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1.	CG,111,MAF	MSG 200333Z Mar 67,	OPERATION PRAIRIE 111 COMMENCED OPERATIONS 190001H Mar 67
2.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 210333Z Mar 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 79, period 200001H to 202400H Mar 67
3.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 220333Z Mar 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 80, period 210001H to 212400H Mar 67
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11.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 300333Z Mar 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 88, period 290001H to 292400H Mar 67
12.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 310333Z Mar 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 89, period 300001H to 302400H Mar 67
13.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 010333Z Apr 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 90, period 310001H to 312400H Mar 67
14.	CG,111,MAF	(MSG DTG NOT LISTED)	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 91, period 010001H to 012400H Apr 67
15.	CG,111,MAF	Msg 030333Z Apr 67,	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 92, period 020001H to 022400H Apr 67
16.	CG,111,MAF	(Msg DTG NOT LISTED)	111 MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 93, period 030001H to 032400H Apr 67

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17. CG,111,MAF	Msg 050255Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 94, period 040001H to 042400H Apr 67
18. CG,111,MAF	Msg 050333Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 95, period (Not Listed)
19. CG,111,MAF	MSG 070253Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 96, period 5 Apr 67
20. PAGE 5,	(DTG NOT LISTED)	OPERATION PRAIRIE III, period 6 Apr 67
21. CG,111,MAF	Msg 080333Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 97, period 070001H to 072400H Apr 67
22. CG,111,MAF	Msg 090333Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 98, period 080001H to 082400H Apr 67
23. CG,111,MAF	MSG 100333Z Apr 67,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 99, period 090001H to 092400H Apr 67
24. ZFF-1	Msg 120435Z Apr 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 743, period 10 Apr 67
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29. PAGE 6,	Msg 170148Z Apr 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 748, period 15 Apr 67
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31. PAGE 3,	DTG 190321Z Apr 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 750, period 17 Apr 67
32. PAGE 5,	(DTG NOT LISTED)	OPERATION PRAIRIE III, Period 18 Apr 67
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34. COMUSMACV	Msg 200440Z Apr 67,	OPERATION PRAIRIE III COMMENCED 190001H MAR 67 and TERMINATED 192400H APR 67

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PRAIRIE III
190001H-192400H

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III.

(A) TACTICAL COMMANDER: 03 3D MARDIV

(B) SM UNITS: HQ 3D MAR, 3/3, 2/26(-), 1/9(-),
3/9, 3/4 AND 12 MAR(-) (REIN).

(C) ZRVN UNITS: NONE

(D) OTHER UNITS: USA; 1/44(-) (REIN), 2/94(-) (REIN), 1/40.

(E) ENEMY SITUATION: NVA REGULARS AND VC MAIN FORCE UNITS
OPERATING IN AREA.

(F) AREA OF OPERATION: SAME AS PRAIRIE II

(G) DTG (INITIATED): 190001H MAR 67

(H) TYPE OF OPERATION: S&D

(I) PURPOSE: TO COUNTER NVA/VC INFILTRATION AND ACTIVITIES;
TO SUPPORT THE RD ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA AND OPEN AND SECURE LINES
OF COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN AO.

RJ 3D MARDIV (FUD) WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9(-), 2/26(-)
AND 3/9) COMMENCED S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV AT 190001H WITH MODERATE
CONTACT FOR PD.

(L)Z ENUY) AT 171445H 1/3/3 CHOPPED OPOON TO KHE SANH.

AT 191520H 1/3/3 CHOPPED OPOON TO 3D MAR.

AT 191640H 11TH ENBR ROAD CREW VIC (YD 913405) DET AP MINE:

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1 USMC VIA. (MED EVAC).

AT 191500H CO L/3/3 PTL VIC (YD 136604) APPREH 1 DET.

KHE 9 FM DOUS HA TO KHE SANH OPENED TO TRAFFIC ON 19 MAR.

AT 191225H AO OBSR 4 EN VIC (YD 110723). CALLED ARTY MSN: Q
EN KIA (PROB).

AT 191100H A 92MM RD EXPLODED PREMATURELY: 2 USA VIA (MED EVAC).

AT 191920H 1/9 CP VIC (YD 037635) RECD EST 83-93 RDS 82MM

FIRE FM VIC (YD 045647). CALLED ARTY MSN ON SUSPECTED

EN POS. 4 USMC KIA, 34 USMC VIA (19 MINOR, 1" MED EVAC).

AT 191830H AO OBSR 6 NVA ON TRAIL VIC (YD 105670). CALLED
ARTY MSN: 2 EN KIA (PROB).

AT 191820H AO OBSR 6 VC VIC (YD 095665). CALLED ARTY MSN: 2
VC KIA (CONF), 4 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 190930H CO K/3/3 OBSR 20 EN VIC (YD 083607). FIRED ARTY
MSN W/UNK RES

AT 191130H 11TH ENBR VEN RECD SPR FIRE FM VIC (YD 045569)

WHILE GOING W ON RT 9. CONF MSN.

AT 191145H CO M/3/3 OP OBSR 5 EN VIC (YD 964586).

CALLED ARTY MSN.

17 SEC EXPLOS OBSR.

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19 MAR 67

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AT 191950H CO G/2/26 VIC (YD 977587) OBSR MUZZLE FLASHES VIC (YD 8161). FIRED 90 AID 100MM WUNK RES.

AT 191320 K/3/3 OBSR 5-6 EN VIC (YD 070635). FIRED ARTY MSN W/WUNK RES.

AT 192300H CO I/3/4 VIC (YD 213741) RECD 30 RDS SA FIRE.

RTID 60MM MSN W/WUNK RES.

DURING PD 175 GUNS FIRED 2 ONLR AND 120 UNOBSR MSN AND EXPENDED 854 HE RDS.

(C) RESULTS:

US LOSSES

4 KIA

37 WIA

EN LOSSES

2 KIA (CONF)

7 KIA (PROB)

1 DET

4 WPNS

(L) CUM HEL SORTIES: 35

(M) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 7

(N) CUM ISF: NONE

(O) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNRC FRE

(2) RDS EXPD: 4061

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(2) OP CHINOOK II

(4) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 191910H A/S WAS CONDUCTED VIC (YD 566246): 1 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 191130H CO F/20 S&D CBT PTL OBSR UNK SIZED EN UNIT VIC (YD 558258). FIRED SA: 2 VC KIA (CONF), APPREH 1 DET (WIA).

AT 191310H CO G/2/9 VIC (YD 519348) DET EXPLOS DEVICE: 1 USMC KIA (KED EVAC).

AT 190230H CO F/2/9 VIC (YD 553263) OBSR 1 VC. SGT SPR FIRED SA W/100 RES.

AT 192600H CO F/2/9 PLAT PD 60MM RD RIGGED AS MINE VIC (YD "63334).

AT 191715H CO G/2/9 OP VIC (YD 55321) RECD Y RDS SA FIRE FM UNOBSR EN. NO FIRE RTID.

(B) CUM RES: USMC

10 KIA

11 WIA (ADJ)

ENEMY

85 KIA (CONF)

174 KIA (PROB)

110 DET

12 PW/VC

4 R2/WVA

1 CIV DEF

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OTIS JAV RUMTGU2210 0010200-SSSS--RUCINOA.
ZNY SSSSS
DE RUMTGU 1567 0000020
ZNY SSSSS
O P 210333Z MAR 67
FM CG III MAF
TO ZENCG FMFFAC
INFO RUCINOA/CMC
RUMPCOG FMFFAC (GND)
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG FOURTH MARDIV
RUMPCOG NINTH MAB
RUMTGU/CTG 79.5
RUMTGU/CTG 79.2
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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 79 FOR PERIOD 200001H TO
200400H MAR 67
(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFFAC "750-26"
A. PERIOD 0700-1100
1. IAN REP A THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED:
A. MAJOR UNIT OTIS.

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(U) OF PERIOD III

(U) 3D MARDIV (FRO) WITH * THE ENS (3/3, 3/4,
1/9(-), 2/23(-) AND 3/4) CONT SED OP IN QUANG TRI PROV
WITH MODERATE CONTACT FOR PD.

ADD TO DISPATCH OF 1/9 CP VIC (00037305): 2 USMC KIA
AND 3 LNO KIA. CHANGE TO ENVO TO 06, MINOR TO 11.

AT 200000H ENS STEY EN 1/5/3 VIC (00050000) APPROX 2 DEZ.

AT 200000H CO KAS/3 PD 5 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 15 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H A RUMTGU ENVO OF 1/5 TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

IN LA DUNN WAVE 3 USMC KIA (00000000), 1 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AZ 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

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AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

AT 200000H CO 1/5/3 PD 95 RKT 1 LENO TO 12, MINOR VIC (00000000).

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CON THEN REPORTED RECEIVING MORT. ARTY MEN CALLED. PTL
HEARD 2 SEC EXPLOS.

AT 232045H A CUY VIC (YD143592) RECD SA FIRE. NO FIRE
RND. NO CAS.

AT 231945H FROM ARTY GRP AT GIO LINH RECD EST "CO RDS OF
8MM, 12MM AND RKT FIRE. AZK CEASED AT 232355H. 4 FRD
VIA (MED EVAC). ONE 12MM GUN DAM BUT STILL IN ACTION, ONE
M-55 DAM BUT STILL IN ACTION. ARTY AND MORT FIRE RND ON
SUSPECTED EN POS.

BETWEEN 192315H-200310H CO 1/3/4 VIC (YD210739) RECD EST 60
RDS SFR FIRE FM HQ. RND 8MM, 9MM AND 42MM V/LNK RES.

AT 231245H 2 VEN MOVING N FM CUANGHRI ON HWY 1 VIC (YD 314
543) RECD 40-50 RDS AV FIRE. NO HTS, CONT MSH.

AT 231145H CO 1/3/4 PTL VIC (YD212768) RECD SA FIRE FM UNK
NR EN IN VIL. NO FIRE RND DUE TO IN CM IN AREA.

AT 231035H RECON FM 2D1 CALLED ARTY MEN VIC (YD958593), 2
LARGE SEC EXPLOS HEARD.

DEURING 175 GUNS FIRED 2 OBSR AND 16 UNOBSR MENS AND EX-
PENDED 361 HE RDS.

CO CUM RES: 6 KIA, 53 VIA.

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ENEMY: 2 KIA (CONF), 13 KIA (PROB), 3 DET, 4 WUNS.

(1) CUM REL SORTIES: 222

(2) CUM PAC AIR SORTIES: 19

(3) CUM REF: NONE

(4) CUM ARTY:

(5) MENS: 810

(6) AMO EXPD: 8,658.

(7) OP CHINOOK II

(8) 4TH MAR CONT SEC OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR FD.

AT 231340H CO H/2/3 PTL VIC (YD491356) OBSR 2 VC VIC (YD473
341) W/PROG. CALLED ARTY MEN V/LNK RES.

DET FD 1 DET CLASS B30V.

1 VC KIA (PROB) RELATED: PREVIOUSLY RECORDED AS 1 VC KIA

(CONF). AT 2305H CO FUKO FLAT OBSR 5 VC IN YRETHINE VIC

(YD557243). CALLED ARTY MEN. FLAT SLEPT AREA, RECD SFR FIRE.

AFTER ARTY MEN FIRED, SLEPT AREA LATER CALLED.

AT 230500H H/2-21 CO REL 51 VIC (YD557243) CALLED ARTY

(YD557243). FIRED 60MM W/LNK RES.

(9) CUM RES: MENS: 10 MAY, 85 VIA.

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OETS JAN RUWJTNAC209 0811757-SSSS--PUCIHOA.
DE RUWJNF 1656 0810746
ZNY SSSSS
O P 220333Z MAR 67
FM CG III MAF
TO ZEN/CG FMFPAC
INFO PUCIHOA/VMC
RUABOL/CG FMFPAC (FVD)
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG FORLOGCOMD
RUABOL/CG NINTH MAB
RUWJNAC/CTG 79.5
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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 80 FOR PERIOD 210001 H TO
212400H MAR 67
(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26
A. FMFPAC 5750.10
1. IAW REF A THE FOLLOWING RPT IS SUBMITTED:
A. MAJOR UNIT OPS.

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(U) OP PRAIRIE III
(U) 3D MARDIV WITH 6 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4,
1/2(-), 2/26(-), 1/4, AND 3/9) CONT S&D OPHIN QUANG TRI PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.
AT 211012H AN AMMO RESUPPLY CONVOY XM 12TH MAR DEPARTED DONG
HA FOR ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH. AT 210202H S OF GIO LINH, THE
CONVOY ENCOUNTERED SA AND MORTAR FIRE. 8 VEN DEST BY EN FIRE,
6 VEN DAM, 3 USMC KIA, 1 USA KIA (ALL MED EVAC), 1 USMC KIA.
ADD TO GIO LINH 201945H MORTAR ATTACK 50 KIA (6 MED EVAC).
AT 211050H RECON TM 202 VIC (XD903444) OBSR AND CALLED HARTY
MSN ON 12-15 EN WAFMS VIC (XD890447): 2 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 211445H RECON TM 202 VIC (XD883421) OBSR 2 NVA VIC 00
001446). ARTY MSN CALLED: 2 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 211630H AO OBSR 3 NVA VIC (XD186758). CALLED ARTY MSN:
2 NVA KIA (CONF).
AT 211630H 1/4 CHOPPED OPGON TO 3D MARDIV AND JOINED OP PRAIRIE III.
AT 211630H CO P/1/4 VIC (XD153719) RECD 25 PDS FROM MORT FM
00151119: 2 USMC KIA (MED EVAC). PTED GRUN AND 500 EDS
FIRE: 2 EN KIA (CONF), 6 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 211740H CO P/1/4 VIC (XD153719) AMP NVA AMP VIC (XD151

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3 FEB 68 (ADJ)

(C) QUM H/L SORTIES: 526
(D) QUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 27
(E) QUM HSF: NONE
(1) HENS:
(2) AMMO EXPD:
(F) QUM ARTY:
(1) HENS: 1,141
(2) AMMO EXPD: 10,982
(3) Q2 CHINOOK II

62 4TH MAR CONT SLD OP IN TRUA TRIEN PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT
FOR PD.

~~AT 211230Z DECOY PHL VIC (GD464000) OTHER 4 VC BWS S. CALLED
ARMY MSG: 1 VC KIA (FROB).~~

AT 21145-11 MAP DET EXPLOS DEVICE IN JEWELRY VIC. (YD 576253):
1. HERSH VIO. (CND EVAC)- AT 21145-11 (CND EVAC) (CND EVAC) (CND EVAC)

DEFLECTED MOVEMENT AT CYD 500000. CYD 500000
AREA CHECKED W/REG RES.

AT 211215Z CO F/2/9 VIC (YD 578264) RPTD PER TO 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260. 261. 262. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268. 269. 270. 271. 272. 273. 274. 275. 276. 277. 278. 279. 280. 281. 282. 283. 284. 285. 286. 287. 288. 289. 290. 291. 292. 293. 294. 295. 296. 297. 298. 299. 300. 301. 302. 303. 304. 305. 306. 307. 308. 309. 310. 311. 312. 313. 314. 315. 316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 321. 322. 323. 324. 325. 326. 327. 328. 329. 330. 331. 332. 333. 334. 335. 336. 337. 338. 339. 340. 341. 342. 343. 344. 345. 346. 347. 348. 349. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. 358. 359. 360. 361. 362. 363. 364. 365. 366. 367. 368. 369. 370. 371. 372. 373. 374. 375. 376. 377. 378. 379. 380. 381. 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 390. 391. 392. 393. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 399. 400. 401. 402. 403. 404. 405. 406. 407. 408. 409. 410. 411. 412. 413. 414. 415. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423. 424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 429. 430. 431. 432. 433. 434. 435. 436. 437. 438. 439. 440. 441. 442. 443. 444. 445. 446. 447. 448. 449. 450. 451. 452. 453. 454. 455. 456. 457. 458. 459. 460. 461. 462. 463. 464. 465. 466. 467. 468. 469. 470. 471. 472. 473. 474. 475. 476. 477. 478. 479. 480. 481. 482. 483. 484. 485. 486. 487. 488. 489. 490. 491. 492. 493. 494. 495. 496. 497. 498. 499. 500. 501. 502. 503. 504. 505. 506. 507. 508. 509. 510. 511. 512. 513. 514. 515. 516. 517. 518. 519. 520. 521. 522. 523. 524. 525. 526. 527. 528. 529. 530. 531. 532. 533. 534. 535. 536. 537. 538. 539. 540. 541. 542. 543. 544. 545. 546. 547. 548. 549. 550. 551. 552. 553. 554. 555. 556. 557. 558. 559. 560. 561. 562. 563. 564. 565. 566. 567. 568. 569. 570. 571. 572. 573. 574. 575. 576. 577. 578. 579. 580. 581. 582. 583. 584. 585. 586. 587. 588. 589. 590. 591. 592. 593. 594. 595. 596. 597. 598. 599. 600. 601. 602. 603. 604. 605. 606. 607. 608. 609. 610. 611. 612. 613. 614. 615. 616. 617. 618. 619. 620. 621. 622. 623. 624. 625. 626. 627. 628. 629. 630. 631. 632. 633. 634. 635. 636. 637. 638. 639. 640. 641. 642. 643. 644. 645. 646. 647. 648. 649. 650. 651. 652. 653. 654. 655. 656. 657. 658. 659. 660. 661. 662. 663. 664. 665. 666. 667. 668. 669. 670. 671. 672. 673. 674. 675. 676. 677. 678. 679. 680. 681. 682. 683. 684. 685. 686. 687. 688. 689. 690. 691. 692. 693. 694. 695. 696. 697. 698. 699. 700. 701. 702. 703. 704. 705. 706. 707. 708. 709. 710. 711. 712. 713. 714. 715. 716. 717. 718. 719. 720. 721. 722. 723. 724. 725. 726. 727. 728. 729. 730. 731. 732. 733. 734. 735. 736. 737. 738. 739. 740. 741. 742. 743. 744. 745. 746. 747. 748. 749. 750. 751. 752. 753. 754. 755. 756. 757. 758. 759. 760. 761. 762. 763. 764. 765. 766. 767. 768. 769. 770. 771. 772. 773. 774. 775. 776. 777. 778. 779. 780. 781. 782. 783. 784. 785. 786. 787. 788. 789. 790. 791. 792. 793. 794. 795. 796. 797. 798. 799. 800. 801. 802. 803. 804. 805. 806. 807. 808. 809. 810. 811. 812. 813. 814. 815. 816. 817. 818. 819. 820. 821. 822. 823. 824. 825. 826. 827. 828. 829. 830. 831. 832. 833. 834.

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220001H - 222400H

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OFTS JAW RUWJTMJ0302 0821303-SSSS--RUCIHOA.
LE RUHMF 1724 0820302
ZNY SSSSS
O P 230333Z MAR 67
FM CG III MAF
TO RUHLEP/CG FMFPAC
INFO RUCIHOA/CMC
RUABCL/CG FMFPAC (FWD)
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG FORLOGCMD
RUABCL/CG NINTH MAB
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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 81 FOR PERIOD 220001H TO
222400H MAR 67

(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26

A. FMFPAC 5750.10

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III

(AD 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF ENS (363, 364, 1/9(-),
2/26(-) AND 3/9) CONT. S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 220913H RECON TM 202 EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH 20-30 NVA.
PTL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES. 1 USMC WIA
(MINOR).

DROP 2 EN KIA (PROB) FM B/1/4 211825H CONTACT VIC (YD153719).

AT 221125H RECON TM 302 VIC (YD042655) OBSR 15 NVA VIC (YD
052653) MVG S. CALLED ARTY MSN: 15 NVA KIA (PROB).

AT 221423H CO M/364H/VIC (YD428613) APPREN 1 DET.

AT 221400H CO L/3/3 SQD PTL FD 31 & 2/3 :9,5-8,8,& ,:- (8)35
76 & 7, 95 -,S 14-8,3,5. 3 NVA KIA (CONF).

AT 221530H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD431612) APPREN 1 DET (FEMALE).
DIR FD 3 DET. CLASS INCIV.

AT 221345H AO CALLED 2 A/S ON AW POS, VIC (YD064665): 2 SEC
EXPLOS, 3 EN KIA (PROB).

OP BEACON HILL CAS DROPPED FM OP PRAIRIE.

AT 221432H A 15TH CIT VEH RECD 15 RDS SA FIRE VIC (YD313557)
WHILE MOVING FM QUANG TRI TO DONG HA. NO FIRE RTND DUE TO

BY GUN OF AND IN AGENT.

31 GRAVES CONTAINING
NVA KILLED BY
USMC 14

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INCIV IN AREA.

AT 221730H RECON TM 302 VIC (YD064663) OBSR LARGE SEC EXPLOS
FM A/S VIC (YD062665).

DUR PD 175 GUNS FIRED 13 OBSR MSNS AND EXPENDED 392 RDS HE.

(B) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
7 KIA	4 KIA(CONF)
105 WIA	35 KIA(PROB)
	5 DET
	3 INCIV
	5 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 692

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 33

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 1,608

(2) AMO EYPD: 14,371

(2) OP CHINOOK I

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FORFD.

AT 220355H CO H/2/9 FLAT PTL RECD 15 RDS SA FIRE FM VIC (YD

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473355). RTND SA FIRE AND M-79. PAT COMMENCED SWEEP OF AREA
AND RECD 60-70 RDS SA FIRE. RTND SA FIRE, 30 RDS M-79, 6 RDS
3.5 AND 1 LAAW. VC BROKE CONTACT AND HEADED S. 1 USMC WIA
(MED EVAC), 3 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 221230H RECON TM 1-2 OBSR 11 VC VIC (YD583243) W/PACKS
AND RIFLES. FIRED ARTY MSN: 10 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 221420H CO H/2/9 FLAT PTL VIC (YD477361) MAR STEPPED ON
PLNJI STAKE: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 220355H CO H/2/9 FLAT PTL APPREH 1 DET. DET WAS RELEASED
AS INCIV.

AT 221440H RECON TM 1-2 VIC (YD594244) OBSR 16 VC VIC (YD
477248) W/PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED ARTOAF LENJPWX(43.

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NX BLFCGIM 1-2 VIC (YD594244) OBSR 20 VC MOVING TWD
THEIRHPOS. A/S AND ARTY MSN CALLED W/UNK RES. PTL EXTRACTED
AT 221730H.

(B) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
10 KIA	& 5 KIA(CONF)
88 WIA	/-(,,: :26;-7"!-'';/FN

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 PNF BNS (3/3&, 3&/4, 1/9(-)
2/26(-) AND /9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH MODERATE
CONTACT FOR PD.
BETWEEN 230015H-230202H ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH RECD 75-80 RDS
RW1Q/82MM MORT FIRE FM VIC (YD 229765)(YD 233862) AND (YD 235
755). COUNTER MORT FIRE RTMD W/TWO 105 BTRYs AND 1 WHISKEY
BTRY CAS: 13 USMC WIA (1MED EVAC).
AT 231155H RECON TM C2 VIC (YD 048657) EXCHANGED SA FIRE
W/15 NVA MOVING NW. 2 USMC WIA (ME EVAC). 2 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 231215H CAP-P-2 VIC (YD 276566) OBSR 1 SQD VC VIC
(YD 276551). CALLED ARTY MSN: 2 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 231415H CO L/3/3 EXCHANGE SA FIRE WITH E T EN SQD VIC
(YD 104665). L/3&/1 CALLED ARTY AND MORTAR MSN. 2 USMC WIA
(MED EVAC), 10 EN KIA (PROB).
AT 231430H 3/3 CMD GRP VIC (YD 105635) FD 1 DEAD NVA KILLED
BY ARTY: 1 NVA KIA (CONFL).
AT 231200H CO 1/3/4 JPPREH 2 DET VIC (YD 221729).
AT 231150H CO K/3/3 VIC (YD 121633) FD ONE NVA KILLED BY
BOMB AND 1 CHICOM CARBINE. 1 EN KIA (CONF).

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 AT 231500H CO K/3/4 (-) VIC (YD 295543) RECD SA AND AW FIRE
 FM UNK NR OF VC. RTND FIRE AND SWEEP AREA. RE : 1 KIA USMC,
 6 USMC WIA, 2 EN KIA (CONF), 3 EN KIA (PROB), 5 DET.
 AT 231715H CO L/3/3; ;8: (YD 080665) AFTER PREP FIRES COMPLETED
 SWEEP AREA AND MADE CONTACT WITH 2 NVA W/ WPNS. FIRE SA:
 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA KIA (PROB).
 AT 232030H CO L/3/4 SQD AMB VIC (YD 214568) HEARD MVMT AND
 FIRE FLARE. SQD SAW APPROX SQD SIZE UNIT AND 10-15 WATER
 BUFFALO WITH PACKS AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE MORTARS. PTL
 FIRE 200 RDS SA/AW FIRE THEN PULLED OUT OF AMBUSH SITE.
 AMB POS RECD 5-6 RDS 60MM MORTAR AFTER PTL HAD PULLED OUT.
 PTL CALLED ARTY. RES: 2 USMC WIA, 6 ENH KIA (PROB).
 USMC WIA'S ADJUSTED WITH OP BEACON HILL.
 (LATE ENTRY) AT 222320H CO E/2/26 SQD AMB VIC (XD 974546)
 HEARD SOUNDS OF DIGGING VIC (XD 975550). FIRED 4 RDS 81MM
 JLDUM. DIGGING CEASED. ILLUM CEASED. DIGGING COMMENCED.
 FIRED 17 RE 81MM W/NEG RES. EST EN MOVED INTO AMB. SQD
 F63RDS SA, 3; 4\$ M-79, 11 M-26 BAEN. DIGGING COMMENCED
 AGAIN SHORTLY. FIRE 71 RDS 81MM. WILL SEARCH AT FIRST
 LIGHT.

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 AT 230830H CO L/3/3 OBSR 2 EN. FIRED SA AND CALLED ARTY
 W/UNK RES.
 AT 230935H RECON TM 302 VIC (YD 048657) OBSR 15 VC W/ PACKS
 AND RIFLES. FIRED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.
 AT 231050H CO K/3/4 RECD RDSHSA FIRE FM UNK NR EN VIC (YD
 298554). RTND FIRE, SWEEP AREA W/MEG RE.
 AT 231000 RECON TM C2 VIC (YD 048651) OBSR EN MVMT FM W TO E
 VIC (YD 049658). CALLED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.
 AT 231505H A SURVZY PARTY FM HQ 1/40 VPC (YD 195591) RECD AW
 FIRE FM VIC (YD 109591). PARTY RTND TO CP.
 ON 23 MAR 67 AO OBSR 2 MEN IN BUNKER AT (YD 073645). UH-1E
 (USMC) REL COVERED AREA WITH RKTs. RE UNK.
 AT 231045H AO OBSR 2 NVA HIDING IN A FAIRLY OPEN AREA VIC
 (YD 209652). L/3/3 RECD FIRE FM THIS AREA. -2 : -DLED
 A/3 W/UNK RES.
 AT 231100H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD 436605) WHILE SWEEPING VILLAGE
 FD FOLLOWING ITEMS IN HUT: 2 VILEY OF VITAMIN C. 1 BOTTLE
 VITAMIN B COMPLEX. 1 BOTTLE OF DECA VITAMINS. 1 BOTTLE
 PROTIN-PENICILLIN. AND 1 BOTTLE CAMPHOR. DUR PD 170 CHMS
 FIRED 5 OBSR AND 74 UNOBSR MSNS EMPENDING 647 RDS

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(D) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
8 KIA	9 KIA (CONF)
	59 KIA (PROB)
120 WIA (ADJ)	12 DET
	3 INCIV
	6 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 799

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIE: 40

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 2,007

(2) AMMO EXPD: 19,142

(2) OPHCHINOOK II

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AR 230200H CO F/2/9 PLAT AMB FIRED SA AT UNK NR VC W/UNK RES.

DURING AMB PLAT RECD SA FIREGC 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 231922H HEL RECD AM FIRE FM VIC (Y 527327) 300M NW OF 4TH

MAR PER. PER RECD 4 RDS SA FIRE AT SAME TIMEGC 2 USMC WIA

(MINOR). 81MM MSN FIRE W/UNK RE.

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CO H-2/9 SOD AMB PTL ENROUTE TO WMB SITE RECD 4 RDS SA FIRE
FM VIC (YD 473355). PTL OBSR 4 VC AND FIRE SAGC 1 VC KIA (PROB).AT 231645H CO F/2/9 OBSR 5 ARMED VC VIC (YD 528265) DIGGING
POS. FIRED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.AT 231110H TPS 21 VIC (YD 550289) DETECTED MVMT VIC (YD 553
277). 60MM MSN AND 500 RDS .50 CAL FIRE W/UNK RES.

(B) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
10 KIA	85 KIA (CONF)
91 WIA	188 KIA (PROB)
	111 DET
	12 PW/VC
H	4 PW/NVA
	1 CIV DEF
	86 INCIV
	28 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 14

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 92

(E) CUM NGF:

(1) MSNS: 6

(2) AMMO EXPD: 67

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 (1) OP WARDEN III.
 (2) SD HARBOR WITH 5 INF BNS (3 78, 844,
 880), 2/261-1 AND 3/221 CONT HED OF IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH
 SIGNIFICANT CONTACT FOR PD.
 (3) DATE ENTRY AT 230000H-00 1700H 500 AND VIC (YD 2214)
 WENT AT 2 EN IN KILLING ZONE. SEARCH TEAM WAS SENT TO CHECK
 VIA. THE AMB RECD AM/BA FIRE FM EST 2-8 IN. AND RTND BA
 RE; ARTY AND SIMM. SEARCH TEAM LINKED UP W/AMB. AMB
 RECD 32MM FIRE; 14 USMC KIA (2 MED EVAC). AMB FIL W/DREW.
 EN KIA (PROB).
 (4) DATE ENTRY AT 230000H ARTY UNITS AT 070 LAMH VIC (YD 2214)
 RECD RECD EST. 40 RDS 81/82MM MORT FIRE FM VIC (YD 2216, 2376,
 YD 2375); 2 USMC KIA (MINOR). RTND COUNTER MORT FIRE.
 (5) 240930H 3/3 CND GRP VIC (YD 100358) RECD 33 RDS OF 82MM
 ARTY FIRE. RTND ARTY NSR. 5 USMC KIA. 17 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
 (6) 240945H SIMM W/ BN FIL VIC (YD 240570) APPREH 1 DET.
 (7) 241023H A USMC 2-1/2 TON TRK HIT A MINE VIC (YD 100542).
 2 CAS WERE SUSTAINED. 23 WHO WERE ABOUT 50M FM THE
 INCIDENT WERE DETAINED FOR QUESTIONING, BUT WERE LATER
 RELEASED AS INCIV.

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OR EN MUG E. FINE FINE MUG AND COIN: MORT: 1 USMC WIA (MORRIS) -
1 EN SIA (MORRIS)

MI 2417804 ON 178/3' WIG. CO. 689777. RECD. HART FIVE PM WIG. AND
1898750. CALLED COUNCIL-HOBT AND ADIT WYNNK REC. NO. FIVE U.S.

BETWEEN CHICAGO-POLICE AND STAFFED; FLIGHT OF THREE WING
IN MANNER AS POINT TWO AND NOTES; IN NEW YORK.

BETWEEN 241700H-241900H AC CALLED ARTY AND UN-1E GUNSHIPS
ON 4-5 NVA #1 (YD 053685). UNABLE TO OBSR RES.

BT 241720Z 00 00570 PIR TRADE CONTACT WAS FOR BEARING-DARK
GREEN AND GREY UNIF AND CARRYING PACKS; SA FIRE EXCHANGED.

12. CALLED 61ND MORT ARTY AND A/S: 4 USMC VIA (RED EVAC). IN CAS UNK.

U 241720H AG CALLED. A/S ON 6 NVA IN TRENCHLINE AT 010. 153728Z

3 EN KIA (CONF), 4 EN KIA (PROB),

BT 240944H RECON TM 302 VIO (YD 072647) OBSR 14 NLA AND 1

POMAN IN UNIF VIC (YD 869647). CALLED ARTY HSN W/UNK RES.

241025R CAP-P-2 VIC (YD 279561) RECD EST 63 RDS SA FIRE.

ALLSD ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.

241015H 11TH ENGR VEH RECD 3-4 MORT RDS .55 EDS 24 FIRE FM

IC CYD 1645872. THE FIRE CAME FR THE S SIDE OF HWY. NO DAM OR CAS.

BT 241555H K/3/3 VIC (YD 107674) RECD SA FM 3 EN.

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 241722H CO 1/3/3 VIC (YD 897677) RECD MORT FIRE FM VIC
 1856783. CALLED COM-TER-MORT AND ARTY W/UNK RES: NO TRD CAS.
 10 GUNS FIRED 1 GUN AND 16 GUNSR WERE EXCHANGING 247 RDS HL.
 30 CUM RES: USMC ENEMY

15 KIA

15 KIA (CONF)

10 KIA (PROB)

12 DET

25 PW/VC

4 PW/NVA

00 CUM RES: 10 KIA

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00 CUM RES: 10 KIA

00 4TH MAR COMD BND OF IN TMA THIN PROV

LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

241700H RECON TM 3-1 VIC (YD 483 257) EXCHANGED SA FIRE.

EST 20-30 VC. CALLED A/S W/UNK RES. PTL EXTRACTED: 3

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USMC WIA (KIA EVAC).

AT 241055H CO 1/2/9 VIC (YD 535275) RECD 1 RD SA FIRE FM

VIC (YD 535275): 1 USMC WIA. UNIT RTND SA FIRE AND CONDUCTED

SEARCH WITH NO CONTACT.

AT 240745H CO 1/2/9 PLAT WSR 1 VC ON TRAIL VIC (YD 548261).

FIRED SA W/UNK RES.

AT 240915H CO 1/2/9 PLAT PTL WSR (YD 548261) RECD 6 RDS SA

FIRE FM VIC (YD 548261). SGT SEARCHED AREA W/NO CONTACT.

AT 241215H CO 1/2/9 VIC (YD 548261) RECD 1 RD SA FIRE FM VIC (YD 548261).

CALLED ARTY W/UNK RES.

AT 241330H RECON TM 3-1 VIC (YD 585197) HEARD 8-10 VC AROUND

06. CALLED ARTY WSR AND ARMED 10-12 W/UNK RES. STL EXTRACTED

AT 241750H H/2/9 VIC (YD 516311) OBSR 3 VC MOVING NW VIC

(YD 512314). FIRED 84MM WSR W/UNK RES.

00 CUM RES: USMC ENEMY

10 KIA

85 KIA (CONF)

185 KIA (PROB)

111 DET

12 PW/VC

4 PW/NVA

95 WIA

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(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9(-)

2/26(-) AND 3/9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH SIGNIFI-
CANT CONTACT FOR PD.(LATE ENTRY) AT 242205H CO M/3/9 LP OBSR 5 EN VIC (YD 055
563). FIRED RIFLE GREN AND 42 RDS SA FIRE W/UNK RES.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 2423451 /2/26 S&D PTL VIC (XD 915403) RECD

3 RDS SA FIRE FM UNK NR EN. NO FIRE RTND. 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

(LATE ENTRY) 1 -5 241730H CO CGXBI/9 PTL RECD AW/SA FIRE FM EST

20 GA VIC (YD 134476). NVA ARMED W/MG'S AR'S AND M-79./

0751033; 1200HIVOM GRENS, 4 M-79 RDS. RTND 1500

RDS SA, 105 M-79 RDS, 60MM MORT AND ARTY. FLT BROKE CONTACT.

1 USMC KIA, 15 USMC WIA, 7 EN KIA (CONF), 3 EN KIA (PROB).

OPTRD 6 SMG'S. 1 RIFLE, 3 RDS 60MM A D 10 CHICOM GRENS.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 241740H CO I/3/3 VIC ((6S 121679) MADE CONT-

ACT W/EST 50 NVA. RECD 40 RDS 60MM MORT, SA/AW FIRE FM BUNKERS.

1/3/3 USED ARTY, 81MM, 60MM, SA/AW FIRE AND ASSAULTED POS:

28 EN KIA (CONF), 15 EN KIA (PROB), OPTRD 2 AX-47, 1 SMG,

DEST 2 CHICOM RADIOS, 6 USMC KIA, 15 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 250215H ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH RECD 25 RDS 81/82MM MORT

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FIRE FM VIC (YD240763). RTND COUNTER MORT FIRE, 3 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 250300H M/3/4 AMB VIC (YD 318700) FIRED AT 6 NVA: 6 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), CPTRD 2-9MM SMG'S, 1 AK-47.

AT 250515H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD 339699) APPREN 8 DET.

AT 250750H CO K/3/4 VIC (YD 122662) FD 1 NV

KILLED BY SA:

1 NVA KIA (CONF), CPTRD 1 AK-47, DELETE 11 3, (8- (PROB)).

2 EN KIA (CONF), AND 4 EN KIA (PROB), DELETED FM PRAIRIE III AND ADDED TO BEACON HILL.

ADD 5 EN KIA (CONF) AND 3 EN KIA (PROB) TO RECON TM 2C2 CONTACT 220913H.

J-53 3,546) AT 240610H VIC (YD 104519) 1/3/9 PTL WALKED INTO ANOTHER L/3/9 AMB. 2 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 250900H :9 (K/3/3 VIV (YD 113679) WHILE MOVING TOWARDS VIC (YD 122687) MADE CONTACT WITH AN EST EN PLAT. K/3/3 FIRED 60MM MORTAR AND SA, K/3/3 ESTAB A DEF POS AND CALLED A/S. A RESUPPLY MSN WAS CALLED. K CO CONTINUED ADVANCE.

AT 251130 K/3/3 WHILE SWEEPING THROUGH OBJECTIVE AREA VIC (YD 113679) FD THE FOLLOWING: 6 EN KIA (CONF), 12 AK-47'S, 3 CHICOM CARB, 5 BLOCKS (1/2 LB) TNT, 1 CLAYMORE MINE, 2

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CHICOM GRENS, 1 BOX W/EXPLOS DEVICES. CAS: 1 USMC KIA, 7 USMC WIA, 6 EN KIA (CONF), 15 WPNS.

AT 251105H 3/4 TON TRUCK FM THE 12TH MAR, WHILE TRAVELING NORTH ON RTE 1 VIC (YD 222648), DETONATED WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A CLAYMORE MINE; RES: 2 USMC WIA (MINOR). THE VEH WAS TOWED TO DONG HA.

AT 251210H CO K/3/3 VIC (YD 112679) RZCD 1 RD OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE FM AN UNK POS: 8 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 251230H VIC (YD 112686) AN A/S WAS BEING CONDUCTED: AS ONE A/C COMMENCED A STRAFING RUN THE FAC GAV A VERBAL WAVE OFF; HOWEVER W SHORT BURST OF 20MM FIRE HIT FRD POS. RES: 1 FRD KIA, 2 FRD WIA.1

-5 251100H 1/3/3 FD 8 AK-47'S AND ASSORTED EQUIPMENT VIC (YD102674).

AT 251915H CMD GRP K/3/3 VIC (YD 112680) RECD APPROX 70 RDS 81/82 MORTAR FIRE. RTND COUNTER MORTAR FIRE. ZNEMY FIRE CEASED, 1 USMC KIA, 7 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

ON 25 MAR AO OBSR 6-8 NVA IN KHAKI UNIFS VIC (YD 084668). CALLED ONE A/S: 4 EN KIA (PROB).1

-5 251525H AO OBSR 10 NVA ON TRAIL AT (YD 058670). CALLED ARTY MSN: 3 EN KIA (CONF), 4 EN KIA (PROB).

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AT 250400H D/1/9 VIC (YD 134674) WHILE ON SWEEP OF VILLAGE
USING TANKS FD 31 NVBODIES AND 1 NVA WIA. BODIES INCLUDED
2 FEMALES DRESSED IN NVA UNIFORMS. ONE TK HIT MINE AT VIC
(YD 123674). TRACK AND 2 ROAD WHEELS DESTROYED. ALSO FD
VARIOUS PIECES OF ORD IN VIL 4-82MM RDS, 16-60MM RDS, 6 BOXES
60MM FUSES, 12 CHICOM GRENS, 2 BOOSTER DEVICES, 400 RDS MG
AMMO IN CANNISTERS, SEVERAL CHARGES OF TNT, 2 AK-47'S, 1 GAS
MASK, ENTRENCHING TOOLS, V

RIOUS ITEMS OF CLOTHING:

RES: 31 EN KIA (CONF) (21 PREVIOUSLY GPT). 1 DET/128-

AT 251900H 3/3 1 REPTD 1 FRD KIA AND 3 FRD WIA FM 1 RD 82MM
MORT. AT 251240H K/3/3 RECD 23 RDS OF MORTAR FIRE OF UNK

CAL: VIC (YD 113677). NO CAS.

AT 251135H 1/3/3 RECD UNK NR OF MORTAR RDS FM THE S. ALL OF
THE RDS FELL 150;. SHORT OF 1/3/3 POS. NO CAS WERE SUSTAINED.
AN AO WAS ON STATION AND CALLED A/S. ARTY MSN, AND A COUNTER
MORTAR PLAN WAS FIRED ON THE SUSPECTED ENEMY MORTAR POS. RES UNK.
175 GUNS FIRED 6 OBSR AND 63 UNOBSR MSNS EXPENDING 567 RDS HE.(B) CUM RES: USMC
33 KIAENEMY
103 KIA (CONF)
144 KIA (PROB)

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2721WIA

62 DET
23 INCIV
46 WPNS(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 1204
(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 80
(E) CUM NGF: NONE
(F) CUM ARTY:
(1) MSNS: 2,743
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AMMO EXPD: 30,204

(2) OP CHINOOK II

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR FD.

AT 250800H CO F/2/9 FLAT AMB OESR 7 VC VIC (YD 635256).

FIRED ARTY MSN: 2 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 251227H AO CALLED ARTY MSN ON UNK NR VC VIC (YD 5322) I):

1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 251505H RECON UNPTS FM 2/9 VIC (YDTQ) OBE4 VC

VIC (YD 471335). SCT SPR TM FIRED SA AND ARTY MSN CALLED:

2 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 250700H CO H/2/9 FD VC BODY VIC (YD 453350) KILLED BY FRAG-
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ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV

ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV

ZEN/CG FIRST MAW

ZEN/GIFORLOGCOND

RUABQL/CG NINTH MAB

RUMFUAC/CTG 79.5

RUABQL/CTG 79.2

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262400H MAR 67

(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26

A. FMFPAC 5750.10

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(1) OP. PRAIRIE III

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9 (-),
2/26(-) AND 3/9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT
CONT FOR FD.(LATE ENTRY) AT 252310H CO L/3/9 PTL VIC (YD108357) FIRED SA
AT 3 VC. SEARCHED AREA, FD 1 ARB.(LATE ENTRY) AT 251835H CO I/3/3 VIC (YD123680) FD 100-200
BUNKERS. FD 6 NVA BODIES AND CPTD 1 NVA (WIA) AND 1 CARB.
BUNKERS DEST. AFTER SWEEP OF AREA RECD 12-15 RDS 81/82MM MORT:
1 USMC KIA.AT 260130H CAC-P-3 AMB VIC YD158592) FIRED SA AT 10 VC
MOVING SW. 1 EN KIA (CONF), CPTD 1 CARB.AT 260930H CO I/3/3 VIC (YD105624) RECD 2 RDS 82MM MORT: 1
USMC WIA (MED EVAC). FIRED COUNTER MORT W/UNK RES.AT 260830H CO L/3/3 FD 1 NVA BODY AND 1 AK-47 VIC (YD112680).
DELETED 1 EN KIA (PROB).AT 261000H CO C/1/9 VIC (YD134674) FD 1 NVA BODY KILLED BY
FRAGMENTS: 1 NVA KIA (CONF), DELETE 1 EN KIA (PROB).

CUM CAS HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED BY 3D MARDIV.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 251900H CO C/1/9 VIC (YD133674) FDH4 NVA KILLED

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BY FRAGMENTS: 4 ENHIA (CONF), DELETE 4 N KIA (PROB).
 AT 261700H RECON TM 3D1 EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH 2 NVA VIC OD
 (81648). PTL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ARTY AND A/S: 1 EN
 KIA (CONF), 10 EN KIA (PROB), CPTD 1 CHICOM PISTOL.
 2 DET CLASS PW/NVA.

AT 260030H CO L/3/9 FLAT PTL OBSR VC PLAT AMB. CALLED ARTY
 MSN W/UNK RES.

AT 261145H A TK SUPPORTING A 3D MAR SWEEP WAS FIRED AT WITH
 A RKT PROPELLED GREN: NO DAM.

AT 2612-00H CO K/3/9 PTL DET EXPLOS DEVICE. NO CAS.

175 GUNS FIRED 7 OBSR AND 1 UNOBSR MSN EXPENDING 31 RDS HE.

(B) CUM RES: USMC ENEMY
 34 KIA 118 KIA (CONF)
 162 KIA (PROB)

273 WIA 63 DET
 23 INCIV
 50 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 1,363

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 99

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

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(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 2,981

(2) AMMO EXPD: 31,753

(2) OP CHINOOK II

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN
 PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 260740H CO F/2/9 FLAT VIC (YD 529226) OBSR 3 VC VIC (YD
 526213). FIRED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.

AT 261435H RECON TM 5-1 VIC (YD 554178) LOCATED HARBOR SITE.

HEARD MGMT AND SMELLED FOOD COOKING. FIRED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RES.

AT 261530H CO H/2/9 SQD PTL VIC (YD 507328) OBSR 20 VC VIC
 (YD 501326). CALLED A/S W/NEG RES.

(B) CUM RES: USMC ENEMY
 10 KIA 89 KIA (CONF)
 194 KIA (PROB)

95 WIA 111 DET
 12 PW/VC
 4 PW/NVA
 1 CIV DEF
 86 INCIV

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ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV

ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV

ZEN/CG FIRST MAW

ZEN/CG FORLOGCOMD

RUABOL/CG NINTH MAB

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RUABOL/CTG 79.2

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(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26

A. FMFPACO 5750.10

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9(-), 2/26(-), AND 3/9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 262200H CO 1/3/3 VIC (YD117672) RECD EST 118 RDS R2 AND 120MM MORT. AT 262315H 1/3/3 RECD EST 100 RDS R2MM MORT. RESULTS OF BOTH ATTACKS: 1 USMC KIA, 12 USMC WIA (6 MED EVAC). COUNTER MORT AND ARTY SATURATION CALLED. AT 270830H AN M-42 HIT A NON-METALLIC MINE VIC (YD134647): 3 USA WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 271010H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD447597) FD 1 EN IN SPIDER HOLE UNDER PAGODA. THREW M-26 GREN: 1 EN KIA (CONF), CPTD 1 MVA FLAG, 1 PONCHO. VIDNAT 271240H RECON TM 2C1 VIC (YD016434) EXCHANGED SA FIRE WITH 8 MVA. PTL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ARTY MSN: 1 EN KIA (CONF), 3 EN KIA (PROP).

AT 271115H CO M/3/4 PTL VIC (YD443597) MAR STEPPED IN PUNJI PIT: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 271300H CO A/1/9 VIC (YD133672) FD 3 NVA PODIES KILLED BY FRAGMENTS: 3 EN KIA (CONF), DELETE 3 EN KIA (PROP).

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A 68 VEH CONVOY DEPARTED DONG HA AT 270832H FOR KHE SANH
W/ABOUT 180,000 LBS CARGO. ARRIVED KHE SANH 271155H W/O
INCIDENT. DEPARTED KHE SANH 271344H WITH E/2/9. ARRIVED
DONG HA AT 271737H W/O INCIDENT.

AT 270001H TO H/2/26 VIC (XD914407) OBR 2 VC W OF POS.
FIRED ARTY ILLUM AND 81 MSN W/UNK RES.

AF 270535H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD344698) RECD 4 RDS SA FIRE FM K
UNK NR EN. RTND SA FIRE AND M-79 W/NEG RES.

AT 261656H RECON TM 3C1 OBR 3 EN VIC (YD675543). CALLED
ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.

175 GUNS FIRED 5 OBR AND 99 UNOBR MSN EXPENDING 494 RDS HE.

(C) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
35 KIA	123 KIA (CONF)
	162 KIA (PROB)
289 WIA	63 DET

23 INCIV
50 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 1,524
(C) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 127
(C) CUM NF: NONE

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(C) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 3,245

(2) AMMO EXPD: 34,410

(2) OP CHINOOK II

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 271000H CO H/2/9 SCT SPR TM OBR 8-10 VC VIC (YD451371)
W/ WPNS. CALLED 60MM MSN: 1 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 271415H RECON TM 3-1 OBR 6-7 VC VIC (YD450275). CALLED
ARTY MSN: 1 VC KIA (PROB).

(C) CUM RES: USMC	ENEMY
10 KIA	89 KIA (CONF)
	196 KIA (PROB)
95 WIA	111 DET

12 PW/VC
4 PW/NVA
1 CIV DEF
86 INCIV
28 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 14

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ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG FORLOGVMD
RUABOL/CG NINTH MAB
RUMFUAC/CTG 79.5
RUABOL/CTG 79.2

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282400H MAR 67

(U) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26

A. FMFPAC 5750.10

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(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9(-),
2/26(-) AD 3/9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT
CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 280930H CO L/3/9 PTL VIC (YD 088520) FD EXPLOS DEVICE:
DEST IN PLACE.

AT 281523H RECON TM 202 VIC (YD 065666) WHILE ATTEMPTING
TO INSERT VIA HEL RECD SA/AM FIRE FM VIC (YD 064668).

ABORTED INSERTION AND CALLED ARMED HU-1E'S AND A/S W/UNK RES.
AT 281225H CO M/3/4 VIC (YD 451589) RECD 1 GREN FM SPIDER

HLE. RTND 1 M-26 RREN: 1 VC KIA (CONF), OPTRD 1 M-1 RIFLE.
AT 281445H CO M/3/4 PTL VIC (YD 454507) APPREH 1 DET.

AT 281600H AO OBSR 1 EN VIC (YD 070663). CALLED A/S W/UNK RES.
AT 281710H AO RECD AM FIRE FM VIC (YD 062664). CALLED A/S:

1 GUN POS DEST, 1 GUN POS AND 4 BUNKERS DAHM

AT 282045H CO L/3/9 SODPTL VIC (YD 101528) GREIN WITH PF'S
RECD SA FIRE FM WST 2 EN. PTL RTND SA FIRE W/NEG RES.

175 GUNS FIRED 20 UNOPSR MSNS EXPENDING 732 RDS HE.

(C) CUM RES:

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ENEMY

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124 KIA (CONF)

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289 WIA

162 KIA (PROB)
64 DET
2 PW/NVA
23 INCIV
51 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 1,740
(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 151
CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 3,768

(2) AMOEXPD: 36,010

(2) OP CHINOOK II

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV.
WITH LGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 272205H AN M-42 MALFUNCTIONED WHILE FIRING: 2
USA WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 281025H CO E/2/9 CHOPPED FM 3D MAR DIV (FWD) TO 2/9.

AT 281130H CO F/2/9 SQD FD 105 RD RIGGED AS MINE VIC (YD 539
294). DEST IN PLACE.

AT 281400H CO H/2/9 SQD PTL VIC (YD 446363) RECD MODERATE

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SA FICE FM UNK NR VC TO SW. ADDITIMNAL SQD SENT TO SEARCH
W/NEG RES.

(B) CUM RES:
KIA (CONF)

USMC
10 KIA
97 WIA

ENEMY

8
196 KIA (PROB)

111 DET

12 PW/VC

4 PW/NVA

1 CIVDEF

86 INCIV

28 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIESJC GRO
(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 144
(E) CUM NGFJC
(1) MSNS: 6
(2) AMO EXPD: 67
(F) CUM ARTY:
(1) MSNS: 7,687
(2) AMO EXPD: 19,761
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ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV

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ZEN/CG FORLOGCOMD

RUABOL/CG NINTH MAB

RUMFUAC/CTG 79.5

RUABOL/CTG 19.2

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS GKEXEN 3/1, 1/9(-)

2/26(-) AND 3/9), CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT
CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 292030H ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH VIC (YD213741) RECD 30-350

RDS 81/72MM MORT FIRE. COUNTER MORT FIRE DELIVERED W/UNK RES.

AT 292930H CO M/3/4 PLAT SWEEP FORCE VIC (YD273577) MAR

DET EXPLOS DEVICE WHEN ATTEMPTING TO REMOVE SIGN (1 USMC

WIA (MINOR).

AT 291130H CO M/3/4 PTL FD CHICOM GREN IRRIGED AS BOOBY TRAP

IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA SIGN.

AT 291640H A UH-34 VIC (YD265528) RECD MINOR DAM FM SA FIRE.

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D 25 DETHCLASS INCIV, IN DET CLASS CIV DEF.

AT 291015H CO M/3/4 PTL VIC (YD472579) FD AND DEST 60MM RD
RIGGED AS MINE.

AT 291035H RECON TM ID1 VIC (XD941592) FD A COMPANY SIZED
HARBOR SITE. RECENTLY USED. CALLED ARTY MSN W/UNK RES.

AT 291537 RECON ICI HEARD VOICES VIC (Y)

SUOOREEL CALLED ARTY MSN

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175 GUNS FIRED 12 OBSR AND 137 UNOBSR MSNS EXPENDING 458 RDS
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(B) CUM RES: USMC ENEMY
35 KIA 124 KIA (CONF)
162 KIA (PROB)
290 WIA 73 DET (ADJ)
2 PW/N/A
10 CIV DEF
61 INCIV
47 51

(C)

HEL SORTIES: 1,908

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 1900

(E) CUM NGX: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 4,095

(2) AXND EXPD: 38,477

(3) OP CHINOOK II

(4) 154TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIENAFROG
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 291027H A VEH IN PHU BAI-CHINOOK CVY DET MINE: 4 USMC

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VIA (2 MED EVAC).

AT 291145H M-48 TK W/IN ANTRY SWEEP DET MINE. LIGHT DAM TO
TK, NO CAS.

AT 291725H CO G/2/S PLAT PCL OBSR 1 VC CROSSING STREAM VIC
(YD570271). FIRED SA: 1 VC KIA (CONF), VPTRD 1 M-1 FGIFLE.50

(B) CUM RES: USMC ENEWD
10 KIA 89 KI

(CONF)

196 KIA (PROB)

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97 WIA 111

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124 PW/N/A

1 CIV DEF

76 INCIV

28 WPMS

(7-) CUM HEL SORTIBJ: -24P027S) CUM TAC AIR LG83: 148

(E) CUM NGF:

(1) MSNS: 6

(2) AXND EXPD: 67

(F) CUM ARTY:

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 39 FOR PERIOD 300000H T
302400H MAR 67

(1) REPORT SYMBOL FMFPAC 5750-26

A. FMFPAC 5750-18

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(1) OF PRAIRIE III

A. 3D MARDIV WITH 5 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/3, 1/4, 1/5)

2/26(-) AND 3/9) CONT SBD OF IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT
CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 301200H CAP-P-R VIC (YD 289574) RECD EST 50-70 RDS SA/AV
FIRE FM UNK NR EN VIC (YD 289574), PTL SEARCHED AREA AND
APPRH 5 DET.

AT 301550H CO N/3/9 RECD SA FIRE FM UNK NR EN VIC (YD 1150).

PURSUED ENEMY. EN BROKE CONTACT. FIRED ARTY MSN. 2 USMC KIA.

4 EN KIA (CONF), CAPTD 2 AUTO WEPS, 1 PISTOL AND 4 GRENS.

AT 301145H CO 1/3/9 VIC (YD 123581) FD 2 EN BODIES KILLED

BY FRAGMENTS; 2 EN KIA (CONF), DELETE 2 EN KIA (PROB).

AT 300330H CP FOR ARTY UNIT AT GIO LINH VIC (YD 215743) OBSR

30 RDS 81/82MM MORT IMPACT OUTSIDE PER. FIRED COUNTER MORTAR

FIRE W/UNK RES.

AT 301500H CO A/1/9 VIC (YD 081603) OBSR EST EN SQD DIGGING

IN VIC (YD 083613). CALLED ARTY MSN W/NEG RES.

AT 301508 RECON TM 202 VIC (YD 925579) HEARD 10-15 EN FOLLOW-

ING THEM. PTL PREPARED AMB. EN DEPLOYED. PTL CALLED ARTY

MSN W/UNK RES.

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 175 GUNS FIRED: 5 OBSR AND 5 UNDER MENS EXPENDING 627 RDS HE.

(A) CUM RES: USMC
 35 KIA
 292 WIA
 ENEMY
 127 KIA (CONF)
 166 KIA (PROB)
 35 DET
 2 PW/WVA
 10 CIV DEF
 61 INCIV
 24 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 2,007
 (D) CUM IAC AIR SORTIES: 183
 (E) CUM NGF: NONE
 (F) CUM ARTY:
 (1) MNS: 4,421
 (2) AMMO EXPD: 421,501
 (2) OP CHINOOK II
 (3) 4TH MAR CONT 800 OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
 WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.
 AT 300605H CO H/2/9 PLAT AND VIC (YD 421373) FIRED SA AT
 10 VC IN KILLING ZONE: 3 VC KIA (CONF), 1 VC KIA (PROB),

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 CPTD 100 LBS RICE, 5 PACKS, 2 MAG AND ASSORTED MED SUPPLIES.
 AMB RECD SA FIRE: 2 USMC WIA (1 MED EVAC).
 AT 301820H G/2/9 PLAT VIC (YD 575255) RECD EST 20 RDS SA
 FIRE. RTND SA FIRE. 15 RDS M-79 AND 12 RDS 60MM. 1 USMC KIA.
 AT 301832H CO G/2/9 PLAT SWEEP VIC (YD 575255) DET EXPLOS
 DEVICE: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 AT 300810H CO H/2/9 PTL VIC (YD 427378) FD M-79 RD RIGGED AS
 MINE. DISARMED.

(A) CUM RES: USMC
 11 KIA
 104 WIA
 ENEMY
 93 KIA (CONF)
 107 KIA (PROB)
 111 DET
 12 PW/VC
 4 PW/WVA
 1 CIV DEF
 66 INCIV
 29 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 14
 (D) CUM IAC AIR SORTIES: 174
 (E) CUM NGF:

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 III AF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMAR 90 FOR PERIOD 310001H TO
 312400H MAR 67
 (U) REFERT SYMOL FMFPAC 9750-26
 A. FIET-00 5750.10
 1. IAW REF A THE FOLLOWING RPT IS SUBMITTED:
 A. MAJOR UNIT OPS.

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(U) OF PRAIRIE III. 3D MARDIV WITH 3 INF BNS
 (3/3, 3/4, 1/2(-), 2/26(-) AND 3/20) CONT SMO OP IN QUANG
 TRI PROV WITH INTERMITTENT CONTACT FOR ID.
 AT 310130H A 155 HCV FM M/4/12 VIC (YD084542) BLEW UPWARD
 CAUGHT FIRE. CAUSE UNK. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY. 3 USMC
 KIA, 4 USMC WIA (2MED EVAC. CAS NOT ADD TO TOTAL.
 LATE ENTRY) AT 301800H VIC (YD105656) 1/3/9 VAS ATK BY EST MVA
 COMPANY EMPLOYING 8:PM MORTARS AND AM'S. ATK COMMENCE AS I
 CO PREPARED NIGHT POSM MORTARS WERE UNLKED THRU THEMPOS FM
 EAST TO WEST. A 2D ATK FOLLOWED BY MVA ATKING FM THE N, W.
 AND S USING A HCV VOLUME AM/SA AND GRENADES. A 2D ATTACK WAS
 SUPPORTED BY AM AND GRFMS. IXRXO EMPLOYED ARTY, MORTARS,
 SN, AND UN-IE GUNSHIPS IN COORDINATING THE INVAHATK.
 CAS: 16 USMC KIA, 36 USMC WIA (19 MED EVAC); 41 EN KIA (CONF),
 35 EN KIA (PROB), 2DET, 23 VPMS.
 AT 310110H E2CON TM 2D2 HEARD ENVI VIC (YD083652) AND
 TALKING AROUND POS. PTL CALLED ARTY NSN OF 52 SDS 155MM: 2
 EN KIA (PROB).
 AT 310250H CO 1320 SMO VIC (YD103562) ORSR 3 MVA. FIRED
 25 RDS SA AND 4 RDS M-79: 3 EN KIA (CONF). CAPTD 2 VPMS:

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AT 311420H CO 1/3/9 VIC (YD 01655) APPREH 1 DET.

AT 311225H 2/26 CHOPPED OP ON TO 1ST WARDIV.

DURING PD AO OBR 9 EN KIA (CONF). 4 AT (YD 107646), 3 AT (YD 122638), 2 AT (YD 101653).

AT 311730H CO L/3/3 VIC (YD 092677) FD 1 DEAD NVA. DRAG MARKS AND BLOOD STAINS: 1 EN KIA (CONF), 3 EN KIA (PROB), CPTD 2 CHICOM GRENS, 10 RDS AK-47 AMMO LD ONE 82MM RPG RD.

AT 311500H CO 1/3/9 VIC (YD 099651) FD 1 WOUNDED NVA SLEEPING ON TRAIL: 1 DET, 1 RIFLE CPTD.

AT 311600H CAP-P-2 PTL VIC (YD 272571) APPREH 2 DET.

15 GUNS FIRED 4 OBR AND 45 UNOBR MSNS EXPENDING 541 RDS.

05 CUM RES: USMC

51 KIA
32 WIA

ENEMY

185 KIA (CONF) (ADJ)
201 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)
82 DET (ADJ)
2 PW/NVA
10 CIV DEF
61 INCIV
79 WPNS (AD)

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 2/179

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(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 210

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 4,541

(2) AMMO EXPD: 46,597

(3) OP CHINOOK II

(4) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUANHIEN PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD

AT 311022H CO G/2/9 LOC PUNJI PIT VIC (65 (8;16). PUNJI

TRAP DEST RECOLOING IN SEC EXPLOS.

AT 311330H CO G/2/9 FD AN EXPLOS DEVICE VIC (YD 531265): DISARMED;

(G) CUM RES: UFG

11 KIA
104 WIA

ENEMY

93 KIA (CONF)
107 KIA (PROB)
111 DET
12 PW/VG
4 PW/NVA
1 CIV DEF
86 INCIV

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(1) MSNS: 8,681

(2) AMMO EXPB: 22,293

72) CP PRAIRIE III. 3D MARDIV WITH 4 INF BNS (3/3, 1/9 (-), AND 3/9) CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH

LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 010225H CO M/3/3 CP VIC (XD974566) RECDHS-8 RDS MORT FIRE. AGGOUNTER MORT FIRE. 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 011020H CO M/3/9 PTL3IC (YD097653) RECD 21 RDS SA FIRE FM 2 VC. RTND SA FIRE AND 20 RDS 60MM. 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 011120H CO L/3/3 VIC (YD092662) KILLED 3 NVA WITH SA FIRE: 3 EN KIA(CONF), CPTD 2 AK-47S, 4 MAG, 4 CHICOM GRENS.

AT 011120H CO M/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC (YD095651) FD 12 NVA BODIES, 2 AK-47'S, 2 RDS 40MM RKT: 12 EN KPA (CONF), DELETE 12 EN KIA (PROB).

AT 011645H CO L/3/3 FD 5 NVA BODIES VIC (YD098656), 2 M'S, AND 1 AK-47. 5 EN KIA (CONF), DELETE 5 EN KIA (PROB).

AT 011030H CO I/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (YD099655) RECD SA FIRE AND GRENS FR EST 6 EN. RTND SA FIRE AND ARTY MSN: 2 EN KIA (CONF), 2 EN KIA (PROB).

AT 011355H CO I/3/3 APPREH 4 DET VIC (XD 965522) WHO WERE

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LATER RELEASED AS INCIV.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 011945H CO I/3/3 PLAT PTL RECD SA, AW FIRE AND GRENS VIC (YD093660). RTND AW AND SA FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT. NO CAS.

AT 010315H CO M/3/7 VIC (YD120669) OBSR 1 MAN 30M OUTSIDE PER. FIRED SA; WILL SEARCH FIRST LIGHT.

175 GUNS FIRED 5 OBSR AND 23 UNOBSR MSNS EXPENDING 621 RDS HE.

(C) CUM RES: USMC

ENEMY

51 KIA

207 KIA(CONF)

186 KIA(PROB)

333 WIA

86 DET

4 PW/NVA ADJ

10 CIV DEF

65 INCIV

85 WPNS ADJ

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 2,391

(D) CUM FAC AIR SORTIES: 223

(E) CUM REF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 5,155

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(2) AMMO EXPD: 52,329

(3) CP DESOTO. 7TH WAR CONT S&D O IN QUANG NGAI PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 311245H CO M/3/7
S&D VIC (BS849341) OCSR 6 EN, 1 W/ WPN ENTERING EMPLACEMENT
VIC (BS844436). FIRED 22 RDS 105MM: 1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC
KIA (PROB). AT 213900H CO M/3/7 SQD CBT PTL VIC (BS837407)
OCSR 3 VCW/ WPNs MVNG N. FIRED 50 RDS SA FIRE AND

RDS M-79;

2 VC KIA (CONF), CPTD 1 RUSS CARB, 1 M-1 RIFLE, 1 BAYONET,
100 RDS .33 CAL AMMO.

AT 311645H CO M/3/7 S&D VIC (BS768402) RECD 20 RDS AW FIRE FM
EST 4 EN VIC (BS768428): 1 USMC KIA (MED EVAC). CALLED ARTY
MSN AND AIR STRIKE W/NEG RES.

AT 310810H CO 1/3/7 SQD CBT PTL VIC (BS880328) RECD 3 GDS
SA FR VIC (BS883327). RIND 20 RDS SA FIRE W/NEG RES.

AT 310950H CO 1/3/7 SQD CBT PTL VIC (BS376326) FD 2 AP MINES
ON TRAIL. DEST IN PLACE.

AT 310308H RECON TM FM D CO 1ST RCN VIC (BS771345) RECD
16 GRENS AND SA FM 15 EN. RIND SA FIRE, CALLED ARTY MSN;
15 PVC KIA (CONF), 6 VA (PROB), CPTD 1 BAR, 1 US CARB
1 SMG, 1 M-14, 1 AR-15, 2 CHICK GRENS, 1 KNIFE, 5 M-16 GRENS,

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24 RIFLE GRENS, 3 AP MINES/ 1 USMC KIA 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

(3) CUM RES: USMC

ENEMY

52 KIA H 374 KIA (CONF)

523 WIA 658 KIA (PROB)

117 DET

5 PW/VC

H

X26 CIV DEF

7 INCIV

HE

27 WPNs

(C) CUM REL SORTIES: 11,856

(C) CUM TAC AIA SORTIES: 215

750 CUM DEF:

(1) MENS: 202

(2) AMMO EXPD: 7,004

(C) CUM REL:

(1) MENS: 1,000

(2) AMMO EXPD: 22,733

(4) CP BRACKY HILL. 30 MANDIV TEAM S&D CP IN QUANG TRI

PROV AT 213200H WITH NEG CONTACT FOR PD.

CAS FOR PD 201335H TO 211500H (PRIOR TO III MAF ASSUING (PCON)

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12 PW/VC
4 PL/VA
1 CIV DEF
86 INCIV
29; 00,

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 14
(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 181
(E); 37, 41;

(1) MSNS: 6
(2) AMMO EXPD: 67
(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 8,877
(2) AMMO EXPD: 2,911

(2) OP PRAIRIE III. 3D MARDIV WITH 5; 8, 1 ? (3/4, 3/4,
1/9(-), 1/4 AND 3/9) CONT S2D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT
FOR PD.

AT 020315H CO L/3/9 LP VIC (YD 092512) RECD SA FIRE: 1 USMC KIA.0
UNABLE TO LOC EN POS, NO FIRE RTND.
FRIENDLY C

S HAVE BEEN ADJ BH 3; \$ 18; DROP), KIAGM ADD 68 WIA (MINOR)
NOT PREVIOUSLY RPTD.

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T 020900H CO L.3/9 RECD 1 DET FM VILLAGE CHIEF VIC (YH1052).
AT 021130H SCTY ELEM (3;8//4) FOR DOWNED HEL VIC (YD 193570) RECD
10 RDS PR FIRE. RTND 1 R GOPMM. 1EN KIA GKCONF).
AT 021000H RCON TM 2D2 VIC (XD 896615) OBSR 25 NVA VIC (XD
893617) MUG S. CALLED ARTY MSN: 2 EN KI

AT 020013H ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH OP RECD 20; 4\$ & 82MM MORT FIRE
FM VIC (YD 2375, 2)75). COUNTER MORT FIRE. NO CAS.
AT 020003H FLSU 5D" VIC (YD 248591) RECD 3 RD ARTY FIRE AND
1; 4\$ ARTY FIRE AT 020145H. CRATER AN

AT 021620H 3/3 FSCC REPORTED A DFOLIATION A/C RECD SA FIRE
VIC (XD 9 1589). ARTY MSN NIRE WITH UNK RES.

T 021445H CO L/3/3 PLAT PTL VIC (YD 070623) OBSR 2 NVA. PTL
FIRED 20 RDS SA L/UNK RES.
(LATE ENTRY) AT 010201H 1/4 CHOPPED OP CON TO 3DMARDIV AND JOINED
OP PRAIRIE IIIGM

175 GUNS FIRD 8 OBSR, 30 UNOB R AND 60 H&I MSNSGN EXPENDING 810;
4\$ 3.

(B) CUM RES: SMC
50 KIA
ENEMY
210 KIA (CONF)
194 KIA (PROB)

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398 WIA

87 DET
4 PW/VA
10 CIV DEF
65 INCIV
85 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 2,5260
(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 238
(E) CUM NGF: NONZ
(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MENS: 5,712

(2) AMMO EXPD: 55,760

(3) OP DESOTO 7TH MAR (ONT S&D OP IN QUANG NGAI PROV
WITH MODERATE CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 020925H CO M/3/7 S&D VIC (BS 847388) DET M-26 GREN RIGGED AS
MINE AND 1 MAR STEPPED ON PUNJI STAKE: 2 USMC WIV (1 MEDEVAC).
AT 021100H CO K/3/7 S&D VIC (BS 785415) OBSR 9 EN W/4 WPNS AND
RECD 15 RDS SA FIRE FM VIC (BS 78417). RTND 80 RDS SA FIRE,
15 RDS M-79: 2 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 021100H CO M/3/7 S&D VIC (BS 805411) RECD SA FIRE FM EST 7
EN VIC (BS 802415): 1 USMC KIA. RTND 100 RDS SA FIRE, 2 RDS

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M-79: 3 VC KIA (CONF).

AT 021115H CO K/3/7 S&D VIC (BS 777413) OBSR 15 EN W/4 WPNS 200M
TO W. RECD 200 RDS SA FIRE: 1 USMC KIA, 10 USMC WIA (5 MEDEVAC).
RTND 100 RDS SA FIRE, 11 RDS 60MM, 18 RDS 105MM AND AIRSTRIKE:
5 VC KIA (CONF), 6 VC KIA (PROB), CPTRD 1 CARB, AND 1 GAS MASK.
AT 021545H CO M/3/7 S&D VIC (BS 789416) RECD 8 RDS SA FIRE FM
EST 4 EN VIC (BS 789419). RTND 25 RDS SA FIRE: 2 VC KIA (CONF).
(LATE ENTRY) AT 021245H RECON PTL FM D/1ST RON VIC (BS 771394)
RECD 29 GRENS: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 021010H RECON PTL FM D/1ST RON VIC (BS 7739) OBS 5 EN W/4 WPNS
AND PACKS. CALLED ARTY: 5 VC KIA (PROB).

(E) CUM RES:	USMC	ENEMY
	64 KIA	384 KIA (CONF)
	516 WIA	681 KIA (PROB)
		117 DET
		5 PW/VC
		26 CIV DEF
		7 INCIV
		27 WPNS

03 (C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 11,956
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KILLED, 2 ARVN AND 1 RD CADRE KIA.

C. OPERATION CHINOOK II TERMINATES

THE 4TH MARINES TERMINATED OPERATION CHINOOK II IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE, 11 MILES NORTH OF HUE AT 2400. FINAL RESULTS AFTER 47 DAYS OF OPERATIONS WERE 104 VIET CONG/NVA KILLED, 12 ENEMY CAPTURED AND 30 WEAPONS SEIZED. IN ADDITION, 54.7 TONS OF RICE WAS CAPTURED.

OPERATION BISHORN COMMENCED AT 0500 IN THE SAME AREA. (SEE MY REPORT OF 2 AND 3 APRIL).

THIS AREA HAS PROVED TO BE VERY LUCRATIVE IN TERMS OF ENEMY KILLED AND RICE AND EQUIPMENT CAPTURED. DURING THE PERIOD 20 DECEMBER TO 17 FEBRUARY, THE 4TH MARINES CONDUCTED OPERATION CHINOOK I IN THIS AREA, WHICH NETTED 261 ENEMY KILLED, 5 CAPTURED AND 58 WEAPONS SEIZED.

D. NEW DAILY BACKLOAD RECORD SET AT DANANG

THE MEN OF THE NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY AND III MAF HAVE ESTABLISHED A NEW DAILY BACKLOAD RECORD IN DANANG. ON 3 APRIL, 8,998 MEASURED TONS

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OF CARGO WERE BACKLOADED ONTO SHIPS IN THE DANANG HARBOR, 1,893 MORE THAN THE PREVIOUS HIGH OF 7,105 MEASURED TONS SET ON 10 FEBRUARY.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS ASSIGNED (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES), AND REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT. LATE ENTRY. AT 031735H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WAS WITHDRAWN FROM OPERATION PRAIRIE III AND ASSIGNED TO THE 4TH MARINES. TWO SEPARATE MORTAR ATTACKS AGAINST ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH WERE REPORTED AT 0057H, AND 1815H. EACH ATTACK CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY ROUNDS OF 81/82MM MORTAR FIRE, WHICH WOUNDED A TOTAL OF FIVE MARINES AND CAUSED LIGHT DAMAGE TO ONE ONTO. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS DIRECTED AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS, AND RESULTS WERE UNCONFIRMED IN BOTH INCIDENTS. AT 0930H, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY F, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WAS

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WOUNDED, WHEN A PAT. DETONATED A MINE (YD 124 11). AT 0935H JOB A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM (XD 9 7610) EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WITH AN ESTIMATED FIFTEEN TO TWENTY NVA SOLDIERS. ARTILLERY FIRE WAS DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY'S LOCATION AND MARINES REPORTED KILLING ONE NVA (CONF) AND TEN NVA (PROB). ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED DURING THE ENGAGEMENT. RESULTS OF OTHER CONTACTS WERE REPORTED AS EIGHT DETAINEES, OF WHICH TWO WERE CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(B) FIXED WING AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED TWO ESCORT AND TWELVE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPQ-10 CONTROLLED) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED THIRTY-EIGHT TONS OF ORDNANCE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III. HELICOPTERS FLEW ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT SORTIES, WHICH TRANSPORTED ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT PERSONNEL AND TWO TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 5,419 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/50 KIA	1/211 KIA (CONF)
7/406 WIA	10/210 KIA (PROB)

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6/101 DETAINEES
0/4 NVA PW
0/10 CIVIL DEFENDENTS
2/67 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/84 WEAPONS (ADJUSTED)

(2) OPERATION CHINOOK II

(A) FOURTH MARINES TERMINATED SALRCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUANKHIEN PROVINCE AT 2400H, WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1955H, COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 549281) SUSTAINED ONE MARINE WOUNDED, WHEN TWO ROUNDS OF ENEMY MORTAR FIRE IMPACTED NEAR COMPANY POSITIONS. DURING THE FINAL DAY OF OPERATIONS ONE DETAINEE WAS CLASSIFIED AS AN NVA PW, FIVE DETAINEES WERE CLASSIFIED AS VC PW, AND FOUR DETAINEES WERE CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION CHINOOK II CONSISTED OF ONE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIE (TPQ-10) WHICH EXPENDED ONE TON OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS CONDUCTED ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE MISSIONS AND FIRED EIGHT HUNDRED ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/FINAL

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120 METERS OF TRENCHLINE DESTROYED.

AN AIR OBSERVER WHO DIRECTED AIR STRIKES ON AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY IN THE CHINOOK II OPERATIONAL AREA, NORTHEAST OF HUE REPORTED AN ADDITIONAL 11 VIET CONG KILLED BY AIR. HELICOPTER PILOTS FLEW 1,458 SORTIES, WHICH TRANSPORTED 2,338 PERSONNEL AND 240 TONS OF CARGO.

3. III VMX

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS ASSIGNED (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FMST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES), AND REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0830H, AN M-54 VEHICLE OF COMPANY B, ELEVENTH ENGINEER BATTALION (YD 219636) DETONATED A MINE, WHICH CAUSED ONE MARINE WOUNDED. THREE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. AT 0025H, ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH (YD 210735) CAME

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UNDER FORTY ROUNDS OF 81/82 MM MORTAR FIRE. TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SIX ROUNDS OF COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WERE DIRECTED AGAINST THE ENEMY FIRING POSITIONS (YD 242748, 234745, 242750) WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE INCIDENT. RESULTS OF OTHER, UNRELATED CONTACTS WERE REPORTED AS SIX VC KILLED (PROB) AND THREE DETAINEES.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III CONSISTED OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT, SEVENTEEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (SIX VISUAL AND ELEVEN TPQ-10), AND SIX ESCORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED TWENTY-TWO TONS OF ORDNANCE AND ACHIEVED A BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT OF THREE STRUCTURES DESTROYED, TWO STRUCTURES DAMAGED, AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FLEW ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE SORTIES, WHICH TRANSPORTED FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE PERSONNEL AND TWENTY-THREE TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS CONDUCTED FOUR HUNDRED NINE MISSIONS, WHICH FIRED 4,062 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/50 KIA	0/210 KIA (CONF)
1/399 WIA	6/200 KIA (PROB)

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6/93 DETAINEES

0/4 NVA PW

0/10 CIVIL DEFENDENTS

0/65 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/85 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION CHINOOK II

(A) FOURTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0500H, AN AO CONTROLLED AIR STRIKES AT (YD 598254 AND 598269) WHICH RESULTED IN ELEVEN VC KILLED (CONF) AND ONE OIL BARGE DAMAGED. AT TRPH, AN ELEMENT OF COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION NINTH MARINES (YD 429360) EXCHANGED FIRE WITH TWO VC, APPREHENDED ONE WOUNDED DETAINEE AND CAPTURED ONE WEAPON. AT 1735H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ARRIVED IN THE CHINOOK II AREA OF OPERATIONS AND CHOPPED TO THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE C SECTION DESIGNATOR TO RD: SECTION 2 OF 6 VICE 2 OF 77

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FOURTH MARINES. DURING THIS PERIOD, ONE DETAINEE WAS CLASSIFIED AS A VC PW.

(B) FIXED WING AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT, TWO ESCORT AND TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPQ-10) SORTIES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CHINOOK II. SIX TONS OF ORDNANCE WERE EXPENDED, AND BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT WAS THREE STRUCTURES DESTROYED, AND TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED TWO HUNDRED FIVE MISSIONS, WHICH EXPENDED SIX HUNDRED ELEVEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

0/11 KIA

11/104 KIA (CONF)

0/110 WIA (ADJ) 0/197 KIA (PROB)

1/113 DETAINEES

1/13 VC PW

0/4 NVA PW

0/1 CIVIL DEFENDENTS

0/86 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(3) OPERATION BOONE

(A) FIFTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY

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(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 19

(E) CUM W/PAK: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 229

(2) AMMO EXPD: 2,971

(3) OP PRAIRIE III, 3D MADDIV WITH 4 INF BNS (3/3, 1/4,

3/4, AND 3/5) CONT SCD OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 040857H ARTY UNITS OF 310 LINH VIC (YD210730) FIRED EST W/ RDS 81/82MM W/PAK: 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC), FIRED COUNTER 21 WITH W/PAK RES.

AT 040858H CO M/3/4 APPREN 3 DET VIC (YD337700)

AT 040859H CO L 3 D SCD PTL VIC (YD125531) DET CHI COM OPEN

RIGGED AS W/PAK: 1 USMC WIA (MEDEVAC).

AT 041000H 11TH ENG- (SHEEP) TM VIC (YD215533) FD 41MM PD FIRED

AS W/PAK, APPREN 2 DET LATER REL AS INDIV.

AT 041000H 11TH ENG- (SHEEP) TM VIC (YD215533) FD 41MM PD FIRED

AS W/PAK, APPREN 2 DET LATER REL AS INDIV.

AT 041330H, CAP-P-28 VIC (YD285562) APPREN 3 DET.

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AT 041515H ARTY UNITS OF 310 LINH VIC (YD210730) FIRED EST W/ RDS 81/82MM W/PAK: 4 USMC WIA (1 MEDEVAC), LIGHT BOM TO 1 CRYS, COUNTER MORT FIRED W/PAK RES.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 042830H DETY C/2/34 RET VIC (YD208544) OBST

1 EN IN FRONT OF POC, FIRED SA W/PAK RES.

AT 040845H RGN TM 3-C-2 OBSP 3 NUP IN OP, FIRED ARTY BSN W/PAK RES.

AT 041330H RGN TM 2-D-3 VIC (YD048639) OBSP 3 EN W/PAK AND RIFLES, FIRED SA AND CALLED ARTY W/PAK RES.

AT 042115H CO M/3/4 RECD NGREN VIC (YD055540), BEND 3 GREEN

W/PAK RES. (LATE ENTRY) AT 041735H 1/9(-)

CHOPPED FROM OP PRAIRIE III.

175 GUNS FIRED 3 OBSP AND 51 OBSPS W/PAK, EXPENDING 525 RDS RES.

(B) CUM RES: USMC

57 KIA

476 WIA

ENEMY

211 KIA (CONF)

210 KIA (PROB)

101 DET

4 PW/NVA

10 CIV DEF

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KIA, 150 WIA AND 5 MIA. THERE WERE 10 US PERSONNEL KIA AND 12 WIA.

D. NVA INFILTRATION INTO ENEMY BASE AREA 606 AND A SHAU VALLEY

THE EVIDENCE WHICH CONTINUES TO ACCUMULATE CONCERNING ENEMY UTILIZATION OF ENEMY BASE AREA 606 IN EASTERN LAOS OPPOSITE THUA THIEN PROVINCE, AND OF ROUTE 922 WHICH NOW EXTENDS THROUGH BASE AREA 606 INTO THE UPPER A SHAU VALLEY, MAY WELL PORTEND A GROWING HAZARD TO THE INSTALLATIONS AND FRIENDLY TROOP DISPOSITIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AND SOUTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. (SEE INTELLIGENCE SPECIAL INTEREST, PARAGRAPH 3F(3)).

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH

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FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS ASSIGNED (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES), AND REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT.

AT 1620H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND A CACHE OF ENEMY WEAPONS (YD 241580); WHICH CONSISTED OF TWO 62MM MORTARS, TWO RUSSIAN RIFLES, TWENTY THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS, ONE 3.5 INCH ROCKET LAUNCHER, THREE

CASES OF CHICOM GRENADES, ONE CASE OF MAGAZINES, AND ASSORTED ORDNANCE. AT 2154H, A RECON TEAM (YD 095623) SUSTAINED FOUR MARINES AND ONE USN WOUNDED DURING AN ENGAGEMENT WITH AN ESTIMATED TWENTY TO THIRTY ENEMY. M-79 AND ARTILLERY FIRES WERE DIRECTED AT THE ENEMY POSITION WITHOUT CONFIRMED RESULTS OF ENEMY LOSSES. ADDITIONALLY, ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED DURING THIS PERIOD.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III CONSISTED OF TWELVE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES (TPQ-10), WHICH EXPENDED A TOTAL OF SEVENTEEN TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTER FLEW FORTY-TWO PERSONNEL AND NINE TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED SIX HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 5,297 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/50 KIA	0/211 KIA (COMKR)
11/417 WIA	2/210 KIA (PROB)
	1/102 DETAINEES
	0/4 NVA PW
	0/10 CIVIL DEFENDENTS
	0/67 INNOCE
	24/108 WEAPONS

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(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) FOURTH MARINES COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AT 0001H, AND REPORTED MODERATE CONTACT. TASK ORGANIZATION AND THE AREA OF OPERATIONS ARE THE SAME AS FOR OPERATION CHINOOK II. AT 1740H, TWO OTHERS DKOM FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ON A RESUPPLY MISSION

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WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY (YD 615390). TWO PLATOONS WERE DISPATCHED TO ASSEST THE OTHERS, AND WERE ENGAGED BY ENEMY FORCES AT THREE SEPARATE LOCATIONS. WHILE ENROUTE TO THE OTHER LOCATION, THE REINFORCING ELEMENTS CAME UNDER ATTACK AGAIN. AFTER CONSOLIDATING POSITIONS (YD 615390), MARINES RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY SIXTY ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE, AND HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM ENEMY FORCES, WHO WERE APPARENTLY WELL ENTRENCHED. CONTACT CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, AND AS G 060540H, THERE WERE FIFTEEN MARINES KILLED AND FORTY-EIGHT MARINES WOUNDED. ENEMY LOSSES WERE SIX KILLED (CONF) AND AN ESTIMATED FORTY KILLED (PROB). AT 2020H, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 4533535) WAS WOUNDED BY SNIPER FIRE. RESULTS OF OTHER CONTACTS WERE NINE MARINES WOUNDED BY EXPLOSIVE DEVICES, THREE VC KILLED (PROB), AND ONE DETAINEE REPREHENDED.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED TWO HUNDRED FORTY ROUNDS AND EXPENDED SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY ROUNDS OF UN-
SUPPORTED INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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SVA. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

IK ~~THIRD~~ MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUED
SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE,
A 1TH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS ASSIGNED (THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION,, NINTH MARINES) AND REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT.
ADD THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THE WEAPONS CACHE FOUND BY
COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ON 5 APRIL: SIX
BANGALORE TORPEDDES, THIRTY POUNDS OF EXPLOSIVES, TWO THOUSAND
ROUNDS OF 7.62 MM AMMUNITION, TWO MINES, TWO RADIOS AND
ASSORTED OTHER ITEMS. THE TWENTY SUBMACHINE GUNS, INITIALLY
REPORTED AS THOMPSON'S, ARE IN FACT STEN GUNS. A TOTAL OF
TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED DURING THIS PERIOD.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF TWELVE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TWO VISUAL AND TEN
TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED THIRTEEN TONS OF ORDNANCE.
ONE BUNKER WAS DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW SIXTY-FOUR SORTIES

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AND TRANSPORTED NINETY-SIX PERSONNEL AND ONE TON OF CARGO.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE MISSIONS AND
3,543 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION
IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS; DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/50 KIA

HQ0/417 WIA

ENEMY

0/211 KIA (CONF)

0/210 KIA (PROB)

2/106 DETAINEES

0/4 NVA PW

0/10 CIVIL DEFENDENTS

0/10 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) FOURTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS

S IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT.
FINAL RESULTS OF FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CONTACT
WITH AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY (YD 615390), CONTAINED IN
MY REPORT FOR 5 APRIL, ARE AS FOLLOWS: SIXTEEN MARINES
KILLED; TWENTY-NINE WIA;
UNDEAD; EIGHTY-NINE KILLED (CONF);
THIRTEEN VC KILLED (PROB); TWO AK-47 RIFLES CAPTURED. FINAL
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(1) OP PRAIRIE III.
(2) 3D MARDIV WITH 4 INF BNS (3/3, 1/4, 3/4
AND 3/9) CONT SAD OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.
AT 070915H RECON PTL 201 FD 3 BODIES KILLED BY FRAGMENTS
VIC (XD25598): 31 1: (C- (CONF), DELETED 3 VC KIA (PROP).
AT 070915H 11TH ENVR TRUCK DET. 500LOS DEVICE VIC (YD 215722):
2 USMC KIA (MINOR).
AT 071215H CO P/1/4 VIC (YD20530) RECD AM FIRE FM 2-3 EN:
2 USMC KIA (KID EVAC). RECD SA FIRE AND ARTY NEW W/UNK RES.
AT 071340H CO P/1/4 PTL VIC (YD303540) DET UNK TYPE MINE:
1 USMC KIA (KID EVAC).
(LATE ENTRY) AT 062355H ARTY UNITS AT GIO LINH VIC (YD210
3P) RECD 45 RDS 81/200MM MORT, COUNTER MORT FIRED. NO CAS.
175 GUNS FIRED 4 DEER AND 61 UNCOR WENS, EXPENDING 566 RDS WE.
(C) CUM RES: USMC ENEMY
52 KIA 214 KIA (CONF), 287 KIA (CONF), 124 DET,
422 WIA 4 P/1/4, 16 CIV DEF, 67 INDIV, 100 WENS
(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 4,171 (D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 313 (E) CUM INF: 300
(F) CUM ARTY:
(1) REPT: 8,365 (2) AMO EXPD: 77,927

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ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV

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ZEN/CG FORLOGCOMD

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III.

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 3 INF BNS (3/3, 1/4 AND 3/9)

CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

(LATE ENTRY) 3/4 CHOPPED OPCON TO TF 79 AT 051900H APR 67.

AT 081620H RECON TM 3DI ATTEMPTED INSERTION AT (XD869574).

HEL RECD SA FIRE. CALLED A/S (BOTH UH-1E AND FIXED WING).

4 KBA (CONF).

AT 082100H CO M/3/3 SQD AMB VIC (XD964520) RECD 15 RD SA

FIRE: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR), RTND 81MM MORT W/UNK RES.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 072325H CAP P3A OBSR 1 EN APPROACHING PTL

POS. FIRED SA W/UNK RES.

AT 080905H CO L/3/9 PTL VIC (YD121514) OBSR 3 EN. PTL FIRED

SA W/NEG RES.

AT 080950H CAP P2 VIC (YD272560) RECD 50 RDS SA FIRE. RTND

FIRE W/NEG RES.

AT 081620H A TK VIC (YD167703) DET MINE. TK REPAIRED AND

CONT MSN. L175 GUNS FIRE BYE UNOBSR MSNS, EXPENDING 661 RDS HE.

(3) CUM RES:

USMC

ENEMY

50 KIA

218 KIA (CONF)

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423 WIA

217 KIA (PROB)

124 DET

4 PW/NVA

10 CIV DEF

67 INCIV

128 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: 4225

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 339

(E) CUM N3F NONE

(F) CUM ARTY: (1) MSNS: 9,134 (2) AMMO EXPD: 82,728

(2) OP BIG HORN

(A) 4TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 080545H CO C/1/9 VIC (YD605385) RECD EST 40 RDS CF MORT
FIRE: 2 USMC WIA (MINOR). FIRED COUNTER MORT W/UNK RES.

AT 080720H CO C/1/9 SWEEPING AREA OF SUSPECTED MORT PCS VIC
(YD603385) DET M-16 MINE: 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), H1 USMC KIA.
EVAC HEL RECD 15 RDS SPR FIRE. CO C RTND 50 RDS SA, 10 RDS
M-79, 2 LAAW AND 21 RDS 81MM W/UNK RES.

AT 081040H CO G/2/9 RECD SPR FIRE SB VIC (YD580266): 2 USMC

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WIA (MED EVAC). RTND SA FIRE: 1 VC KIA (PROB).

AT 081201H ONE M-35 LOADED W/106 AMMO IN CONVOY VIC (YD561
319) DET MINE. TRK TURNED OVER AND BURNED. 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 081225H A/1/9 PLAT SEARCH FORCE VIC (YD610395) RECD SA
LFIRE FM 1 VC: 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC) RTND SA FIRE:
1 VC KIA (CONF), CPTRD 1 M-16 RIFLE.

DJR PD 2 DET CLASSED CIV DEF.

AT 081225H 1/9 PTL VIC (YD610394) MARK STEPPED ON M-16 MINE.
HE RECOGNIZED IT AND REMAINED ON IT WHILE ENGR DISARMED IT.

AT 081920H CO A/1/9 VIC (YD57358). RECD SA FIRE DURING RE-
SUPPLY MSN FM HEL. A/1/9 RTND FIRE W/1 RD 60 MM, 500 RDS SA,
15 RDS M-79. GUNSHIPS FIRED M-60'S AND 2 WP GRENS RESULTING IN
A SEC EXPLOS. SPR FIRE CEASED.

(3) CUM RES: USMC

ENEMY

21 KIA

23 KIA (CONF)

120 KIA (PROB)

67 WIA

11 DET

1 RTNEE

3 CIV DEF

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(1) OP PRAIRIE III

(AD 3RD MARDIV WITH 31 8, 1 2, (3/3, 1/4, AND 3/9)

CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

AT 090004H CO D/1/4 VIC (YD 105692) RECD EST 5 MORT RDS OF
UNK CAL, SA/AW FIRE FM UN NR EN VIC (YD 153694). RTND SA
FIRE, CALLED ARTY MSN AND A/S: 2 EN KIA (CONF), 1 EN KIA
(PROB), 5 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

ADD 10 WPNS TO CACHE FDNY JXEXO VIC (YD 201389) AT 051610H.

AT 090325H C/2/94 175 GUN CAUGHT FIRE WHEN RD EXPLODED EST 40
FT FM MUZZLE: 1 USA KIA, 8 USA WIA (MED EVAC).

AT 091205H HQ/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (YD 039533) DET EXPLOS DEVICE:
4 USMC WIA, 1 USA WIA (ALL MED EVAC).

AT 091620H CO L/3/9 PTL VIC (YD 105497) DET EXPLOS DEVICE:
2 USMC WIA (MINOR).

ADD 47 DET NOT PREVIOUSLY RPTD.

DUR PD 67 DET CLASS IN CIV.

DUR PD 2 DET CLASS CIV DEF.

AT 091200H CAP-P-13 MADE CONTACT WITH EST 50 VC VIC BKYD095
593). EXCHANGED SA/AW FIRE: 10 EN KIA (CONF), 5 EN KIA (PROB).
4 USMC WIA (MINOR), 1 PF WIA (MINOR).

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AT 091500H RECON TM 202 VIC (YD 923504) PD 2 BODIES KILLED BY
FRAGMENTS: 2 EN KIA (CONF).

175 GUNS FIRED 65 UNOBSR AND 6 OBSR MSNS EXPENDING 61200S HE.

AT 090235H ARTY UNITS VIC (YD 213647) RECD EST 30 RDS 1/82MM

MORT FIRE. ALL RDS LANDED IN ARVN CAMP. RTND 114 RDS

COUNTER MORT FIRE W/UNK RES.

AT 091020H 3/9 ROAD SKEEP TM PD AT MINE VIC (YD 076522).

DEST IN PLACE.

AT 091100 RECON TM 202 PD M-16 MINE VIC (YD 110642). DEST IN PLACE.

AT WPOQTEPH CONVOY RECD SA FIRE VIC (YD 161698). NO DAM OR CAS.

CONT MSN.

(B) CUM RES: USMC

51 KIA

447 WIA

ENEMY

232 KIA (CONF)

223 KIA (PROB)

151 DET

4 PW/WIA

12 CIV DEF

174 INCIV

120 WPNS (ADJ)

(C) CUM HEL SORTIEES: 4,367

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(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES: 360

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSNS: 9,578

(2) AMMO EXPD: 87,392

(2) OPHBIG HORN

(W) WITH MAR CONT S&D OP IN THUA THIEN PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR PD.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 081530H CO A/1/9 VIC (YD 637378) APPREH 2 DET.

AT 091200H H&S 2/9 OBSR 5 VC VIC (YD 496333): CALLED ARTY MSN
W/UNK RES.

ADD 1 USMC WIA (MINOR) AS A RESULT OF ACTION ON 07 APR 67.

DUR PD 2 DET CLASS INCIV.

AT 091314H ASSUMED OPOON OF 2/26

AT 091400H CO D/1/9 APPREH 2 DET

AT 091500H WHILE ON RECON FLIGHT OF TAOB HEL RECD SA FIRE

FM VIC (YD 604248) (YD 607288). HEL RTD FIRE AND CALLED IN

A/S. 100 PERCENT COVERAGE ON TGT. RES UNK.

AT 091800H AN ELEMENT OF 2/9 OBSR 8 VC IN VIC (YD 527276)

W/MORTAR TUBE AND BASE PLATE, ARTY MSN FIRED AND A SWEEP OF

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AREA CONDUCTED W/NO CONTACT

AT 091615H A/1/9 LOC VIC (YD 646327) WHILE CLEARING BAMBOO
TRAIL TRIPPED A 60MM RD BOMBED AS MINE. NO CAS.

AT 092015H TPS-21 LOC VIC (YD 538323) OBSR MOVEMENT AT
(YD 550341). ARTY FIRED MSN OF 27 RDS. W/LL SEARCH AT
FIRST LIGHT.

(B) CUM RES: USMC

ENEMY

21 KIA

23 KIA (CONF)

68 WIA

100 KIA (PROB)

15 DET

1 RTNEE

5 CIV DEF

7 INCIV

8 WPNS

(C) CUM HEL SORTIES: NONE

(D) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES:

(E) CUM NGF: NONE

(F) CUM ARTY:

(1) MSN: 1,026

(2) AMMO EXPD: 3,902

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DETAILS WILL BE REPORTED WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

CASUALTIES SUFFERED DURING THE ATTACK WERE 2 USAF
KIA, 4 USMC KIA, 1 USN KIA, 2 USAF KIA, AND 38 USA KIA.

G. AIP OPERATIONS WEEK DFH1 TO 6 APRIL

DESPITE RESTRICTED VISIBILITY THROUGHOUT
1 OTZ DURING THE WEEK, 1ST MARINE AIRBORNE WING

PILOTS FLEW 317 TACTICAL STRIKE SORTIES IN RVN, 23 PER-
CENT OF WHICH WERE CLOSE AIR SORTIES IN SUPPORT OF
III MAF GROUND FORCES. DURING THESE SORTIES, 48 ENEMY
WERE KILLED, 513 WERE PROBABLY KILLED, 32 SECONDARY
EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES WERE OBSERVED AND NUMEROUS
ENEMY STRUCTURES AND EMPLACEMENTS WERE DESTROYED
OR DAMAGED. IN ADDITION TO THE STRIKE SORTIES, 139
RECONNAISSANCE SORTIES WERE FLOWN DURING THE WEEK.
MARINE HELICOPTER PILOTS FLEW 5,063
SORTIES DURING THE PERIOD, WHICH CARRIED 7,642 PERSONNEL
AND 849 TONS OF CARGO.

H. BLT ROTATION

BLT 3/A (CD BATTALION, 4TH MARINES)
IN OKINAWA ABOARD THE USS REINCTION (LPH-5), USS
GREEN (LPD-1) AND USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) ON 11 APRIL.

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THIS IS A NORMAL DEPLOYMENT FOR THE BLT
FROM RVN TO OKINAWA WHERE ITS EQUIPMENT
WILL BE REFRESHED.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

CD OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUED
SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH
THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES;
FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH
MARINE DIVISION) REPORTING LIGHT CONTACT. AT 2915H, A RECON TEAM
ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 13 NVA (XD 925498) WITH SMALL ARMS &
ARTILLERY FIRE AND AIR STRIKES. TEN NVA WERE KIA (CONF).
AT 1330H, A RECON TEAM (XD 939623) KILLED FIVE NVA (CONF).
AFTER ENGAGING TWO ENEMY SQUADS WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND GRENADES.
ONE MARINE WAS KIA (1,3,94) IN THE SKIRMISH. AT
1845H, AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON TWO ENEMY (XD 929515) RE-
SULTED IN TWO VC KIA (CONF). DURING THE DAY, ONE DETAINEE
WAS RECLASSIFIED A CIVIL DEFENDANT. AN AIR OBSERVER DEPICTING
FOR THE PERIOD 090945H TO 291500H, VERIFY TWO VC KIA (CONF)
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AND ONE VC KIA (PROB) NOT PREVIOUSLY REPOGTED.0

I N (A) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIGIE III
CONSISTED OF 90 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES,
WHICH EXPENDED 10 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 133
SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 123 PERSONNEL AND 2 TONS OF CARGO.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 577 MISSIONS AND 4605 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THIS
TOTAL, 175MM GUNS FIRED 53 MISSIONS
EXPENDING 599 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC H ENEMY

01/50 KIA (ADJUSTED) 7/230 KIA (CONF)

1/450 WIA (ADJUSTED) 17/238 KIA (PROB)

0/4 NVA/PW

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0/ESCIVIL DEFENDANTS (ADJUSTED)
0/134 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
1/121 WEAPONS, CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINE CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH MODERATE
CONTACT. BETWEEN 1315H AND 1500H, A RECON PATROL OBSERVED
84 VC (YD 603265). ARTILLERY MISSIONS ON THE ENEMY RESULTED
IN 18 VC KIA (CONF) AND 5 VC KIA (PROB). AT 1525H, TWO
MARINES FROM COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WERE
WIA (MED EVAC) BY AN M-16 MINE (YD 651327). AT 1745H, AN
AIR STROKE ON AN ENEMY POSITION
(YD 550260) RESULTED IN SIX VC KIA (CONF). AT 1830H, A
MARINE FROM COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES
WAS WIA (MED EVAC) BY A MINE (YD 493332). AT 1900H, A MARINE
RECON PATROL FIRED ON A GROUP OF THIRTY VC (YD 603265) RESULTING
IN TWENTY VC KIA (PROB). FIVE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED DURING
THE DAY, AND ONE DETAINEE APPREHENDED ON 9 APRIL WAS RELEASED
AS AN INNOCENT CIVILIAN. ONE MARINE WAS WIA (MINOR) BY A
PUNJI STAKE ON 10 APRIL.

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THE ENEMY AVOIDED ANY MAJOR CONTACTS WITH MARCNE UNITS DURING THE DAY. HOWEVER, ONE NOTEWORTHY CONTACT WAS ACHIEVED BY COMBINED ACTION PLATOON A-6, JUST PRIOR TO DARKNESS, 4 MILES NORTHWEST OF PHU BAI, WHEN 30 TO 50 VIET CONG WERE SIGHTED. THE COMBINED ACTION UNIT IMMEDIATELY MANEUVERED TO ENGAGE THE ENEMY. ARTILLERY, SMALL ARMS AND M-79 FIRE WERE DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY CAUSING THEM TO SPLIT THEIR FORCES AND FLEE. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE SUFFERED DURING THE ENGAGEMENT. A CONFIRMED COUNT OF ENEMY DEAD AND WOUNDED HAS NOT BEEN MADE, AS THE VIET CONG MANAGED TO CARRY OFF THEIR CASUALTIES UNDER THE COVER OF DARKNESS.

D. SIX NEW CARGO RECORDS ESTABLISHED
I CTZ LOGISTIC PERSONNEL HAVE AGAIN EXCEEDED THEIR CARGO HANDLING RECORDS FOR THE SECOND TIME IN LESS THAN A WEEK. ON 11 APRIL 6 PROVIOUS CARGO HANDLING RECORDS WERE BROKEN, 5 OF WHICH WERE ESTABLISHED ON 7 APRIL. THE DANANG UNLOAD RECORD

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WAS EXCEEDED BY 3,822 SHORT TONS AND 356 MEASUREMENT TONS, WHILE THE TOTAL CARGO PROCESSED THROUGH THE DANANG LOGISTICAL CENTERS EXCEEDED THE PREVIOUS RECORD BY 2,494 SHORT TONS AND 91 MEASUREMENT TONS. IN ADDITION, THE PREVIOUS THROUGHPUT RECORD FOR ALL OF I CORPS WAS BROKEN ON 11 APRIL. SEE PARAGRAPH G FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) CONTINUEZK SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) REPORTING LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1630H, OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WAS PASSED TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) AND THE BATTALION JOINED THE OPERATION. AT 1630H, THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) ASSUMED COMMAND OF THE FOURTH SEARCH LIGHT SECTION, THIRD PLATOON, BATTERY G, 29TH

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ARTILLERY, US ARMY. AT 1815H, A COMBINED ACTION COMPANY
P-2 PARROL KILLED ONE VC (CONF) AND CAPTURED ONE MAUSER
REFLE (YD 268567). ONE DETAINEE WAS ALSO APPREHENDED DURING
THE DAY.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 2 ESCORT AND 9 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPQ-10)
SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS
FLEW 200 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 665 PERSONNEL AND 4 TONS
OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 499 MISSIONS AND 4313 ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE,
175MM GUNS FIRED 63 MISSIONS EXPENDING
799 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC		ENEMY
0/50 KIA	N	1/231 KIA (CONF)
0/450 WIA		0/238 KIA (PROB)
		0/4 NVA/PW
		1/153 DETAINEES
		0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
		0/134 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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1/122 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THU THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
AT 1800H, THE SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, PASSED TO THE
OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION AND THENCE TO THE
FOURTH MARINES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE OPERATION. AT 1145H, A
PATROL FROM COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES KILLED ONE
VC (CONF) (YD 600248). AT THE SAME TIME, A RECON PATROL
OBSERVED THREE VC KILLED (CONF) BY AN ARTILLERY LZ PJXPARTION
(YD 594247). AT 1630, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY E, SECOND
BATTALION, 26TH MARINES WAS KIA AND TWO MARINES WERE WIA.
(MED EVAC) BY A MINE (YD 602264). DURING THE DAY, FOUR
DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED CIVIL DEFENDANTS AND THREE
DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BIG HORN
CONSISTED OF 2 LZ PREPARATIONS AND 2 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES,
WHICH EXPENDED 6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
222 MISSIONS AND 698 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF
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PRAIRIE III

120001H - 122400H

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PORTS ON 12 APRIL, EXCEEDED THE 11 APRIL HIGH OF 24,765
MEASUREMENT TONS BY 1,156 MEASUREMENT TONS. ALSO, 6,191
MEASUREMENT TONS OF CARGO
WERE PROCESSED THROUGH CHU LAI, EXCEEDING THE PREVIOUS
RECORD ESTABLISHED ON 11 NOVEMBER 1966 BY 1,379 TONS.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) WITH FOUR INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINE; FIRST BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE
WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0855H, A RECON PATROL EXCHANGED SMALL
ARMS FIRE WITH SEVEN NVA (YD 143649). THE PATROL CAPTURED ONE
DETAINEE (WIA) AND ONE AK-47 RIFLE WHILE SUSTAINING ONE WIA
(MINOR). AT 1450H, UPON INSERTION (YD 080644) A RECON PATROL
MADE CONTACT WITH FOUR NVA. TWO NVA KIA (CONF) AND TWO KIA
(PROB) WERE REPORTED. THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED: ARTILLERY AND
AIR STRIKES WERE DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY POSITION WITH UNCONFIRMED
ADDITIONAL ENEMY CASUALTIES. AT 1620H, COMPANY B, FIRST BAT-

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TALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 191731) ENGAGED TWO NVA SQUADS. A
TANK SUPPORTING THE INFANTRY RECEIVED ONE ROCKET HIT. HEAVY
MARINE FIRE FORCED THE ENEMY TO BREAK CONTACT LEAVING FOUR
NVA KIA (CONF) AND FIVE KIA (PROB). MARINES SUSTAINED ONE
KIA AND EIGHT WIA (MED EVAC). TWO DETAINEES SURRENDERED DURING
THE DAY AND ONE AK-47 RIFLE WAS FOUND.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 16 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 VISUAL AND 14 TPQ-10)
SORTIES, 7 2 8: 3/03, 535 16 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ONE SECONDARY
FIRE AND ONE SECONDARY (EXPLOSION) WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FLEW
338 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 324 PERSONNEL AND 7 TONS OF
CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 754 MISSIONS AND 4142 ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THIS
TOTAL, 175MM GUNS FIRED 6 OBSERVED AND 67 UNOBSERVED MISSIONS
EXPENDING 832 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

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(CONF)

0/4 VC/PW

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3/155 DETAINEES

2/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
2/134 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
"724 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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2/11 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
2/12 WEAPONS CAPTURED

2. SPECIAL OPSATIONS
IA(1) GOLDEN FLEECE. NO CONTACT.

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BLT 2/3 COMMENCED LOADING AT OKINAWA ON 13 APRIL ABOARD THE USS PRINCETON (LPH-5), USS OGDEN (LPD-5) AND THE USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35). THE SLF IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART OKINAWA ON 15 APRIL.

E. AIR OPERATIONS 6 TO 12 APRIL

DURING THE WEEK OF 6 TO 12 APRIL, MARINE FIXED WING PILOTS FLEW 6,859 TACTICAL STRIKE SORTIES, 243 OF WHICH WERE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF III MAF GROUND TROOPS. AS A RESULT OF THESE SORTIES, 52 VIET CONG WERE KILLED, 82 PROBABLY KILLED, 267 ENEMY STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 28 BRIDGES DESTROYED, AND NUMEROUS OTHER ENEMY EMPLACEMENTS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.

HELICOPTER PILOTS OF MARINE AIR GROUPS 16 AND 36 FLEW 6,774 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 10,964 PERSONNEL AND 1,059 TONS OF CARGO DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

F. OPERATION OREGON

THE 196TH INFANTRY BRIGADE COMPLETED ITS MOVE TO CHU LAI AT 0020H ON 14 APRIL. PRINCIPAL SUBORDINATE ELEMENTS AND THEIR LOCATIONS ARE AS

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FOLLOWS:

3D BATTALION, 21ST INFANTRY	-BT5795
4TH BATTALION, 31ST INFANTRY	-BT6399
2ND BATTALION, 1ST INFANTRY	-BT5309
3RD BATTALION 82ND ARTILLERY	-BT5302
8TH SUPPORT BATTALION	-BT5302
175TH ENGINEER COMPANY	-BT5302

F TROOP, 1ST BATTALION, 7TH CALVARY - CHU LAI
THE EXACT LOCATION OF F TROOP, WHICH ARRIVED AT 1430H ON 12 APRIL, HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1145H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH FLYENEMY (XD 939469). AN ARTILLERY MISSION IN SUPPORT

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OF THE PATROL RESULTED IN TWO VC KIA(PROB). AT 1600H, COMPANY
B, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES FOUND ONE NVA BODY (161 190-
731). AT 1815H, FIVE MARINES FROM COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES WERE WIA (MED EVAC) BY A MINE (XD 972450).

(B) AIR SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 24 HELICOPTER SORTIES TRANSPORTING 19 PERSONNEL.

ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 763 MISSIONS AND 3137 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION
IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED
50 MISSIONS EXPENDING 510 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS; DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/52 KIA

5/464 WIA

ENEMY

1/238 KIA(CONF)

2/246 KIA(PROB)

0/155 DETAINEES

0/4 PW/NVA.

0/134 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

0/124 WEAPONS

(6 OPERATION BIG HORN)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS
(SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH
MARINES, AND SECOND BATTALION, 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH

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AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUASYHIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CON-
TACT. AT 0845H, A UNIT FROM COMPANY C, THIRD TANK BATTALION FIRED
ON FOURTEEN VC IN A TREELINE (YD 585269) AND KILLED FOUR VC
(CONF). AT 1014H, FIVE MARINES FROM COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES WERE WIA (MED EVAC) BY A MINE (YD 595268). AT
1230H, MARINES FOUND TWO VC BODIES (YD 602264). AT 1430H, AN
ARTILLERY MISSION ON ONE VC (YD 523187) RESULTED IN ONE VC KIA
(PGOB).

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 241 MISSIONS AND 421
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/22 KIA

5/80 WIA

ENEMY

6/62 KIA(CONF)

1/131 KIA(PROB)

0/21 DETAINEES

0/1 RETURNEES

0/9 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

0/11 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/10 WEAPONS

(3) OPERATION HUMBOLDT

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REMAINDER OF COMPANY F SWEEPED THROUGH THE VIET CONG
POSITIONS FROM THE EAST. FINAL RESULTS OF THE
ENGAGEMENT WERE 10 VIET CONG KILLED AND 13 OTHERS PROBABLY
KILLED

C. MARINE AIR OPERATIONS

DURING THE DAY, MARINE FIXED-WING PILOTS
FLEW 100 ATTACK SORTIES IN RVN WITH A BOMB DAMAGE
ASSESSMENT OF 38 ENEMY KILLED, 50 OTHERS PROBABLY
KILLED, 29 ENEMY STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND 5 SECONDARY
EXPLOSIONS AND HXKRES. IN ADDITION, 37 SORTIES WERE
FLOWN AGAINST ENEMY INSTALLATIONS IN NORTH VIETNAM
AND LAOS FOR WHICH RESULTS COULD NOT BE CONFIRMED.

HELICOPTER PILOTS FLEW 801 SORTIES WHICH
TRANSPORTED 697 PERSONNEL AND 93 TONS OF CARGO.

D. CIVIL AFFAIRS

MARINES AND CORPSMAN OF 3RD BATTALION,
25TH MARINES RECENTLY UTILIZED A NEW "MOBILE
MEDCAP" CONCEPT OF TAKING MEDICAL CARE TO THE
PEOPLE AT THEIR HOMES IN LOC BOM VILLAGE, 2 MILES
SOUTH OF PHU BAI, RATHER THAN HAVING THE PEOPLE

PAC SITROP

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ASSEMBLE FOR TREATMENTS. THE OBJECTIVES OF THE
NEW CONCEPT ARE TO MAKE MEDICAL TREATMENT
AVAILABLE TO THOSE UNABLE TO TRAVEL; TO
DEMONSTRATE HUMANITARIAN AS WELL AS MILITARY
ASSISTANCE TO THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE, AND TO
MAKE PEOPLE AWARE OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED
MEDCAPS.

AT LOC BOM, THE TREATMENT WAS
DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY THE VILLAGERS AND SOME
OF THE PEOPLE, WHO APPEARED TO BE NERVOUS
AND HOSTILE INITIALLY, DRASTICALLY CHANGED
THEIR ATTITUDE WHEN THEY DISCOVERED THE
MARINES WERE CONCERNED WITH THEIR WELFARE.

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UNKASBCTHE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWDBOL WITH FOUR
INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BLY KLION, THIRD MARINES, FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI

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PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1415H, AMCELEVENTH ENGINEER BATTALION
PATROL VICINITY (FFH226575) APPREHENDED ONE DETAPHEE. AT
1630H COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES VICINITY
'3E1379) #11 APPREHENDED ONE DETAINEE. DURING THIS PERIODS ONE
DETAINEE WAS CLASSIFIED AS AN INNOCENT CIVILIAN.

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FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 2 ESCORT AND 13 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (13 TPQ-125

SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 17 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS
FLEW 64 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 136 ZWONNEL AND EIGHT TONS
OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 833 MISSIONS AND 3548 ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION IN SUPP RT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF W ESE,
175MM GUNS FIRED 11J MISSIONS EXPENDING 805 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

2/52 KIA

SU2/238 KIA(CONF)

2/466XWWIA(ADJ)

2/247 KIA(PROB)(ADJ)

2/4 NVA/PW

SMXXGTU DETAINEES

2/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS35(ADJ)

2/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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NOTE: CIVIL DEFENDANT STATISTICS CORRECTED FROM REPORT

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(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES; KOAND SECOND BATTALION, TWENTYXXIXTCAMARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND BT TROYIIDYERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE
WITH LIGHZYCONTACT. AT 1112H, A UNIT FROM COMPANY E, SECOND
LBATTALION TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITHWTANKS, VICINITY (YD 5240N
1447) FIRED ON TWO VC. TWO VC WERE KIA(PROB)/3 DURING THIS PERIOD
EIGHT USMC WWIE WIA (KED EVAC) BY MINDY EXPLOSIVE DEVICES IN
FOUR INCIDENTS.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 215 MISSIONS ANE 699 ROUNDS OF AMMUN
ION IN SUPPORT OF INF4 KJZ OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC

ENEMY

2/22 KIA

2/62 KIA(CONF)

2/98 WIA(ADJ)

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ENEMY CASUALTIES COULD NOT BE CONFIRMED.

MEANWHILE, 1253 COUNTERGUERRILLA PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WITHIN III MAF TACTICAL AREAS RESULTED IN 7 ENEMY KILLED (CONFIRMED), 13 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED AND 1 VIET CONG CAPTURED.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF III MAF LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3A, BELOW.

F. MARINE AIR OPERATIONS

FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING CONDUCTED 158 ATTACK SORTIES AT ENEMY TARGETS IN RVN DURING THE DAY WHILE ALSO STRIKING AT TARGETS IN NVN WITH 8 OTHER SORTIES AND PROVIDING 13 ECM SORTIES OVER NVN. PARTIAL RESULTS OF THESE MISSIONS SHOWED 5 KBA (CONFIRMED), 53 STRUCTURES, 1 BRIDGE AND AN ANTI-AIRCRAFT POSITION DESTROYED AND 26 OTHER STRUCTURES OR POSITIONS DAMAGED BY THE IN-COUNTRY MISSIONS. OVER NVN, BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS WERE INCOMPLETE AS 7 OF THE 8 MISSIONS WERE TPQ-17 RADAR CONTROLLED STRIKES BY A4A AIRCRAFT UNDER CONDITIONS OF LIMITED VISIBILITY.

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KNOWN RESULTS OF THE NVN MISSIONS WERE 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION CREATED, 3 ROADS CUT AND 1 BOAT DOCK DESTROYED.

WING HELICOPTER SQUADRONS FLEW 1,288 SORTIES, LIFTING 1,250 PERSONNEL AND 156 TONS OF CARGO DURING THE PERIOD.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD), WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1040H, AN LVTH, WITH TROOPS FROM COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, DETONATED A MINE, VICINITY OF (YD 323712). THE LVT SUSTAINED MODERATE DAMAGE. AT 1330H, COMPANY D, ELEVENTH ENGINEERS DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, VICINITY OF (YD 185729). TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1420H, A THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES M-54 TRUCK RECEIVED HEAVY DAMAGE FROM A MINE (YD 068532). 5 USMC WERE

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WIA (MINOR). AT 1445H, A COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES PATROL, VICINITY OF (YD 313477) ENCOUNTERED 3 ENEMY IN A TRENCH. TWO VC WERE KIA (CONF), 1 DETAINEE, 2 WEAPONS, AND NUMEROUS DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. AT 1500H, RECON TEAM 2-D-1 RECEIVED FIRE FROM VICINITY OF (YD 349446). TWO ARTILLERY MISSIONS WERE CALLED. THE ESTIMATED 15 NVA IN BUNKERS AND TUNNELS BROKE CONTACT. 1 USMC WAS WIA (MINOR) AND 2 VC WERE KIA (PROB). AT 1530H, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE, VICINITY OF (YD 341477). ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1700H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP, VICINITY OF (YD 186731), RECEIVED 20-25 ROUNDS OF 60MM FIRE. 7 USMC WERE WIA (4 MED EVAC). COUNTER-MORTAR FIRE WAS RETURNED BUT RESULTS WERE UNKNOWN.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III CONSISTED OF 12 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (12 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 17 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 167 SORTIES.

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AND TRANSPORTED 158 PERSONNEL AND 10 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 843 MISSIONS AND 4218 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 53 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 661 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC ENEMY

0/52 KIA 2/240 KIA (CONF)

16/482 WIA 2/249 KIA (PROB)

0/4 NVA/PV

1/158 DETAINEES (ADJ)

0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

0/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2/126 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 304 MISSIONS AND 638 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC ENEMY

0/22 KIA 0/62 KIA (CONF)

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OPERATION IS EXPECTED TO BE OF THREE TO FIVE DAYS DURATION.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE III

THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD), WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1114H, RECON TEAM 2C2, IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 115646) MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED NVA PLATOON. THE PATROL EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CALLED IN ARTILLERY FIRE. TWELVE VC WERE KIA (PROB). AT 1330H, A BULLDOZER WORKING IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 156731) DETONATED A MINE; ONE USMC WAS KIA (MINOR). AT 1625H, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 188732), RECEIVED 22-25 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE; FIVE USMC WERE KIA (MED EVAC). MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III CONSISTED OF NINE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SOP-

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TIES, WHICH EXPENDED 12 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 39 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 46 PERSONNEL AND 6 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 842 MISSIONS AND 4156 POUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 75 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 60 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

8/52 KIA
6/488 WIA

8/242 KIA (CONF)
12/261 KIA (PROB)
0/4 NVA/PV
0/158 DETAINEES
0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
0/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/126 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. SEVEN USMC WERE MED EVACED DURING THE DAY BECAUSE OF INJURIES FROM MINES AND EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. AT 1210H, COMPANY E, ET

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MONTHS AND 38 PERCENT FROM THE LAST QUARTER OF 1966.
THIS CAN ALSO BE COMPARED TO THE LATEST FIGURES
RECEIVED, OF AN OVERALL AVERAGE OF \$40.00 PER MAN PER
MONTH, AS COMPUTED BY COMUSMACV FOR ALL US FORCES
IN-COUNTRY.

D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM NVA MAJOR
HUYNH CU, A MAJOR IN THE NORTH VIETNAMESE
ARMY WHO DEFECTED TO GVN CONTROL ON 24 MARCH, HAS
PROVIDED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO III MAF INTERROGATORS,
THE DETAILS OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 3F.
IN THE 3 WEEKS SINCE CU RETURNED TO GVN CONTROL, HE HAS
DISCLOSED MUCH INFORMATION ON FUTURE ENEMY
ACTIVITIES. IN ADDITION, HE HAS PROVIDED A DETAILED ORGANIZATIONAL
BREAKDOWN OF MILITARY REGION 5 AND UNITS UNDER MILITARY
REGION 5 CONTROL, MOST OF WHICH HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIATED
BY PREVIOUS REPORTS FROM AGENTS, POWS AND OTHER
INTELLIGENCE SOURCES.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE

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(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD) WITH FOUR IN-
FANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS NINTH
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0155H A COMPANY I, THIRD
BATTALION, NINTH MARINES AMBUSH FIRED AT TWO ENEMY AT (YD
845554). ONE VC WAS KIA (PROB). AT 0230H, A COMPANY C, FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AMBUSH AT (YD 367663) RECEIVED 1
MORTAR POUND. ONE USMC WAS WIA (MINOR). AT 0545H, A RECON TEAM
RECEIVED A MORTAR POUND IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 852675).
THREE USMC WERE WIA (MEDEVAC). AT 1100H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES FOUND THREE GRAVES WITH SEVEN ENEMY KIA BY
FRAGMENTS. SEVEN VC WERE KIA (CONF). AT 1215H, COMPANY D, FIRST
BATTALION, NINTH MARINES EXCHANGED FIRE WITH VC AT (YD 340475).
ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1605H, A COMPANY L AMBUSH FIRED
AT ONE VC AT (YD 128537). ONE VC WAS KIA (CONF) AND ONE WEAPON
WAS CAPTURED. DURING THE DAY ONE USMC WAS WIA (MINOR) BY
SNIPER FIRE AND ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 15 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (15 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH

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EXPENDED 28 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 108 SORTIES AND
TRANSPORTED 92 PERSONNEL AND FIVE TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS
FIRED 983 MISSIONS AND 2619 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF
INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 58 MISSIONS,
EXPENDING 674 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/52 KIA

6/494 WIA

ENEMY

9/249 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)

1/255 KIA (PROB)

0/4 NVA/PW

1/159 DETAINEES

0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

0/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1/127 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CON-
TINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) TWO USMC FROM COMPANY C, THIRD

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TANK BATTALION WERE WIA (MINOR) AS A RESULT OF ACTION ON 13
APRIL. AT 1800H ONE USMC FROM COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES STEPPED ON A PUNJI STAKE AT (YD 505353). ONE
USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC).

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 336 MISSIONS AND 750
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/22 WIA

3/114 WIA

ENEMY

0/62 KIA (CONF)

0/133 KIA (PROB)

0/21 DETAINEES

0/1 RETURNEES

0/9 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

0/11 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/10 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION HUMBOLT

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION, FIRST MARINES TERMINATED
SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE.
THERE WAS LIGHT CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. DURING THE DAY TWO
USMC WERE WIA (MINOR) FROM GRENADES AND SMALL ARMS FIRE.

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THE THREE ELECTIONS CONDUCTED IN ICTZ THUS FAR IS 78.6 PERCENT.
CONSIDERING THE INCREASED VC ACTIVITY AIMED AT DISRUPTING THE
ELECTIONS (MY REPORT NUMBER 736 REFERS), VOTER TURNOUT IS CON-
SIDERED VERY ENCOURAGING.

E. INTERROGATION OF MAJOR CU CONTINUES
THE LATEST INTERROGATION REPORT OF MAJOR CU, THE
TRAINING OFFICER OF MILITARY REGION WHO DEFECTED TO
GVN CONTROL ON 24 MARCH, IS CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 3F.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT ACTIVITIES

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE

(A) THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD), WITH FOUR
INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. DURING THE DAY 1 USMC WAS
VIA (MED EVAC) FROM SMALL ARMS FIRE. AT 1600H, COMPANY
L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND SMALL AMOUNTS OF
AMMUNITION AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES, 1 SHORT WAVE AND 1 CIVILIAN
RADIO, AND ONE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM IN THE VICINITY OF (YD

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296478). AT 1230H THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES C. P.
IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 127725) RECEIVED 24-25 POUNDS OF
82MM MORTAR FIRE. COUNTERMORTAR FIRE WAS EMPLOYED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE III
CONSISTED OF 1 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPO-10) SORTIE, WHICH EX-
PENDED 3 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 202 SORTIES AND
TRANSPORTED 239 PERSONNEL AND 17 TONS OF CARGO, ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 867 MISSIONS AND 3152 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED
48 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 590 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC
2/54 KIA
14/508 WIA

ENEMY
0/249 KIA (CONF)
0/255 KIA (PROB)
0/4 NVA/PW
0/159 DETAINEES
0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
0/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/127 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

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EXPECTED TO ARRIVE THERE ON 20 APRIL.

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A. MAJOR OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE 411

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD), WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) TERMINATED A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN QUANG TRI AT 2400H. THERE WAS LIGHT CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD.

AT 0945H, A TANK WITH COMPANY D FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 167723). A TRACK WAS BLOWN OFF. AT 1200H, AN ELEVENTH ENGINEER TD-18 BULLDOZER DETONATED A MINE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 172724). A TRACK WAS DAMAGED. AT 1300H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 100725) ENGAGED AN ENEMY FORCE WHICH USED 82MM MORTAR FIRE AND 8-40 ROCKETS, AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE USMC WAS KIA AND 17 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). THREE NVA WERE KIA (CONF). ONE AK-47 AND ASSIGNED UNIT

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ZTAOMTOU WAS CAPTURED. DURING THE DAY TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

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(B) HELICOPTERS FLEW 209 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 324 PERSONNEL AND NINE TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 780 MISSIONS AND 3003 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 44 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 260 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/55 KIA	3/252 KIA (CONF)
17/529 WIA (ADJUSTED)	0/255 KIA (PROB)
	0/4 NVA/PW
	1/160 DETAINEES
	0/13 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	0/135 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	1/128 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS, (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (73 546). AT 181220H, AN ARTILLERY

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 COMM 170800H APR AND TERM 191600H APR. UNITS: USA: 1/14(-), 2/1(-).
 AO: BT5603, BS5695, BS4095, BT4003. CUM RES: FRD: NONE; EN: NONE.
 B. OPN PRAIRIE III: IN QUANG TRI PROV 30 KM NW QUANG TRI

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 CITY VIC YD060540, OPN PRAIRIE III A 3D MAR DIV USMC S/D OPN COMM
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 252 KIA, 164 DET, 13 CIV DEF, ONE RET, 117 I/ WPNS, 14 C/S WPNS, AND
 136-102MM RKTs EMPTRD. THERE WERE 448 AIR SORTIES AND SIX ARC LIGHT
 IN SPT OF THE OPN.

C. OPN PRAIRIE IV: IN QUANG TRI PROV 30 KM NW QUANG TRI CITY
 VIC YD060540 AT 200001H APR OPN PRAIRIE IV A 3D MAR DIV USMC S/D OPN
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