS M-26 (ONE DUD) FM UNK PSN AND UNK NR OF
ENEMY. FIRED FOUR 81MM ILLUM RDS. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE
OF ENEMY.

130155, CAC 1-6 PER PSN (BT 323181) RECD ONE GREN FM VIC (BT
322181). FIRED SIX RDS M-79. AREA SEARCHED AT 130700 WITH NO
EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 121330, CO M (BS 475947) ENCOUNTERED
75 CIVILIANS WHO REQ EVAC. 75 REFUGEES SENT TO BINH SON DIST HQS
(BS 597926). EVAC COMPLETED 121705.

131050, CO B (-) SQD RECON PTL (BS 490933) DETONATED POSS PRES-
SURE TYPE AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 121945, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 404
956) OBS FOUR ENEMY LEAVE VILL BLK PJ'S AND GREEN AND KHAKI H&S OPNS
WITH WPNS. ENEMY OBS PTL AND FLED INTO BRUSH. PTL FIRED FOUR RDS
SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA.

130730, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 668014) OBS EIGHT VICTIMS.

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TWO WPNS (SEVEN IN BLK PJ'S AND ONE IN KHAKI) (BT 668011). FIRED 30 RDS SA, AND VC DISPERSED. PURSUED ENEMY, FOUND TWO VC KIA AND TWO VC WIA (EVAC).

131020, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 665989) DISCOVERED ONE DUD 105MM RD (NOT BOOBYTRAPPED). ENGRS DESTR IN PLACE.

131130, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 678958) APPREH ONE VCS AGE 40, NO ID, AND IN BLK PJ'S. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 121630, CO G SQD CMBT (BS 516903). PTL OBS ONE VN MALE IN BLK PJ'S WALKING ON TRAIL (50M W). CHALL TO HALT, VN RAN INTO BUSH. PTL PURSUED AND RAN AGAIN. FIRED TWO WARNING SHOTS, VN CONT TO RUN. FIRED ONE MORE RD SA. SEARCH FOUND TEN RDS .30 CAL AMMO AND NO ID. ONE VC KIA.

(LATE ENTRY) 122030, CO H CO PER PSN (BS 574922) RECD APPROX TEN RDS CARB SNIPER FIRE FM APPROX 600M SE. AT 122015, PF'S IN PHULE (3) RECD 30 RDS FIRE VIC (BS 586924). RETD 20 RDS SA AND FIVE 81MM ILLUM. SEARCHED AREA AT 130600 FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 122215, H&S CO FT AMB PTL (BS 552959) RECD 12 RDS CARB 100M TO E. RETD 50 RDS SA AND ONE M-26 GREN. SEARCHED AREA AT 130600 WITH NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 121550, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588), OBS 11 VC MOVING NE (BS 625554) WITH WPNS AND PACKS. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK.

(LATE ENTRY) 121815, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS NINE VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL VIC (BS 658573) (THREE IN KHAKI AND SIX IN BLK PJ'S) WITH RIFLES, PACKS, AND BUNDLES. FM CALLED W/GOOD EFFECT. FOUR VC KIA (PROB).

130820, 2ND PLAT (BS 713355) OBS ONE VC (BS 750355) IN BLK PJ'S AND PACK. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK.

130900, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TWO VC MOVING E ON TRAIL (BS 670516) IN BLK PJ'S WITH ONE RIFLE. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK.

131030, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS NINE VCS MOVING W ON TRAIL IN COLUMN (BS 618534) IN MIXED KHAKI AND BLK PJ'S.

131030, 1ST PLAT (BS 63588) OBS 20 VCS (BS 623619) MIXED KHAKI AND GREEN PJ'S.

131115, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS SIX VC (BS 660577) IN BLK PJ'S, ONE RIFLE, AND PACKS. FM CALLED TWO VC STRUCTURES DESTR AND ONE PART DESTR. FOUR VC KIA (PROB).

131300, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS FIVE VC (BS 660579) IN GROUP WITH RIFLES AND BLK PF'S FM CALLED RESULTS UNK.

131500, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TEN VCS (BS 617526) MOVING

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(2) CG D: 131300, 2ND PLAT (BT 389035) OBS FOUR VCS
MOVING SW (BT 357069) IN BLK PJ'S. COULD NOT OBS EQUIP
CARRIED.

131520, 2ND PLAT (BT 389035) OBS THREE VCS STANDING BY HUTS
(BT 375055). ONE IN BLK PJ'S, ONE IN GREEN KHAKIS AND ONE IN
BROWN KHAKIS.

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. FIRST FLAG:

(1) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: MODERATE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

(2) NUI THON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NOT OBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/ RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	K&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
1300	18		62	80	71	9	
1310			4	4	4		
1320	3		19	24	15	9	
1330	3	2	1	6	5		1
1340	1		4	5	1		4
1350	9		5	15	14		1

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	UP	TOTAL
1300	258	82	22	362

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107BT	24			24
100N	156	28	21	205
100S	29			29
000	30			30

ARMY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NR OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	H & I	TOTAL	MAP
100N	7	26	33	33

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WF	TOTAL
100N	250	5	10	268

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS:

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLS
1/7	5	5	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	5	5	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	1

2/7	1	1	
1/5	1	1	NEG
3/5	1	0	NEG

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, EMPLOYED W/C/1/7 FOR PSY OPS IN MY HUE HAMLET.

2/7, WORKING W/CAC UNIT IN PHU LE. ALSO UNDER GOING MARKS-
SHIP TRAINING AND ENGLISH LESSONS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT
	FT	SQD	FLT	FT	SQD	FLT	BN	POST	SNIPER
1/7	42	3	0	7	2	0	1	7	2
1/5	54	22	0	20	1	0	0	55	0
2/7	47	26	0	30	6	0	0	84	8
2/5	26	9	0	8	1	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
101 PAC	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
100N	6	5	0	11	3	0	0	0	0
100S	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0

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TOTALS 188 65 12 76 13 0 2 180 14

TOTAL CONTACTS: 11 DAY, 6 NIGHT, 5 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 4 KIA
8 KIA (PROB)
2 DET

USMC: 1 KIA
6 WIA

PRO/INCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	UNIT	CONTACTS: ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN						
BT 325179	122310	PLAT	PER	CAC-1-6 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 322181	130430	PLAT	PER	CAC-1-6 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 668014	130730	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 KIA, 2 DET	US

BT 329112	130810	SQD	S&D	C-1-5 1 KIA, 5 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
QUANG NGAI						
BS 635588	121550	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 516903	121630	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 635588	121815	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 4 KIA (P)	US
BS 696956	121945	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 586924	122030	CO	PER	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 552959	122215	FT	AMB	H&S-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 731355	130820	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 635588	130900	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 490933	131050	SQD	RECON	M-3-5	UNK	US
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BS 635588	131115	PLAT	OP	1 WIA	NONE	
				1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	4 KIA (P)	
BS 678958	131130	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
BS 685588	131300	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	

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FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 181 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 140001H TO 140600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 AT (BS 814311), CO L 3/7 AT (BS 822403)
AND (BS 849391), CO I 3/7 AT (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 AT (BS 766372),
CO M 3/7 AT (BS 787386), CO F 2/7 (BS 814384).

2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 131845, CO M 3/7 SQD AMB (BS 815401)
SQD AND OBS SIX ENEMY, TWO W/WPNS, ACROSS RIVER (BS 815400). SQD
FIRED 300 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-70. TWO VC HIT AND ONE SEEN CRAWLING
AWAY. PTL COULD NOT THOROUGHLY SEARCH AREA DUE TO RIVER. AMBUSH
RELOCATED TO COVER AREA OF CONTACT. SEARCH OF AREA 140730. TWO
VC KIA AND ONE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 286 KIA, 552 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA

(PROB), ONE PW (VC) 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT
CIV.

6. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN DEF OF NUI DAU, LOCAL PTLs & AMBS.
CO K 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS VIC (BS 768385) & (BS 769392). CONDUCT S&D
VIC (BS 764390) PROVIDE SEC FOR RETURNING VILLAGERS. CO L 3/7
MAINTAIN PSN VIC (BS 822403) & DEF OF NUI CUA, CONDUCT LOCAL PTLs
& AMBS. CO M 3/7 ASSIST CIV PROCEEDING FM DUC PHO TO HAMLETS
VIC (BS 761381 - 763389). MAINTAIN DEF PSNS. CO F 2/7 S&D ALONG
AXIS (BS 760378 - 763385) ASSIST IN PROTECTING CIV.

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TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMNWF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
SPECIAL SITREP NR 182 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 140601H TO 141200H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322),
CO K 3/7 (BS 763394), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO M 3/7 (BS 787386),
CO F 2/7 (BS 786384).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.
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TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN

INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMVVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 183 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 141201H TO 141800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMG GRU AND CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 766385), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO F 2/7 (BS 758381).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 141200, CO M 3/7 (BS 789383) FOUND THREE BUNKERS (7 X 6 X 4) REIN WITH RAILROAD TIES. EACH HAD THREE APERTURES. BUNKERS DESTR BY DEMO.

141230, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 789385) FOUND ONE BUNKER (8 X 10 X 5) REIN BY RAILROAD TIES. DESTR BY DEMO.

141615, H&S CO 3/7 PER PSN (BS 838386) OBS FIVE ENEMY IN OPEN NEAR BUNKER PSN APPROX 2000M TO W, VIC (BS 819386). FIRED 41 106MM RDS. TWO VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB). BUNKER DESTR.

141715, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 766386) RECD THREE RDS 60MM FM SUSP ENEMY PSN VIC (BS 752393). CALLED ARTY MSN ON SUSP PSN. SEARCH OF AREA TO BE CONDUCTED.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 288 KIA, 552 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG 1ST MAR DIV REIN
INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMVGC/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 184 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 1410201H TO 142400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCTED AMBS AND PTLs FM NIGHT DEF PSNS.
3. CONTA CTS: (LATE ENTRY) 141800, CO M 3/7 SEC MSN (BS 779384) RECD Hvy SNIPER FIRE FM UNK NR OF ENEMY VIC (BS 878379). RETD 100 RDS SA, 20 RDS M-79, CALLED AIR STRIKE WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. ONE VC KIA, ONE VC KIA (PROB) KBA UNK. FIVE USMC WIA (TWO EVAC).

141815, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 849319) OBS ONE ENEMY RUNNING FM PREVIOUSLY DESTROYED BUNKER (BS 837387). FIRED 50 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNFI EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS: NO CHANGE
6. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 313 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 288 KIA, 554 WIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 3 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 140001H TO 140600H MAR 67.

1. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.

2. PLANS: CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PTLs AND AMBS IN THE VIC OF PRESENT
PSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 4 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 140601 TO 141200H
MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU AND CO B 1/5 AT (BT 330115), CO C 1/5 AT
(BT 299135), CO D 1/5 AT (BT 350089).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 140730, CO C 1/5 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 328108) MOVING TO
BLKG PSN RECD 20 RDS AW FIRE FM TWO VC AT 100M VIC (BT 329109).
RETD 100 RDS SA, 15 RDS M-79. SEARCHED AND FINDING NO EVIDENCE
OF ENEMY CAS.

140830, CO 1/5 S&D (BT 330109) RECD 200 RDS SA FM UNOBS VC EST
400M VIC (BT 334110). RETD 300 RDS SA, 20 RDS M-79, NINE 60MM RDS.
TWO RDS 3.5 WP. HUIE FIRED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE AND AIR STRIKES CALLED.
AREA TO BE SEARCHED AFTER AIR STRIKES.
141015, CO B 1/5 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 328118) FOUND ONE AP MINE,

(CHICOM) WITH TRIP WIRE ACROSS TRAIL. ENGR DESTR.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO CONT S&D.

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INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 5 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 141201H TO 141800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 1/5, CO B, CO C, CO D 1/5 (BT 326105).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MODERATE CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) FOLLOW UP TO 140830, CO C 1/5 SEARCHED AREA AFTER AIR STRIKE. FOUND THREE CAVES DESTR, ONE PR OF BLOOD STAINED PJ'S. ONE VC (KIA (PROB)).

(LATE ENTRY) 141040, CO D 1/5 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 346086) RECD TEN RDS AW FM VIC (BT 348086). VC UNOBS DUE TO UNDER BRUSH. RETD 50 RDS SA, VC BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO ENEMY CAS.

141300, CO C 1/5 SQD SEC BLKG PSN (BT 321103). SCOUT SNIPER OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WPN, BLK PJ'S MOVING E ALONG TREE LINE 600M TO E VIC (BT 322108). FIRED ONE RD SA, OBS VC FALL. FT SEARCHED FOR 30 MIN FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

141315, CO B 1/5 SQD OP (BT 331309) FOUND ONE 155MM RD WITH ONE 106MM RD RIGGED AS MINE WITH TRIP WIRE. ALSO FOUND ONE 60 MM RD RIGGED AS MINE WITH PRESSURE TYPE DEVICE. RDS WERE MARKED AND UNCOVERED. WILL BE SDESTR 15 MAR 67.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CIM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, ONE KIA (PROB), TWO WIA (PROB). USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA.
6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG 1ST MAR DIV REIN
INFO SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 6 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 141801H TO 142400H MAR 67
1. OPN TIPPECANOE CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
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FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 156 FOR 140001H TO 142400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX IR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
 - D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: FIRST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS WHITE RIVER LSMR 536
 - G. DIG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DIG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 288 KIA, 552 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB),
ONE PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.

USMC: 36 KIA, 308 WIA, THREE DOW.

J. WEATHER HAD NO EFFECT ON OPNS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

- A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TIN PROVINCE (BT 3513)
- D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1ST BN (-) FIFTH MARINEBS
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: NONE
- G. DIG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67
- H. DIG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA, VC: ONE KIA, ONE KIA
(PROB), TWO WIA (PROB).
- J. WEATHER HAD NO EFFECT ON OPNS
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
 - A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 131130, CO C S&D (BT 321113) OBS
ONE VCS IN GREEN CLOTHING WITH BUNDLE AND PACK (BT 322112). VCS

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SAW APPROACHING USMC AND FLED DISPOSING OF EQUIP AS HE RAN. USMC FIRED 100 RDS. SEARCH FOUND ONE VC KIA, PACK, EXTRA CLOTHING, RICE AND ASSORTED MILITARY EQUIP. NO EVID OF WPN. EQUIP FWD BN S-2

(2) 3/5: 141345, CO I (BT 433087) RECD ONE RD SA FM UNOBS SNIPER. SQD SEARCHED AREA AND FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 131345, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 687 956) TRIPPED HOMEMADE AP MINE. AT SAME TIME RECD 300 RDS AW AND SA, SIX RDS M-79 AND TOOK UP PURSUIT. VC BROKE CONTACT. DURING PURSUIT VCS (SEE SPOT REPT 131130) LOOSENEED BONDS AND ESCAPED. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED THREE HOMEMADE AP MINES AND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. AP MINES DESTR IN PLACE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 131410, CO C FT SEC PTL (BS 568997) DISCOVERED SUSP TWO RKT PSNS, ONE MORTAR SITE. SITES POINTED TOWARD CHU LAI AIR STRIP. AMB SET UP IN AREA. SKETCH OF AREA FWD TO G-2.

140230, CAC L-3 SQD SEC (BS 664978) APPROACHED VILLAGE OF PANOC HOA (1) (BS 664978) RECD 70 RDS SA AND 15 EXPLOS CHARGES. PTL RETD 300RDS SA AND FIVE GRENS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT IN HVY BRUSH. SEARCHED AREA FOUND ONE TS MG, TWO MAGAZINES, TWO M-26 GRENS, TWO HOMEMADE GRENS, TWO BANGALORE TORPEDOES, ONE BATTLE

DRESSING AND ONE WHISTLE. EQUIP FWD TO BN S-2. TWO VC KIA, THREE VC KIA (PROB), ONE PF KIA, THREE RD WIA (EVAC).

141530, CO A SQD BLKG PSN (BT 647008) RECD 200 RDS SA FM EST SEVEN ENEMY VIC (BT 650004). ENEMY UNOBS DUE TO HVY BRUSH. RETD 150 RDS SA AND THREE 3.5 RKTS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

141550, CO D BALD EAGLE ALERT FORCE (BS 745903) SEARCHED BEACH AND FOUND 50 RIFLES (POSS K-44) SCATTERED ALONG BEACH (NOT IN CRATES). ALSO FOUND FOUR AW (TYPE UNK). TWO BOXES AMMO, EIGHT MAN BOAT WITH AMMO POUCHES AND CART BELTS ABOARD. DESTROYER AND TWO SWIFT BOATS ON STATION AND ONE USN SALVAGE BOAT.

141800, CO D (FOLLOW UP 141550) PORTION OF ENEMY CRAFT LOC IN FIVE TO SEVEN FEET OF WATER AND VISIBLE AT LOW TIDE. SMALL BOATS AND RAFT FROM DESTROYER IN PROCESS OF SALVAGE ON HULL IN DEEPER WATER. WPNS AND EQUIP SALVAGED AS OF 1830 AS FOLLOWS: 700 CHICOM CARBINES, 25 LIGHT MG, 25 HVY MG, 7000 RDS 7.62 AMMO, 15 LIFE JACKETS, ONE LIFE JACKET AND TEN BOTTLES OF VITAMINS. SEARCH AND SALVAGE TO CONT AT FIRST LIGHT. NIGHT DEF PSNS CONSOLIDATED AS OF 141900.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 131225, CO H RDF SQD CMBT (BS 578

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9500 IN HAMLET WAS APPROACHED BY VN MALE WHO THOUGHT RDP PTL WAS VC. PTL TOLD HIM THEY WERE VC AND FOLLOWED HIM TO HUT WHERE THEY MET TWO MORE VCS. PTL APPREH THREE VCS AND IN PROCESS OF FWD TO HQS AT BINH SON AT 140630.

(LATE ENTRY) 131825, CO H SQD (PLUS) SEC PTL (BS 552912) RECD 25 RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY VIC (7SBS 551912) 100M N. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLED W. RETD 120 RDS SA AND TWO RDS 106MM AS PTL SEARCHED AREA RECD FIVE RDS SA, FM N. ALSO FOUND CAVE FIVE FT LONG WITH EVID OF FRESH DIGGINGS. NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ENGR TO DESTROY CAVE 14 MAR 67.

(LATE ENTRY) 132245, CO H SQD SEC (BS 575938) SQD RECD FIVE RDS SA FM UNK NR OF ENEMY. SQD CALLED THREE RDS 81MM ILLUM (BS 578389). NO ENEMY OBS.

141000, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 525903) RECD EST 30 RDS (CARB) FM EST FOUR VC (BS 522901). RETD ONE LAAW. SEARCHED AREA FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

141010, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 525903) RECD EST 30 RDS CARBINE FM EST THREE ENEMY (BS 555909). RETD 75 RDS SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCHED AND FOUND ONE VC KIA.

141114, CO H CMBT BASE (BS 574922). VN FEMALE (30 YRS) WITH
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 SA WOUND IN LEG BROUGHT BY THREE OTHER VN FEMALES. STATED THAT
 SHE WAS WOUNDED BY UNK DURING FIRE FIGHT (SEE 141010). VN ADMIN
 1ST AID AND EVAC TO BINH SON BY VEHICLE.

C. 3/7: CONT OPN DESOTO

D. FIRST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 131345, 1ST PLAT (BS 635533)
 OBS 52 ENEMY ASSEMBLING (BS 653532) MIXED BLK PJ'S RIFLES AND
 PACKS. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK. AIRSTRIKE CALLED. FOUR VC KIA,
 TEN VC KIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 131630 1ST PLAT (BS 635533) OBS TEN ENEMY
 MOVING INTO VILLE (BS 655575), BLK PJ'S, PACK, RIFLES AND BUNDLES.
 AIRSTRIKE CALLED. SIX VC KIA.

(LATE ENTRY) 131632, 1ST PLAT (BS 635533) OBS TWO ENEMY MOVING
 INTO HOUSE (BS 658535) BLK PJ'S CARRYING MORTAR TUBE. FM CALLED

RESULTS UNK.

(LATE ENTRY) 131720, 1ST PLAT (BS 635533) OBS SIX ENEMY MOVING
 SW ON TRAIL (BS 635570) IN GREEN UNIFORMS WITH MG AND CARRYING
 TUBE FIVE - SIX FT LONG. AIR MSN CALLED. AIR WAS ON ANOTHER MSN.
 TGT MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

141200, OBS 12 VCS MOVING E ON TRAIL (BS 686576). EQUIP UNOBS.

141315, 1ST PLAT (BS 635533) OBS FIVE ENEMY MOVE INTO BRUSH
 (BS 665531) IN BLK PJ'S WITH TWO RIFLES, ONE PACK AND ONE WATER
 CAN. FM CALLED RESULTS UNK.

E. FIRST FAG

(1) AN MOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: HEAVY

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: HEAVY

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 131705 OBS 11 ENEMY ON TRAIL
 (BS 472795) 175MM GUNS CALLED. THREE VC WIA (PROB).

141340, OBS ONE ENEMY (BS 526766). 175MM GUNS CALLED. ONE
 VC WIA (PROB).

E. NR MSNS: TWO

(2) NUI TRON OP

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A. WEATHER: CLEAR
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSNS FIRED: ONE (ROK)

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS					SUPPORTING:	
OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	
105H	15	6	49	70	52	13
107HT			4	4	4	
155H	6		16	22	22	
8"H	3			3	3	
175G	3	13		21	3	13

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H 535	151	11		717
107HT 23	3			26
155H 224		34		233
8"H 32				32
175G 33				33

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	4	1	29	34
155H	1		6	7

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
195H	217	46	6	269
155H	58	16		74

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

OBS:	HE	WP	ILLUM
1	5" RKTS	43	

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON CPNS
 SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSULTS
1/7	5	NEG

NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	1
2/7	1

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KIT CARSON RESULTS: 1/5, EMPLOYED W/1/5 (-) S&D OPN.

1/7, ATTACHED TO CO B FOR S&C OPNS. 2/7, WORKING W/CAC UNIT IN
PHU LE, ALSO CONT MARKS MANSHIP & ENGLISH INSTRUCTION

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST	SNIPER BN
1/5	42	11	0	12	3	0	0	9	0
3/5	51	19	0	27	0	0	0	55	2
1/7	47	24	0	29	3	0	1	84	12
2/7	37	32	0	15	6	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	2
CLDC	6	7	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RECON BN	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF XRAY TOTALS	194	93	14	98	12	0	1	182	18
TOTAL CONTACTS: 9 DAY, 3 NIGHT, 7 VC INITIATED.									
TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 14 KIA									
13 KIA (PROB)									
3 DET									

USMC:

4WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/	DTG	ACTION	FRD UNIT/	ENEMY UNIT/	INIT	WPNS
COORDINATES	SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	LOSSES	BY	CAPT
QUANG TIN						
BT 650004	141530	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC
QUANG NGAI						
BS 578939	131225	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	3 DET	
BS 635588	141315	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 635588	131345	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	4 KIA, 10 KIA (P)	
BS 687956	131345	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	VC
				2 WIA	NONE	
BS 635588	131630	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	6 KIA	
BS 551912	131825	SQD	SP	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
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BS 575938	132245	SQD	SP	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 664978	140230	SQD	SEC	CAC-L-3	UNK	VC
				2 PF KIA, 3 RD WIA. 2 KIA, 3 KIA (P)		
BS 552901	141000	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 555909	141010	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	1 KIA	
BS 527890	141500	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	US 1 RUSSIAN CARD
				1 WIA	1 KIA	

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 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 135 FOR QPN DESOTO FOR 150001H TO 150600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 704122),
 CO K 3/7 (BS 766335), CO L 3/7 (BS 322403), CO M 3/7 (BS 814384),
 CO F 2/7 (BS 758381).

2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE

3. CONTACTS: 150230 CO M 3/7 (BS 314380) MAN TRIPPED AP MINE
 ONE USN WIA (NON EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 270 VC KIA, 556 KIA (PROB), 37 WIA (PROB) ONE
 PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS, 65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.
 USMC: 36 KIA, 313 WIA (DELETE ONE VC KIA FM SPOT RPT 141800).

6. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN CMBT BASE AT NUI DAU. PROVIDE SEC FOR
 LANDING OF TANKS BY LST. CO K 3/7 0630, SECURE APPROACHES VIC

(BS 791384). UPON ORDER, DEPLOY W AND ESTBL SEC FOR VILLAGERS VIC
 (BS 763386-763396). ON ORDER DISPLACE CO (-) TO VIC (BS 775378) FOR
 SUPPORT CO F 2/7. CO L 3/7 MAINTAIN PSN (BS 322403) AND CMBT BASE
 NUI CUA. CONDUCT LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS. CO M 3/7 PROVIDE SEC FOR
 VILLAGERS TO VIC (BS 761385). CO F 2/7 PROVIDE SEC FOR VILLAGERS
 FM VIC (BS 754381) TO (BS 763386). ON ORDER CONDUCT S&D FM (BS
 758381 - 766370).

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RUMNVE/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 136 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 150601H TO 151200H MAR 67
1. UNIT PSNS: C1D GRU 3/7 (BS 314334), CO I 3/7 (BS 724122)
CO K 3/7 (BS 761394), CO L 3/7 (BS 322403) AND (BS 849301)
CO M 3/7 (BS 780366), CO F 2/7 (BS 751395) AND (BS 757380).
2. SUMMARY: CO K 3/7, CO M 3/7, CO F 2/7 CONT TO PROVIDE SEC
FOR VILLAGERS MOVING TO DUC PHO VIC (BS 761378).
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 313 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: NO CHQNGE.
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.
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 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO SECOND ROK MAR 67
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 137 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 151201H TO 151300H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7, CO M 3/7 (BS 314334), CO I 3/7
 (BS 704122), CO K 3/7 (BS 766336), CO L 3/7 (BS 322403), CO
 F 2/7 (BS 787371).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 151450, CO I 3/7 S'D (BS 330324). USMC

DETONATED ONE GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE WITH TRIPWIRE. TWO
 USMC WIA, (EVAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 315 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS, AND LP'S.

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RUMVVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD SONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 188 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 151801H TO 152400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: OPN CVNTS WITH NO CONTACT
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 151445, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 787383)
RECD 300 RDS AW AND SA FIRE FM EST TWO SEPARATE SQDS OF ENEMY
(BS 786375, 788382). RETD SA AND AW, M-79, 60MM. CALLED 81MM
MSN TO SCREEN MED EVAC. AFTER EVAC WAS COMPLETED FIRED 105MM
HE IN VIC OF ENEMY PSN. FOLLOWED BY AIRSTRIKE IN SAME AREA.
ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO SE. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF
ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC KIA, FIVE USMC WIA (EVAC).
4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: NO CHANGE. USMC: 37 KIA, 320 WIA, THREE DOW.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 7 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 150001H TO 150620H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 141223, CO D 1/5 S&D (BT 345037) OBS
ONE ENEMY IN UTIL RUNNING N VIC (BT 345033) FM USMC, CARRYING WPN.
FIRED 20 RDS SA, OBS ENEMY HIT. PURSUED BUT LOST CONTACT IN HVY
BRUSH. SEARCHED AREA REVEALED DOC. ENEMY HAD DROPPED. ONE VC WIA
(PROB). ONE PROPAGANDA NOTEBOOK AND NAT LIBERATION FRONT BOOK,
FWD BN S-2.
(LATE ENTRY) 141913, CO D 1/5 NIGHT DEF PSN (BT 320106) RECD 20
RDS SA, TWO RDS M-79 FM UNK NR ENEMY VIC (BT 320098) 250M AWAY TO
W. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT UNK DIRECTION. FT SEARCHED AREA WITH NO
EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, ONE KIA (PROB), THREE WIA (PROB).
USMC: NO CHANGE.
 6. PLANS: CONTINUE EXTENSIVE PTLS AND AMBS IN VIC OF PRESENT
PSNS.
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 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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 SPECIAL SITREP NR 3 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 150601H TO 151200 MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GU 1/5 (BT 326105), CO B (-) 1/5 (BT 341112)
 CO C (-) 1/5 (BT 330098), CO D (-) 1/5 (BT 336105).
 2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT. UNITS CONT SWEEP TO
 SE AND E.
 3. CONTACTS: NONE
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
 6. PLANS: TO CONT S&D
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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO SECOND ROK MAR 3DE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 9 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 151201H TO 151800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO B, CO C 1/5 (BT 320124), CO D 1/5 (BT 306107).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 150900, CO C 1/5 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 321103) OBS SEVEN ENEMY W/WPNS, BLK PJ'S VIC (BT 324112) 700M AWAY. SCOUT SNIPER FIRED ONE RD SA. OBS ONE VC FALL. BODY DRAGGED OFF BEFORE ANOTHER SHOT COULD BE FIRED. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 150930, CO D 1/5 PLAT S&D (BT 333093) RECD THREE RDS SA FM 2001 TO S VIC (BT 333096). COULD NOT OBS ENEMY. PHYSICALLY PURSUED INTO HVY BRUSH BUT LOST CONTACT.

(LATE ENTRY) 151000, CO C 1/5 PLAT S&D (BT 327105) FOUND SEVERAL BOMBS SHELTERS AND FIGHTING PSNS. DESTR BY ENGRS.

(LATE ENTRY) 151025, CO D 1/5 PLAT S&D (BT 338101) RECD 03

RDS SA FM 2001 TO NE VIC (BT 339102). COULD NOT OBS ENEMY. DID NOT RETN FIRE. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED TWO HAMMOCKS, ONE PACK, ONE M-1 CLIP. FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 151150, CO D 1/5 PLAT S&D (BT 336103) RECD 15 RDS SA FM EST THREE ENEMY VIC (BT 337105) 200M AWAY. RETD 50 RDS SA, ONE RD M-79. SEARCHED AREA APPREH FIVE DETAINEES (THREE FEMALES, APPROX 25, TWO MALES APPROX 20 YRS OLD). ALSO ONE US TYPE HELMET. FIVE DETAINEES, ONE HELMET FWD BN S-2.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), THREE WIA (PROB), FIVE DETAINEES. USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 10 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 151801H TO 152400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO C 1/5 (BT 302135), CO B 1/5 (BT 313143), CO D 1/5 (BT 288134).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 142300, CO B 1/5 (BT 332105) PER PSN RECD 30 TRACER RDS, THREE GRENS, TWO POSS 60MM MORTAR RDS. FOUND ONE M-26 GREN BOOBYTRAPPED NEAR PSN. DESTR BY ENGR AT DAWN. FO FIRE RETD AS TGTS NOT VISIBLE.

(LATE ENTRY) 142300, CO C 1/5 REPORTS POSS TEAR GAS ATTACK. TROOPS HAD BURNING EYES AND RUNNING NOSES. GAS APPARENTLY CAME FM NE. TROOPS DONNED GAS MASKS. EFFECTS ON VN'S IN CO C CP LASTED APPROX 10 MIN. A SEARCH IS IN PROGRESS TO FIND GREN CANNISTERS. NEG RESULTS AS OF 151600. SEARCH CONTS.

(LATE ENTRY) 151700, CO C 1/5 S&D (BT 325120) RECD 200 RDS

SA FM FOUR ENEMY VIC (BT 324123). RETD 500 RDS SA, 35 RDS M-79. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 151710, CO D 1/5 SQD CMBT (BT 325116) SCOUT SNIPER OBS TWO VC ON BRIDGE (BT 322105) IN BLK PJ'S WITH ONE WPN. FIRED ONE RD SA AND OBS ONE VC (WITH WPN) FALL. OBS OTHER VC DRAG HIM INTO WOODLINE. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

151815, CO D 1/5 SQD CMBT (BT 310212) RECD 20 RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY (BT 312212) IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPN. PTL RETD 100 RDS SA, TWO RDS M-79, THREE 3/5" RKTs. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO NW. PURSUED AND SEARCHED BUT FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

151930, CO C 1/5 S&D (BT 303136) APPREH ONE VN MALE AGE 30. INITIAL INTERR DETAINEE SAID VC HAD MOVED THRU VILLAGE. JUST BEFORE USMC ARRIVED ENEMY HAS TWO BARS, ONE MG. BN S-2 GAVE RATING AS F-6. WHEN KIT CARSON SAW DETAINEE HE IDENTIFIED HIM AS PHAN NAI, THE VC CHIEF OF KY TRA. KIT CARSON WAS POSITIVE THIS WAS THE SAME MAN WHOSE HOUSE HE HAD ENTERED IN WITH OTHYR VC BEFORE HE RALLIED. ONE DETAINEE FWD TO REGT S-2.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB), SIX

DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 157 FOR 150001H TO 152400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

MAJOR OPNS: SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN : DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN : S&D

C. AREA OF OPN : QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7(REIN)

E. CAS: FIRST MAW

F. NGF: NONE

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: USMC: 36 KIA, 315 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 270
KIA, 556 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS,

65 DETAINEES AND SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS
WEATHER HAS NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS

ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TIN PROVINCE (BT 3513)

D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1/5 (-)

E. CAS: FIRST MAW

F. NGF: NONE

G. DTG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA. VC: ONE KIA, TWO KIA (PROB),
THREE WIA (PROB), FIVE DETAINEES.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: 150135, CAC I-6 PER DEF PSN (BT 324218) RECD

FOUR GRENS FM UNK NR OF ENEMY. PTLS SWEPT PER WITH NO EVID OF ENEMY.

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(2) 3/5: 151040, CO K DQD RECON PTL (BS 497796) OBS FIVE ENEMY WITH WPNS APPROX 1000M SE (BS 504983). CALLED ARTY MSN. PTL SEARCHED AND FOUND BLOOD TRAILS. THREE VC WIA (PROB).

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 141500, H&S CO CMBT BASE (BS 630 997) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM VIC (BS 625990). RETD TEN RDS SA AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 141610, CO B (-) S&D AT (BT 663007) DISCOVERED SMALL CACHE CONTAINING ONE 7.62 MAG AND 166 RDS 7.62 AMMO. SEARCHED AREA AND QUESTIONED VILLAGERS. NO FURTHER EVID ON ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 142330, CAC L-4 AMB PTL (BT 622013) RECD 150 RDS SA AND TWO RIFLE GRENS FM EST FIVE ENEMY (BT 625014). PTL RETD APPROX 300 RDS SA AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. AMB RELOCATED TO LIKELY AVENUE OF ENEMY WITHDRAWAL.

150205, CO D LP (BT 732898) RECD ONE CHICOM GREN FM ONE ENEMY APPROX 350 W. LP RETD THREE M-26 GRENS. AREA SEARCHED AT 150700 WITH NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

151000, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 643974) RECD 30 RDS SA FM VIC (BS 635979). CALLED H&S CO 1/7 REACTION SQD AND FIXED WING AIR-STRIKE AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH FOUND ONE PR BLK PJ'S

WITH BULLET HOLES. ONE VC KIA (PROB), FOUR USMC WIA (EVAC).

151200, CO A SQD AMB PTL (BS 662037) PTL LOC CAVE (100 X 3X T). ENTRANCE BLOCKED WITH ROCKS EXCEPT FOR OPERTURES. SEARCH FOUND ONE EMPTY KEROSENE LAMP AND TWO VCS HIDING NEAR CAVE (AGE 17). AS USMC ATTEMPTED TO DESTR CAVE WITH FRAG GRENS, GREN DETONATED AS SOON AS SPOON RELEASED. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT. ONE USMC KIA.

151200, CO B CMBT BASE (BS 699975) VN FEMALES (21 YRS) PHOUC THUAN CAME TO CMBT BASE WITH LEG WOUND. VILLAGE OFFICIALS REPT WOUND RECD IN BINH SON (CAUSE UNK). GIVEN AID AT ABOVE COORD.

151230, CO A FT SEC PTL (BT 639014) OBS TWO VN HIDING IN BUSH. VM OBS PTL AND FLED S. PTL PURSUED AND APPREH ONE (AGE 30) WITH NO ID ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 141500, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 572 890) OBS TWO ENEMY, BLK PJ'S AND WHITE HAT WITH WPNS AND CART BELT, 40M TO W. ENEMY OBS PTL AND THREW ONE GREN AND FLED. PTL RETD THREE RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND ONE VC KIA AND ONE RUSSIAN CARBINE (1944), ONE CART BELT. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 142000, CO G FT AMB (BS 529959) OBS ONW ENEMY 100M NE. PTL FIRED 49RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 142330, CAC L-4 SQD AMB (BT 623013) RECD 150 RDS

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SA AND FIVE RIFLE GREN FM EST FIVE ENEMY. PF'S RETD 300 RDS SA AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY AND AMB 150830, CO G FT AMB (BS 541938) OBS TWO VN MALE AND EIGHT VN FEMALE CHECKED ID CARDS AND APPREH ON MALE WITHOUT ID. FWD BN S-2.

150830, CO H PLAT S&D (BS 552925) OBS ONE ENEMY RUNNING VIC (BS 551925). CHALL BUT CONT TO FLEE. FIRED TWO WARNING RDS. VC CONT TO FLEE, FIRED TWO RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FOUND BLOOD TRAIL ONE VC WIA.

150930, CO H PLAT S&D (BS 748902) OBS FIVE ENEMY WITH GREEN UNIFORMS, PACKS AND WPNS. RECD 100 RDS SA. RETD ONE LAAW AND 75 RDS SA. CALLED FOR TEN 105MM HE. WHILE SEARCHING AREA ONE HOUR LATER PTL OBS TWO ENEMY, BLK PJ'S RUNNING INTO TRENCH LINE (BS 548899) CHALL WITH TWO WARNING RDS AND VC CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 20 RDS SA. TWO VC KIA.

150945, CO G SQD CMBT PTL (BS 477914) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WPN ATTEMPTING TO FIRE AT PTL. FIRED 20 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA. FOUND ONE US CARB (3841450), ONE PACK, 60 RDS SA AND ONE LEATHER BELT. ALL FWD BN S-2. ALSO APPREH SIX VN IN AREA WITH NO ID. SIX DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

151130, CO H CMBT BASE (BS 574922) VN MALE AGE 25 CAME TO BASE WITH BULLET WOUND IN ARM. VN STATED HE WAS WOUNDED 150830. ONE WOUNDED VN EVAC TO SINH SON.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO A:(LATE ENTRY) 141640, 2ND PLAT (BS 744379) OBS THREE ENEMY MOVING INTO BRUSH (BS 744379) BLK PJ'S WITH TWO RIFLES. FM CALLED. RESULTS UNK.

141640, 2ND PLAT (BS 744379) OBS THREE ENEMY MOVING N VIC (BS 742381) BLK PJ'S, PACKS, AND WPNS. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

141105, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE VCS CROSSING RIVER (BS 675584) WITH BUNDLES AND BLK PJ'S.

141135, 2ND PLAT (BS 744379) OBS THREE ENEMY (ONE WOUNDED) WITH ONE RIFLE AND PACK. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

141145, 1ST PLAT (BS 535538) OBS FOUR ENEMY MOVING E VIC (BS 743332) IN GREY AND BLK PJ'S AND CAMO CAPES. OBS ONE PACK AND ONE RIFLE. FM CALLED WITH GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

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151340, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TWO ENEMY IN TREE LINE (BS 665581) IN BLK PJ'S AND WITH ONE RIFLE. ONE VC KIA.

151430, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS SIX ENEMY REBUILDING BUNKER AT (BS 654575) WITH BLK PJ'S AND TWO RIFLES. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. TWO VC KIA AND THREE KIA (PROB).

E. FIRST FAG

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- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
- E. MSN FIRED: ONE: ILLUM

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LQDWP NUI TRON OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: (LATE ENTRY) 141850, ONE ENEMY IN BOAT (BS 554761). ENEMY WENT TO SHORE AND MOVED INTO TREELINE. FM CALLED WITH GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

151235, OBS FIVE ENEMY STOP ALONG TRAIL (BS 520510). FM CALLED. TWO KIA (PROB), ONE WIA. TWO ENEMY PSNS BURNING WITH SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

E. MSNS FIRED: TWO

F. FIRST MOTOR TRANSPORT BN:

(1) 151500, ASSUMED OPCON OF ROUGH RIDER CONVOY AT (BT 146456) (CHECK POINT NR 21). CONVOY TERMINATED AT KBT 537103) AT 152115.

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	31	65	96	88	8
107HT	2	16	18	18	
155H	9	45	54	42	12

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8"H	1	1	1	
175G	7	7	7	
ROUNDS EXPENDED:				
	HE	ILLUM	WP OTHER TOTAL	
105H	504	59	46	609
107HT	71			71
155H	221	52	4	277
8"H	8			8
175G	53			53

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO			
NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:
OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	14	18	32
155H	1	4	5

ROUNDS EXPENDED:			
	HE	ILLUM	WP TOTAL
105H	218	24	26 268
155H	17		17

EFFECT OF WEATHYR: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
1/7	5	5	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	5	5	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	1
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	1
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/5, ATTACHED TO B/1/5 ON OPN TIPPECANOE.

1/7, ATTACHED TO B/1/7 FOR S&C OPNS.

2/7, ATTACHED TO CAC UNIT IN PHU LE. CONTS MARKSMANSHIP AND ENGLISH LESSONS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT
UNIT	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	BN	POST	SNIPER
1/5	38	13	0	4	5	0	1	9	0
3/5	45	7	0	19	2	0	0	55	0

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1/7	44	25	0	29	5	0	0	84	8
2/7	36	18	1	9	2	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
CLDC	6	6	0	15	1	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
TF X-RAY									
TOTALS	180	69	14	76	13	0	2	182	12

TOTAL CONTACTS: 11 DAY, 6 NIGHT, 6 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 4 KIA
8 KIA (PROB)
1 WIA, 10 DETUSMC: 1 KIA
6 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 639014	142300	FT SP	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US

BT 625014	142330	PLAT PER	CAC-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 623013	142330	SQD AMB	CAC-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
I 324218	150135	PLAT PER	CAC-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 662037	151200	SQD CMBT	A-1-7 1 KIA	UNK 2 DET	US

QUANG NGAI

BS 527890	141500	SQD CMBT	H-2-7 1 WIA	UNK 1 KIA	US
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WPNS CAPTURED: 1 RUSS CARBINE

BS 625990	141630	CO PER	H&S-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 525959	142000	FT AMB	G-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 732898	150205	CO LP	D-1-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 541938	150830	FT AMB	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US

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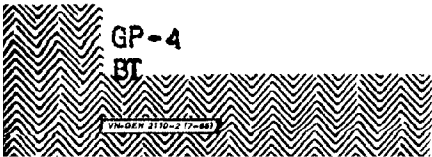

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BS 552905	150830	PLAT	S&D	H-2-7	UNK US
BS 548902	150930	PLAT	S&D	NONE	1 WIA
BS 477914	150945	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK US
BS 635979	151000	SQD	CMBT	NONE	2 KIA
BS 497996	151045	SQD	RECON	G-2-7	UNK US
BS 635588	151340	PLAT	OP	NONE	1 KIA, 6 DET
BS 635588	151430	PLAT	OP	D-1-7	UNK VC
				4 WIA	1 KIA (P)
				K-3-5	UNK US
				NONE	3 KIA (P)
				1ST RECON	UNK US
				NONE	1 KIA (P)
				1ST RECON	UNK US

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NONE

2 KIA, 3 KIA (P)


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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 189 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 160001H TO 160600 MAR 67

1. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT

2. SUMMARY: DURING MORNING AND AFTERNOON OF 15 MARCH EST 961 REFUGEES UNDER PROTECTION OF 3/7 UNITS COMPLETED ROUND TRIP TO DUC PHO TO AN TAY VIC (BS 757381) AND AN LOI (2) VIC (BS 763389) TO RECOVER PERSONAL POSSESSIONS, RICE SUPPLY, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, AND DRAFT ANIMAL. TWO DAY TOTAL OF REFUGEES PERMITTED TO SALVAGE BELONGINGS FROM CONTESTED HAMLETS ESTIMATED AT 2500. DUC PHO VIST CHIEF WAS THANKED PERSONALLY BY MANY REFUGEES FOR USMC PROTECTION; HE TERMED TWO DAY OPN AS AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS.

3. PLANS: CO F 2/7 CONDUCT S&D FROM (BS 766370) TO VILLAGE COMPLEX CENTERED (BS 774367) THEN ALONG GENERAL AXIS (BS 785380) TO (BS 789385). CO K 3/7 OCCUPIES SUPPORTING PSNS VIC (BS 775378)

ON ORDER, BEING PREPARED TO CONTINUE ACROSS THE RR UTILIZING THE RR BED OF THE LEFT BOUNDARY. CON'T S&D ALONG THE AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 785395) TO (BS 783405) TO (BS 776482) BE PREPARED TO ASSUME NIGHT PSNS AND CONDUCT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO K 3/7 ON ORDER MOVED FROM PRESENT LOCATION TO OCCUPY SUPPORTING PSNS VIC (BS 775378) UNTIL CO F 2/7 PASSES; BE PREPARED ON ORDER TO CONDUCT S&D TO THE NW UTILIZING THE RR AND THE RIGHT FLANK WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE RR BED. MAINTAIN CONTROL OF HIGH GROUND VIC (BS 774395) COVERING MOVEMENT SONG TRA CAU MARKS LIMIT OF ADVANCE. BE PREPARED TO ASSUME NIGHT PSNS AND CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO M 3/7 IMPROVE PSNS NUI DANG; CONDUCT COMPANY MINUS SWEEP REINFORCED WITH SECTION OF ONTOS TO VIC (BS 792392) PREPARED TO SUPPORT CO F 2/7 BY FIRE; ON ORDER, CON'T SWEEP TOWARD NW WITH RIGHT FLANK ON HIGHWAY NR 1. CO L 3/7 MAINTAINED PSNS (BS 822403) AND NUI CUA; CONDUCT SQD PTL FROM (BS 822403) TO (BS 817402) TO (BS 816393) TO (BS 825387) TO (BS 819398) TO CP, CONDUCT PLATOON CONTROL FROM (BS 822403) TO (BS 824405) TO (BS 821409) TO (BS 819408) TO (BS 816393) TO (BS 825387) TO (BS 819398) TO CP, CONDUCT PLATOON CONTROL FROM (BS 822403) TO (BS 824405) TO (BS 821409)

TO (BS 818404) TO CP. CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES
 CO I 3/7 IMPROVE POSITIONS NUI DAU. CONDUCT PLATOON PATROLS
 FROM (BS 874327) TO (BS 377232) TO ESTABLISH A COMBAT BASE FROM
 WHICH SQD PATROLS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN (BS 8832), (BS 8731),
 AND (BS 8831). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 190 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 160601H TO 161200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 775346), CO M 3/7 (BS 794385),
CO F 2/7 (BS 769370). OTHER PSNS REMAIN THE SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 191 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 161201H TO 161800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CM K 3/7 (PS 776372), CO M 3/7 (PS 738371), CO F 2/7 (PS 781376). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH HEAVY CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: APPROX 161710, CO F 2/7, CO K 3/7, CO M 3/7 ENGAGED IN HEAVY CONTACT VIC (PS 7737), (PS 7836), (BS 7838). MORE INFO TO FOLLOW.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: SEE CONTACTS

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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 RSMN/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 192 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 161800H TO 162400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322),
 CO K 3/7 (BS 774386), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403, 849391), CO H 3/7
 (BS 788371), CO F 2/7 (BS 781376).

2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCTED PTLS AND AMBS FM NIGHT DEF PSNS.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 161730, CO I 3/7 S&D POINT DETONATED
 Z-10 AP MINE SET OFF BY TRIPWIRE ON FOOT PATH. TWO USMC KIA
 (ONE EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 161800, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 782376) LEAD ELEMENTS
 GOING INTO HAMLET RECD HEAVY SA FM UNK NR ENEMY AT (BS 781368)
 AND SNIPER FIRE FM (BS 778373). RETD HEAVY VOLUME SA. CALLED
 IN 200 RDS 105MM TO COVER MED EVAC. DIRECTED SUPPRESSING FIRES
 FM OH-1E AND CAS FM FIXED WING AIRCRAFT ON ENEMY PSNS. CO H 3/7
 (BS 787373) AND CO K 3/7 (BS 764378) BROUGHT HEAVY VOLUME OF
 FIRE ON ENEMY PSN AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. UNITS ARE NOW

CONSOLIDATING PSNS FOR NIGHT DEF. USMC: SEVEN KIA, FIVE WIA
 (EVAC). VC: 11 KIA (PROB), TEN WIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 161800, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 775376) MOVING TO SUPP
 CO F 2/7 AND OBS THREE ENEMY ON HILLTOP (BS 775387). FIRED 50
 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB). CONT MSN.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT LOCAL PTLS AND
 AMBS.

6. CUM CAS: USMC: 42 KIA, 322 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 271 KIA,
 569 KIA (PROB), 97 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 63 DETAINEES AND SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 11 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 160001H TO 160600 MAR 67
 1. NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.
 2. PLANS: CO B 1/5 BLKG PSNS E AND NE VIC (BT 328151) TO
 (BT 315145). OTHER MSNS AS ORDERED. CO C 1/5 IN BN RESERVE,
 ON ORDER ASSUME ASSAULT CO. CO D 1/5 S&D OPN TO SECURE OBJ B
 ON ORDER SECURE OBJ A. SQD OP VIC (BT 313110) REMAINS IN PSN.
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RUMNVF/CG FIRST CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 12 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 160601H TO 161200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 1/5 (BT 301135), CO B 1/5 (BT 305150),
CO C 1/5 (BT 300140), CO D 1/5 (BT 305145).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS

3. CONTACTS: 160945, CMD GRU 1/5 PER PSN (PT 303136) APPREH ONE
VN FEMALE IN HOUSE. INTERROGATION REVEALED HER TO BE VC SUPPLIER.
HUSBAND SUPPOSEDLY IS VC SQD LDR OR PLAT LDR IN 14TH LF CO, ARMED
WITH K-57 SMG. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: ONE KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB), SEVEN
DETAINEES. USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA.

6. PLANS: TO CONM S&D VIC (BT 3014).

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 13 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 161201H TO 161820H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO B, CO D (PT 299145), CO C (PT 325150).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 160900, CO D 1/5 S&D SEARCHING AREA
VIC OBJ B (PT 293143) FOUND ONE VC KIA. RESULT OF 81MM H&I'S
15 MAR. NO ID.

160900, CO D 1/5 S&D OP IN VIC (PT 312110) FOUND 50 PUNJI
STAKES SET UP AS BOOBY TRAP FOR HCPTRS, 20 LBS OF EXPLOSIVE (TYPE
UNK), FIVE 105MM RDS RIGGED AS AP MINES, ONE 105MM RD NOT RIGGED,
ONE 250 OBS BOMB CASING, ONE 60MM RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. DESTR
BY ENGRS.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: TWO KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB),
SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 14 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 161800H TO 162400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO B, AND CO D 1/5 (BT 299145), CO C 1/5 (BT 310100).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 161400, CO C 1/5 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 299147) RECD 30 RDS SA FM EST FOUR ENEMY VIC (BT 297136) 200M AWAY. FIRED TWO CS GRENS FM RIFLE GREN LAUNCHER, 30 RDS SA. CALLED 81MM MSN SIX RDS 81MM HE, TWO RDS WP. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED ONE VC KIA.

161815, CO C 1/5 PER DEF PSN (BT 298102) RECD INCOMING SNIPER SA RDS FM UNOBS ENEMY (BT 310100). ONE USMC (EVAC)

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS: CONSOLIDATE NIGHT DEF PSNS AND CONDUCT PTLs AND AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

6. COM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, TWO WIA. VC: TWO KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB), SEVEN DETAINEES.

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C O N F I D E T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 158 FOR 160001H TO 162400H MAR 67
1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:
A. NAME OF OPN : OPN DESOTO
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (PS 3459)
D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
E. CAS: FIRST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
I. CUM CAS: USMC: 37 KIA, 320 WIA, THREE DOW. VC:
270 KIA, 556 KIA (PROB), 87 WQA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIVDEF,

65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIV.
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS
K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TIN PROVINCE (ST 3513)
D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1/5 (-)
E. CAS: FIRST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
I. CUM CAS: VC: TWO KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), SEVEN DETAINEES.
USMC: ONE KIA, ONE WIA.
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
L. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
M. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: 160300, CAC I PLAT PER PSN (ST 477143) RECD
APPROX 150 RDS SA FM EST SQD VC 75M NE AND 16 GRENS FM TWO OBS
ENEMY WITHIN PER PSN. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. FIRED TEN RDS 81MM

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ILLUM AND SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY.
 AT 160610, SEARCH FOUND SEVEN LIVE FRAG GRENS (BLOWN IN PLACES).
 AT 160640, CAC SQD (REIN) PTL TO SEARCH AREA AT (BT 477148).
 FOUND BLOOD TRAIL OF 30M TO THE W WHICH ENDED IN THE OCEAN.
 ONE VC WIA.

160830, 1/5 REAR CMBT BASE (BT 397145) PER PSN RECD ONE RD
 FM UNOBS SNIPER (BT 397147). FT CMBT PTL SEARCHED AREA FOUND
 NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(2) 3/5: 160125, 3/5 PER PSN (BT 462075) OBS THREE MEN
 CROSSING RICE PADDY (BT 462077). PSN FIRED SIX RDS SA, AND TWO
 81MM ILLUM. PTL SEARCHED WITH FO EVID OF ENEMY.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 152255, CO D CAC L-3 PER PSN (CS
 664978) OBS EST 15 ENEMY MOVING TOWARD PHOUC HOA (1) (CS 661979)
 ENEMY FIRED 15 RDS SA. PF'S RETD 100 RDS SA AND ONE M-26 GREN.
 ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO THE S. AREA SEARCHED AT 160700 WITH NO
 EVID OF ENEMY.

160730, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT PTL (BT 654017) TRIPPED GREN RICH-
 GED AS MINE. PTL HEARD CLICKING SOUND AND HIT DECK. GREN DETON-
 ATED WITH NO CAS.

161130, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 665017) RECD 30 RDS SA FM EST
 THREE ENEMY 100 M TO SW (BT 664016). RETD 400 RDS SA, ONE RD M-79,
 AND ONE LAAW. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

161230, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 650077) RECD TEN RDS SA FM TWO
 ENEMY (BT 663022). RETD 100 RDS SA AND TO RDS M-79. ENEMY BROKE
 CONTACT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 151030, CO H PLAT S&D (CS 548297)
 OBS TWO VCS IN BLK PJ'S WITHOUT WPNS. VCS RAN INTO TRENCH LINE
 TO EVADE PTL, PTL CHALL, VCS CONT TO FLEE. PTL FIRED 20RDS SA,
 TWO VC KIA. NO ID CARDS.

(LATE ENTRY) 151400, CO G SQD CMBT (CS 493892) OBS 12 ENEMY
 IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. SCOUT SNIPER FIRED FIVE RDS SA, OBS THREE
 ENEMY CARRY BODIES. PTL DID NOT PURSUE DUE TO DISTANCE AND MSN.
 ONE VC KIA (PROB), TWO VC WIA (PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 151500, CO H PLAT S&D (CS 557916) APPROACHED
 HAMLET AND SAW GROUP OF FOUR MEN (17-25). ELDERLY WOMAN SHOUTED
 AND MEN RAN. APPREH AND FWD FOUR DETAINEES FOR INTERROGATION.

(LATE ENTRY) 151815, CO H SNIPER TEAM (CS 561930) OBS FIVE
 ENEMY WITH WPNS 300M W OF PSN. FIRED 11 RDS SA. TWO VC WIA (PROB).

160730, CO G SQD CMBT (CS 482917) MOVING TOWARD HAMLET OBS ONE

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ENEMY RUNNING FROM PTL. ENEMY IGNORED CHALL AND WARNING RDS. PTL FIRED 20 RDS SA ONE VC KIA.

160900, CO G SQD CMST (BS 490919) OBS FOUR ENEMY BLK PJ'S AND WPNS AT (BS 499912). CALLED 20 RDS 105 MM HE. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

161130, CO H SQD SEC PTL (BS 587023) FOUND SIX SMALL CAVES AND ONE LARGER (25 X 4 X 5). ALSO FOUND TWO VCS IN SAME AREA. CAVES DESTR BY ENGRS AND DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

161530, CO H SQD CMST PTL (BS 579910) RECD SIX RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY AT (BS 513903). PTL RETD 70 RDS SA AND ONE M-79 RD. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 151620, 2ND PLAT (BS 727376) OBS THREE ENEMY (BS 752386) BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK.

160945, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS 14 ENEMY IN FOUR BOATS WITH SUPPLIES (BS 686595) IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. FM CALLED WITH EXCEL COVERAGE. TWO BOATS DESTR. ONE VC KIA, FOUR VC KIA (PROB).

161000, 1ST PLAT (BS 635538) OBS FOUR ENEMY SUPPLY BOATS ON SAND (BS 652516). FM CALLED WITH EXCEL COVERAGE. TWO BOATS DESTR

AND TWO SINKING FAST.

161200, 1ST PLAT (BS 635588) OBS FIVE ENEMY IN TREELINE AT (BS 660586) BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. FM CALLED, THREE VC KIA (PROB).

161420, 3RD PLAT (BS 754358) OBS FOUR ENEMY (BS 747365) IN BLK PJ'S AND WITH WPNS. FM CALLED WITH UNK RESULTS.

161450, 3RD PLAT (BS 754358) OBS FOUR ENEMY IN BRUSHES (BS 754350) OBS FRIENDLY PSNS. NO FM CALLED DUE TO PRIORITY MSN.

(2) CO D: 161450, 1ST PLAT (BS 322985) OBS FIVE ENEMY (BS 336985) IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPN. FIRED TEN RDS SA, ONE VC KIA, AND ONE WPN CAPTURED (UNK).

E. FIRST FAG

1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER : CLEAR

B. FIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: (LATE ENTRY) 151720, OBS EST ENEMY COMPANY (BS 44657700). FM HAD GOOD EFFECT ON TGT. UNK RESULTS.

(LATE ENTRY) 151720, OBS ENEMY SNIPING FM (BS 491787). FM HAD GOOD EFFECT. SNIPING CEASED.

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E. MSNS FIRED: TWO
 (2) AN HOA OP
 A. WEATHER: CLEAR
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: NOT OBS
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSNS FIRED: ONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	21		79	100	87	13
107HT	3	3	10	16	16	
155H	2		21	23	16	7

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155G	2	2	2
175G	5	5	5

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	782	103	352	1237
107HT	116	29		145
155H	139	21		160
155G	17			17
175G	44			44

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:
	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	
105H	12	20	32	32
155H	1	2	3	3

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	494	29	352	875
155H	8	1		9

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
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	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
5/5	1	1	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG

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	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	1
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	1
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/5, EMPLOYED AT BN ON INITIAL SCREENING OF DETAINEES.

1/7, EMPLOYED W/A/1/7 ON PSY OPS MSN IN TAN HY (1)

2/7, EMPLOYED W/H/2/7 ON EXTENDED AOR PTL.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT
	FT	S&D	PLT	FT	S&D	PLT	BN	POST	SNIPER
1/5	37	14	0	4	5	0	1	9	0
3/5	47	7	0	18	0	0	0	55	2
1/7	60	23	0	38	5	0	0	84	4

2/7	29	13	0	7	2	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
CLDC	7	6	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
IF X-RAY									
TOTALS	191	63	14	81	12	0	2	182	10

TOTAL CONTACTS: 14 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 5 VC INITIATED.

TOTALS CASUALTIES: VC: 5 KIA

8 KIA (PROB)

1 WIA, 4 WIA (PROB)

6 DET

USMC: NONE

IF X-RAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 482075	160125	BN PER	3/5	UNK	US
			NONE	NONE	
BT 477143	160300	PLAT PER	CAC-1-5	UNK	VC

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BT 397147	160830	BN	PER	NONE	1 WIA	VC
				1-5	UNK	
BT 665017	161130	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	VC
				A-1-7	UNK	
BT 663027	161230	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	VC
				A-1-7	UNK	
BT 322985	161450	PLAT	OP	NONE	NONE	US
				1ST RECON	UNK	
				NONE	1 KIA	
WFNS CAPTURED: 1 RIFLE						
QUANG NGAI						
BS 548897	151030	PLAT	S&D	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA	
BS 493892	151400	SQD	S&D	G-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA (P), 2 WIA (P)	
BS 557916	151500	PLAT	S&D	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	4 DET	
BS 561930	151815	SNIPER TM		H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	2 WIA (P)	
BS 664978	152245	E CO	CAC	D-1-7	UNK	US

BS 482917	160730	SQD	CMBT	NONE	NONE	US
				G-2-7	UNK	
BS 798919	160900	SQD	CMBT	NONE	1 KIA	US
				G-2-7	UNK	
BS 635588	160945	PLAT	OP	NONE	NONE	US
				1ST RECON	UNK	
BS 635588	161000	PLAT	OP	NONE	1 KIA, 4 KIA (P)	US
				1ST RECON	UNK	
BS 582923	161130	SQD	SP	NONE	NONE	US
				H-2-7	UNK	
BS 635588	161200	PLAT	OP	NONE	2 DET	US
				1ST RECON	UNK	
BS 513903	161530	SQD	CMBT	NONE	3 KIA (P)	US
				H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	

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O P 170151Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND BDE
 RUMNVE/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 193 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 170001H TO 170600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: 161745, CO A 3RD PLT FIRST RECON BN (BS 754356) RECD 30 RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY VIC (BS 748346). ARTY MSN CALLED. GOOD COVERAGE OF TGT. SNIPER FIRE CEASED. EXTRACTED 162203H. (FOLLOW UP TO SPOT REPT 161800) HELO RECD SA DAMAGE DURING MED EVAC. LANDED BN CP. DAMAGE CENTER FUEL CELL, RADIO, AND ENGINE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS & AMBS. CO K 3/7 SUPPORT MOVEMENT OF CO F 2/7. ON ORDER CONDUCT S&D FM (BS 778385-782385) TO (BS 767385) TO BN CP. CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN

PSNS (BS 822403) AND NUI CUA. LOCAL PTLS & AMBS. CO M 3/7 MAINTAIN PRESENT PSNS. ONE PLT IN SUPPORT OF CO F 2/7. ON ORDER SEARCH VILLAGE AT (BS 789381). CO F 2/7 ON ORDER DISPLACE FM (BS 781376) AXIS OF ADVANCE (BS 775375) TO (BS 789395) TO (BS 789384) TO BN CP. ASSUME PSN NUI DANG.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR 3DE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 194 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 170601H TO 171200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 776381), CO M 3/7 (BS 787380), CO F 2/7 (BS 814384). OTHER PSNS REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 170845, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL RECD 20 RDS AW FIRE THREE GRENS FROM HEDGEROW (BS 880319). RETD 50 RDS SA, THREE RDS M-79 25 RDS 60MM. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

171100, CO I 3/7 FT RECON OP (BS 876323) RECD TWO GRENS FM N. RETD TWO GRENS, THREE RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: (ENTRY 161800H, CO F 2/7; ADD ONE ADDITIONAL USMC WIA).

USMC: 42 KIA, 325 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS : TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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 FM CG TF XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 195 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 171201H TO 171800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO M 3/7, CO F2/7 (BS 814384, CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 826379), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403, 849391).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 42 KIA, 326 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 196 FOR OPN DESOTO
FOR 171801H TO 172400H MAR 67
1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT
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O P 170150ZM MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 15 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 170001H TO 170600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: (FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 161400H) WHILE SEARCHING AREA
 RECD APPROX 40 RDS SA. RETD RDS 8144 HE. SWEEP AREA FINDING
 NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: THREE VC KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB)
 SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE. (CHANGE DUE TO RECOUNT).
6. PLANS: CO B 1/5 LOCAL PTLS & AMBS IN ASSIGNED AREA. CO C 1/5
 CONDUCT SWEEP VIC (BT 316100). 0730 S&D TO SECURE OBJ Y (BT 328100).
 UPON SECURING OBJ Y PROCEED TO HILL 54. CO D 1/5 S&D OPNS IN LOCAL
 AREA.

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 O P 170556Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 16 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 170601H TO 171200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 1/5 (BT 299143), CO C 1/5 (BT 327104),
 CO B 1/5 (BT 316145) AND (BT 312137), CO CD 1/5 (BT 311550) AND
 (BT 312140).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 170745, CO B 1/5 PER PSN (BT 310145) RECD THREE
 RDS SA FM SW AT 450M. VC UNOBS, NO FIRE RETD. SQD CMBT PTL SENT TO
 SEARCH (BT 305140). FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO CONT S&D.

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O P 171135Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 17 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 171201H TO 171800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO B, CO C 1/5 (BT 395145), CO D 1/5 (BT 344168).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT. CMD GRU, CO B, CO C RETD TO TAOR CMBT BASE.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM GAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLG, AMBS AND LP'S.

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O P 171605Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 18 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE
FOR 171801H TO 172400H MAR 67
1. OPN TIPPECANOE CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
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O P 171600Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
 CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 159 FOR 170001H TO 172400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8459)
 - D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: FIRST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: USMC: 37 KIA, 332 WIA, THREE DOW. VC: 270 KIA, 556 KIA (PROB), 87 WIA (PROB), ONE PW (VC), 26 CIV DEFENDANTS,

65 DETAINEES, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TIN PROVINCE (BT 3513)
- D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1/5 (-)
- E. CAS: FIRST MAW
- F. NGF: NONE
- G. DTG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, TWO WIA. VC: TWO KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), SEVEN DETAINEES.
- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
 - A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 3/5: 171300, CO 1 FT RECON PTL (BT 439049) APPREH
 ONE VN MALE (40) AND ONE FEMALE (30) WITH NO ID. FWD TWO DETAINEES

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TO BN S-2.

B. SEVENTH MRINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 162215, CO A SQD CMBT (BT 647011) OBS TWO ENEMY WITH WPNS (BT 647009). PTL FIRED 40 RDS SA AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. PURSUED AND SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

170945, CO A SQD CMBT (BT 664018) OBS 15 VN MALES IN VN HOUSE (BT 644018). CHECKED ID CARDS AND FOUND TWO FAULTY. FWD TWO DETAINEES TO BN S-2.

171100, CO A SQD CMBT (BT 659077) RECD 40 RDS SA FM EST TWO ENEMY (BT 660025). ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLED S. RETD 50 RDS SA AND TWO RDS 3.5. PURSUED TO (BT 660026) AND FOUND FIVE LARGE CAVES AND ONE SMALL CAVE. FOUND ONE VN HIDING NEAR CAVE WITH NO ID. AMB PTL SET AT CAVES AND CAVES WILL BE DESIR 15 MAR. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

171420, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 645008) RECD TEN RDS SA FM (BT 633088) 500M TO E. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO E. RETD 100 RDS SA AND ONE RD 3.5 RKT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

171430, CO A FT CMBT PTL (BT 645016) OBS ONE ENEMY RUNNING FM PTL. APPREH ONE DETAINEE AND FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 161855, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 514

911) RECD 25 RDS FM THREE ENEMY (BS 518908). RETD 200 RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

170700, H&S CO FT WITH ENGR TM ON ROAD SWEEP (BS 551956) DISCOVERED CHICOM AP MINE. ENGRS REMOVED AND FWD BN S-2.

171005, CO G SQD SEC PTL (BS 522928) SEARCHING HAMLET OF BINH YEN (2) WITH NAT POLICE. APPREH TWO VNS IDENT BY NAT POLICE AS VC. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

171015, CO H SQD SEC PTL (BS 571922) USMCNTRIPPED M-79 RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). EVAC HCPTN RECD 20 RDS SA FM (BS 569924). PTL RETD 80 RDS SA AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NO EVID OF ENEMY.

171400, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 524905) OBS FIVE ENEMY WITH WPNS AND PACKS CROSS RIVER (BS 528895) AND MOVE TO SW 1200M AWAY. SNIPER TM FIRED THREE RDS SA. OBS NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

171450, CO H SQD CMBT (BS 526903) RECD SIX RDS SA FM UNOBS SNIPER (BS 525905). RETD 50 RDS SA AND ONE 3.5 RKT AT ENEMY PSN. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

C. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTGY) 161745, 3RD PLAT (BS 754358) RECD THREE RDS SNIPER FM TWO ENEMY (BS 748346). FM CALLED WITH UNK

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RESULTS.

171430, 3RD PLAT (BS 753308) HAD PSN PROBED BY 15 ENEMY.
ENGAGED ENEMY WITH SA FIRE. FIVE VC KIA.

(2) CO D: 171210, 1ST PLAT (BS 344984) PTL ENGAGED
THREE ENEMY IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. THREE VC KIA, THREE RIFLES AND
CART BELTS. THREE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

171330, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS FOUR ENEMY PULL BOAT ON BEACH
IN BLK PJ'S WITH WPNS. FM CALLED WITH EXCELL COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

171515, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS FOUR ENEMY MOVING ALONG TREE-
LINE (BS 668581) IN BLK PJ'S AND WITH PACKS. FM CALLED WITH GOOD
COVERAGE. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

E. FIRST FAG

(1) AN HOA OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR
- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
- E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

(2) NUI TRON OP

- A. WEATHER: CLEAR

- B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIVHH
- C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
- D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
- E. MSNS FIRED: TWO

F. FIRST ANTI-TANK BN: 171250, CO C (BS 639928) RECD THREE RDS
SA FM (BS 630974) AND 200 RDS SA FM (BS 634975). RETD 150 RDS SA
AND THREE 106MM. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

G. FIRST ENGR BN: 171255, BN CONVOY (BS 623867) MOVING N ON
RTE NR 1 RECD TEN RDS SA FM (BS 618887). RETD 50 RDS SA. SNIPING
CEASED, CONVOY CONTINUED.

H. THIRD AMTRAC BN: 171315, H&S CO LVT (BT 623001) DETONATED
MINE (TYPE UNK). LVT SUFFERED DAMAGE TO PORT SIDE ROAD WHEEL AND
SIX SECT OF TRACK. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS			SUPPORTING:	
	OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
105H	22	54	76	69	7
107HT	1	8	9	9	
155H	5	22	27	16	11
155G	3		3	3	

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8"H	1	1	1
175G	2	2	2

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	173	90	335		618
107HT	60	16			76
155H	183	21			204
155G	26				26
8"H	6		6		12
175G	12				12

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO
 NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:
 OBS UNOBS HAI TOTAL MAF

105H	13	8	21	21
155H	3	2	5	5

ROUND EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	463	34	352	849
155H	16	1		17

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSULTS
1/5	2	2	NEG
3/5	3	3	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	2	2	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	1
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	1
3/5	1	0

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KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/5, ATTACHED TO CO B ON S&C OPN.

1/7, EMPLOYED W/3/1/7 ON S&C OPN.

2/7, EMPLOYED WITH REIN SQD FM CO H.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&C-OPNS BN	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT			
1/5	37	14	0	4	5	0	1	9	6
3/5	49	23	0	18	0	0	0	60	4
1/7	57	26	0	37	4	0	0	84	4
2/7	28	11	0	7	2	0	0	12	4
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1ST FAG	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
CLDC	6	7	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
IF X-RAY									
TOTALS	188	81	8	81	11	0	2	187	18

TOTAL CONTACTS: 17 DAY, 3 NIGHT, 7 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 5 KIA
1 KIA (PROB)3 DET
USMC: 5 WIA

TF X-RAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DIG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 647011	162215	SQD C4BT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 644018	170945	SQD C4BT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 660025	171100	SQD C4BT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	VC
BT 322985	171210	PLAT OP	1ST RECON 2 WIA	UNK 3 KIA	US
WPNS CAPTURED: 3 RIFLES					
BT 439049	171300	FT RECON	L-3-5 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 623001	171315	ANTRAC	3D AMTRACS 1 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BT 633008	171420	SQD C4BT	A-1-7	UNK	VC

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BT 645016	171430	FI	CMBT	NONE A-1-7 NONE	NONE UNK 1 DET	US
QUANG NGAI						
BS 754358	161745	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 520952	161850	SQD	CMBT	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BS 518908	161855	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 522928	171005	SQD	SP	G-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BS 571922	171015	SQD	SP	H-2-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BS 630974	171250	SECT	ONTOS	C-1ST-AT NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 618887	171255	ENGR	CONVOY	1ST-ENGR-BN NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 635588	171330	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 524905	171400	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 753308	171430	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 5 KIA	US
BS 525905	171450	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 197 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 180001H TO 180600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: NO CHANGE
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 171430, 3RD PLT CO A FIRST RECON BN (BASKET BALL) (BS 753308) UNDER ATTACK BY 15 ENEMY WITH ONE SMG, ONE BAR, 13 RIFLES, CHICOM GRENS. RECD 125 RDS SA. RETD 68 RDS SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. FIVE VC KIA, FOUR VC WIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 276 KIA, 569 KIA (PROB), 101 WIA (PROB), 99 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLs AND AMS. CO N 3/7 BY 0900 ESTBL BLKG PSNS VIC (BS 820397). BE PREPARED TO ESTBL CMBT BASE (BS 825384). CO L 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CAU.

0900, CO (PLUS) S&D FM (BS 822403-832396) AND HILL 26 (BS 835397). CO M 3/7 MAINTAIN PER PSNS VIC NUI DANG CP. LOCAL PTLs AND AMS. CO F 2/7 0800, CO SWEEP TO VIC (BS 820393). ESTBL BLKG PSNS (BS 826394). ON ORDER CONT SWEEP ALONG AXIS (BS 820395-815400-822403).

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 198 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 180601H TO 181200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO F 2/7 (BS 822403), CO L 3/7 (BS 826408), CO K 3/7 (BS 825385).

2. OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 180835, CO I 3/7 S&D (BS 867336) RECD 100 RDS SA FM UNK NUMBER OF VC (BS 865338). RETD SA AND 8MM. SEARCHED AREA WITH NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC KIA.

180925, CO I 3/7 S&D SNIPER TEAM (BS 872322) OBS ONE VC IN GREEN UNIFORM WITH WPN VIC (BS 881321). SNIPER FIRED FOUR RDS SA. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

180950, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 868337) OBS ONE VC WITH CARTRIDGE BELT VIC (BS 869337). FIRED TWO RDS SA. ONE VC KIA.

181030, CO I 3/7 S&D SNIPER TEAM (BS 872322) OBS TWO VC WITH WPNS

VIC (BS 881333) FIRED 2 RDS SA. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: (FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 161800H, CO F 2/7) ADD FOUR USMC WIA, ONE USMC DOW. USMC: 43 KIA, 330 WIA, FOUR DOW. VC: 277 KIA, 369 KIA (PROB) 102 WIA (PROB), 99 DETAINEES.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSN.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 199 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 181201H TO 181801H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7, (CS 825385), CO L 3/7 (CS 822403).

OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: 181210, CO I 3/7 PER PSN (CS 871322) OBS SEVEN ENEMY WITH WPNS APPROX 2000Y TO SE VIC (CS 895297) ENTERING TWO EMPLACEMENTS. FIRED 21 RDS 106MM, 22 RDS 81MM, EIGHT RDS 90MM, 12 RDS 155MM. OBS TWO EMPLACEMENTS DESTROYED, SEVEN VC KIA (PROB).

141403, CO A 3RD PLAT 1ST RECON BN (BASKETBALL) (CS 762349) RECD 70 RDS SA, THREE GRENS FM TEN ENEMY VIC (CS 762348). RETD 1000 RDS SA, 30 RDS M-79, 20 M-26 GRENS, ONE WP GREN. OBS TWO ENEMY FALL. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. FIVE USMC WIA (ONE EVA). TWO VC KIA (PROB).

181700, CO L 3/7 S&S (CS 824407) RECD EST 100 RDS SA FM UNOBS ENEMY ACROSS RIVER VIC (CS 829410) AND (CS 831408). RETD TEN RDS 106MM, 25 RDS 81MM, .50 CAL FIRE. ONE USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC). SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 277 KIA, 578 KIA (PROB), 102 WIA (PROB), 99 DETAINEES. USMC: 44 KIA, 337 WIA, FOUR DOW.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP's.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 200 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 181801H
 TO 182400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 181530, CO L 3/7 S&D (CS 827408)
 APPREH ONE VN MALE WANDERING IN AREA. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.
 (LATE ENTRY) 181600, CO M 3/7 S&D (CS 809379) APPREH TWO VN,
 ONE FEMALE AND HER FATHER. FEMALE HAD BROKE AWAY FM PTL DURING
 TET. WAS IDENTIFIED BY USMC. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.
 (LATE ENTRY) (FOLLOW UP TO SPOT REPT 181700) ADD ONE VC KIA.
 182345, CO K 3/7 SQD AMB PTL (CS 826387) OBS ONE ENEMY
 (CS 826387). FIRED 50 RDS SA. WIL SEARCH AT 190630. RETD
 TO CMBT BASE FOUND ONE AP MINE DETONATED IN PLACE. ONE VC

KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 278 KIA, 579 KIA (PROB),
 102 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.
6. PLANS: TO CONDUCT LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS FM NIGHT DEF PSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 19 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 180001H TO 180600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO D 1/5 (BT 350145).
2. SUMMARY: CMD GRU RETURNED TO THE CMBI BASE.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 171115, CO C 1/5 SQD (PLUS) CMBI PTL
(BT 299136) RECD THREE RDS SA FM EST ONE ENEMY VIC (BT 299138)
200M AWAY. RETD 25 RDS SA. WHILE SEARCHING AREA RECD FIVE RDS SA.
RETD 30 RDS SA. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE
USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: NO CHANGE: USMC: ONE KIA, THREE WIA.
6. PLANS: CO D 1/5 CONDUCT S&W, SECURE OBJECTIVE X-RAY
(BT 350145). ON ORDER RETURN TO THE CMBI BASE.

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SPECIAL SITREP 20 FOR OPN TIPPECANOE FOR 180600H TO 181200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: ALL UNITS RETD TO TAOR CMB BASE
2. SUMMARY: OPN TIPPECANOE TERMINATED AT 181200H.
3. CONTACTS: 180705, CO D 1/5 S&D (BT 352163) RECD TEN RDS SA
FM EST ONE UNOBS ENEMY IN VIC (BS 357162). RETD FIVE 60MM RDS,
50 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: THREE KIA, TWO KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB),
SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: ONE KIA, THREE WIA.
6. THIS IS THE FINAL SITREP FOR OPN TIPPECANOE.

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV
INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L 930 SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 160 FOR 180001H TO 182400H MAR 67
1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS: SUMMARY:
A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7(REIN)
E. CAS: FIRST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
I. CUM CAS: USMC: 45 KIA, 346 WIA, FOUR DOW. VC: 277
KIA, 578 KIA (PROB), 102 WIA (PROB), 99 DETAINEES, 26 CIV

DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS
J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS

1. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
A. NAME OF OPN: TIPPECANOE
B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG TIN PROVINCE (BT 5513)
D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 1/5 (-)
E. CAS: FIRST MAW
F. NGF: NONE
G. DTG INITIATED: 131230H MAR 67
H. DTG TERMINATED: 181200 MAR 67
I. CUM CAS: USMC: ONE KIA, THREE WIA. VC: THREE KIA, TWO
KIA (PROB), FOUR WIA (PROB) AND SEVEN DETAINEES.
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS:
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
A. FIFTH MARINES:
(1) 1/5: 181200H TERMINATED OPN TIPPECANOE
(2) 3/5: NEG CONTACT
B. SEVENTH MARINES:
(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 171130, CO D FT SEC PTL (REIN)

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(BS 639978) RECD THREE RDS SA FM ONE ENEMY (BS 630974). ONTOS RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 171315, CO D FT SEC PTL (REIN) (BS 639978) RECD TEN RDS SA FM ONE ENEMY (BS 639976). ONTOS RETD TEN RDS SA AND ONE 106MM RD. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 171420, CO A SQD CMBT (BT 648008) RECD TEN RDS SA FM ONE ENEMY (BT 653008). PTL RETD 100 RDS SA, ONE RD 3.5 RKT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 171755, CO B CO (-) S&D (BS 682954) LOCATED ONE 50 LB BOMB DUD. EOD TO DEST 18 MAR 67.

180815, CO B SQD AMB (BS 665959) TRIPPED M-26 GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

181108, CO B CO S&D (BS 634956) RECD 100 RDS SA FM EST EIGHT ENEMY (BS 652959). RETD 50 RDS SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO W. AT 181112, SPARROW HAWK REACTION UNIT ALERTED. AT 181300, SPARROW HAWK COMPLETED (BS 640960) WITH REACTION UNIT ACTING AS BLKG FORCE AND CO B SWEEP AREA. NO CONTACT ESTBL.

181115, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 632974) OBS FIVE ENEMY (BS 862965) WITH THREE WPNS. PTL FIRED 20 RDS SA AND ARTY MSN CALLED. FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY. WHILE SEARCHING AREA OF ARTY MSN PTL RECD

20 RDS SA FM (BS 627968). UN-1E IN AREA RETD 150 RDS SA SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. ADDLN SEARCH FOUND DRAG MARKS AND BLOOD SPOTS LEADING INTO SWAMP. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

181300, CO A FT SEC PTL (BT 652034) OBS THREE ENEMY WITH WPNS MOVE INTO TREELINE (BT 653033). FIRED 20 RDS SA AND RECD TEN RDS SA. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO E. SEARCH FOUND ONE VC KIA.

181320, CO B CO S&D (BS 639961) FOUND TWO RDS 60MM RIGGED AS AP MINE. DEST IN PLACE.

181700, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 665999) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH WPNS MOVING NE. PTL ESTBL A13. FIRED 40 RDS SA. OBS TWO ENEMY FALL AND GET UP. SEARCH FOUND HEAVY BLOOD TRAIL INTO HAMLET. SEARCH OF HAMLET FOUND NO ENEMY. TWO VC WIA.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 172050, CO G SQD CMBT (BT 575966) RECD 35 RDS SA FM (BS 574965). RETD FIVE RDS 81MM HE, 250 RDS SA, SIX RDS M-79 AND ONE RD 3.5 RKT. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 172110, CO H SQD CMBT (BS 578939) RECD 40 RDS SA FM (BS 578939). RETD 200 RDS SA AND PURSUED. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

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180100, CO H CMBT BASE (BS 576928) VILLAGERS FM PHU LE (3) REPORTED THAT SEVEN VC AND ONE BOY CAME INTO VILLAGE AND DESTROY HUTS USED AS FIRST AID STATIONS. CARRIED THREE CARB, TWO M-14 AND GREN. BN S-2 WILL INVESTIGATE.

180745, CO H SQD CMBT (BS 540922) OBS ONE VCS WITH NO WPN. PTL FIRED WARNING SHOT AND APPREH ONE VCS (20 YRS). FWD DETAINEE BN S-2.

180830, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 552960) RECD 250 RDS SA (BS 552968). CALLED ARTY MSN AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO S. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

181445, CO H FT (PLUS) RECON PTL (BS 546914) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM (BS 552912). CALLED 12 RDS 81MM. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

181530, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 563912) RECD TEN RDS FM (BS 563910). RETD 50 RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

181535, CO G FT SEC PTL (BS 522975) OBS ONE ENEMY WALKING WITH WPN (BS 521979). FIRED 30 RDS SA. ENEMY FLED NE. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY.

C. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO A: 181400, 3RD PLAT (BS 759331) RECD 75 RDS SA FM (BS 762348). ENEMY IN BLK PJ'S WITH RIFLES AND GRENS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. FOUR USMC WIA. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

(2) CO D: (LATE ENTRY) 171700, 3D PLAT (BS 635588) OBS EIGHT ENEMY DIGGING TRENCH AND BUILDING FORT PSNS (BS 657574). NO WPNS VISIBLE, BLK PJ'S.

181120, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS TWO ENEMY IN SAMPAN (BS 626564) IN BLK PJ'S WIT ONE RIFLE. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNK.

D. CHU LAI DEF CAD: NO CONTACT

E. FIRST FAG

(1) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 181810, OBS 25 ENEMY (BS 504881) WITH WPNS. GOOD COVERAGE. TWO VC KIA (PROB) AND 20 WIA (PROB).

E. MSN FIRED: ONE

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B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 181000, OBS GROUP OF ENEMY (CS 52237474). GOOD COVERAGE WITH UNK RESULTS.

181300H, OBS FIVE ENEMY (CS 465775). GOOD EFFECT ON TGT. RESULTS UNK.

181625, OBS ENEMY IN TRENCHLINE (CS 56637710). GOOD COVERAGE, RESULTS UNK.

E. MSNS FIRED: THREE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

OBS UNOBS H&I TOTAL

MAF ARVN OTHER

105H

9

2

75

86

80

6

107H

11

11

11

155H

5

24

29

21

8

155G

2

2

2

8"H

2

1

3

2

1

175G

3

5

8

3

5

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE ILLUM

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OTHER

TOTAL

105H

611

90

40

5

746

107H

32

9

41

155H

128

22

16

166

155G

12

12

24

8"H

19

6

26

175G

40

40

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

OBS H&I TOTAL

MAF

105H

3

16

19

19

155H

3

3

3

3

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE ILLUM

JP

TOTAL

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105H 238 30 18 286
 155H 9 9

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
3/5	2	2	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	1	1	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	2	2
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM EMPLOYED WITH CO B. ONE TM EMPLOYED AT BN CP
 ASSISTING IN INITIAL SCREENING OF DETAINEES.

2/7, CONTS TO WORK WITH CAC UNIT IN PHU LE (1).

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN SAD
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				

1/5	39	18	2	4	7	0	0	9	0	1
3/5	48	16	0	19	2	0	0	55	4	
1/7	87	33	0	40	4	0	2	90	4	
2/7	28	15	0	8	3	0	0	12	2	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CLDC	6	8	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	
IST FAG	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
IST RCN BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TF X-RAY										
TOTALS	208	90	12	85	16	0	2	166	10	2

TOTAL CONTACTS: 17 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 12 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 1 KIA, 5 KIA (PROB)

2 WIA

1 DET

USMC: 9 WIA

TF X-RAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 256083	181200	PLAT OP	1ST RECON	UNK	VC

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BT 652034	181300	FT	SP	NONE A-1-7 NONE	2 KIA (P) UNK 1 KIA	US
QUANG NGAI						
BS 630974	171150	IT	SP	D-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 639976	171315	IT	SP	D-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 653008	171420	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 574965	172050	SQD	CMBT	G-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 579839	172110	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 540922	180745	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BS 665959	180315	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7 2 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BS 522968	182830	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 2 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 661957	180930	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 652959	181108	CO	SQD	B-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 632974	181115	SQD	CMBT	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA (P)	US
BS 635588	181120	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 759331	181403	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON 4 WIA	UNK 2 KIA (P)	VC
BS 552912	181445	FT	RECON	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 563910	181530	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 521975	181535	FT	SP	G-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 665999	181700	SQD	CMBT	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 WIA	US

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 201 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 190001H TO 190600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: UNITS CONDUCTED LOCAL PTLs AND AMBUSHES IN ASSIGNED AREAS.
3. CONTACTS: (FOLLOW UP TO SPOT RPT 181403) CO A 3RD PLT 1ST RECON BN. ADD ONE VC KIA TO THE TOTAL.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 279 KIA, 579 KIA (PROB) 102 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.
6. PLANS: CO M 3/7 CONDUCT SQUAD PATROL (BS 7938), (BS 8037), (BS 8137). MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE PERIMETER POSITIONS, DEFENSIVE WIRE AROUND NUI DANG CP; CONDUCT NIGHT AMBUSHES AROUND APPROACHES TO NUI DANG. CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN AND CONTINUE TO IMPROVE POSITIONS AROUND

NUI DAU.

CONDUCT PATROL (BS 868318) TO (BS 859318) TO (BS 860315) TO (BS 871311) TO (BS 866315). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO K 3/7 CONDUCT COMPANY SWEEP FROM (BS 825835) SOUTH OF NUI DANG AROUND GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 820377) TO (BS 813380) TO CO M CP. PREPARE FOR DEPLOYMENT TO NUI DOW AREA 20 MARCH 67. CO L 3/7 MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE POSITIONS NUI CUA RELIEVE CO F 2/7 AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY SABINH AREA. CONDUCT LOCAL PATROL (BS 8139), LOWER HALF (BS 8240), (BS 8239), AND WESTERN HALF OF (BS 8339) AND LOWER RIGHT QUADRANT SOUTH OF STREAM (BS 8140). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES. CO F 2/7 ON ORDER, CONDUCT A COMPANY SWEEP TO (BS 826379) ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT TO (BS 824384) TO (BS 826387). CONDUCT SQUAD PATROL (BS 8238). CONDUCT NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 202 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 190601H TO 191200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 825377), CO F 2/7 (BS 825384),
 OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 190705, CO I 3/7 SNIPER TEAM (BS 872322) OBS ONE VC
 IN GREEN UNIFORM (BS 881321). SNIPER FIRED ONE RD 30 CAL. VC FELL
 & CRAWLED INTO THE BRUSH. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

191020, CO I 3/7 PLT S&D (BS 872328) ENCOUNTERED APPROX SIX VC
 (BS 873328). FIRED 40 RDS SA, TEN RDS 60MM HE. OBS TWO VC FALL.
 SEARCH CONTS. TWO VC WIA (PROB).

191030, CO I 3/7 PER PSN (BS 871322). SNIPER TM OBS ONE VC IN
 GREEN UNIFORM, CART BELT APPROX 1300M TO E VIC (BS 884321). FIRED
 TWO RDS SA. OBS VC FALL, ONE VC KIA (PROB).

191030, CO F 2/7 S&D (BS 826387). TRIPPED 81MM JUD RIGGED AS PRES-
 SURE TYPE DEVICE WITH BOOBYTRAP. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

191045, CO I 3/7 ENGR SWEEP TM (BS 872328) OBS FOUR VC WITH WPNS
 VIC (BS 872328). FIRED 20 RDS SA. OBS TWO VC FALL. VC BROKE CON-
 TACT. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY. TWO VC WIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 279 KIA, 580 KIA (PROB), 107 WIA (PROB),
 102 DETAINEES. USMC : 44 KIA, 338 WIA, FOUR DOW.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 203 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 191201H TO 191800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO F 2/7 (BS 822403), CO K 3/7 (BS 814384).

OTHER UNITS REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 191430, CO L 3/7 PER PSN (BS 822403). RESUPPLY HCPTA APPROACHING LZ IN PER PSN HAD POSS POWER FAILURE. HEAVY DAMAGE TO HCPTA. TWO USMC NBC (EVAC).

191524, CO M 3/7 PER PSN (BS 809392) LOCATED ONE DUD 105MM RD. SENT DEMO TM TO DESTROY DUD. USMC TRIPPED AFTER IGNITING CHARGE. SUFFERED MINOR INJURIES. TREATED AT BAS. ONE USMC NBC (NON EVAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 339 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: TO ESTABL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLS, AMBS AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 204 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 191801H TO 192400H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 151 FOR 190001H TO 192400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPNS: SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (CS 8435)
 - D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CASE FIRST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. COM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 339 WIA, FOUR NBC, THREE DOW.
 - VC: 275 KIA, 580 KIA (PROB), 107 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES, 26

CIVIL DEFENDANTS, SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COMFY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/51: NEG CONTACT

(2) 3/51: 190700, CO K 3/5 SQD RECON PTL (CS 475993) RECD
LIGHT SA FM SQD SIZE ENEMY UNIT. ASSAULTED ENEMY PSN WITH 45 RDS
SA, ONE LAAW, 60MM MORT. SEARCH FOUND SEVEN VC KIA IN BLK PJ'S,
ONE SM GUN, TWO M-26 GRENS, NINE RDS SA, MISC PACK AND EQUIP,
ONE RUSSIAN FLAG AND MED SUPPLIES, FWD BN S-2.

190730, CO K SQD CMBT (CS 482948) WHILE SEARCHING HAMLET ONS
ONE VN FEMALE FLEEING WITH GREN. PTL FIRED THREE RDS SA. ONE
VC KIA. ONE M-26 GREN FWD BN S-2.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/71: (LATE ENTRY) 180930, CO B (-) (CS 665955) RECD
TEN RD SA FIRE FM UNOBS ENEMY VIC (CS 661957). SWEEP ELEMENTS
FAILED TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH ENEMY.

(2) 1/71: (LATE ENTRY) 181200, CO D SQD CMBT (CS 665999) OBS FOUR ENEMY

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WITH WPNS (BS 668004) MOVING NE. FIRED 40 RDS SA AND OBS TWO ENEMY
 ALL FOLLOWED BLOOD TRAIL INTO HAMLET. SEARCH OF HAMLET FAILED
 TO PRODUCE FURTHER EVID OF ENEMY. TWO VC KIA (PROB).
 (LATE ENTRY) 181605, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT (BT 643008) RECD
 1000 RDS SA FM ENEMY (BT 644011). RECD 200 RDS SA AND FIVE RDS
 N-79. ONE USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). NO EVID OF ENEMY.
 (LATE ENTRY) 181750, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (VS 635971) DETONATED
 AP MIN. TWO USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).
 (LATE ENTRY) 181900, CO B SQD CMBT (BS 633962) DETONATED UNK
 EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. FOUR USMC WIA (THREE EVAC).
 190300, CO A FT AMB (BT 626412) APPREH THREE VNS DEESSED IN
 BLK PJ'S THREE DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.
 191300, CO B FT RECON (BS 655957) RECD 20 RDS SA FM VIC (BS
 663957) FM UNOBS ENEMY. SEARCH FOUND 20 .30 CAL RD CASINGS.
 (2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 182300, CO H SQD CMBT (BS 554908)
 REACTING TO INFO FM VCS (SITREP 180745) MOVED INTO TAN PHOUIC (4).
 APPREH ONE VCS BELIEVED TO BE NGUYEN HO LEADER OF NATNL FARMERS
 ASSOC. TWO DETAINEE TO ITT.
 190800, CO H&S FT PTL (BS 574970) REPTS THAT ONE VN MALE WAS
 KILLED BY SEVEN VC AT 190500 IN NUC MON (BS 570970). INTERPRETER

REPT THAT DEAD MAN WAS FORMER VC PLAT LEADER WHO RECENTLY HAD
 BEEN WORKING FOR GVN AS A SPY. INTERPRETER REPTD THAT VN MALE WAS
 CALLED TRI BINH (5) (BS 589975) AND THAT HE WAS KILLED BY MEN
 NAMED NGUYEN TAN, TOAN, LE-BINEN, AND VN LOKE WHO LIVE IN HAMLET
 OF DAN BINH (5) (BS 550456). PTL SEARCHING BOTH HAMLETS.

191105, CO H FT SEC PTL (BS 549911) APPREH ONE VN AGE 40 RUN-
 NING FM PTL. APPEARED TO HAVE FALSE ID CARD AND FWD TO BN S-2.

191205, CO H FT SEC PTL (BS 576908) RECD 30 RDS SA FM FOUR
 ENEMY IN BLK PJ'S (BS 552903). RECD 100 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 61MM
 HE AND FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

C. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO D: (LATE ENTRY) 181710, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS
 THREE ENEMY MOVING SW (BS 638573) IN BLK PJ'S WITH TWO WPNS. FM
 CALLED WITH EXCEL COVERAGE. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

191030, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY MOVING S (BS 657
 591) WITH TWO WPNS. FM CALLED, TWO VC KIA (PROB).

191450, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY IN DITCH (BS 650
 588) IN BLK PJ'S WITH TWO WPNS. FM CALLED. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

D. CH LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

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- (1) AN HOA OP
 A. WEATHER: LIGHT FOG
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSN FIRED: NONE
 (2) NUI TRON OP
 A. WEATHER: LIGHT FOG
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSNS FIRED: ONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	21		83	104	101	3	
107H	1		6	7	7		
155H	9	4	29	42	28	11	3
155G		3	6	9	9		
8TH	1	2	3	6	5	1	

175G	12	1	8	21	17	4
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ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	OBS	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	62	55	83		750
107H	25	6		2	33
155H	319	24	18		361
155G	23			2	20
8TH	22				22
175G	33				93

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	11		19	30	30		
155H	3	1	4	8	8		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	OBS	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	319	34	78		431
155H	23	5			33

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS

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SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLT'S
3/5	2	2	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM ATTACHED TO CO B FOR S&C OPNS. ONE TM AT BN CP FOR
INTER OP DET. ONE EM AT BN CP RECEIVING INDOCTRINATION & TRNG.
2/7, KIT CARSON RETD FM 3 DAY PTL TODAY.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&C-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT	BN
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST	SNIPER	SQD
UNIT										
1/5	46	15	1	6	5	0	0	10	0	
3/5	48	11	0	22	1	0	0	55	4	
1/7	69	25	0	33	6	0	1	90	4	
2/7	30	20	0	7	4	0	0	12	3	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	7	7	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST RCN IN	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TF X-RAY										
TOTALS	203	78	10	83	16	0	1	167	11	1

TOTAL CONTACTS: 12 DAY, 3 NIGHT, 5 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 8 KIA
6 KIA (PROB)
5 DET
USMC: 1 KIA
3 WIA

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SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	SIZE	ACTION TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG BINH						
BT 644 11	181605	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7	UNK	VC
				1 KIA, 2 WIA	NONE	
BT 626 12	190330	FT	AMB	A-1-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	3 DET	
QUANG GAI						
BS 661 57	180930	CO	S&D	B-1-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 665 99	181200	SQD	CMBT	D-1-7	UNK	US
				NONE	NONE	
BS 635 88	181710	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA (P)	
BS 635 71	181750	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	US
				2 WIA	NONE	
BS 633 62	181900	SQD	CMBT	B-1-7	UNK	US
				4 WIA	NONE	
BS 654 08	182300	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
BS 475 93	190700	SQD	RECON	K-3-5	UNK	VC
WPNS CAPTURED: 1 SHOTGUN				NONE	7 KIA	
BS 482 18	190930	SQD	CMBT	K-3-5	UNK	US
				NONE	1 KIA	
BS 635 88	191040	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA (P)	
BS 549 1	191105	FT	SP	H-2-7	UNK	US
				NONE	1 DET	
BS 552 13	191215	FT	SP	H-2-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 663 7	191130	FT	RECON	B-1-7	UNK	VC
				NONE	NONE	
BS 635 8	191445	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON	UNK	US
				NONE	2 KIA (P)	

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 205 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 200001H TO 200600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY: ALL UNITS MAINTAIN PSN. CONDUCTED LOCAL PTLS & AMBS.

3. CONTACTS: NEG

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CTS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: CO I 3/7 IN SUPPORT OF CO K 3/7 ESTBL BLKG PSNS VIC (BS
 864336, 871338). MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO K 3/7
 CONDUCTS S&D OPN GENERAL AXIS OF ADVANCE QUY THIEN (1) (BS 855348),
 QUY THIEN (5) (BS 860343), QUY THIEN (2) (BS 855339) AND THUY THA CA (1)

(BS 860528). SECURE HILL 25 (BS 864345)). ESTBL NIGHT PSNS VIC (BS 860
 328). EXTENSIVE NIGHT PTLS AND AMBS. CO L 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS VIC NUI
 CUA. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO M 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG. LOCAL

PTLS AND AMBS. CO F 2/7 MAINTAIN PRESENT PSNS. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.

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 TO GEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 206 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 200601H TO 201200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 864366) AND (BS 871338), CO K 3/7 (BS 856343) AND (BS 863346), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403), CO M 3/7 (BS 805375), CO F 2/7 (BS 826379).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 200730, CO I 3/7 (BS 872328) LEAD MAN DETONATED RIGGED AP MINE ON TRAIL. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. HUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 340 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP 207 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 201201H TO 201800 MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO M 3/7 (PS 814384), CO I 3/7 (PS 872322), CO K 3/7 (PS 836340), CO L 3/7 (PS 822403) AND (PS 849 391), CO F 2/7 (PS 822403).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MODERATE CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS (LATE ENTRY) 201150, 4TH PLAT CO A (DATELINE) (PS 738366) DURING ATTEMPT TO INSERT HCPTV RECD HEAVY SA FM EST 20 VC IN GREEN UNIFORMS, STEEL HELMETS, CAMO COVER, VIC (PS 738366). 2ND HCPTV VIC (PS 738366) COMPLETED INSERT. FOUND FOUR AP MINES IN LZ, ALSO 12 FIGHTING HOLES WHICH APPEARED TO BE 2-3 MONTHS OLD. RECD APPROX 20 RDS SA FM VIC (PS 735302), RETD 100 RDS SA, HEAVY RETD SUPPRESSIVE FIRES, CALLED ARTY MSN. THREE VC KIA, ONE VC WIA (PROP), SEVEN USMC WIA (FVAC).

201330, CO I 3/7 PER PSN (PS 867366) OPS TWO ENEMY WITH WPNS IN CANEFIELD APPROX 600M TO S VIC (PS 856360). FIRED 11 RDS SA, OPS TWO VC FALL, TWO VC KIA (PROP).

201415, CO I 3/7 S&D (PS 870337) OPS FIVE ENEMY WITH WPNS VIC (PS 879335). FIRED 28 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 60MM. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROP). NO WPNS CAPTURED.

201500, CO L 3/7 S&D (PS 864341) OPS ONE ENEMY RUNNING TO S VIC (PS 863340). CHALL IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. ENEMY DID NOT HALT. FIRED 20 RDS SA, ONE VC KIA. CAPTURED ONE GAS MASK, ONE WALLET, PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS, ONE CIV TRANSISTOR RADIO.

4. SIGNIF EVENTS, NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 284 KIA, 580 KIA (PROP), 108 WIA (PROP), 100 DETAINEES, USMC: 44 KIA, 345 WIA, FOUR DOW.

6. PLANS: TO ESPL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTL, AMPS AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 208 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 201801H TO 202400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 201100, CO K 3/7 CO SWEEP (BS 856345)

OBS TWO ENEMY FLEEING N ALONG DIKE AT 70M AWAY. FIRED TEN RDS

4. ONE VC KIA.

201930, CO K 3/7 CO SWEEP BS 868335) OBS FOUR ENEMY MOVING
 TOWARD PSN VIC (BS 865733). FIRED 25 RDS SA. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

202015, CO K 3/7 (BS 865333) INTERR OF ENEMY WIA REVEALED
 THAT CO K HAD KILLED THREE VC. ONE VC KIA, THREE KIA (PROB).

5. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

6. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 286 KIA, 585 KIA (PROB),
 108 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.

7. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO TASK FORCE X-RAY
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TASK FORCE X-RAY SITREP NR 1642 FOR 200001H TO 202400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS.

2. MAJOR OPNS SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNITS PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: FIRST MAW

F. NGF: NONE

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 345 WIA, FOUR DOW, VC: 284 KIA,
580 KIA (PROB), 108 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES, 26 CIVIL DEFENDANTS,
SEVEN INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 191600, CAC I-3 PLAT PTL (BT 340
162) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH ONE WPN 500M W. FIRED 30 RDS SA AND 100
RDS 81MM MORTAR. OBS ONE VC FALL AND PURSUED ENEMY TO HAMLET
(BT 337165) AND SEARCH FOUND NO FURTHER EVID OF CAS. ONE VC KIA
(PROB).

(LATE ENTRY) 191735, CAC I-2 (BT 335175) AT PER PSN HAD 100
VN YOUTHS (15) DETONATE AP MINE WHICH WAS PLACED THERE BY ARVN UNIT
1966. FIRST AID RENDERED AND YOUTHS EVACED.

201000, CO D 1/5 SQD SEC PTL (BT 365149) RECD THREE RDS SA
FM (BT 361149). PTL RETD THREE RDS SA AND ENEMY BROKE CONTACT.
SEARCH OF AREA FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. FOUND PROPAGANDA
LEAFLETS WHICH WERE FWD TO BN S-2.

(2) 3/5: NEG CONTACT

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 191500, CO D SQD CMBT (BS 628449)
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OBS EIGHT ENEMY (BS 624978) WITH WPNS. ENEMY FIRED APPROX 10 RDS AT HCPTIR WITH NO EFFECT. HCPTIR DIVERTED AND CORDON ESTABLISHED AROUND ENEMY PSN. BLKG PSNS SET AT (BS 619014 & 620990) WITH LVT'S AND (BS 625989) WITH ONTOS. AIR STRIKE CALLED AND CORDON UNITS SWEEP AREA OF AIR STRIKE. 191820, LVT'S APPROACHED EIGHT VN IN BOAT, SEARCH OF BOAT FOUND EVID OF ENEMY. TWO VN WITH NO ID'S DETAINED. BLKG PSN (BS 620990) APPREH TWO FEMALES DETAINEES WHO RELATED CONFLICTING STORIES TO KIT CARSON. SWEEP ELEMENT APPREH SIX MORE FEMALE DETAINEES NEAR SIGHT OF AIR STRIKE. SQD PSN ESTBL AT PSN WHERE ENEMY LAST SPOTTED. TEN DETAINEES FWD BN S-2. 200930, CO B ROAD SWEEP PTL (BS 670988) LOC ONE 105MM BUD RIGGED AS AN AP MINE WITH PRESSURE DEVICE. ENGRS DESTR IN PLACE. 201130, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 662040) RECD TEN RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY (BT 665042). RETD 25 RDS SA, EIGHT RDS M-79, AND ONE 815 RKT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. 201315, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 653042) RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM (BT 654046) FM UNOBS ENEMY. RETD 75 RDS SA AND SIX RDS 105MM. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). 201355, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 721954) APPREH ONE VN WITH RIGGED BURNED OUT ON ID CARD. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

201430, CO D SQD CMBT (S 635976) FOUND ONE CART BELT CONTAINING 11 RDS M-79, TWO M-26 GRENS. FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 191450, CO H FT SEC PTL (BS 568912) WHILE MOVING THROUGH CANE FIELD TRIPPED M-26 RIGGED AS AP MINE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

201030, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 555910) OBS TWO VN MALES (BS 650899) RUNNING FM PTL. CHALL IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. VN CONT TO FLEE. FIRED TEN RDS SA, LOST CONTACT. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

201300, CO G FT SEC PTL (BS 547958) RECD TWO RDS SA FM TWO (BS 555951). RETD 15 RDS SA. SEARCH FOUND NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(3) 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

C. FIRST RECON BN

(1) CO A: 201150, 4TH PLAT (BS 738366) RECD SA FM EIGHT ENEMY (S 738366) IN GREEN UNIFORMS, STEEL HELMETS AND GOGGLES. PTL RETD SA FIRE BEFORE EXTRACTION AT 201200. THREE EN KIA, SEVEN USMC WIA.

(2) CO D: 200820, 3RD PLAT (S 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY SWIMMING IN RIVER AND ENTERING TREELINE (BS 661585) IN BOAT AND ONE RIFLE. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. ONE EN KIA, TWO EN WIA.

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201105, 3RD PLAT (CS 635588) OBS SIX ENEMY MOVING E ON ROAD IN BLK PJ'S WITH FOUR RIFLES, TWO PACKS, ONE LARGE BUNDLE. FM CALLED, EXCELLENT COVERAGE. RESULTS UNK.

201130, 3RD PLAT (CS 635588) OBS NINE ENEMY DRAGGING SAMPLER IN RIVER (CS 612550) IN BLK PJ'S, HELMETS AND THREE WPNS. FM CALLED RESULTS UNK.

201345, 3RD PLAT (CS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY MOVING E ON ROAD (CS 668076) IN BLK PJ'S, TWO WPNS AND ONE PACK. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

201350, 3RD PLAT (CS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY UNLOADING SAMPLER ON RIVER BANK (CS 612550) BLK PJ'S, ONE PACK, AND ONE RIFLE. FM CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. THREE VC KIA (PROB).

D. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NEG CONTACT

E. FIRST FAG:

(1) NUTRON OP

A. WEATHER: LIGHT HAZE

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 201235, OBS THREE ENEMY ON BANK (CS 47227827). FM HAD GOOD COVERAGE. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: GOOD WITH FAIR VIS

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: (LATE ENTRY) 191840, OBS TEN ENEMY (CS 509852). GOOD COVERAGE. TEN VC KIA (PROB), TEN VC (PROB)

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/MSNS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:	
OBS	UNOBS	HAL TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	
105H	21	7	54	82	68
107H	1		8	9	9
108H	2		25	28	16
109H	2		2	2	12

MSNS EXPENDED:

RE	BLU	UM	UP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	742	43	142		925
107H	1	4		1	22

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155H	121	10	3	134
175G	11			11

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING:

OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF
105H	9	2	11	22

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE	ILLUM	WP	TOTAL
105H	397	32	115
			544

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RS LTS
1/5	1	0
		NEG

3/5	2	0	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	1	1	NEG

KIT CARSON

NR INDIV NR EMPLOYED

1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1
1/5	1	0
3/5	1	0

KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM ASSIGNED TO CO B S&D OPN. ONE TM AT BN CP ASSISTING
IN INTERR OF DET. ONE TM UNDERGOING INDOCTRINATION.

2/7, KIT CARSON EMPLOYED WITH CO H ON PTLS.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5	37	35	0	3	9	0	0	10	0	
3/5	51	16	0	19	3	0	0	55	0	
1/7	55	53	0	36	5	0	2	90	1	
2/7	26	22	0	6	5	0	0	12	2	

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3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
CLDC	6	7	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
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TOTALS 175 138 10 69 22 0 2 168 6

TOTAL CONTACTS: 14VDAY, 0 NIGGHT, 4 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 6 KIA (PROB)

11 DET

USMC: 3 WIA

TF X-RAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN	191600	PLAT SP	CAC-1-3 NONE	UNK 1 KIA (P)	US
BT 361149	201000	SQD SP	D-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 665042	201130	SQD CMBT NONE	A-1-7 NONE	UNK	VC

BT 654046	201315	SQD CMBT	A-1-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
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QUANG NGAI

BS 568917	191450	FT SP	H-2-7 2 WIA	UNK NONE	US
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BS 628974	191500	SQD CMBT	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 10 DET	US
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BS 635588	200820	PLAT OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 1 KIA (P)	US
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BS 555910	201030	SQD CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
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BS 635588	201105	PLAT OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
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BS 635588	201130	PLAT OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK NONE	US
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BS 555951	201300	FT SP	G-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
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BS 721954	201335	SQD CMBT	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
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BS 635588	201345	PLAT OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK	US
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BS 635588	201350	PLAT OP	NONE 1ST RECON NONE	1 KIA (P) UNK 3 KIA (P)	US
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
SPECIAL SITREP NR 209 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 210001H TO 210600H MAR 67
1. NEG CONTACT, NO CHANGE.
2. CHANGE CUM CAS TO READ 589 VC KIA (PROB) (DUE TO RECOUNT).
3. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. 0830 ESTBL PLAT (PLUS)
WITH TANK, BLNG PSN AT (BS 879325) TO SUPPORT K 3/7. CO K 3/7
0800 CONDUCTS S&D OPN ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT QUY THIEN (3)
(BS 875355) TO QUY THIEN (BS 876341) TO AN THACH (BS 879346) TO
PHUOC DIEN (2) (BS 884328) TO PHUOC DIEN (1) (BS 886324) TO PHUOC
DIEN (4) (BS 893319) TO CHI TRUNG (1) (BS 893317) TO (BS 891311)
HILL 25 (BS 899306). ESTBL CMBT BASE AT HILL 25. CO L 3/7
MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA AND VIC (BS 822403). CONDUCT PTLS VIC HAI
NGM (BS 832397) AND HILL 26 (BS 334397). CO M 3/7 ONE ORDER, ONE
PLAT (PLUS), WITH ONTOS, AS SEC FOR ENGINEER RECON OF ROAD FM (BS

809379-835364). 0800, CO (-) SWEEP, GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT
(BS 809372-817367-825366-827364) TO VINH PHUOC (2) (BS 832363).
CO F 2/7 0900, CO SWEEP OF AN LAC (2) (BS 831374).

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O P 210620Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
 ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 210 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 210601H TO 211200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 863344), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403) AND (BS 849391), CO M 3/7 (BS 833354), CO F 2/7 (BS 832375).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACTS.
3. CONTACTS: 210745, CO I 3/7 SWEEP (BS 870333) FOUND ONE CHICOM GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE. ENGR DESTR IN PLACE.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE.
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE.
6. PLANS: CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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U P 211230Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 211 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 211201H TO 211800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO I 3/7 (CS 867343), CO F 2/7 (CS 825378).
OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 211030, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL
(CS 821367) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM UNOBS ENEMY ACROSS RIVER IN
TREELINE VIC (CS 824366). RETD 20 RDS SA, FIVE RDS M-79.
CALLED ARTY MSN WITH GOOD COVERAGE. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO
EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 211100, CO F 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (CS 828375) RECD
TEN RDS SNIPER FIRE FM VIC (CS 828370). COULD NOT OBS ENEMY.
DID NOT RETN FIRE. DURING SEARCH TRIPPED GREN RIGGED AS MINE.
TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

211340, CO I 3/7 S&D (CS 882325) FOUND TWO 4-10 MINES VIC
(CS 882325). DISARMED MINES FWD BN S-2.

211550, CO L 3/7 S&D (CS 822402) DETONATED M-20 GREN RIGGED
AS AP MINE, TRIPWIRE TYPE DEVICE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 350 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC. VC:
NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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FROM : CG TASK FORCE KRAY
 TO: CG 1ST MARDIV REIN T 1ST MARDIV COC
 ACTION

INFO: SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD
 BONG SON RVN
 211810Z

DRAFTER		CONCURRENCE	
Section	Name	Section	Initials
RELEASER			
Section			
Signature			
PRECEDENCE			
Action			
Info			
CLASSIFICATION	INFO	ACT / RELO	DIST
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			G-4
			Compt
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			SupO
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SPECIAL SITREP #212 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 211801H TO 212400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 211420, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 834303)

FOUND BUNKER (6'x4'x4') REIN WITH LUMBER AND BAMBOO, APERTURE
 ACROSS ENTIRE FRONT. DESTROY BY ENGRS.

(LATE ENTRY) 211600, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 866337) OBS THREE
 ENEMY WITH WPNS RUNNING DOWN TRENCHLINE SAME VIC BELIEVED TO BE
 CARRYING FRENCH T PE SMG WITH BANANA TYPE CLIP. FIRED 150 RDS
 SA. SEARCH REVEALED BLOOD TRAIL AND DRAG MARKS. ONE VC WIA.

211855, CO I 3/7 S&D (BS 866336) DETONATED ONE Z-10 MINE.
 ONE USMC WIA (LWAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. COM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 351 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC. VC:
 286 KIA, 589 KIA (PROB), ONE VC WIA, 108 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES

6. PLANS: CO K: COMMENCING 0800 MAR REIN WITH TANKS, CONT TO
 EXPLOIT INTELL GAINED FM VC CAPTURED NEAR PRESENT PSN. ON ORDER
 COND S&D REIN FM PRESENT PSN ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT QUY
 THLEN (3) (BS 875355) TO QUY THLEN (4) (BS 876341) TO AN THACH

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(BS 879346). ESTBL CO CMBT BASE VIC AN THACH; COORDINATE RESUPPLY AND REFUELLING OF ATTACHED TANKS; CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND ATBS.

CO D: CONT TO MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE PSN AT NUI CUA (BS 822403). CONDUCT PTLS IN GRID SQUARES (BS 8139, 8140, 8240, 8239). CONDUCT PTLS ALONG WESTERN BANK OF NUI CUA (BS 853388), CLEAR BOOBY TRAPS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY; REQ ADDNL ENGRS SUPPORT AS REQUIRED.

CO F 2/7: COMMENCING 0800 COND A DELIBERATE S&D OPN IN HAI HON (BS 832395) AND HILL 26 (BS 835396); COORDINATE INJURIES INTO AREA WITH CO D; ESTBL CO CMBT BASE VIC (BS 834396). CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND ATBS.

CO H: MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANT, PREPARE AND COORDINATE PLANS WITH HQS. COORDINATE IN RELATIONS TO PLACEMENT OF PROTECTIVE MINE FIELDS. CONDUCT PTLS THROUGHOUT (BS 8037, 8137, 7938, 8139, 8038). CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND ATBS.

CO I: MAINTAIN AND CONT TO IMPROVE PSN, NUI DAU. ESTBL BLKG PSN (BS 879325) TO SUPPORT CO K S&D OPN. BE PREPARED TO ASSIST CO K BY OBSERVATION AND LONG RANGE FIRE. CONDUCT NIGHT PTLS AND ATBS.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
 SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 163 FOR 210001H TO 212400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN: SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 6439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: FIRST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS OZBOURN DD 846
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 350 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.
 - VC: 286 KIA, 585 KIA (PROB), 108 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: NO CONTACT

(2) 3/5: 210950, CO K SQD CMBT PTL (BS 474958) FOUND CAVE (6'X 8'X 4'). SEARCH REVEALED CAVE TO BE EMPTY. CAVE DESTROYED WITH M-26 GREN. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC) FM GREN FRAGMENTS.

211030, CO K PLAT S&D (BS 474955) OBS ONE VN ATTEMPTING TO EVADE PTL. CHALL IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. VN CONT TO FLEE. FIRED TWO RDS SA. ONE VC KIA.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 201545, CO B PLAT S&D (BS 624983) DURING SEARCH OF HAMLET FOUND FOLLOWING IN HUTS: MEDICAL SYRINGES AND NEEDLES, PENICILLIN, EYE MEDICINE, FIVE 81MM FUZES, EIGHT 81MM CASINGS, 11 81MM ILLUM FIN ASSEMBLIES, FIVE BLASTING CAPS WITH TIME FUZES, CRIMPERS AND VARIOUS CONTAINERS AND CASINGS. ALSO APPREH FIVE VCS IN SAME AREA. FIVE DETAINEES FWD WITH EQUIP TO ITT.

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(LATE ENTRY) 202230, CO B BT A4B (BS 625973) OBS BOAT WITH NO LIGHTS (BS 653967). CHALL IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. BOAT CONT. CALLED FOR EIGHT RDS 105MM HE. BOAT DISAPPEARED. OBS NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

210900, CO B PLAT S&D (BS 629973) FOUND CAVE (2MX3MX30M) WITH TWO FALSE WALLS. SEARCH REVEALED TWO CHICOM SNIPER SCOPES. ONE AMMO POUCH, 75 RDS 7.62MM, FWD BN S-2.

211120, CO B PLAT S&D (BS 628972) FOUND SEVEN BOTTLES UNK TYPE MEDICINE, ONE VC CORPSMAN NOTEBOOK. FWD BN S-2.

211520, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 654017) RECD ONE RD SA FM TWO ENEMY, GREY UNIFORMS, WPNS, MOVING SE VIC (BT 655107). RETD THREE RDS SA AND PURSUED. FOUND ONE VC KIA. CAPTURED ONE CHICOM RIFLE NR D-4080, ONE GREY UNIFORM, FOUR RDS SA, ONE SMALL NOTEBOOK, FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 211525, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 562916) TRIPPED M-79 RDRIGGED AS AP MINE, IN GROUND WITH NAIL PROTRUDING THROUGH BOARD. TWO USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D : 211345, 3RD PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY,

BLK PJ'S, WPNS VIC (BS 656574). CALLED FIRE MSN. TWO VC KIA (PROB). 211515, OBS TWO ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, WPN, PACKS, MOVING SW VIC (BS 652562). CALLED FIRE MSN. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER : CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 211335, OBS THREE ENEMY (BS 484777). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO ENEMY CAS. 211545, OBS ONE ENEMY (BS 487785). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO ENEMY CAS.

ARTY MSNS: TWO: OBS

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

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	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	7		66	73	69	4	
107HT			9	9	9		
155H	8		19	27	18	9	
155G	2			2	2		
8"H	3			3	3		
175G	17		3	20	17		3

	ROUNDS EXPENDED:				
	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	338	79	26		443
107HT	9	11			20
155H	193	15	23		231
155G	6			2	8
8"H	8				8
175G	144				144

	ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:				SUPPORTING: DESOTO		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	1		10	11	11		

155H	4	4	4
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	ROUNDS EXPENDED:				
	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	58	16	6		80
155H	61		7		68

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO	
TOTAL MSNS FIRED:	AMMO EXPENDED:
OBS: 1	5"/38 249

OBS: 1	HE	WP	ILLUM
	5"/38	249	

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSULTS
7TH MAR	4	4	NEG
1/7	7	7	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG
3/7	2	2	NEG

KIT CARSON TEAMS

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	0
1/5	2	0
3/5	1	0
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 EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
 KIT CARSON RESULTS:

1/7, ONE TM ON CO B S&C OPNS. ONE TM AT BN CP ASSISTING IN
 INTERROGATION OF DETAINEES. ONE TM UNDERGOING INDOCTRINATION.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&C-OPNS CO	LIST FOST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&C
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5	44	18	0	3	7	0	0	13	0	
3/5	45	19	0	19	3	0	0	55	0	
1/7	86	31	0	39	5	0	2	90	4	
2/7	26	18	0	7	2	0	0	12	1	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST FAG	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	6	6	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST RCN BN	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TF XRAY										
TOTALS	209	92	11	82	17	0	2	170	5	

TOTAL CONTACTS: 7 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 0 VC INITIATED.
 TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 KIA
 4 KIA (PROB)

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USMC: 3 WIA

TF XRAY AMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PRCVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE	TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	UNIT BY
QUANG TIN BT 654017	211520	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
WPNS CAPTURED 1 CHICOM RIFLE						
QUANG NGAI BS 624983	201545	PLAT	S&D	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 3 DET	US
BS 625973	202230	FT	A+B	B-1-7 NONE	UNK	US
BS 474958	210950	SQD	CMBT	K-3-5 1 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BS 474955	211030	PLAT	S&D	K-3-5 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 635588	211345	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 2 KIA (P)	US
BS 635588	211515	PLAT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 2 KIA (P)	US
BS 562916	211525	SQD	CMBT	A-2-7 A-716	UNK NONE	US

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 213 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 220001H TO 220600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: REMAIN THE SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 220130, CO 2/7 SQD AMB PTN (BS 826389) WHILE MOVING INTO PSN OBS MOVEMENT AND LIGHTS FM VIC (BS 834375). AT THE SAME TIME PTN RECD 30 RDS SA AND FOUR GREN FM UNK NR VC, 250M E FM AMB SITE. PTN RETN 300 RDS SA, FOUR RDS M-79. SEARCHED REVEAL ONE CARTRIDGE, TWO M-26 GRENS, AND PIECES OF UNIFORMS. ITEMS FWD TO BN S-2. FOUR USMC WIA (NON EVAC) AND TWO VC KIA (CONF).
4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 355 WIA, 4 DOW. VC: 288 KIA, 589 KIA (PROB) 109 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE

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 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 214 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 220600H TO 221200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO F 2/7 (BS 814384). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.
 2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
 3. CONTACTS: 220800, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 856349) OBS FOUR ENEMY
 RUNNING VIC (BS 857348). ENEMY WERE CHALL IN VN. ENEMY CONT TO
 RUN. FIRED 52 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE VC KIA, THREE
 VC WIA (PROB). CAPTURED ONE M-26 GREN, FWD BN S-2.

220900, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL LOCATED (BS 868337) ONE 155MM
 RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. DESIR IN PLACE.

221030, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 796383) RECD SIX RDS SNIPER
 FIRE FM UNOBS ENEMY VIC (BS 793385). RETD 20 RDS SA AND SWEEP
 AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

221200, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 793384) RECD APPROX 250 AW AND SA

FIRE FM UNK NR ENEMY (BS 788387). RETD 700 RDS SA, 25 RDS M-78.
 OBS ONE ENEMY IN BLK PJ'S FALL AFTER BEING HIT. ENEMY BROKE
 CONTACT TO NW. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE
 VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 44 KIA, 356 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC. VC:
 289 KIA, 590 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNUG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 215 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 221201H TO 221800H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU, CO M 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 878345), CO L 3/7 (BS 822403) AND (BS 849391), CO F 2/7 (BS 834384).
 2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH HEAVY CONTACT
 3. CONTACTS: 221400, CO L 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 812407) OBS SIX ENEMY WITH WPNS, BLK PJ'S, CAMO BRUSH COVERS WITH SCARVES. FIRED 50 RDS SA RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA. PTL RECD 20 RDS SA FM RIGHT REAR. PTL CROSSED RIVER TO FLANK ENEMY AND RECD 150 RDS SA FM EST 15 ENEMY VIC (BS 809409). RETD 100 RDS SA. OBS ONE VC KIA (PROB). A SECOND SQD PTL FM CO L 3/7 IN SAME AREA OBS 15 ENEMY VIC (BS 810405). FIRED 50 RDS SA, 15 RDS 81MM RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB). DURING MED EVAC, HCPTR RECD SA SNIPER

FIRE FM VIC (BS 807397). RETD 100 RDS SA, 12 RDS 81MM, RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA, ONE VC KIA (PROB). CUM CAS: FOUR VC KIA, FOUR VC KIA (PROB). TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIF EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 594 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES. USMC: 44 KIA, 358 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.
 6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS AND LP'S.

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TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN

INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR 67
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 216 FOR OPH DESOTO FOR 221801H MAR 67
1. OPH DESOTO COMIS WITH NO ALLIGE, NO CONTACT.
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INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 164 FOR 220001H TO 222400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS OZBOURN DD 846
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 594 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB),
102 DETAINEES. USMC: 44 KIA, 358 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
 - A. FIGHT MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 211530, CAC I-1 SQD SEC PTL (BT 353 166) RECD 20 RDS SA FM VIC (BT 360165). AS PTL CONT, RECD 150 RDS SA FM EIGHT ENEMY, BLK AND WHITE CLOTHING VIC (BT 360165). RETD 300 RDS SA AND PURSUED. ONTOS SECTION MOVING IN PSN TO SUPP, STRUCK (AT) MINE VIC (BT 341165) BELIEVED TO BE 250 LB BOMB, RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). MINE LEFT CRATER EIGHT FT DEEP AND TEN FT WIDE. 211800, APPREH SIX FEMALE VNS IN AREA OF MINE. RECD 30 RDS SA FM VIC (BT 346165). RETD 60 RDS SA, SIX RDS 106MM, 16 RDS 81MM HE. TWO HU-IES ON STATION RECD APPROX 400 RDS AW FM SAME AREA. HU-IES RETD SUPPRESSIVE FIRES. PTL RETD 400 RDS SA AND ASSAULTED ENEMY PSN. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY. CUM CAS: FIVE VC WIA (PROB), SIX DETAINEES, FWD ITT. TWO USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

221130, CO C (-) S&D (BT 349178) APPREH ONE VN AGE 20, ALTERED ID. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

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(2) 3/5: 220100, CAC K-4 3/5 SQD CMBT PTL CONSISTING OF TEN PF .S AND TEN NAT POLICE (BT 464084) ENCOUNTERED 20 VC 100M TO S VIC (BT 464083). FIRED 20 RDS SA AND PURSUED. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA. CAPTURED ONE M-26 GREN, ONE HOMEMADE GREN, TWO US CARB MAGS, ONE CART BELT, FWD BN S-2.

221300, CO L SQD RECON PTL (BT 375058) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM 300M TO W VIC (BT 372058). RETD TWO RDS 60MM. FOUR RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 211745, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 652012) OBS NINE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, WPNS, 600M TO SW VIC (BT 646009). FIRED 50 RDS SA, CALLED FOR TEN RDS 81MM HE, AND PURSUED. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 211800, CO B (-) S&D (BS 628972) FOUND MEDICINAL ARTICLES, ONE KHAKI UNIFORM, ONE GREY UNIFORM, ONE CANTEEN, ONE RIFLE SLING, FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 212300, CO A CAC L-2 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 612018) OBS TWO ENEMY 200M TO S VIC (BT 612016). FIRED 100 RDS SA. RECD 20 RDS SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO NW. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

221245, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 646025) APPREH ONE VN MALE, AGE 25 ALTERED ID. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 212115, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 545908) RECD 30 R

SA FM 400M TO SW VIC (BS 541904). RETD TWO RDS 60MM. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

221530, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 521092) APPREH TWO VNS, AGES 25, ONE WITHOUT ID, ONE WITH ALTERED ID. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

C. 3/7: CONT OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACT

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUITRON OP

A. WEATHER: FAIR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: MODERATE

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 220950, OBS TEN ENEMY WORKING ON BUNKER VIC (BS 467773). CALLED FIRE MSN. TWO VC WIA. 221430, FIRED MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY HARBOR SITE. GOOD COVERAGE ON TGT.

E. MSNS FIRED: TWO OBS

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A. WEATHER: FAIR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 220900, FIRED MSN ON SUSPECTED R/A
PSN VIC (BS 480843). GOOD COVERAGE.

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE: OBS

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	19	6	59	84	76	8	
107HT	1	2	11	14	14		
155H	8		23	31	22	9	
8" H	1			1		1	
175G	7			7	7		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	797	36	51		884
107HT	42	7			49
155H	95	36		5	136
8" H	5				5

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ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING: DESOTO		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	17	4	12	33	33		
155H	5		3	8	8		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	668	25	50		743
155H	12	1		4	17

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: DESOTO

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	WP	ILLUM
OBS: 5			
UNOBS:			

3"/50

5"/38

60

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS

NR EMPLOYED

RSLTS

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3

NEG

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6

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 NR INDIV NR EMPLOYED

1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1
1/5	2	2
3/5	1	0

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS
 KIT CARSON RESULTS: 1/5, EMPLOYED ON CO C PTLS. 1/7, ONE TM
 ASSIGNED TO CO B ON S&C OPNS. ONE TM EMPLOYED IS PSY OPS IN
 TAN HY. ONE TM UNDERGOING INDOCTRINATION AT BN CP.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST	SCOUT	BN
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST	SNIPER	S&C
1/5	46	17	4	3	5	0	0	13	0	

3/5	51	29	0	22	2	0	0	60	6
1/7	78	57	0	32	2	0	2	90	14
2/7	24	17	0	7	4	0	0	11	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IST FAG	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLDC	113	6	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
IST RCN BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFX TOTALS	313	128	16	79	13	0	2	174	20

TOTAL CONTACTS: 7DAY, 3 NIGHT, 3 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC:
 1 KIA
 5 WIA (PROB)
 10 DET
 USMC: 2 KIA
 2 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:	PROVINCE/	DTG	ACTION	FRD UNIT/	ENEMY UNIT/	INIT
COORDINATES		SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	LOSSES	BY
QUANG TIN						
BT 360165	211530	SQD	SEC	CAC-I-1-5 2 KIA, 2 WIA	UNK 2 WIA (P)	VC

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BT 652012	211745	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 341165	211800	SQD	SEC	CAC-1-1-5 NONE	UNK 3 WIA (P) 6 DET	US
BT 612018	212300	SQD	SEC	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 464084	220100	SQD	CMBT	CAC-K4-3-5 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BT 349178	221130	CO	S&D	C-1-5 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BT 646025	221245	SQD	CMBT	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BT 372058	221300	SQD	RECON	L-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	US
QUANG NGAI						
BS 545908	212115	SQD	S&D	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BS 521092	221530	SQD	CMBT	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 SET	US
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 217 FOR OPN DESOIO FOR 230001H TO 230600H MAR 67

1. NEG CONTACT, NO CHANGE.

2. PLANS: CO I 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.
 CO K 3/7 CONT S&D OPN ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT FM (BS 874342-879335-887324-892317-895313), TO HILL 25 (BS 899307).

CO L 3/7 MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA AND (BS 822403). LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.

CO M 3/7 CONTS DEF OF 3/7 CP WITH LOCAL PTLS IN ASSIGNED AREAS.

CO F 2/7 0730, CO SWEEP FM (BS 834397) ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 829394-821393-824389) TO CC CP. BE PREPARED TO RETURN TO CHU

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O P 230518Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD SONG SON RVN
 BT

C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 218 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 230601H TO 231200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K (BS 880334), CO G (BS 814384) OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT. 230845, 1ST ELEMENTS OF CG G 2/7 ARRIVED AT 3/7 BN CP REPLACING CO F 2/7 WHO IS TO REMAIN TO 2/7 TAOR CMBT BASE.

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 219 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 231201H TO 231800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 900305), CO G 2/7 (BS 826384),
OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT. 231445, CO G 2/7
COMPLETED LIFT TO 3/7 BN CP. CO F 2/7 RETD TO TAOR CMBAT BSE.

3. CONTACTS: 231410, CO L 3/7 SQD OP PSN (BS 822403) OBS TWO
ENEMY WITH WPNS, KHAKI UNIFORMS, TWO ENEMY IN BLK PJ'S, WPNS NOT
OBS, APPEARED TO BE WORKING ON BUNKER VIC (BS 827408) 500M TO NW.
FIRED THREE RDS 106MM. FIRST RD DIRECT HIT ON ENEMY PSN. FOUR CO
KIA (PROB).

231445, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 899306) FOUND M-26 GREN RIGGED TO 250 LB
BOMB WITH NYLON FISHING LINE USED AS TRIP DEVICE. DESTN IN PLACE.
231730, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 845393) DETONATED 105MM RD RIGGED AS AP

MINE, PRESSURE TYPE DEVICE. ONE USMC KIA, ONE USMC WIA UNVAC.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CIM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 598 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB), 182
DETAINEES. USMC: 45 KIA, 359 WIA, FOUR DOW THREE ABC.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, TILS, AMBS, PP'S.

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TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMNVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 220 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 231801H TO 232400H MAR 67
1. OPN DESOTO CONTS WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 165 FOR 230001H TO 232400H MAR 67

MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

- A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: USS OZBOURN DD 846
- G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 598 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES. USMC: 45 KIA, 359 KIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

L. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

M. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: 230810, CO D S&D (BT 361085) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM EST ONE ENEMY 100M TO S VIC (BT 361086). RETD 20 RDS SA, PURSUED, SEARCHED FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

231045, CO B S&D (BT 354078) RECD 100 RDS SA FM EST SEVEN ENEMY UNOBS VIC (BT 354077). RETD 700 RDS SA 15 RDS M-79. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH REVEALED BLOOD TRAILS AND DRAG MARKS. TWO VC KIA (PROB), THREE VC WIA (PROB). ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

231400, CO D S&D (BT 356088) RECD 15 RDS AW FM EST TWO ENEMY UNOBS 200M TO NW VIC (BT 355090). RETD 70 RDS SA, SEVEN RDS M-79. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 221640, CO L (-) S&D (BT 366058) RECD THREE RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY VIC (BT 365058). RETD 20 RDS SA, THREE LAWS FOUR RDS M-79. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. THREE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 222110, CO I FT AMB ENCOUNTERED SIX ENEMY VIC (BT 471

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069). CHALLENGED IN VN. ENEMY FLED. FIRED 100 RDD SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

231300, CO L SQD CMBT PTL (BT 366075) TRIPPED M-26 GREN RIGGED AS (AP) MINE. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). ALSO FOUND TWO EMPTY CAVES IN SAME AREA (5MX20MX5M), DESTR BY ENGRS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) (LATE ENTRY) 221600, CO C (-) S&D (BT 668043) APPREN THREE VN MALES, AGES 34, 42, 47 WITH ALTERED ID. INTERR BY KIT CARSON INDICATES VNS TO BE VC. THREE DETAINEES FWD ITT.

230945, CO B FT SEC PTL (BY 670989) FOUND 105 MM RD RIGGED AS (AP) MINE WITH PRESSURE TYPE DEVICE. PRESSEURE DEVICE FWD BN S-2. MINE DESTR BY ENGR.

231000, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 635973) FOUND ONE M-26 GREN RIGGED AS (AP) MINE. DESTR BY ENGR.

231100, CO D SQD CMBT PTL (BS 628973) OBS ONE ENEMY RUNNING FM PT. INTO BRUSH 100M TO W VIC (BS 627973). FIRED 20 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA. CAPTURED ONE US CANTEEN, ASST DOCUMENTS, THREE ID CARDS, TWO M-26 GRENS, TWO SECTIONS BANGALORE TORPEDO, FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 230845, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 537899) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WPN, BLK PJ'S, RUNNING FM CANEFIELD 200M TO S VIC (BS 525

899). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. ENEMY CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 50 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA, NO ID.

231000, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 542905) RECD 20 RDS SA FM EST THREE UNOBS ENEMY 500M TO S VIC (BS 546903). RETD 200 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

231045, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 543905) ENCOUNTERDD TWO ENEMY BLK PJ'S RUNNING E 200M TO S VIC (BS 543903). CHALLENGED IN VNS AND FIRED WARNING RDS. ENEMY CONT TO FLEE. FIRED 15 RDS SA. ONE VC KIA, NO ID.

C. 3/7: CONT OPN DESOTO

D. 1 ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: 231400, 2ND PLT (BS 433944) FOUND WPNS CACHE CONSISTING OF EIGHT RIFLES (FRENCH AND CHICOM), EIGHT SHOTGUN (US) ONE FLARE PISTOL (US), WRAPPED IN CANVAS AND HALF BURIED. TWO SERIAL NRS ON RIFLES WERE NR 49097, NR 1907-15. RUST PREVENTED IDENTIFICATION OF OTHERS.

(2) 1ST FORCE: 231230, 6TH PLT (BS 263107) RECD SA FM EST 21 VC, BLK PJ'S, VIC (BT 268110) AND (BT 265112), RETD SA AND FOUR M-26 GRENS. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. 231500, PLT EXTRA-CTED.

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E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT
F. 1ST FAG

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR
B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
C. ROAD TRAFFIC: HEAVY
D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 222330, FIRED MSN ON SUSPECTED VC PSN (BS 488787). GOOD COVERAGE. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. 223350, FIRED MSN ON SUSPECTED VC CO (BS 498754). GOOD COVERAGE ON TGT. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. 231030, OBS FOUR VC VIC (BS 487785) CALLED FIRE MSN. ONE VC KIA. 231400, OBS SEVEN VC IN BOAT (BS 458772). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

E. MSNS FIRES: OBS: FOUR

(2) M-24 OP

A. WEATHER: GOOD
B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UN OBS
C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: 230800, FIRED MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY PSN (BS 482852) OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

E. MSNS FIRED: OBS: ONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	16	5	59	80	78	2	
107HT		1	2	3	3		
155H	5		21	26	17	9	
155G	1		1	2	2		
8"H	3		2	5	5		
175G	8		4	12	12		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	499	60		13	572
107HT	4	9			13
155H	99	10		1	110
155G	13				13
8"H	20				20
175G	57				57

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS SUPPORTING: (DESOTO)

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	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAP	ARVN	OTHER
105H	8	4	10	22	22		
155H	5			5	5		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	273	24			297
155H	11				11

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	WP	ILLUM
UNOBS:			
H&I:	19		
	5"/38	78	

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSULTS
3/5	3	3	NEG
1/7	6	6	NEG

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	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	0

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1/5 2
3/5 1

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS.
KIT CARSONS RSLTS: 1/7 1 TEAM EMPLOYED WITH CO C ON S&C OPNS.
1 TEAM EMPLOYED IN PSY OPS IN JAN BY. 1 TEAM EMPLOYED WITH SEC
PTLS IN H&S CO SOR.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&C-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT			
1/5	49	13	0	4	5	0	0	13	5
3/5	52	27	0	24	2	0	0	60	12
1/7	72	36	0	30	4	0	2	90	
2/7	25	12	0	7	1	0	0	11	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IST FAG	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IST RCN BN	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLDC	7	9	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
TFX TOTALS	213	97	10	79	12	0	2	174	10

TOTAL CONTACTS: 11 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 6 VC INITIATED.
TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 3 KIA 3 DET
2 KIA (PROB)
2 WIA (PROB)

USMC: 7 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	UNIT DTG	CONTACTS: ACTION SIZE TYPE	PRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 668043	221600	CO SQD	C-1-7 NONE	UNK 3DET	US
BT 365058	221640	CO S&C	L-3-5 3 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BT 471069	222110	FT AMB	I-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 361085	230810	CO S&C	D-1-5 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BT 354077	231045	CO S&C	D-1-5 1 WIA	UNK 2 KIA (P) 2 WIA (P)	VC
BT 263107	231230	PLT OP	IST RECON NONE	UNK UNK	VC
BT 366075	231300	SQD CMB	L-3-5	UNK	US

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BT 356088	231400	CO	S&D	2 WIA D-1-5 NONE	NONE UNK NONE	VC
QUANG NGAI						
BS 537899	230845	SQD	CMB	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 546903	231000	SQD	CMB	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 543905	231045	SQD	CMB	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
BS 628973	231100	SQD	CMB	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA	US
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O P 240130Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR 67
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 221 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 240001H TO 240600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
 2. SUMMARY: UNIT COND LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS FROM NIGHT DEF PSNS.
 CMD GRP 3/7, I 3/11, CO M RECD HEAVY RECOILESS RIFLE AND MORTAR ATT-
 ACK AT 240050H, WITHIN DEF PER. COUNTER MORTAR BATTERIES WERE
 FIRING WITHIN THREE MIN OF ATTACK.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 231840, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 829399) OBS
 ONE ENEMY WITH WPN ENTER HOUSE. FIRED TWO RDS 60MM, EIGHT RDS .50
 CAL, THREE RDS 106MM. DESTR ENEMY PSN. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

240050, CMD GRU 3/7, I/3/11(FWD), CO M/3/7, (BS 814384) CAME
 UNDER HEAVY ATTACK OF 200-220 RDS OF 60MM MORTAR, 82MM MORTAR, AND
 57MM RR. UNITS IMMEDIATELY EXECUTED COUNTER MORTAR PLANS UTILIZING
 ALL WPNS IN PLANNED CONCENTRATIONS NOT OCCUPIED BY FRIENDLY ACTIV-

ITIES. DELIVERED COUNTER BATTERY FIRE AGAINST MUZZLE FLASHES
 REPORTED AT (BS 800428, 805395, 815403 AND 814395) DELIVERED CONCEN-
 TRATION AGAINST LIKELY AVENUES OF ENEMY WITHDRAWAL. 82MM DUD (CHICOM)
 60MM TAIL FIN ASSEMBLY WAS FOUND, 57MM RECOILESS INCOMING FRAGMENTS
 WERE IDENTIFIED. ARTILLERY GUN PITS TOOK DIRECT HITS, ONE HOWITZER
 TEMPORARILY OUT OF ACTION WITH SIGHT DAMAGE, TAFDS AREA AND FUEL DUMP
 HIT AND BURNED OUT, ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED WHEN OBTAINED
 THREE USMC KIA, SEVEN USMC WIA.

240115, CO L 3/7 DEF PSN (BS 822402) RECD APPROX 100 RDS SA FIRE
 FM THREE PSNS (BS 823400, 825403, 833405). ALSO RECD THREE 60MM
 RDS ONE OF WHICH WP. RECD 200 RDS SA AND 40 RDS 60MM. SEARCH
 OF AREA 240700.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 599 KIA (PROB), 112 WIA (PROB), 102 DET-
 AINEES. USMC: 48 KIA, 363 WIA, FOUR DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: CO K, COMMENCING 0730, CONDUCT S&D OPN, REIN WITH TANKS
 TO VIC (BS 893309) ON ORDER CONT S&D TO VIC (BS 888323). ESTABLISH
 CO CMBT BASE VIC (BS 880310). CO I, BY 0800, ESTBL PLAT BLKG PSN
 VIC (BS 887323). ON ORDER ESTABL PLAT BLKG PSN VIC (BS 877308) TO
 SUPPORT CO K S&D OPN. MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.

CO L, COND S&D OPN IN VIC (BS 8140). CO M & N, COND S&D OPN WEST
 OF HWY NR 1. CO G, MOVE FM PRESENT PSN COND S&D OPN IN (BS 8139 &
 8239).

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O P 240550Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR 3DE
RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 222 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 240601H TO 241200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 884314), CO L 3/7 (BS 808411), CO M 3/7 (BS 859322), CO G 2/7 (BS 812396). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 240050, CMD GRU 3/7) USMC CUM CAS: TWO KIA, ONE DOW, THREE WIA (EVAC), 32 (NON EVAC).

240915, CO I 3/7 SQD OP (BS 871333) OBS ONE ENEMY IN CANEFIELD. FIRED 25 RDS SA, TEN RDS 60MM. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY.

241010, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 859392) OBS NINE ENEMY WITH WPNS AND PACKS. CALLED NGF MSN FIRED 22 RDS 5 INCH HE WITH GOOD COVERAGE. OBS TWO ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF VC. TWO VC

KIA (PROB).

241030, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 897315) MARINE STEPPED ON PUNJI TRAP. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

241135, CO I PER PSN (BS 874325) OBS THREE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, KHAKI SHIRTS, WITH WPNS APPROX 900M TO S.E. VIC (BS 882316). FIRED 15 RDS .50 CAL. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

241145, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 879392) OBS THREE ENEMY W/WPNS IN TREELINE (BS 824419). CALLED FOR 28 RDS 105HE. GOOD COVERAGE. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 293 KIA, 501 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 182 DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 392 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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O P 241140Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN

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RUMVVG/CG FIRST AIR CAV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 223 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 241201H TO 241800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO I 3/7 (BS 872349), CO K 3/7 (BS 883334), CO L 3/7 (BS 822463), CO M 3/7 (BS 814384) AND (BS 849390), CO G 2/7 (BS 786393). OTHER PSNS REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 240915, CO M 3/7 S&C (BS 793384) RECD ONE RD SA FM UNOBS VC VIC (BS 783384). FIRED 15 RDS SA, 20 RDS 81MM. FOUR 81MM RDS FELL SHORT RESULTING IN FOUR USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).

241345, CO M 3/7 PER PSN (BS 793394) OBS FOUR VC WITH WPNS RUN INTO HOUSE APPROX 800M TO NW VIC (BS 785395). FIRED TWO RDS 106MM RR. OBS FOUR VC KIA (PROB).

241430, CO G 2/7 (BS 805403) GUIDED BY PRU FOUND 26 JACK BLAST MARKS INDICATING FOUR RR FIRING PSNS, SIX EMPTY 75MM RR CANNISTERS,

THREE 7.5MM RR. RDS BURIED IN GROUND NEAR FIRING PSNS. PSNS WERE WELL ESTABLISHED AND FORTIFIED BY FOXHOLES. PRU CLAIMED THAT VC USED 12 RR'S DURING ATTACK. ALSO THAT VILLAGERS WERE USED TO CARRY AMMO WHILE VC CARRIED WPNS INCLUDING 50 CAL MG, 30 CAL MG, AND BAR. VARIOUS FIRING PSNS REPTD ARE PRESENTLY BEING CHECKED. ALL CANNISTERS AND LIVE RDS ARE BEING COLLECTED.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 293, KIA, 505 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 102 DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 396 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTL'S, AMBS, LP'S.

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1DIV 2100/7 (6-65)

FROM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO: CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
~~XXXXXXXX~~ 1ST MARDIV COC

INFO SECOND ROK MAR BDE
CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD
BONG SON RVN

SPECIAL SITREP #224 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 241801H TO 242400H MAR 67

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- 1. NO CHANGE NEG CONTACT.**

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O P 241400Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO TASK FORCE XRAY

SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 166 FOR 240000H TO 242400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX NR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS FECHTELER DD870, USS WHITE RIVER LSMR536, USS OZBOURN DD846

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC : 293 KIA, 505 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 102
DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 396 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPNS.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

L. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 232345, CO D S&D PER PSN (BT 352085) RECD
30 RDS SA, THREE GRENS, FM EST FOUR ENEMY 100M TO N VIC (BT 352086).
RETD 100 RDS SA, ONE RD 60MM ILLUM. SEARCH REVEALED ONE RIFLE GREN
WITH MARKINGS (AT TNT 1-65-4), GREEN WITH YELLOW MARKINGS, FWD BN S-2.
TWO USMC WIA (NONE EVAC).

240615, CO D S & D (BT 352085) RECD 20 RDS SA, TWO GRENS FM (BT 350
083). RETD 50 RDS SA, ONE RD 60MM ILLUM. SEARCH REVEALED FRESH BLOOD
SPOTS. ONE VC KIA (PROB). TWO USMC WIA (NONE EVAC).

240830, CO D S&D (BT 351084) FOUND THREE CAVES (8X3X15M). SEARCH
REVEALED ONE WALLET AND DOCUMENTS, FWD BNS-2. ENGR DESTROY CAVES.

(2) 3/5: 240145, H&S CO FT SEC VIC AN TAN BRIDGE (BT 497067)
RECD TWO RDS SA FM VIC AN TAN VILL (BT 499066). DID NOT RETN FIRE
DUE TO CIV IN AREA.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 231820, CO A FT CMBT PTL (BT 627065)

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APPREH TWO VN MALES, AGE 30. ONE WITH ID. OTHER HAD BLANK ID'S. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

240930, CO C (-) S&C (BT 652016) APPREH ONE VN ATTEMPTING TO EVADE USMC. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

241125, CO C (-) S&C (BT 647003) APPREH TWO VNS WITH ALTERED ID'S. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 240455, CO H SQD AMB (BS 587918) OBS BOAT MOVING NE WITH NO LIGHTS, VIC (BS 587916). FIRED 250 RDS SA, TWO RDS 3.5, SINKING BOAT. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

240900, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 583914) OBS VN, BLK PJ'S RUNNING S FM PTL VIC (BS 583913). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. VN CONT

TO FLEE. FIRED FIVE RDS SA AND PURSUED INTO BRUSH. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: 240845, 3RD PLT (BS 416998) OBS TWO ENEMY MOVING S, BLK PJ'S, PACK, VIC (BT 372012). CALLED FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE ENEMY CASUALTIES.

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT.

F. 1ST FAG

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. 240820, FIRED MSN ON THREE VC ON TRAIL VIC (BS 473776). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES. 240900, FIRED MSN ON THREE VC VIC (BS 827219). ONE VC KIA. 241220, CALLED MSN ON TEN VC VIC (BS 502781). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

E. MSNS FIRED: THREE

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. ENEMY SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

OBS UNOBS H&I TOTAL

MAF ARVN OTHER

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107HT			2	2	2	
155H	5	3	24	32	22	10
155G			6	6	6	
8"H	2		7	9	9	
175G			3	3	3	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	334	82		4	436
107HT	2				
155H	248	27		5	300
155G	62				62
8"H	47				47
175G	12				12

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER	(DESOT O)
105H	7	6	6	19	19			
155H	1	2	5	8	8			

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
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105H	242	12	254
155H		51	51

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	WP	ILLUM
OBS:	7		
		3"/50	
		5" RKT	102
UNOBS:		5"/38	50 6

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
3/5	2	NEG
1/7	9	NEG

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NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3
2/7	0
1/5	0
3/5	0

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT OF OPNS.

KIT CARSON RSLTS: 1/7 1 TEAM EMPLOYED WITH CO C ON SEC OPN.

1 TEAM EMPLOYED PSY OPS IN TAN HY 1 TEAM EMPLOYED WITH H&S CO SEC PTLS.

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 RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&L-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&C
	FT	SQD	PLI	FT	SQD	PLI				
1/5	51	17	0	5	5	0	2	13		
3/5	50	24	0	25	2	0	2	35	4	
1/7	73	34	0	34	2	2	1	90	9	
2/7	26	11	0	8	1	0	0	11	0	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	
1ST RCN BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	7	9	0	14	0	0	0	0	4	
TFX TOTALS	235	97	12	86	10	0	3	155	17	1
TOTAL CONTACTS: 4 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 3 VC INCL 18 SQ.										

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TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 3 KIA (PROB)
5 DET

USMC: 4 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION		FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INFO BY
		SIZE	TYPE			
QUANG TIN						
BT 627006	231820	FT	CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 352086	232345	CO	S/D	D-1-5 2 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BT 499066	240145	SQD	SEC	H&S-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 300086	240615	CO	S/D	D-1-5 2 WIA	UNK 1 KIA (PROB)	US
BT 652016	240930	CO	S/C	C-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BT 647003	241125	CO	S/C	C-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
QUANG NGA						

BS 587918	240455	SQD	CMB	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 2 KIA (PROB)	US
BS 773394	240845	PLT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK UNK	US
BS 583914	240900	SQD	S/C	H-2-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US

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1 P 250125Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 225 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 250001H TO 250600H MAR 67

1. OPERATION DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
 2. PLANS: CO I, MAINTAIN PSN NUI DAU. LOCAL FTLS AND AMBS.
 CO K, 0800 CO (-) (REIN), WITH TANK, S&D OPN (BS 865362) TO (BS-
 861370) TO (BS 855372) TO (BS 850267) TO (BS 848364) TO (BS 859357)
 TO (BS 867358). ONE PLAT (REIN) WITH TANKS BLK PSN VIC (BS 8553-
 59). ESTBL CO CMBT BASE VIC (BS 867358). CO L, CO SWEEP FM SA
 BINH (BS 822403) TO (BS 819395) TO (BS 814389). ASSUME PSNS NUI
 DAU. CO M, CO (-) SWEEP TO SA BINH (BS 822403). CO G 2/7, PLAT
 BLK PSN VIC (BS 824376). CO (-) S&D IN AN LAC (2) (BS 830370).
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O P 250625Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMVFC/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 226 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 250601H TO 251200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 864365), AND (BS 856352) AND (BS 856366), CO L 3/7 (BS 805403), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403), CO G 2/7 (BS 816375).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 241330, CO M 3/7 SWEEPING FORCE (BS 799392) APPREHENDED ONE VN MALE AGE 30. FWD ONE DETAINEE ITT. (LATE ENTRY) 241430, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 883313) OBS ONE ENEMY WEARING BLK PJ'S MOVING N.E. (BS 883314). VC OBS PTL AND RAN NORTH. CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. ENEMY CONT TO FLEE. PTL FIRED THREE RDS SA. ONE VC KIA.
- 250847, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 849392) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH WPNS VIC IN

TREELINE (BS 828417). CALLED NGF MSN, NINE RDS 5 INCH HE WITH GOOD COVERAGE. OBS ONE VC KIA (PROB).

251015, CO M 3/7 PER PSN (BS 849392) OBS FIVE ENEMY WITH WPNS, PACKS, BLK PJ'S, RUNNING TOWARD BUNKER 2000M TO SW VIC (BS 829377). FIRED 35 RDS .50 CAL, EIGHT RDS 126MM RR, RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA. HUIES SUPPRESSIVE FIRES RESULTING IN THREE VC KIA. CUM CAS: FOUR VC KIA

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 298 KIA, 606 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 103 DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 396 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NSC.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 SPECIAL SITREP NR 227 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 251201H TO 251800H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 3/7 AND CO L 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 857363), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403) AND (BS-849391), CO G 2/7 (BS 830389).
 2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
 3. CONTACTS: 251230, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 816368) TRIPPED 155MM RD RIGGED AS (AP) MINE ON BAMBOO GATE. SAME TIME RECD EIGHT RDS SA FM 100M TO N VIC (BS 816369). REID 35 RDS SA AND PURSUED. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC) AS RESULT OF MINE.
 251300, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 816368) OBS NINE ENEMY RUNNING UP HILL 3000M TO SW VIC (BS 785357). CALLED FOR 40 RDS 105MM HE. EXCELLENT COVERAGE. NINE VC KIA (PROB).

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 251510, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 828362) TRIPPED GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE IN HEDGE ROW. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: VC: 298 KIA, 615 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 103 DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 399 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.
 6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS, LP'S.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 228 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 251801 TO 252400H MAR 67

1. NO CHANGE
2. CONT NIGHT DEF PSN AND CONDUCT LOCAL PLTS AND AMBUSHES.
3. CONTACTS: 252250H CO M 3/7 SQD AMB (BS 815401) OBS THREE ENEMY INTO A BOAT. SQD FIRED 100 SA RESULTING IN THREE VC KIA. FURTHER ENEMY MOVEMENT OBS VIC (BS 814404). ARTY MSN CALLED RESULTS UNK. THREE VC KIA.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: 301 KIA, 615 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 103 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 1 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 250900H TO 251200H MAR 67

1. OPN PERRY, A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPN CONDUCTED BY 2ND BN (-)
 (REIN) 7TH MARINES IN COORDINATION WITH 2ND ROKMC FORCES, COMM-
 ENCED AT 250900H. EST DURATION OF OPN IS FIVE DAYS.

2. OPN AREA: BOUNDED ON S BY SONG TRA BONG, ON W BY GL (BS 58),
 ON N BY GL (BS 95), ON E BY GL (BS 58).

3. TASK ORGANIZATION: 2ND BN (-) (REIN) 7TH MAR

BN HC

CO (REIN)

COIN (REIN)

4. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU (BS 505925); CO H 2/7 (BS 555914); CO E
 2/7 OP (BS 507897), BLKG PSN (BS 505900), BLKG PSN (BS 535905).

5. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

6. CONTACTS: 251100, CO H 2/7 SQD CMPT PTL (BS 555913) TRIPPED TWO
 M-26 GRENS RIGGED AS AP MINES. THREE USMC WIA (EVAC).

7. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

8. CUM CAS: USMC: THREE WIA

9. PLANS: CO H CONTS S&D FM E SECTOR OF OPN AREA TO W ALONG SONG
 TRA BONG. CO E CONTS S&D IN SW SECTOR OF OPN AREA AND CONTS BLKG
 PSN ON W FLANK OF OPN AREA. 2 ND ROKMC FORCES CONT BLKG PSNS S OF
 SONG TRA BONG.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 2 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 251201H TO 251800H MAR 67
 1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 2/7, CO H 2/7 VIC (BS 559908), CO E PLAT
 OP (BS 507897), CO E PLAT BLKG PSN (BS 525900), CO E PLAT BLKG PSN
 (BS 535905).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT. COMMENCED EVAC OF
 REFUGEES FM OPN AREA. TOTAL OF 504 REFUGEES INTERROGATED AND
 PROCESSED, INCLUDING FOUR FOUND TO BE CIVIL DEFENDANTS. REFUGEES
 TO BE FWD BINH SON FOR RESETTLEMENT.

3. CONTACTS: 251201, CO E PLAT BLKG PSN (BS 545915) OBS THREE
 VNS, BLK PJ'S APPROACHING PSN. CHALLENGED IN VN. ONE VN RAN INTO
 BRUSH. FIRED TWO RDS SA, PURSUED BUT LOST CONTACT. OTHER TWO VNS
 APPREH, AGES, 45, NO ID. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.
 251500, 3RD AMTRAC CO B OPCON 2/7 (BS 568918) LVT DETONATED 155MM

RD RIGGED AS MINE BELIEVED TO BE QMD DETONATED. LVT HAD BEEN
 PRECEDED BY TWO OTHER LVT'S USING SAME RTE. ALSO MINE WAS IN
 GULLEY WHICH HULL OF LVT COULD NOT HAVE CONTACT WITH. FIVE USMC
 WIA (EVAC). IDLER AND NR 1 & NR 2 RD WHEELS BLOWN, HULL BUCKLED,
 HYDRAULIC SYSTEM DAMAGED. LVT TOWED TO CP. SQD SEARCHED AREA OF
 MINE FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

251530, CMD GRU (BS 559910) FOUND 1000 POUNDS OF RICE AT OBJ ALANTA
 VIC (BS 559910) RICE HAS BEEN EVAC TO BINH SON FOR REFUGEES.

251720, CO E PLAT BLKG PSN (BS 505889) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY
 UNOBS 200M TO SE VIC (BS 501894). RETD 30 RDS SA, PURSUED AND SEARCH-
 ED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: SEE SUMMARY

5. CUM CAS: VC : TWO DETAINEES. USMC: EIGHT WIA.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLS, AMBS, LP'S.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 3 FOR OPN PERRY 251801H TO 252400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 2/7 AT (BS 559910), CO E 2/7 AT (BS 535902)
 CO H 2/7 (BS 567908).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONT WITH LIGHT ENEMY CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 252000, CO H2/7 S&D PER PSN (BS 551909) HEARD
 SOUND 20M IN REAR OF PSN. FIRED TWO RADS SA. OBS ONE VN RUN INTO
 BRUSH, ANOTHER VNS FELL AND WAS APPREH. VNS HAD ID, AGE 40.
 ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

251810, CO H 2/7 S&D (BS 550910) APPREH THREE VNS HIDING IN BRUSH.
 THREE DETAINEES FWD ITT.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE VC: 6 DETAINEES.

6. PLANS: NO CHANGE IN PLANS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 167 FOR 250000H TO 252400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS.
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (CS 8439).
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/70 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS FECHTELER DD 870
 - G. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 298 KIA, 615 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB),
 103 DETAINEES. USMC: 47 KIA, 399 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

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- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: PERRY
- B. AEA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 5590).
- C. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 2/7 (-) (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: NONE
- G. DTG INITIATED: 250900H MAR 67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: TWO DETAINEES. USMC: EIGHT WIA.
- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: P-31 LF CO VIC (BS 5190) REPORTED TO HAVE TWO 60MM MORTARS, ONE MG, ONE BAR, CARBINES, AND K-44'S.
- 3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
- 4. SMALL UNIT OPNS
 - A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 241055, CO D S&D (BT 348084) RECD 60 RDS SA, SIX ENEMY WITH WPNS 300M TO SW VIC (BT 345082). RETD 200 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 60MM. OBS THREE ENEMY FALL. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF

ENEMY. THREE VC WIA (PROB). ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 241420, CO D S&D (BT 351078) RECD 100 RDS SA FM EST TEN ENEMY 350M TO SW VIC (BT 347076). RETD 100 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 60MM. CALLED FOR 14 RDS 105MM HE. PURSUED AND SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. FOUR USMC WIA (EVAC).

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 240630, CO L (-) S&D (BT 375052) FOUND EMPTY CAVE (8'X8'X6') UNDERNEATH HUT. CAVE DESTROYED.

(LATE ENTRY) 241100, CO M FT (PLUS) SEC PTL (BT 425095) APPREH ONE VN, MALE, AGE 38, NAME ON BLACK LIST. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 241825, CO M SQD CMBT PTL (BT 433088) RECD ONE RD SA FM VIC (BT 435089). COULD NOT OBS ENEMY. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

(LATE ENTRY) 242015, CO M PER PSN (BT 433088) RECD TWO RDS SA FM 200M TO N VIC (BT 433090). RETD ONE RD M-79, ONE HAND ILLUM. SQD SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

251400, CO M FT SEC PTL (BT 422090) APPREH ONE VN MALE WHOM VN FEMALE IDENTIFIED AS A VC SPY, WHO ORDERED HER FAMILY TO PACK BELONGINGS AND LEAVE AREA. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7 (LATE ENTRY) 242030, CO A FT CMBT PTL (BT 623007) OBS

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BOAT WITH NO LIGHTS VIC (BT 620000). FIRED ONE HAD ILLUM. BOAT TURNED ON LIGHT AND STOPPED VIC FISHING NET. LCT SENT SEARCH BOAT. BOAT HEADED FOR SHORE. FIRED ONE WARNING RD. BOAT CONT TO SHORE. TWO VNS RAN FM BOAT INTO BRUSH. SEARCH REVEALED BOAT TO BE EMPTY.

(LATE ENTRY) 242200, CO B FT (PLUS) PF CMBT PTL (BS 706969) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH WPNS 100M TO S VIC (BS 706969). PF'S FIRED 20 RDS A BEFORE PTL COULD CLOSE ON ENEMY. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

250740, CAC L-4 SQD CMBT PTL (BT 621023). INVESTIGATING REPT BY VN BOY, AGE 13, OF TWO VC IN AREA, FOUND ONE M-72 (DESTR IN PLACE), TWO PLASMA BOTTLES, FWD BN S-2. BOY REWARDED 400P'S.

251055, VAC L-1 S&C (BT 358167) RECD 50 RDS SA FM EST SIX UNOBS ENEMY 500M TO CW VIC (BT 353166). RETD 200 RDS SA. CALLED FOR ONE RD 81MM HE. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

251245, CO A FT SEC PTL (BT 618021) FOUND ONE US HELMET LINER NEAR SEVERAL NATURAL ROCK CAVES, LARGEST (30'X15'X10'). ROUND CIGARETTE BUTTS IN CAVE INDICATING RECENT OCCUPANCY.

251750, CO A FT (PLUS) SEC PTL (BT 612017) FOUND CAVE (6'X4'X3') REIN WITH LUMBER. CAVE DESTR.

(2) 2/7: (LATE ENTRY) 241350, CO E CMBT BASE (BS 538973).

VILLAGE CHIEF OF THANH TRA (2) BROUGHT CHIEU HOI WHO HAD TURNED HIMSELF IN TO VILLAGE CHIEF. CHIEU HOI STATED HE WOULD LEAD USMC TO AREA WHERE HE WAS TO JOIN FIVE OTHER VC WHO HAVE SET THREE MINES VIC (BS 502947) WITH ELECTRICAL FIRING DEVICES.

SQD SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF FIVE VC OR MINES. CHIEU HOI LEAD USMC TO HIS MAS NR 36 RIFLE NR 290950, ONE CART BELT, ONE M-26 GREN, ONE BAYONET, 14 RDS SA ONE RAINCOAT, TWO DRESSINGS, 18" CABLE ALL FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 241615, CO E DQD BLK G PSN (BS 507917) TRIPPED M-79 RD RIGGED AS (AP) MINE. ONE USMC KIA (EVAC).

C. 3/7: CONT OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 241030, 2ND PLAT (BS 433940) FOUND THREE LBS TNT, TWO 81MM WP RDS, THREE 60MM ILLUM RDS, TWO 60MM WP RDS, ONE WP RIFLE GREN, NINE BAR MAGS, ONE COMM HAND SET. EXPLOSIVES AND AMMO DESTR. REMAINING GEAR FWD BN S-2.

(2) 1ST FORCE: 251430, 2ND PLAT (BS 605588) OBS SEVEN ENEMY. BLK PJ'S WPNS, CART BELTS MOVING N VIC (BS 605594) FIRED TEN RDS 50 CAL. TWO VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

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F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI-TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD REAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 250920, OBS THREE ENEMY VIC (BS 477787). CALLED

FIRE MSN. OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS:

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE OBD.

(2) ANHOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 251145, RECD SA FM FIVE ENEMY VIC (BS 483883)

CALLED FIRE MSN: FIVE VC WIA (PROB).

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	24	4	61	89		
107HT			15	15		
155H	7		21	20	8	

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155G	1		1	1	
8" H	1	7	10	8	2
175G	6		6	6	

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	844	63		29	936
107H	63	4			67
155H	117	22			139
155G	4			2	6
8" H	53				
175G	34				

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:
NUMBER OF MISSIONS **SUPPORTING: (DESOTO)**

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARMY	OTHER
105H	18	3	14	35	35		
155H			5	5	5		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	686	39		18	743
155H	10				10

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:**TOTAL MSNS FIRED:****AMMO EXPENDED:****OBS: 1****3"/50****UNOBS:****5"/38****24****SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS**

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
3/5	1	1	NEG
1/7	4	4	NEG
2/7	2	2	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1

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 KIT CARSON RSLTS:
 1/7 ONE TEAM AT BN CP
 PREPARING INTELL STUDY.
 ONE TEAM HANDLING REFUGEES
 FOR CIVIL AFFAIRS TEAM.
 ONE TEAM EMPLOYED IN PSY OPS.
 2/7 KIT CARSON EMPLOYED ON OPN PERRY.
 RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5	51	17	0	7	3	0	1	13	0	
3/5	47	17	0	19	1	0	0	55	2	
1/7	56	41	0	35	2	0	0	90	8	
2/7	25	9	0	7	1	0	0	11	4	2
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	8									
1ST RCN BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	6	6	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	
TF XRAY TOTALS	193	90	12	84	7	0	1	169	14	3

TOTAL CONTACTS: 7 DAY, 4 NIGHT, 5 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 KIA (PROB)

3 WIA (PROB)

2 DET

USMC: 6 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL PROVINCES/ COORDINATES	UNIT DTG	CONTACTS: ACTION SIZE	FRD UNIT/ TYPE LOSSES	EMEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIM					
BT 345082	241055	CP	S&D	D-1-5 1 WIA	UNK VC 3 WIA (PROB)
BT 425095	241100	FT	SEC	M-3-5 NONE	UNK VC 1 DET
BT 347076	241450	CO	S&D	D-1-5 4 WIA	UNK VC NONE
BT 435089	241825	CO	CMB	M-3-5 NONE	UNK VC NONE
BT 433090	242015	CP	PER	M-3-5 NONE	UNK VC NONE
BT 623000	242030	FT	CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK US NONE
BT 706965	242200	FT	CMB	B-1-7 NONE	UNK US NONE
BT 353166	251055	CAC	S&C	CAC-L-1 NONE	UNK VC NONE
BT 422090	251400	FT	SEC	M-3-5	1 DET
QUANG NGAI					
BS 507917	241614	SQD	ELKG	E-2-7 1 WIA	UNK US NONE
BS 635588	251430	PLT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK US 2 KIA (P)

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 229 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 260000H TO 260600H MAR 67
 1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

2. PLANS: CO I, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS & AMBS.
 CO K, PROVIDES SEC FOR ENGINEER RECON OF ROAD FM (BS 862363) TO

(BS 855361) TO (BS 848363) TO (BS 834363). LOCAL PTLS & AMBS.
 CO G 2/7 COND S&D VIC (BS 833363). ESTBL BLKG PSN (BS 835363).

LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG. LOCAL PTLS &
 AMBS. CO M, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CAU AND (BS 822403). LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 230 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 260600H TO 261200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 849364), CO G 2/7 (BS 832363). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MODERATE CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 260655, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 832372) LEAD MAN TRIPPED AP TYPE MINE IN HEDGE ROW. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

260810, CO G 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 831369) RECD ONE RD SA FM VIC (BS 831364). RETD 30 RDS SA, ONE RD 3.5. CALLED ARTY MSN, 17 RDS 105 HE WITH GOOD COVERAGE. SEARCHED AREA, FINDING BLOOD TRAIL. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

260830, CO M 3/7 S&D. SNIPER TM (BS 823403) OBS ONE ENEMY 1100 METERS TO N.W. VIC (BS 826414). FIRED TWO RDS SA. ONE VC KIA.

260900, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 823403) RECD FIVE RDS SA FM 500M TO N.W. VIC (BS 827408). RETD 25 RDS SA, 12 RDS 60MM HE. HUES RETD SUPPRESSIVE FIRES. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

260903, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 849391) OBS THREE VC W/ WPNS MOVING W ON TRAIL (BS 835404). CALLED ARTY MSN, 32 RDS 105MM HE. SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE BLOOD TRAIL. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

261035, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 834396) OBS SIX ENEMY WALKING NEAR BOAT, TWO OTHER ENEMY ON TRAIL EST 1200 METERS VIC (BS 844403). CALLED ARTY MSN, 12 RDS 105MM HE, FIRED 100 RDS SA. EXCELLENT COVERAGE. FOUR VC KIA (PROB).

261110, CO K S&D (BS 855357) DISCOVERED 105MM RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. DESTROYED IN PLACE.

261120, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 859392) OBS SIX ENEMY, WPNS, RUNNING APPROX 3000M TO NW VIC (BS 825420). CALLED FOR 20 RDS 5" RKT RGF. OBS SIX VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 302 KIA, 627 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 103 DETAINED. USMC: 47 KIA, 401 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 231 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 261201H TO 261800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 855391), CO G 2/7 (BS 814384).

OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MODERATE CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 261255, CO G 2/7 S&D LOCATED ONE 155 RD NIGGED AS AP MINE WITH A GREN FIRING DEVICE (BS 823359). ENGR DESIG IN PLACE.

261530, CO L 3/7 SQD CMBT PLAT (BS 793384) RECD 50 RDS SA FM EST FIVE ENEMY 300M TO S VIC (BS 790384). RETD 200 RDS SA, TEN RDS M-79 AND PURSUED. DURING PURSUIT TRIPPED ONE UNK TYPE (AP) MINE, LEAVING CRATER 3'X2'. TWO USMC KIA (ONE FM MINE, ONE FM SA), FOUR USMC WIA (THREE EVAC). DURING EVAC RECD FIVE RDS SNIPER FIRE FM VIC (BS 790384). RETD 20 RDS SA. CALLED FOR 30 RDS 105MM

HE. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

261600, CO M 3/7 SQD OP (BS 822403) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WEAPON MOVING N ON TRAIL (BS 825413). FIRED ONE RD 50 CAL. ONE VC KIA.

261615, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 881382) ENCOUNTERED TWO ENEMY SAME AREA. ENEMY FLED TO N WHEN CHALLENGED IN VN. FIRED 30 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC KIA. CAPTURED ONE M-26 GREN. ONE CART BELT, ONE VC 1ST AID PACK, ONE VC NOTEBOOK ONE PORTABLE RADIO, 1:50,000 MAP OF NUI DAU (WITH MARGIS MARKINGS IN ENGLISH). ONE USMC PLAT CMDR'S NOTEBOOK FWD BN S-2.

261730, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 831849) OBS TWO ENEMY, ONE WITH WPN, VIC (BS 831849). RECD SIX RDS SA. RETD 30 RDS SA, FOUR RDS M-79. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED ONE VC KIA. ONE US CARBINE W/ 20/45, ONE CART BELT, SIX MAGS, FWD BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 305 KIA, 627 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 105 DETAINEES. USMC: 49 KIA, 405 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLs, AMBS, AND LP'G.

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O P 261715Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMVOC/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON, RVN

TOD 261529Z

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 232 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 261801H TO 262400H MAR 67
 1. OPN DESOTO CONT WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE

RUMNUG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREPNR 4 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 260000H TO 260600H MAR 67

1. OPN PERRY CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

2. PLANS: OPN PERRY CONTINUES REFUGEE AND RICE EVACUATION.

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 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 5 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 260601H TO 261200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 2/7 AND CO H (-) 2/7 (BS 548897); CO H PLAT 2/7 (BS 542893); CO E 2/7 (BS 535904), (BS 504896), (BS 582904).
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT. 261035, CO H 2/7 SECURED OBJ DECATUR VIC (BS 550895). NO CONTACT.
3. CONTACT: 261045, CO E PLAT (BS 537899) APPREN ONE VNS HIDING IN REAR OF HOUSE. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.
6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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OP 10Z MAR 67
 FM CGT FOR FORCE XRAY
 TO 2ND MARDIV REIN
 INFO 2ND SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMN 1ST FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

TOD 261254Z

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPEC A SITREP NR 6 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 261201H TO 261800H MAR 67

1. UN PSNS: CMD GRU 2/7 AND CO H 2/7 FLAT (BS 547897), CO H (-)
 2/7 (BS 536896), CO E 2/7 (BS 535904), (BS 504896), (BS 522904).

2. S Y Y: 261500, OBJ SAVANNAH VIC (BS 535895) SECURED. NO

CONA A CUM TOTAL OF 1118 REFUGEES HAVE BEEN PROCESSED TO DATE,
 INCLD EIGHT FOUND TO BE CIV DEFENDANTS.

3. CON TS: 261245, CO H 2/7 S&D LOCATED ONE 105 RD DUD IN VIC
 (BS 547898). ENGR DESTR IN PLACE.

26165 2/7 CMD GRU RECD REPT OF VC OP IN TREE VIC (BS 551897)

WITH I SPIKES USED TO CLIMB TREE. OP NEAR HOUSE BELONGING
 TO A V NAME QUACK. SEARCH LOCATED HOUSE AND TREE. PTL REMOVED
 SPIKES TREE. SEARCHED HOUSE FINDING THREE SHEETS NOTEBOOK
 PAPER H VN WRITING, FWD BN S-2.

4. SIG ICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. C I S: USMC: NO CHANGE VC: SEVEN DETAINEES.

6. PL A TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTL'S, AMBS, AND LP'S.

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O P 261718Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
HMMVC/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD DONG SON RVN
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TOD 261832Z

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 7 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 261801H TO 262400H MAR 67
1. OPN PERRY CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

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O P 261645Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN

INFO TASK FORCE XRAY

SECOND ROK MAR BDE

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 168 FOR 260001H TO 262400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS FECHTLER DD 870

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 305 KIA, 627 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB),
103 DETAINEES. USMC: 49 KIA, 405 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

A. NAME OF OPN: PERRY

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D

C. TYPE OF ON: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (JS 5590)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 2/7 (-) (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: NONE

G. DTG INITIATED: 250900H MAR 67

I. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: EIGHT WIA.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 251055, CAC I-5 PLAT CMBT PTL (BS 358167)
RECD 50 RDS SA FM EST TEN ENEMY VIC (BS 363162) AND (BT 353166). RETD
200 RDS SA, ONE RD 81MM HE. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(2) 3/5: NO CONTACT

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 251230, CO C SQD CMBT PTL (BT 586004)

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FOUND FOUR TONS RICE IN TEN 55 GAL CONTAINERS, 23 25 GAL JARS, FIVE AIRCRAFT FLARE CANNISTERS. ALSO APPREH FOUR VNS IN SAME AREA. VILLAGERS

STATE RICE USED BY VC. RICE WAS EVAC TO BINH SON FOR REFUGEES. FOUR DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 251830, CAC L-4 PER PSN (JT 622012) RECD 15 RDS SA FM TWO ENEMY VIC (JT 625013). RETD 30 RDS SA. SNIPER TM FIRED TWO RDS SA. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC WIA (PROB).

260930, CO B 1/7

7B6, A SQUAD (REIN) COMBAT PATROL CONSISTING OF 9 USMC, 1 USN, 6 PF'S DEPARTED CAC L-5 AT 260930 ON A SMALL UNIT PATROL WITH SECONDARY MISSION TO CONDUCT MEDCAP AT VAN TRONG (3), VIC (BS 705953). TWO MEDCAPS HAD BEEN CONDUCTED IN THIS AREA PREVIOUSLY. TO AVOID COMPROMISE, PF'S HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF DESTINATION OR ROUTE. ROUTE AND TIME VARIED FROM THAT PREVIOUSLY USED.

2. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION INDICATES CONTACT MADE IN MEETING ENGAGEMENT VIC (BS 715957) WITH APPROX 100VC ARMED WITH SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC RIFLES, ONE .30 CAL MG AND M-79'S. ENGAGEMENT DEVELOPED WITH VC EMPLOYING ONE .30 CAL MG AND AUTO WEAPONS FROM HEDGE ROWS TO FRONT AND RIGHT FLANK OF PATROL VIC (BS 715949). CONSIDERABLE

QUANTITIES OF BLOOD AND EXPENDED ROUNDS WERE FOUND AT THESE POSITIONS. ENGAGEMENT OCCURRED APPROXIMATELY 261026H MAR. MARINES AND PF'S RETURNED HEAVY VOLUME OF SMALL ARM'S AND M-79'S FIRE. AS EVIDENCED BY EMPTY SHELL CASINGS. CALLED FOR 105 FIRE MISSION. DURING MISSION RADIO CONTACT WAS LOST. WOUNDED PF FLT LDR ESCAPED, NOTIFIED CAC SQD LDR WHO IMMEDIATELY WENT TO SCENE OF CONTACT WITH REMAINING AVAILABLE PF'S. TWO USMC SQUADS OPERATING TO NORTH AND WEST DISPATCHED TO ENGAGE VC. ONE ADDITIONAL SQUAD MOVED FROM B CO COMBAT BASE. AO WAS CALLED ON STATION. SPARROWHAWK ALERT PLATOON CALLED AT 261045H PLATOON FROM CO D COMBAT BASE MOVED OVERLAND TO (BS 665953) AND WAS IN PLACE AT 1115H. SPARROWHAWK REQUEST CANCELLED WHEN PLATOON FROM COMPANY

D MOVING OVERLAND ARRIVED IN AREA. AO SIGHTED VC IN VICINITY OF (BS 698994 - 708938- 715950) IN GROUPS OF 25 ABOUT 261100H.

4. 20 VC OBSERVED MOVING SOUTH FROM AREA OF ENGAGEMENT IN VICINITY OF (BS 705943) BY AO. 19 LITTER CASES OBSERVED BEING CARRIED SOUTH. TWO ARTY FIRE MISSIONS CALLED BEFORE VC BROKE OUT OF TACK INTO ROK AREA. FREE FIRE ZONE CLEARED BY ROK'S TO GRID LINE EW 92. ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES REQUESTED AND CONTROLLED BY AO. AO REPORTS 3 KIA AND 5 KILLED BY ARTILLERY CONFIRMED. TWO STRETCHER CASES ABANDONED ON TRAIL. VC OBSERVED WERE WEARING GREEN NVA ASSOCIATED UNIFORMS AND HELMETS.

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5. AT 251115 A0 SPOTTED 10 VC VICINITY 678949 WITH WEAPONS. PLATOON FROM CO D APPROXIMATELY 900 METERS AWAY CLOSED AS FIRE MISSION CALLED. VC BROKE INTO SMALLER GROUPS AND FLED SOUTH. NO ENEMY CASUALTIES FOUND IN SWEEP.

6. BALD EAGLE REQUESTED AT 261130 AND FOLLOWING CLEARANCE OF AREA OF OPERATIONS WITH ROK4C, INSERTED AT 261400H VIC 705924. SWEEP TO (BT 696

913) AND THEN TO NORTH. DURING SWEEP BALD EAGLE RECEIVED 15 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE AND 1 M-79 RD. RETURNED FIRE AND SWEEPED AREA. NO EVIDENCE OF

ENEMY CASUALTIES. DURING SWEEP CAPTURED 1 VCS. BALD EAGLE ESTABLISHED NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITION AND WILL CONTINUE SEARCH AT FIRST LIGHT.

7. ALL CASUALTIES SHOT IN HEAD AFTER BEING WOUNDED OR KILLED IN ENGAGEMENT PF PLATOON LEADER ESCAPED WITH SOUND IN HAND. .45 CAL PISTOL BELONGING TO CORPAMAN AND TWO CARBINES NOT TAKEN BY VC

8. BODIES WERE APPROXIMATELY 15 PACES APART WHEN RECOVERED AND LOCATION

INDICATES FLANK SECURITY HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED AND SQUAD IN TACTICAL FORMATION.

9. CAC L-5 WAS RECONSTITUTED AND VILLAGERS REASSURED THAT THIS INCIDENT WILL NOT DIMINISH USMC OPERATIONS OR INFLUENCE IN AREA. INQUIRY INTO INCIDENT CONTINUES. DETAILS DEVELOPED, IF IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, WILL BE FORWARDED.

10. IN SUMMARY, ESTIMATE REINFORCED VC COMPANY, CAUGHT ON MOVE, ENGAGED THE CAC PATROL.

11. CASUALTIES TO CAC L-5 PATROL: 8 USMC KIA

1 USN KIA

1 USMC WIA

5 PF KIA

1 PF WIA

12. CAPTURED WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT BY VC FROM CAC PATROL;

8 M14'S

1 M-79

1 BAR

1 M-1

2 CARBINES

1 PRC-25

10 GRENADES

9 CARTRIDGE BELTS

1 PR. BINOCULARS

MEDCAP SUPPLIES.

13. ENEMY CASUALTIES: 8 KIA CONFIRMED

10 KIA PROBABLE

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261145, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 658017) RECD 100 RDS AW FM UNOBS ENEMY
400M TO S VIC (BT 658013). RETD 100 RDS M-79, 11 RDS 81MM HE.
SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

201345, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BS 664037) RECD 15 RDS SA FM UNK NR ENEMY
VIC (BT 665044). RETD 100 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
ENEMY CAS.

261455, CO B CAC L-4 (BT 662004) APPREH ONE VN MALE, AGE 55, NAME
ON BLACK LIST, WITH WOUNDS OF RIGHT ARM AND LEG. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: NO CONTACT

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D 261150, 3RD PLAT PTL (BS 398770) RECD EIGHT RDS

SA FM UNK NR ENEMY VIC (BS 400768). RETD 20 RDS SA. ONE USMC WIA.
DURING EXTRACTION HUIES PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE FIRES. 261300, EXTRACTION
COMPLETED. ONE USMC WIA LATER DOW.

(2) 1ST FORCE: 261145, 2ND PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY
BLK PJ'S, WPNS, PACKS, CART BELTS MOVING NE VIC (BS 662559). CALLED
FIRE MSN. THREE VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) 261115, BTRY G 3/11 FIRED MSN ON 15 VC VIC (BS 662559).
FIVE VC KIA (PROB) OBS BY USMC AO.

(2) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 260850, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON TWO
VC VIC (BS 471782). ONE VC WIA (PROB).

E. MSNS FIRED: OBS: ONE

(3) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

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19 WIA PROBABLE

261145, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 658017) RECD 100 RDS AW FM UNOBS ENEMY 400M TO S VIC (BT 658013). RETD 100 RDS M-79, 11 RDS 81MM HE.

SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

201345, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BS 664037) RECD 15 RDS SA FM UNK NR ENEMY VIC (BT 665044). RETD 100 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

261455, CO B CAC L-4 (BT 662004) APPREH ONE VN MALE, AGE 55, NAME ON BLACK LIST, WITH WOUNDS OF RIGHT ARM AND LEG. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.

(2) 2/7: NO CONTACT

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO D 261150, 3RD PLAT PTL (BS 398770) RECD EIGHT RDS

SA FM UNK NR ENEMY VIC (BS 400768). RETD 20 RDS SA. ONE USMC WIA. DURING EXTRACTION HUIES PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE FIRES. 261300, EXTRACTION COMPLETED. ONE USMC WIA LATER DOW.

(2) 1ST FORCE: 261145, 2ND PLAT (BS 635588) OBS THREE ENEMY BLK PJ'S, WPNS, PACKS, CART BELTS MOVING NE VIC (BS 662559). CALLED FIRE MSN. THREE VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) 261115, BTRY G 3/11 FIRED MSN ON 15 VC VIC (BS 662559). FIVE VC KIA (PROB) OBS BY USMC AO.

(2) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 260850, BTRY A 2/94 FA FIRED MSN ON TWO VC VIC (BS 471782). ONE VC WIA (PROB).

E. MSNS FIRED: OBS: ONE

(3) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

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C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. SIGHTINGS: NONE

E. MSNS FIRED: NONE

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	11	5	63	79	72	7	
107HT		9	18	27	27		
155H		2	26	28	20	8	
8"H	2			2	2		
175G	2			2	2		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	639,	43		16	698
107HT	150	6			156
155H	136	10			146
8"H	12				12
175G	13				13

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

DESOT

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

DESOTO

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	1	5	6	12	12		
155H		2	12	14	14		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	111				111
155H	71				71

NGF MANS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	WP	ILLUM
OBS: 3	3"/50		
UNOBS:	5"/38	84	

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLS
3/5	2	2	NEG
1/7	4	4	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1

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3/5 1 0

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPN.

KIT CAESON RSLTS: 1/7 ONE TEAM EMPLOYED AT BN CP. ONE TEAM RECEIVING INDOCTRINATION AT BN CP. 2/7 KIT CARSON EMPLOYED ON OPN PERRY.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS CO	LIST POST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5,	54	20	0	5	5	0	2	14	0	
3/5	50	10	0	19	0	0	0	55	2	
1/7	56	44	0	36	2	0	0	90	4	
2/7	26	8	0	7	0	0	0	11	0	1
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
IST FAG	8									
IST RCN BN	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	5	3	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	
TFX TOTALS	199	85	11	73	9	0	2	170	6	2

TOTAL CONTACTS: 8 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 6 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 8 KIA 5 DET
28 KIA (PROB)

1 WIA
USMC: 10 KIA
1 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE	TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN						
BT 363162	251055	CAC	PLAT	CAC-1-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 586004	251230	SQD	CMB	C-1-7 NONE	UNK 4 DET	US
BT 625013	251830	CAC	PER	CAC-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 WIA (PROB)	VC
75 658043	261145	SQD	CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 665044	261345	SQD	CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 662004	261455	CAC	SD	CAC-1-4-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US

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 C O N F I D E N T I A L FINAL SECTION OF THREE SECTIONS
 BS 715957 260930 CAC SP CAC-L5-1/7 UNK VC
 9KIA 1 WIA 8 KIA 10 KIA (PROB)
 19 WIA (PROB)
 BS 635588 261145 FLT OP 1ST RECON UNK US
 NONE 3 KIA (P) VC
 BS 398770 261150 FLT OP 1ST RECON UNK VC
 1 USMC WIA (DOW) UNK
 BS 697913 261655 CO S&D B-1-5 UNK VC
 NONE 1 DET

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 233 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 270001H TO 270600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.

2. PLANS: CO I, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU, LOCAL PTLS & AMBS.

CO K, CONDUCTS CO (-) SWEEP FM (BS 855392) TO (BS 850381) TO (BS 808370) TO (BS 848362). CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG. LOCAL PTLS & AMBS. CO M MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA AT (BS 822403). LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO G 2/7, CONDUCT CO SWEEP FM CO CP TO (BS 835355), GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 812372), (BS 815368), (BS 821368), (BS 832362). ELKG PUN VIC (BS 834358).

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 234 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 270601H TO 271200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO K 3/7 (BS 848357), (BS 855359), CO L 3/7 (BS 814384), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403, BS 849391), CO G 2/7 (BS 834355).

2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 270950, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 849364) RECD THREE RDS SA FM 600M TO SE VIC (BS 855363). RETD 20 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

271000, CO M 3/7 SQD, SNIPER TM (BS 835395) OBS THREE ENEMY PACKS, WPNS, 900M TO NW VIC (BS 834404). CALLED FOR 20 RDS 105MM HE. OBS ONE VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB).

271015, CO G 2/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 828376) RECD 15 RDS SA FM 300M TO SE (BS 831375). RETD 75 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE

OF ENEMY CAS.

271100, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 855362) TRIPPED 105 RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

271135, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 870326) TRIPPED M-26 GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 306 KIA, 629 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), DET- AINEES 103. USMC: 50 KIA, 405 WIA, FIVE DOW, THREE NBC.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 235 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 271201H TO 271800H MAR 67

1. UNIT POS: CO K 3/7, (BS 848347), CO G 2/7 (BS 833355),
(BS 834330). OTHER POSITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPERATION DESOTO CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 271230, CO K 3/7 S&D SNIPER TM (BS 835395)

OBS FOUR VC WITH WPNS ACROSS RIVER EST 900M WALKING NEAR HOUSES.

FIRED TEN RDS SA, OBS FOUR VC KIA.

271115 CO L 3/7 SQD (BS 813379), AS SQD MOVED TO NEW PSN, LAAW
EXPLODED RESULTING IN ONE USMC DEAD, TWO USMC INJURED. LAAW REPORTEDLY
HAD NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH AND WAS CARRIED INCLOSED PSN WHEN EXPLOSION
OCCURED. INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS.

271420, CO 7 CMD GRU. USS FECHTLER RECD 10 RDS APPARENT RR FIRE
RETD 70 RDS 5"/38. COAST GUARD SHIP RECD THREE RDS RR. RETD .50
CAL FIRE. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPS. ENEMY FIRE CAME FM (BS 835427).

ACID RECON AREA.

271630, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 788397) RECD 50 RDS FM UNK NR
ENEMY VIC (BS 793398). RETD 100 RDS SA, FIVE RDS 60MM. ARTY MSN
10 RDS 101. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC). TWO VC KIA (PROB).

271730, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 793393) OBS TWO ENEMY WITH WPNS. FIRED
50 RDS SA. SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO WRNS. TWO VC KIA.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 310 KIA, 631 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 103 DETAINEES.

UNCL: 50 KIA, 406 WIA, 5 POW, 6 NBC (1 KIA, 5 WIA).

6. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO ESTABLISH NIGHT DEF PSN, PATROLS, AMB AND LP'S.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 236 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 271801 TO 272400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 814384), CO G 2/7 (BS 833354). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH MED CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 271145, CO L 3/7 S&D (BS 794387) APPREH TWO VNS TRYING TO EVADE PTL, PACK STRAP MARKS ON SHOULDERS. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

(LATE ENTRY) 271730, CO K 3/7 CONDUCTED S&D OPN OF FISHING HAMLET DONG-THUANG VIC (BS 845354), SCREENED VILLAGERS WITH VILL CHIEF AND NAT POLICE. OPN WAS SUPP BY CO G 2/7 ELKG PSN (BS 834355-834346), AND AIRBORNE AND GROUND PSY WAR BROADCASTS. PSY WAR BROADCASTS ANNOUNCED TO DONG-THUANG HAMLET, THAT USMC FORCES HAD SURROUNDED THE VILLAGE, AND ALL VILLAGERS WERE WARNED TO REMAIN IN AREA, THAT ANYONE TRYING TO ESCAPE OR AVOID USMC WOULD BE CONSIDERED VC.

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WHEN VNS WERE SEEN SLIPPING INTO WATER THEY WERE WARNED AGAIN BY LOUDSPEAKERS. THREE DETAINEES WERE APPREH IN HAMLET. AS SWEEP
 1ST CO K 3/7 APPREH 13 VCS HIDING IN BUNKER VIC (BS 842351).
 MOVING SE SEARCHING BANK, CO K 3/7 APPREH THREE ADDITIONAL VCS
 HIDING IN BRUSH. HUIE GUNSHIP SUPP CO K 3/7 AND CO G 2/7 OBS 30
 VC HIDING IN SHALLOW WATER AND SWAMP AREA VIC (BS 845340), UTILIZING
 VARIOUS TYPES OF CAMOFLAGE, INCLUDING MOSS COVERINGS, USING BAMBOO
 BREATHING DEVICES, AND USING CONCEALMENT OF SAMPANS IN AREA.
 HUIE'S FIRED SUPPRESSIVE FIRES AT VC TO FORCE THEM TOWARDS SHORE.
 AFTER FIRING SUPPRESSIVE FIRES VC FLEEING TOWARDS SHORE WERE APPREH.
 THIS CONT UNTIL ALL VC OBS WERE EITHER APPREH OR KILLED. AS A RESULT
 23 VC KIA, 30 ADDITIONAL VC WERE FLUSHED FM CONCEALED PSNS IN
 WATER TOWARD CO K 3/7. TANKS SUPP BY FIRE VIC (BS 855358) OBS TWO
 VC ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE TO EAST AND WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE, RESULTING
 IN TWO VC KIA (PROB). PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION BY ITT INDICATES OF
 79 DETAINEES APPREHENDED, EIGHT TO BE HAMLET GUERRILLAS, FIVE
 HAMLET POLITICAL CADRE, 36 CIVIL DEFENDANTS. AS INTERR CONTS,
 NR DETAINEES SUBJECT TO CHANGE. 3/7 S-2 TO COMPLETE REPT TO IF X-RAY
 G-2 AS AVAILABLE. THOROUGH SEARCHED CONDUCTED FOR WPNS BUT NONE WERE

FOUND. ALL ATTEMPTS TO BE MADE TO ATTAIN ADDITIONAL INFO FM ITT.
 ALL MALE DETAINEES WERE YOUNG, WELL FED, EXCELLENT PHYSICAL CONDITION.
 CUM CAS: 26 VC KIA, TWO VC KIA (PROB), 49 DETAINEES.
 271845, CO D 2NDPIAT (BENNINGTON) 1ST RECON BN (BS 791340) OBS 17
 ENEMY, ASSORTED TYPE UNIFORMS, WITH PACKS, TEN WPNS, MOVING S AND E
 VIC (BS 78326). CALLED ARTY MSN, 21 RDS 105MM HE, 21 RDS 155MM HE.
 OBS ONE VC KIA, THREE VC WIA (PROB).
 4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: SEE ENTRY 271730H.
 5. CUM CAS: VC: 337 KIA, 636 (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB), 154
 DETAINEES. USMC: 50 KIA, 406 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA, FIVE WIA).

6. PLANS: NO CHANGE.

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SPECIAL RETREP NR 8 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 270001H TO 270600H MAR 67
 1. OPN PERRY CONTINUES WITH NO CHANGE, NO CONTACT.
 2. PLEASE RESWEEP OBJS FM W TO E AND BRING OUT REMAINING REFUGEES.
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 9 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 270601H TO 271200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU 2/7 (BS 574922), CO E 2/7 (BS 524934), CO H 2/7 (BS 548897).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CMD GRU RETD TO TAOR CMT BASE VIC (BS 574922).

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 262210, CO H 2/7 SQD CMT PTL (BS 536893) OBS ONE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S 1024 TO S VIC (BS 536892). CHALLENGED IN VN. ENEMY FLED. FIRED ONE RD M-79, 20 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF EN CAS.

270820, CO E 2/7 SQD CMT PTL (BS 518895) RECD 50 RDS SA FIRE FM EST FOUR VC (BS 517897). RETD 200 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: TEN WIA.

6. PLANS: TO CONT SWEEP TOWARDS TAOR CMT BASE VIC (BS 574922).

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SITREP NR 10 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 271201H TO 271800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO E 2/7 (CS 524934) AND (CS 478938). CO H 3/7

(CS 548397).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS

3. CONTACTS: 271430, CO E 2/7 PLAT S&D (CS 478938). CHIEU

HOILED PTL TO THREE SHOTGUNS ALL CORRODED (ONE MODEL 37 ITHACA

NR 26917, OTHER TWO TYPE UNK), ONE M-14 MAG, 200 RDS LINKED 7.62

30, FWD BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 11 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 271801H TO 272400H NIN 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO E 2/7 AT (IT 535948) AND CND GRU 2/7 AND CND H
2/7 AT (IT 566959).

2. OPN PERRY CONT WITH NO CHANGE, NEG CONTACT.

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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 169 FOR 270001H TO 272400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: USS FECHTELER DD 870
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 310 KIA, 631 KIA (PROB), 115 WIA (PROB),
103 DETAINEES. USMC: 50 KIA, 406 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE

KIA, FIVE WIA).

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: PERRY
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 5590)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 2/7 (-) (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: NONE
- G. DTG INITIATED: 250900H MAR 67
- H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
- I. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES. USMC: TEN WIA.
- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE
4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:
 - A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 261230, H&S CO BN CMBI BASE APPREH ONE
VN VIC (LT 397145). ACCUSED BY VN NATIONAL OF INFORMING VC OF USMC
TROOP MOVEMENT TO AND FM CMBI BASE. VN ADMITTED BEING VC IN PAST BUT

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STATED SUPPORTING RVN FOR PAST FOUR YEARS. ONE DETAINEE FWD ITT.
270910, CO C S&C (JT 384237) TRIPPED UNK TYPE AP MINE. TWO USMC KIA,
ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

(FOLLOW UP TO ENTRY 270910) 271030, CO C SQD CMBT BASE RETN TO SITE OF
AP MINE AND APPREH TWO VN MALES, AGES 40, VIC (JT 382238). QUESTIONING
OF VILLAGERS DISCLOSED AP MINE TO BE 250 LB BOMB PLANTED BY TEN VC
260730H. ALSO THAT VC HAD MOVED TO SW. VILLAGERS DISCLOSED NAMES OF
SEVEN VC. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

271440, CO B (JALDEAGLE - SEE ENTRY 260930H, SITREP NR 168 1/7 TAOR)
CO B 1/5 VIC (BS 671969) RECD TEN RDS SA FM UNOBS ENEMY 600M TO SW VIC
(BS 668763).

RETD 15 RDS SA. CONT SWEEP FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.
AT 271800H CO B RETD TO TAOR CMBT BASE.

(2) 3/5: NO CONTACT

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 261145, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT PTL (JT 658
017) RECD 100 RDS AW FM UNOBS ENEMY 400M TO S VIC (JT 658013). SEARCHED

FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 261345, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT PTL (JT 664032) RECD 15 RDS
SA FM UNOBS ENEMY 700M TO NE VIC (JT 665044). RETD 110 RDS SA. SEARCHED

FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY) 261530, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT PTL (JT 653044) RECD 35 RDS
SA FM 200M TO W VIC (JT 651044).

RETD 200 RDS SA, SIX RDS M-79, ONE RD 60MM HE. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID
OF ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 261930, CO D PLAT S&D (BS 683955) CHECKING VNS ID RECD 150

RDS AW FM APPROX 1000M TO SW VIC (BS 679943), RESULTING IN THREE
VN FEMALES KIA. CALLED FOR 20 RDF 105MM HE. SEARCH REVEALED NO EVID
ON ENEMY CAS.

270800, CO D PLAT S&D (BS 683953) OBS FIVE ENEMY, GREEN UNIFORMS,
HELMETS, WPNS MANNING APPARENT OF 1300M TO SW VIC (BS 681940). CALLED
FOR 20 RDS 105MM HE, GOOD COVERAGE. SEARCH REVEALED BLOOD SPOTS. TWO
V C WIA (PROB).

271020, CO A SQD (REIN) CMBT PTL (JT 646027) TRIPPED GREN (TYPE UNK)
RIGGED AS (AP) MINE. NO CAS.

(2) 2/7: NO CONTACT

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOI O

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 261845, 1ST PLAT (BS 441912) RECD TWO
GRENS FM N. RETD 20 RDS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCH REVEALED NO
EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

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E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT.

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 271200, ONS FOUR VC VIC (BS 479777). CALLED

FIRE MAN. OBS NO DEVIENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE OBS

(2) AN OOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

(BS 455865). EXCELLENT COVERAGE.

E. MSNS FIRED: ONE OBS

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105 H	27	11	46	84	75	9	

107HT	1	1	12	14	14		
155 H	6	5	22	33	18	10	5
8 th H	1		2	3	3		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	834	38	22		894
107HT	45	2			47
155 H	155	12	20		187
8 th H	22				22

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING: (DESOTO)

	97OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105 H	19	3	5	27	27		
107HT	1	1	10	12	12		
155 H	2	3	2	7	7		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	438	4		7	449
107HT	40				40
155 H	48		20		68

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 NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED: AMMO EXPENDED:
 HE WP ILLUM
 OBS: 4 3"/50
 UNOBS: 5"/38 58

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RSLTS
1/5	1	1	NEG
3/5	2	2	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG

KIT CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3

2/7	1	1
1/5	2	1
3/5	0	0

WEATHER EFFECT: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
 KIT CARSON RSLTS: 1/5 KIT CARSON ATTACHED TO CO B ON PTL. 1/7 ONE
 TEAM AT PHUOC THIEN INTEROGATING VILLAGERS. TWO TEAMS ATTACHED TO
 BN CP. WORKING ON CIVIL AFFAIRS 2/7 KIT CARSON EMPLOYED ON OPN PERRY.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			ABUSHES			S&D-OPNS	LIST POST	SCOUT SCIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO			
1/5	50	12	0	4	5	0	0	14	0	
3/5	51	9	0	18	1	0	0	55	2	
1/7	46	61	3	29	1	0	0	90	4	
2/7	21	5	0	4	0	0	0	11	0	1
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST RCN BN	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	5	2	0	13	2	0	0	0	0	
TFX TOTALS	181	89	13	68	9	0	0	170	6	2

TOTAL CONTACTS 7 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 6 VC INITIATED.

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TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 WIA (PROB)

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USMC: 2 KIA

2 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	UNIT BY
QUANG TIN					
BT 658013	261145	SQD CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 397145	261230	FT SEC	1/5 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BT 665044	261345	SQD CMB	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 651044	261530	SQD CMB	A-1-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BT 384237	270910	CO S&C	C-1-5 2 KIA - 1 WIA 2 DET	UNK	US
QUANG NGAI					
BS 441912	261845	PT REC	A-1ST RECON	UNK	VC
BS 679939	261930	FLAT S&D	NONE D-1-7	NONE UNK	VC
BS 683953	270800	FLAT S&D	NONE D-1-7	NONE UNK	US
BS 668963	271440	CO S&D	NONE B-1-5	2 WIA (PROB) UNK	VC
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 237 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 280001H TO 280600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 280020, CO G 2/7 DEF PSN (BS 833358) OBS FOUR ENEMY VIC (BS 833360) FIRED 20 RDS SA - OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCH OF AREA 280630. ONE VC WIA (PROB).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: USMC: NO CHANGE. VC: 337 KIA, 636 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 154 DETAINEES.
6. PLANS: CO I, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS & AMBS. CO K, CONDUCTS LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO M, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA & (BS 803403). LOCAL PTLS & AMBS. CO G 2/7, CONDUCTS CO SWEEP TO VIC

(BS 804325) GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT VIC (BS 830350) TO (BS 831040) TO (BS 818343) TO (BS 818360) TO (BS 802328). ESTBL CO GMBI BDE VIC (BS 804325).

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 238 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 280601H TO 281200H MAR 67

1. UNIT POSITIONS: CMD GRU 3/7 (BS 814384), CO I 3/7 (BS 881321)
CO K 3/7 (BS 814384), CO L 3/7 (BS 879369) & (BS 814384), CO M
(BS 823443), CO G 2/7 (BS 822367).

2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 281000, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 834395) OBS TEN VC
TWO HAD WPNS, STANDING NEAR TWO BUNKERS, VIC (BS 344405) FIRED 10
RDS 100MM DESTR BUNKERS. OBS ONE VC KIA (PROB).

281140, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 881321). PTL MOVING INTO POSIT NAD
TEN RDS SA AND ONE GRN. PTL RETD FIVE RDS SA. CO PERIM FIRED TEN RDS
.50 CAL IN SUPPT. PTL SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY
CAS.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 337 KIA, 637 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB),
154 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONT ASSIGNED MISSIONS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 239 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 281201H TO 281800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO G 2/7 AT (BS 810330) ALL OTHERS REMAIN THE SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
3. CONTACTS: 281415, CO G 2/7 S&D TRIPPED EST 155MM RD RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).
 281000, CO M 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 834395) OBS TEN ENEMY TWO HAD WPNS
 STANDING NEAR TWO BUNKERS VIC (BS 844405). FIRED 12 RDS 106MM.
 DESTR BUNKERS. OBS ONE VC KIA (PROB).
 281140, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 881321). PTL MOVING INTO PSN
 RECD TEN RIS SA AND ONE GREN. PTL RETD FIVE RDS SA. CO PER IM
 FIRED TEN RDS .50 CAL IN SUPPT. PTL SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO
 EVID OF ENEMY CAS:

281350, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 881321) ENEMY IN TREE DROPPED GREN ON

MARINE. FIRED THREE RDS 45 CAL. ONE VC KIA.

281325, CO I 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL ONIPER TM (BS 872332) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH
 WPN VIC (BS 863330). FIRED TWO RDS SA. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 339 KIA, 638 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 154
 DETAINEES. USMC: 50 KIA, 407 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA,
 FIVE WIA).

6. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO EST NIGHT PSN, PTL'S, AMBUSHES AND LP'S.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 240 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 281645Z TO 282400Z MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONT WITH NO CHANGE, NO CORRECTION.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 12 FOR OPN PERRY FOR 280001H TO 280600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: ALL UNIT REIN TO TAOR CMBT BASE.
2. SUMMARY: 281800, OPN PERRY TERMINATED. CUM NUMBER REFUGEES EVAC FM OPN AREA TO BINH SON FOR RESETTLEMENT TOTALED 1168, INCLUDING EIGHT IDENT AS CIV DEFENDANTS. BINH SON DISTRICT CHIEF REPTS REFUGEES ELATED WITH PROCESSING AND RESETTLEMENT. INDOCTRINATION OF REFUGEES PROGRESSING GOOD N.Y.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: SEE SUMMARY
5. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES, EIGHT CIVIL DEFENDANTS. USMC: TEN WIA.
6. THIS IS THE FINAL SITREP FOR OBJ PERRY.

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 TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 170 FOR 280001H TO 282400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS.
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NOF: USS FECHTELER DD 870
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 339 KIA, 638 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB),
 154 DETAINEES. USMC: 50 KIA, 407 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA,

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FIVE WIA).

- J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.
- K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE
- A. NAME OF OPN: PERRY
- B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
- C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 3300)
- D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 2/7 (-) (REIN)
- E. CAS: 1ST MAW
- F. NGF: NONE
- G. DTG INITIATED: 250900H MAR 67
- G. DTG TERMINATED: 271800H MAR 67
- I. CUM CAS: VC: SEVEN DETAINEES, EIGHT CIVIL DEFENDANTS. USMC: TEN WIA

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 271630, CO C SQD SEC PTL (BT 395112) APPREH

TWO VN MALES, AGES 20, NO ID. TWO DETAINEES TWO ITT.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 272120, CO K CMBT BASE PER PSN (BT 509024) RECD ONE GREN FM NW. RETD THREE RDS M-79, 30 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED NO

EVID OF ENEMY CAS.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 271745, CO A PLAT REIN TO CMBT BASE IN SIX VEHICLE CONVOY (BS 633990), RECD GREN FM ROAD SIDE. IMMEDIATELY SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (NO EVAC).

(LATE ENTRY) 272155, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 650004) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WPN 100M TO S VC (BT 654004). FIRED TWO RDS M-79. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

281305, CO D S&D (BS 630970) RECD TEN RDS SA FM 100M TO S VIC (BS-630973). ONTOS RETD THREE RDS 100M. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

(2) 2/7: NO CONTACT

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOT 0

D. 1ST RECON BN:

(1) CO A: (LATE ENTRY) 271430, 1ST PLAT (BT 438908) RECD TWO GRENS, 20 RDS SA, FM EST THREE ENEMY TO N. RETD 40 RDS SA. CALLED FIXED WING. HUIES FIRED SUPPRESSIVE FIRES. OBS ONE VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHULAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

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B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. SIGHTINGS: NONE
 E. MSN CALLED: NONE

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UN OBS
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. SIGHTINGS: 280955, CALLED FIRE HQ ON FIVE ENEMY VIC
 (BS 440867). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. 281113, CALLED FIRE MSN
 ON THREE ENEMY WITH PACKS VIC (BS 481887). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY
 CAS.

E. MSN CALLED: TWO OBS

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORT LOSS		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARMY	OTHER
005 H	18	2	76	96	86	10	
107HT	3	1	38	42	42		
155 H	9	1	28	38	38		
155 G	2			2	2		
8" H	6			6	6		

175 G 2 2 2

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	793	21		53	867
107HT	99	37			136
155 H	207	18		31	256
155 G	6			2	8
8" H	67				67
175 G	24				24

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORT LOSS		
	ONB	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARMY	OTHER
105 H	14	1	6	21	21		
107HT	3	1	8	12	12		
155 H	5	1	4	10	10		

ROUNDS EXPENDED

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105 H	409	7		44	460
107HT	77	29			106
155 H	79			3	82

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NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:
 TOTAL MSNS FIRED: AMMO EXPENDED:
 OBS 3"/50 HE WP IULLM
 UNOBS: 5"/38 45
 H&I: 5"/54
 OTHER 6"/47
 8"/55

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS
 1/7 NR TEAMS 2 NR EMPLOYED 2 RSLTS
 KIT CARSON NEG
 NR INDIV
 1/7 3 NR EMPLOYED 3
 2/7 1 0
 1/5 2 0

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPN.
 KIT CARSON RSLTS: 1/7: ONE TEAM EMPLOYED WITH CO B. ONE TEAM
 EMPLOYED WITH CIVIL AFFAIRS TEAM. ONE TEAM AT BN CP RECEIVING
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IN REFUGEES.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			S&D-OPNS CO	LIST PST	SCOUT SNIPER	BN S&D
	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT				
1/5	52	17	0	6	4	0	0	14	0	-
3/5	56	18	0	22	2	0	0	55	0	
1/7	53	26	0	35	5	0	0	104	4	
2/7	29	8	0	6	1	0	0	11	0	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG										
1ST RCN BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	5	2	0	13	2	0	0	0	0	
TFX TOTALS	195	71	12	82	14	0	0	184	4	1

TOTAL CONTACTS: 4 DAY, 2 NIGHT, 3 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 2 DET 1 KIA (PROB)

USMC: 1 WIA

TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE	TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNITA LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN						
BT 395112	271630	SQD	SEC	C-1-5 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 502027	272120	CO	PER	K-3-5 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BT 654004	272155	SQD	A/B	A-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	US
QUANG NGAI						
BS 633990	271735	CONVOY		A-1-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	VC
BS 630975	281305	CO	S&D	D-1-7 NONE	UNK NONE	VC
BS 438908	271430	PLAT	OP	A-1ST RECON NONE	UNK 1 KIA (PROB)	VC

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 241 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 290000H TO 290600H MAR 67

1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUES WITH NO CONTACT.
 2. PLANS: CO I, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS.
 CO K, SWEEP TO BLKG PSNS VIC (BS 806358) ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF
 MOVEMENT (BS 808371) TO (BS 804365) TO (BS 803355) TO (BS 806355).
 MAINTAIN BLKG PSN VIC (BS 806355) UNTIL PASSAGE CO G 2/7. PREPARE
 TO ESTBL CO CMBT BASE BIC (BS 798366). CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG
 LOCAL PTLS AND AMBS. CO M, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA (BS 822403). LOCAL
 PTLS AND AMBS. CO G 2/7, CONDUCTS S&D ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF
 MOVEMENT (BS 801338) TO (BS 803043) TO (BS 803347) TO (BS 812352) TO
 (BS 810358) TO (BS 814383).

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 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMVFC/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 242 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 290600H TO 291200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 807357) AND (BS 795365), (BS 804334).
 OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CONTACT

3. CONTACTS: NONE

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE

6. PLANS: TO CONT ASSIGNED MSNS.

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 TO ZEN/ CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
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 RUMVNG/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 243 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 291200H TO 291800H MAR 67

. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 800367) CO L 3/7 (BS 814384) AND
 (BS 855387), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403) AND (BS 845391), CO G 2/7
 (BS 814384).

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 290810, CO M 3/7 CMBT PTL (BS 823403)

APPREH ONE VN MALE WHO DID NOT HALT WHEN CHALLENGED, ALSO WAS
 WOUNDED. ONE DETAINEE FWD TO QUANG NGAI HOSP AND IIT.

(LATE ENTRY) 291135, CO K 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 814357) APPREH ONE
 VCS. ONE DETAINEE FWD IIT.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC 339 KIA, 632 KIA (FR OB), 116 WIA (FR OB), 156
 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, FTL S, AMBS, ETC.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 244 FOR OPN DESQ O FOR 291800H TO 292400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 794360). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.
2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH NO CHANGE.
3. CONTACTS: NONE
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: NO CHANGE
6. PLANS: NO CHANGE

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ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
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TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 171 FOR 290001H TO 292400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HK SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:
 - A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO
 - B. TYPE OF OPN: S&D
 - C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (CS 8439)
 - D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)
 - E. CAS: 1ST MAW
 - F. NGF: NONE
 - G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67
 - H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT
 - I. CUM CAS: VC: 339 KIA, 638 IA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB),
156 DETAINEES. USMC: 45 KIA, 393 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC

(ONE KIA, FIVE WIA). USN: FIVE KIA, 14 WIA.

J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: NO CONTACT

(2) 3/5: NO CONTACT

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: 290600, CO A FT CMBT PTL (BT 647012) RETURNING FM
AMB TRIPPED M-26 GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).
290800, CO A SQD CMBT PTL (BT 654038) APPREH FOUR VNS, TWO MALES,
AGES 16 AND 20, TWO FEMALES, AGES 60, IDENTIFIED BY PF'S AS VC
SUPPORTERS. FOUR DETAINEES FWD IIT.

291450, CO B SQD CMBT PTL (BS 699966) OBS THREE ENEMY, WPNS, TWO IN
KHAKIS, ONE IN GREEN PJ'S. FIRED 30 RDS SA. TWO VC KIA. CAPTURED
ONE US CARBINE NR 6418996, ONE CHI COM CARBINE NR T-9872,
ONE CART BELT, TWO CHI COM GRENS, TEN MAGS, SIX SHEETS PAPER WITH VN
WRITING, FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 290930, CO H SQD CMBT PTL (BS 563907) OBS FIVE VNS

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VIC (BS 564907). AS PTL APPROACHED VNS FLED. CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. VNS CONT TO FLEE. FIRED TEN RDS SA AND PURSUED. FOUND ONE VC KIA, APPREH OTHER FOUR. FOUR DETAINEES FWD IIT.

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOT O

D. 1ST RECON BN

(1) CO D: 291240, 1ST PLAT (BS 447819) OBS FIVE ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, PACKS MOVING W VIC (BS 445799). CALLED FIRE MSN. FIVE VC KIA (PROB).

E. CHU LAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 281805, CALLED MSN ON SEVEN ENEMY VIC (BS 548754). TWO VC WIA (PROB). 281815, CALLED MSN ON TWO ENEMY VIC (BS 542768). OBS NO ENEMY CAS. 291340, CALLED MSN ON FOUR ENEMY VIC (BS 513752). OBS NO ENEMY CAS.

E. MSNS CALLED: THREE OBS

(2) AN HOA OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

D. SIGHTINGS: 281830, CALLED MSN ON ONE ENEMY WITH WPN VIC (BS 446873). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. 281900, OBS MSN ON SUSPECTED VC BN VIC (BS 446873). EXCELLENT COVERAGE.

3. MSNS CALLED: ONE OBS

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

NUMBER OF MISSIONS

SUPPORTING:

	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
135H	10	9	74	93	86	7	
137H	2		22	24	24		
155H	10	4	45	59	45	14	
155G	3			3	3		
8 th H	3			1	3	1	
175G	5		1	6	6		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	317	51		22	370

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107H	109	21		130
155H	383	13	12	408
155G	24		8	320
8"H	36			36
175G	47			47

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	OBS	UNOBS	NUMBER OF MISSIONS	SUPPORTING: (DESOTO)
			H&I TOTAL	MAF ARVN OTHER
105H	4	9	7	20
107HT	1	10		11
155H	3	4	4	11

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	106	6		8	120
107HT	70				70
155H	51				51

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: NONE

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

AMMO EXPENDED:

OBS:

HE	WP	ILLUM
3"/50		

UNOBS:

5"/38

H&I:

5"/54

OTHER:

6"/47

8"/55

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED
3/5	1	1
1/7	5	5

RESULTS:

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	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1
1/5	2	0

EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPN.

KIT CARSON RESULTS: 1/7 1 TM EMPLOYED WITH D CO 1 TM EMPLOYED IN BN CP INTERROGATING DETAINEES. 1 TM UNDER INDOCTRINATION. 2/7 KIT CARSON CONT INDOCTRINATION. (ENGLISH LESSONS & MARKSMANSHIP).

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

PATROLS			AMBUSHES			SQD OPNS		LIST		SCOUT BN	
UNIT	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST		SNIPER	SQD
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1/5	58	14	0	6	4	0	0	16	0
3/5	61	25	0	23	2	0	0	55	2
1/7	59	47	0	32	3	0	0	90	10
2/7	35	11	0	8	2	0	0	12	0
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST FAG	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1ST RCN BN	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLDC	5	2	0	13	2	0	0	0	0
TFX TOTALS	220	101	10	82	13	0	0	173	12

TOTAL CONTACTS: 5 DAY, 0 NIGHT, 0 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 3 KIA

5 KIA (PROB)

7 DET

USAC: 1 WIA**TF XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:**

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	SIZE	ACTION TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QUANG TIN						
BT 647010	290600	FT	A4B	A-1-7 1 WIA	UNK NONE	US
BT 654038	290800	SQD	C4B	A-1-7 NONE	UNK 4 DET	US
QUANG NGAI						
BS 563907	290930	SQD	C4B	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 KIA, 3 DET	US
BS 447819	291240	PLT	OP	1ST RECON NONE	UNK 5 KIA (P)	US
BS 699956	291450	SQD	C4B	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 2 KIA	US

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 245 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 300001H TO 300600H MAR 67
 1. OPN DESOTO CONTINUE WITH NO CONTACT.

2. PLANS: CO I MAINTAIN PSN NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS.
 CO K, ON ORDER COND CO SWEEP FM 794360 TO VIC (BS 787369) AND VIC
 (BS 780365). SUPP CO G 2/7 FM HIGH GROUND. ON ORDER CONTINUE SWEEP
 TO VIC (BS 785379) TO (BS 789381) TO (BS 786393) TO (BS 783393).
 ESTBL CO CMBT BASE VIC (BS 781399). CO L, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DANG.
 LOCAL PTLs & AMBS. ESTBL PTL BLKG PSN VIC (BS 783396) TO SUPP CO K.
 CO M, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CUA (BS 822403). CO G 2/7, 300900 COND CO SWEEP
 TO (BS 769359) ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 800369) TO
 (BS 790352) TO (BS 781351). ON ORDER, CONT SWEEP ALONG
 GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 774368) TO (BS 777372) TO (BS 772378)
 TO (BS 780393). ESTBL CO CMBT BASE VIC (BS 772393).

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 246 FOR OPN DESQ 0 FOR 300601 TO 301200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 785365), CO L 3/7 (BS 818388), CO G 2/7 (BS 790365). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS

3. CONTACTS: 300850, CO I 3/7 SQO CMET PTL (BS 870333) RECD ONE RD SA FM SNIPER VIC (BS 865334) SEARCH AREA FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: USMC: 45 KIA, 394 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA, FIVE WIA). USN: 5 KIA, 14 WIA.

6. PLANS: ALL UNITS TO CONT ASSIGNED MISSIONS.

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SPECIAL SITREP NR 247 FOR OPN DESOT 0 FOR 301201 TO 301800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 786370), CO L 3/7 (BS 814384) AND
 (BS 783396), CO G 2/7 (BS 773357). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 301100, CO L 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 798398)
 RECD 60 RDS SA FM UNOBS ENEMY 500M TO NW VIC (BS 793399). RETD
 TEN RDS 60MM HE, 120 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF
 ENEMY CAS.

(LATE ENTRY), 301100, CO G 2/7 SQD FOUND ONE 3.5 AKT RD RIGGED
 AS MINE UNDER BRIDGE VIC (BS 792395). DESTROY BY ENGR.

(LATE ENTRY) 301125, CO L 3/7 SQD CMBT PTL (BS 796397) RECD 25
 RDS SA FM EST FOUR ENEMY 200M TO NW (BS 794396). RETD 100 RDS

SA. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVID OF
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ENEMY CAS. ONE USMC WIA (EVAC).

301330, CO I 3/7 SQD GWBF PTL (BS 786395) RECD APPROX TEN RDS SA FM 200M TO W VIC (BS 784395). RETD 100 RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

301400, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 786364) DETONATED 2-10 GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE WITH TRIPWIRE DEVICE. THREE USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).

301605, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 772392) OBS FOUR ENEMY WITH WPNS APPROX CACHED OF VIC (BS 771357). FIRED TEN RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE VC KIA, ONE BAYONET, ONE M-26 GREN, CARTHELT, BOOBY TRAP EQUIP, ONE HAMMOCK, SCARF AND DOCUMENTS, FWD BN S-2.

301615, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 771399) RECD 20 RDS SA FM 300M TO W VIC (BS 774362). RETD 75 RDS SA, ONE RD 3.5 HE, ONE LAAW, TWO RDS M-79. PLAT SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. TWO USMC WIA (ONE EVAC).

291820, CO M 3/7 S&D (BS 786364) DETONATED CHI COM GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE WITH TRIP WIRE DEVICE. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 340 KIA, 632 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 153 DETAINEES. USMC: 45 KIA, 401 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA, FIVE WIA). USN: FIVE KIA, 14 WIA.

6. PLANS: TO ESTER. NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTL'S, AMB, LP'S.
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O P 301945Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMV/G/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 248 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 301801H TO 302400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 AND CO G 2/7 (BS 780365). OTHER UNITS
 REMAIN THE SAME.

2. SUMMARY: ALL UNITS IN NIGHT DEF PSNS CONDUCTING LOCAL
 PFLS AND AMBUSHES.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 301000, CO L 3/7 FLAT S&L SWEEPING TO W
 RECD TEN RDS SPORADIC SA FM VIC (BS 797397). RETD 40 RDS SA
 AND PURSUED. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVID OF ENEMY CAS. ONE US4C KIA.

(LATE ENTRY) 301400, CO L 3/7 FLAT S&L (BS 788395) RECD 100
 RDS SA FM EST 15 ENEMY IN GREEN UTILITIES WITH HELMETS 200. TO
 W VIC (BS 786395). RETD 200 RDS SA AND PURSUED. ENEMY WITHDREW,
 WHISLE BLAST WAS USED TO SIGNAL WITHDREW. 301500, OBS 15 ENEMY
 TO W VIC (BS 783397), 15 ADDITIONAL ENEMY TO SW VIC (BS 784394),

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WELL ARMED WITH AUTO WPNS POSS - ONE COM ASSAULT RIFLES. ENEMY USED WITHDRAWAL TACTICS RETREATING IN ONE VILL TO ANOTHER. RETD SA, COMM CALLED ARTY MSN AND AIR STRIKES. FLAT OBS FOUR KIA (PROB), AIR OBS FIVE VC KIA (PROB), PURSUED BUT UNABLE TO REESTABL CONTACT. A SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED NO EVID OF ENEMY. TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). COM CAS: TWO USMC WIA, NINE VC KIA (PROB). 301730 CO G 2/7 (BS 767364) WHILE MOVING TO ESTAB NIGHT DEF POS RECD MOD TO H/V COLUMN SA AND SEVERAL GRENADES FM AN EST 30 VC (BS 766364) IN BLK PJ'S AND GREY UNIFORMS. THE VC WERE FIRING FROM CONCEALED PSNS AND WERE ENGAGED AT CLOSE RANGE BY USMC WITH H/V SA FIRE AND M-79. VC PSN WAS ASSAULTED AND SEARCH FOUND BLOOD TRAILS INDICATING

5 VC KIA (PROB) AND FOUR VC KIA (CONF). ALSO FOUND: ONE M-1 RIFLE, 531126, ONE US CARBINE NR 550248, ONE US BAR NR UNK CART BELT, FIVE MAG CARRIERS, SIX CARBINE CARRIED, USMC BAYONET, CARBINE KNIFE, BOX OF MEDICAL, THREE RDS 7.62 ORNL CART, ONE HAMMOCK, AND ASSORTED CLOTHING INCLUDING GRAY UNIFORMS. ONE USN KIA, TEN USMC WIA (EVAC). (LATE ENTRY) 301800, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 771361) WHILE BEING SUPPORTED BY FRIENDLY AIR STRIKE RECD 50 RDS SA FIRE FM EST TWO ENEMY (BS 773366). RETD 50 SA AND CALLED ARTY MSN WITH GOOD COVERAGE ON TARGET. OBS ONE VC FALL. SEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED DUE TO SECURITY

REQUIREMENTS FOR MED EVAC. ONE USMC KIA, TWO USMC WIA (EVAC). ONE VC KIA (PROB).

301905, CO G 2/7 RECEIVED CASUALTIES FRIENDLY AIR STRIKE. THE FOLLOWING REPORT SUBMITTED BY TAG AIRBORNE AND BASICALLY VERIFIED BY 1LF 6. CONDO AIR CRAFT SERIAL NR 103K UNDER CONTROL OF KLONDIKE 5-1 CONDUCTED AIR STRIKE AT (BS 773356) STRIKE CLEARED THROUGH LANDSHARK YAMKEE. KLONDIKE 5-1 LACKING WP ROCKETS MARKED TARGET WITH HE. TARGET CONFIRMED BY UNIT REQUESTING STRIKE (CO G 2/7). AFTER TARGET WAS MARKED BY HE THE 1ST AIR CRAFT MADE A RUN WITH GOOD COVERAGE. THE 2ND AIR CRAFT, UNABLE TO IDENTIFY TARGET WAS DIRECTED BY KLONDIKE 5-2 NOT TO FIRE. KLONDIKE 5-1 AGAIN MARKED TARGET WITH HE. 1ST AIRCRAFT AGAIN STRUCK TARGET ON HIS RUN PILOT OF 2ND WHO WAS STILL UNABLE TO IDENTIFY TARGET WAS DIRECTED BY KLONDIKE 5-1 "PULL UP DRY". AT THE TIME THE PILOT OF THE 2ND AIRCRAFT SAYING THAT HE HAD THE TARGET MADE HIS ATTACK RUN FIRING A ROCKET RIPPLE. THE RIPPLE STRUCK IN CO G 2/7 POSITION WELL SHORT OF THE TARGET. USMC: 4 KIA, 19 WIA, 1 DOW.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. COM CAS: USMC 53 KIA, 432 WIA, SIX DOW. USN SIX KIA, 14 WIA. VC: 344 KIA, 647 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 156 DETAINEES.

6. PLANS NO CHANGE

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TO CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 172 FOR 300000H TO 302400H MAR 67

1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX RM SITREPS
2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&J

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (CS 8439)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NGF: USS FECHTELER DD 870

G. DIG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DIG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 340 KIA, 632 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB),
156 DETAINEES. USMC: 45 KIA, 401 WIA, FIVE DOW, SIX NBC (ONE KIA

FIVE WIA). USN: FIVE KIA, 14 WIA.

J. WEATHER CONDITIONS HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANCE

3. COUNTY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: (LATE ENTRY) 291205, CO D SQD SEC PTL (BT 358167)
RECD 350 RDS SA FM EST FOUR ENEMY 3001 TO SW VIC (BT 352165). RETD
750 RDS SA, SIX RDS M-79, ONE LAAW. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. DURING SEARCH
APPREH FOUR VN IN SAME AREA. ONE VC KIA (PROB) FOUR DETAINEES AND
BT S-2.

300641, CO C SQD CMR PTL (BT 362158) RECD SIX RDS SA FM 3001 TO
NW VIC (BT 361161). RETD ONE M-79 RD. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVID OF
ENEMY CAS.

300950, CAC I-5 SQD CMR PTL (BT 358161) FOUND ONE M-14 AP MINE
RIGGED WITH CHICOM GREN. DESIG BY ENR.

(2) 3/5: (LATE ENTRY) 291030, CO M FT SEC PTL (BT 422093)
APPREH ONE VN MALE, AGE 19, FALSE ID. ONE DETAINEE FWD BN S-2.

(LATE ENTRY) 291505, CO J FT SEC PTL (BT 414090) APPREH TWO
VCS MALES. TWO DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

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CLATE ENTRY) 291825, CAC K-4 SQD SEC PTL (T 446077) RECD THREE RDS SA FM HAMLET IN SAME AREA. NO FIRE RETN DUE TO HAMLET LINE OF FIRE. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY. ONE PF WIA (EVAC). 300915, COM SQD SEC PTL (T 417482) FOUND ONE 3.5 RKT DUD. DESTR BY EOD.

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: 300800, CO A SQD C4BT PTL (T 657012) OBS SIX ENEMY, KHAKI'S, WITH WPNS 1500 TO NE VIC (T 659027). CALLED ARTY MSN. SEARCH REVEALED ONE VC CRITICALLY WOUNDED. VC DOW BEFORE MED EVAC COMPLETED. INTERR OF VILLAGERS REVEALED VC KIA WAS ONE OF SIX VC WHO LEFT AREA AS PTL APPROACHED.

300835, CO A SQD C4BT PTL (T 607010) FOUND ONE NOTEBOOK, SEVERAL LETTERS HIDDEN IN HAYSTACK, FWD BN S-2.

301010, CO B SQD C4BT PTL (BS 702948) APPREH TWO FEMALE VNS, NO ID, AGES 20. TWO DETAINEES FWD ITT.

301300, CO A SQD C4BT PTL (T 653015) RECD TEN RDS SA FM UNOBS ENEMY 400 TO NE VIC (T 654018). RECD TEN RDS SA. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

301340, CO D SQD C4BT PTL (BS 636970) FOUND ONE M-26 GREN RIGGED AS AP MINE IN HEDGE ROW. DESTR BY ENGR.

301400, CO D SQD C4BT PTL (BS 673973) FOUND ONE HOMEMADE AP MINE EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRICAL DETONATOR, PLACED NEAR TRAIL. DESTR BY ENGR.

(2) 2/7: NO CONTACTS

C. 3/7: CONTS OPN DESOTO

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACT

E. 1ST FAGS

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT

D. SIGHTINGS: 291900, CALLED FIRE MSN ON 15 ENEMY OBS VIC (BS 529755). OBS ONE VC KIA, THREE VC WIA (PROB).

301010, CALLED FIRE MSN ON ONE ENEMY OBS VIC (T 498782). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

301110, CALLED FIRED MSN ON TWO ENEMY WITH WPNS OBS VIC (BS 522762).

OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

E. MSNS FIRED: THREE OBS

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A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UNOBS

C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE

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D. SIGHTINGS: 291100, CALLED FIRE MSN ON EST ENEMY SQD OBS
VIC (BS 465885). OBS NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS.

E. MSN FIRED: ONE OBS

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
100 H	19	2	60	81	75	8	
107 HT	6		42	48	48		
150 H	33	42	30	105	28	73	4
150 G	5	2	4	11	10		1
8" H	2	4	3	9	2	4	3
170 G	3	5		8	8		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
100 H	467	37	38		542
107 HT	217	16	24		257
150 H	500	38	22		560
150 G	61				61
8" H	20				20
170 G	65				65

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: (DESOTD)

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING:		
	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
100 H	6	1	7	14	14		
107 HT	5	1	10	16	16		
150 H	4		5	9	9		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
100 H	197		31		228
107 HT	90		24		114
150 H		61			61

NGF MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

OBS: 1
UNOBS: 1
H&I: 6

AMMO EXPENDED:

	HE	WP	ILLUM
3"/50			
5"/38	51	52	
5"/54			

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EFFECT OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON OPNS.

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2/7 1 1

1/5 2 1

KIT CARSON RSLT: KIT CARSON EMPLOYED WITH D CO PTL'S.

1/7: 1 TM EMPLOYED WITH H&S CO ON PATROLS. 1 TM EMPLOYED IN BN CP
INTERROGATING DETAINEES. 1 TM RECEIVING INDOCTRINATION.

2/7: KIT CARSON CONT WITH ENGLISH LESSONS AND MARKSMANSHIP.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

PATROLS AMBUSHES 3&L OPNS LIST SCOUT BN

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UNIT	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST	SNIPER	SQD
1/5	56	20	0	7	4	0	2	15	2	
3/5	61	27	0	23	2	0	0	55	2	
1/7	55	39	0	31	3	0	0	91	8	
2/7	46	27	0	13	1	0	0	75	0	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST FAG	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1ST RCN										

BN	FT	SQD	PLT	FT	SQD	PLT	CO	POST	SNIPER	SQD
BN	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	5	4	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	
TF XRAY										
TOTALS	228	117	12	87	10	0	2	236	12	
TOTAL CONTACTS: 8 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 5 VC INITIATED.										
TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 1 KIA 3 DET 1 KIA (P)										
USMC: NONE										

PROVINCE/	DIG ACTION	FRD UNIT/	ENEMY UNIT/	INIT
COORDINATES	SIZE	TYPE	LOSSES	BY
QUANG TIN				
BT 422093	291030	FT	SEC	N-3-5
			UNK	US

BT	COORDINATES	FT	SEC	TYPE	LOSSES	INIT
B	352165	291205	SQD	SEC	D-1-5	VC
				NONE		
B	414096	291505	FT	SEC	N-3-5	US
				NONE		
B	446077	291805	SQD	SEC	CAC K-4	VC
				NONE		
B	361161	300641	SQD	C4 BT	C-1-5	VC
				NONE		
B	657012	300800	SQD	C4 BT	A-1-7	US
				NONE		
						1 KIA

QUANG NGAI	BT	COORDINATES	FT	SEC	TYPE	LOSSES	INIT
BT	702948	301010	SQD	C4 BT	B-1-7	US	
				NONE			
						2 DET	

(LATE ENTRY)

QUANG TIN	BT	COORDINATES	FT	SEC	TYPE	LOSSES	INIT
BT	654018	301300	SQD	C4 BT	A-1-7	VC	
				NONE			
						UNK	
						NONE	

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TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN
INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR249 FOR JPN DESOTO FOR 310001H TO 310600H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY: ALL UNITS COND LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS FROM NIGHT DEF PSNS.
3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 302105, CO L 3/7 SQD AMB PTL (BS 802184) HEARD MOVEMENT AND OBS THREE ENEMY VIC (BS 802386). FIRED 60 RDS SA. RECD 20 RDS SA, THREE GRENS. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE VC KIA. ONE USMC WIA (NON EVAC).
4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. CUM CAS: RECOMPUTATION OF SPOT REP SINCE 260001H MAR 67 INDICATES THE FOLLOWING TOTALS TO BE CORRECT. USMC: 53 KIA, 433 WIA, SIX DOW, USN: SIX KIA, 14 WIA. VC: 346 KIA, 654 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB) 156 DETAINEES.

6. PLANS: CO I MAINTAIN PSNS NUI DAU. LOCAL PTLs AND AMBS. CO K, ON ORDER CO (-) S&D OPN ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENT (BS 781366) TO (BS 778385) TO (BS 780393) TO (BS 784395) TO (BS 783399). PRIOR TO SWEEP THROUGH VILLAGE COMPLEX SUPPT FORCE ESTBL PSNS VIC (BS 775388) (BS 768385). CONTINUE CO S&D ALONG GENERAL AXIS (BS 768385) TO (BS 774399) TO (BS 774399) TO (BS 768402) ESTBL NIGHT PSNS. CO L, MAINTAIN PSN NUI DANG. ON ORDER, ONE PLAT WITH ONIOS FROM PRESENT PSN TO BLKG PSN VIC (BS 792393) TO SUPPT CO K & CO G. CO M, MAINTAIN PSNS NUI CAU AND VIC (BS 822403). LOCAL PTLs & AMBS. CO G 2/7, ON ORDER, ESTBL PSNS (BS 781366) AND (BS 787373) TO SUPPT CO K MOVEMENT. CONDUCT S&D OPN ALONG GENERAL AXIS OF MOVEMENTS (BS 785379) TO (BS 789381) TO (BS 787385). PREPARE TO CONT S&D OPN TO VIC (BS 783395) AND (BS 781399) IN FORCE OF CO K. ESTBL NIGHT PSNS.

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O P 310530Z MAR 67
 FM CG TASK FORCE XRAY
 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN *76D 310710*
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SPECIAL SITREP NR 250 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 310601H TO 311200H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CMD GRU (BS 824384), CO K 3/7 (BS 776386), CO M 3/7 (BS 822403) & (BS 849391), CO I 3/7 (BS 872322), CO L 3/7 (BS 814384), CO G 2/7 (BS 780365).
 2. SUMMARY: OPN DESOTO CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT
 3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 310020, CO M 3/7 SQD SNIPER TM (BS 82-3403) OBS ONE VC W/WPN EST 2000 METERS N.E. VIC (BS 827408). FIRED ONE RD SA. ONE VC KIA.

311015, CO M 3/7 SQD CMET PTL (BS 815400) OBS ONE VN MALE VIC (BS 812400) WHO RAN WHEN CHALLENGED BY KIT CARSON SCOUT. FIRED 30 RDS SA. SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE VN VIA IDENTIFIED BY KIT CARSON AS VCS. DETAINEE FWD TO BN S-2.
 (FOLLOW UP TO 301730), CO G 2/7 SERIAL NO. OF BAR 527879. ALSO

PAGE TWO RUMHLA 1640D C O N F I D E N T I A L
 FOUND ONE CARTRIDGE BELT, SIX MAGAZINES, 120 RDS 30 CAL. FWD ITEMS TO BN S-2.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
 5. CUM CAS: VC: 347 KIA, 654 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 157 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.
 6. PLANS: ALL UNITS CONT ASSIGNED ASN.

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OP 31133Z MAR 67
FM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY
TO ZEN/CG 1ST MARDIV REIN

INFO ZEN/SECOND ROK MAR BDE
RUMV/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 251 FOR OPN DESCTO FOR 311200H TO 311800H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: CO K 3/7 (BS 764394), CO L 3/7 (BS 793390 AND
(BS J314384), CO G 2/7 (BS 779385). OTHER PSNS REMAIN SAME.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: (LATE ENTRY) 311445, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS J780368)
LOCATED ONE J0. POUND DUD BOMBL ENGR DESTROY.

311515, CO G 2/7 S&D (BS 779355) REAR SECURITY RECD NINE RDS
SA FM VIC (BS J77352). RETD 60 RDS AS, THREE RDS J.5, THREE RDS
M-79. SEARCHED AREA FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CASE VQ 348 KIA, 656 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 157
DETAINEE. USMC NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTL S, A1 BSI, L B'S

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 TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
 INFO ZEN/CG SECOND ROK MAR BDE
 RUMNVF/CG FIRST AIR CAV DIV FWD BONG SON RVN
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SPECIAL SITREP NR 252 FOR OPN DESOTO FOR 311801H TO 312400H MAR 67

1. UNIT PSNS: NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY: OPN CONTS WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

3. CONTACTS: 311900, CO M 3/7 PER PSN (BS 849391) OBS SIX ENEMY WITH WPN BUILDING BUNKER VIC (BS 845406) CALLED ARTY MSN. FIRED 36 RDS 105 MM. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

311900, CO K 3/7 S&D (BS 768384) FOUND ONE AP MINE, PRESSURE TYPE DEVICE. DESTROY IN PLACE.

4. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. CUM CAS: VC: 348 KIA, 657 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB), 157 DETAINEES. USMC: NO CHANGE.

6. PLANS: TO ESTBL NIGHT DEF PSNS, PTLS, AMBS, LP'S.

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TO C G FIRST MARDIV REIN
INFO TASK FORCE XRAY
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS
TASK FORCE XRAY SITREP NR 173 FOR 310001H TO 312400H MAR 67
1. MAJOR UNIT OPNS: SEE SPECIAL SIX HR SITREPS.

2. MAJOR OPN SUMMARY:

A. NAME OF OPN: DESOTO

B. TYPE OF OPN: S&J

C. AREA OF OPN: QUANG NGAI PROVINCE (BS 8439)

D. UNIT PARTICIPATING: 3/7 (REIN)

E. CAS: 1ST MAW

F. NO: USS FECHTELER DD 870

G. DTG INITIATED: 262000H JAN 67

H. DTG TERMINATED: CONT

I. CUM CAS: VC: 348 KIA, 656 KIA (PROB), 116 WIA (PROB),
157 DETAINEES. USMC: 53 KIA, 433 WIA, SIX DOW. USN: SIX KIA,

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J. WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

K. ENEMY SITUATION: NO CHANGE

3. COUNTRY FAIR OPNS: NONE

4. SMALL UNIT OPNS:

A. FIFTH MARINES

(1) 1/5: 310733, COC SQD SEC PTL (CS 361169) APPREH TWO VN FEMALES, NO ID, AGES 25. TWO DETAINEES FWD IIT.

311435, COB S&D (CS 339131) OBS TWO ENEMY, WPNS, PACKS, 800M TO N VIC (BT 335125). SNIPER TM FIRED TWO RDS SA. OBS ONE ENEMY FALL. SEARCHED FINDING NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CAS. ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(2) 3/5: NO CONTACTS

B. SEVENTH MARINES

(1) 1/7: (LATE ENTRY) 301700, COB RAI S&D (CS 698955) APPREH ONE VN MALE, AGE 18, HIDING FM PTL. ONE DETAINEE FWD IIT.

(LATE ENTRY) 301715, COD SQD (PLUS) CMH PTL (CS 674994) APPREH THREE VNS, ONE HAD NO ID, TWO HAD IMPROPER ID. THREE DETAINEES FWD IIT.

(LATE ENTRY) 302100, CAC L-4 SQD CMH PTL (T 623013). DISTRICT CHIEF AND ASSISTANT REPT TO PTL OF SIX VC WHO HAD FIRED HOMEMADE CLAYMORE AT THEM. DISTRICT CHIEF WOUNDED IN HAND. PTL ATTEMPTING TO REEST B.

CONTACT OBS FOUR ENEMY, BLK PJ'S, WPNS VIC (T 625015). FIRED 40 RDS SA AND PURSUED. ENEMY FLED INTO VILL VIC (T 623013) WHERE ENEMY WAS OBS ENTERING HUT AND THEN LEAVING HUT WITH OUR WPNS. PURSUED INTO VILL

SEARCHED BUT FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY.

311000, COB SQD CMH PTL (CS 692965) APPREH THREE VNS, NO ID. THREE DETAINEES FWD BN S-2.

(2) 2/7: 311035, COH SQD CMH PTL (CS 505910) OBS TWO VNS RUNNING SVIC (CS 505910). CHALLENGED IN VN AND FIRED WARNING RDS. ONE VN HALTED, OTHER CONT. FIRED FIVE RDS SA, PURUED BUT LOST CONTACT IN HEAVY BRUSH. ONE DETAINEE FWD TO BN S-2.

311000, COH SQD CMH PTL (CS 555913) OBS ONE ENEMY WITH WPN AND SATCHEL CHARGE VIC (CS 557915). FIRED 200 RDS SA. SEARCH REVEALED TWO VC KIA, ONE VC WIA (PROB).

C. 3/7: CONTS OFN DEOSI O

D. 1ST RECON BN: NO CONTACT

E. CHULAI DEF CMD: NO CONTACT

F. 1ST FAG:

(1) NUI TRON OP

A. WEATHER: CLEAR

B. RIVER TRAFFIC: LIGHT

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C. ROAD TRAFFIC: LIGHT
 D. SIGHT IN GS: NONE
 E. MSNS FIRED: NONE
 (2) AN HOA OP
 A. WEATHER: CLEAR
 B. RIVER TRAFFIC: UN OBS
 C. ROAD TRAFFIC: MODERATE
 D. SIGHT IN GS: 301850, CALLED FIRE MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY
 HARBOR SITE VIC (CS 501883). EXCELLENT COVERAGE.
 E. MSNS FIRED: ONE OBS
 ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING		
	OBS	UN OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	10	4	50	64	58	6	
107HT	14		19	33	33		
155H	7	2	18	27	17	10	
155G	3			3	3		
8"H	3		2	5	5		
175G	12		3	15	12		3

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	383	30		4	427
107HT	78	16			94
155H	274	5		42	321
155G	65			45	110
8"H	59				59
175G	195				195

ARTY MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED: (DESCO)

	NUMBER OF MISSIONS				SUPPORTING		
	OBS	UN OBS	H&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN	OTHER
105H	7	1	7	15	15		
107HT	13		1	14	14		
155H	2			2	2		

ROUNDS EXPENDED:

	HE	ILLUM	WP	OTHER	TOTAL
105H	309			4	313
107HT	74	10			84
155H	72				72

NG MSNS FIRED/RDS EXPENDED:

TOTAL MSNS FIRED:

A140 EXPENDED:

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CONFIDENTIALOBS: 2
UN BBS:3"/50
5"/38 136

RE WP ILLUM

SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NR TEAMS	NR EMPLOYED	RESULTS
1/5	1	1	1 KIA (P)
3/5	1	1	NEG
1/7	2	2	NEG
2/7	3	3	NEG

K II CARSON

	NR INDIV	NR EMPLOYED
1/7	3	3
2/7	1	1
1/5	2	1

EFFECTS OF WEATHER: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECTS ON OPN.

K II CARSON RESULTS: 1/5 K II CARSON EMPLOYED WITH CO B FLS. 1/7: 1 TM WITH B.C. AND DCO'S RESPECTIVELY. 2/7: K II CARSON EMPLOYED WITH SECURITY FOR WOOD CUTTERS FROM BINH SON DIST.

RECAP OF BN OPNS:

PATROLS

AM BUSHES

S&D-OPNS

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CONFIDENTIAL FINAL SECTION OF TWO SECTIONS

UNIT	FT	SQD	PTL	FT	SQD	PTL	CO	POST	SNIPER	S&D
1/5	60	9	0	6	3	0	2	9	2	
3/5	62	27	0	28	2	0	0	55	2	
1/7	54	35	0	34	1	0	0	90	8	
2/7	65	27	0	70	6	0	0	0	3	
3/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1ST FAG	4									
1ST RCN BN	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLDC	5	1	0	13	2	0	0	0	0	
TPX TOTALS	250	99	16	151	14	0	2	154	15	1

TOTAL CONTACTS: 7 DAY, 1 NIGHT, 0 VC INITIATED.

TOTAL CASUALTIES: VC: 1 KIA (R O B) 10 DET
1 WIA (R O B)

USMC: NONE

TP XRAY SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DTG	ACTION SIZE	TYPE	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENEMY UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY
QYAN GT IN BT 623013	302100	SQD	C4B	CAC-L-4 NONE	UNK NONE	US
BT 361169	310730	SQD	SEC	C-1-5 NONE	UNK 2 DET	US
BT 339131	311435	CO	S&D	B-1-5 NONE	UNK 1 KIA (R O B)	US
JUAN GN GAI BS 698955	301700	PLAT	S&D	B-1-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BS 674994	301715	SQD	C4B	D-1-7 NONE	UNK 3 DET	US
BS 692965	311000	SQD	C4B	B-1-1 NONE	UNK 3 DET	US
BS 505912	311035	SQD	C4B	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 DET	US
BS 555913	311050	SQD	C4B	H-2-7 NONE	UNK 1 WIA (R O B)	US

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BT

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