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PEOPLE. IN ADDITION, NEWS BULLETINS, LEAFLETS, POSTERS, AND BROADCASTS HAVE BEEN USED TO EXPLAIN THE ELECTIONS. AN INDICATION OF THE SUCCESS OF THIS SUPPORT HAS BEEN THE TURNOUT AT THE ELECTIONS PLUS THE FACT THAT A VERY SMALL NUMBER OF THE BALLOTS HAVE BEEN FAULTY.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. DURING THE PERIOD, COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES AND COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES WERE TAKEN FROM OPERATION PRAIRIE IV TO THE KHE SANH AREA OF OPERATION. AT 0830H, AN ELEVENTH ENGINEER CONVOY WAS ATTACKED (XD 948427) BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. THE CONVOY DETONATED ONE MINE AND RECEIVED GRENADES AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. ARTILLERY WAS CALLED IN ON THE ENEMY

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POSITIONS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. FIVE MARINES WERE KILLED AND TWENTY-TWO WERE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). ONE PC AND M-51 RECEIVED HEAVY DAMAGE. THERE WAS ONE ADDITIONAL WOUNDED (MED EVAC) WHEN THE CONVOY RECEIVED SPORADIC SMALL ARMS FIRE ON THE WAY TO CA LU. AT 1140H, COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 080597) DETONATED TWO CHICOM GRENADES RIGGED AS MINES; SIX MARINES WERE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 1300H, DURING A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 357460) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD. SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WERE EXCHANGED AND FOUR VC WERE KILLED (PROB). ONE BAG OF RICE, ONE PONCHO, ONE KNAPSACK AND TWO BOTTLES OF MOSQUITO REPELLENT WERE CAPTURED. AT 1520H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD-350475) HAD ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC) WHEN A CHICOM GRENADE RIGGED AS A MINE DETONATED. AT 1830H, COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED NVA COMPANY IN WELL PREPARED POSITIONS. MORTAR FIRE AND HEAVY SA/AV FIRE WERE EXCHANGED. AT 2130H, THERE WAS NO CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY.

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW TWO CAS AND FIVE DAS (TPQ) SORTIES EXPENDING 11.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE.

HELICOPTERS FLEW FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE SORTIES TRANSPORTING SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX PERSONNEL AND 38.3 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY FIRED FOUR HUNDRED TWO MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 1734 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. DURING THE PERIOD, 175MM GUNS FIRED ONE OBSERVED AND THIRTY-FIVE UNOBSERVED MISSIONS EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

5/8 KIA

0/33 KIA (CONF)

30/86 WIA

4/27 KIA (PROB)

0/10 DETAINEES

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0/30 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR

(A) THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE CONSISTING OF BATTALION LANDING TEAM SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES AND HCM-164 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0900H, COMPANY H (YD 570460) APPREHENDED ONE DETAINEE.

(B) THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR, HAS BEEN PROVIDED SINCE THE OPERATION BEGAN: SIX FIXED WING AIRCRAFT SORTIES, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX HELICOPTERS SORTIES AND ONE NAVAL GUNFIRE MISSION EXPENDING TWENTY-ONE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

0/2 WIA

0/15 KIA (PROB)

1/1 DETAINEE

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES; AND SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES)

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ADDITION, 15 ATTACK SORTIES AND 13 ELECTRONIC COUNTER-
MEASURE SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN NORTH VIETNAM AND
19 ATTACK SORTIES IN SOUTH LAOS. OVER 400 TONS OF
ORDNANCE WERE DELIVERED ON ENEMY POSITIONS, RESULTING
IN 66 ENEMY KILLED, 35 PROBABLY KILLED, 20 SECONDARY
EXPLOSIONS, 2 BRIDGES DESTROYED, 4 MORTAR POSITIONS
DESTROYED AND 56 ENEMY STRUCTURES DESTROYED.

COMBINED ACTION UNIT ACTIVITIES DURING APRIL

COMBINED ACTION UNITS NORMALLY OPERATING
IN PLATOON SIZE OR SMALLER UNITS, CONDUCTED A TOTAL
OF 3,622 PATROLS AND AMBUSHES DURING APRIL. AN
AVERAGE OF 50 PATROLS OR AMBUSHES FOR EACH OF THE
72 PLATOONS IN-BEING ON 30 APRIL. 1,498 OF THESE WERE
DAYLIGHT PATROLS, AND 2,124 WERE NIGHTTIME PATROLS
AND AMBUSHES. DURING THESE COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERA-
TIONS, 35 VIET CONG WERE KILLED, ANOTHER 75 WERE
PROBABLY KILLED, 27 WERE CAPTURED AND 119 DETAINEES
WERE HELD FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING. IN ADDITION, 9
RIFLES, 1 PISTOL AND A NUMBER OF GRENADES WERE SEIZED.

AMMUNITION CACHE FOUND

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COMPANY H, 2ND BATTALION, 9TH MARINES IN
OPERATION SHAWNEE, 47 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF HUE,
UNCOVERED A SIZEABLE ENEMY AMMUNITION CACHE ON 9 MAY. THE
CACHE CONTAINED 406 ROUNDS OF MORTAR AMMUNITION,
11 ROUNDS OF 75MM RECOILLESS RIFLE AMMO, 5,000 ROUNDS
OF SMALL ARMS, 241 CHICOM GRENADES, AND 200 POUNDS
OF TNT. ALL OF THE AMMUNITION WAS SUBSEQUENTLY DES-
TROYED.

ENEMY LOSSES DURING APRIL

USMC FORCES CONDUCTING OFFENSIVE OPERA-
TIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY DURING APRIL KILLED 1,360
OF THE ENEMY, PROBABLY KILLED 1,826 MORE, CAPTURED
165 AND SEIZED 231 WEAPONS. THE TOTAL ENEMY LOSSES
CAUSED BY ALL FREE WORLD FORCES IN I CTZ DURING THE
MONTH WERE, 3,157 KILLED, 3,174 PROBABLY
KILLED, 472 CAPTURED AND 432 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION
WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES;

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FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS (-),
NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN

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QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 0245H, THE DONG HA COMBAT BASE AT (YD 245598) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 25 ROUNDS OF 140MM ROCKET FIRE. FOUR USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). BETWEEN 0245H, AND 0400H, ARTILLERY POSITIONS AT (YD 214740) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 20 ROUNDS OF 102MM FIN STABILIZED ROCKETS. ONE USMC WAS KIA, AND 11 USMC WERE WIA. FROM 0245H, TO 0630H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AT (YD 117701) RECEIVED 250-300 ROUNDS OF 60/82MM MORTAR FIRE, AND WAS ASSAULTED BY AN ESTIMATED TWO NVA BATTALIONS. THE ENEMY BREACHED THE WIRE WITH BAMBOO BANGALORE TORPEDOES AND SATCHEL CHARGES. SCATTERED POCKETS OF RESISTANCE WERE DRIVEN OUT OF THE POSITION BY 0730H, AND SOME STRAGGLERS WERE STILL IN CONTACT AT 1100H. ALL ORGANIC WEAPONS AND ARTILLERY, AIR AND TANKS WERE EMPLOYED IN REPELLING THE ATTACK. ENEMY LOSSES WERE: 197 KIA(CONF), 200 KIA(PROB), EIGHT PW/NVA, ONE RADIO, 47 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS, 19 B-40 ROCKETS, THREE FLAME THROWERS, THREE LIGHT MACHINE GUNS, AND ASSORTED ITEMS OF AMMUNITION. USMC LOSSES WERE: 44 KIA, 110 WIA, 2 LVTS AND 1 M-42 WERE DAMAGED. BETWEEN 0310H AND 0400H, CAMP CARROL, AT (YD 063551)

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RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 24 ROUNDS OF 102MM ROCKET FIRE. FIVE USMC AND ONE USA WERE WIA (MED EVAC). ONE 81MM MORTAR, ONE JEEP, AND ONE 16CU FT REEFER WERE DAMAGED. AT 0700H, A COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AMBUSH NEAR (YD 102704) ENGAGED TWO ENEMY. ONE VC WAS KIA(CONF), AND ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED. TWO CHICOM SUBMACHINE GUNS WERE CAPTURED. TWO USMC WERE WIA (MINOR). AT 0800H, A COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES PATROL FOUND A POSSIBLE ENEMY ROCKET POSITION AND 1 M-16 RIFLE AT (YD 080596). DURING THE DAY, ONE OTHER DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF SIX DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (6 TPQ-10) SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 375 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 264 PERSONNEL AND 48 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 355 MISSIONS AND 4645 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 23 MISSIONS EXPENDING 132 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
45/66 KIA	198/255 KIA(CONF)(ADJ)
125/455 WIA	200/286 KIA(PROB)(ADJ)

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8/8 NVA/PW

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4/81 DETAINEES (ADJ)

75/115 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATING

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(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0745H, COMPANY H DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE AT (XD 773455). TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1055H, COMPANY H DISCOVERED A 50 BUNKER COMPLEX AT (XD 773455) AND CAPTURED 29-82MM AND 15-60MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 700 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION, AND FIVE POUNDS OF TNT. THE BUNKERS AND AMMUNITION WERE DESTROYED. AT 1115H, COMPANY F, NEAR (XD 788462) DESTROYED 30 THREE-MAN BUNKERS. AT 1330H, COMPANY G FOUND 3 M-16

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RIFLES, MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT AND 3-250 POUND BOMBS AT (XD 788448).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH CONSISTED OF FOUR CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND SIX DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (6 VISUAL) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 19 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 203 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/131 KIA	0/698 KIA (CONF)
2/395 WIA	0/741 KIA (PROB)
	0/4 NVA/PW
	3/47 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0955H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES EXCHANGED FIRE WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY AT (YD 285328). ONE USMC WAS KIA AND TWO USMC WERE WIA (MINOR). AT 1100H THE H85 COMPANY

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(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION 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 MODERATE CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 112330H, A REINFORCED PLATOON AMBUSH FROM COMPANY A, FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION SUPPORTED BY LVTH-6 FIRED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON A VC PLATOON (YD 307720); THIRTY-FIVE VC WERE KILLED (PROB). AT 120250H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM (YD 115693) HAD SIX MARINES WOUNDED (MINOR) FROM DETONATION OF AN UNKNOWN TYPE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE RESULTING IN SIX MARINES WOUNDED (MINOR). AT 1040H, ARTILLERY UNITS LOCATED AT (YD 115693) RECEIVED THIRTEEN ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN SEVEN MARINES WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 1250H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP

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(YD 117692) RECEIVED 10-15 ROUNDS OF MORTAR/ARTILLERY FIRE; ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND FOUR MARINES WERE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS DIRECTED AT SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. BETWEEN 1530-1605H, THE SAME POSITION RECEIVED 15-20 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE. DURING THIS ATTACK, SIX MARINES WERE WOUNDED; COUNTER MORTAR/ARTILLERY FIRE WAS DIRECTED AT SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. BETWEEN 1645-1655H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP RECEIVED 40-50 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE; 4 MARINE HELICOPTER WAS APPARENTLY HIT IN MID-AIR AND CRASHED RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WOUNDED AND TWO OTHERS MISSING. AT 2000H, ARTILLERY UNITS LOCATED AT (YD 213740) RECEIVED FIFTY-NINE ROUNDS OF 85MM GUN, 100 MM GUN, 105 HOWITZER AND 122MM GUN, AIR STRIKES, NAVAL GUNFIRE AND COUNTER-ARTILLERY FIRES WERE DIRECTED IN SUPPORT OF THE MARINES WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. FOURTEEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED AND 1,680 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY WAS LOST WHEN THE AMMUNITION BUNKER WAS HIT BY INCOMING ROUNDS. DURING THE PERIOD, TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW SIXTEEN SORTIES (TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT

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AND FOURTEEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT) WHICH EXPENDED THIRTY
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EIGHT SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT
PERSONNEL AND SIXTY-ONE TONS OF CARGO. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED
TWENTY MISSIONS AND EXPENDED TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 343
MISSIONS AND 2440 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF
INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/ CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/69 KIA

37/549 WIA

ENEMY

0/298 KIA (CONF)

35/337 KIA (PROB)

8 NVA/PW

1 VC/PW

2/86 DETAINEES

0/118 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH AREA
OF OPERATION.

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES AND
FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND

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DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO
CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1800H, SECOND BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES WAS PLACED UNDER THE OPERATIONAL OF CTG 76.5
AND COMMENCED BACKLOADING.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II
AND THE KHE SANH AREA OF OPERATION, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW
SEVENTEEN SORTIES, INCLUDING FIVE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND
TWELVE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS WHICH EXPENDED THIRTY SIX TONS
ON ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS TWELVE BUNKERS DESTROYED
AND ONE BUNKER DAMAGED. ARTILLERY FIRED FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-
FIVE MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE INFANTRY OPERATION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC

0/155 KIA

0/424 WIA

ENEMY

0/990 KIA (CONF)

0/588 KIA (PROB)

0/2 NVA/PW

0/4 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND

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A MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1030H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 154716) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND 60MM MORTAR FIRE. THE MARINES RETURNED THE FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE AND CALLED IN AIR STRIKES AND ARTILLERY ON THE ENEMY. COMPANY C ASSAULTED THE POSITION, RESULTING IN THREE VC KILLED (CONF). DURING THE CONTACT, ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND TWELVE MARINES WERE WOUNDED. AT 1340H, AN ELEVENTH ENGINEER BATTALION

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TRUCK DETONATED A MINE (XD 925400); THREE MARINES WERE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 1419H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 360624) RESULTING IN ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 1500H, AN ONTOS IN SUPPORT OF THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 102490) RESULTING IN MODERATE DAMAGE TO THE ONTOS. AT 1545H, CAP P-2 APPREHENDED TWO DETAINEES (YD 273555). AT 1545H, SEVEN GRAVES WITH SIX BODIES IN GREEN UNIFORMS WERE FOUND (YD 345-446) BY COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES. AT 1600H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 144716) FOUND FORTY ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR AMMUNITION, ONE BOX OF DOCUMENTS, AND FOUR BLASTING CAPS. FROM 1755H TO 1820H, THE GIO LINH OP RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED FOUR HUNDRED ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY CALIBER 105/122MM. AT 1950H, THE OP (YD 215742) RECEIVED 650 ROUNDS OF 81/82 MM MORTAR FIRE. DURING THE PERIOD, TWO MARINES WERE KILLED AND SIXTYNINE FRIENDLY WERE WOUNDED (NO BREAKDOWN BY SERVICE). (SEE HIGHLIGHTS)

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW TWO CAS SORTIES EXPENDING 3.2 TONS OF

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ORDNANCE. THERE WAS NO REPORTED BDA. HELICOPTERS FLEW TWO

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HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT SORTIES TRANSPORTING ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN PERSONNEL AND 26.2 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY FIRED ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN MISSIONS EXPENDING 1,111 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED TWENTY OBSERVED AND SIXTEEN UNOBSERVED MISSIONS. EXPENDING FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED FIVE MISSIONS EXPENDING ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE
(NOTE: DOES NOT INCLUDE GIO LINH CASUALTIES)

USMC	ENEMY
1/10 KIA	9/44 KIA (CONF)
16/113 WIA	0/39 KIA (PROB)
	3/18 DETAINEES
	0/31 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II

(A) SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED PHASE II OF THEIR SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN THE KHE SANH AREA OF OPERATION IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW TWO CAS SORTIES EXPENDING ONE TON OF ORDNANCE.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/1 KIA	0/17 KIA (PROB)
0/10 WIA	0/1 DETAINEE

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 261630H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WERE WOUNDED (YD 480137) WHEN THEY STEPPED ON PUNJI STAKES. AT 0930H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES FIRED SMALL ARMS AT TWO VC (YD 441178); THE AREA WAS SEARCHED AND ONE 8MM BOLT ACTION RIFLE, DETONATING CORD AND DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. AT 1535H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES FOUND ONE VC BODY IN A GRAVE (YD 602251).

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE, FIXED WING ONE AIRCRAFT FLEW ONE ESCORT ON ONE CAS SORTIE EXPENDING 0.4 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THERE WAS NO REPORTED BOA ARTILLERY FIRED ONE HUNDRED SIXTY MISSIONS AND EXPENDED FOUR HUNDRED SEVEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

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LAUNCHERS. TWO HAWK MISSILES WERE DESTROYED AND 10 OTHERS DAMAGED TO VARYING DEGREES FROM LIGHT TO MODERATE. A 10,000 GALLON TACTICAL AIRFIELD FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEM WAS DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR. THERE WERE NO MARINE CASUALTIES FROM THE ATTACK ITSELF, BUT NINE MARINES WERE REPORTED SLIGHTLY INJURED WHILE FIGHTING THE FIRES WHICH RESULTED.

REINFORCEMENT OF ICTZ

AT THE REQUEST OF COMUSMACV, CINCPAC HAS DIRECTED THE DEPLOYMENT OF BLT 3/4, THE MAJOR REMAINING GROUND COMBAT ELEMENT OF NINTH MAB, FROM OKINAWA TO ICTZ TO REINFORCE III MAF. CINCPACFLEET HAS AT III MAF REQUEST, ORDERED THE BLT TO MOVE BY AIR. NON AIR-TRANSPORTABLE ELEMENTS ARE TO FOLLOW IN SURFACE SHIPPING. THE DEPLOYMENT IS TO BE INITIATED ON 15 MAY. AFTER ARRIVING IN RVN, BLT 3/4 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD AND NINTH MARINES 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 MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSIGNED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE KHE SANH AREA TO THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES. AT 1500H, THE THIRD MARINES COMMAND GROUP 'A' AND COMPANIES K AND M OF THE THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES REVERTED TO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THEIR RESPECTIVE UNITS AND RETURNED TO CAMP CARROLL. AT 1530H, THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION PASSED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES TO THE NINTH MARINE REGIMENT AND COMPANY E ENTERED OPERATION PRAIRIE IV. AT 1440H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 135684) RECEIVED HEAVY AW/SA FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED NVA COMPANY IN CONCEALED POSITIONS. ARTILLERY, 90MM TANK, AND SMALL ARMS BT

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WERE FIRED AT THE ENEMY'S FORTIFIED POSITIONS RESULTING IN TWENTY-FOUR NVA KILLED (CONF), THIRTY KILLED (PROB) AND TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED. MARINES HAD NINE KILLED AND FORTY-SIX WOUNDED. AT 1540H, COMPANY A FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114690) RECEIVED 30-35 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE; ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED. COUNTER-MORTAR FIRE WAS DELIVERED ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. BETWEEN 1540H-1853H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP (YD 114700) RECEIVED 11-15 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN SIX MARINES WOUNDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW TWENTY-NINE SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWELVE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND SEVENTEEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TEN VISUAL AND SEVEN TPQ-10) WHICH EXPENDED 41.2 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS ONE AW POSITION DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FLEW TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN PERSONNEL AND 36.5

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TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED THREE HUNDRED. FORTY SIX MISSIONS AND 2722 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. DURING THE PERIOD, 175MM GUNS FIRED SEVEN OBSERVED AND FORTY EIGHT UNOBSERVED MISSIONS EXPENDING FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC	ENEMY
9/78 KIA	24/322 KIA (CONF)
53/602 WIA	30/367 KIA (PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/86 DETAINEES
	2/120 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (COMPANIES A, B, C, AND D), BATTERY A, FIRST BATTALION, THIRTEENTH MARINES AND BATTERY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWELFTH MARINES COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI P

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THE PRIEST LATER DIED OF THE WOUNDS. FOUR OF THE VILLAGERS WERE TAKEN BY THE ENEMY AS HOSTAGES.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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(A) THE THIRD AND NINTH MARINES 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 SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0320H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-3 (YD 178588) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND 10-25 SATCHEL CHARGES. THE ENEMY WAS REPULSED BY AW/SA FIRE AND ARTILLERY. ONE MARINE WAS KIA, THREE PF WERE KIA, FIFTEEN MARINES WERE WIA, THIRTEEN PF WERE WIA AND ONE PF IS MISSING. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE TWO KILLED (CONF) AND TWENTY ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB). AT 0415H, ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF) BY COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 114674). BETWEEN THE HOURS 0854H-0947H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 117720) RECEIVED 7-10 ROUNDS OF RECOILESS RIFLE FIRE; ONE MARINE

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WAS WIA. AT 0800H, AN AO CALLED AN AIR STRIKE ON AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA (YD 068699); ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF) AND ONE NVA WAS KILLED (PROB). AT 0930H, AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS CALLED ON THREE NVA IN THE OPEN (YD 153247) RESULTING IN THREE ENEMY KILLED. AT 1000H, AN AO CALLED AN AIR STRIKE ON THREE ENEMY (YD 108682). THREE ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB). BETWEEN 0600H-0945H, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 113675) RECEIVED A PROBE FROM AN ESTIMATED NVA COMPANY. THE ATTACK WAS SUPPORTED BY MORTARS AND SATCHEL CHARGES AND WAS REPELLED BY ARTILLERY, MORTARS, M-79 AND AIR STRIKES. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE TEN KILLED (CONF), THIRTY KILLED (PROB) AND SIX CHICOM LMG'S, NINE AK-47, THREE CARBINES, ONE M-1 AND A .45 CAL PISTOL WERE CAPTURED. AT 1045H, A TWELFTH MARINES CONVOY (YD 315545) HAD ONE 8" SP HOWITZER HEAVILY DAMAGED WHEN IT DETONATED A MINE; FOUR MARINES WERE WOUNDED. AT 1100H, DURING A MED EVAC, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 113675), RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND 82MM MORTAR FIRE (YD 113675) RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES KILLED AND EIGHT MARINES WOUNDED. AT 1145H, ELEVEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED FROM COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 115674) WHEN THEY REBT

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CEIVED FIVE ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE. AT 1230H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-2 (YD 275573) RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. THE VC BROKE CONTACT; DURING THE EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS, ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED. BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 1300-1400H, THREE MARINES WERE KILLED AND FOURTEEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED FROM COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 115678) WHEN THEY RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 35 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE. AT 1450H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114700) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF RECOILESS RIFLE FIRE AND FOUR ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE WOUNDING ONE MARINE. AT 1540H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 114675) RECEIVED TWENTY ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE MARINE KILLED AND ONE MARINE WOUNDED. AT 1610H, ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED FROM THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114700) WHEN TWO ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE HIT THEIR POSITION. AT 1630H, COMPANY A, THIRD AMTRAC BATTALION DETONATED AN UNKNOWN TYPE EXPLOSIVE

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DEVICE RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES WOUNDED. DURING THE PERIOD, ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH (YD 215741) RECEIVED TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF MORTAR/ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN SEVEN MARINES WOUNDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIR SUPPORT FLEW 48 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 18 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 30 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (25 VISUAL AND FIVE TPQ-10) SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 70 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS TWO TRENCHES DAMAGED, TWO MORTAR POSITIONS DESTROYED, NINETEEN BUNKERS DESTROYED, ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED, ONE AW DESTROYED, ONE KHA (CONF), THREE KBA (PROB), SEVEN STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND ONE ROAD WAS CUT. HELICOPTERS FLEW 416 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 136 PERSONNEL AND 26.1 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 299 MISSIONS AND 2634 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

7C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
10/102 KIA	14/364 KIA(CONF)
107/790 WIA	62/480 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW

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0/1 VC/PW

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20/141 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH THE FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES; BATTERY A, FIRST BATTALION, THIRTEENTH MARINES; AND BATTERY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWELFTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1335H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM WAS INSERTED AT (XD 927377) AND BECAME SURROUNDED BY 50-100 NVA IN THE LZ. THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED AFTER EXCHANGING AW/SA FIRE WITH THE ENEMY. EIGHT NVA WERE KILLED(CONF) AND SEVEN NVA WERE KILLED (PROB). THERE WERE NO MARINE CASUALTIES.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 19 SORTIES CONSISTING OF EIGHT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 11 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (10 VISUAL AND 1 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 30 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THERE WAS NO REPORTED BDA. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 33 MISSIONS AND 217 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

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(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

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8/8 KIA(CONF)

7/7 KIA(PROB)

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALIONS OF THE FOURTH, NINTH AND TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1430H, THE SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES WERE PLACED UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE NINTH MARINES AND ENTERED OPERATION PRAIRIE IV. AT 0950, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES HAD ONE MARINE KILLED AND FOUR MARINES WOUNDED WHEN AN UNKNOWN TYPE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE DETONATED. AT 1000H, ONE VC WAS KILLED AND ONE RUSSIAN SMG WAS CAPTURED (YD368395) BY THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES. AT 1300H, ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED WHEN COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD371371) RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE. AT 2330H, H&S COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, HAD ONE MARINE WOUNDED WHEN HE WAS HIT BY A 40MM SHELL THAT WAS EJECTED

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ALONG THE SONG VU GIA RIVER, BETWEEN THE
THUONG DNC CIDG CAMP (2C1554 AND HILL 52 (C2155)
APPROXIMATELY 50 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF
PHU BAI.

F. 9TH NVA REGIMENT

DOCUMENTS CAPTURED BY MARINES ON 14 MAY
DURING OPERATION SHAWNEE DISCLOSE THAT THE 9TH
NVA REGIMENT, ORIGINALLY SUBORDINATE TO THE 304TH
NVA DIVISION, IS PRESENTLY UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE
341ST NVA DIVISION AND HAS INFILTRATED INTO QUANG TRI
PROVINCE. (FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE PARAGRAPH 3F).

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(I) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD AND NINTH MARINES WITH SEVEN
INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH
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MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 151430H, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES JOINED OPERATION PRAIRIE IV. (LATE ENTRY) AT 151600H, THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES. AT 161000H, THE NINTH MARINES ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WITH COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, AND JOINED OPERATION PRAIRIE IV. AT 0035H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-1 (YD 275578) HAD ONE MARINE WOUNDED WHEN IT RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE. AT 0805H, COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 132625) SUPPORTED BY TANKS DETONATED A MINE. ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED. AT 1030H, COMPA ZI, THIRD BATTALION,

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THIRD MARINES OBSERVED AND FIRED 81MM MORTAR FIRE AT 6-7 ENEMY (XD 965573); ONE VC WAS KILLED (CONF) AND TWO VC WERE KILLED (PROB). AT 1115H, A VILLAGE CHIEF SHOWED COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES, (YD 023458) A MINE THAT WAS BURIED BY THE VC. AT 1225H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM (YD 064625) EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC; ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED AND THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED. AT 1300H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINE ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED NVA COMPANY (YD 145702). THE ENEMY WAS WELL ENTRENCHED IN PREPARED POSITIONS. COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES MANUEVERED AND LINKED UP WITH COMPANY F. THE NVA BROKE CONTU

T LEAPING
BEHIND SEVENTY-THREE NVA KILLED (CONF). MARINES HAD 15 KIA AND 601 -48,3 2343 28-. AT 1401H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CP (YD 115702) HAD ONE MARINE WIA FROM SNIPE FIRE.

AT 1440H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES MADE CONTACT WITH AN ENEMY FORCE BELIEVED TO BE COMPANY SIZE. (YD 127634). THE ENEMY USED 82MM MORTARS AND HEAVY AW/SA FIRE FROM THIER DUG IN POSITIONS THE AREA CONTAINED MANY BUNKERS/TUNNELS THAT TANKS IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY A TOOK

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 UNDER FIRE. AT 1530H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH
 MARINES REINFORCED COMPANY A AND THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT.
 THREE MARINES WERE KIA AND TWENTY-THREE MARINES WERE WIA.
 ENEMY SUFFERED TWENTY-THREE KILLED (CONF) AND THIRTY-
 THREE NVA WERE KILLED (PROB). DURING THE INITIAL HEAVY
 CONTACT, ONE TANK WAS HIT BY A ROCKET WHICH KNOCKED OFF THE TANK'S
 TRACK. AT 1530H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP
 (YD 115702) RECEIVED TWENTY-EIGHT ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE;
 FOUR MARINES WERE WIA. AT 1615H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM
 (YD 981474) EXCHANGED SA/AW FIRE WITH 5-10 VC; ONE VC WAS
 KILLED (CONF). DURING THE PERIOD, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH
 MARINES (YD 115702) AND ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIC LINH (YD 210744)
 RECEIVED INTERMITTENT ARTILLERY AND RR FIRE THROUGHOUT THE
 DAY RESULTING IN TEN MARINES WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 46 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 25 CLOSE AIR
 SUPPORT AND 21 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (12 VISUAL AND 9 TPQ-10)
 SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 72.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE
 REPORTED BDA WAS TWO KBA (PROB), 12 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, ONE SECONDARY
 EXPLOSION, ONE TRENCH DAMAGED, AND ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED.

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 HELICOPTERS FLEW 327 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 178 PERSONNEL AND
 41.3 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLE

Y UNITS FIRED 347 MISSIONS
 AND 2683 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY
 OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED
 MISSIONS EXPENDING 242 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE
 FIRED TWO MISSIONS EXPENDING TWENTY ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

19/119 KIA(ADJ)

114/924 WIA(ADJ)

ENEMY

98/462 KIA (CONF)(ADJUSTED)

35/515 KIA (PROB)(ADJUSTED)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

0/86 DETAINEES

0/141 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH THE FIRST
 BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES; BATTERY AWN FIRST
 BATTALION, THIRTEENTH MARINES; AND BATTERY F, SECOND
 BATTALION, TWELFTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
 OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT

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INFANTRY BATTALION (3/3) AS OTHER UNITS WERE ASSIGNED TO OPERATION HICKORY, KILLED 12 ENEMY (CONFIRMED) IN SCATTERED ENGAGEMENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. SEVERAL EXCHANGES OF MORTAR, ARTILLERY AND ROCKET FIRE OCCURRED INCLUDING ONE ENEMY ROCKET AND MORTAR ATTACK ON THE DONG HA COMBAT BASE AT 0316H WHICH WAS DESCRIBED IN MY LAST REPORT.

ELSEWHERE IN I CORPS, OPERATION MALHEUR REPORTED NOTEWORTHY CONTACT IN THE DUC PHO AREA WHILE OPERATIONS SHAWNEE AND CROCKETT REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT AND NO CONTACT, RESPECTIVELY. US ARMY UNITS IN THE MALHEUR AREA KILLED 23 ENEMY AND CAPTURED A VIET CONG HOSPITAL AND FORTIFIED POSITION DURING THE DAY.

OTHER DETAILS OF THESE OPERATIONS ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3A, BELOW.

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C. PLANNED OPERATION

1ST BATTALION, 7TH MARINES (-), WITH TANK, ENGINEER, ARTILLERY AND SHORE PARTY DETACHMENTS, WILL COMMENCE OPERATION DUVAL AT 1400H ON 19 MAY IN 'ELEPHANT VALLEY' NEAR DANANG. THE AREA OF OPERATIONS INCLUDES THE SUSPECTED LAUNCH SITES OF SEVERAL RECENT ENEMY ROCKET ATTACKS. IT IS BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY EAST - WEST GRID LINE 94, ON THE EAST BY NORTH - SOUTH LINE AT 86, ON THE SOUTH BY EAST - WEST LINE 82 AND BY NORTH - SOUTH LINE YD83 ON THE WEST. ESTIMATED DURATION OF DUVAL IS SEVEN DAYS.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. ALL THE INFANTRY BATTALIONS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES, LEFT OPERATION PRAIRIE IV AND JOINED OPERATION HICKORY. (LATE BT

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ENTRY): FROM 171400H-171815H, COMPANIES C AND D FIRST BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES SUPPORTED BY TANKS, (YD 131679) TO (YD 128688).
RECEIVED SPORADIC SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF
ENEMY. EIGHT ENEMY WERE KILLED(CONF) AND ONE AK-47, THREE
CARBINES, SEVEN GRENADES, AND FIVE 81MM MORTAR ROUNDS WERE
CAPTURED. SEVEN MARINES WERE WIA. (LATE ENTRY). AT 171700H,
COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINE (YD 139700)
RECEIVED EIGHT ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE AND SMALL ARMS FIRE
FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY; AN AIR STRIKE WAS CALLED RE-
SULTING IN TWO NVA KILLED(CONF). (LATE ENTRY). AT 172040H, TWO
NVA WERE KILLED(CONF) BY COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-
SIXTH MARINES (YD 139700) AND ONE AK-47, ONE 57RR TRIPOD, ONE
ROUND OF 57RR AMMO, ONE AT MINE, AND SEVEN CHICHOM GRENADES
WERE CAPTURED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 172330H, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-
SIXTH MARINES (YD 138705) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 200 ROUNDS OF

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MORTAR FIRE; TWELVE MARINES WERE WOUNDED. AT 180316H AND 0400H,
DONG HA RECEIVED 150 ROUNDS OF 140MM ROCKET AND MORTAR FIRE.
COUNTER-MORTAR FIRE WAS RETURNED ON ENEMY MORTAR POSITIONS AND
ARTILLERY FIRED ON ROCKET LAUNCHING POSITIONS
(DY 256580) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. FRIENDLY
CASUALTIES WERE: 22 MARINES KIA, 3 USA KIA, 129
MARINES WIA, AND 10 USA WOUNDED. AT 0200H, ARTILLERY UNITS
(YD 241740) RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY, 17 ROUNDS OF 82
MM, 60 ROUNDS OF 120MM AND 3 ROUNDS OF 85MM FIRE. ONE MARINE
WAS KIA AND THREE MARINES WERE WIA. AT 03330H, COMBINED
ACTION COMPANY P HQ'S (YD 125615) RECEIVED 50-60 ROUNDS OF
82MM MORTAR FIRE; EIGHT MARINES WERE WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 15 SORTIES CONSISTION OF TWO CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT AND 13 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES (FIVE VISUAL AND 8 TPO-10),
WHICH EXPENDED 27.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED
BDA WAS THREE BUNKERS DESTROYED AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE. HELI-
COPTERS FLEW 323 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 501 PERSONNEL AND 69.3
TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 500 MISSIONS AND 6,496
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. DURING

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THE PERIOD, 175MM GUNS FIRED 1 OBSERVED AND 42 UNOBSERVED MISSIONS EXPENDING 337 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED ELEVEN MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 275 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
26/151 KIA	12/486 KIA(CONF)
169/1131 WIA	0/528 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/86 DETAINEES
	5/148 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION HICKORY (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE NINTH MARINES WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALION (SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS FOURTH MARINES; AND THE FIRST, AND SECOND, BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES) AND THE THIRD MARINES WITH THE THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES COMMENCED A COORDINATED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH BEAU CHARGER (SLF ALPHA-BLT 1/3-HMM 164)) AND LAM SON 54 (1ST ARVN DIV WITH 6 BNS) IN NORTH EASTERN QUANG TRI

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PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0225H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 139703) RECEIVED ONE GRENADE RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WIA. AT 0545H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 145698) WOUNDED AND CAPTURED ONE NVA. ONE RPG AND TWO AK-47'S WERE ALSO CAPTURED. AT 0900H, ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND FIVE MARINES WERE WIA WHEN H&S COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 136710) RECEIVED ENEMY MORTAR FIRE. AT 1100H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 125700) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND 50 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE MARINE KIA AND THREE MARINES WIA. AT 1130H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 128683) FOUND TWENTY-SEVEN NVA BODIES, SEVEN CARBINES, FOUR AK-47'S, FOUR MGS, ONE HEAVY MG AND THREE RPG LAUNCHERS. AT 1145H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 125700) DETONATED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WIA. AT 1245H, TWO ROCKET ROUNDS AND EIGHT ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE HIT COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 135712) RESULTING IN TWELVE MARINES WIA. AT 1300H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 135712) RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES WIA. AT 1525H, FIVE MARINES FROM COMPANY H, SECOND

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BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 138708) WERE WIA FROM MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. AT 1540H, A M-42 IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 132677) DETONATED A MINE RESULTING IN NINE USA WIA. THE M-42 TRACK WAS BROKEN. AT 1645H, COMPANY M,

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1. The total enemy killed in Operation Hickory has now been set as 362 confirmed and 528 probable, plus 108 weapons captured. A number of the Marine units which participated in Hickory have now shifted their operations westward from Con Thien to join Operation Prairie IV. Shortly before noon on the 29th, two companies of 4th Marines made heavy contact on Hill 174, about 4 miles west of Con Thien. Hill 174 is about 1.5 miles southwest of Hill 117, where elements of the 4th and 26th Marines had an intense two day battle (fire fight) before seizing the hill on Saturday the 27th. The enemy encountered on the 29th on Hill 174 were in mutually supporting bunkers with connecting trenches and fighting holes. By late afternoon on the 29th the Marines had taken the hill and the enemy broke contact. The number of enemy killed confirmed thus far is 13 and another 9 probable.
2. Also on the 29th, 2,000 additional refugees began evacuation from two hamlets near Gio Linh, to the Cam Lo resettlement center. Cholera and plague inoculations for the refugees continue.
3. It appears that the enemy may be beginning to focus attention on the CUA VIET River, which connects Dong Ha with the South China Sea. Earlier in the month, on the 9th of May, a U. S. Army dredge hit two mines in the mouth of the CUA VIET. It has now been learned through agents that a meeting was held last week by Viet Cong who live along the river, to distribute anti-tank and under-water mines. The mines are to be placed in the river at choke points and fording area.
4. Operation Union II shifted its effort southward. 1/5 was lifted to positions 12 miles west of Tam Ky beginning early on the 30th. They are to be followed by 3/5 who will land in the same general area. Other 5th Marines elements will establish blocking positions, while ARVN units sweep westward toward the Marines.

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THE COMPONENTS, WHICH REPORTEDLY CONTAIN PART OF THE ELECTRONICS PACKAGE AND CONTROL FOR ACTIVATING MECHANISM, ARE BEING SHIPPED TO REDSTONE ARSENAL, ALABAMA, FOR EVALUATION.

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A. MAJOR OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH 7 INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THE SECOND BATTALION, 26TH MARINES), AT 2400H, TERMINATED OPERATION HICKORY, A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, WITH LIGHT CONTACT. DURING THE DAY ARTILLERY UNITS NEAR (YD 212739) RECEIVED 48 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY. ONE USMC WAS KIA AND 7 USMC WERE KIA (2 MED EVAC). TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED, AND 1 USMC WAS KIA AND 6 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) FROM 2 MINE DETONATIONS.

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 53 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 24 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 29 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (20 VISUAL AND 9 TP0-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 113.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 30 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 32 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION, 3 SECONDARY FIRES, AND 3 ROAD CUTS. HELICOPTERS FLEW 310 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 296 PERSONNEL AND 76.4 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 714 MISSIONS AND 3920 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE THE 175 MM GUNS FIRED 16 MISSIONS EXPENDING 199 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/164 KIA	0/489 KIA (CONF)
13/1240 WIA	0/534 KIA (PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	2/93 DETAINEES
	0/150 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (26TH MARINES)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND

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MARINES KILLED 12 ENEMY. USA UNITS IN THE DUC PHO AREA HAD 13 OF THE REMAINING CONTACTS WITH SMALL ENEMY UNITS, KILLING 34 ENEMY (CONFIRMED). THE REMAINING CONTACTS, TWO AT CHU LAI AND ONE AT PHU BAI, PRODUCED ONE VIET CONG KIA (CONFIRMED).

ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF THESE SMALL UNIT ACTIVITIES ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3C, BELOW.

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A. MAJOR OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH 8 INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THE SECOND BATTALION, 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY). ON 29 MAY, ARTILLERY UNITS

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AT GIO LINH (YD 210741) HAD 11 USMC WIA FROM ARTILLERY FIRE. AT 300900H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES PASSED TO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FOURTH MARINES (OPERATION CHOCTAW). AT 301245H, COMPANY I, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES ENGAGED AN ENEMY FORCE IN BUNKERS NEAR (YD 052673). ONE USMC WAS KIA, 27 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). TWO ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF). IN THE SAME VICINITY, AT 1305H, COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES ATTACKED A BUNKER COMPLEX AT (YD 055672) WITH SUPPORT FROM ALL ORGANIC WEAPONS. EIGHTEEN ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF), 2 ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB) AND 2 AK-47'S WERE CAPTURED. DURING THE PERIOD 5 ENEMY WERE FOUND KIA (CONF) IN GRAVES. 1 M-16 WAS FOUND, AND ARTILLERY UNITS AT (YD 210741) HAD 4 USMC WIA FROM ARTILLERY FIRE.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 43 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 24 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 19 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (17 VISUAL AND 2 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 77.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 1 BUNKER DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 425 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING 289 PERSONNEL AND 47.7 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 670 MISSIONS AND 4124 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 8 MISSIONS EXPENDING 67 ROUNDS.
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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

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ENEMY

1/162 KIA (ADJ) 25/489 KIA (CONF)

50/1227 WIA (ADJ) 11/534 KIA (PROB)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

0/91 DETAINEES

3/150 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (26TH MARINES)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. DURING THE PERIOD 2 ENEMY WERE FOUND KIA (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 4 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 2

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DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 VISUAL) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 4.2 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 4 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 1 STRUCTURE DAMAGED, 4 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 1 BOAT DESTROYED, 1 AW POSITION DESTROYED, 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, AND 2 SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 29 MISSIONS AND 267 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

0/2 KIA

2/44 KIA (CONF)

0/13 WIA

0/108 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)

(3) OPERATION CHOCTAW (FOURTH MARINES)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY). ON 27 MAY, RECON TEAMS ACCOUNTED FOR 4 VC KIA (PROB). AT 0900H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES JOINED OPERATION CHOCTAW. DURING THE DAY 4 VC WERE KIA (CONF), 6 VC WERE KIA (PROB), 1 WEAPON WAS CAPTURED, 4 DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED. THREE USMC WERE WIA IN EIGHT MINOR INCIDENTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CHOCTAW, FIXED WING

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(2) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH EIGHT INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THE SECOND BATTALION 26TH MARINES) CONTINUES SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT. AT 291100H, COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES ATTACKED HILL 174 (YD 0568) CONTAINING AN ENEMY BUNKER COMPLEX. COMPANY M MET HEAVY RESISTANCE FROM 1400H TO 1930H, AND COMPANY I MET HEAVY RESISTANCE FROM 1715H TO 1800H. BOTH COMPANIES ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS ON HILL 174. RESULTS WERE FIVE USMC KIA, 46 USMC WIA (40 MED EVAC), 13 ENEMY WERE KIA(CONF) AND 9 ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB). DURING THE DAY ONE NVA WAS FOUND KIA(CONF) AND 7 USMC WERE WIA (MINOR), SIX FROM ARTILLERY FIRE, AND ONE

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FROM THE DESTRUCTION OF A DUD 81MM ROUND.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 87 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 40 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 47 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (21 VISUAL AND 26 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 160 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 26 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 11 BUNKERS DAMAGED, TWO GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED, THREE ROAD CUTS, TWO TUNNELS DESTROYED, AND ONE TRENCH DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 506 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 468 PERSONNEL AND 63.8 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 718 MISSIONS AND 3926 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 27 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 74 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

5/161 KIA

53/1180 WIA

ENEMY

14/477 KIA(CONF)

9/532 KIA(PROB)(ADJ)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

0/9 DETAINEES

0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION CROCKETT (26TH MARINES)

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 C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 17691 FROM: MACCCG3
 SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) CTZ:
 A. IN QUANG TIN PROV (CT131280), 15 KM NW OF TAM KY AT
 301230H FOL AN AIR PREP THE 38TH RGR BN SWEEP THE AREA AND FOUND 134
 EN KIA, TWO I/WPNS, AND THREE C/S WPNS CPTD. AT 301232H ELM RGR TF
 ENGAGED UNK NO EN. REC SA/AW, MORT AND 57MM RR FIRE. FIRE WAS RIND.
 RES: FRD: SEVEN KIA, 23 WIA; EN: UNK. AT 301600H THE 39TH RGR BN

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 ENGAGED UNK NO EN. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 27 KIA, ONE DET, ONE I/WPN
 CPTD. CUM RES: FRD: SEVEN KIA, 23 WIA; EN: 131 KIA, ONE DET.
 THREE WPNS AND THREE C/S WPNS CPTD.
 B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
 C. CUM RES:

	PRAIRIE IV	FRIENDLY CROQUET	UNION II	CHOCTAW	MALHEUR
US	161	2	37	0	538
WIA	1222	13	95	0	264
MIA	0	0	0	60	209
AIR	436	414	91	0	0
SORTIES	157	0	0	0	0
NGF	0	0	0	0	0
ARC					
LIGHT					
KIA	484	44	201	41	356
DET	92	0	11	11	273
RET	0	0	0	0	0

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 ZEN/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/CO 5TH SFG
 ZEN/CMDR 7TH AIR FORCE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 17650 FROM: MACCOC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. A. REF PARA 1D, MY MSG 300300Z MAY 67: OP PRAIRIE IV.
 CHANGE EN KIA TO 477 VICE 577.

B. ALL OTHER OPS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

2. (U) II, III, IV CTZ:

A. ALL OPS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

3. (U) WEATHER:

A. I, II, III, IV CTZ: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT
 ON OPS.

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FINAL CASUALTIES WERE TWO USMC KIA, FIVE USMC WIA, AND THREE ENEMY KIA(CONF). DURING THE DAY, TEN ENEMY KIA(CONF) WERE FOUND WITH TWO WEAPONS, FIVE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED, ONE NVA WAS KIA(CONF), AND A MACHINE GUN WAS CAPTURED. AIR STRIKES ACCOUNTED FOR 51 ENEMY KIA (PROB). THE 2D BATTALION, 12TH MARINES AT (YD 111704) RECEIVED ARTILLERY FIRE WHICH RESULTED IN THREE USMC KIA AND 12 USMC WIA.

(H) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HICKORY, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 113 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 53 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 60 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (36 VISUAL AND 24 TPO-10) SERIES, WHICH EXPENDED 210 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 51 KBA (PROB), 33 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 4 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 2 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED, 3 AW POSITIONS DAMAGED, 2 TRENCHES DAMAGED, AND 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 439 MISSIONS AND 2788 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

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OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 12 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 144 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

14/121 KIA

92/840 WIA

ENEMY

31/370 KIA(CONF)

83/575 KIA(PROB)

5/18 DETAINEES

4/104 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATIONS PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTRACT. (LATE ENTRIES) ON 27 MAY, ONE USMC WAS WIA AND ONE ENEMY WAS KIA(PROB) IN A MINOR SKIRMISH. ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH (YD 210743) RECEIVED ARTILLERY FIRE WHICH RESULTED IN TWO USMC WIA.

(H) HELICOPTERS FLEW 131 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 125 PERSONNEL AND 1.5 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 292 MISSIONS AND 1130 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

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0/156 KIA
3/1128 WIA(ADJ)

0/463 KIA(CINF)
1/525 KIA(PROB)
0/1 VC/PW
0/91 DETAINEES
0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION CROCKETT (26TH MARINES)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CRACKETT FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 26 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 10 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 16 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (15 VISUAL AND 1 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 51 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS 17 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 CAVES DAMAGED, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION, AND 4 SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 43 MISSIONS (245 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/2 KIA	0/35 KIA(CONF)
0/13 WIA	0/96 KIA(PROB)

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(4) OPERATION CHOCTAW (FOURTH MARINES)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRIES) AT 272011H, A COMPANY H PLATOON ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC NEAR (YD 605284). FIVE VC WERE KIA(CONF). A COMPANY H PLATOON RECEIVED ONE GRENADE NEAR (YD 558255). TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) (END LATE ENTRIES). AT 1115H, COMPANY E, NEAR (YD 643315), ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. ONE USMC WAS KIA AND 3 USMC WERE WIA (2 MED EVAC). 3 VC WERE KIA(CONF) AND 5 VC WERE KIA(PROB). DURING THE DAY, 3 DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED AND 2 DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CHOCTAW FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW SIX SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 12.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS ONE TRENCH DAMAGED, AND THREE ROAD CUTS. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 154 MISSIONS AND 499 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC
1/4 KIA
5/15 WIA

ENEMY
8/33 KIA(CONF)
5/40 KIA(PROB)
3/7 DETAINEES
0/2 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 17609 SRON: MACCOC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP PRAIRIE IV : IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD 053683) SEVEN KM WSW OF CON THIEN AT 291100H I AND M/3/4 USMC COMMENCED AN ATK ON EN POS LOCATED ON HILL 174. THE EN POS DESCRIBED AS A BUNKER COMPLEX WITH CONNECTING TRENCHES AND NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES. M/3/4 USMC ENCOUNTERED HV RESISTANCE AT ABOUT 291400H WITH THE EN BREAKING CONTACT AT

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291930H. I/3/4 USMC MET HV RESISTANCE AT 291715H AND THE EN WITHDREW AT 291800H. ARTY SPT THROUGHOUT CONTACT. BOTH CO'S ESTB NIGHT POS ON THE HILL 174 COMPLEX. RES: FRD: SIVE KIA, 46 WIA (40 EVAC); EN: 13 KIA. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTRD.

D. OP MALHEUR: IN QUANG NGAI PROV (BS698373) 13 KM W OF DUC PHO AT 291159H C/1/327 USA ENGAGED UNK SIZE EN FORCE IN SORTIFIED POS. GUNSHIPS AND ARTY SPT. ONE PLAT A/1/327 USA CONDUCTED AIR ASLT TO REINF CLOSING AT 291332H. EN BROKE CONTACT 291600H. RES:FRD: EIGHT WIA, 14 WIA; EN: SIX KIA, FIVE I/WPNS CPTRD.

C. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

D. CMT RES:

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FRIENDLY

	PRAIRIE IV	CROCKETT	UNION II	CHOCTAW	MALHEUR
	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	161	2	37	5	54
VIA	1174	13	94	21	257
MIA	2	0	2	2	0
AIR	349	400	79	56	224
SORTIES					
NGF	157		0	0	0

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	ARC	LIGHT
	0	0

ENEMY

KIA	577	42	193	37	347
DET	92	0	9	7	273
RET	2	0	2	2	0
IND/VPNS	125	0	2	2	140
C/S VPNS	22	2	0	0	9

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. ALL OPS COM W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

B. CUM RES:

FRIENDLY

	MARION	BYRD	PERSHING	OH JAK KYC II
	US	US	US	ROK
KIA	108	14	301	N/C
MIA	487	190	1271	
AIR	1627	807	2432	
SORTIES				
NGF	0	50	1185	

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	ARC	LIGHT
	135	9

ENEMY

KIA	652 85	597, .	1643
DET	446	7445	7172
RET	3	11	114
IND/VPNS	162	224	399
C/S VPNS	25	5	19

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3. (C) III CTZ:

A. REF PAR 9 BY MSG 271539Z MAY, EN OB SOR OP BARKING SANDS DIAMOND HEAD AND KOLEKOLE:

(1) BARKING SANDS:

(A) EN UNITS WITHIN AO: NONE

(B) EN UNITS WITHIN TEN KM OF AO: 1ST VC EF BN.

(520) XT63022; 265TH VC EF BN(502) XT432132.

(2) DIAMOND HEAD:

(A) EN UNITS WITHIN AO: 52D ARTY BN./69TH ARTY REGT

(120) XT270722; HQ. 72TH VC REGT (720) XT1008200 BC BN/70TH VC REGT

(150) XT127822; 03 BN/72TH VC REGT (162) XT130822.

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(B) EN UNITS WITHIN TEN KM OF AO: NONE.

(3) UOLEKOLE:

(A) EN UNITS WITHIN AO: 1ST VC MFB (500) XT630220.

(B) 2D VC BN (400) XS710680; 506TH VC BN (500)

XS590790; 269TH VC BN/DT 2RECT (500) XT400130; 6TH VC LF BN (250) XT620880.

E. IN TAY NINH PROV (XT464335), 10 KM NE OF GO DAU HA AT 320520H MAY, AN AMBS PTL FROM C/4/23 INF(M) REC ONE RD 81MM MORT FIRE. RD WAS FIRED BY 4/9 INF FROM VIC XT440340. RES: SRD: FIVE WOUNDED. INVS UNDERWAY.

C. ALL OP CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT.

D. CUE RES: OP FAIRFAX AND MANHATTON - NO CHANGES. FRIENDLY

PALM BEACH ENTERPRISE

	US	US
KIA	51	125
WIA	321	487
MIA	0	3
AIR	177	384
SORTIES		

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	N/A	N/A
NGF		
ARC	0	0
LIGHT		

		ENEMY
KIA	567	878
DET	95	49
RET	7	27
IND/WFNS	50	71
C/S WFNS	5	4

4. (U) IV CTZ: ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 17547 FROM: MACCOC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP PRAIRIE IV: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD0654) 30 KM NW OF QUANG TRI CITY AT 290021H USMC BNS 2/3, 1/4, 3/4, 1/9, 2/9, 3/9 AND 2/26 JD OP PRAIRIE IV.

B. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD1670) FIVE KM E OF CON THIEN. OP HICKORY A USMC S/D OP COORD WITH 1ST ARVN DIV (OP

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LAM SON 54) COMMENCED 170001H AND TERM 282400H. CUM RES: FRD: 119 KIA, 817 WIA; EN: 362 KIA, 38 DET, 36 I/WPNS AND 22 C/S WPNS CPTD. THERE WERE 1006 AIR SORTIES AND 67 NGF MSNS IN SPT OF THIS OP.

C. REF PARA 1A MY MSG 280252Z MAY. UPDATE: AT 281500H FOLLOWING CONTACT OF 27 MAY ELMS OF 2/35 INF USA SWEEP AREA. DURING SWEEP TWO FRD WERE WOUNDED, 45 EN BODIES WERE DISCOVERED, 66 DET APPREHENDED AND EIGHT I/WPNS CPTD. IUM RES: FRD: ONE KIA, NINE WIA, TWO UH-1D DEST; EN: 87 KIA, 66 DET, 24 I/WPNS AND THREE C/S WPNS CPTD.

D. IN QUANG NGAI PROV (BS714430) 10 KM NOW OF DUC PHO AT 290236H ELM OF B/2/35 INF USA RECD EST 100 RDS 60/82MM MORT AND 57MM RR FIRE AND A HV VOLUME SA/AW FIRE FR UNK NR EN. FIRE CONT. THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT. FRD TROOPS COMM SWEEP OF EN PCS SHORTLY AFTER DAY LIGHT. CONTACT CONTINUES AT 291200H. INITIAL RES: FRD: THREE KIA, 13 WIA; EN: 39 KIA, TWO DET, NINE I/WPNS AND ONE C/S WPNS CPTD.

E. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. IN BINH DINH PROV (BR978793) 13 KM NE OF PHU MY AT 290932H ELM 1ST ARVN REGT, WHILE ON SEARCH MSN, ENG EST EN FLA1.

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 MAIN CONTACT BROKE AT 1200H WITH SNIPER FIRE CONT UNTIL 1100H.
 ARTY SPTD. RES: FRD: ONE KIA, THREE WIA; EN: 15 KIA, THREE DET,
 12 I/WPNS CPTD.

B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN BINH LONG PROV (XT829749) 15 KM SE OF AN LOC AT
 281430H, A CIDG COMPANY FR CHI LINH MADE CONTACT WITH EST EN PLAT
 EN BROKE CONTACT AT 281440H. CONTACT RESTORED AT 281500H. ON
 SECOND CONTACT CIDG BEGAN TO EXFILTRATE IN SMALL GROUPS. RADIO
 CONTACT LOST WITH FRD UNIT EN SECOND CONTACT. AT 281800H THE
 USSF LDR AND SIX CIDG WERE OBSERVED FROM AIR. TWO SUPPLY DROPS
 CONSISTING OF RADIOS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES WERE MADE. AT 281805H
 APPROX 29 CIDG WERE OBSERVED MOVING TOWARD THE CHI LINH CIDG CAMP.
 AT 281910H THE USSF LDR AND SIX CIDG WERE EXTRACTED: INITIAL RES:
 FRD: ONE US WIA, ONE US MIA, 50 CIDG MIA; EN: THREE KIA (BC).

B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

4. (C) IV CTZ: ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

5. (C) WEATHER:

A. I, II, III CTZ: WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT
 ON OPS.

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B. IV CTZ: TWO MISSIONS WERE DIVERTED; ONE IN VINH
 LONG PROV, ONE IN DINH TUONG PROV DUE TO WEATHER IN TGT AREA;
 ONE OF 13 FLT CANCELLED DUE TO LOW CEILING IN TGT AREA.

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DURING THE DAY.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HICKORY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 84 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 45 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 39 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (22 VISUAL AND 17 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 143 TONS OF ORDNANCE. REPORTED BDA WAS EIGHT KBA(CONF), EIGHT BUNKERS AND SIX GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED, ONE TRENCH DAMAGED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 24 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 60 PERSONNEL AND 2 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 328 MISSIONS AND 7168 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
4/85 KIA	52/309 KIA(CONF)
59/613 WIA(ADJ)	19/460 KIA(PROB)(ADJ)
	2/13 DETAINEES
	2/99 WEAPONS CAPTURED

PRAIRIE IV
27 MAY

(3) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1000H, ARTILLERY UNITS AND COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION 4TH MARINES, LOCATED AT (YD 111700), RECEIVED 12-16 ROUNDS OF ARTY

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FIRE. 1 USMC WAS WIA. ONE ENEMY WAS KILLED(PROB) DURING THE DAY.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV HELICOPTERS FLEW 457 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 324 PERSONNEL AND 59 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 354 MISSIONS AND 2138 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 53 MISSIONS AND 496 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/54 KIA	0/463 KIA(CONF)
1/1119 WIA	1/522 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/89 DETAINEES
	0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(4) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FIRST BATTALION, 26TH MARINES, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT FIXED WING

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AIRCRAFT FLEW 35 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 13 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 22 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (18 VISUAL AND FOUR TPQ-10) SORTIES

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FROM A VILLAGE (YD 133733). AT 1235H, ONE MARINE FROM THE 1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES WAS KIA AND TWO WERE WIA WHEN THE BATTALION RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE (YD 115702). AT 2130H, ONE MARINE FROM THE 3D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES WAS KIA AND FIVE WERE WIA WHEN THE BATTALION CP RECEIVED 41 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE (YD 103654). IN SIX ADDITIONAL UNRELATED INCIDENTS TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB), ONE MARINE WAS KIA BY SNIPER FIRE AND FOUR MARINES WERE WIA BY ENEMY FIRE AND ONE MARINE WAS WIA IN A PUNJI TRAP.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HICKORY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 101 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 47 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 54 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (29 VISUAL AND 25 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 206 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THIRTEEN BUNKERS AND TWO STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED, THREE BUNKERS AND FIVE TRENCHES WERE DAMAGED, FIVE ROADS WERE CUT AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE WAS OBSERVED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 248 MISSIONS AND 4258 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED EIGHT MISSIONS AND 75 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 32 MISSIONS EXPENDING 455 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

3/81 KIA

18/556 WIA

ENEMY

15/257 KIA (CONF)

10/425 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)

6/11 DETAINEES (ADJ)

1/97 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJ)

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(2) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES CONTINUED

SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. BETWEEN 1050H AND 1100H ARTILLERY UNITS LOCATED AT (YD 205745) RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN TWO MARINES KIA AND ONE WIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW ONE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIE WHICH EXPENDED 800 POUNDS OF ORDNANCE. FOUR STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS OBSERVED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 300 MISSIONS AND 1429 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THIS TOTAL, 175MM GUNS FIRED 30 MISSIONS EXPENDING 624 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

2/154 KIA

1/118 WIA

ENEMY

9/463 KIA(CONF)

0/521 KIA(PROB)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

0/89 DETAINEES

0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES WITH THE 1ST BATTALION CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0940, A RECON TEAM ENGAGED EIGHT NVA WITH SMALL ARMS AND GRENADE FIRE AND THEN BROKE CONTACT. AN UH-1E HELICOPTER STRIKE RESULTED IN ONE NVA KILLED(CONF) AND TWO NVA KILLED(PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT FIXED WING

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AIRCRAFT FLEW 32 SORTIES CONSISTING OF EIGHT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 24 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 31 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS OBSERVED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 18 MISSIONS AND 236 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/2 KIA

0/13 WIA

ENEMY

1/35 KIA(CONF)

2/84 KIA(PROB)

(4) OPERATION CHOCTAW (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THE 2D BATTALION CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0830H, COMPANY G ENGAGED FIVE VC WITH SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE (YD 363443). TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED(CONF) AND TWO WERE KILLED(PROB) WHILE MARINES SUSTAINED THREE WIA. AT 1245H, THE COMPANY FIRED ON NINE VC (YD 339447). THREE ENEMY WERE KILLED(CONF). AT 1205, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY H WAS WIA BY A MINE (YD 540261). DURING THE DAY RECON PATROLS ACCOUNTED FOR FOUR VC KILLED(CONF) AND SIX VC KILLED(PROB). ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED DURING THE DAY.

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QUANG TRI PROVINCE. (LATE ENTRY) AT 221315H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CALLED ARTILLERY FIRE ON 18 ENEMY IN BUNKERS AT (YD 156658). TWO ENEMY WERE KIA(CONF). ONE ENEMY WAS KIA(PROB). ON 22 MAY, 17 ENEMY WERE FOUND KIA(CONF) AND NINE INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS WERE FOUND. AT 231210H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES RECEIVED EIGHT ROUNDS OF 60MM MOARTR FIRE NEAR (XD 135733). FOUR USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). DURING THE DAY THREE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED AND ONE CHICOM GRENADE LAUNCHER WAS FOUND. AT 231010H COMPANY M RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM (YD106630) AIR STRIKE AND ARTILLERY WAS CALL, RESULTING IN 2 VCKIA.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 53 MISSIONS AND 275 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HICKORY.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC
0/78 KIA
4/538

ENEMY
0/242 KIA(CONF) (ADJ)
0/414 KIA(PROB) (ADJ)
3X5 DETAINEES
1/84 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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(2) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION SUSPENDED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. (LATE ENTRY) ON 21 MAY ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC) AND ON 22 MAY TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC), BOTH FROM MINES.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED

233 MISSIONS AND 824 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS PRAIRIE.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC
0/152 KIA
0/1117 WIA(ADJ)

ENEMY
0/463 KIA(CONF)
0/521 KIA(PROB)
0/1 NVA/PW
0/8 VC/PW
2/89 DETAINEES

(3) OPERATION CROCKET (26TH MARINES)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES SUSPENDED OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. (LATE ENTRY). ON 23 MAY ONE NVA WAS FOUND KIA(CONF).

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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 NEAR (YD 115702). ONE USMC WAS KIA, AND ONE USMC WAS WIA.
 (LATE ENTRY) AT 211330H, COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH
 MARINES NEAR (YD 101640) ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN SIZED ENEMY UNIT.
 SEVEN USMC WERE WIA. (LATE ENTRY) AT 211755H, THE SECOND
 BATTALION, THIRD MARINE RECEIVED 170 ROUNDS OF MORTAR/
 ARTILLERY FIRE NEAR (YD 130785). NINE USMC WERE KIA AND 46
 USMC WERE WIA. THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ALSO CAP-
 TURED ONE 40MM GRENADE LAUNCHER, 3 - 82MM MORTARS, FIVE SKS,
 ONE US CARBINE, ONE AK-47 AND ONE CAL .38 PISTOL AT (YD
 138773). (LATE ENTRY). AT 211800H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION,
 NINTH MARINES FOUND AN ENEMY BASE CAMP AT (YD 137732). ONE
 ENEMY WAS FOUND KIA (CONF), AND THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF TEN
 ENEMY KIA (PROB). ON 21 MAY THREE USMC WERE WOUNDED
 FROM SNIPER FIRE AND AN ADDITIONAL TWO WEAPONS WERE FOUND. AT
 1110H, COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ENGAGED THE
 ENEMY IN 14 BUNKERS AT (YD 101640). ONE USMC WAS KIA AND FOUR
 ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF). DURING THE DAY THREE USMC WERE WIA (2
 MED EVAC) FROM SMALL ARMS FIRE AND GRENADES, AND ONE NVA
 WAS KILLED AND ONE AK-47 WAS CAPTURED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION HICKORY

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 CONSISTED OF 20 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (3 VISUAL AND 17 TPQ-10)
 SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 154 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE
 WAS TWO KBA (PROB), 80 PACK ANIMALS KILLED, ONE SAMPAN, 3
 BUNKERS, 14 STRUCTURES, AND ONE AW POSITION DESTROYED AND
 FIVE STRUCTURES AND ONE TRENCHLINE WERE DAMAGED. THERE WAS
 ONE SECONDARY FIRE AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.
 ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 447 MISSIONS AND 3125
 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
13/78 KIA (ADJ)	7/221 KIA (CONF) (ADJ)
72/524 WIA (ADJ)	43/423 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)
	0/2 DETAINEES
	30/74 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE
 WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

(B) HELICOPTERS FLEW 167 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED
 106 PERSONNEL AND FIVE TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
 286 MISSIONS AND 1776 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF

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INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 23 MISSIONS EXPENDING 167 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/152 KIA	0/463 KIA(CONF)
0/1114 WIA	0/521 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	2/86 DETAINEES
	0/137 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 26TH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY). AT 211805, A COMPANY A PATROL ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY NEAR (XD 758460). TWO USMC WERE KIA AND EIGHT USMC WERE WIA (FIVE MED EVAC). TWENTY-FIVE ENEMY WERE KIA(CONF) AND 27 ENEMY WERE KIA(PROB).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT CONSISTED OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 13 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (11 VISUAL AND TWO TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 22 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE WAS ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND

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TWO BUNKERS DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 14 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 90 MISSIONS AND 362 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/2 KIA	25/33 KIA(CONF)
8/13 WIA	27/93 KIA (PROB)

(4) OPERATION CHOCTAW (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES COMMENCED A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AT 220001H WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1645H, A RECON UNIT CALLED ARTILLERY ON 30 VC NEAR (YD 437361). THREE VC WERE KIA (CONF) AND TEN VC WERE KIA(PROB).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION CHOCTAW CONSISTED OF 18 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (4 VISUAL AND 13 TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 29 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 217 MISSIONS AND 579 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
	3/3 KIA(CONF)

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PROVINCE 28 KILOMETERS WEST OF HCH, TERMINATED AT 2400H ON 21 MAY, AFTER 30 DAYS OF SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS BY THE 4TH MARINES. FINAL RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE 128 ENEMY KILLED 81 ENEMY PROBABLY KILLED, 8 PRISONERS OF WAR, 81 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS AND 2 CREW SERVED WEAPONS CAPTURED.

OPERATION CHOCTAW WAS INITIATED AT 0001H ON 22 MAY, IN SUBSTANTIALITY THE SAME AREA AS SHAWNEE, WITH NO CHANGE TO THE TASK ORGANIZATION. THE 4TH MARINES WILL CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS, CHARACTERIZED BY EXTENSIVE PATROLLING AND AMBUSHES TO INTERDICT THE ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS.

FIXED WING PILOTS OF THE 1ST MARINE AIR-

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CRAFT WING FLEW 231 ATTACK SORTIES AND 9 OTHER COMBAT SORTIES ON 21 MAY, 110 OF WHICH WERE IN SUPPORT OF THE COORDINATED GROUND OPERATIONS IN THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE DMZ. BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE DAY'S SORTIES WERE 19 ENEMY KILLED, 35 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED, 26 STRUCTURES, 28 BUNKERS, 3 MORTARS, 1 AUTOMATIC WEAPON AND 1 ARTILLERY POSITION DESTROYED.

MARINE HELICOPTERS PILOTS FLEW 1,106 SORTIES DURING THE DAY, TRANSPORTING 822 PERSONNEL AND 141.1 TONS OF CARGO.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) BETWEEN 181800H AND 191800H, 11 MARINES WERE KIA BY ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE DELIVERED ON GIO LINH (YD 215 740). AT 210158H, TWO MARINES FROM A RECON LISTENING POST WERE WIA BY AN ENEMY GRENADE (YD242598). AT 1630H, SIX MARINES FROM BT

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ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH WERE WIA WHEN THE POSITIONS RECEIVED TEN ROUNDS OF ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW THREE SORTIES CONSISTING OF THREE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 VISUAL AND ONE TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED FOUR TONS OF ORDNANCE. ONE BUNKER WAS DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 190 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 100 PERSONNEL AND 24 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 160 MISSIONS AND 1249 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 38 MISSIONS AND 361 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF ONE MISSION EXPENDING 45 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

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0/463 KIA (CONF)

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19/1110 WIA

0/521 KIA (PROB)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION HICKORY (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE NINTH MARINNES WITH SEVEN INFANTRY BATTALIONS (1ST AND 3D BATTALION, 4TH MARINES; 2D BATTALION, 3D MARINES; 1ST, 2D, AND 3D BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES; AND 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHEASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRIES). AT 201200H, COMPANY H, 2D BATTALION 3D MARINES ENGAGED AN ENEMY PLATOON WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND AN AIR STRIKE. ONE BUNKER WAS DESTROYED BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE CONFIRMED. ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND FIVE WERE WIA IN THE BATTLE. AT 201345H, THE 2D BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND SIX DEAD NVA (YD 137733). AT 201316H, COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND THREE DEAD NVA (YD 144632). AT 201600H, THE 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES FOUND ONE ADDITIONAL DEAD NVA (YD 133710). AT 201657H, ONE MARINE WAS WIA AND ONE TREAD OF A TANK WAS BLOWN OFF THE VEHICLE BY A MINE (YD 135646). AT 201720H,

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UNIT OPERATIONS ARE SHOWN IN PARAGRAPH 3C BELOW.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1005H, COMBINED ACTION COMPANY PATROL P-2 RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM 3 LOCATIONS. ARTILLERY FIRE WAS DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. THREE MARINES WERE KIA IN THE INCIDENT.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 6 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (4 VISUAL AND 2 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. SEVEN STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED AND 3 WERE DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 203 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 104 PERSONNEL AND 67 TONS OF CARGO. ON 198 20 MAY, ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 678 MISSIONS AND 3898 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUND FIRED 64 MISSIONS AND 342 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC

0/152 U1A

3/1091 WIA

ENEMY

2/463 KIA (CONF) (ADJ)

0/521 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)

0/8 NVA/PW (ADJ)

0/1 VC/PW (ADJ)

0/86 DETAINEES (ADJ)

0/147 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJ)

(2) OPERATION HICKORY. (THIRD MARINE DIVISION) SEE ALSO PARA. 2A, ABOVE.

(A) THE 9TH MARINES WITH 7 INFANTRY BATTALIONS (2D BATTALION, 3D MARINES; 1ST AND 3D BATTALIONS, 4TH MARINES; 1ST, 2D, AND 3D BATTALIONS, 9TH MARINES; AND 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHEASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRIES) AT 191215H, COMPANY K, 3D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES RECEIVED INTENSE SMALL ARMS FIRE (YD 113667). AIR STRIKES DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY POSITION RESULTED IN 2 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND 3 KIA (PROB). TWO MARINES WERE KIA AND 3 WIA. AT 191340H, COMPANY F, 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES FOUND 1 FLAME THROWER AND 2 ENEMY BODIES. AT 191430H, THE 3D BATTALION,

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A. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD1255), AS OF 201800H, THERE ARE 3200 REFUGEES AT CAM LO SITE, 1000 IN CAM LO VILLAGE, 500 AT SCHOOL IN DONG HA. ARVN REPORT 3000 ASSEMBLED AT TRUONG LUONG DIST HQ. 50 ARVN TRUCKS AND 32 USMC TRUCKS TO SHUTTLE TO CAM LO. ATTITUDE OF PEOPLE IS GOOD, HOWEVER MOST REFUGEES ARE WOMEN. MALES ARE

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OVER 60 OR UNDER TEN. 165 CP TENTS HAVE BEEN ERECTED AS WELL AS TEN TWO FAMILY TIN-ROOFED TEMPORARY SHELTERS.

B. REF PARA 1C, MY MSG 202215Z MAY: UPDATE: 5TH ABN BN CALLED AIR STRIKES AND ARTY ON FN BN. RES: FRD - NINE KIA, 46 WIA; EN - 250 KIA, 21 I/WPNS AND FIVE C/S WPNS CPTR.

C. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD104644) FIVE KM S OF CON THIEN, AT 201845H ELMS OF 3/9 USMC MADE CONTACT WITH AN EST EN CO DEPLOYED IN PREPARED POS WHICH INCLUDED MUTUALLY SUPPORTING BUNKERS. CONTACT CONTINUING AT 202400H. INITIAL CAS: FRD - SIX USMC KIA, 51 USMC WIA; EN - FIVE KIA. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTR.

D. CUM RES: OP CROCKETT - NO CHANGE; OPS DUVAL AND TIGHT BELT - NO CONTACT REPORTED.

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	BEAU CHARGER (US)	PRAIRIE IV (US)	HICKORY (US)	SHAWNEE (US)	MALHEUR (US)	LAM SON 54 (ARVN)
KIA	23	152 X	33 X	13	27 X	24
WIA	75	1091 X	391 X	133	167 X	115
MIA	2	0	0	0	0	0
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	UNK	331	225	142	110	24
SORTIES						
NGF	12	132	0	0	0	0
ARC LIGHT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENEMY						
KIA	79	463	129	126	229 X	340
DET	0	87	3	55	82	81
RET	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND/WPNS	2	125	34	88 X	119 X	49
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ON 19 MAY, MARINE FIXED WING PILOTS FLEW 235 ATTACK SORTIES AND 14 OTHER COMBAT SORTIES AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS IN I CORPS. INCOMPLETE BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS REPORT 20 ENEMY KILLED, 49 STRUCTURES, 4 BUNKERS, AND 2 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS DESTROYED AND 1 BRIDGE DAMAGED. 107 OF THE ABOVE ATTACK SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN SUPPORT OF MARINE FORCES IN OPERATION HICKORY.

DURING THE PAST WEEK, 11 TO 18 MAY, 1,361 FIXED WING TACTICAL STRIKE SORTIES WERE FLOWN. OF THESE, 469 WERE FLOWN IN CLOSE SUPPORT OF III MAF GROUND FORCES. BOMB DAMAGE REPORTS FOR THE WEEK INCLUDE 59 ENEMY KILLED, 124 PROBABLY KILLED, 373 ENEMY STRUCTURES, 156 BUNKERS, 21 GUN POSITIONS, 2 SUPPLY DEPOTS AND 2 BRIDGES DESTROYED. IN ADDITION, 41 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 27 FIRES WERE OBSERVED.

HELICOPTER PILOTS FROM THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING FLEW 7,487 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING 11,190 PERSONNEL AND 1,350 TONS OF CARGO DURING THE WEEK.

D. BLT 3/4 SURFACE ELEMENTS

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THE REMAINING ELEMENTS OF BLT 3/4, WHICH WAS DEPLOYED BY AIR ON 15 MAY, COMMENCED LOADING ABOARD THE USS MONTROSE (APA-212) AT OKINAWA ON 20 MAY. THE MONTROSE IS EXPECTED TO DEPART OKINAWA ON 22 MAY AND ARRIVE IN VIETNAM ON 26 MAY. THE USS TERRELL COUNTY (LST-1157) WITH PART OF THE SURFACE ELEMENTS OF BLT 3/4 ABOARD, DEPARTED OKINAWA ON 18 MAY AND IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN-COUNTRY ON THE 24TH.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION (THIRD MARINE DIVISION) THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT DURING THE PERIOD.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND SEVEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (6 VISUAL AND ONE TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 18 TONS OF ORDNANCE. TWO STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 10 SORTIES. ARTILLERY SUPPORT FOR THE PERIOD WAS NOT

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(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/151 KIA	0/486 KIA(CONF)
0/1131 WIA	0/528 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/86 DETAINEES
	0/148 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJ)

(2) OPERATION HISTORY (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES, 3D BATTALION, 4TH
MARINES; 2D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES; 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES;
1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES; AND 3D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHEASTERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 0510H, 2

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MARINES FROM COMPANY E, 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES WERE
WIA BY ONE ROUND OF ENEMY 82MM MORTAR FIRE (YD 106696).
AT 0530H, ONE NVA SURRENDERED TO COMPANY I, 3D BATTALION,
4TH MARINES (YD 104725). AT 0800H, COMPANY G,
2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES RECEIVED 10 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR
FIRE WHICH WOUNDED 14 MARINES (YD 128716). WHILE MOVING TO
A POSITION TO EVACUATE THEIR WOUNDED THE COMPANY FOUND 16
GRAVES WITH TWO NVA BODIES IN EACH GRAVE, A TOTAL OF 32 NVA WERE
KIA(CONF). AT 0810H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY H, 2D BATTALION,
9TH MARINES WERE WIA WHEN THE COMPANY RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF
60MM MORTAR FIRE (YD 141713). AT 0850H, COMPANY G, 2D BAT-
TALION, 26TH MARINES RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 20 ROUNDS OF 82MM
MORTAR FIRE. SIX MARINES WERE WIA. AT 0900H, COMPANY E, 2D
BATTALION, 9TH MARINES EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC
WEAPONS FIRE WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (XD 143
717). FOUR ENEMY WERE KILLED (CONF) AND ONE AK-47 AND ONE
SMG WERE CAPTURED. AT 0910H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY H,
2D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES WERE WIA WHEN THE COMPANY RECEIVED
SIX ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE. AT 1015H, COMPANY F, 2D
BATTALION, 26TH MARINES FOUND SIX BUNKERS (YD 123722). ONE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L COM 16253 FROM: MACCOC3

SUBJ: TELECOM (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP PRAIRIE IV: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD242598), AT DONG HA, AT 180315H THE 3D MAR DIV BASE RECD EST 150 RDS OF 142MM RKT FIRE. INITIAL RES: FRD - 11 KIA (NINE USMC, TWO USA), 43 WIA (39 USMC, TWO USA, TWO ARVN); EN - UNK.

B. OP BEAU CHARGER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD280740), 20 KM

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N OF QUANG TRI CITY, AT 180820H OP BEAU CHARGER COMMENCED WITH THE AMPH LANDING OF BLT 1/3 USMC.

C. OP PRAIRIE IV: REPORTED MORT/RKT ATTACKS.

(1) AT CAMP CARROLL (YD062548), AT 180110H RECD EST 27 RDS UNK CAL MORT/RKT FIRE.

(2) AT GIO LINH (YD215742), AT 180200H RECD EST 60 RDS 82MM MORT FIRE.

(3) AT CAM LO (YD128595), AT 180330H THE 9TH MAR BASE AREA RECD EST 40 RDS RKT FIRE.

(4) IN ALL ABOVE CM/BTRY FIRE RTND. NO CAS OR DAMAGE REPORTED.

D. REF PARA 1C, MY MSG 172158Z MAY: CHANGE 2/66 USMC TO READ 2/26 USMC.

E. CUM RES: OP BEAU CHARGER - NO CHANGE.

	PRAIRIE IVS (US)	FRIENDLY SHAWNEE (US)	CROCKETT (US)	MALHEUR (US)
KIA	123	13	0	14
WIA	917	128	1	111
NIA	0	0	0	2

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AIR SORTIES	254	120	97	68
NGF	120	0	0	0
ARC LIGHT	0	0	0	0
		ENEMY		
KIA	466	126	8	171
DET	8755	55	0	75
RET	0	0	0	0
IND/VPNS	117	89	0	101
C/S VPNS	27	0	0	3

\$ PRAIRIE IV AS OF 171820H

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2. (C) II CTZ.

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

B. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY			
	FRANCIS MARION	BYRD	PERSHING	OH JAK KYO
	(US)	(US)	(US)	(ROK)
KIA	29	14	282	16
VIA	1695	185	1192	34
RIA	0	0	3	0

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AIR SORTIES	1303	785	2143	53
NGF	0	50	1097	0
ARC LIGHT	30	9	129	0
		ENEMY		
KIA	255	567	1499	26
DET	2485	739	6763	11
RET	0	0	27	26
IND/VPNS	90	201	359	45
C/S VPNS	5	1	16	1

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3. (C) III CTZ:

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTRACT REPORTED.

B. CUM RES: OP PALM BEACH - NO CHANGE.

	FRIENDLY					
	FAIRFAX	ENTERPRISE	DAYTONS	MANHATTAN	AHINA	DALLAS
	(US/ARVN)	(US)	(US)	(US)	(US)	(US)
KIA	75/36	54	5	46	4	0
VIA	415/121	446	41	316	26	0
RIA	2/1	1	0	0	0	0

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SORTIES	788	305	83	800	29	38
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC LIGHT	0	0	0	24	0	0
			ENEMY			
KIA	658/112	847	30	191	9	1
DET	1700/422	46	1	366	0	0
RET	36/0	27	0	28	0	0
IND/MPNS	196/104	67	5	613	7	0
C/S MPNS	0/3	4	1	13	0	0

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4. (C) IV CTZ: ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

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CONFIDENTIAL CON 16384 FROM: MACCOC3
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1. (C) 1 CIZ:

A. GP PRAIRIE IV: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD138705), THREE KM
 E OF CON THIEN, AT 172330H MAY ELM OF 2/26 USMC RECD EST 200 RDS OF
 82MM MORT FIRE. CM ARTY AND 81MM MORT FIRE RTND. RES: FRD - 12 WIA;
 EN - UNK.

B. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/C SIGNIFICANT CONT OF REPORTED

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C. CUM RES:

	<u>PRAIRIE</u> IV (US)	SHAWNEES (US)	CROCKETTS (US)	MALHEUR (US)	BEAUSSE CHARGER (US)	HICKORY
XIA	151	13	2	16	1	2
MIA	1131	129	1	120	76	41
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
AIR						
SORTIES	305	128	121	76	0	0
NGF	121	0	2	0	0	0
ARC LIGHT	0	0	0	0	0	0
			ENEMY			
XIA	486	106	8	194	39	27
DET	87	54	0	82	0	1
RET	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND/VPNS	125	89	0	129	0	15
C/S VPNS	27	2	0	3	0	9

CUM RES AS OF:
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2. (C) II CTZ:

A. REF PARA 2B, MY MSG 182200Z MAY: CONTACT BROKEN APPROX 181900H A, B AND RECON 1/8 INF SWEEPING AREA OF CONTACT. AT 192640H ELM OF 1/8 INF MADE CONTACT WITH LOST PLAT. LOST PLAT CAS: 22 KIA, SEVEN WIA. 1/8 INF CONTINUES SWEEP OF AREA. INTERIM RES: OF CONTACT: FRD - 31 KIA, 24 WIA; EN - 58 KIA, THREE 1/8 WPNS AND ONE 1/42 RL OPIR.

B. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

C. CUM RES:

	FRANCIS MARIONIS (US)	FRIENDLY BYRD (US)	PERSHING (US)	OH JAK .YO II (ROK)
KIA	30	14	283	20
WIA	194	187	1201	45
MIA	2	0	21	0
AIR SORTIES	1321	791	2171	53
IGF	2	50	1099	0
AIR LIGHT	30	9	129	0

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KIA	256	587	1512	82
DET	2828	7521	67818	11
REL	0	0	27	26
IND/WPNS	92	202	363	45
C/S WPNS	5	1	17	1

B. ADJUSTED

3. DOES NOT INCLUDE PARA 2A CONTACT.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

B. CUM RES:

	FAIRFAX (US/ARVN)	ENTERPRISE (US)	MANHATTAN (US)	AMINAB (US)	DALLAS (US)	PALM BEACH (US)
KIA	76/36	99	46	4	0	45
WIA	422/122	448	316	35	3	288
MIA	2/1	1	0	0	3	0
AIR SORTIES	791	314	800	29	52	130
OF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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		ENEMY				
KIA	662/112	852	191	9	1	526
DET	1700/422	46	366	0	0	83
RET	36/0	27	28	0	0	7
IND/WPNS	198/104	68	614	7	0	37
C/S WPNS	2/3	4	14	0	0	9

3 FINAL RESULTS

4. (C) IV CTZ:

A. TWELVE SMALL UNIT ACTIONS REPORTED IN IV CTZ BETWEEN 182500H AND 190500H. RES: FRD - FIVE KIA, 11 WIA (INCL THREE S), ONE I/WPN LOST; EN - 14 KIA, FOUR I/WPNS, 15 GREN, 200 RDS SA AMMO CPTR.

B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

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CONFIDENTIAL CON 16473 FROM: MACCOC3
 SUBJ: TELECON(U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP HICKORY AND PRAIRIE IV: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD1670), FIVE KM E OF CON THIEN AT 1700H, THE FOLLOWING USMC UNITS CHOPPED OUT OF OP PRAIRIE IV AND INTO OP HICKORY: 1/9, 2/9, 3/9, 1/4, 3/4/2/26. THE CONTROL HQ FOR OP HICKORY IS 3D MAR DIV VICE 9TH MAR.

B. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD136710), SEVEN KM W OF

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 GIO LINH AT 190625H, WHILE ARTY PREP FIRES WERE BEING CDDT ON EN POS, AN UNK NO OF RDS FELL SHORT HITTING F/2/9 USMC RESULTING IN THREE KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

C. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD198776), SEVEN KM NW OF GIO LINH, AS OF 191200H, APPROX 200 REFUGEES HAVE BEEN MOVED THUS FAR TO CAM LO RESETTLEMENT AREA. 68 WERE MOVED BY LCU FR SLF BEACH-HEAD. BALANCE WERE MOVED FR UPPER GIO LINH AND TRUNG LOUNG IN SMALL GROUPS BY RESUPPLY HEL. QUANG TRI SECTOR REPORTS 2500 REFUGEES LOC AT THE COLLECTION POINT AT TRUNG LOUNG DIST HQ (YD198776). ONE TRK PLAT (22 VEHICLES) DISPATCHED TO TRUNG LOUNG TO ASSIST IN MOVEMENT TO CAM LO. BUILDUP OF SUPPLIES AND IMPROVEMENT OF FACILITIES AT CAM LO CONTINUES.

D. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD087755), SIX KM NNW OF CON THIEN, AT 191100H, 3/4 USMC DISCOVERED AN AMMO CACHE OF SEVEN - EIGHT TONS OF ASSTED AMMO AND EXPLO. AT ABOUT SAME TIME AND LOCATION DISCOVERED A FOOD CACHE INCLUDING TEN TONS OF NATIVE RICE.

E. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD558435), 23 KM NW OF HUE, AT 193325H, THE 224TH RF CO AT LOUNG NAI OP WAS ATKD BY ONE CO OF 806TH VC BN AND K-14 VC LOCAL FORCE CO. EN FIRED MORT, SA/AW FIRES. AT 193515H, COMM WAS LOST WITH THE OP AND REESTABLISHED AT 191200H. AC-

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47 SPID. ARTY FIRED IN SPT. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: 24 WIA, 14 MIA, SIX NIA, TWO CIV KD AND ONE CIV WOUNDED; EN: 25 KIA, TWO DET, TWO 1/7PNS AND 100 GRENS CPTD.

F. OP DUVAL: IN QUANG NAM/THUA THIEN PROV (7C0888), 33 KM SE OF PHU BAI, AT 191720H, OP DUVAL, A 1/7 USMC RECON IN FORCE AND H/D CP COMM. UNIT: 1/7 (-) REINF USMC. AO: AT8693, AT8682, YC8382, YC8393. EST DURATION: SEVEN DAYS. EN OB: TO FOLLOW.

G. OP HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD1670), FIVE KM E OF CON THIEN; SUMMARY OF EVENTS FOR 19 MAY: FOLLOWING 1 1/2 HOUR ARTY PREP, 2/26 USMC AND 2/9 USMC COMM ATK ON EN POS VIC HILL 88 (YD134712) 2/26 USMC RECD HV AW/SA FIRE FR EAST. 2/9 USMC RECD SPORADIC SA FIRE PUSHED AHEAD AND RELIEVED PRESSURE ON 2/26 USMC. AT ABOUT 190830H, 2/26 USMC RECD MORT FIRE RESULTING IN 29 WIA, 2/9 USMC CONT ADVANCE. BY 191032H, 2/26 USMC PASSED THROUGH EN POS ACCOUNTING FOR 34 EN KIA AND NINE C/S WPNS CPTD. AT 191330H, H/2/9 USMC ENGAGED EST EN PLAT IN PREPARED POS. EN FIRED HV AW AND MORT FIRES. TKS WERE EMPLOYED. ONE TK HIT BY RPG FIRE AND SET ON FIRE. ASTKE AND ARTY CALLED. 2/26 USMC AND 2/9 USMC CONT MOVE TOWARD YD1373 IN ZONE. 3/9 USMC CONT TO SCREEN TO THE WEST WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD. 1/4 USMC PROVIDING SECURITY FOR ARTY POS AT CON THIEN. 1/9 CONT SCREENING TO

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SOUTH OF CON THIEN. AT 191102H, 3/4 USMC UNCOVERED NATIVE RICE CACHE OF TEN TONS AND AN AMMO/EXPLO CACHE OF APPROX SEVEN - EIGHT TONS.

H. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OP PERSHING: IN QUANG NGAI PROV (BS803246), 15 KM S DUC PHO, AT 191515H MAY 67, A/5/7 CAV (US), WHILE ON SWEEP OP, ENG EST EN PLAT IN AMBUSH POS. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 2300H. ARTY AND GUNSHIPS SPID. RES: FRD: FIVE KIA, SEVEN WIA, ONE SCOUT DOG WIA; EN: THREE KIA, NO REPT OF WPNS CPTD.

B. REF PARA 2A MY MSG 191004Z MAY 67: UPDATED RES: FRD: 31 KIA, 24 WIA, 12 M-16 RIFLES, FIVE M-60 MG LOST; EN: 119 KIA, THREE 1/7PNS, ONE B-40 RCT LAUNCHER CPTD.

C. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN BINH DUONG PROV (XT823116), THREE KM E OF PHU CUONG, AT 191820H MAY, AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE ATK 3/7 INF (ARVN) W/SA AND AW FIRE. ARTY, LFT, AC-47 SPID. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 192310H. RES: FRD (ARVN): THREE KIA,, 13 WIA; EN: UNK.

B. IN HAU NGHIA PROV (XT515225), 16 KM SW OF CU CHI, AT 192230H, AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE ATK FLD POS OF 1/27 INF. ATK WAS

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REPULSED AT 182310H WITH NEG FRD CAS. DURING THE ATK, AN 81MM MORT RD FIRED BY A/1/27 INF IMPACTED ON FRD PCS. RES: FRD: 14 WOUNDED. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

C. IN BINH DUONG PROV (XT498475), TWO KM NE OF DAU TIENG, AT 192106H MAY, C/3/22 INF WAS CONDUCTING H & I FIRES WITH 81MM MORT. ONE RD IMPACTED ON C/3/22 INF MESS HALL. RES: ONE KD, TWO WOUNDED. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

D. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

4. (C) IV CTZ:

A. SIX SM UNIT ACTIONS W/CONTACT REPTD IN IV CTZ BETWEEN 190500H AND 191600H. RES: FRD: FOUR KIA, THREE WIA; EN: TEN KIA, THREE DET, FOUR I/WPNS, 200 RDS SA AMMO, SEVEN GRENS, AND MISC DOCU CPTRD.

B. OP DAN CHI 287/B, A 21ST ARVN DIV S/D OP IN PHONG DINH PROV (WS620150), 26 KM W OF CAN THO COMM 190800H AND CONT WITH LT CONTACT REPTD. 19 MAY. RES: FRD: SIX KIA, 19 WIA; EN: THREE KIA, FOUR DET, ONE I/WPN, 13 AT MINES, 15 RDS 60MM MORT, THREE GRENS, ONE DRILL CPTRD. ONE ARVN EM RTND TO GVN CONTROL. UNITS: 2/31, 3/33, 4/33 INF, 44TH RGR BN, 3RF BN'S, 1/9 CAN; RES: 3/31 INF, 41ST, 42D, 43RD RGR BNS.

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C. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

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 SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) 1 CIZ:

A. REF PARA 1F MY MSG 192145Z MAY. EN OB: NONE REPTD.
 B. OP LAM SON 54: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD181751), FOUR KM
 NW OF C10 LINH, AT 191020H, 3D AND 5TH ABN ENGAGED EST EN CO. RECD
 HV SA AND MORT FIRES. ARTY FIRED IN SPT. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES:
 FRD: 20 KIA; EN: 40 KIA, THREE I/WPNS, 200 RDS 82MM MORT CPTD.

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 ACCUR FRD RES: FRD: 15 KIA, 67 VIA; EN: 90 KIA, 74 DET, 49 I/WPNS,
 SIX C/3 WPNS, 200 RDS 82MM MORT CPTD.

C. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD502362), 27 KM NW OF HUE, AT
 191625H, CONVOY CARRYING ELM OF 1ST DIV RECON CO, DET UNK TYPE MINE
 RESULTING IN ONE KIA, 12 WIA. THERE WERE FOUR I/WPNS DAM. TRK WAS
 DEST. ROAD PASSABLE.

D. IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT259318), 12 KM NNE OF TAM KY AT
 190430H, RD TEAM NR 4 AND THE 17TH PF PLAT PROVIDING SECURITY WHILE
 LOCATED IN AN THAI HAMLET WERE ATKD BY TWO EN PLAT FIRING SA AND
 THROWING GRENS. REACTION FORCE OF TWO RGR PLAT WAS DISPATCHED AND
 HIT UNK TYPE MINE ONE KM TO WEST OF ATK. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES:
 FRD: ONE RF KIA, NINE WIA (ONE RD, EIGHT ARVN), ONE ARVN AND ONE RF
 ON LEAVE WERE CPTD, ONE CIV KILLED, RF LOST FIVE I/WPNS, FIVE GRENS,
 AND SOME DOCUMENTS, ONE SCHOOL AND TWO HOUSES DEST; EN: UNK.

E. OP BELT TIGHT/HICKORY: IN QUANG TRI PROV YD1476),
 SEVEN KM NNE OF COM THIEN, AT 222725H, OP BELT TIGHT/HICKORY COMM
 WITH HELO ASLT OF BLT 2/3 USMC. RES: NO CONTACT OR CAS REPTD. BLT
 2/3 OPCON CHOPPED FROM CTG 76.5 TO CG, III MAF AT 220725H.

F. CUN RES: OP CROCKETT - NO CHANGE, OP DUVAL - NO CONTACT
 REPTD.

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	PRAIRIE IV (US)	HICKORY (US)	FRIENDLY LAM SON 54 (ARVN)
KIA	155	3	15
VIA	1151	83	67
NIA	2	2	2
AIR SORTIES	322	2	2
NGF	132	2	2
ARC LIGHT	2	2	2
		ENEMY	
KIA	486	27	90
DET	87	1	74
RET	2	2	2
IND/MPNS	125	15	49
C/S MPNS	27	9	6

	SHAWNEE (US)	MALHEUR (US)	FRIENDLY BEAU CHARGER (US)
KIA	13	22	22
VIA	131	174	74

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KIA	2	2	2
AIR SORTIES	128	90	2
NGF	2	2	2
ARC LIGHT	2	2	2
		ENEMY	
KIA	115	224	77
DET	54	134	2
RET	2	2	2
IND/MPNS	89	121	2
C/S MPNS	2	55	2

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G. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

2. (C) II CTZ:

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KIA	628	14	288	22
WIA	2265	187	1216	45

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	FRIENDLY			
MIA	0	0	2	0
AIR SORTIES	1358	791	2203	53
NGF	2	50	1105	2
ARC LIGHT	33	9	135	0
	ENEMY			
KIA	375	587	1526	86
DET	3355	752	6840	12
RET	2	0	27	26
IND/WPNS	97	2008	358	45
C/S WPNS	6	1	17	1

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3. (C) III CTZ:

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

B. CUM RES: CP MANHATTAN - NO CHANGE.

	FRIENDLY			
	FAIRFAX (US/ARVN)	ENTERPRISE (US)	DALLAS (US)	PALM BEACH (US)
KIA	77/36	95	1	47
WIA				
UTV DEL	429/122	452	11	302
MIA	2/1	1	0	2

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	FRIENDLY			
AIR SORTIES	795	316	74	139
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC LIGHT	2	2	2	2
	ENEMY			
KIA	662/112	863	1	527
DET	1701/422	46	2	83
RET	35/2	27	2	7
IND/WPNS	199/104	70	3	38
C/S WPNS	2/3	4	0	9

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AND AN ADDITIONAL 3,300 SQUARE FEET ARE UNDER
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AND OPERATION OF NUMEROUS WATER POINTS WITHIN
THE TACTICAL AREAS WHICH PRODUCED OVER 5.7
MILLION GALLONS OF WATER.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD AND NINTH MARINES 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 SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE
PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 131615H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH

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MARINES (YD 114700) RECEIVED 3-5 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE
RESULTING IN ONE MARINE WOUNDED. AT 0730H, A PATROL FROM
COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 136683) RECEIVED
AW WEAPONS FIRE AND TWO GRENADES FROM AN ENEMY MG EMPLACEMENT.
THE VC BROKE CONTACT WHEN THE MARINES STARTED TO ASSAULT THEIR
POSITIONS; ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND ONE WAS WOUNDED. ARTILLERY
WAS CALLED IN ON THE VC ESCAPE ROUTES WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT
1015H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CP (YD 134680) RECEIVED
TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE WHILE A HELICOPTER
RESUPPLY MISSION WAS IN PROGRESS. FIVE MARINES WERE KILLED
AND FORTY-FOUR MARINES WERE WOUNDED. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE AND
AIR STRIKES HIT SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNCONFIRMED
RESULTS. AT 1300H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 131664)
KILLED ONE NVA SNIPER IN A SPIDER HOLE. ONE SNIPER RIFLE WITH
SCOPE AND ASSORTED INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT WERE CAPTURED. AT
1530H, FOUR MARINE WERE WOUNDED FROM COMPANY D, FIRST BAT-
TALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 123687) WHEN THEY RECEIVED TWO
ROUNDS OF ENEMY MORTAR FIRE. AT 1555H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH
MARINES (YD 114700) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED TEN ROUNDS OF
ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN SEVEN MARINES WOUNDED. MARINES

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RETURNED ARTILLERY AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE INTO THE ENEMY'S POSITION RESULTING IN ONE ENEMY KILLED(PROB). AT 160H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 134600) WERE WOUNDED FROM FIVE ROUNDS OF INCOMING ENEMY MORTAR FIRE. BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 1730H TO 1800H, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (114700) RECEIVED TEN TO FIFTEEN ROUNDS OF ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE. ELEVEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED. AT 1800H, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES(YD 123687) WAS PROBED BY AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY. THE ENEMY PROBE WAS SUPPORTED BY MORTARS, SA FIRE, AND SACHEL CHARGES. THE ATTACK WAS REPULSED RESULTING IN SIX MARINES KILLED AND ELEVEN MARINES WOUNDED. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE TWENTY-SEVEN KILLED (CONF). DURING THE PERIOD, ARTILLERY UNITS AT GIO LINH (YD 220734) RECEIVED FIFTY ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN TWO MARINES KILLED AND EIGHT MARINES WOUNDED (MED EVAC).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 27 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 12 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 15 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (10 VISUAL AND 5 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 36 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS TWELVE STRUCTURES DESTROYED, TWO BUNKERS DESTROYED,

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ONE RICE CACHE DESTROYED, AND ONE MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 30 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 387 MISSIONS AND 2341 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. DURING THE PERIOD, 175MM GUNS FIRED FORTY-SIX MISSIONS EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED SIXTEEN MISSIONS AND EXPENDED TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
14/92 KIA	78/350 KIA(CONF)
89/691 KIA	51/418 KIA(PROB)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/86 DETAINEES
	1/21 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (COMPANIES A, B, C, AND D); BATTERY A, FIRST BATTALION, THIRTEENTH MARINES; AND BATTERY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWELFTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND

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DESTROY OPERATION IN DISTRICT QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT

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ON 12 MAY, BETWEEN 0755H AND 2000H THE ARTILLERY POSITIONS AT GIO LINH RECEIVED 50 ROUNDS OF ENEMY 85MM, 100MM, 105MM, AND 122MM ARTILLERY FIRE. AT 1250H, 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES' COMMAND POST RECEIVED 15 ROUNDS OF MORTAR/ARTILLERY FIRE AND BETWEEN 1530H AND 1605H ANOTHER 20 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED; AT 1645H, THE ENEMY FIRED 40 TO 50 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY ON 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES.

IN EACH OF THE ABOVE ATTACKS, COUNTER-BATTERY FIRE WAS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED ON KNOWN AND SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

G. ARVN RANGER UNIT LOCATES 62 VC BODIES IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, 10 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF HOI AN, ELEMENTS OF A VIETNAMESE RANGER BATTALION DISCOVERED 62 ENEMY KIA IN A CAVE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THESE ENEMY KIA WERE THE RESULT OF A CONTACT ON 7 MAY WITH AN ENEMY

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FORCE OF UNKNOWN SIZE BY THE 37TH AND 39TH RANGER BATTALIONS. THE INITIAL RESULTS OF THE 7 MAY ENGAGEMENT WERE 29 VIET CONG KILLED AND 9 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

H. STATUS OF THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE
BATTALION LANDING TEAM 2/3 COMPLETED BACK-LOADING ABOARD THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE SHIPS AND PASSED TO THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF COMMANDER TASK GROUP 76.5 AT 1800H ON 12 MAY.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV.

KJ) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THREE 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 0030H, A COMBINED ACTION COMPANY P-5 AMBUSH AT (YD 102533) FIRED ON 3 VC. ONE VC WAS KIA (CONF), 2 : 2343 (8- (PROB), AND 1 US CARBINE WAS CAPTURED. AT 0405H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-2, AT (YD BT

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277576) RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE FOLLOWED BY AN ESTIMATED 2 ENEMY PLATOON ATTACK. THE ATTACK WAS REPULSED. ONE USMC WAS KIA, 18 USMC WERE WIA (4 MED EVAC), AND 1 PF WAS KIA. FOUR VC WERE KIA (CONF) AND 15 VC WERE KIA (PROB). AT 1020H, ARTILLERY POSITIONS AT (YD 214741) RECEIVED 66 ARTILLERY AND 30 82 MM MORTAR ROUNDS. ONE USMC WAS WIA (MINOR). AT 1200H, A NUNG PATROL AT (YD 135710) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY AND RECEIVED 40-50 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE AS IT RETURNED TO CON THIEU. TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC), 2 USN WERE WIA AND 9 NUNGS WERE WIA. ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (PROB). DURING THE DAY 1 DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 1 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (1 TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 1 TON OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 111 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 213 PERSONNEL AND 14 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 357 MISSIONS

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AND 3676 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 60 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 447 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC
1/68 KIA
22/512 WIA ADJ

ENEMY
5/298 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
17/302 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
0/8 NVA/PW
0/1 VC/PW
1/84 DETAINEES
1/118 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATING AREA.

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT. AT 1325H, THE SENIOR OFFICER PRESENT, KHE SANH AREA ASSUMED OPCON OF THE FIRST BATTALION, 26TH MARINES.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR CONSISTED OF 17 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND (2ESCORT) 14 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT

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THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING FLEW 292
 FIXED WING COMBAT SORTIES ON 10 MAY, EXPENDING OVER
 450 TONS OF ORDNANCE. 29 OF THESE SORTIES WERE FLOWN
 OVER NORTH VIETNAM AND 14 OVER SOUTH LAOS. THE RE-
 MAINDER WERE FLOWN AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS IN RVN.
 INCOMPLETE BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS REPORT 56 ENEMY
 KILLED, 34 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED, 9 BUNKERS AND 39
 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 1 BRIDGE DAMAGED
 AND 1 MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED.

HELICOPTER PILOTS FROM MARINE AIR GROUPS 16
 AND 36 FLEW 1,335 SORTIES CARRYING 1,696 PERSONNEL AND
 221 TONS OF CARGO.

F. UNIT MOVEMENTS AND STATUS OF THE SLF
 THE USS TRIPOLI (LPH-10) WITH HMH-463
 AND A DETACHMENT FROM VMO-3 ABOARD, AND THE

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 USS MAGOFFIN (APA-199) WITH THE 3D MILITARY POLICE
 BATTALIONS ABOARD, DEPARTED PEARL HARBOR ON
 10 MAY, AFTER 2 DAYS IN PORT. THE USS TRIPOLI IS
 EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN DANANG ON 22 MAY AND THE
 USS MAGOFFIN IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE 2 DAYS LATER
 ON THE 27TH OF MAY.

BLT 2/3 COMMENCED BACKLOADING ON
 BOARD THE USS PRINCETON (LPH-5), USS OGDEN (LPD-5)
 AND THE USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) ON 11 MAY. THE
 BLT IS EXPECTED TO COMPLETE BACKLOADING LATE
 ON THE 12TH OF MAY. BLT 2/3 HAD BEEN CONDUCTING
 COMBAT OPERATIONS WITH 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES
 IN THE KHE SANH AREA, WHERE OVER 940 OF THE ENEMY
 WERE KILLED IN THE PAST 16 DAYS.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THREE INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION,
 FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES)

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CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) ON 9 MAY, 2 NVA
BODIES WERE FOUND, KILLED BY FRAGMENTS. AT 0945H, A COMPANY
1 PATROL ENGAGED 2 ENEMY NEAR (YD 114518). ONE VC WAS KIA
(CONF), 1 VC WAS KIA (PROB) AND 1 AK-47 WAS CAPTURED. AT
1400H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION FOURTH MARINES FOUND 6
NVA BODIES AT (YD 115706). AT 1830H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES RECEIVED 20 TO 25 MORTAR ROUNDS. ONE
USMC WAS KIA, AND 1 USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1500H,
COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES FOUND 4 NVA BODIES
AT (YD 116708). DURING THE DAY 2 USMC WERE WIA (MINOR) FROM
A BAMBOO MINE DETONATION AND TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV
CONSISTED OF 1 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (1 TPQ-10) SORTIE, WHICH
EXPENDED 2 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 239 SORTIES
AND TRANSPORTED 251 PERSONNEL AND 29 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 304 MISSIONS AND 2344 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS
FIRED 61 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 285 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

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USMC

1/67 KIA

3/481 KIA

ENEMY

11/292 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)

1/284 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)

0/8 NVA/PW

0/1 VC/PW

2/83 DETAINEES

1/117 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATING
AREA.

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD
MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1250H, COMPANY F
CAPTURED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NEAR (XD 745473): 1 AK-47,
1 MACHINE GUN, 2 SNIPER RIFLES WITHOUT SCOPES, 8 CHICOM
GRENADES, 4-82MM FUSES, 1200 ROUNDS OF RIFLE AMMUNITION AND
200 POUNDS OF RICE. AT 1605H 1 WOUNDED NVA WAS FOUND NEAR
THE COMPANY G COMMAND POST. RECON SUPPORT ENCOUNTERED HEAVY
CONTACT AND IS REPORTED IN STING RAY 3MD KS-32 REPORT IN
SECTION 3B(1).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEAVER CAGE

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IN SOUTH VIETNAM, 177 ATTACK SORTIES WERE FLOWN, INCLUDING 27 IN THE KHE SANH AREA, 9 IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE AND 2 EACH IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS SHAWNEE AND UNION. REPORTED BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS INCLUDED 10 ENEMY PROBABLY KILLED BY AIR, 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 1 SECONDARY FIRE AND A BUNKER, ONE TUNNEL AND TWO AUTOMATIC WEAPONS POSITIONS DESTROYED.

HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 AND MAG-36 FLEW 1,902 SORTIES CARRYING 3,379 PASSENGERS AND 212.4 TONS OF CARGO. NINE HELICOPTERS RECEIVED COMBAT DAMAGE FROM ENEMY SMALL ARMS FIRE AND FOUR CREW MEMBERS WERE REPORTED WOUNDED DURING THE PERIOD.

NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT

THE USS SAINT PAUL (CA-73) ADDED THE FIRES OF HER 8 INCH/55 CALIBER GUNS TO THE ALREADY HEAVY III MAF ARTILLERY FIRES IN AND NEAR THE DMZ. 39 ROUNDS OF 8 INCH WERE PLACED ON FOUR ENEMY

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POSITIONS AT THE EDGE OF THE DMZ, NEAR ROUTE ONE DURING THE DAY. 155 ROUNDS OF 8 INCH WERE CALLED IN BY THE 12TH MARINES ON AN ENEMY TROOP CONCENTRATION IN THE DMZ NORTH OF CON THIEN AFTER DARK ON THE 9TH. DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS WERE PRECLUDED BY DARKNESS.

UNLOADING RECORD SET AT PORT OF DANANG

ON 7 MAY, A RECORD WAS SET FOR THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF MEASUREMENT TONS UNLOADED IN A SINGLE DAY (6,469 M/T) FROM ONE SHIP, THE SS PRESIDENT TAYLOR. ON THE 8TH OF MAY, THAT RECORD WAS BROKEN WHEN 7,850 M/T OF CARGO WAS UNLOADED FROM THE SAME SHIP. THE TOTAL 14,319 M/T UNLOADED DURING A 46 HOUR PERIOD IS ALSO A PORT RECORD.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) ~~OPERATION PRAIRIE IV.~~

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH

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ARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 080700H, FAC(A) CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE ON 30 ENEMY IN THE VICINITY OF YD 113724). THE AIRSTRIKE RESULTED IN 11 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND 7 ENEMY KIA (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) AT 080930H, COMPANY B 1ST AMTRAC BATTALION ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY (LATE ENTRY) AT 081745H AN AERIAL OBSERVER SPOTTED 5 ENEMY NEAR YD 111701). ARMED HELICOPTERS KILLED 5 VC(CONF). AT 1300H, THE 1ST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP AT (YD 111700) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 10 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE AND 3 TO 5 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE. THREE USMC WERE WIA (MINOR). AT 1430H THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP AT (YD 111699) RECEIVED 82MM MORTAR FIRE. FOUR USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1645H AN AERIAL OBSERVER SPOTTED 7 VC IN FIGHTING HOLES AT (YD 138689). ARMED HELICOPTERS KILLED 5 VC(CONF). AT 1700H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP AGAIN RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE. ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC). DURING THE DAY ONE BROWN-UNIFORMED BODY WAS FOUND IN A GRAVE, AND ONE CARBINE WAS CAPTURED AFTER AN EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE.

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(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 5 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT 5 (F-105) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 17 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 232 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 467 PERSONNEL AND 14 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS 309 MISSIONS AND 2296 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 50 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 261 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/66 KIA	7/279 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
13/478 WIA	1/295 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
	0/8 NVA/PW
	0/1 VC/PW
	0/81 DETAINEES
	0/116 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJUSTED)

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATING

AREA.

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
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THE MSTs CONTAINERIZATION TEST PROGRAM FOR SHIPMENTS INTO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM REVEALS THAT THE SS AZALEA CITY WILL BE THE FIRST SHIP TO ARRIVE AT DANANG, ABOUT 21 JULY. THIS SHIP WILL BE THE FIRST IN THE TEST OF THE CONTAINER PROGRAM IN A COMBAT ENVIRONMENT. THE CONCEPT CALLS FOR THE HELICOPTER LIFT OF CONTAINERIZED CARGO FROM THE SHIP DIRECT TO STORAGE AREAS ASHORE. HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTERS AND CREWS FOR THE TEST ARE TO BE SUPPLIED BY SIKORSKY WHICH IS WORKING WITH AMERICAN EXPORT LINES IN DEVELOPING THE CONCEPT.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION,

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FOURTH MARINES; AND THE FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0610H, A COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES AMBUSH IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 083512) EXCHANGED FIRE WITH ONE VC. ONE PW/VC WAS WIA, ONE CARBINE AND ASSORTED EQUIPMENT WAS CAPTURED. ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1135H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AT (YD 185730) RECEIVED 20-30 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE. FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH 90MM AND ARTILLERY MISSIONS. TWO USMC WERE WIA (MINOR), AND EIGHT VC WERE KIA (PROB). AT 1735H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES NEAR (YD 181728) RECEIVED 34-40 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE. 90MM AND ARTILLERY FIRE WAS RETURNED. ONE USMC WAS WIA (MINOR) AND THREE VC WERE KIA (PROB). DURING THE DAY, SIX USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) FROM FOUR MINE DETONATIONS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND THREE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TWO VISUAL AND ONE TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 180 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 145 PERSONNEL AND 19 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 238

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MISSIONS AND 1870 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 32 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 320 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

07/21 KIA

10/330 WIA

ENEMY

07/57 KIA(CONF)

11/82 KIA(PROB)

1/1 VC/PW

07/66 DETAINEES

1/40 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH AREA

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0915H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION FOUND ENEMY POSITIONS WHICH HAD BEEN USED IN MORTAR ATTACKS ON 5 MAY.

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IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 770458). THE AREA SHOWED EVIDENCE OF RECEIVING A HEAVY VOLUME OF COUNTER MORTAR FIRE. THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT WAS CAPTURED: 3 AK-47'S, 1 CARBINE, 52 GRENADES, 1600 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION, 9 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR AMMUNITION, 2 ANTI-TANK ROUNDS, DOCUMENTS AND INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT. EIGHTEEN NVA KIA WERE FOUND AND SIXTY ENEMY WERE KIA(PROB). AT 1139H, THE THIRD MARINES CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE ON ENEMY TROOPS IN BUNKERS AT (XD 724466). SIX ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB). AT 1230H, A COMPANY E PATROL FOUND THREE NVA KIA AT (XD 783448). TWO AK-47'S AND ONE CHICOM MACHINE GUN WERE CAPTURED. AT 1050H, COMPANY G NEAR (XD 769463) DISCOVERED A BUNKER COMPLEX CONTAINING 16 NVA KIA IN GRAVES.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH AREA CONSISTED OF 13 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 18 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (17 VISUAL AND 1 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 60 TONS OF ORDNANCE. SIX ENEMY WERE KBA (PROB), 14 BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED AND ONE DAMAGED, 11 GUN POSITIONS WERE DESTROYED AND ONE TUNNEL WAS DESTROYED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 136 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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AND 3 ENEMY WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED.

IN ONE OF THESE ENCOUNTERS, COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION, 14TH INFANTRY RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM 20 TO 30 VIET CONG 13 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF TAM KY. THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES WERE DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY, RESULTING IN 7 VIET CONG KILLED AND 12 MORE PROBABLY KILLED.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION 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 1130H, A COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES PATROL FOUND AN ENEMY CAMPSITE AT (YD 072510) AND ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. TWO VC WERE KIA (CONF) AND 1 VC WAS KIA (PROB). THREE CARBINES WERE CAPTURED. AT 1545H, THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP AT (YD 116701) RECEIVED

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35 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE. SEVENTEEN USMC WERE WIA (6 MED EVAC). DURING THE DAY 1 USMC WAS KIA AND ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC) FROM SNIPER FIRE AND 4 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) FROM TWO MINE DETONATIONS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF 3 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (3 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 283 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 183 PERSONNEL AND 13 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 304 MISSIONS AND 1236 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 32 MISSIONS EXPENDING 284 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC

1/21 KIA

29/320 WIA

ENEMY

2/57 KIA (CONF)

1/71 KIA (PROB)

0/64 DETAINEES (ADJUSTED)

3/39 WPNS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH AREA

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN

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AGAINST U. S. FORCES WITHIN THEIR TACTICAL AREAS IN I CORPS WAS ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE, COMPARED WITH ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR FOR THE PREVIOUS WEEK. OPERATION PRAIRIE IV IN EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SHAWNEE IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AND UNION, IN QUANG NAM AND QUANG TIN PROVINCES, ALL REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT. OPERATION BEAVER CAGE, ALSO IN QUANG NAM AND QUANG TIN PROVINCES, HAD LIGHT CONTACT IN THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK BUT REPORTED MODERATE CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY AT TIMES DURING THE LAST TWO DAYS OF THE PERIOD. THE CONTINUING ATTACKS ON REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT CADRE, REGIONAL FORCES, AND POPULAR FORCES PROVIDED EVIDENCE OF THE CONTINUING VC CONCERN OVER THE GVN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. COMBINED ACTION UNITS ALSO RECEIVED SIMILAR ATTENTION WHEN THE ENEMY MADE MORTAR ATTACKS ON TWO COMBINED ACTION COMPANIES NEAR PHU DAI.

DETAILS OF THE WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3F(2), BELOW.

F. OPERATION HAPPY DRAGON

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AT 0700H, 2ND BATTALION (-), ROKMC BRIGADE WITH THE 2ND SQUADRON (-), 11TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT (USA) AND COMPANY C, 4TH BATTALION, 31ST INFANTRY (USA) COMMENCED OPERATION HAPPY DRAGON, 6 MILES NORTH OF QUANG NGAI CITY WITHIN THE ROKMC TACTICAL AREA. HAPPY DRAGON IS A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION DIRECTED AGAINST VIET CONG MAIN FORCE UNITS SUSPECTED TO BE WITHIN THE AREA. ENEMY CONTACT WAS NEGLIGIBLE DURING THE FIRST DAY.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION 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 0950H, A COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES PATROL NEAR (YD 132536) ENGAGED FOUR VC. TWO USMC WERE KIA. AT 1800H AN AO IN THE VICINITY OF HILL 484 (XD 968616) CALLED IN AIR STRIKE

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AND ARTILLERY MISSION ON SIX VC IN A JUNKER COMPLEX. FIVE VC WERE KIA (PRO)). DURING THE DAY, ONE USMC WAS WIA (MINOR) BY A PUNJI TRAP; ONE USMC WAS WIA (MED EVAC) BY A MINE AND TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) FROM SNIPER FIRE.

(I) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED SEVEN TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 313 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 587 PERSONS AND 37 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 246 MISSIONS AND 1980 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/20 KIA	0/55 KIA (CONF)
6/291 WIA	5/70 KIA (PRO))(ADJ)

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1/65 DETAINEES (ADJ)

0/36 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH AREA

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0850H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 775458). FIVE USMC WERE WIA. TWO VC WERE KIA (PRO)). AT 1400H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY AT (XD 775458). TWO USMC WERE WIA, AND THREE VC WERE KIA (CONF).

(I) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS IN THE KHE SANH AREA CONSISTED OF 46 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 31 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 146 TONS OF ORDNANCE.

REPORTED (OM) DAMAGE WAS EIGHT VC KIA (PRO)), 32 JUNKERS DESTROYED, SEVEN JUNKERS DAMAGED, TWO TRENCHES DESTROYED, FIVE TUNNELS DESTROYED, SIX SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND TWO SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 90 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

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HAD A U-10JHRCRAFT CONDUCTION BROADCASTS IN THE VICINITY OF HILL 881(NORTH), WITH A GENERAL L EME OF CHIEU HOI, NVA HARDSHIPS, FREE WORLD SUPREMACY AND A MESSAGE TAPED BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE SOLDIER URGING HIS COMRADES IN THE AREA TO SURRENDER.

C. ARVN OPERATIONS

NINETY-FIVE TONS OF RICE WERE CAPTURED ON 30 APRIL BY ARVN UNITS IN OPERATION LAM SON 45. THIS IS A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE 1ST ARVN DIVISION AND COORDINATED WITH III MAF OPERATION SHAWNEE, AGAINST THE ENEMY BASE AREA 114, NORTHWEST OF HUE. THE RICE WAS LOCATED IN TWO DIFFERENT CACHES, 11 MILES NORTHWEST OF HUE.

IN ANOTHER ARVN OPERATION, LAM SON 48, WHICH IS BEING CONDUCTED 10 KILOMETERS EAST OF HUE BY THE 3D ARVN REGIMENT, ONE BATTALION MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY ON 4 MAY. THE ENGAGEMENT LASTED FOR ALMOST 5 HOURS, UNTIL THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AND FLED, LEAVING 40 OF THEIR

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DEAD BEHIND. THE ARVN SUFFERED 3 KIA, AND 20 WIA.

D. FIRST ANGLICO ACTIVITIES 16-30 APRIL 1967

DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS OF APRIL, THE 1ST AIR NAVAL GUNFIRE LIAISON COMPANY CONTINUED TO SUPPORT FREE WORLD FORCES IN VIETNAM REQUESTING AND ADJUSTING FIRES ON THE ENEMY FROM NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT SHIPS OFF THE COAST OF VIETNAM.

ANGLICO PERSONNEL CONTROLLED 63 MISSIONS DURING THE PERIOD, 34 OF WHICH WERE FIRED IN SUPPORT OF III MAF FORCES IN I CORPS AND THE REMAINDER IN SUPPORT OF OTHER FREE WORLD FORCES THROUGHOUT SOUTH VIETNAM.

IN ALL, OVER 1200 ENEMY TARGETS WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE, EXPENDING 18,716 ROUNDS OF VARIOUS TYPES OF NAVAL ORDNANCE.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES; THE 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES;

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AND 1ST - 3D BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT

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CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY). AT 031800H, AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY ON HILL 100 (YD 067607) RESULTED IN 2 VC KIA (0492). AT 031900H, COMPANY D, 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES RECEIVED 30 ROUNDS OF 60MM OF MORTAR FIRE (YD 115701). COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS DELIVERED WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. AT 031630H, ONE NVA WAS KIA (CONF) WHEN A RECON PATROL EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH 7 ENEMY (YD-357383). AT 041028H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-1 EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH AN ESTIMATED 50 ENEMY (YD 115598). TWO MARINES WERE WIA (MED EVAC) BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE UNCONFIRMED. AT 1020H, A RECON TEAM FIRED ON 4 NVA (YD-341409). ONE NVA WAS KIA (CONF) AND 1 WEAPON WAS CAPTURED. AT 1020H, A PLATOON FROM COMBINED ACTION COMPANY P-1 WAS ATTACKED BY AN ENEMY FORCE OF UNDETERMINED SIZE (YD 115559). THREE PF SOLDIERS WERE KIA, ONE MARINE AND 2 PF SOLDIERS WERE WIA (MED EVAC); THE PLATOON LOST 1M-16 RIFLE AND 2 CARBINES. AT 1230H, 2 NVA WERE KIA (CONF) WHEN A RECON TEAM EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD-

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208346). AT 1015H, A RECON TEAM ENGAGED AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF NVA (YD 142663) WITH SMALL ARMS AND GRENADE FIRE. TWO NVA WERE KIA (CONF), 2 WERE KIA (PROB) AND 1 WEAPON WAS CAPTURED. MARINES SUSTAINED 1 KIA AND 1 WIA (MED EVAC). ADDITIONALLY, 38 DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED ON 3 MAY. THREE ADDITIONAL MARINES WERE WIA BY GRENADES.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF 2 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 244 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 185 PERSONNEL AND 22 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 232 MISSIONS AND 1565 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THIS TOTAL 175MM GUNS FIRED 20 MISSIONS AND 278 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE,

USMC

2/20 KIA

7/282 WIA (ADJ)

ENEMY

6/55 KIA (CONF) (ADJ)

2/60 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)

38/64 DETAINEES

2/36 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATION

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RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 250 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE
AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ROCKET ROUNDS FROM
A POSITION EAST OF THE CAMP. AT THE SAME TIME, AN
ESTIMATED ENEMY BATTALION LAUNCHED A GROUND ATTACK
FROM THE EAST, NORTHWEST AND POSSIBLY THROUGH
LANG VET VILLAGE. THE ENEMY EMPLOYED SATCHEL
CHARGES IN AN ATTEMPT TO BREACH THE PROTECTIVE
WIRE AND MINEFIELDS. THE CAMP WAS SUPPORTED BY
FLAESHIPS, AC-47 AIRCRAFT, AND UH-1E HELICOPTERS. BY
0500H, THE DEFENDERS HAD SUCCESSFULLY REPULSED THE
ATTACK, AND THE ENEMY WITHDREW. THE CAMP
SUFFERED 19 KIA, 42 WIA AND 38 MIA. ALL SOUTH VIETNAMESE
EXCEPT TWO US KIA AND FOUR US WIA. ONLY 5 OF THE ENEMY'S
CASUALTIES COULD BE CONFIRMED BY BODY
COUNT AS THE VIET CONG CARRIED OFF THE REMAINDER
OF THEIR DEAD AND WOUNDED.

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IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, THE 1ST BATTALION,
327 INFANTRY (AIRBORNE) CLOSED DUC PHO AND WAS PLACED
UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE 3D BRIGADE.

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25TH INFANTRY DIVISION AT 1205H.
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EARLY ON THE MORNING OF 4 MAY THE VIET
CONG ENTERED TRA LY HAMLET, 7 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST
OF TAM KY AND KILLED 2 CIVILIANS AND WOUNDED 20 OTHERS.
BEFORE LEAVING, THE VIET CONG BURNED 130 HOMES IN THE
HAMLET.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THE 3D BAT-
TALION, 3D MARINES; 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES; AND THE 1ST
AND 3D BATTALIONS, 9TH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1230H,
COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-2 EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH AN
UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF VC (YD 297550). ONE MARINE WAS WIA
(MED EVAC) BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE UNCONFIRMED. AT 0230H,
THE 1ST BATTALION, 4TH MARINES CP RECEIVED FIVE ROUNDS OF
82MM MORTAR FIRE. NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE RESULTED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

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CONSISTED OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND ONE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIE WHICH EXPENDED TWO TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 184 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 189 PERSONNEL AND SIX TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 216 MISSIONS AND 1784 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 36 MISSIONS EXPENDING 387 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/18 WIA	0/50 KIA(CONF)
1/273 WIA	0/65 KIA(PROB)
	0/26 DETAINEES
	0/34 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATION AREA.

(A) THE 2D AND 3D BATTALIONS, 3D MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. WITH HEAVY CONTACT REPORTED. AT 0415H, COMPANY E, 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES WAS ATTACKED BY AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY (XD 778 845). THE ATTACKING ENEMY COMPANY WAS SUPPORTED BY FIRE FROM ANOTHER ENEMY COMPANY. MORTARS AND SMALL ARMS FIRE WERE EM-

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PLOYED BY THE ATTACKERS AND THE COMPANY E POSITION WAS PENETRATED PREVENTING THE USE OF MARINE SUPPORTING ARMS FIRE. AT 0720H, COMPANY H RESTORED THE MARINE PERIMETER BY COUNTERATTACK AND THE ENEMY WITHDREW UNDER FIRE LEAVING 111 NVA KIA(CONF), 150 KIA(PROB) AND 3 POW/NVA. MARINES SUSTAINED 27 KIA AND 84 WIA (48 MED EVAC) AT 1110H, COMPANY G, 2D BATTALION, 3D MARINES FIRED ON 10 NVA ON A TRAIL (XD 775453). FIVE NVA WERE KIA (PROB). DURING THE DAY, WHILE CONTINUING THE ASSAULT ON HILL 881 NORTH, THE 2D BATTALION CONTINUED TO MEET HEAVY RESISTANCE FROM ENEMY ENTRENCHED IN BUNKERS AND SPIDER HOLES. AT ONE POINT THE BATTALION WITHDREW TO ALLOW AIR SUPPORT AND ARTILLERY TO BE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON THE ENEMY. TWENTY NVA WERE KIA(CONF) AND 30 WERE KIA(PROB). NINE MARINES WERE KIA AND 15 WERE WIA. (LATE ENTRY) AT 02145H, WHILE MOVING TOWARD AN OBJECTIVE, COMPANY G ENGAGED AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (XD 778460) WITH ORGANIC WEAPONS AND SUPPORTING ARMS. 150 NVA KIA (CONF) AND FIVE NVA KIA(PROB) WERE REPORTED. TWO MARINES WERE KILLED AND SEVEN WERE WOUNDED (MED EVAC).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT IN THE KHE SANH OPERATION AREA CONSISTED OF 58 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 22 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 152 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THIRTEEN BUNKERS,

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PROVINCE	NUMBER VILLAGES	TOTAL ELIGIBLE	TOTAL VOTE	PERCENT PARTICIPATION
QUANG TRI	10	16,178	13,130	81.1
THUA THIEN	3	6,254	4,849	77.53
QUANG NAM	14	32,793	29,058	88.61
QUANG TIN	13	25,426	23,367	91.91
TOTAL	40	80,251	70,404	87.72

F. A6A STRIKE CORRECTED ENTRY

MY REPORT OF 1 MAY HIGHLIGHTED AN A6A ATTACK IN ROUTE PACKAGE VI A. THE TARGET WAS ERRONEOUSLY REPORTED AS A RAILROAD FREIGHT STATION NORTHWEST OF HANOI. INFORMATION SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED PLACES THE TARGET FOUR MILES NORTH OF VINH, IN ROUTE PACKAGE III.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES; 1ST BATTALION, 4TH

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MARINES; AND THE 1ST AND 3D BATTALIONS, 9TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0635H, IN AN EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH SEVEN VC (YD 347455) COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES KILLED FIVE VC (PROB). AT THE SAME TIME TO THE WEST AN ELEMENT OF THE COMPANY FIRED ON ANOTHER SEVEN VC (YD 347445). ONE VC WAS KIA (CONF), TWO VC WERE KIA (PROB), AND ONE RIFLE WAS CAPTURED. AT 0645H, THE COMPANY ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD (YD 360455). TWO VC KIA (CONF), TWO KIA (PROB) AND ASSORTED EQUIPMENT CAPTURED WERE REPORTED. AT 0645H, A MARINE AMBUSH IN THE SAME AREA KILLED ONE VC (CONF). AT 1725H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY C WERE WIA (MED EVAC) IN AN EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 234643). ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE UNCONFIRMED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF THREE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED FIVE TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 212 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 211 PERSONNEL AND 16 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 244 MISSIONS AND 1056 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE 175MM GUNS BT

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(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

0/18 KIA

4/50 KIA(CONF)

2/272 WIA

9/65 KIA(PROB) (ADJ)

0/26 DETAINEES

1/34 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATION

AREA

(A) THE 2D AND 3D BATTALIONS, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH DETAILS OF INFANTRY CONTACT UNREPORTED. A LATE ENTRY OF 1 APRIL REPORTS 59 VC KIA(CONF) IN SIX SEPARATE AIR

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STRIKES DIRECTED BY A 3D MARINES AIR OBSERVER ON ENEMY TROOPS IN THE OPEN AND IN BUNKERS.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS IN THE KHE SANH AREA CONSISTED OF 51 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 64 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 25 TONS OF ORDNANCE.

TWENTY-SEVEN BUNKERS AND THREE TUNNELS WERE DESTROYED, FOUR BUNKERS WERE DAMAGED, ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND SEVEN SECONDARY FIRES WERE REPORTED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 60 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

0/96 KIA

59/353 KIA(CONF) (ADJ)

0/273 WIA

0/453 KIA(PROB)

0/1 NVA/AV

(3) OPERATION SHA-NET

(A) THE 4TH MARINES WITH THE 2D BATTALIONS OF THE 4TH, 9TH AND 26TH MARINE REGIMENTS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0810H, FIVE MARINES FROM COMPANY G, 2D BATTALION, 26TH MARINES WERE WIA BY AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE (YD 522130). AT 1300H, COMPANY

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BY MARINE AIRCRAFT THUS FAR. INTENSE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS
FIRE AND INACCURATE 37/57 MM ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE WERE

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ENCOUNTERED OVER THE TARGET.
AIR OPERATIONS

A HIGH NUMBER OF ATTACK SORTIES
WERE FLOWN ON 1 MAY BY FIXED WING PILOTS OF THE 1ST
MARINE AIRCRAFT WING. 285 ATTACK AND 19 OTHER COMBAT
SORTIES WERE FLOWN, RESULTING IN 23 OF THE ENEMY KILLED,
27 BUNKERS DESTROYED AND 8 DAMAGED, 8 GUN POSITIONS
DESTROYED, 7 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 1 FIRE. OF SIG-
NIFICANCE IS THE FACT THAT 107 OF THESE SORTIES WERE
CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS AND 45 WERE DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS FLOWN IN SUPPORT OF MARINE UNITS IN THE
KHE SANH/BECON STAR AREA. THESE SORTIES EXPENDED
OVER 184 TONS OF ORDNANCE AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS IN
THE KHE SANH/BECON STAR AREA.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THE THIRD
BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES;
AND FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES CONTINUES

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SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 301705H, COMPANY C, FIRST BAT-
TALION, 9TH MARINES ENGAGED 15 VC WITH ORGANIC WEAPONS, ARTIL-
LERY AND AIR STRIKES (YD 355453). ONE MARINE WAS WIA (MED
EVAC) BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE UNCONFIRMED. AT 301915H, THE
FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH FIVE
VC (YD 326713). ONE VC WAS KIA (PROB) AND ONE MARINE WAS
WIA (MINOR). TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED ON 30 APRIL. AT
010300H, A COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES AMBUSH (YD
089537) FIRED ON AND KILLED ONE VC (CONF). AT 1820H, ONE MARINE
FROM COMPANY C OF THE SAME BATTALION WAS WIA (MED EVAC) BY SNIPER
FIRE (YD 337466).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV
CONSISTED OF FOUR CLOSE AIR SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED SEVEN TONS
OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 172 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED
237 PERSONNEL AND 11 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
90 MISSIONS AND 1344 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF
INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED
15 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 230 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC	ENEMY
0/18 KIA	1/46 KIA(CONF)
3/270 WIA	2/56 KIA(PROB)
	2/26 DETAINEES
	0/34 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJ)

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATION

AREA

(A) THE SECOND AND THIRD BATTALIONS, 3D MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WITH HEAVY CONTACT. AT 0725H, COMPANY E, 2D BATTALION (XD 778451) RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE ACCOMPANIED BY HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE. COUNTERMORTAR FIRE WAS DELIVERED ON THE SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. FOUR MARINES WERE KIA AND 16 WERE WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1600H, A 3D MARINES AIR OBSERVER DIRECTED FOUR AIR STRIKES IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 744444) ON ENTRENCHED ENEMY TROOPS. TWENTY VC WERE KIA(CONF). AT 1400H, COMPANY M, 3D BATTALION, MOVED TO DONG HA. AT 1715H, COMPANY E, 2D BATTALION, 9TH MARINES ENTERED THE KHE SANH OPERATION AREA.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF BEACON STAR PHASE II/KHE SANH OPERATION AREA CONSISTED OF 107 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT

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AND 45 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 184 TONS OF ORDNANCE. REPORTED BDA WAS 11 KBA (CONF), 16 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 6 DAMAGED, AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 59 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, SINCE 240001H APRIL

USMC	ENEMY
96 KIA	253 KIA(CONF)
273 WIA	453 KIA(PROB)
	1 NVA/PW(ADJ)

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THE SECOND BATTALIONS, OF THE FOURTH, NINTH AND 26TH MARINE REGIMENTS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0900H, OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, 9TH MARINES WAS PASSED TO THE 3D MARINES. AT 1215H, ONE VC WAS KIA (CONF) WHEN COMPANY E, 2D BATTALION, 4TH MARINES FIRED ONE FIVE VC (YD 403229).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE CONSISTED OF TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2 TPQ-10) SORTIES.
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E. LINES OF COMMUNICATION

NATIONAL HIGHWAY ONE IS OPEN FROM THE DMZ SOUTH TO (YD3848), THREE MILES SOUTHEAST OF QUANG TRI CITY WHERE A CULVERT WAS DESTROYED ON 16 APRIL. FROM (YD3848), THE HIGHWAY IS OPEN TO THE VICINITY OF (BT2333), NINE MILES NORTHWEST OF TAM KY. THE HIGHWAY IS OPEN FROM THIS POINT SOUTH TO (BS7554), TWELVE MILES SOUTHEAST OF QUANG NGAI CITY. NATIONAL HIGHWAY NINE IS OPEN FROM DONG HA WEST TO THE LAOS BORDER. NATIONAL HIGHWAY FOURTEEN IS OPEN FROM HUI AN WEST TO (BT0457), ELEVEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG, AND FROM (AT9658), FOURTEEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES)

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CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0950H, A COMBINED ACTION PLATOON ADJUSTED ARTILLERY WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS ON AN ESTIMATED 50 VC (YD 298685). AT 1450H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ADJUSTED 60MM MORTAR FIRE ON AN ESTIMATED FIFTEEN VC WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS (YD 330477).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV CONSISTED OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 1 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (1 TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 3 TONS OF ORDNANCE. TWO BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 174 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 141 PERSONNEL AND 21 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 214 MISSIONS AND 1364 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED AND 16 MISSIONS EXPENDING 342 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC
0/18 KIA
0/267 WIA

ENEMY
0/45 KIA (CONF)
0/54 KIA (PROB)
0/24 DETAINEES (ADJ)
0/32 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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28 APRIL CONFERENCE AT DANANG WITH CTF-77 REPRESENTA-
TIVES. ALL VMA (AW)-242 FULL SYSTEMS CAPABILITY WILL BE PROGRAMMED
FOR ROUTE PACKAGE II AND NORTH. A NEW HIGH FOR A SINGLE DAYS
OPERATIONS NORTH OF ROUTE PACKAGE ONE WAS RECORDED DURING
THE NIGHT OF 29 APRIL WHEN SIX A-6 SORTIES WERE FLOWN
IN ROUTE PACKAGES II AND III.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

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(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH THE 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. A LATE
ENTRY OF 261845H, REPORTS 14 VC KIA (PROB) FROM AIR STRIKES AND
ARTILLERY MISSIONS ADJUSTED BY AN AO ON 20 VC IN A TRENCH LINE
(YD 043507). AT 291442H, ONE VC WAS KIA (PROB) WHEN A PATROL
FROM COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FIRED ON FOUR
ENEMY (YD 123497). AT 1224H, SEVEN MARINES WERE KIA WHEN A
PATROL FROM COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DETONATED

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2 MINES (YD 349470). A CORRECTION TO THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF
THE PRAIRIE IV OPERATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED. THE BOUNDARY IS
A TRACE FROM THE DMZ SOUTH ALONG GRID LINE XD85 TO GRID LINE
XD49 THEN EAST ALONG XD49 TO XD90, THEN SOUTH TO XD39, EAST
ALONG XD 39 TO THE RIVER, THEN ALONG THE TRACE OF THE RIVER
EASTWARD TO THE DO KONG RIVER AND SOUTHEAST ALONG THE DO KONG
TO (YD 008350).

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV
CONSISTED OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 3 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (2
VISUAL AND 1 TPO-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 5 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
THREE VC WERE KBA (PROB), TWO GUN POSITIONS WERE DESTROYED AND
ONE SECONDARY FIRE WAS OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FLEW 385 SORTIES
AND TRANSPORTED 280 PERSONNEL AND 28 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 193 MISSIONS AND 1411 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 11
OBSERVED AND 15 UNOBSERVED MISSIONS EXPENDING 328 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC	ENEMY
0/18 KIA	0/45 KIA (CONF)

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7/267 WIA (ADJ) 15/54 KIA (PROB)
0/24 DETAINEES (ADJUSTED)

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 BY US NAVY GUNFIRE SUPPORT SHIPS FIRING IN SUPPORT
 OF THE 3D BRIGADE, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION (USA) OPERA-
 TING NEAR DUC PHU. THE USS ST. FRANCIS RIVER (LSMR-525)
 AND THE USS SPROSTON (DD-577) EXPENDED 742 ROCKETS, 514
 ROUNDS OF 5.738 AMMUNITION AND 496 ROUNDS OF 40MM
 AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS IN WHAT HAD BEEN THE DESOTO
 OPERATION AREA. DURING THE MISSIONS, 80 VIET CONG WERE
 KILLED, 54 PROBABLY KILLED, 206 ENEMY STRUCTURES AND
 10 BUNKERS DESTROYED. THIRTEEN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS
 AND 7 FIRES WERE ALSO OBSERVED.

C. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 22 TO 28 APRIL

DURING THE WEEK OF 22 TO 28 APRIL,
 ENEMY ACTIVITY WITHIN 1 CORPS TACTICAL AREAS INCREASED
 IN INTENSITY AND IN THE NUMBER OF INCIDENTS. THERE WERE
 131 HOSTILE ACTS AGAINST US FORCES DURING THE WEEK, 31
 MORE THAN WERE REPORTED DURING THE PERIOD 15 TO 21
 APRIL. DETAILS OF THE WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
 ARE CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 3F.

3. III MAF

A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

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(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(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 NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 0730H, COMPANY A,
 FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND 68 FRESH FIGHTING HOLES
 78 ROCKET LAUNCHING POSITIONS AND FIFTY-FOUR 140MM ROCKETS
 (YD 256680). AT 1435H, A MARINE FROM COMPANY L, THIRD
 BATTALION, THIRD MARINES WAS WIA (MINOR) BY SNIPER FIRE (XD-
 985442). AT 1520H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION,
 NINTH MARINES FIRED ON AND KILLED (CONF) ONE VC (YD 124336).
 AT 1550H, A MARINE FROM COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH
 MARINES WAS WIA (MED EVAC) BY A GRENADE RIGGED AS A MINE
 (YD 345477). FOUR DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED DURING THE
 DAY.

DURING THE PERIOD, DONG HA COMBAT BASE RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED
 50 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE, THE DETAILS OF WHICH ARE
 CONTAINED IN MY REPORT OF 27 APRIL, PARAGRAPH 20.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV
 CONSISTED OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 10 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
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(1) TPQ-10 SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 26 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 57 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 67 PERSONNEL AND 4 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 153 MISSIONS AND 1465 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 43 MISSIONS EXPENDING 276 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE. NOTE: INCLUDES RESULTS OF MORTAR ATTACKS REPORTED ON 28APR.

USMC
8/18 KIA
117/230 WIA

ENEMY
1/45 KIA (CONF)
0/39 KIA (PROB)
4/22 DETAINEES
0/31 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR PHASE II

(A) THE SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE KHE SANH AREA OF OPERATION WITH NO CONTACT.

(B) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC
0/1 KIA

ENEMY
0/17 KIA (PROB)

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~~0/10 WIA~~

~~0/1 DETAINEE~~

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION 26TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED.

(B) FIXED WING SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE CONSISTED OF 3 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (3 TPQ-10) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW 26 SORTIES AND TRANSPORTED 34 PERSONNEL AND 8 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 95 MISSIONS AND 231 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC
0/12 WIA

ENEMY
0/38 KIA (CONF)
0/8 KIA (PROB)
0/2 VC/PW
0/10 DETAINEES
0/1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
0/7 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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OPERATION SHAWNEE. THE OPERATION IS UNDER THE
CONTROL OF THE 1ST ARVN DIVISION, WITH THE 5TH AND
9TH ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALIONS, 2ND BATTALION, 1ST
REGIMENT COMMITTED TO THE OPERATION, AND THE
3D ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALION IN RESERVE.

D. CIVIL AFFAIRS

III MAF IS ASSISTING IN THE MOVEMENT OF
RICE BY TRUCK TO THE CITIES OF QUANG TRI AND HUE,
TO ALLEVIATE A FOOD SHORTAGE IN THE SURROUNDING
AREAS. PRESENT PLANS ARE TO CONTINUE THE TRUCK
CONVEYS FOR THE NEXT 6 TO 8 DAYS, TO MOVE APPROXI-
MATELY 700 TONS OF RICE.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR IN-
FANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT

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REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. THE AREA OF OPERATION FOR PRAIRIE IV
NOW CONSISTS OF QUANG TRI PROVINCE LESS AREAS BOUNDED BY
(YD 382660) (YD 346640, 327660, 3369, 310685, 325718) ALONG
THE OCEAN TO (YD 382660) AND BY (YD 3234, 3242, 4342, 4550,
464405) ALONG THE PROVISIONAL BOUNDARY TO (YD 3254). AT 0800H,
RECONNAISSANCE TEAM 2D2 (YD 191402) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED
FIFTEEN VC WITH SA FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT RESULTING IN
ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MINOR) AND TWO VC WERE KILLED (PROB).
AT 0330H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD
094537) APPREHENDED ONE DETAINEE. AT 1300H, COMPANY A, FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 156712) UNCOVERED FIFTY GRAVES
CONTAINING ONE HUNDRED FOUR BODIES. ALL THE BODIES HAD NVA
UNIFORMS AND THE BODIES WERE ESTIMATED TO BE THREE WEEKS OLD.
THE NVA CASUALTIES WERE LISTED UNDER PRAIRIE III. ADD ONE HUNDRED
FOUR NVA KILLED (CONF) AND DELETED ONE HUNDRED FOUR
KILLED (PROB) TO PRAIRIE III STATISTICS. AT 1145H, COMPANY A,
FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 402633) DETONATED A
GRENADE RIGGED AS MINE, RESULTING IN ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC).
AT 1400H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 144723)
FOUR MISCELLANEOUS ORDNANCE AND UNCOVERED FOURTEEN GRAVES

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CONTAINING ONE NVA EACH; FOURTEEN NVA KILLED (CONF). THE GRAVES WERE ESTIMATED TO BE FIVE DAYS OLD. AT 1450H, AND OP FROM COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 022558) HEARD MOVEMENT ON A TRAIL LEADING TO THEIR POSITION. ONE M-26 GREANDE WAS THROWN RESULTING IN ONE FRIENDLY WOUNDED (MINOR). DURING THE PERIOD, FIVE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW FOUR DAS (TPQ) SORTIES EXPENDING 7.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FLEW TWO HUNDRED FORTY-THREE SORTIES TRANSPORTING TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE PERSONNEL AND CARRIED 262 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY FIRED SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE MISSION EXPENDING 3,823 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED. TWENTY-THREE MISSIONS EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/3 KIA	1/33 KIA (CONF)
3/56 WIA	0/23 KIA (PROB) (ADMUSTED)
	6/10 DETAINEES

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0/30 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION BEACON STAR

(A) AT 241600H, THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE (TG 79.5) CONSISTING OF BATTALION LANDING TEAM 2/3 AND HMM 164 WERE PLACED UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF. AMPHIBIOUS TASK GROUP 76.5 IS OPERATING NORTHWEST OF RUE AND CONTINUES SUPPORTING THE LANDING FORCE WHICH REMAINS INTACT. THE SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS EAST OF QUANG TRI CITY WITH NO REPORTED CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. COMPANY F IS MOVING TO THE SOUTHWEST CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS. COMPANY G IS PREPARING TO MOVE BY HELICOPTER TO (YD 475580) IN ORDER THAT ANY CONTACT ESTABLISHED BY COMPANY F MAY BE RAPIDLY EXPLOITED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION BEACON STAR, HELICOPTERS FLEW ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR SORTIES CARRYING 9.5 TONS OF CARGO AND TRANSPORTING FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN PERSONNEL.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/2 WIA	0/15 KIA (PROB)

(3) OPERATION SHAWNEE

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ON THE 23RD AND 194 SORTIE ON THE 24TH INCLUDING LIFTS IN
SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE.

OPERATION SHAWNEE

THE MULTI-BATTALION SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATION IN VC BASE AREA 114, 20 MILES WEST OF
HUE, PROGRESSED ACCORDING TO PLAN. TROOP LIFTS INTO
LZ BUZZARD (YD4521), CROW (YD4315) AND HAWK (YD4915)
COMMENCED AT 1550H. RADIO RELAY FACILITIES WERE
ESTABLISHED AND OPERATIONAL ON HILL 647 (YD 515220) BY
1800H. HELICOPTER LIFTS WERE INTERRUPTED TEMPORARILY ON
THE MORNING OF THE 24TH BY LOW CLOUDS BUT THE LIFT
OF ARVN FORCES INTO LZ BUZZARD WAS COMPLETED BY
240940H. THE SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES LIFT
INTO LZ CROW WEJS RESUMED AT 0755H AND LAST ELEMENTS
CLOSED BY 0930H. THE SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH
MARINES LIFT INTO LZ HAWK WAS COMPLETED AT 241030H
AFTER A DELAY OF SEVERAL HOURS DUE TO LOW CEILING
IN THE LZ AREA. NO CONTACT WAS REPORTED AS OF 241500H.

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C A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

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(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR
INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (-);
AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT
REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1020H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES APPREHENDED SIX DETAINEES (YD 107502). AT
1205H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES FOUND A
CACHE OF ENEMY MORTAR ROLDS (YD 146713) BENEATH A HUT.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FLEW SEVEN DAS (TPO) SORTIES EXPENDING 13.5
TONS OF ORDNANCE; THERE WAS NO REPORTED BDAJW HELICOPTERS
FLEW TWO HUNDRED NINETY-TWO SORTIES WHICH TRANSPORTED SEVEN
HUNDRED SIXTY PERSONNEL AND CARRIED NINE TONS OF CARGO.
ARTILLERY FIRED SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR MISSIONS EXPENDING
4,378 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED FIVE OBSERVED
AND TWENTY UNOBSERVED MISSIONS EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-
TWO ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC

0/3 KIA

0/53 WIA

ENEMY

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6/6 DETAINEE

0/30 WEAPONS

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(2) OPERATION SHAWNEE

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IZTHUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1245H, COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES HAD ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC) WHEN THEY RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF SNIPER FIRE. DURING THE PERIOD, SEVEN DETAINEES WERE CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS,

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ONE DETAINEE WAS CLASSIFIED AS A PW/VC AND ONE MINE WAS DESTROYED IN PLACE.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW SIX ESCORT, TWO LANDING ZONE PREP., EIGHT CAS AND TWO DAS SORTIES EXPENDING 23.9 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THERE WAS NO REPORTED BDA. HELICOPTERS FLEW ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO SORTIES TRANSPORTING THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY FIRED TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR MISSIONS EXPENDING EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTEEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/4 WIA

ENEMY

0/27 KIA(CONF)

0/4 KIA (PROB)

0/10 DETAINEE

0/1 PW/VC

0/7 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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(3) OPERA AFONGVAND

(A) THE THIRD BATTALION, SEVENTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS AND ARC LIGHT EXPLOITATION OPERATION IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1800H, COMPANY M FIRED SMALL ARMS AT SIX

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A REPORT OF AN ENEMY COMPANY. THUS FAR THE ENEMY
HAS AVOIDED ALL CONTACT WITH THE MARINE FORCES.

D. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT

THIRTY VIET CONS WERE KILLED, 15 PROBABLY
KILLED AND 120 ENEMY STRUCTURES AND 18 SAMBANS WERE
DESTROYED DURING 7 MISSIONS FIRED BY THE USS ST FRANCIS
RIVER (LSMR-525) ON 22 APRIL. THE MISSIONS WERE REQUESTED
BY ANGICO SPOT TEAMS, SUPPORTING THE 3D BRIGADE, 25TH
US ARMY DIVISION IN THE DUC PHO AREA.

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THIRD
BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OP-
ERATIONS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT. AT
0245H, AN ELEVENTH ENGINEER BATTALION DUMP TRUCK DETONATED A MINE
(YD 199746); ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 1000H, A PATROL
FROM COMBINE ACTION PLATOON P-2 DETONATED AN UNKNOWN TYPE EXPLOSIVE

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DEVICE (YD 277556) RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WOUNDED (MED EVAC).
AT 1200H, A TANK IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 174727) RESULTING IN
ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MINOR) AND LIGHT DAMAGE TO THE TANK.
AT 1315H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FIRED
SMALL ARMS AT FOUR VC; ONE VC WAS KILLED (PROB) AND ONE
AK-47, CLOTHING, FOOD, AND SIX KILPSACKS OF RICE WERE CAP-
TURED. AT 1425H, COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES
(YD 155723) RECEIVED TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF 60MM/82MM MORTAR
FIRE AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. ARTILLERY MISSIONS AND SMALL ARMS
WERE FIRED AT ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS; TWENTY-
SIX MARINES WERE WOUNDED. AT 1430H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES (YD 146716) ENCOUNTERED MODERATE SMALL ARMS FIRE,
FIFTEEN ROUNDS OF RPG AND SEVEN GRENADES. THE MARINES RETURNED
THE FIRE AND KILLED TWO VC (CONF), SEVEN VC WERE KILLED
(PROB), AND ONE CHICOM RIFLE, ONE RPG LAUNCHER WERE CAPTURED;
FIVE MARINES WERE WOUNDED (MINOR). AT 1505H, COMPANY C
FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 272548) RECEIVED LIGHT SMALL ARMS
SNIPER FIRE RESULTING IN ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT
1500H, A TANK IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY H, FIRST BATTALION,

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TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS SECRET

FOURTH MARINES (YD 151718) DETONATED A MINE (YD 151718) RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES WOUNDED (MED EVAC) AND MODERATE DAMAGE TO THE TANK.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, ARTILLERY FIRED SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR MISSIONS EXPENDING 4,378 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED TWENTY EIGHT MISSIONS EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

8/3 KIA

42/51 WIA

ENEMY

2/3 KIA (CONF)

8/11 KIA (PROB)

3/29 WEAPONS

(2) OPERATIONS SHAWNEE

(A) AT 0001H, THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1220H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES

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APPREHENDED TEN DETAINEES (YD 598262). THE MARINE PATROL RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN TWO MARINES WOUNDED (MED EVAC). SMALL ARMS WERE FIRED AT SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS KILLING ONE VC (CONF); THE PATROL CAPTURED ONE K-44, ONE MAGAZINE, AND ONE NVA UNIFORM, AND TEN BLASTING CAPS. AT 1415H, AN AO CALLED AN AIR STRIKE ON TWENTY-NINE VC (YD 598249); TWENTY-SIX VC WERE KILLED (CONF). AT 1413H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND ONE 500 LB. BOMB RIGGED FOR ELECTRICAL DETONATION (YD 598262); THE BOMB WAS DESTROYED IN PLACE.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHAWNEE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW TWO ESCORT SORTIES EXPENDING NO ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY FIRED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX MISSIONS EXPENDING EIGHT HUNDRED ONE ROUNDS OF ORDNANCE.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

3/3 WIA

ENEMY

27/27 KIA (CONF)

4/4 KIA (PROB)

10/10 DETAINEES

3/3 WEAPONS

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A MAJOR OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 1100H, COMPANY D, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 165715) FOUND TWO CARBINEGRENADERS OF 220M MORTAR, THREE CHICOM GRENADES, AND ONE ARMO DRUM FOR AN AK-47. AT 1330H, AN AC CALLED AN AIR STRIKE ON SIX TO EIGHT NVA (YD 185645); ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF) AND TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED (FPOB). AT 1500H, A CAC P-2 PATROL (YD 27556) DETONATED AN UNKNOWN TYPE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE RESULTING IN ONE NVA BEING KILLED. DURING THE PERIOD, ONE ADDITIONAL VC WAS KILLED (FPOB).

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PRAIRIE IV, ARTILLERY FIRED 1,165 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 4,977 POUNDS OF AMMUNITION. DURING THE PERIOD, 175 GUNS FIRED FORTY-TWO MISSIONS (FOUR OBSERVED AND THIRTY-EIGHT UNOBSERVED) EXPENDING TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX POUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/3 KIA	1/1 KIA (CONF)
1/9 KIA	3/3 KIA (FPOB)
	2/2 VNS

(2) OPERATION BIG HORN

(A) AT 212400H, THE FOURTH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) TERMINATED OPERATION BIG HORN IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0900H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 443253) FOUND ONE CLAYMORE MINE. AT 1110H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND EXPLOSIVE DEVICES IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 436399). AT 1200H, AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS CALLED ON

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POSSIBLY FOR INCREASED EFFORTS DURING THE DARK OF THE MOON (MAY
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KNOWN ENEMY TACTICS INCLUDE EXTENDED PERIODS OF INACTIVITY
BETWEEN MAJOR EFFORTS.

THE HEAVY VOLUME OF THE FIRE DELIVERED ON ENEMY FORCES BY
FRIENDLY AIR AND ARTILLERY AND THE AGGRESSIVENESS OF MARINE AND ARVN
GROUND FORCES HAS FORCED THE ENEMY TO DISPERSE HIS FORCES AND LOGISTIC
SUPPORT INSTALLATIONS TO A DEGREE WHICH PRECLUDES THE EXECUTION
OF CONTINUOUS LARGE SCALE COORDINATED EFFORTS.

THE ENEMY IS CAPABLE OF INCREASING THE MAGNITUDE AND INTENSITY
OF HIS EFFORTS IN THE DMZ/QUANG TRI AREA AND MOST PROBABLY WILL
DO SO AT

THE TIME AND IN THE AREA HE CONSIDERS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS.

E. MARINE AIR OPERATIONS, WEEK OF 13 - 20 APRIL 1967

MARINE FIXED WING PILOTS FLEW 965 TACTICAL
STRIKE SORTIES DURING THE WEEK OF 13 TO 20 APRIL. BOMB
DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS FROM THESE SORTIES WERE 62 ENEMY

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KILLED, 148 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 21 SECONDARY EX-
PLOSIONS AND FIRES, 2 ANTI-AIRCRAFT SITES, 1 BRIDGE, 1
TRUCK AND 2 BOATS DESTROYED. IN ADDITION 170 RECON-
NAISSANCE SORTIES WERE FLOWN.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, MARINE HELICOPTERS
FLEW 5,111 SORTIES WHICH TRANSPORTED 7,182 PERSONNEL
AND 775 TONS OF CARGO.

F. CARGO BACKLOG AT OKINAWA

AS A CONSEQUENCE OF EFFORTS BY THIS HEAD-
QUARTERS AND CG FMFPAC (FWD), WHICH RESULTED IN AN
INCREASED AMOUNT OF SHIPPING, THE BACKLOG OF MARINE
CARGO AT THIRD FSR AWAITING SHIPMENT TO 1 CTZ PORTS
WAS REDUCED TO 1,891 MEASUREMENT TONS ON 12 APRIL 1967. THIS IS
THE LOWEST AMOUNT OF CARGO AWAITING SHIPMENT FROM
3DFSR SINCE 30 MARCH 1966.

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A. MAJOR OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION PRAIRIE IV

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION (FWD), WITH FOUR
INFANTRY BATTALIONS (THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST
BATTALION FOURTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH

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MARINES) COMMENCED A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE AT 0801H. CONTACT DURING THE DAY WAS LIGHT. AT 0801H, THE NINTH MARINES ASSUMED OPCON OF THE FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND THE FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES. AT 0825H, A RECON TEAM IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 094654) FOUND A HUT CONTAINING 200 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR AMMUNITION, 100 CHICOM GRENADES, ASSORTED AMMUNITION AND FUZES, AND THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS: 1 M3A1 SUB-MACHINE GUN, 4 M-1 RIFLES; 3 BROWNING AUTOMATIC RIFLES, 1 FRENCH LIGHT MACHINE GUN, 5 PPSH-41 SUB-MACHINE GUNS AND 11 CHICOM CARBINES. AT 1005H, A FIRST BATTALION, FORTY-FOURTH ARTILLERY PATROL, WITH AN M-42 VEHICLE, RECEIVED 1 ROUND OF ROCKET FIRE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 385455). THREE USA WERE KIA, 1 USA WAS WIA (MED EVAC), AND 2 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC). AT 1100H, A COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-2 PATROL IN THE VICINITY OF (YD-296544) EXCHANGED FIRE WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. ONE PF WAS WIA (MINOR). DURING THE DAY 5 USMC WERE WIA (3 MED EVACS) IN THREE MINE DETONATIONS.

(P) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 1077 MISSIONS AND 4979 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

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OF THESE THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 34 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 378 POUNDS

(C) RESULTS, DAILY/CUMULATIVE.

USMC

ENEMY

3/3 KIA

25/25 WEAPONS CAPTURED

8/8 WIA

(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. (LATE ENTRY). TWO USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) BY A PUNJI PIT ON 19APR. AT 1130H, COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 381420) ENGAGED 8 VC DIGGING AMBUSH POSITIONS; SEVEN VC WERE KIA (CONF); ONE AK-47 WAS CAPTURED. AT 1300H, THE SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES' COMMAND POST CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON 8 VC IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 419409); THREE VC WERE KIA (PROB). DURING THE DAY 2 USMC WERE WIA (MED EVAC) BY PUNJI PITS AND 2 DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 227 MISSIONS AND 1432

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 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, 11 C/S WPNS AND
 136-102MM RKTS CPTD. 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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 OB: SAME AS PRAIRIE III. EST DURATION: INDEF.

D. ALL OTHER OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

E. CUM RES: OPN PRAIRIE IV - NONE REPTD; OPN BIG HORN - NO
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