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1. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed) PAC SITREP # 840, period 16 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
2. COMUSMACV Msg 190300Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
3. COMUSMACV Msg 200311Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
4. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), PAC SITREP # 841, period 17 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
5. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), PAC SITREP # 842, period 18 Jul 69
6. COMUSMACV Msg 210301Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
7. (No Msg # Listed) 210401Z Jun 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 843, period (Not Listed)
OPERATION KINGFISHER
8. COMUSMACV Msg 212230Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN
KINGFISHER
9. MCCC,HQS,USMC Ltr 21 Jul 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT period 211918Z Jul 67
10. COMUSMACV Msg 220315Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
11. (No Msg # Listed) 220316Z Jul 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 844, period 20 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
12. (No Msg # Listed) 230158Z Jul 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 845, period 21 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
13. MCCC,HQS,USMC Ltr 23 Jul 67 Subj: SPOT REPORT _ OPERATION KINGFISHER
14. (No Msg # Listed) 240157Z Jul 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 846, period 22 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
15. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), FMFPAC SITREP # 847, period 23 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
16. MCCC,HQS,USMC Ltr 25 Jul 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT (OPERATION KINGFISHER
17. COMUSMACV Msg 260310Z Jul 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES OPERATION
KINGFISHER
18. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), FMFPAC SITREP # 848, period 24 Jul 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
19. (No Msg # Listed) 270241Z Jul 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 849, period not listed
OPERATION KINGFISHER
20. ZFF-1 Msg 280316Z Jul 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 850, period not listed
OPERATION KINGFISHER

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* NOTE: TABS 79 THRU 156 ARE IN FOLDER # 2

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21. COMUSMACV	Msg 290300Z Jul 67,	Subj: TELECON CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
22. COMUSMACV	Msg 300300Z Jul 67,	Subj: TELECON CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
23. COMUSMACV	Msg 292148Z Jul 67,	Subj: TELECON CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
24. ZFF-1	Msg 300411Z Jul 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 852, period 28 Jul 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
25. ZFF-1	Msg 310331Z Jul 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 853, period 31 Jul 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
26. COMUSMACV	Msg 312145Z Jul 67,	Subj: TELECON CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
27. COMUSMACV	Msg 010300Z Aug 67,	Subj: TELECON CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
28. ZFF-1	Msg 010303Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 854, 30 Jul 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
29. ZFF-1	Msg 020352Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 855, period 310001H to 312400H Jul 67, OPN KINGFISHER
30. (No Msg # Listed)	030305Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 856, period 1 Aug 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
31. ZFF-1	Msg 040327Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 857, period 2 Aug 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
32. ZFF-1	Msg 050327Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 858, period 3 Aug 67
33. (No Msg # Listed)	(No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 859, period (Not Listed) OPERATION KINGFISHER
34. (No Msg # Listed)	(No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 860, period 5 Aug 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
35. (No Msg # Listed)	(No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 861, (Period not listed) OPERATION KINGFISHER
36. (No Msg # Listed)	(No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 862, period 7 Aug 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
37. (No Msg # Listed)	100211Z Aug 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 863, period 8 Aug 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
38. COMUSMACV	Msg 100249Z Aug 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
39. COMUSMACV	Msg 110258Z Aug 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

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40. (No Msg # Listed) 11 03 08Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 864, period 9 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
41. (No Msg # Listed) 120305Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SIT EP # 865, period 10 Aug 67
42. MCCC,HQS, USMC Ltr 122351Z Aug 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT, OPN KINGFISHER
43. (No Msg # Listed) 130225Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 866, period 11 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
44. ZFF-1 Msg 140326Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 867, period 12 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
45. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), FMFPAC SITREP # 868, period 130001H to
132400H Aug 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
46. (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed), FMFPAC SITREP # 869, period 14 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
47. (No Msg # Listed) (170222Z Aug 67) FMFPAC SITREP # 870, period 15 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
48. COMUSMACV Msg 180250Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
49. ZFF-1 Msg 180306Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 871, period not listed
OPERATION KINGFISHER
50. COMUSMACV Msg 190300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
51. ZFF-1 Msg 190344Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREPT # 872, 17 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
52. COMUSMACV Msg 200300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
53. ZFF-1 Msg 20035Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 873, period 18 Aug 67
OPERATION KING FISHER
54. COMUSMACV Msg 202010Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
55. COMUSMACV Msg 210300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
56. (No Msg # Listed) 210337Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 874, period (not listed)
OPERATION KING FISHER
57. (No Msg # Listed) 220427Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 875, period 20 Aug 67
OPERATION KING FISHER
58. COMUSMACV Msg 222020Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES OPN KINGFISHER

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59. (No Msg # Listed) 230328Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 876, period 21 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

60. (No Msg # Listed) 240414Z Aug 67, SITREP NOT LISTED, OPERATION KINGFISHER

61. (No Msg # Listed) 250359Z Aug 67, SITREP NOT LISTED, OPERATION KINGFISHER

62. COMUSMACV Msg 252200Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

63. (No Msg # Listed)(NO DTG LISTED) FMFPAC SITREP # 879, period 24 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

64. (No Msg # Listed)(NO DTG LISTED) FMFPAC SITREP # 880, period 25 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

65. COMUSMACV Msg 280300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

66. ZFF-1 Msg 280255Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 881, period 26 Aug 67,
OPERATION KINGFISHER

67. COMUSMACV Msg 281000Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

68. MCCC,HQS,USMC Ltr 281259Z Aug 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT OPN KINGFISHER

69. COMUSMACV Msg 290300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

70. (No Msg # Listed) 290455Z Aug 67, SITREP NOT LISTED, OPERATION KINGFISHER

71. COMUSMACV Msg 300300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECO (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

72. ZFF-71 Msg 300425Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 883, period 28 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

73. COMUSMACV Msg 310300Z Aug 67, Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER

74. ZFF-1 Msg 310345Z Aug 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 884, period 29 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

75. ZFF-1 Msg 010405Z Sep 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 885, period 30 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

76. ZFF-1 Msg 020231Z Sep 67, FMFPAC SITREP# 886, period 31 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

77. CG,III MAF Msg 020333Z Sep 67, FMFPAC HISSUM # 244, period 1 Aug 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER

78. ZFF-1 Msg 030322Z Sep 67 FMFPAC SITREP # 887, period 010001H to
012400H Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER

79. COMUSMACV Msg 031005Z Sep 67 Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES OPN KINGFISHER

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80. ZFF-1	Msg 040452Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP (# Not Listed) period 2 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
81. ZFF-1	Msg 050335Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 888, period 3 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
82. MCCC, HQS, USMC	050710Z Sep 67	LTR dtd 5 Sep 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT: OPERATION KINGFISHER
83. ZFF-1	Msg 060356Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 889, period 4 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
84. COMUSMACV	Msg 070300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
85. ZFF-1	Msg 070303Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 889, period 5 Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
86. (No Msg # Listed)	(No DTG LISTED)	FMFPAC SITREP # 892, period 6 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
87. COMUSMACV	Msg 080300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
88. COMUSMACV	Msg 081000Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
89. COMUSMACV	Msg 090300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
90. ZFF-1	Msg 090347Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 893, period 7 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
91. ZFF-1	Msg 100218Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 894, period 8 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
92. (No Msg # Listed)	110323Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 895, period 9 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
93. ZFF-1	Msg 120346Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 896, period 100001H OPERATION KINGFISHER
94. ZFF-1	Msg 130242Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 897, period 110001H to 122400H Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
95. MCCC, HQS, USMC	Ltr 130725Z Sep 67,	LTR dtd 13 Sep 67, Subj: SPOT REPORT (OPN KINGFISHER)
96. PAGE 4	(No DTG LISTED)	FMFPAC SITREP # 898, period 12 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
97. COMUSMACV	Msg 142200Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
98. ZFF-1	Msg 150345Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 899, period 13 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER

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99. PAGE 4, (No DTG LISTED)	FMFPAC SITREP # 900, period 14 Sep 67
100. COMUSMACV Msg 170300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
101. COMUSMACV Msg 180300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
102. PAGE 5, (Msg # Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 902, period 16 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
103. COMUSMACV Msg 190300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
104. PAGE 3, (Msg # Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 903, period 17 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
105. MCCC,HQS,USMC Ltr 19 Sep 67 DTG 190508Sep67	Subj: SPOT REPORT: OPERATION KINGFISHER
106. COMUSMACV Msg 200300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
107. PAGE 3, (Msg # Not Listed) DTG 200352Z Sep 67	FMFPAC SITREP # 904, period 18 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
108. PAGE 4, (Msg # Not Listed) DTG 210317Z Sep67	FMFPAC SITREP # 905, period 19 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
109. PAGE 4, (Msg # Not Listed) DTG (Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # (Not Listed) period 200001H to 202400H Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
110. ZFF-1 Msg 230351Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 907, period 210001H to 212400H Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
111. ZFF-1 Msg 240511Z Sep 67	FMFPAC SITREP # 908, period 220001H to 222400H Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
112. PAGE 3, (Msg # Not Listed) (DTG Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 909, (Period Not Listed) OPERATION KINGFISHER
113. ZFF-1 Msg 260331Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 910, period 24 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
114. COMUSMACV Msg 270300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
115. ZFF-1 Msg 270301Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 911, period 25 Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
116. COMUSMACV Msg 280300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
117. PAGE 5, (No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 912, period 26 Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER

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118. COMUSMACV	Msg 281000Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
119. PAGE 3,	(Msg# Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 913, period 27 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
120. COMUSMACV	Msg # 300300Z Sep 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
121. ZFF-1	Msg 300328Z Sep 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 914, period 28 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
122. ZFF-1	Msg 010423Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 915, period 29 Sep 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
123. ZFF-1	Msg 020405Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 916, period 300001H to 302400H Sep 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
124. ZFF-1	Msg 030335Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 917, period 010001H to 012400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
125. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 918, period 020001H to 022400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
126. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) DTG 050246Z Oct 67	FMFPAC SITREP # 919, period 3 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
127. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) DTG 060305Z Oct 67	FMFPAC SITREP # 920, period 4 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
128. ZFF-1	Msg 070325Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 921, period 5 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
129. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (NO DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 922, period 6 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
130. COMUSMACV	Msg 090300Z Oct 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
131. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 923, period 7 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
132. COMUSMACV	Msg 100300Z Oct 67,	Subj: TELECON (U) CUM RES: OPN KINGFISHER
133. PAGE 3,	(No Msg # Listed) DTG 100307Z Oct 67	FMFPAC SITREP # 924, period 8 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
134. ZFF-1	Msg 110335Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 925, period 9 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
135. ZFF-1	Msg 120341Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 926, period 100001H to 102400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER

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136. Page 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 927, period 110001H to 112400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
137. ZFF-1	Msg 140404Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 928, period 120001H to 122400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
138. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (DTG 150438Z Oct 67)	FMFPAC SITREP # 929, period 13 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
139. ZFF-1	Msg 160519Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 930, period 14 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
140. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 931, period 15 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
141. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (DTG # Not Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 932, period 16 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
142. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (DTG 190408Z Oct 67)	FMFPAC SITREP # 933, period 17 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
143. PAGE 3,	(No Msg # Listed) (DTG 200357Z Oct 67)	FMFPAC SITREP # 934, period 18 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
144. PAGE 3,	(No Msg# Or DTG # Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 935, period not listed OPERATION KINGFISHER
145. ZFF-1	Msg 220501Z Oct 67,	FMFPAC SITREP # 936, period not listed OPERATION KINGFISHER
146. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG LISTED)	FMFPAC SITREP # 937, period 210001H to 212400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
147. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 938, period 220001H to 222400H Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
148. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 939, period 23 Oct 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
149. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 940, period 24 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
150. PAGE 4,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 940, (No Period Listed) OPERATION KINGFISHER
151. PAGE 3,	(No Msg # Listed) (No DTG Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 941, period 25 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER
152. PAGE 3,	(No Msg # Listed)	FMFPAC SITREP # 942, period 26 Oct 67, OPERATION KINGFISHER

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153. PAGE 3, (No Msg # Listed) FMFPAC SITREP # 943, period 290346Z Oct 67,
(DTG 290346Z Oct 67) OPERATION KINGFISHER
154. ZFF-1 Msg 300401Z Oct 67, FMFPAC SITREP # 944, period 28 Oct 67
OPERATION KINGFISHER
155. PAGE 3, Msg # Not Listed) FMFPAC SITREP # 946, period 30 Oct 67
DTG 010402 Nov 67 OPERATION KINGFISHER
156. ZFF-1 Msg 020735Z Nov 67, FMFPAC SITREP # (Not Listed, period
31 Oct 67

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SUPPORT (43 VISUAL AND 15 IPG) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 151 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 22 KRA (CONF) 19 KHA (PROB), 15 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 10 STRUCTURES DAMAGED, 30 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 10 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 3 GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED, 1 AW POSITION DESTROYED, 5 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 3 SECONDARY FIRES AND FOUR TRENCHES WERE DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 47 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 489 MISSIONS AND 1858 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED 14 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 27 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 15 MISSIONS AND 40 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/4 KIA	56/57 KIA (CONF)
55/99 WIA	23/23 KIA (PROB)
	16/19 WEAPONS CAPTURED

*PAC SITREP
540 for 16 Jul*

(2) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

PAGE 6 RUHHFMA 2959 S E C R E T

(A) AT 161601H, THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH EIGHT INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES; FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES; FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. THE AREA OF OPERATION IS THE SAME AS OPERATION HICKORY II.

(3) OPERATION CROCKETT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) AT 162400H, THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) TERMINATED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

AT 1340H, AN AIR STRIKE FROM MAG-12 AND ARTILLERY WAS CALLED IN BY A RECON PATROL (XD 743440). FOUR ENEMY WERE KILLED (CONF), THREE BUNKERS WERE DAMAGED AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE RESULTED FROM THE ABOVE MISSION. ANOTHER AIR STRIKE FROM VMA-311 WAS CALLED IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 747443) THAT RESULTED IN NINE VNA KILLED (PROB). AN AG CALLED IN AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY (XD 747443). SIX ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION CROCKETT, FIXED WING

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VV ACN874 MACV8752
 TELECON ITEM 123/67
 O 190300Z JUL 67
 FM COMUSMACV
 TO NMCC
 CINCPAC
 INFO ZEN/CG III MAF
 ZEN/CG I FFORCEV
 ZEN/CG II FFORCEV
 ZEN/COMNAVFORV
 ZEN/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/COMDR 7TH AIR FORCE
 ZEN/ CO 5TH SFG
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 23936 FROM: MACCOC3
 SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ.

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
 B. CUM RES:

FRIENDLY				
ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	CUMBERLAND	MALHEUR II
US	US	US	US	US

PAGE 2 UUMSA 1235 C O N F I D E N T I A L

KIA	0	0	2	1	27
WIA	0	5	33	25	236
MIA	0	0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	28	50	21	24	508
NGF	0	52	0	0	30
ARC LIGHT	0	0	0	0	9
ENEMY					
KIA	6	2	28	1	352
DET	0	0	19	12	27
RET	0	0	0	0	0
IND/ WPNS	0	2	55	0	105
C/S WPNS	0	0	0	0	6

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2. (C) II CTZ.

A. REF PARA 2A MY MSG 180247Z JUL 67: HAND GRENADE ACCIDENTALLY DETONATED IN ARMORY WHICH IN TURN IGNITED FLARES AND DETONATED SA AMMO STORED IN THE FACILITY. RES: ONE KILLED, 16 WOUNDED (FOUR SERIOUS).

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

C. CUM RES:

VV ACN380 MACV8765
 TELECON ITEM 1243/67 *nmcc 328*
 O 200311Z JUL 67
 FM COMUSMACV
 TO NMCC
 CINCPAC
 INFO ZEN/CG III MAF
 ZEN/CG I FFORCEV
 ZEN/CG II FFORCEV
 ZEN/COMNAVFORV
 ZEN/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/CMR 7TH AIR FORCE
 ZEN//:9 5TH SFG
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1. (C) I CTZ.

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
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KIA	0	0	2	4	27
WIA	0	18	46	36	237
MIA	0	0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	49	112	22	26	518
NGF	0	94	0	0	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0	0	9
ENEMY					
KIA	6	2	29	1	363
DET	0	3	19	12	29
RET	2	0	0	0	0
IND/UPNS	0	0	6	0	108
C/S WPNS	2	0	0	0	6

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AND 7 WEAPONS CAPTURED. IN THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
DURING THE DAY, A PATROL FROM COMPANY L, 3D BATTALION,
5TH MARINES, 13 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF HOI AN, KILLED
16 VIET CONG AND PROBABLY KILLED 40 OTHER ENEMY
DURING AN ENGAGEMENT WHICH LASTED OVER 6 HOURS. (SEE
MY REPORT OF 16 JULY).

IN ANOTHER NOTEWORTHY CONTACT, A PATROL
FROM 1ST BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY (USA) OPERATION FROM
THE DUC PHO COMBAT BASE, WAS LED TO A VIET CONG SQUADS
POSITION BY A HOI CHANH. THE PATROL ENGAGED THE ENEMY
UNIT, KILLING 5 AND CAPTURING 1 M-16 RIFLE, A SUB-MACHINE
GUN AND A PISTOL.

C. AN HOA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX
MINISTER HANH, THE GVN MINISTER OF NATIONAL ECONOMY
AND FINANCE, VISITED WITH III MAF AND CORD OFFICIALS IN
I CORPS ON 16 JULY IN CONNECTION WITH A GOVERNMENT
DECISION TO CURTAIL SHIPMENTS OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT
TO THE AN HOA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. MINISTER HANH SAID WORK
WOULD CONTINUE AT THE COMPLEX AND THAT FINAL DECISION ON THE
INPUT OF EXPENSIVE EQUIPMENT WAS NOT NEEDED FOR SEVERAL

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MONTHS. HE STATED HE WOULD WITHOLD DECISION UNTIL THE
APPROPRIATE TIME AND REVIEW THE SECURITY SITUATION
THEN.

D. MARINE AIR OPERATIONS

A TOTAL OF 158 ATTACK SORTIES AND 52 OTHER
COMBAT SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN I CORPS BY 1ST MAW PILOTS
ON 17 JULY. IN ADDITION, 30 STRIKE SORTIES AND 13 PHOTO DR
ECM SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN NORTH VIETNAM, WITH A-6A'S FROM
VMA(AW) 242 AND 533 ATTACKING TARGETS AS FAR NORTH AS ROUTE
PACKAGES VIA AND VIB.

PARTIAL BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS REPORT 15
ENEMY KILLED, ANOTHER 13 PROBABLY KILLED, 4 ARTILLERY
POSITIONS, 5 BUNKERS, AND 41 STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND 22
ROADS CUT.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN

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QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
(LATE ENTRY AT 1600Z, SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES LEFT
OPERATION KINGFISHER AND THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE BAT-
TALION WAS ASSUMED BY THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE (TG79.5). AT 2150H,
ARTILLERY UNITS LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 316740) RECEIVED
TWO ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE. TWO MARINES WERE KIA. AT 1200H,
THE FOURTH MARINES ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FIRST
BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMF(AW)-232,
VMF(AW)-235, KVMA(AW)-242, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 50 SORTIES CON-
SISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 46 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (34
VISUAL AND 12 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 120 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
THE REPORTED BDA WAS 4 ARTILLERY POSITIONS DESTROYED AND 3 ROAD
CUTS. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 282 SORTIES TRANSPORTING
259 PERSONNEL AND 27.7 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
508 MISSIONS AND 1867 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY
OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED 18 MISSIONS EXPENDING 26 ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 52

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MISSIONS EXPENDING 52 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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2/2 KIA

NONE

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) AT 170001H, THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO
INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH
MARINES) COMMENCED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. 1
THE AREA AND UNITS IN THIS OPERATION ARE THE SAME AS THOSE IN
THE TERMINATED OPERATION CROCKETT. AT 1420H, COMPANY M CALLED
AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON SIX NVA ON A RIDGELINE (XD 863489)
RESULTING IN ONE NVA KILLED (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT
FROM VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMA(AW)-533
FLEW 28 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 20 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT (14 VISUAL AND 6 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 49
TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 4 BUNKERS DESTROYED,
FOUR BUNKERS DAMAGED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 312 MISSIONS AND 1200 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
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DURING THE DAY, WITH 3 ENEMY KILLED, 1 CAPTURED AND
3 WEAPONS SEIZED.

C. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

III MAF UNITS CONDUCTED 1,042 COUNTERGUERRILLA
PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND SMALL UNIT SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN OR NEAR THE BASE AREAS ON 18 JULY. DURING THESE,
16 VIET CONG WERE KILLED, 1 WAS CAPTURED AND
2 WEAPONS WERE SEIZED. ALSO, 36 DETAINEES WERE HELD
FOR INTERROGATION. THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL VIET CONG
KILLED IN COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS DURING THE
FIRST 18 DAYS OF JULY TO 528. TO DATE, A TOTAL OF 4,671
ENEMY HAVE BEEN KILLED BY COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS
THIS YEAR, 34 PERCENT MORE THAN THE 3,496 ENEMY KILLED
IN COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS IN ALL OF 1966.

D. ROK MARINE SQUAD CONTACT

JUST PRIOR TO MIDNIGHT ON 19 JULY, A SQUAD
AMBUSH FROM THE 2D COMPANY, 1ST BATTALION, 2D
ROK MARINE BRIGADE SIGHTED AN ESTIMATED VIET
CONG COMPANY 9 KILOMETERS NORTH OF QUANG NGAI.
THE ROK MARINE SQUAD ENGAGED THE ENEMY COMP7

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ANY, KILLING 33, CAPTURING 4 AND SEIZING 18 WEAPONS,
INCLUDING ONE 62MM MORTAR, AT NO COST TO THEM7
SELVES. THE ENEMY UNIT BROKE CONTACT AND WITH7
DREW.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH
MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD
BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT
REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 171145H,
COMPANY 1, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YC 214739)
RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY (CALIBER UNKNOWN) INSIDE
THEIR FORWARD POSITION. TWO MARINE WERE KIA. AT 181330H,
CTG 79.4 ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FIRST BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES. AT 173900H, CTG 79.5 ASSUMED OPERATIONAL
CONTROL OF THE SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES IN LIEU OF
YESTERDAY'S REPORT OF 160900H. AT 2145H, A TWELFTH

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MARINES ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED TWENTY
ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE MARINE KIA.
FROM 1642H TO 1927H, AN AO CALLED TWO AIR STRIKES AND
ARTILLERY MISSIONS ON A TRENCHLINE (YD 145766); THE FOLLOWING
IMAGE RESULTED: FORTY METERS OF TRENCHLINE DESTROYED, ONE
AW POSITION DESTROYED, ONE BUNKER DESTROYED TWO VC KILLED
(CONF) AND THREE VC KILLED (PROB).

(E) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA7115, VMFA7223, VMFA7311, VMF(AW)7232,
VMF(AW)-235 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 62 SORTIES CONSISTING OF
2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 60 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (48 VISUAL
NAUCE2 TWO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 124.3 TONS OF OR
THE REPORTED BDA WAS TWO KBA KCONF), E KBA KPROB), 1
STRUCTURE DESTROYED, 6 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 AW POSITIONS
DESTROYED, 1 ROAD CUT AND 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. HELI7
COPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 281 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 225
PERSONNEL AND 52.2 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
545 MISSIONS AND 749 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF
INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED 4 MISSIONS EXPENDING
13 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE

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OPERATION WITH 42 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 129 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

15 WIA

ENEMY

2/2 KIA (CONF)

5/5 KIA (PROB)

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALION (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
AT 1434H, AN AO CALLED AN AIR STRIKE FROM VMA7211 ON ENEMY
BUNKERS (XD UNBROKEN TWO VC WERE KILLED (CONF) AND TWO
BUNKERS WERE DAMAGED. AT 1530H, AN AIR STRIKE FROM VMF(AW)-232
WAS CALLED ON AN ENEMY POSITION (XD 726415) RESULTING IN
FOUR VC KILLED (CONF), TWO BUNKERS DESTROYED, THREE
BUNKERS DAMAGED, ONE SECONDARY FIRE AND ONE SECONDARY
EXPLOSION

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMA 115, VMA7211, VMA-223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232,
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B. CUM RES: BEAR CHAIN - NONE REPTD.

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ARDMORE US	KINGFISHER US	FREMONT US	CUMBERLAND US	MALHEUR II US
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KIA	2	0	2	4	27
WIA	0	19	49	38	237
MIA	2	0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	59	153	25	26	627
NGF	0	126	0	0	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0	0	9
		ENEMY			
KIA	6	2	30	1	372
DET	2	3	19	12	29
RET	2	2	0	0	0
IND/WPNS	2	0	6	0	109
C/WPNS	0	0	0	0	6

2. (C) II CTZ.

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

B. CUM RES:

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KIA	US 145	US 16	US 3885	US 124	RCK 8

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WIA	549	204	1686	172	335
MIA	5	2	2	1	0
AIR SORTIES	3272	902	4029	562	74
NGF	2	56	2148	0	0
ARC LIGHT	253	9	144	87	18
			ENEMY		
KIA	874	631	2539	1765	212
DET	716	794	8544	17	75
RET	2	13	167	3	12
IND/WPNS	193	216	643	35	107
C/S WPNS	295	5	55	15	52
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3. (C) III CTZ.

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

B. CUM RES:

	FAIRFAX	FRIENDLY ENTERPRISE	CORONADO
KIA	US/ARVN 88/39	US 148	US 42
WIA	531/150	600	177

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MIA	0/2	2	0
AIR SORTIES	1150	671	70
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC LIGHT	6	0	0
		ENEMY	
KIA	889/134	1095	478
DET	2006/427	133	468
RET	38/2	31	75
IND/WPNS	232/110	149	32
C/S WPNS	2/3	2	2

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

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D. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

A TOTAL OF 47 CONTACT WERE MADE WITH ENEMY FORCES ON 19 JULY BY III MAF UNITS CONDUCTING COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS IN AND AROUND THE TACTICAL. DURING THESE, 22 ENEMY WERE KILLED, WE OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED, 2 CAPTURED AND 1 RADIO AND 18 WEAPONS WERE SEIZED.

IN ONE CONTACT WHICH OCCURRED IN THE DANANG AREA, A SECURITY PATROL FROM COMPANY I, ED BATTALION, UTH MARINES RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN ENEMY FORCE OF UNDETERMINED SIZE AT 1120H. THE MARINE PATROL ENGAGED THE ENEMY UNIT, PROBABLY KILLING 4 VIET CONG AND CAPTURING 2 M716 RIFLES, 1 PRC725 RADIO AND 2 GRENADES.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0900H, COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 133644) APPREHENDED THREE DETAINEES. AT

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1230H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON 2-B ENGAGED TWO VC SQUADS (YD 260543) SOUTHEAST OF DONG HA. AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED IN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. FIVE MARINES WERE KIA. AT 2030H, THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION RECEIVED SIX TO EIGHT ROCKETS (ESTIMATED TO BE 140MM) RESULTING IN EIGHT MARINES KIA. COUNTER FIRE FROM LVTH-6 WAS FIRED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA7115, VMFA7314, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 41 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 35 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 98.8 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BOA WAS 3 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 8 STRUCTURES DAMAGED, 6 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, ONE SECONDARY FIRE, ONE AA/AW POSITION DAMAGED, AND 8 TRENCHES DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 16 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 430 MISSIONS AND 2733 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175 MM GUNS FIRED 3 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 13 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 2 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 96 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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ENEMY

13/18 WIA

3/2 KIA (CONF)

0/5 KIA (PROB)

73 DETAINEES

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIR CRAFT FROM VMFA-314, VMF(AW)-232 AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 10 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 6 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 12 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 223 MISSIONS AND 511 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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ENEMY

NONE

3/6 KIA (CONF)

0/1 KIA (PROB)

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(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES WITH COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1252H, COMPANY G AND COMPANY H, HAD TWO MARINES WIA (YD 448386, YD 443394) WHEN THEY STEPPED ON PUNJI STAKES. AT 1332H, A MINE DETONATED (YD 553392) RESULTING IN FIVE MARINES WIA FROM COMPANY C. AT 1722H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 636232) ENGAGED SEVEN VC WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE VC WAS KILLED (CONF) AND ONE WEAPONS WAS CAPTURED. AT 1903H, COMPANY H, RECEIVED AW AND 50 CAL MG FIRE FROM (YD 457398). AIR STRIKES AND ARTILLERY WERE CALLED IN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THREE MARINES WERE WIA. AT 1915H, COMPANY F RECEIVED HEAVY AW FIRE AND THREE ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS FROM THE VICINITY OF YD 457398. THREE MARINES WERE WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FREMONT, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-314 AND VMF(AW)-232 FLEW 2 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 1 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 104 MISSIONS AND

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP ARDMORE:

(1) IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD900490) NINE KM NE OF KHE SANH AT 210920H M/3/26 USMC ENGAGED EST EN PLAT. ARTY AND ASTKES SPTD. EN BROKE CONTACT 211020H. RES: FRD: FIVE KIA, NINE WIA (EVAC); EN: UNK.

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(2) IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD940426) NINE KM E OF KHE SANH AT 211035H PLAT FR B/1/-5 USMC RECD HV SA/AW AND 82MM MORTFIRE FR UNK SIZE EN FORCE. FRD MORT, ARTY A SPTD. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, SIX WIA (EVAC); EN: UNK.

B. REF PARA 1C MY MSG 210950Z JULY. UPDATE: EN BROKE CONTACT 212215H. RES: FRD: 24 KIA (ONE US ADVISOR), 71 WIA (ONE US ADVISOR); EN: 205 KIA, 12 DET, 48 I/ WPNS AND SEVEN C/S WPNS CPTRD.

C. OP BEAR CHAIN:

(1) IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD511450) 31 KM NW OF HUE. AT 211230H H/2/3 USMC RECD HV AW FIRE FR EST EN PLAT. RTND SA/AW, MORT AND ARTY FIRES. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: FIVE KIA, 3W WIA (20 EVAC); EN: UNK.

(2) IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD515445) 31 KM NW OF HUE AT 211645H H/2/3 USMC DURING HEL RESUPPLY RECD FOUR RDS 82MM MORT FIRE. CM PLAN FIRED. RES: FRD: 19 WIA (NINE EVAC); EN: UNK.

D. OP KINGFISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE (XD968434) 33 KM SW OF DONG HA. AT 211416H PLAT FR M/3/3 USMC ENGAGED

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UNK SIZE EN FORCE. AT 211530H ELM M/3/3 RECD 120 RDS 82MM
MORT FIRE. AT 211530H REMAINDER OF M/3/3 REINFORCED. BY
211800H CMD GP 3/3 USMC AND K/3/3 USMC REINF CONTACT WITH
EST NVA BN. EN BROKE CONTACT 211915H. RES: FRD: NINE KIA,
25 WIA; EN: FOUR KIA.

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

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OP GREELEY IN KONTUM PROV (YB793144) 23 KM
SW OF DAK TO AT 211100H JULY B CO 2/503 INF (ARN) MADE
CONTACT WITH AN EST EN PLAT. ARTY SPID FRD TRPS. EN
BROKE CONTACT AND WITHDREW SW AT 211115H JULY. RES: FRD:
10 WIA; EN: 13 KIA, ONE I/WPN, ONE C/S WPN CPTRD.

B. REF PARA 2A MY MSG 210950Z JULY 67. EN
BROKE CONTACT AT 211415H. FRD ARTY SPID. EN WAS DRESSED
IN BLACK AND GREY PAJAMAS. ADJ CUM RES: FRD: NINE; EN:
47 KIA, 17 I/WPNS, NINE C/S WPNE CPTRD.

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

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN LONG KHANH PROV (YT565377) FOUR KM SW OF

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XA DINH QUAN AT 211030H A RF CO ON ROAD CLEARING OP ON
ROUTE 20 MADE CONTACT WITH EST EN BN, ARTY AND LFT SPID
FRD UNIT. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 211100H. RES: FRD: (RF)
ONE KIA SIX WIA, ONE MIA; EN: FIVE KIA (BC)

B. IN LONG KHANH PROV (YT435328) SEVEN KM NNE
OF TUC TRUNG AT 210943H, L/3/11 AC MOVING ON ROUTE 20 TO
SECURE AREA FOR 86TH ENGR MADE CONTACT WITH EST REINF EN
BN. K/3/11 AC REINF AND RECD HV FIRE FR THE ESE. ARTY,
LFT AND TAC AIR SPID FRD UNITS. EIGHT AIR STRIKES WERE
PLACED ON EN POSITIONS. MAJOR CONTACT BROKE AT 211125H AS
THE EN BEGAN TO WITHDRAW. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 211144H
AND ALL FIRING CEASED. RES: (US) 13 KIA, 59 WIA, FIVE MIA,
EQUIP DAM - TWO ACAV DEST, FOUR ACAV MOD DAM, TWO TKS LT DAM
TWO FIVE TON TRKS LT DAM, ONE HU-1C LT DAM; EN: 90 KIA (BC),
ONE 57MM RP W/GRD MOUNT AND 25 I/WPNS CPTRD.

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

4. (C) IV CTZ:

A. OP LONG PHI 999/R A 9TH ARVN DIV S/D OP IN
SA DEC PROV (WS861322) EIGHT KM S OF SA DEC CITY COMM
212700H AND TERM 211900H W/SPORADIC CONTACT REPTD. RES:

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FRD: ONE KIA, FOUR WIA; EN: 42 KIA, EIGHT DET, 12 I/WPNS,
30 GRENA, TWO BOXES SA AMMO, 100M COMM WIRE, TWO GAS MASKS
CPTRD: ONE ACAV DEST. UNITS: TWO INF BNS, ONE CAV TRP,
ONE RF BN; RES: TWO INF BNS.

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

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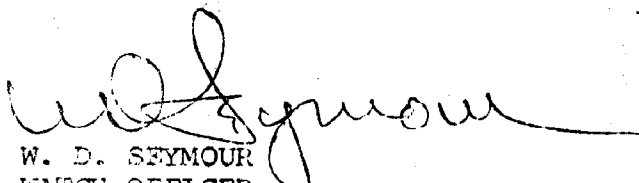
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Subject: Spot Report

Source: Lt RICKMAN, FMEPAC CC

1. At 1915H contact with the enemy ceased and by 212000H. 3/3 command group and K & M/3/3 had returned to Ca Lu. Casualties now reported as Friendly - 6 KIA, 19 WIA; ENEMY - 1 NVA KIA (Conf). Casualty figures not final.

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP BEAR CHAIN: IN GUANG TRI CITY (YD490450) 16 KM SE OF
 GUANG TRI CITY AT 211400H OP CON 2/3 USMC PASSED ASHORE TO III MAF,
 CONCURRENTLY TO 4TH MAR AND JD OP FREMONT.

E. REF PARA 1C (2) MY MSG 212230Z: CHANGE FR OP BEAR CHAIN
 TO OP FREMONT.

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C. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
 D. CUM RES: NO RES IN OP BEACON GUIDE EXCEPT SIX DET.

FRIENDLY

	ARDMORE	KING- FISHER	BEAR CHAIN	FRE MONT	CUMBER- LAND	PECOS	MALHEUR II
	US	US	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	8	9	7	2	4	0	27
WIA	23	44	52	69	41	0	237
MIA	2	2	0	0	0	2	0
AIR	61	212	0	30	27	25	636
SOFT IES							
NGF	0	148	0	0	0	0	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0	0	0	0	9
			ENEMY				
KIA	16	8	9	31	1	0	377
DET	0	3	0	24	12	0	30
RET	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND/WPNS	4	2	6	6	0	1	113
C/S WPNS	0	0	1	0	0	0	6

2. (C) II CTZ.

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A. CP GREELEY IN KONTUM PROV (AS886057) 22 KM SW OF
 PLATEAU GI AT 220800H JUL C/5/7 CAV (US) REC ON RD OF UNK TYPE
 ARTY. RES: SEVEN WOUNDED (US). INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

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

C. CUM RES:

FRIENDLY

	FRANCIS MARION US	BYRD US	PERSHING US	GREELEY US	KONG KIL DONG ROK
KIA	145	16	389	124	9
WIA	649	204	1686	183	33
MIA	9	0	0	1	2
AIR SORTIES	3119	906	4063	571	77
NGF	0	56	2152	0	0
ARC LIGHT	258	9	144	87	18
ENEMY					
KIA	876	631	2539	189	217
DET	718	794	8544	17	79
RET	8	13	167	3	10
INT/WPNS	194	216	543	85	108

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3. (C) III CTZ:

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

B. CUM RES: OP FAIRFAX - NO CHANGE.

FRIENDLY

	ENTERPRISE US	CORONADO US
KIA	148	40
WIA	609	179
MIA	0	0
AIR SORTIES	680	70
NGF	N/A	N/A
ARC LIGHT	0	0
ENEMY		
KIA	1096	492
DET	138	472
RET	31	75
INT/WPNS	149	34
C/S WPNS	7	2

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4. (C) IV CTZ.

A. EIGHT EN INITIATED INCIDENTS WERE REPTD IN THE IV
 CTZ FROM 212500H TO 220500H. RESULTS: FRD: 11 WIA; EN: UNK.

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

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MOUNTAIN AREA, THEREBY FACILITATING GVN ACCESS TO
THIS PREVIOUSLY REMOTE AREA. GVN INFLUENCE IN THIS AREA
HAS ALREADY BEEN NOTED, WITH PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT OFFICIALS
ON HAND TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THOSE VILLAGERS HAVING
PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMS ATTENDANT TO ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE
WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT
191500H, AND AO REPORTED THAT HE OBSERVED TWO ENEMY
(YD 145755) KILLED (PROB). AT 2925H, COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES (YD 893693) FOUND AND DESTROYED THREE ENEMY BUNKERS.
AT 1615H, ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB)
WHEN COMPANY I ENGAGED THREE VC.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMA7542, VMA-115, VMA-314, VMA7211, VMA7223,

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VMA-310, VMA(AW)-232, VMA(AW)-25, VMA(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533
FLEW 59 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 12 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 47 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT (22 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 131 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
THE REPORTED BDA WAS 44 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 4 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 14
SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 12 KBA (PROB), 2 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED, 1
ROAD CUT, 2 ARTILLERY POSITIONS DESTROYED, ONE ARTILLERY POSITION
DAMAGED, ONE TRENCH DAMAGED AND 1 CAVE DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM
HAG715 FLEW 24 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 557 MISSIONS AND
773 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM
GUNS FIRED SIX MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 8 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.
NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 22 MISSIONS AND 66
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/19 KIA

ENEMY

8/2 KIA (CONF)

5/12 KIA (PROB)

2/3 DETAINEES

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS
(FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES) CONTINUED

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ALPHA LANDED AT 0730H BY HELICOPTER AND WATERBORNE ASSAULT CRAFT IN THE PHU LOC AREA, 12 MILES NORTHEAST OF DANANG, TO COMMENCE OPERATION BEACON GUIDE. INITIAL ENEMY RESISTANCE WAS NEGLIGIBLE AS BATTALION LANDING TEAM 1/3 BEGAN A SWEEP OF THE AREA ON NUI TRON PENINSULA IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ARVN 21ST RANGER BATTALION. THE AIR ELEMENT OF SLF ALPHA, HMM7362, PROVIDED HELICOPTER SUPPORT FOR THE GROUND TROOPS AND THE SEVENTH FLEETS AMPHIBIOUS READY GROUP (ARG7 79.4), COMPOSED OF THE USS OKINAWA (LPH-3), SEMENOLE (AKA7134) DULUTH (LPD76) AND HERMITAGE (LSD734), CONTINUED SUPPORTING OPERATIONS OFF SHORE. TWO SEVENTH FLEET DESTROYERS, WALKER AND HOPEWELL, PROVIDED ASSAULT FIRE SUPPORT FOR THE LANDINGS.

MEANWHILE, SPECIAL LANDING FORCE BRAVO (BLT 2/3) AND HMM-265, CONTINUED OPERATION BEAR CHAIN FARTHER NORTH IN COASTAL THUA THIEN PROVINCE, 28 MILES NORTHEAST OF HUE. FOLLOWING THE EARLY MORNING CONTACT DESCRIBED IN MY LAST REPORT, BLT 2/3 HAD ONLY LIGHT PATROL ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. LATER, AT 1400H, CONTROL OF BLT 2/3 PASSED TO III MAF AND THEN TO THE 4TH MARINES IN OPERATION FREMONT, UNDERWAY JUST TO THE SOUTHWEST. HMM-265 CONTINUES TO OPERATE FROM THE USS TRIPOLI (LPH-10) IN SUPPORT OF BLT 2/3.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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BETWEEN 15 TO 21 JULY, TWO HUNDRED NINETY SIX ENEMY INITIATED INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED IN I CORPS. THIS TOTAL REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF SEVENTY SIX INCIDENTS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK. OF THOSE REPORTED LAST WEEK, SIXTY ONE INCIDENTS OCCURRED WITHIN III MAF TACTICAL AREAS. ALL MAJOR OPERATIONS UNDERWAY IN I CTZ REPORTED LIGHT, SPORADIC CONTACT DURING THE PERIOD.

OTHER DETAILS OF ACTIVITY DURING THE WEEK ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3F(3), BELOW.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 201730H, COMPANY I, FOURTH MARINES FOUND AND DESTROYED THREE ENEMY BUNKERS (6X4X4 FEET WITH 1 1/2 FEET OF CONCRETE ROOFING) RESULTING IN TWO ENEMY KIA CONF) AND TWO RIFLES CAPTURED (YD 293711). AT 211915H,

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COMPANY M, THIRD MARINES ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED TWO NVA BATTALIONS IN WELL DUG IN POSITIONS NORTH OF ROUTE 9 (XD 970432)

CLOSE FIGHTING, INCLUDING HAND TO HAND COMBAT, RESULTED IN 24 NVA KIA (CONF), 30 KIA (PROB) AND ONE SNIPER RIFLE CAPTURED. MARINES SUSTAINED 11 KIA AND 30 MIA IN THE BATTLE.

(E) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7314, VMA7211, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMFA(AW)-232, VNF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 17 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 15 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (3 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 40 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 1 AW POSITION DESTROYED 4 ARTILLERY POSITIONS DAMAGED, ONE ROAD CUT AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 33 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 18 PERSONNEL AND 2 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 673 MISSIONS AND 2671 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 17 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 55 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 23 MISSIONS EXPENDING 30 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

80X00 KIA

26/28 KIA (CONF)

8/49 MIA

3/40 KIA (PROB)

3/3 DETAINEES

/3 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0900H, COMPANY M ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY PLATOON (XD 953498) WITH ORGANIC WEAPONS AND SUPPORTING ARTILLERY FIRE AND FIXED WING AIR STRIKES (BY AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA 342, VNF(AW)-232 AND VMA-311). FOUR USMC WERE KIA AND 9 WERE MIA. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT CONFIRMED. AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME, ELEMENTS OF THE COMPANY RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM AN ENEMY BUNKER COMPLEX (XD 965493). THE MARINES PULLED BACK TO ALLOW ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES TO BE DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY. THREE ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF) AND 6 NVA WERE KIA (PROB). MARINES SUSTAINED 2 KIA AND 3 MIA IN THE CONTACT. AT 1015H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY D (XD 940426) RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 46 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE AND SMALL ARMS FIRE WHICH RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA AND 1 MIA. FROM 1330H TO 1610H, COMPANY M DIRECTED AIR STRIKES, CONDUCTED BY AIRCRAFT FROM VNF(AW)-232 ON ENEMY POSITIONS (XD 953425)-(XD 965427). RESULTS WERE 32 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 10 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND SECONDARY FIRES. AT 1400H, A74E AIRCRAFT FROM VMA 311 CONDUCTED

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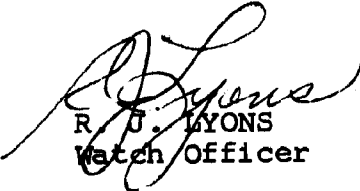
Subject: Spot Report - Operation Kingfisher

Source: Lt. RICKMAN, FMFPAC CC

1. At 231530H, L/3/3 discovered approximately 2,000 meters of Chicom mines emplaced adjacent and parallel to Route #9, XD 966432 to XD 948426. It appeared mines were emplaced as part of an ambush.

2. Details regarding the mined area will be provided when available.

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INFILTRATE THE HAMLET AND DROVE THEM OFF KILLING 3 VIET
CONG AND WOUNDING 2 OTHERS. QUY THANH IS LOCATED IN THE
VICINITY OF VIET CONG BASE AREA 116, AN AREA WHICH WAS UNDER ENEMY
DOMINATION FOR YEARS PRIOR TO III MAF OPERATIONS DURING THE LAST
MONTHS WHICH HAVE KILLED OVER 2,000 VIET CONG AND BROUGHT THE GVN
PRESENCE TO THE NUI LOC SON BASIN. THIS WAS THE SECOND TIME IN RECENT
WEEKS THAT RD TEAM NR5 HAD SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED THEIR HAMLET.
CG, I CORPS COMMENDED THIS TEAM AFTER A SIMILAR INCIDENT IN JUNE,

ON 19 JULY, RD TEAM NR6 OPPOSED VIET CONG
IN THANH NAM HAMLET ALONG THE SONG THU BON, A FEW MILES
TO THE NORTH OF QUY THANH. THERE, TEAM NR6 ESTABLISHED AN
AMBUSH ALONG THE RIVER AND ATTEMPTED TO CAPTURE A GUERRILLA
BOAT. WHEN THE ENEMY IGNORED ORDERS TO BEACH THE CRAFT, THE
RD TEAM LEADER CALLED FOR ARTILLERY SUPPORT FROM
NEARBY ELEMENTS OF THE 51ST ARVN REGIMENT. THE VIET CONG
FLED TAKING ALONG ONE CASUALTY, WHILE LEAVING BEHIND THEIR
FLAG AND A QUANTITY OF PROPAGANDA MATERIALS. THERE WERE
NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

C. SPECIAL LANDING FORCE OPERATIONS

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IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE, MIDWAY BETWEEN
DANANG AND PHU BAI, THE MARINE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE ALPHA
OF THE U.S. SEVENTH FLEET CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH ARVN UNITS.
MARINE PATROLS UNCOVERED AND DESTROYED TWO ABANDONED
VIET CONG BASE CAMPS AND A CAVE AND TUNNEL COMPLEX DURING
A SWEEP OF NUI TRON PENINSULA. THE LATTER INCLUDED APPROX-
IMATELY 10 CAVES CONTAINING ENEMY FOOD AND SUPPLIES. THE
VIET CONG, HOWEVER, ELECTED TO AVOID ENGAGEMENT WITH THE
ADVANCING MARINES AND CONTACT REMAINED LIGHT.

AT 230001Z, BLT 2/3, THE SLF GROUND ELEMENT,
PASSED TO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF AND THEN TO THE
4TH MARINES, CONDUCTING OPERATION FREMONT NEAR HUE.

D. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN

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NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0730H, AN LVT FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION DETONATED A MINE RESULTING IN THREE USMC KIA AND DAMAGE TO TWO ROAD WHEEL ASSEMBLIES. AT 1015H, COMPANY 1, FOURTH MARINES FOUND TWO ENEMY KIA IN A THREE-BUNKER COMPLEX AND CAPTURED ASSORTED MUNITIONS AND EQUIPMENT (YD 715724). AT 1725H, THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE CONDUCTED BY MAG711 AIRCRAFT ON ENEMY POSITIONS (XD 965437). FOUR ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF) AND FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED. ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED DURING THE DAY.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA7115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 47 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 45 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (11 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 103 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 4 KBA (CONF) 9 BUNKERS AND 7 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED, 3 BUNKERS, 2 TRENCHES AND 2 AW POSITIONS DAMAGED AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 138 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 49 PERSONNEL AND 1 TON OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 621 MISSIONS (2494 ROUNDS OF

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AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 29 MISSIONS EXPENDING 29 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/11 KIA	6/34 KIA (CONF)
3/52 WIA	2/40 KIA (PROB)

1/4 DETAINEES
6/3 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(A) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMA-211, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW) 7235, VMA(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533, FLEW 4 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 26 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (8 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 70 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 20 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 6 STRUCTURES DAMAGED AND 1

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SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 9. THE MINES WERE RIGGED WITH TRIP WIRES AND SET TO AMBUSH TROOPS AS THEY MOVED FOR COVER. ALL OF THE MINES WERE DESTROYED IN PLACE.

AT 0800H, III MAF ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF OPERATION BEACON GUIDE AND AT THE SAME TIME PASSED CONTROL TO THE D MARINE DIVISION. DURING THE DAY, COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION, ED MARINES CAPTURED A TOTAL OF 5 TONS OF RICE.

IN SOUTHERN I CORPS, TASK FORCE OREGON UNITS IN OPERATION MALHEUR II ACCOUNTED FOR 10 ENEMY KILLED AND WEAPONS CAPTURED DURING 4 SMALL UNIT CONTACTS ON 23 JULY.

B, RECON CONTACT NORTH OF CON THIEN

AT NOONTIME ON 24 JULY, A RECONNAISSANCE PATROL OPERATING 2 QXW KILOMETERS NORTH OF CON THIEN MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 18 NVA. THE PATROL FIRED SMALL ARMS AND ADJUSTED ARTILLERY ON THE ENEMY POSITION, KILLING 18 NVA.

C. DUC PHO AREA

IN THE DUC PHO AREA, ELEMENTS OF COMPANY C,

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2D BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 40 VIET CONG DURING LATE AFTERNOON ON THE 24TH. THE CONTACT LASTED FOR ALMOST 2 HOURS, AND RESULTED IN 13 VIET CONG KILLED AND THE CAPTURE OF ONE 75MM RECOILLESS RIFLE.

D. ARVN CONTACT NEAR GIO LINH

AT 0630H, THE 2D BATTALION, RTH ARVN REGIMENT ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED CIET CONG BATTALION, W KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF GIO LINH. EXTENSIVE ARTILLERY AND CLOSE AIR SUPPORT WERE EMPLOYED BY THE ARVN UNITS DURING THE 7 HOUR BATTLE WHICH LASTED THROUGHOUT THE MORNING AND INTO THE EARLY AFTERNOON OF 23 JULY. ENEMY LOSSES DURING THE ENGAGEMENT WERE 46 ENEMY KILLED AND 3 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) ~~OPERATION KINGFISHER~~ (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 0345H, COMPANY K, THIRD MARINES ENGAGED AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY IN A MACHINEGUN POSITION AND BUNKER COMPLEX (XD 969437). ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED BY MAG712 AIRCRAFT WERE DIRECTED ON THESE ENEMY POSITIONS AND UNCOVERED ANOTHER BUNKER AT (XD 969439). ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (PROB) WHILE MARINES SUSTAINED 1 KIA AND 2 WIA. AT 1300H, ONE USMC FROM COMPANY K WAS WIA WHEN THE COMPANY RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE FROM (XD 965467). AT 1530H, COMPANY L, THIRD MARINES FOUND AN ENEMY MINE FIELD 2000 METERS LONG RUNNING BETWEEN (XD 964428 AND 948426) ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF ROUTE 9. MOST MINES WERE EMPLACED WITH TRIP WIRES APPROXIMATELY TEN METERS OFF THE ROAD IN SUCH POSITIONS THAT TROOPS MOVING FOR COVER FROM AN AMBUSH WOULD DETONATE THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. ALL MINES WERE DESTROYED IN PLACE. ADDITIONALLY, TWO RIFLES WERE FOUND DURING THE PERIOD BY COMPANY M, THIRD MARINES.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA7211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF (AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242, VMA(AW)-533 AND H&MS713 FLEW 48 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 18 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 0 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 99 TONS OF

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ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 1 KBA (PROB) EP STRUCTURES, R BUNKERS AND 1 AA POSITION DESTROYED, QU STRUCTURES, E BUNKERS, W AW POSITIONS AND 1 TRENCH DAMAGED, W SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 5 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 278 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 156 PERSONNEL AND 30 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 557 MISSIONS AND 4041 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, QUTMM GUNS FIRED 10 MISSIONS EXPENDING 11 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/12 KIA	0/34 KIA (CONF)
/55 WIA	1/41 KIA (PROB)
	0/4 DETAINEES
	2/5 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT

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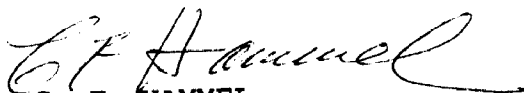
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1. Operation KINGFISHER. AT 251925H, vicinity YD115659, 3/4 CP received 26 rounds 82mm mortar. Battery fired on suspected enemy position. 1 USMC KIA, 7 USMC WIA (Evac).

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1. (C) I CTZ

A. OP KINGFISHER IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD968562), 16 KM NE OF
XHE SANH AT 252030H A MARINE JET ACFT ON AN EAST TO WEST ITC BOMB RUN,
DROPPED TWO OR FOUR BOMBS. TPQS HAD BEEN CANCELLED IN THAT AREA. RES:
FRD - 13 WIA (MINOR). INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

B. OP FREMONT: IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD460270), 30 KM WEST

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OF HUE AT 260021H BLT 2/3 USMC CHOPPED FR OP AND 4TH MAR TO CTG 76.5
IN PREPARATION FOR BACKLOADING.

C. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD588415) 26 KM NW HUE, AT
252045H BLACK PANTHER CO ENGAGED AN UNK NO OF EN W/SA, AW FIRE,
AC-47 AND ARTY SPID. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 252212H. RES: FRD A ONE
KIA, FOUR WIA; EN - EIGHT KIA, ONE DET, SIX I/WPNS CPTD.

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

E. CUM RES: OP CUMBEPLAND NO CHANGE.

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	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	BEACON GUIDE	FREMONT	PECOS	MALHEUR II
KIA	8	14	0	4	2	27
WIA	27	72	1	108	1	244
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	172	426	19	51	43	618
NGF	0	196	13	0	2	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0	6	0	9
			ENEMY			
KIA	16	61	0	44	2	414

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DET	3	5	17	62	2	36
RET	2	0	0	0	0	0
IND/WPNS	4	7	0	14	5	127
C/S WPNS	2	2	2	2	4	6

2. (C) II CTZ:

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7. ALL OPS CONT W/ SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
 8. CUM RES: OP BYRD NO CHANGE

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	FRANCIS MARION	PERSHING	GREELEY	HONG KIL DONG
	US	US	US	ROK
KIA	165	391	124	11
WIA	724	1726	1725	38
MIA	11	0	1	2
AIR SORTIES	3245	4204	595	118
NGF	0	2165	0	0
ARC LIGHT	279	150	87	18
		ENEMY		
KIA	1235	2572	193	329
DET	745	8594	17	122
RET	8	168	3	12

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IND/VPNS	229	651	86	152
C/S VPNS	45	55	16	60

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3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN BINH DUONG PROV (XT550645) 17 KM NNE OF DAU TIENG
 AT 251600H JUL CIDGPTL MADE CONTACT WITH EST EN CO. CONTACT WAS
 BROKEN AT 1630H. RES: FRD - TWO WIA, 20 MIA (CIDG); EN: CNE
 KIA (BC).

B. IN PHUOC TUY PROV (YS431596) SEVEN KM SE OF BA RIA AT
 260122H JUL UNK SIZE EN FORCE FIRED 20 RDS 60MM MORT INTO LONG
 DINH SUB SECTOR HQ'S AND SIMULTANEOUSLY FIRED ON AN OP 120 MTRS
 TO THE SW AND THE HAMLET OF PHUOC TINH WITH HVY SA FIRE. ARTY IN
 SPT FRD UNITS. EN BROKE CONTACT AT ALL THREE LOCATIONS AT 0230H.
 RES: FRD - TWO KIA, 12 WIA (ARVN); EN: UNK.

C. IN BINH DUONG PROV (XT 852129) FOUR KM SE OF PHU
 CUONG PROV AT 262515H JUL UNK NO OF EN BLEW UP VN INFORMATION
 SERVICE BLDG. RES: FRD - SIX VN FEMALES INJURED.

D. CUM RES: OP ENTERPRISE AND CORONADO NO CHANGE.

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	US/ARVN
KIA	89/40
WIA	540/150
MIA	0/2
AIR SORTIES	1160
NGF	N/A
ARC LIGHT	6

	ENEMY
KIA	901/134
DET	2045/427
RET	39/0
IND/VPNS	237/112
C/S VPNS	0/3

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

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HELICOPTERS FROM MARINE AIR GROUPS 16 AND 6 FLEW A TOTAL OF 1,369 SORTIES DURING THE PERIOD, CARRYING OVER 1,200 PERSONNEL AND 276 TONS OF CARGO.

C. LAM SON 87 TERMINATES

LAM SON 87, AN ARVN OPERATION FIFTEEN MILES SOUTHEAST OF QUANG TRI CITY, TERMINATED AT NOON ON 24 JULY. ENEMY LOSSES DURING THE OPERATION WERE 248 CONFIRMED KILLED, 91 CAPTURED, AND 92 WEAPONS. THE BULK OF THESE, IT WILL BE RECALLED, OCCURRED ON 21 JULY IN HEAVY FIGHTING EAST OF MY CHANH, WHEN THE ARVN KILLED 216 OF THE ENEMY. EQUALLY NOTEWORTHY WAS THE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE ARVN TO SOME 1,500 REFUGEES WHO MOVED FROM THE AREA OF OPERATIONS TO PHONG DIEN, ON HIGHWAY 1, AND TO QUANG DIEN, TEN MILES NORTH OF HUE.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED. SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 230700H, AN AO DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE ON A GROUP OF ENEMY IN THE OPEN (YD 183643) RESULTING IN ONE ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND FIVE KIA (PROB). AT 240010H, ONE USMC FROM THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WAS KIA BY SNIPER FIRE (YD 138705). AT 0330H, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY L, THIRD MARINES WAS KIA AND ONE WAS KIA BY A MINE (XD 948427). AT 1110H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY F, NINTH MARINES WERE KIA BY A MINE (YD 112654), AT 1230H, A RECON PATROL ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 18 NVA (YD 119719). FOUR USMC RECEIVED MINOR WOUNDS BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT DETERMINED. AT 1425H, A RECON TEAM ADJUSTED ARTILLERY ON AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 111716-113768) RESULTING IN 18 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND KIA (PROB). ONE ADDITIONAL ENEMY WAS KIA (PROB) DURING THE PERIOD AND 5 RIFLES WERE CAPTURED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMFA-542, VMA7211, VMA7223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 82 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (14 IPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 133 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 8 STRUCTURES, 6 BUNKERS, 2 AN

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 POSITIONS AND 1 MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED, W STRUCTURES, W
 BUNKERS, W AW POSITIONS AND 6 TRENCHES DAMAGED, Q SECONDARY
 EXPLOSION AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 144
 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 120 PERSONNEL AND 25 TONS OF CARGO.
 ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 838 MISSIONS AND 3965 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION
 IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, QUTMM GUNS FIRED 6
 MISSIONS EXPENDING 44 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/13 KIA

9/64 WIA

ENEMY

20/54 KIA (CONF)

9/50 KIA (PROB)

0/4 DETAINEES (ADJUSTED)

5/10 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY7SIXTH MARINES)
 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
 PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
 AIRCRAFT FROM VMA(AW)-242 FLEW 2 TPQ SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED
 14 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 9 SORTIES

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 TRANSPORTING 8 PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 274 MISSIONS AND
 635 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

0/27 WIA (ADJUSTED)

ENEMY

0/16 KIA (CONF)

0/19 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES (ADJUSTED)

0/4 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS
 (SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH
 MARINES WITH COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES)
 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE
 WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT
 232200H, COMPANY G, FOURTH MARINES OBSERVED ONE ENEMY CRAWLING
 TOWARD THE COMPANY POSITION (YD 461431). THE ENEMY SOLDIER WAS
 BAYONETED AND KILLED. THE COMPANY THEN EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE
 WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY RESULTING IN 2 ENEMY KIA
 (PROB) AND THREE RIFLES CAPTURED. ONE USMC WAS WIA IN THE
 CONTACT. AT 240110H, THE COMPANY KILLED TWO ENEMY (CONF) WITH
 SMALL ARMS FIRE (YD 462431). IN FIVE ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED
 INCIDENTS ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB) I

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CONTACT DURING THE NIGHT ADDED TO THE ENEMY TOLL,
WITH LATEST REPORTS SHOWING A TOTAL OF 70 ENEMY
KILLED AND 22 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRTEENTH BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. ON 22,
23 AND 24 JULY AIR OBSERVERS DIRECTED AIR STRIKES OVE EASTERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE RESULTING IN 4 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND KIA
(PROB). AT 251925H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP (YD
115699), RECEIVED 26 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN 1
USMC KIA AND 8 WIA. IN THREE ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED INCIDENTS
ON 25 JULY ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (CONF), W ENEMY KIA WERE FOUND, TWO
RIFLES WERE CAPTURED AND 1 DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIR 7
CRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA7223, VMA-311,

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VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242, VMA(AW)-533 AND H&MS713
FLEW 59 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 10 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 49 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT (11 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 106 TONS OF
ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 4 KBA (CONF), KBA (PROB), Q STRUCTURE, O
BUNKERS, Q ARTILLERY POSITION AND 3 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED, W
STRUCTURES, R BUNKERS, AND 1 TRENCH DAMAGED, E SECONDARY
EXPLOSIONS AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 190
SORTIES TRANSPORTING 85 PERSONNEL AND 20 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 634 MISSIONS AND 410 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, QUTMM GUNS FIRED 24
MISSIONS EXPENDING 24 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/14 KIA

8/72 WIA

ENEMY

7/61 KIA (CONF)

3/53 KIA (PROB)

1/5 DETAINEES

2/7 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJUSTED)

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS
(FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED
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OF A REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT AWARDS PROGRAM IN
KALING PROVINCE. DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE MORALE OF THE
REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT TROOPS THE FIRST AWARDS
CEREMONY, ATTENDED BY THE PROVINCE CHIEF, THE PROVINCE
REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN COMMANDER AND
THE CO'S OF THE ARVN BATTALIONS ASSIGNED TO REVOLUTIONARY
DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT IN THE PROVINCE, TOOK PLACE AT
CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS ON 21 JULY.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
LATE ENTRY AND REPORTS OF 17, 18 AND 23 JULY ADD 15 ENEMY KIA
(CONF) AND 4 KIA (PROD) TO THE ENEMY CASUALTIES. AT 250920H,
A TWELFTH MARINES ARTILLERY BATTERY (YD 214739) RECEIVED NINE

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ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA. COUNTER
BATTERY FIRE WAS RETURNED BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT
DETERMINED. AT 1155H, COMPANY I, NINTH MARINES (YD 167656)
RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN 4 USMC KIA. WHILE
ATTEMPTING A MED EVAC A MINE WAS DETONATED RESULTING IN 6
ADDITIONAL USMC KIA. AT 1249H, A TWELFTH MARINES POSITION (YD
214739) RECEIVED ESTIMATED 25MM AND 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING
IN 1 USMC KIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS AGAIN RETURNED BUT
ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT DETERMINED. IN FOUR ADDITIONAL
AND UNRELATED INCIDENTS TWO NVA KIA WERE FOUND, ONE DETAINEE WAS
APPREHENDED AND 2 USMC WERE KIA (ONE BY SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ONE
BY A MINE).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIR
CRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA7314, VMFA 115, VMA7211, VMA7223,
VMFA7232, VMFA7235, VMA(AW)-242, VMA(AW)-553 AND HANS7
13 FLEW 59 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 51 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT (12 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 114 TONS OF
ORDNANCE. 22A WAS 11 BUNKERS, 1 AM POSITIONS DESTROYED, (13
KIA (CONF) AND 21 KIA (PROD) ON 25 JULY), 3 BUNKERS, 1 AM
POSITIONS, 6 TRENCH AND 1 TUNNEL DAMAGED, 2 SECONDARY
EXPLOSION AND 2 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716
FLEW 100 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 44 PERSONNEL

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AND 14 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 826 MISSIONS AND 880 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED SIX MISSIONS EXPENDING 12 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 19 MISSIONS EXPENDING 223 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE-

USMC ENEMY

0/14 KIA (ADJ) 17/78 KIA (CONF)

11/54 WIA (ADJ) 34/87 (PROB)

1/6 DETAINEES

0/7 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJUSTED)

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH

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LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1500H, A RECON TEAM ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 5 NVA (XD 944317) WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. AN ARTILLERY MISSION DIRECTED BY AN AO RESULTED 3 KIA (PROB). ONE ENEMY WAS ALSO KIA (PROB) BY SMALL ARMS FIRE.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMA(AW)-242 FLEW 1 TPG SORTIE WHICH EXPENDED 1 TON OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 233 MISSIONS AND 529 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC ENEMY

0/8 KIA 0/16 KIA (CONF)

0/27 WIA 4/33 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES

0/4 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES WITH COMPANY C, FIRST BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 2201H, OPCON OF ELT 2/3 WAS PASSED TO CTG 79.5. ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (PROB) DURING

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1. (C) I CTZ.

A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SINGIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

B. CUM RES: OP FREMONT - NO CHANGE.

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	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	8	16	4	0	29
WIA	27	133	44	5	258
MIA	2	0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	176	608	30	38	656
NGF	0	246	0	77	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0		
			ENEMY		
KIA	16	92	1	0	459
DET	3	8	13	18	48
RET	2	3	0	0	2
IND/WPNS	4	7	0	0	136
C/S WPNS	0	0	0	0	8

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SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ.

A. IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE (AT917528) NINE KM NE OF AN HOA AT
292312H A PLAT CBT PTL FR F/2/5 USMC DET AN UNK TYPE EXPLO DEV. RES:
FRD: 11 WIA.

B. THROUGHOUT I CTZ DURING 29 JUL ARVN ELMS HAD NINE SMALL
UNIT CONTACTS. RES: FRD: THREE KIA, EIGHT WIA; EN: FIVE KIA, 29

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DET, FOUR I/WPNS CPTD.

C. OP ARDMORE: IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE (XD729467) 13 KM
WNW OF KHE SANH AT 291445H AIR OBSERVER CON ARTY MSN ON EN OCCUPIED
BUNKER COMPLEX RESULTING IN SEVEN EN KIA AND TWO SECONDARY EXPLO.

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

E. CUM RES: OPS CUMBERLAND AND FREMONT - NO CHANGE.

	ARDMORE	FRIENDLY KINGFISHER	DEACON GUIDE	MALHEUR II
	US	US	US	US
KIA	8	25	0	29
WIA	28	187	5	258
MIA	0	2	0	2
AIR SORTIES	198	608	38	656
NGF	0	246	92	30
ARC LIGHT	9	0	0	9
		ENEMY		
KIA	26	99	0	464
DET	3	9	22	52
RET	0	0	0	0
IND/WPNS	4	7	0	137

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 25228 FROM: MACCCC3

UBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. CP STOCKTON: IN QUANG NAM PROV (ATE80690), 17 KM WSW OF DANANG, CP STOCKTON, A 2/7 (-) REINF USMC TAOR S/D OP TO INVEST ROUTES OF INGRESS TO RKT BELT COMMENCED 270800H JUL AND TERM 291200H. CUM RES: FRD: FOUR KIA; EN: TWO KIA. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTD. THERE WERE EIGHT AIR SORTIES FLOWN IN SPT OF THIS OP.

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B. CP KINGFISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD085724), THREE KM NW OF CON THIEN, AT 291530H PERS FROM 3D ENGR USMC SPTG 2/9 USMC OBSERVED SEVEN NVA IN MACHINE GUN PCS AND ATTACKED WITH GRENS. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: SEVEN KIA, ONE MG WITH 3,000 RDS AMMO CPTD.

C. CP KINGFISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD088747), FIVE KM NNW OF CON THIEN, AT 291630H ELM 2/9 USMC RECD SA AND ARTY FIRE. AT APPROX 291720H H/2/9 USMC BECAME HV ENGAGED WITH UNK NO EN EMPLOYING SA AND ARTY. F AND G/2/9 USMC MOVED TO L NK UP WITH H/2/9. PCS CONSOLIDATED AND DEF POS ESTABLISHED APPROX 292200H. IR STRIKES AND ARTY SUPPORTED. EN BROKE CONTACT APPROX 292230H. SIZE OF EN FORCE UNK. INITIAL RES: FRD: FIVE KIA, 52 WIA; EN: UNK.

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

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. CP HONG KIL DONG:

(1) IN PHU YEN PROV (BQ325772), SIX KM N OF DONG TRE AT 291712H JUL 7TH CO, 2D CAV BN, CAP ROK INF DIV MADE CONTACT WITH UNK NO ENVM RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 13 KIA, SIX I/TPNS, THREE C/O WPNS CPTD.

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(2) IN PHU YEN PROV (EQ824769) FIVE KM N OF DONG TRE, AT 291732H 6TH CO, 2D BN CAP ROK INF DIV MADE CONTACT WITH UNK NO EN. RES: FRD: TWO WIA; EN: FIVE KIA. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTD.

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

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. CP CORONADO I: IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS500500), FIVE KM N OF XY THO, CP CORONADO I COMMENCED 210021H JUN AND TERM 251300H JUL. RES: FRD: 40 KIA, 173 WIA; EN: 478 KIA, 526 DET, 75 RET, 52 I/WPNS AND FIVE C/S WPNS CPTD. 78 AIR SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN SPT OF THE OP.

B. IN HAU NGHIA PROV (XT568238), SEVEN KM NE OF TRANG BANG, AT 291022H ELM 3/4 CAV MADE CONTACT WITH UNK SIZE EN FORCE IN LZ. EN USED SA, AW AND RPG-2 FIRE. AT 291250H D TRP MOVED BY AIR AND B TRP MOVED BY ROAD TO REINF. BOTH UNITS CLOSED BY 291400H AND EN BROKE CONTACT AT 291425H. RES: FRD: THREE KIA, 16 WIA, THREE APC DEST; EN: FOUR KIA, TWO I/WPNS AND MISC DCCU CPTD.

C. REF PARA 3CN MY MSG 282200Z JUL 67: UPDATE RES: FRD: SIX KIA (FIVE ARVN, 1 CIV), 23 WIA (15 ARVN, THREE PF,

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FIVE CIV); EN: UNK.

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

4. (C) IV CTZ:

A. CP CORONADO II, A 2D BDE, 9TH INF DIV (US) S/D CP IN DINH TUONG PROV COMM 270600H JULY. UNITS: RIVER ASSAULT FLOTILLA ONE, UNITS OF RIVER PATROL FORCE, 21ST AND 26TH VNN RAG, 44TH ARVN RGR BN, 3/47, 4/47, 5/60 TH MECH INF; RESERVE: TWO VNMC BNS. AO: FR XS159522, XS321503, XS403411, XS271373, XS122407. EN CB: ELM OF FOUR BNS, 263D MF BN, 261ST BN AND 514TH LF BN. EST DURATION: 3 AUG.

B. CP CORONADO II: IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS209445), 22 KM WSW OF DONG TAK, AT 291550H, C/3/60 INF MADE CONTACT WITH EST EN CO. LFT AND ARTY SPTD. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 1640H. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 13 KIA, FIVE DET. DOCUMENTS INDICATED EN BELONGED TO 514TH LF BN.

C. IN VINH LONG PROV (XS239332), AT VINH LONG CITY, FROM 300103H TO 320112H AN UNK NO EN FIRED EST FOUR TO SIX RDS MORT FIRE ON VINH LONG AIRFIELD. AC-47 AND ARTY SUPPORTED. INTERIM RES: FRD: NO CAS; ONE UH-1 ACFT DEST, 11 UH-1 ACFT DAM; 3, UNK.

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

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VC INTO THEIR ASSIGNED HAMLETS. EXAMPLES OF RECENT
RD TEAM CONTACTS WITH THE VC FOLLOW.

(1) ON 21 AND 26 JULY, AMBUSHES WERE SET BY TWO RD TEAMS
IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WHICH RESULTED IN TWO VC KILLED
AND SEVERAL WEAPONS, AMMUNITION AND NUMEROUS DOCUMENTS
CAPTURED. THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT CASUALTIES
TO THE RD TEAMS.

(2) ON 23 JULY, ANOTHER RD TEAM IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE
AMBUSHED A VC UNIT OF UNKNOWN SIZE. THE AMBUSH WAS SET AS THE
RESULT OF INFORMATION VOLUNTEERED BY A LOCAL INHABITANT
AND RESULTED IN THREE VC PROBABLY KILLED. THE WILLINGNESS
OF THE INHABITANT TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION AND
PARTICIPATE IN THE AMBUSH UNDERSCORES THE PROGRESS BEING
MADE BY THE TEAM IN WINNING THE SUPPORT OF THE HAMLET
POPULATION.

EQUALLY IMPORTANT IS THE DEFENSIVE TRAINING THAT
IS BEING GIVEN BY THE TEAMS TO THE HAMLET INHABITANTS TO
ENABLE THEM TO DEFEND THEMSELVES. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS
TRAINING WAS OBSERVED DURING THE PERIOD 21-24 JULY IN HUONG THUY
DISTRICT OF THUA THIEN PROVINCE WHERE AN RD TEAM CONDUCTED

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A TRAINING COURSE FOR 150 MEN AND WOMEN OF THE HAMLET
SELF DEFENSE GROUP.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

KAD THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
(LATE ENTRIES) AT 271316H, BATTERY D, SECOND BATTALION, TWELFTH
MARINES, KYD 112697) RECEIVED 8 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE
RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA AND 5 USMC WIA. AT 272712H, COMPANY I,
THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES, RECEIVED 25-30 ROUNDS OF 60MM
MORTAR FIRE FROM THE VICINITY OF (YD 161661), RESULTING IN 4
USMC WIA. ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH
UNDETERMINED RESULTS. AIR STRIKES FLOWN OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE ON 27 JULY, ACCOUNTED FOR 12 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND 13
ENEMY KIA (PROB). (END OF LATE ENTRIES) AT 280445H, COMPANY L,
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, AMBUSHED 5 NVA (YD 393693).
TWO USMC WERE WIA DURING
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THE CONTACT. AT 0830H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY D, THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES, MADE HEAVY CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 193742). THE PATROL RECEIVED AUTOMATIC FIRE AND 82MM MORTAR FIRE. THREE ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF) AND 15 ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB). FIVE USMC WERE KIA. AT 1215H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP, KYD 107696) RECEIVED 8 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA AND 3 USMC WIA. ARTILLERY MISSIONS WERE DIRECTED ON THE SUSPECTED VICINITY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFIMSHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA7115, VMFA-314, VMA7211, VMA7223, VMA 311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 87 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 28 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 59 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (8 TQP) SORTIES. WHICH EXPENDED 162 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 10 KBA (CONF), 13 KBA (PROB), 13 STRUCTURES, 04 BUNKERS, 1 MW POSITION AND 1 MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED. ONE BUNKER W/ ARTILLERY POSITIONS, AND 5 TRUCKS WERE DAMAGED. ONE SECOND

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EXPLOSION AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE WAS OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 191 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 121 PERSONNEL AND 22 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 777 MISSIONS AND 6001 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 23 OF THESE MISSIONS EXPENDING 43 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 28 MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 55 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

3/17 KIA

16/92 KIA (CONF)

25/133 WIA (ADJUSTED) 33/122 KIA (PROB)

2/8 DETAINEES

2/7 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. FROM 1642H-1900H, AN AO REPORTED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE (XD 712445). AND HEAVY .50 CAL MACHINE GUN FIRE (XD 712445) (XD 718471). AN ARTILLERY MISSION

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DIVISION. THE PROGRAM CONSISTED OF A MEAL; SPEECHES BY THE VILLAGE CHIEF, DISTRICT CHIEF AND COMMANDING GENERAL, 1ST MARINE DIVISION; AND A PERFORMANCE BY THE HOI AN CULTURAL DRAMA TEAM.

ALSO DURING JULY, STUDENT GROUPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, SAIGON, WORKED ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS AT THE CAM LO REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT AREA. AS MAY BE RECALLED, APPROXIMATELY 10,000 VIETNAMESE WERE RELOCATED IN MAY FROM THE DMZ AREA TO CAM LO, TO PROVIDE IMPROVED SECURITY FOR THE VILLAGERS. STUDENTS ASSISTED IN BUILDING HOMES, TEACHING SANITATION CLASSES AND CONSTRUCTING SCHOOLS. THE MORALE AND PERFORMANCE OF THE STUDENTS, WHOSE NUMBER AVERAGED 140 PER WEEK, WAS EXCELLENT AS THEY GAINED THE CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE BY LIVING WITH THEM AND PROVIDING LABOR AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1025H, THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CP (YD 074754) RECEIVED 60-80 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. AT 1040H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES SUSTAINED 2 USMC KIA WHEN AN AP MINE WAS DETONATED (YD 085747). AT 1630H, ELEMENTS OF SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 088747) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND ARTILLERY FIRE. AT 1700H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ACEMY IN THE SAME GENERAL VICINITY. COMPANIES F AND G MOVED TO LINK UP WITH COMPANY H AND ESTABLISHED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS FROM (YD 287737) TO (YD 287733). CONTACT WAS BROKEN AT 2030H. INITIAL RESULTS ARE 5 USMC KIA AND 50 USMC WIA. ENEMY CASUALTIES ARE NOT CONFIRMED BUT INITIAL REPORTS STATE 40 ENEMY KIA(C) AND 175 ENEMY KIA(P).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KING FISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 79 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 27 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 52 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
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(21 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 157 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 4 STRUCTURES, OP BUNKERS, W RR POSITIONS, AND 4 MORTAR POSITIONS DESTROYED. W STRUCTURES AND 6 TRENCHES WERE DAMGED. SEVEN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE WAS OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 92 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 44 PERSONNEL AND 3 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 678 MISSIONS AND 2966 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 14 OF THESE MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 28 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUN7 FIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 43 MISSIONS AND EX7 PENDING 36 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

ENEMY

6/23 KIA

40/132 KIA (CONF)

52/187 MIA (ADJ) 175/299 KIA (PROB) ADJUSTED

1/9 DETAINEES

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2/7 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1445H, AN AO DIRECTED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON AN OCCUPIED BUNKER COMPLEX (XD 729467) RESULTING IN 7 EN KBA (CONF), 1 EN KBA (PROB), AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. AT 1515H, AN AO DIRECTED AIRCRAFT FROM VMA7311 ON AIR STRIKES OF AN OCCUPIED BUNKER COMPLEX (XD 732415) RESULTING IN 5 EN KBA (PROB), AND 7 BUNKERS DESTROYED. AT 1630H, VMFA-115 CONDUCTED AN AIR STRIKE AGAINST AN OCCUPIED BUNKER COMPLEX RESULTING IN 10 EN KBA (PROB), 8 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 7 BUNKERS DAMAGED, W AN POSITIONS DESTROYED AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. AT 1722H, A RECON TEAM ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY (XD 515527) WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. THREE ENEMY WERE KIA AND 3 USMC WERE MIA. AT 17 00H, VMF(AW)-232 AND VMFA-314 CONDUCTED AIR STRIKES AGAINST TROOPS IN THE OPEN (XD 773426) RESULTING IN 30 KBA (PROB).

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 25424 FROM MACCOC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP KINGFISHER:

(1) IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD113687), ONE KM S OF CON THIEN, AT 310201H A MARINE FROM 3/9 USMC AWAKENED AND THINKING HE SAW AN EN IN FRONT OF HIS POS FIRED ONE RD WOUNDING ANOTHER MARINE WHO LATER DOW. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

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(2) IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD223681), EIGHT KM NNW OF DONG HA, AT 302230H ARTY FIRE RES IN FIVE CIV KILLED, FOUR CIV WOUNDED TWO STRUCTURES DAM. CRATER ANALYSIS INDICATES RDS FIRED BY A/1/40 USA. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

(3) IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD100692), TWO KM SW OF CON THIEN, AT 311852H 2/9 USMC CP RECD 4Z RDS 82MM MORT FIRE. CN FIRE CONDUCTED. RES: FRD: NINE WIA; EN: UNK.

5. IN QUANG NGAI PROV (BS631958), 24 KM N OF QUANG NGAI CITY, AT 311555H S-3 FROM 4/31 INF USA OBSERVED NINE EN FR UH-1E AND RECD SA FIRE. UH-1D REQUESTED AND FIRED ON EN. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 14 KIA. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTD.

C. OP BEACON GUIDE: IN THUA THIEN PROV (ZD173070), 30 KM ESE OF PHU BAI, OP BEACON GUIDE, A BLT 1/3 USMC (CLF ALFA) AMPHIB S/D OP COMMENCED 210730H JUL AND TERM 312000H. CUM RES: FRD: FIVE WIA; EN: 23 DET AND FIVE TONS RICE CPTD. THERE WERE 38 AIR SORTIES AND 99 NGF MSNS IN SPT OF THIS OP.

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

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. IN PLEIKU PROV (AO868992), 19 KM SSE OF PLEI ME AT 010255H AUG THE THU NHON SUBSECTOR HQ RECD 20 TO 25 PDS OF

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81 CR 82MM MORTAR FIRE. FIRING CEASED AT 010110H AUG. RES:
FRD (ARVN): ONE KIA, 16 WIA.
RES CONT HAS SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

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81 OR 82MM MORTAR FIRE. FIRING CEASED AT 010110H AUG. RES:
FRD (ARVN): ONE KIA, 16 WIA.
NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

ALL CPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

3. (C) III CTZ:

3. (C) III CIZ:
A. IN BIEN HOA PROV (YS167852), 30 KM SSE OF BIEN HOA CITY, QT 311820H AN RF UNIT MADE CONTACT WITH EST EN SQD. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 311828H. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: FIVE KIA, ONE DET, FOUR I/WPNS CPTD.
B. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

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

4. (C) IV CTZ:

4. (C) IV CIZ:
A. OP CUU LONG 64 CONT. W/LIGHT CONTACT REPTD. RES:
(31 JULY) FRD: 15 WIA; EN: TWO KIA, TWO DET, ONE I/WPN AND
THREE AP MINES CPTRD. CUM RES: FRD: 25 WIA; EN: 38 KIA,
SIX

THREE AF MINES CPTRD. COM RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN: SIX KIA.
B. OP CORONADO II, IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS306456), SIX
MI SE OF LONG DINH, AT 311400H A/1/27 INF ENG SIX EN W/SA AND A
FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 311420H. RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN:
THREE KIA, TWO DEF. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTRD.
THREE AF MINES CPTRD. COM RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN: SIX KIA.
B. OP CORONADO II, IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS306456), SIX
MI SE OF LONG DINH, AT 311400H A/1/27 INF ENG SIX EN W/SA AND A
FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 311420H. RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN:
THREE KIA, TWO DEF. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTRD.
THREE AF MINES CPTRD. COM RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN: SIX KIA.
B. OP CORONADO II, IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS306456), SIX
MI SE OF LONG DINH, AT 311400H A/1/27 INF ENG SIX EN W/SA AND A
FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 311420H. RES: FRD: TWO VIA; EN:
THREE KIA, TWO DEF. NO REPT OF EN WPNS CPTRD.

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

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 25441 FROM: MACCCC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ.

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

E. CUM RES: OP ARDMORE, CUMBERLAND AND MALHEUR II: NO
 CHANGE.

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	US	US
KIA	41	5
WIA	355	109
MIA	0	0
AIR SORTIES	840	79
NGF	370	0
ARC LIGHT	0	15
	ENEMY	
KIA	159	45
DET	27	63
RET	0	0
IND/WPNS	14	14
C/S WPNS	1	0

2. (C) II CTZ.

A. IN PHU YEN PROV (CQ240350) 14 KM SE OF TUY HOA AT
 010555H AUG TWO UH1C HEL FR 188TH AVN CO WERE INVOLVED IN A MID-
 AIR COLLISION. RES: EIGHT KILLED, TWO HEL DEST.

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

C. CUM RES:

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KIA	173	17	394	126		26
WIA	742	224	1735	197		52
MIA	8	2	2	2		2
AIR SORTIES	3452	942	4399	602		140
NGF	2	60	2223	2		0
ARC LIGHT	288	9	162	105		18
		ENEMY				
KIA	1061	635	2605	189		408
DET	7654	821	8790	17		140
RET	8	16	177	3		15
IND/WPNS	242	219	672	86		221
C/S WPNS	484	5	59	16		75

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3. (C) III CTZ.

A. IN BINH DUONG PROV (XT816141) IN PHU CUONG AT 312255H
ONE ARTY RD OF UNK TYPE AND ORIGIN IMPACTED IN THE BINH DUONG
HOSP AREA. PRELIMINARY REPORT INDICATES THAT NO FRD UNITS WERE
FIRING AT THIS TIME. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY. RES: SIX CIV WOUND-
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B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

C. CUM RES:

	FAIRFAX		FRIENDLY		ENTERPRISE	
	US	ARVN			US	
KIA	92	388			151	
WIA	552	145			629	
MIA	0	2			0	
AIR SORTIES	1193				737	
NGF	N/A				N/A	
ARC LIGHT	6				0	
			ENEMY			
KIA	9108	149			1158	
DET	20998	381			177	
RET	39	0			32	
IND/WPNS	237	125			155	
C/S WPNS	0	4			7	

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4. (C) IV CTZ.

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

B. CUM RES:

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	US	ARVN
KIA	9	22
WIA	31	57
MIA	0	0
AIR SORTIES		100
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ARC LIGHT		0
		ENEMY
KIA		137
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LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

THERE WERE FIVE III MAF MAJOR OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS IN I CORPS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, INCLUDING KINGFISHER, ARDMORE, FREMONT, CUMBERLAND AND MALHEUR II. CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY WAS LIGHT OR NEGLIGIBLE IN ALL FIVE OPERATIONS. A SIXTH LARGE UNIT OPERATION, BEACON GUIDE, WAS TERMINATED AT NOON AND MARINE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE ALPHA (BLT A) CAME REEMBARDED IN SHIPPING OF ARG ALPHA. THERE WAS NO CONTACT DURING THE FINAL HOURS OF BEACON GUIDE.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER. (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. CONTACT DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD WAS LIGHT. THE FOLLOWING ENTRIES AMPLIFY REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT CONTACT

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ON 29 JULY. BETWEEN 291930H AND 291205H, THE TWELFTH MARINE COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) SUSTAINED 2 USMC KIA BY INCOMING ARTILLERY FIRE. COUNTERBATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. AT 291042H, A MEMBER OF COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES, DETONATED AN AP MINE RESULTING IN 3 USMC KIA. AT 291100H, AN AMPHIBIOUS TRACTOR FROM FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION DETONATED A PRESSURE TYPE MINE (YD 319723) RESULTING IN 5 USMC KIA AND MINOR DAMAGE TO THE AMTRAC. AT 291100H, ONE LVTE (YD 385752) FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION RECEIVED A DIRECT HIT FROM AN 81MM MORTAR ROUND. THREE USMC WERE KIA. AT 291430H, FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION RECEIVED TWO 57MM ROUNDS RESULTING IN 3 USMC KIA. AT 291530H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ENGAGED 7 NVA MANNING A MACHINE GUN POSITION (YD 385724). THE POSITION WAS DESTROYED BY GRENADES AND 7 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 1 MG WITH 3200 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION CAPTURED. BETWEEN 291630H AND 292300H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES WAS ENGAGED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY EMPLOYING ARTILLERY

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ANTRAC BATTALION, ENGAGED 3 NVA WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ARTILLERY. TWO NVA WERE KIA (CONF) AND 1 AK-47 WAS CAPTURED. AT 1220H, COMPANY I, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY RESULTING IN 2 ENEMY KIA (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-514, VMA-211, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 68 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 26 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 42 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (17 TPG; 13 CONTROLLED) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 137 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 1 KIA (CONF), 15 KIA (PROB), 1 STRUCTURE, 5 BUNKERS AND 1 POSITION DESTROYED. 16 BUNKERS AND 4 TRENCHES WERE DAMAGED AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE WAS OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 386 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 230 PERSONNEL AND 21 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 533 MISSIONS (4363 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 16 OF THESE MISSIONS EXPENDING 30

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ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 53 MISSIONS (92 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION).

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
23/41 KIA	53/140 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
207/344 KIA	190/324 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
	1/10 DETAINEES
	1/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	3/10 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-514, VMA7223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 21 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 17 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (7 TPG) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 47 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 1 BUNKER DESTROYED AND 6 BUNKERS DAMAGED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 253

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A-6 TO HAVE ENEMY AIRCRAFT INFLUENCE THE CONDUCT OF A MISSION IN THE NORTHERN ROUTE PACKAGE AREAS, ALTHOUGH OCCASIONALLY, MIG'S HAVE BEEN NOTED IN THAT VICINITY.

F. CATAPULT OPERATIONS AT CHU LAI

SINCE THE COMMENCEMENT OF CE-1-3 CATAPULT OPERATIONS ON 15 JULY, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12, CHU LAI, HAS LAUNCHED A TOTAL OF 66 A-4'S FROM THE CATAPULT LOCATED ON THE SHORT CROSS-WIND RUNWAY.

56 OF THESE LAUNCHES HAVE BEEN WITH FULLY COMBAT LOADED AIRCRAFT, AT GROSS WEIGHTS UP TO 22,000 POUNDS. THE CE-1-3 SYSTEM, POWERED BY TWO MODIFIED J-79 JET ENGINES, ENABLES AN A-4 TO BECOME AIRBORNE IN APPROXIMATELY 1000 FEET, WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTION ON ORDNANCE LOADS. ADDITIONALLY, WITH A WELL TRAINED CREW, AIRCRAFT CAN BE LAUNCHED EVERY 90

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SECONDS WITH ONLY TWO MINUTES REQUIRED TO CLEAR THE RUNWAY FOR AIRCRAFT RECOVERIES. PRESENT PLANS ARE TO LAUNCH 8 AIRCRAFT PER DAY IN ORDER TO PREPARE SQUADRONS AND CATAPULT PERSONNEL FOR THE IMPENDING MONSOON SEASON.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KING FISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRIES) ON 30 JUL, SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS ACCOUNTED FOR 5 V.C. KIA (CONF). ON 30 JUL, AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE (YD 185738) (YD 168762) (YD 088746) ACCOUNTED FOR 6 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 4 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 0830H, THIRD RECON, WHILE ATTEMPTING A HELICOPTER INSERTION (YD 966659), ENGAGED 4 NVA IN THE LANDING ZONE. ONE NVA WAS KIA (CONF). AT 1030H, BT

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SIXTEEN VN CHILDREN WERE APPREHENDED WHILE LAYING EXPLOSIVE
DEVICES AT CAMP CARROLL TRASH DUMP. AT 1245H, ONE MARINE WAS WIA
BY AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE (YD 153459). AT 1850H, SECOND BATTALION,
NINTH MARINES (YD 133692), RECEIVED 47 ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR
FIRE RESULTING IN 9 USMC KIA. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS RETURNED
WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KING FISHER, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM HANS-13, VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211,
VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMF(AW)-242 AND
VMF(AW)-533 FLEW 36 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT
AND 70 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (15 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 193
TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 3 MSA (CONF), 4 MSA (PROB),
3 STRUCTURES, 28 BUNKERS AND 1 AM POSITION DESTROYED. SIX
STRUCTURES, 15 BUNKERS, 4 AM POSITION, 1 TUNNEL AND 10 TRENCHES
WERE DAMAGED. TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS
FROM MAG-13 FLEW 122 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 135 PERSONNEL.

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AND 7 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 165 MISSIONS AND
2926 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.
THE 175MM BUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 36 OF THESE
MISSIONS TO EXPENDING 47 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE
SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 27 MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 59
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
3/41 KIA	18/159 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
18/355 KIA (ADJ)	4/328 KIA (PROB)
	17/27 DETAINEES
	6/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	5/14 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
ACFT FROM VMA-7211 AND VMA-223 FLEW 2 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2

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REGULAR DEFENSE GROUPS FROM HA THAM AND TRA BONG ARE CONDUCTING SCREENING OPERATIONS TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH. AT LAST REPORT THE OPERATION, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO LAST FOR NINE DAYS, IS PROGRESSING AS PLANNED.

STING RAY PATROLS

DURING THE FIRST DAY OF AUGUST, STING RAY PATROLS, HANGING DEEP INTO THE HINTERLAND, ACCOUNTED FOR 43 ENEMY KILLED AND ANOTHER 14 PROBABLY KILLED, WITHOUT ANY MARINE LOSSES. A NOTABLE PATROL ACTION TOOK PLACE IN THE MORNING WHEN AN ESTIMATED 30 VIET CONG WERE OBSERVED TO MOVE INTO THE OPEN FROM A CONCEALED AREA IN THE MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN 20 MILES WEST OF DANANG. SKYHAWK AND PHANTOM II ATTACK AIRCRAFT, CALLED IN BY THE STING RAY PATROL, DROPPED NAPALM AND 250

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POUND MK 81 BOMBS ON THE ENEMY, KILLING 20 AND DRIVING THE REMAINDER INTO PREVIOUSLY PREPARED FIGHTING HOLES. UPON THE COMPLETION OF THE STRIKE, THE VIET CONG ATTEMPTED TO FLEE THE AREA, BUT ANOTHER FLIGHT OF MARINE AIRCRAFT AGAIN DELIVERED NAPALM AND HIGH EXPLOSIVE ONTO THE ENEMY, AND KILLED ANOTHER 20. AN ADDITIONAL UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VIET CONG WERE PROBABLY KILLED DURING THE STRIKES.

REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT

THE WEEKLY MEETING OF I CORPS JOINT COORDINATING COUNCIL WAS HELD DURING THE PERIOD, HIGHLIGHTED BY A REPORT ON THE ACTIVE U.S./GVN REFUGEE SCREENING PROGRAM, CURRENTLY IN EFFECT THROUGHOUT C CORPS. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE ALONE, 4,100 REFUGEES WERE SCREENED IN APPROXIMATELY 10 DAYS, WHICH RESULTED IN IDENTIFICATION OF 500 VIET CONG, SIGNIFICANTLY DISRUPTING THE VC INFRASTRUCTURE.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KING FISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LAOD ENTRIES) FROM 280600H TO 302400H, THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 034753) DESTROYED 219 BUNKERS, 3 TRENCH LINES, 15 HUTS, 250 FEET OF WELL CASING PCPS, 2 AK-47 RIFLES, 1 SKS RIFLE, & 1 PISTOL. AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED ON 31 JUL, IN SUPPORT OF THE NINTH MARINES, ACCOUNTED FOR 4 NVA KIA (PROB). (END OF LATE ENTRIES). AT 011400H, COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES (XD 976444) ACCOUNTED FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KCNG FISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM H&MS-13, VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 51 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 43 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (11 TOP) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 87 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 7 STRUCTURES, 13 BUNKERS, 1 AA POSITION, AND 1 TUNNEL DESTROYED. TWO BUNKERS, 1 CUVE AND 1 TUNNEL WAS

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DAMAGED. TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 28 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 672 MISSIONS AND 2808 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 17 OF THESE MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 35 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 14 MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 41 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/41 KIA	1/160 KIA (CONF)
0/356 WIA	4/332 KIA (PROB)
	0/27 DETAINEES
	0/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	4/20 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJUSTED)

~~(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)~~

~~(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.~~

~~(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING~~

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G. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

1. OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES). CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRIES) DURING THE PERIOD 200600H, 302400H, THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DESTROYED ONE 57MM RECOILLESS RIFLE, ONE 12.7MM MACHINE GUN, SEVEN AKJAU RIFLES, AND THREE SKS RIFLES. AT 0001WTH, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED ONE 122MM ARTILLERY ROUND RESULTING IN USMC WIA. COUNTERBATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS. (END OF LATE ENTRIES). AT 021035H, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED ONE 122MM ARTILLERY ROUND RESULTING IN 0 USMC WIA. COUNTERBATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.0

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AT 121000H COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES (XB 992:4L) APPREHENDED 5 DETAINEES. BETWEEN 1700H, AND UEL, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED 10 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN 2 USMC WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-11N VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMFAW-232 VMF(XJRLAWET AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 32 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 30 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (13 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 88 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 2 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 1 BUNKER DAMAGED, AND 2 TRENCHES DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAGAGY FLEW 21 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 518 MISSIONS (2045 POUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 21 OF THESE MISSIONS (78 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION). NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 17 MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 35 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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16/36 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-314 FLEW 4 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 2 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 11 TONS OF ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 9 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 300 MISSIONS (406 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATIONS BY FIRING 6 OF THESE

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MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 6 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

0/29 WIA (ADJ)

ENEMY

0/26 KIA (CONF)

0/106 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES

1/15 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES, WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (SECOND BATTALION; FOURTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1020H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, SUSTAINED 2 USMC WIA AS A RESULT OF THE DETONATION OF A 105MM ROUND RIGGED AS A MINE (YD 532212).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FREMONT, HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 86 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 79 PERSONNEL AND 1.5 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 95 MISSIONS (184 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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DURING THE DAY, CARRYING 1440 PERSONNEL AND 211 TONS OF CARGO.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0835H, THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES, WHILE CONDUCTING A ROAD SWEEP (YD 131632), RECEIVED TWO ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA. AT 0900H, COMPANY I, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND 60MM MORTAR FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED NVA SQUAD (YD 098709). ONE USMC WAS KIA AND FOUR USMC WERE WIA DURING THE CONTACT. AT 0930H, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES APPREHENDED 15 DETAINEES AT THE CAMP CARROLL TRASH DUMP (YD 063553). AT 1143H, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 115701) APPREHENDED ONE DETAINEE. UPON QUESTIONING, THE DETAINEE STATED THAT APPROXIMATELY 400

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NVA AND ONE MORTAR SITE WERE LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 113733) AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS FIRED ON THE SUSPECTED POSITION WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 20 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 18 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (10 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 54 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 11 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 3 TUNNELS DAMAGED, TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, AND FOUR SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 662 MISSIONS (3260 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING TEN OF THESE MISSIONS AND 66 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 7 MISSIONS (14 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION).

(C) RESULTS: DAILY CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/42 KIA	0/161 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
5/346 WIA	0/328 KIA (PROB)
	16/49 DETAINEES (ADJUSTED)
	0/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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0/36 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-314, VMFA-223 FLEW SIX SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 4 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 13 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 194 MISSIONS (390 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

ENEMY

0/26 KIA (CONF)

0/106 KIA (PROB)

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0/3 DETAINEES

0/5 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJUSTED)

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES) AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 0800H, BATTALION LANDING TEAM, SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES PASSED TO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FOURTH MARINES AND JOINED THE OPERATION. AT 1230H, COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES (YD 452249) ENGAGED FIVE VC WITH 90MM FIRE RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA (PROB).

(B) IN OPERATION FREMONT, ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 66 MISSIONS (147 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/5 KIA

0/116 WIA

ENEMY

0/46 KIA (CONF)

1/44 KIA (PROB)

0/56 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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CALIBER DURING 28 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER. THE USS MORTON (DD-948) FIRED SEVEN MISSIONS, DELIVERING 97 ROUNDS OF FIVE INCH FIFTY-FOUR ON ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENTS AND SUSPECTED ARTILLERY POSITIONS IN THE DMZ. DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS INCLUDED ONE ENEMY CONFIRMED KILLED, SEVEN PROBABLY KILLED, TWO STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND NINE DAMAGED. SOUTH OF CHULAI, THE USS WHITE RIVER JUNCTION (LSMR-536) FIRED NINETEEN MISSIONS EXPENDING 710 FIVE INCH SPIN-STABILIZED ROCKETS IN SUPPORT OF TASK FORCE OREGON AND THE SECOND ROK MARINE BRIGADE'S OPERATION DRAGON HEAD V / HOOD RIVER. DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS WERE INCOMPLETE. ENEMY LOSSES IN I CTZ DURING JULY

A RECAP OF ENEMY LOSSES IN I CTZ FOR JULY, THE THIRD MONTH OF ENEMY'S SUMMER CAMPAIGN, SHOWN, THAT NVA AND VIET CONG FORCES SUFFERED 4,299 CONFIRMED KILLED, 2664 PROBABLY KILLED AND 246 CAPTURED. IN ADDITION, THREE NVA AND 213 VIET CONG VOLUNTARILY CAME OVER TO THE GVN SIDE AND 2,054 ENEMY WEAPONS WERE SEIZED. OF THE TOTAL ENEMY CONFIRMED KILLED, MARINE LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS ACCOUNTED FOR 1602, SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS, 411 AND STING

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RAY PATROLS, 73. U.S. ARMY UNITS OF TASK FORCE OREGON KILLED 262 IN LARGE OPERATIONS AND 665 IN SMALL COUNTER-GUERRILLA OPERATIONS AT CHULAI AND IN THE DUC PHO AREA. ARVN UNITS DURING THE MONTH KILLED 1047, CAPTURED 156 OF THE ENEMY AND 350 WEAPONS. ROK MARINES ACCOUNTED FOR 102 ENEMY KILLED, 5 CAPTURED AND 1130 WEAPONS. MOST OF THESE WEAPONS WERE TAKEN FROM AN ENEMY TRAWLER WHICH WAS FORCED ASHORE BY THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF A U.S. NAVY PATROL BOAT AND ROK MARINE ARTILLERY FIRE.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1). OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A). THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 031500H, A THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES CONVOY (YD 194691) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 041035H, THE TWELFTH MARINES

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COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED TEN ROUNDS OF 85MM FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 1355H, A RECON TEAM (YD 947593) ENGAGED 12-15 ENEMY WITH SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE RESULTING IN ONE NVA KIA (CONF). AT 1540H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES SUSTAINED FIVE USMC KIA RESULTING FROM THE DETONATION OF A CLAYMORE MINE (YD 131674). THREE ENEMY BODIES WERE FOUND DURING THE DAY ACCOUNTING FOR THREE ENEMY KIA (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 41 SORTIES CONSISTING OF SEVEN CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 34 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (7 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 47 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 2 BUNKERS DESTROYED, TWO TRENCHES DAMAGED, TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, AND TWO SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 1093 MISSIONS AND 2837 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING 23 OF THESE MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 69 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION BY FIRING TWO MIS-

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SIONS AND EXPENDING SIX ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/ CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/42 KIA	4/165 KIA (CONF)
7/371 WIA	0/328 KIA (PROB)
	0/49 DETAINEES
	0/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	1/37 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2). OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A). THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 16 SORTIES TRANSPORTING FIVE PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 293 MISSIONS AND 780 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/ CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/3 KIA	0/26 KIA (CONF)

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 NOTEWORTHY RESULTS DURING THE DAY. NEARLY 1200 SUCH OPERATIONS WERE CONDUCTED WITHIN THE TACTICAL AREAS AND THESE MADE CONTACT 58 TIMES, ACCOUNTING FOR 32 ENEMY KILLED AND 1 OTHER CAPTURED. ACTIVITY WAS GREATEST NEAR DANANG, WHERE MARINES ENGAGED ENEMY UNITS 40 TIMES AND ACCOUNTED FOR 17 OF THE TOTAL ENEMY KILLED.

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

D. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

CONTACT WITH ENEMY FORCES BY MAJOR III MAF OPERATIONS WAS LIMITED TO WIDE-SPREAD PATROL ENCOUNTERS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. HEAVIEST ACTIVITY WAS IN NORTHERN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WHERE ELEMENTS OF THE 2ND BRIGADE ROKMC AND TASK FORCE OREGON UNITS ARE ENGAGED IN OPERATIONS DRAGON HEAD V AND HOOD RIVER (RESPECTIVELY). BETWEEN LATE AFTERNOON ON 4 AUGUST AND THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD, THE KOREAN MARINES AMBUSHED VIET CONG SQUADS AT THREE POINTS CENTERED 5 MILES WEST OF QUANG NGAI CITY. NINETEEN ENEMY WERE CONFIRMED DEAD

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 DURING THESE CONTACTS. ALSO, LATE ON 4 AUGUST, A ROKMC PATROL SEARCHING NEAR THE SONG TRA KHUC (RIVER), 8 MILES NORTHWEST OF QUANG TRI CITY, UNCOVERED A LARGE CAVE CONTAINING 21 DEAD GUERRILLAS. ALL TOLD, DRAGON HEAD UNITS ACCOUNTED FOR 42 VIET CONG CONFIRMED KILLED AND 7 ENEMY CAPTURED DURING THE DAY.

IN HOOD RIVER, TASK FORCE OREGON UNITS, SEARCHING JUST SOUTH OF THE KOREAN MARINES, ALSO ACHIEVED NUMEROUS BRIEF CONTACTS. THESE RESULTED IN 11 ENEMY CONFIRMED KILLED.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF OPERATIONS ARE INCLUDED IN PARAGRAPH 3A BELOW.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION, WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES), CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT

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REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. THE FOLLOWING ARE FOUR CONTACTS REPORTED
IN OPERATION KINGFISHER AS LATE ENTRIES FROM
4 AUGUST. AT 041920H, A COMBINED ACTION UNIT P-2 APPREHENDED
ONE DETAINEE. LATE ENTRY FROM 041830H TO 041845H, THE
TWELFTH MARINES (YD 214739) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF 122MM MORTAR
FIRE. THREE MARINES WERE WIA. AT 041830H, A PATROL FROM
THE FIRST AMTRAC BN (YD 304735), MOVING INTO AN AMBUSH POS-
ITION, ENGAGED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE.
TWO NVA WERE KILLED (CONF) AND ONE AK-47 RIFLE WAS CAPTURED.
TWO MARINES WERE WOUNDED DURING THE CONTACT.
AT 041920H, TEN TO FIFTEEN NVA WERE ENGAGED
BY A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM FROM THE THIRD RECON BATTALION
(YD 078651). THREE NVA WERE KILLED (CONF) AND TWO MARINES
WERE WIA. AT 051430H, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, IN
THE VICINITY OF CON THIEN, RECEIVED TWO TO TEN ROUNDS OF
ARTILLERY FIRE. ONE USMC WAS WIA.
(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMA-211, VMA-223,
AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 22 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT AND 18 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED

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35 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 10 BUNKERS
DESTROYED, 2 BUNKERS DAMAGED, ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION, ONE
CAVE DESTROYED AND ONE TRENCH DAMAGED. ARTILLERY UNITS
FIRED 487 MISSIONS (3171 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT
OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED TWO MISSIONS,
EXPENDING 15 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED
THE OPERATION WITH ONE MISSION AND EXPENDED TWO ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION.

(C)	RESULTS:	DAILY/CUMULATIVE
	USMC	ENEMY
	0/42	5/170 KIA (CONF)
	9/380 WIA	0/328 KIA (PROB)
		1/50 DETAINEES
		0/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
		3/40 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES),
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 051300H, AN AO CONDUCTED AN AIRSTRIKE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 153672) ON FORTIFIED CAVES. ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 23 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 21 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (4 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 32 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 3 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 3 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 4 BUNKERS DAMAGED, ONE SAMPAN DESTROYED, ONE MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED AND ONE TRENCH DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 20 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 594 MISSIONS. (3071 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175 MM

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GUNS FIRED 32 MISSIONS EXPENDING 76IVE

USMC

0/42 KIA

0/380 WIA

ENEMY

1/171 KIA (CONF)

0/328 KIA (PROB)

0/50 DETAINEES

0/1 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/40 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542 FLEW 6 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 17.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 195 MISSIONS AND 606 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY CUMULATIVE
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DURING THE PERIOD, MARINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW A TOTAL OF 252 SORTIES, 46 COMBAT AND RECONNAISSANCE/ECM SORTIES OVER NORTH VIETNAM, AND 206 AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS IN I CORPS. AS A RESULT, 13 ENEMY WERE KILLED, 38 OTHERS WERE PROBABLY KILLED, 96 STRUCTURES, 18 BUNKERS AND 3 CAVES WERE DESTROYED AND 8 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 6 FIRES WERE OBSERVED.

E. KIT CARSON SCOUTS

A RECAP OF THE KIT CARSON SCOUT PROGRAM FOR JULY SHOWS THAT 41 SCOUTS WERE BEING USED BY III MAF, WITH AN ADDITIONAL 8 UNDERGOING TRAINING AND EVALUATION. THE SERVICE OF THOSE EMPLOYED THUS FAR HAS BEEN COMENDABLE: 112 VC CAPTURED, 43 KILLED, AND MANY PERSONAL ACTS OF HEROISM AND LOYALTY BY INDIVIDUAL SCOUTS.

KIT CARSON SCOUTS MADE A NOTEWORTHY CONTRIBUTION TO BOTH PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PATROL OPERATIONS DURING THE MONTH. SCOUTS PARTICIPATED IN 451 PATROLS UTILIZING THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE ENEMY METHODS

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AND LOCATIONS TO AID MARINES IN DESTROYING OR CAPTURING ENEMY POSITIONS, MINES, CACHES, AND HIDING PLACES. IN ADDITION, THE SCOUTS ADDRESSED LOCAL VILLAGERS ON 25 OCCASIONS DURING THE MONTH. IN THESE THE SCOUTS DESCRIBED VIET CONG INTENTIONS AND TECHNIQUES AND URGED LOCAL SUPPORT OF THE GVN. THE SCOUTS ALSO ASSISTED IN THE PREPARATION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE TAPE RECORDINGS WHICH WERE SUBSEQUENTLY AIMED AT VILLAGES THROUGHOUT I CTZ.

F. VIET CONG TERRORISM

THE ENEMY CONTINUED HIS ACTS OF TERRORISM AGAINST THE LOCAL POPULACE IN SOUTHERN I CORPS. ON THE MORNING OF 7 AUGUST, AN ENEMY PRESSURE MINE WAS DETONATED BY A LAMBRETTA BUS ON HIGHWAY ONE, 14 KILOMETERS NORTH OF DUC PHO. FOUR VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AND 5 WERE WOUNDED.

THIS IS THE SECOND MINING INCIDENT DIRECTED AGAINST VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS IN TWO DAYS. ON 6 AUGUST, A LOCAL BUS DETONATED A ENEMY MINE, NORTH OF HOI AN, KILLING 9 CIVILIANS AND WOUNDING 21. (SEE MY REPORT OF 6 AUGUST.)

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- (1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY

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BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 061930H, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY GROUP (YD 214739) RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF 82MM AND ONE ROUND OF 85MM. ONE MARINE WAS WIA. THIRTY-ONE DETAINEES WERE CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS DURING THE PERIOD AND ADDITIONAL THREE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-242 AND VMF(AW)533 FLEW 27 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (13 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 56 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED, FIVE BUNKERS DAMAGED AND ONE TRENCH WAS DAMAGED, ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 490 MISSIONS EXPENDING 2234

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ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. 175MM GUNS FIRED 36 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 60 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH TWO MISSIONS AND EXPENDED SIX ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

H	USMC	ENEMY
	0/42 KIA	0/171 KIA(CONF)
	1/382 WIA	1/329 KIA(PROB)
		3/53 DETAINEES
		31/32 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
		0/41 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMA-211, VMA-223, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW TEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 12.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS ONE STRUCTURE
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C. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

ON 8 AUGUST, III MAF UNITS CONDUCTED 1,425 SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS, 142 MORE THAN THE DAILY AVERAGE OF 1,283 FOR JULY. DURING THESE OPERATIONS, CONTACT WAS MADE WITH THE ENEMY 45 TIMES, RESULTING IN 91 ENEMY KILLED AND 24 WEAPONS CAPTURED. SIXTY-FIVE OF THE ENEMY WERE KILLED DURING A SINGLE CONTACT-BY THE 3D BATTALION, 25TH INFANTRY 12 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF QUANG NGAI (SEE MY REPORT OF 7 AUGUST).

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL ENEMY KILLED IN SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS DURING THE FIRST 8 DAYS OF AUGUST TO 229, AND TO 10,459 THE NUMBER KILLED SINCE MARCH OF 1965 WHEN MARINE UNITS FIRST ARRIVED IN VIETNAM. MOST OF THE ENEMY LOSSES IN THESE SMALL UNIT ENCOUNTERS ARE LOCAL GUERRILLAS.

D. CHIEU HOI PROGRAM

DURING THE FIRST 7 DAYS OF AUGUST, A TOTAL OF 50 ENEMY PERSONNEL DEFECTED TO THE GVN IN I CTZ. THIS BRINGS THE NUMBER OF CHIEU HOI'S IN I CORPS THUS FAR IN 1967 TO 1,540 ONLY 199 LESS THAN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF

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RETURNEES FOR ALL OF 1966. IN 1965, BY COMPARISON, 1226 RETURNEES DEFECTED TO GVN AUTHORITIES IN I CORPS. THIS UPWARD TREND CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO MANY CAUSES, BUT PRIMARILY TO TWO, THE EVER INCREASING MILITARY PRESSURE BEING PLACED ON THE ENEMY BY III MAF AND ARVN MILITARY OPERATIONS IN I CORPS AND THE WIDE SPREAD PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS SUPPORTING THEM.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. LATE ENTRY AT 072100H, COMPANY I, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 094684) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND ONE MARINE WAS WIA. ON THE SEVENTH OF AUGUST, A'S DIRECTED AIR STRIKES OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE AGAINST BUNKERS (YD 036685) AND FOX HOLES,

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(YD 233795) ACCOUNTING FOR FOUR NVA KILLED (CONF) AND ONE
NVA KILLED (PROB)

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211,
VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242,
AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 64 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 18 CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT AND 46 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (15 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH
EXPENDED 99.9 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED EDA WAS 4
KBA (C), 1 KBA (P), 12 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 3 STRUCTURES
DAMAGED, 5 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 14 BUNKERS DAMAGED AND ONE
FOOT BRIDGE DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 90
SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 576 MISSIONS EXPENDING 2670
ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE AND 175MM GUNS SUPPORTED THE
OPERATION WITH 28 AND 19 MISSIONS AND EXPENDING 95 AND 39
ROUNDS RESPECTIVELY.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/43 KIA	4/175 KIA (CONF)
1/385 WIA	1/330 KIA (PROB)
	0/53 DETAINEES

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0/32 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/41 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314 AND VMA(AW)-242
FLEW 8 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 2
DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 18.5 TONS OF
ORDNANCE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 6 SORTIES. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 131 MISSIONS EXPENDING 439 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/8 KIA	0/26 KIA (CONF)
0/29 WIA	0/109 KIA
	0/3 DETAINEES
	0/5 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 26522S FROM: MACCOC3N

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. CP HOOD RIVER: IN QUANG NGAI PROV (BS650128) AT QUANG NGAI CITY AT 100700H 1/327 ASN INF (US) CHOPPED FR OP AND PRO TO CHU LAI.N

B. UALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

C. CUM RES: OP ARDMORE, CUMBERLAND: NO CHANGE.X

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	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	BEACON GATE	RIVER
KIA	43	5	1	38
WIA	390	118	7	372
MIA	2	0	0	0
AIR				95
SORTIES	1198	83	14	0
NGF	459	0	0	
ARC				2N
LIGHT	0	24	0	
		ENEMY		70&
KIA	178	52	5	13&
DET	53	62	10	
RET	0	2	2	39&
8/WPNS	33	19	0	5&
C/S WPNS	8	2	0	

& REF BY MSG PARA 1D 092958Z (OP LIEN KET 110) AND PARA 1E MY MSG 0922057 (OP DRAGON HEAD V) CUM RES ADJUSTED.

2. (C) SII CTZ:D

A. REF PARA 2B MY MSG 292205Z AUG 67, OP PERSHING.

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UPDATE RES: FRD:SSIX KIA, 22 WIA, FIVE MIA (FOUR ON DOWNED HEL, ONE IDENTIFIED BODY ON HAND BEING CARRIED AS MIA BY 1ST CAV DIV), TWO HEL DEST (UH-1B), THREE HEL DAM (ONE CH-13, TWO UH-1B); EN: SIX KIA, THREE 1/WPNS, ONE C/S WPN CPTRD.F

B. CUM RES:

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	FRANCIS MARION US	BYRD US	PERSHING US	GREELFY US HD	HONG KIL DONG RCK
KIA	171	17	426	126	26
WIA	748	203	1798	198	62
MIA	8	0	5	0	0
AIR SORTIES	3694	75	2266	1000 4690	689 151
NGF	0			0	0
ARC LIGHT	300	9	162	135	18F
			ENEMY		
KIA	1068	620	2707	189	539
DET	768	850	9127	17	174F

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RET	11	16	173	3	21
I/WPNS	240	219	692	87	285
C/S WPNS	53	5	61	16	86

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN HAU NGHAI PROV (XT523255) 10 KM NE OF TRA CU AT 1000250Z A HOI CHAN CENTER RECD THREE RD 60MM MORT FIRE. AN ARTY UNIT FR BAO TRAI FIRED ILLUM IN SPT. MEDEVAC AND ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY 25TH INF DIV AND PHILLIPINE TAG TM. RES: (YTPMCHAN)D FIVE KILLED, 53 WOUNDED.

B. FALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.N
C. CUM RES: CP CORONADO III - NO CHANGE.F

	FAIRFAX US/ARVN	FRIENDLY ENTERPRISE US
KIA	92/42	153K
WIA	573/155	644
MIA	0/2	0
AIR SORTIES	1239	782
NGF	N/A	N/A

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	6	2
ARC LIGHT		ENEMYN
KIA	924/150	1170
DET	2134/381	201
RET	39/2	32
I/WPNS	244/126	158
C/S WPNS	1/4	7

4. (U) IV CTZ: ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.F
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 UUMSJC/CG II FFORCEV
 ZEN/COMNAVFROV
 UUMSTC/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/COMDR 7TH AIR FORCE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCM 26644 FROM: MACCC03
 SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP FREMONT IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD575269) 20 KM NNW OF
 HUE AT 101932H, A YBR OF F/2/4 USMC DETONATED AN UNK TYPE EXPLO DEVICE.
 RES: FRD: FIVE WIA.

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

C. CUM RES: OF CUMBERLAND: NO CHANGE.

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	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	BEACON GATE
	US	US	US	US
KIA	8	43	6	2
WIA	29	397	126	12
MIA	2	2	2	2
AIR				
SOPTIES	258	1232	83	36
NGF	2	528	2	52
ARC				
LIGHT	42	2	24	2

	HOOD RIVER
KIA	3
WIA	37
MIA	2
AIR	
SOPTIES	126
NGF	2
ARC	
LIGHT	2

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ENEMY

	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	BEACON GATE
KIA	27	182	52	13
DET	3	53	62	26
RET	2	2	2	2
I/WPNS	5	33	19	2
C/S WPNS	18	3		

HOOD RIVER
ENEMY

KIA	75
DET	13
RET	2
I/WPNS	39
C/S WPNS	5
& ADJUSTED	

2. (C) II CTZ:

- A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
B. CUM RES:

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MARION BYRD YOSHINO GREELEY KIL BONG

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	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	171	17	427	126	26
WIA	748	228	1832	78	62
MIA	8	2	0	0	0
AIR					
SORTIES	3727	1203	4728	694	155
NGF IK T	2	75	2255	0	2
ARC					
LIGHT	322	9	152	123	18
			ENEMY		
KIA	1269	620	2724	189	541
DET	759	350	9174	17	174
RET	11	16	131	3	31
I/WPNS	241	219	694	87	285
C/S WPNS	53	5	61	16	86

E. (C) III CTZ:

- A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
B. CUM RES:

FRIENDLY

FAIRFAX ENTERPRISE CCRONADO III

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	US/ARVN	US	US
KIA	92/42	153	0
WIA	573/155	644	7
MIA	0/2	0	0
AIR			
SORTIES	1245	782	4
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A
LIGHT	6	0	0
			ENEMY
KIA	938/150	1171	0
DET	2143/351	223	8
RET	AJXP	EW	P
I/WPNS	252/126	156	0
C/S WPNS	1/4	7	0

4. (C) IV CTZ:

- A. SEVEN EN INITIATED ACTIONS WERE REPTD IN THE IV CTZ FR 100500Z TO 112500Z. RESULTS: FRO: TWO KIA, 19 WOUNDED (TWO CIV); EN: UNK.

- B. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD. GP-4.
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ENEMY COMPANY HEAVILY SUPPORTED BY MORTAR AND RECOIL-
LESS RIFLE FIRE. THIRTY RF WERE KILLED AND 28 ARE REPORTED
MISSION IN THIS CONTACT. THREE ENEMY WERE KILLED. AN ARVN
FORCE REOCCUPIED THE HILL LATER IN THE MORNING.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN
NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR
THE PERIOD. AT 1015H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH
MARINES DETONATED A CHICOMI GRENADE RIGGED AS A MINE RESULTING
IN ONE MARINE WIA. AT 1700H, FOUR MARINES FROM COMPANY G,
SECOND BATTALION WERE WIA WHEN A MINE (YD 173662) DETONATED.
DURING THE 3TH OF AUGUST, ANAO CONDUCTED AN AIR STRIKE
AGAINST AN ENEMY SQUAD (YD 265706).
THREE NVA WERE KILLED (CONF) AND THREE NVA WERE KILLED
(PROB).

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211,
VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242
AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 34 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT AND 30 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH
EXPENDED 74.2 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED EDA WAS 2
K2A (C), 2 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 4 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 8
BUNKERS DAMAGED, 3 SECONDARY FIRES, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS,
3 BOATS DESTROYED, 4 TUNNELS AND 2 TUNNELS DAMAGED. HELI-
COPTERS FROM MAC-16 FLEW 13 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED
164 MISSIONS EXPENDING 786 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. THE 175MM
GUNS AND NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE MARINES WITH 27 AND 35
MISSIONS EXPENDING 195 AND 235 ROUNDS RESPECTIVELY.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

0/43 KIA	3/178 KIA (CONF)
5/390 WIA	3/333 KIA (PROB)
	2/53 DETAINEES
	1/32 INNOCENT CIVILIANS (ADJUSTED)
	0/41 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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25 FIRES WERE OBSERVED.DURING THE SAME PERIOD, MARINE HELICOPTERS FLEW
539 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING OVER 4,302 PERSONNEL AND 1,225
TONS OF CARGO.

D. STATUS OF THE SLF

AT 1200H ON 10 AUGUST, SLF ALPHA (BLT 1/3 AND HMM-362)
PASSED TO THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF AND THEN TO THE
1ST MARINE DIVISION. THE NEXT MORNING AT 2630H, BLT 1/3
COMMENCED COMBAT OPERATIONS UNDER THE CONTROL OF TASK
FORCE X-RAY, IN OPERATION COCHISE WHICH GENERALLY IS CENTERED IN
THE THANH BINH-TAM KY-NIEP-UC TRIANGLE, (SEE MY REPORT
OF 9 AUGUST).

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN
NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH EIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR
THE PERIOD. ON THE NINTH OF AUGUST, AIR STRIKES OVER THE

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NINTH MARINES IAC ACCOUNTED FOR TWO NVA KILLED (CONF).
DURING THE PERIOD, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES
DETONATED THREE MINES RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES KIA. COM-
PANY I, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 129633) FOUND
125 POUNDS OF RICE.(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211,
VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242,
AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 78 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 11 CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT AND 59 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (18 TP2) SORTIES, WHICH
EXPENDED 140.7 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED EDA WAS 2
KBA, (CONF) 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED 3 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 22
BUNKERS DAMAGED, FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 2 SECONDARY
FIRES, AND FOUR TRENCHES DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16
FLEW 13 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 504 MISSIONS EXPENDING
1657 POUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS AND NAVAL GUNFIRE
FIRED 27 AND 31 MISSIONS EXPENDING 78 AND 179 POUNDS RESPECTIVELY.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC
2/43 KIAENEMY
2/133 KIA (CONF)-41-
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6/397 WIA

2/333 KIA (PROB)

2/53 DETAINEES

2/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2/41 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 23 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 112 MISSIONS EXPENDING 358 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

2/8 KIA

2/29 WIA

ENEMY

2/27 KIA (CONF)

2/129 KIA (PROB)

2/3 DETAINEES

2/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BAT -

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TALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. DURING THE PERIOD, THREE LINE INCIDENTS BY THE SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, (YD 545292, YD 570202, YD 575255) RESULTED IN EIGHT VIETNAMESE KIA. IN 100 SMALL CONTACTS, TWO VC WERE KILLED (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FREMONT, HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 8 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 42 MISSIONS EXPENDING 127 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/6 KIA

2/126 WIA

ENEMY

2/52 KIA (CONF)

2/75 KIA (PROB)

2/1 MIA/PO

2/59 DETAINEES

2/1 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

2/57 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

2/19 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(4) OPERATION JUNCTION (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO BATTALIONS

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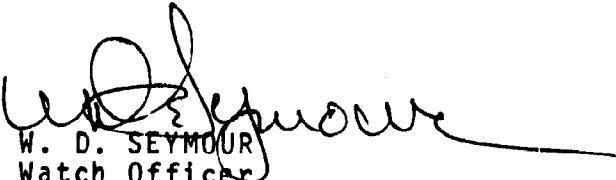
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Source: Lt WIENS, FMFPAC CC

1. A 3rd MarDiv recon patrol at 121908H, engaged an estimated 25 - 30 NVA vicinity YD019593. Patrol fired SA fire and employed air and artillery in support. Patrol was extracted at 122108H.

2. Results: USMC - 1 WIA (Minor); NVA - 13 KIA (Conf), 1 KIA (Prob). No report of weapons captured.

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ATTACK AT 0230H ON '12 AUGUST', AND WITHDREW FROM THE
AREA JUST PRIOR TO DAYLIGHT. FRIENDLY LOSSES DURING THE
ATTACK WERE 55 KILLED (2X USMC, 53 ARVN) AND 91 WOUNDED
(2 AUSTRALIANS, 1 USMC, 88 ARVN). TWENTY-FOUR OF THE
ENEMY WERE KILLED AND 10 WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED DURING
THE ATTACK.

D. ENEMY TERRORISM

AT 0200H ON 11 AUGUST, 12 ENEMY COMPANIES ENTERED
THE HAMLETS OF BONG LUY AND KHUC LUY, 5 KILOMETERS
WEST OF HOI AN. TWELVE OF THE LOCAL VILLAGERS WERE
KIDNAPPED BY THE ENEMY, 1 OF WHOM WAS LATER KILLED
FOR REFUSING TO CROSS A NEARBY RIVER.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN
NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR

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THE PERIOD. AT 1220H, A RECON TEAM ENGAGED FOUR NVA WITH
SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE (YD 050665) RESULTING
IN ONE NVA KIA (CONF), THREE NVA KIA (RPOB) AND ONE AK-47
RIFLE CAPTURED. AT 1715H, A TWELFTH MARINES BATTERY POSITION
(YD214739) RECEIVED SEVENTEEN ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RE-
SULTING IN TWO USMC KIA AND THREE USMC WIA. IN FOUR ADD-
ITIONAL AND UNRELATED CONTACTS ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (CONF),
ONE ENEMY WAS KIA (RPOB) AND FOUR USMC WERE WIA BY SMALL
ARMS FIRE. ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED DURING THE DAY.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223,
VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW
67 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 3 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 64 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 94 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
EDA WAS 3 STRUCTURES, 11 BUNKERS, 1 GUN POSITION AND 1 STORAGE
AREA DESTROYED, 2 STRUCTURES, 28 BUNKERS, 6 GUN POSITIONS AND
1 TRENCH DAMAGED, AND 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. HELICOPTERS
FROM MAG-16 FLEW 13 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 3 PERSONNEL.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 502 MISSIONS EXPENDING 4195 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE,

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175MM GUNS FIRED NINE MISSIONS EXPENDING 27 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 26 MISSIONS
EXPENDING 71 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

2/45 KIA

7/158 WIA

ENEMY

2/182 KIA (CONF)

4/137 KIA (PROB)

1/54 DETAINEES

0/3 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1/42 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALIONS TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-242
FLEW 6 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 2 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT (TIP) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 15 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 13 MISSIONS EXPENDING 568 ROUNDS OF AMMUNI-

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TION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

0/29 WIA

ENEMY

0/27 KIA (CONF)

0/109 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES

0/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATT-
ALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN
THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FREMONT, HELICOPTERS
FROM MAG-15 FLEW 7 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 11 PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 57 MISSIONS EXPENDING 187 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN
SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/6 KIA

0/126 WIA

ENEMY

0/52 KIA (CONF)

0/75 KIA (PROB)

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THE ENEMY WITHDREW AT 1500H ON THE 13TH. 150 ENEMY
HAVE BEEN REPORTED KILLED DURING THE ENCOUNTER
AS WELL AS 35 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

F. ENEMY ATTACK ON ARVN SUB-SECTOR HQ

AN UPDATE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES AS A RESULT OF ATTACKS
ON THE TRIEU PHONG SUB-SECTOR HEADQUARTERS, ONE MILE
NORTH OF QUANG TRI, STATES
THAT 41 ENEMY WERE CONFIRMED KILLED. IN ADDITION, ANOTHER
53 WERE PROBABLY KILLED. (SEE MY REPORT OF 11 AUGUST, 1967)
APPROXIMATELY 24 HOURS LATER, AN ESTIMATED ENEMY
BATTALION ATTACKED THE HOANG DIEN SUB-SECTOR HEADQUARTERS,
LOCATED ON THE COAST 18 MILES SOUTHEAST OF QUANG TRI, WHICH
IS MANNED BY THE 923RD AND 742D REGIONAL FORCE COMPANIES.
THE ENEMY, FIRING SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, WERE
SUPPORTED BY MORTAR FIRE. FRIENDLY ARTILLERY COUNTER-
BATTERY FIRES WERE IMMEDIATELY PUT INTO EFFECT. THE
ENGAGEMENT LASTED UNTIL 0700H, AT WHICH TIME THE ENEMY
BROKE CONTACT AND WITHDREW. ENEMY CASUALTIES ARE
PRESENTLY LISTED AS 45 CONFIRMED KILLED WITH 12 WEAPONS
CAPTURED. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES ARE 4 KILLED, 20 WOUNDED.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) ~~OPERATION KINGFISHER~~ (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES, AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
LATE ENTRY) AT 112322H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP
(YD 115701) RECEIVED TEN ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN
ONE USMC WIA. AT 120556H, TWELFTH MARINES ARTILLERY POSITIONS
(YD 214739) RECEIVED EIGHTEEN ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 82MM MORTAR
FIRE RESULTING IN TWO USMC WIA. COUNTER MORTAR FIRE WAS RETURNED
BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-314, VMA-211, VMA-223,
VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-242 FLEW 69 SORTIES CON-
SISTING OF EIGHT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 61 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
(19 TPQ SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 137 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS
24 STRUCTURES DESTROYED; 11 STRUCTURES, 5 BUNKERS, AND SIX

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TRENCHES DAMAGED; EIGHT SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND SIX SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 43 SORTIES TRANSPORTING NINE PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 534 MISSIONS AND 5537 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 19 MISSIONS EXPENDING 59 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/45 KIA

3/410 WIA (ADJUSTED)

ENEMY

0/182 KIA (CONF)

0/337 KIA (FR OB) (ADJUSTED)

0/54 DETAINEES

0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/42 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI

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PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 58 SORTIES TRANSPORTING NINE PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 204 MISSIONS AND 559 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/3 KIA

0/29 WIA

ENEMY

0/27 KIA (CONF)

0/109 KIA (FR OB)

0/3 DETAINEES

0/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. ON 9 AUGUST COMPANIES G AND H, FOURTH MARINES JOINED THE OPERATION. ON 12 AUGUST ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED AND CLASSIFIED AN INNOCENT CIVILIAN.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FREMONT FIXED WING

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 FRONT) CONTR QLS FOUR REGIMENTS, THE BA VI (812TH NVA REGIMENT),
 THE CUULONG (90TH NVA REGIMENT), THE KIEN GIANG (29TH NVA REGIMENT),
 AND THE 27TH TAM DAO (PROBABLY THE 803D NVA REGIMENT). EACH
 REGIMENT MAINTAINS ONE BATTALION ON LINE NEAR CON THIEN WHILE THE
 REMAINING BATTALIONS ARE POSITIONED THREE KILOMETERS APART, THREE
 TO FOUR KILOMETERS NORTH OF THE BEN HAI RIVERS. (IT IS PROBABLE
 THAT THE 7TH BATTALION, 90TH REGIMENT; 2D BATTALION, 803D
 REGIMENT; AND THE 7TH BATTALION, 29TH REGIMENT ARE THOSE ON
 LINE). ACCORDING TO THE RALLIER, ALL UNITS ARE PRESENTLY AWAITING
 THE ORDER TO ATTACK. OTHER INTELLIGENCE SOURCES REPORT THAT
 ENEMY ACTIVITY NORTH OF CON THIEN HAS BEEN ON THE UNSWING RECENTLY
 AND COULD FORECAST A GROUND ATTACK SUPPORTED BY LIGHT AND MEDIUM
 ARTILLERY. THE ENEMY'S PURPOSE MIGHT BE TO ACHIEVE A SPECTACULAR
 VICTORY SUFFICIENTLY IN ADVANCE TO INFLUENCE THE SVN ELECTIONS
 ON 3 SEPTEMBER.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE
 INFANTRY BATTALIONS, (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION,
 NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE
 THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND

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 DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH
 MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY)
 AT 121550H, TWELFTH MARINES ARTILLERY POSITIONS (YD 214739)
 RECEIVED 38 ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING
 IN THREE USMC KIA. FROM 121923H TO 122008H, A RECON TEAM
 (YD 214593) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 30 NVA. THIRTEEN ENEMY WERE
 KIA (CONF). ONE WAS KIA (PROB) AND ONE USMC WAS KIA IN THE
 ENCOUNTER. AT 121300H, TWELFTH MARINES ARTILLERY POSITIONS AT
 GIOLINH RECEIVED SEVEN ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 85MM ARTILLERY
 FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 122002H, THE THIRD BATTALION,
 FOURTH MARINES POSITION AT CON THIEN RECEIVED 37 ROUNDS OF 85
 MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 122010H,
 TWELFTH MARINES POSITIONS AT GIOLINH RECEIVED 35 ROUNDS OF
 ESTIMATED 82MM AND 85MM MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING
 IN THREE USMC KIA. AT 122345H, COMPANY I, NINTH MARINES (YD
 117673) FIRED ON AN ESTIMATED NVA PLATOON IN AN AMBUSH POSI-
 TION. ONE NVA WAS KIA (CONF) AND ONE USMC WAS KIA IN THE CONTACT.
 ON 12 AUGUST AIR STRIKES ON EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE
 RESULTED IN THREE ENEMY KIA (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER FIXED

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WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-314, VMFA-115, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMF(AW)-242, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 43 SORTIES CONSISTING OF SIX CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 42 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (19 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 132 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS SIX STRUCTURES AND TWO BUNKERS DESTROYED, SIX STRUCTURES, 15 BUNKERS AND ONE AA POSITION DAMAGED, SEVEN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND FIVE SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 20 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 646 MISSIONS EXPENDING 4932 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 35 MISSIONS EXPENDING 56 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 14 MISSIONS EXPENDING 84 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/ CUMULATIVE

USMC
1/46 KIA
0/419 WIA

ENEMY
14/196 KIA (CONF)
4/342 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
0/54 DETAINEES
0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/42 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, AND VMFA-314 FLEW 10 SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND EIGHT DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 19 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/ CUMULATIVE

USMC
0/8 KIA
0/29 WIA

ENEMY
0/27 KIA (CONF)
0/109 KIA (PROB)
0/3 DETAINEES
0/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN

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D. ENGINEER OPERATIONS

DESPITE ENEMY HARASSMENT, ENGINEER UNITS OF III MAF CONTINUED EXTENSIVE ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT MARINE TACTICAL AREAS DURING EARLY AUGUST.

BRIDGING OPERATIONS OF THE ENGINEERS INCLUDED COMPLETION OF A 1,000 FOOT CATWALK AT DANANG, AND 2 OTHER BRIDGES TOTALING 820 FEET AT CHU LAI. ADDITIONALLY, WORK WAS CONTINUED ON 4 MORE BRIDGES, 1 AT DONG HA, 2 AT CHU LAI, AND 1 AT PHU BAI, TOTALING 287 FEET IN LENGTH. FIVE FERRIES WERE ALSO OPERATED WITHIN THE III MAF TACTICAL AREAS.

OTHER OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS OR COMPLETED INCLUDE MAINTENANCE OF OVER 90 KILOMETERS OF ROAD, OPERATION OF 2 QUARRIES, AND OPERATION OF NUMEROUS WATER POINTS WITHIN THE TACTICAL AREAS WHICH PRODUCED ALMOST 6 MILLION GALLONS OF FRESH WATER DAILY.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

- (1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY

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BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 131225H, COMPANIES K AND L, 27TH MARINES JOINED THE OPERATION. AT 132025H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY I, FOURTH MARINES ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 5 NVA (YD 107709) WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN 1 ENEMY KIA (PROB). AT 132055H, ANOTHER PATROL FROM COMPANY I DIRECTED ARTILLERY ON 4 NVA ON A TRAIL (YD 123710) RESULTING IN 4 ENEMY KIA (PROB). AT 140800H, A RECON TEAM EXCHANGED FIRE WITH 2 NVA (YD 066657). ONE USMC WAS KIA BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT DETERMINED. AT 1605H, COMPANY C, NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 119665) RESULTING IN 5 USMC KIA. AT 1935H, COMPANY M, THIRD MARINES (YD 040445) RECEIVED 5 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE FROM 9 ENEMY. THE COMPANY RETURNED FIRE RESULTING IN 2 ENEMY KIA (CONF) AND ONE KIA (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-314, VMFA-115, VMA-7211,

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VMA 223, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, VMA(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533
FLEW 74 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 4 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 70
DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (29 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 132
TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 2 BUNKERS AND BOATS DESTROYED
3 BUNKERS, 3 BOATS, 2 ARTILLERY POSITIONS AND 5 TRENCHES. DAMAGED,
9 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 12 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS
FROM MAG-16 FLEW 26 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 6 PERSONNEL.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 864 MISSIONS EXPENDING 6982 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE,
175MM GUNS FIRED 67 MISSIONS EXPENDING 100 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 25 MISSIONS
WHICH EXPENDED 78 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/46 KIA	2/198 KIA (CONF)
6/426 WIA (ADJ)	6/348 KIA (PROB)
	0/54 DETAINEES
	0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0/42 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
(LATE ENTRY) AT 131225H, COMPANIES K AND L DEPARTED THE
OPERATION.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA7314, AND VMA7211 FLEW 8
DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 14 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
BDA WAS ONE STRUCTURE DESTROYED, ONE DAMAGED, ONE SECONDARY
EXPLOSION AND ONE SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716
FLEW 5 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 5 PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS
FIRED 204 MISSIONS EXPENDING 377 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT
OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/8 KIA	0/27 KIA (CONF)
0/29 WIA	0/109 KIA (PROB)
	0/3 DETAINEES
	0/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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THAT UNCOVERED THE 152 GRENADES, FOUND ANOTHER
WEAPONS CACHE 12 KILOMETERS NORTH OF THE SITE OF YESTERDAY'S
FIND. THE CACHE CONTAINED 5 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS, 5 CREW
SERVED WEAPONS, TWO 82 MM MORTAR SIGHTS, 2 LAWS, AND TWO 82MM
MORTAR ROUNDS.

C. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT

TWO NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT SHIPS OF THE U.S.
SEVENTH FLEET SUPPORTED GROUND OPERATIONS IN THE
I CTZ DURING THE 15TH. THE USS DUPONT (DD 914), FIRING
IN SUPPORT OF THE 12TH MARINES, EXPENDED OVER 250 ROUNDS
OF 5 INCH AMMUNITION ON ENEMY TARGETS IN AND NEAR
THE DMZ. ALTHOUGH COMPLETE DAMAGE ESTIMATES ARE
NOT PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, AN INITIAL REPORT SHOWS THE
BOMBARDMENTS RESULTED IN 16 ENEMY KILLED, 15 OTHERS PROBABLY
KILLED, AN ARTILLERY POSITION SILENCED, 5 STRUCTURES DESTROYED,
AND 13 STRUCTURES DAMAGED. FARTHER SOUTH IN QUANG
NGAI PROVINCE, THE USS WHITE RIVER (LSMR-536) FIRED 20
MISSIONS, MAINLY ON SUSPECTED ENEMY LOCATIONS, IN
SUPPORT OF TASK FORCE OREGON AND 2D ARVN DIVISION. A REPORT
OF DAMAGES HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.

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D. ARTILLERY AMMO EXPENDITURES IN I CTZ

THE DAILY AVERAGE EXPENDITURE OF ARTILLERY AMMUNITION
IN I CTZ HAS BEEN ABOUT 13,000 TO 14,000 ROUNDS PER DAY.
INCREASING CONCERN FOR THE TACTICAL SITUATION IN THE DMZ
AND DEFENSE OF THE ROCKET BELT AROUND DANANG HAS RE-
SULTED IN A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN EXPENDITURES, WHICH
ON 15 AUGUST 1967 TOTALLED ABOUT 21,000 ROUNDS.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION,
THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN
NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED
FOR THE PERIOD. THE ATTACK ON COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-3
AS DETAILED IN MY REPORT OF 14 AUG WAS BEEN INCLUDED IN
OPERATION KINGFISHER AND CASUALTIES IN PARAGRAPH A (1)(C)
WILL REFLECT THIS ADDITION. AT 151300H, THE THIRD BATTALION,
FOURTH MARINES (YD 115701) RECEIVED 2 ROUNDS OF 85MM

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ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA. COUNTER BATTERY
FIRE WAS RETURNED BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN. AT
1413H, ONE USMC FROM COMPANY K, 26TH MARINES WAS KIA BY
SMALL ARMS FIRE (YD 188684)

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMFA7323, VMFA7115, VMA7211,
VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-533
FLEW 51 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 12 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 41
DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (24 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 112 TONS
OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 5 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS
AND 2 SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY BATTERIES FIRED 632 MISSIONS
EXPENDING 6998 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED
33 MISSIONS EXPENDING 52 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE
SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 28 MISSIONS EXPENDING 142 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/47 KIA (ADJ)	13/215 KIA (CONF) (ADJ)
14/440 KIA (ADJ)	9/357 KIA (PROB)
	1/55 DETAINEES (ADJ)
	11/53 WEAPONS CAPTURED (ADJ)

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(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMF(AW)-235 AND VMA(AW)-242 FLEW 2 DIRECT
AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 7 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 4 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS
FIRED 162 MISSIONS EXPENDING 435 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT
OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 6 MISSIONS
EXPENDING 6 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/8 KIA	2/27 KIA (CONF)
	2/3 DETAINEES
	2/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND
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 A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
 B. CUR RES: OPS ARDYOKE, CUMBERLAND: NO CHANGE.
 FRIENDLY

	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	COCHISE	BENTON
US	US	US	US/ARVN	US
KIA	48	13	8/55	8
MIA	446	147	71/142	87
MIA	3	3	3/3	2
AIR				
SORTIES	1694	121	185	139
NGF	663	3	15	0
ARC				
LIGHT	3	24	0	7

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KIA	215	50	255	108
DET	61	62	52	2
RET	3	2	2	0
I/VRM	45	15	66	75
O/L WARS	9	2	2	7

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- A. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

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B. CUM RES:

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	FRANCIS LARION	BYRD	PERSHING	GREELEY	HONG KIL DONG
	US	US	US	US	ROK
KIA	714	21	416	127	86
WIA	792	223	1848	197	65
MIA	8	2	0	2	0
AIR					
SORTIES	3897	1832	4986	759	222
NGF	0	87	2351	0	2
ARC					
LIGHT	302	9	177	147	36
		ENEMY			
KIA	18768	641	2802	192	571
DET	211	854	9214	17	178
RET	11	16	131	3	34
I/WPNS	242	219	728	87	327
C/S WPNS	53	5	62	16	87
& ADJUSTED					

3. (C) III CTZ:

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

B. OP CORONADO III: IN RSSZ (YS111522) 19 KM WNW OF VUNG

IAU OP CORONADO III, WHICH COMMENCED 050001H AUG, TERM 172402H AUG.

FINAL RES: FRD: SEVEN WIA; EN: ONE KIA, EIGHT DET, THREE I/WPNS

OPTD. 25 AIR SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN SPT OF THE OP.

C. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY		
	FAIRFAX US/ARVN	ENTERPRISE US	PORTLAND US
KIA	93/42	155	0
WIA	538/156	622	0
MIA	2/2	0	2
AIR			
SORTIES	1274	831	79
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC LIGHT	6	0	0
		ENEMY	
KIA	938/156	1185	0
DET	2232/390	250	0
RET	39/0	32	0
I/WPNS	251/132	159	0
C/S WPNS	1/4	7	0

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

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3D MARINES, LOCATED 700 METERS NORTHEAST OF THE AFTERNOON ENGAGEMENT, HEARD MOVEMENT NEAR ITS POSITION. UNDER ILLUMINATION PROVIDED BY 81MM MORTARS, 15 ENEMY WERE OBSERVED AND ARTILLERY FIRE WAS CALLED, KILLING ALL 15 OF THE ENEMY.

IN THE SAME AREA AT 0200 ON 11 AUGUST, A LISTENING POST FROM COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION, 3D MARINES RECEIVED A HEAVY VOLUME OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE MARINES RETURNED THE FIRE WITH MACHINE GUNS AND SMALL ARMS. A SEARCH OF THE AREA AT DAYLIGHT DISCLOSED 13 VC DEAD.

AT 1100 ON THE 17TH, THIRTEEN KILOMETERS WEST OF TAM KY, COMPANY L, 3D BATTALION, 1ST MARINES ENGAGED AN OTHER ENEMY UNIT. WHILE THE MARINE INFANTRY PRESSED THE ATTACK ON THE GROUND, PILOTS OF THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING PROVIDED CLOSE AIR SUPPORT. THE ENEMY BROKE INTO SMALL GROUPS AND ATTEMPTED TO FLEE. HOWEVER, COMPANY L PURSUED AND MAINTAINED SPORADIC CONTACT. RESULTS WERE REPORTED AS 9 VC KILLED AND 15

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INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS CAPTURED.

OPERATION KINGFISHER

MARINE UNITS IN OPERATION KINGFISHER, NEAR THE DMZ, CONTINUED TO MEET ONLY MINOR ENEMY RESISTANCE ON THE 16TH. AT NOON, 3 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF CON THIEN COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES LOCATED AN ABANDONED ENEMY FORTIFIED POSITION CONTAINING 50 TO 60 BUNKERS AND A TRENCH LINE. THIS INSTALLATION APPEARED TO BE ABOUT ONE MONTH OLD AND WAS PROBABLY ABANDONED DURING OPERATION BUFFALO. THE ENEMY HAD LEFT BEHIND 11 OF THEIR BAD, INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT, AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF ASSORTED TYPES OF AMMUNITION.

MARINE AIR OPERATIONS

PILOTS OF THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING FLEW 220 COMBAT SORTIES ON 16 AUGUST, EXPENDING OVER 400 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS WERE 21 ENEMY KILLED, 51 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED, 56 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 27 DAMAGED, 1 BULLDOZER DESTROYED AND 26 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, MARINE HELICOPTER PILOTS FLEW 1,449 SORTIES, LIFTING 2,403 PERSONNEL AND

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OVER 230 TONS OF CARGO.

SQUADRON ROTATION

MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON 323
COMPLETED ROTATION FROM IWAKUNI, JAPAN TO CHU LAI,
RVN ON 16 AUGUST, WHERE IT WAS PLACED UNDER THE
OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF. IN TURN, VMFA 14
ROTATED TO JAPAN FOR REHABILITATION AND TRAINING IN
PREPERATION FOR FURTHER IN7COUNTRY OPERATIONS.
BOTH SQUADRONS FLY THE F-4B PHANTOM II AIRCRAFT.

REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT

A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM TO ASSIST THE LOCAL
FARMERS IN I CORPS IS THE INTRODUCTION OF FOOT
OPERATED RICE THRESHING MACHINES BY III MAF. ORIGINALLY,
50 MACHINES WERE PURCHASED BY III MAF AND DISTRIBUTED
THROUGHOUT THE TACTICAL AREAS. DUE TO THE ENTHUSASM
WITH WHICH THE FARMERS ACCEPTED THE THRESHING MACHINES
AND THE GROWING DEMAND FOR MORE OF THEM, AN ADDITIONAL 75
HAVE BEEN ORDERED. THESE ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN
DANANG ON 1 SEPTEMBER, AND WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE
FARMERS PRIOR TO THE FORTHCOMING RICE HARVEST.

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(SEE PARAGRAPH E FOR OTHER DETAILS).

NVA INFILTRATION THROUGH A SHAU

DETAINEES TAKEN ON 15 AUGUST HAVE STATED
THAT ENEMY REPLACEMENTS FOR NVA UNITS IN QUANG NAM
PROVINCE TRAVEL THROUGH LAOS AND PASS THROUGH THE
A SHAU VALLEY. THE TRAIL IN THE A SHAU VALLEY RUNS
EAST OF THE VALLEY FLOOR ALONG THE MOUNTAINS AND,
AFTER PASSING THE A SHAU CAMP, TURNS EAST
AND PROCEEDS OVER THE MOUNTAINS. SEVERAL DETAINEE'S
STATED THIS AREA HAS BEEN HEAVILY TRAVELED BY
INFILTRATORS WITH AS MANY AS ONE HUNDRED MEN PER
BY BEING OBSERVED. (FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS SEE
PARAGRAPH 3F) :

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION NINTH MARINES,
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THDR
MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN

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QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 151315H, TO 151345H, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY POSITION AT GIO LINH RECEIVED 27 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS RETURNED BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN. AT 160450H, ONE USMC FROM COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-3 WAS KIA BY AN ENEMY GRENADE (YD 178589). AT 1215H, A RECON TEAM (YD 283338) ENGAGED SIX NVA. SUPPORTED BY AIR STRIKES AND 175MM GUNS THE PATROL KILLED ONE NVA (CONF) AND TWO NVA (PROB). IN TWO ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED INCIDENTS DURING THE DAY TWO NVA BODIES AND ONE RIFLE WERE FOUND.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA7323, VMFA7115, VMA 211, VMA-223, VMA7311, VMF(AW)-235, VMA-(AW)-242 AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 85 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 10 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 75 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (24 TPG) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 122 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 8 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 4 BUNKERS AND ONE TRENCH DAMAGED, 14 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 18 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 16 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 633 MISSIONS EXPENDING 6517 ROUNDS OF
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AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 4 MISSIONS EXPENDING 81 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED CONSISTED OF 17 MISSIONS EXPENDING 66 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/47 KIA

2/441 WIA

ENEMY

2/13 KIA (CONF)

/360 KIA (PROB)

0/55 DETAINEES

0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1/54 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 198 MISSIONS AND 441 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 5 MISSIONS EXPENDING 5 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

0/31 WIA

ENEMY

0/27 KIA (CONF)

0/109 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES

2/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1035H, COMPANY F, THIRD MARINES RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM (YD 496426) RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA AND USMC WIA. MARINES RETURNED FIRE BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN. AT 2020H, A TANK WITH COMPANY E, FOURTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 548403) RESULTING IN 4 USMC KIA AND 5 USMC WIA. IN TWO ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED INCIDENTS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 27554

FROM: MACCCC3

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CCZ:

A. OP BENTON:

(1) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT195067) 17 KM SW OF TAM KY AT 181255H B/1/327 ENGAGED AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE, SA//2 FIRE EXCHANGED. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: FIVE WIA; EN: FIVE KIA.

(2) REF PARA 1, MY MSG 182135Z: CONTACT TERM AT 182345Z. FINAL RES: FRD: TWO KIA, 17 WIA; EN: FOUR KIA.

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

C. CUM RES: OPS ARDMORE, CUNBERLAND: NO CHANGE.

FRIENDLY

KINGFISHER

	US	FREMONT	COCHISE	BENTON
KIA	48	US	US/ARVN	US
WIA	451	13	8/66	12
MIA	2	147	77/140	113
AIR		2	0/3	0
SORTIES	1746	104	147	192
RGF	676	0	15	0
ARC				
LIGHT	0	24	0	0
		ENEMY		
KIA	228	53	323	155
DET	61	54	62	0
RET	2	2	0	0
I/WPNS	46	19	61	89
C/S WPNS	9	0	2	7
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3. (C) II CTZ:

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

B. CUM REC:

FRIENDLY

	FRANCIS MARION	BYRD	PERSHING	CHILLEY	HUNG KIL LONG
	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	171	91	403	127	26
VIA	750	223	1857	150	65
VIA	8	2	3	1	2
AIR					
SCOUTIES	3508	1734	5033	765	282
NGF		17	2371	8	2
ARC					
LIGHT	31	9	177	147	36
		ENEMY			
KIA	1279	643	2641	190	524
DET	821	855	2248	17	173
RET	11	16	131	3	34
I/MPS	242	222	714	27	312
C/S WENS	53	5	50	15	97

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. CP EMPORIA III: IN LINE XHANH PTCV (YT5831) 12 KM DIST
OF XUAN LOC AT 190754H AUG 67, THE 11TH ACR INITIATED CP EMPORIA III
A ROAD CLEARING OP INVOLVING 3/11 AC. AC AND EN CP NOT AVAILABLE
AT THIS TIME.

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

C. CUM REC: CP PORTLAND, EMPORIA III, SHILBY: NO CHANGE.

FRIENDLY

	FAICFAX	ENTERPRISE
	US/ALVA	US
VIA	93/42	155
VIA	533/156	654
VIA	3/2	2
AIR		
SCOUTIES	1277	431
NGF	N/A	N/A
ARC		
LIGHT	6	2
	ENEMY	
KIA	839/156	1182
DET	2235/392	254
RET	30/2	30
I/MPS	251/162	155
C/S WENS	1/4	7

4. (C) IV CTZ:

ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

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SOUTHEAST OF HUE. EAST OF PHU BAI, A 2D ARVN DIVISION UNIT FOUND 2 CAVES WHICH CONTAINED 3,000 LBS OF SALT.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH FIVE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 161130H, COMPANY A, NINTH MARINES FOUND A COMPLEX OF 40 TO 50 BUNKERS WITH A TRENCH NETWORK WHICH HAD BEEN DESTROYED APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AGO. THE BUNKERS CONTAINED ELEVEN ENEMY KIA AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF MINES AND AMMUNITION FOR COMMUNIST BLOC CREW SERVED WEAPONS. THE ELEVEN KIA HAVE BEEN ADDED TO CASUALTY STATISTICS FOR OPERATION BUFFALO. AT 161115H, THE TWELFTH

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MARINES POSITION AT GIO LINH RECEIVED 2 ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA. AT 162200H, A PATROL FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION (YD 273676) RECEIVED SEVERAL ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND TWO USMC WIA. AT 171231H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114701) RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF 85MM FIRE RESULTING IN 2 USMC WIA. ADDITIONALLY ONE NVA KIA WAS FOUND AND FIVE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED DURING THE DAY.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED, WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 52 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 44 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 85 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 13 STRUCTURES, 3 BUNKERS 5 AA POSITIONS DESTROYED, 6 STRUCTURES, 11 BUNKERS, 3 ROADS, 1 DAM, 2 TRENCHES AND 1 CAVE DAMAGED, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 3 SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 476 MISSIONS EXPENDING 4922 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 37 MISSIONS EXPENDING 101 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 13

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MISSIONS EXPENDING 23 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

1/48 KIA

5/446 WIA

ENEMY

1/215 KIA (CONF)

0/360 KIA (PROB)

5/60 DETAINEES

0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/54 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST AND THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI
PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. ONE
NVA BODY WAS FOUND DURING THE DAY.(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, HELICOPTERS
FROM MAG-16 FLEW 7 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 2 PERSONNEL.

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ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 295 MISSIONS EXPENDING 596 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/8 KIA

0/31 WIA

ENEMY

1/28 KIA (CONF)

0/109 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DETAINEES

0/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND
BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED
FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 161430H, A TANK RETRIEVER,
DETONATED A MINE (YD 427416) RESULTING IN 9 USMC WIA AND
MINOR DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE.

(B) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/13 KIA (ADJ)

9/147 WIA (ADJ)

ENEMY

0/52 KIA (CONF)

0/84 KIA (PROB)

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

FROM MACCC03

SUBJ: TELECON (U)

1. (C) I CTZ

A. CP COCHISE: IN QUANG NAM PROV(ET0635) 21KM SE OF AN
 HOA FR 191200H THROUGH 191800H USMC ELM HAD SEVEN SEPARATE CONTACTS.
 RES: FRD: NONE; EN: EIGHT KIA, SIX DET, 13 I/WPNS OPTD.

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

C. CUN RES:

	FRIENDLY					
	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	CUMBERLAND	COCHISE	BENTON
	US	US	US	US	US/ARCN	US
KIA	8	49	13	4	8/66	22
VIA	31	452	147	56	78/142	164
MIA	0	0	0	0	0/3	0
AIR						
SORTIES	332	1814	131	101	206	221
NGF	0	686	0	0	15	0
ARC						
LIGHT	42	0	24	0	0	0
			ENEMY			
KIA	31	228	53	6	311	175
DET	3	61	64	23	76	2
RET	0	0	0	0	2	2
I/WPNS	5	46	22	2	75	95
C/S WPNS	1	9	2	0	2	7

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2. (C) II CTZ:

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

B. CUM RES:

FRIENDLY

	FRANCIS MARION US	BYRD US	PERSHING US	GREELEY US	HONG KIL DONG ROK
KIA	174	21	421	198	26
WIA	792	225	1864	198	65
MIA	8	0	0	0 ASTERISK	0
AIR					
SORTIES	3937	1034	5271	769	200
NGF	0	91	2373	0	0
ARC					
LIGHT	300	9	177	147	36
			ENEMY		
KIA	1079	647	2882	190	597
DET	825	855	9287	17	178
RET	11	16	181	3	34
I/VPNS	242	220	718	87	316
C/S VPNS	53	5	62	16	90

ASTERISK ADJUSTED

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. REF PARA 3B MY MSG 202245Z AUG 67, UPDATE RES: FRD: TWO KIA(US), THREE VN CIV INJURED. CHANGE COORD TO READ XT165508.

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

C. CUM RES: OPS PORTLAND, SHELBY: NO CHANGEM

FRIENDLY

	FAIRFAX US/ARVN	ENTERPRISE US
KIA	93/42	155
WIA	583/156	666
MIA	0/2	0
AIR		
SORTIES	1277	835
NGF	N/A	N/A
ARC		
LIGHT	6	0
	ENEMY	
KIA	938/156	1187
DET	2207/390	254
RET	39/0	32
I/VPNS	251/132	159
C/S VPNS	1/4	7

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

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CAPTURED.

LIEN KET 112 WAS CONDUCTED IN THE SAME AREA AS LIEN KET 106 WHERE ARVN UNITS ACCOUNTED FOR 161 ENEMY KILLED DURING 2 DAYS OF HEAVY FIGHTING IN EARLY JUNE. IT IS ALSO THE SAME GENERAL AREA IN WHICH MARINE FORCES IN OPERATION UNION DURING LATE APRIL AND MAY KILLED OVER 1,500 OF THE ENEMY

C. MARINE AIR OPERATIONS, WEEK OF 11 TO 17 AUGUST
ALTHOUGH HAMPERED AT TIMES BY SCATTERED THUNDERSTORMS, MULTIPLE LAYERED CLOUDS AND RAIN, FIXED WING PILOTS FROM FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING FLEW 1,152 SORTIES AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS IN SOUTH VIETNAM, INCLUDING 42 IN CLOSE SUPPORT OF III MAF GROUND FORCES, FROM 11 TO 17 AUGUST. THESE SORTIES HAVE RESULTED IN A PARTIAL BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT OF 79 ENEMY KILLED, 100 MORE PROBABLY KILLED, 254 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 91 OTHERS DAMAGED, 406 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES, 5 GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED, 98 BUNKERS DESTROYED, AND 1 BULLDOZER DESTROYED. IN ADDITION, RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT FLEW 96 SORTIES OVER KNOWN OR SUSPECTED VIET CONG/NVA POSITIONS DURING THE

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WEEK. IN THE SAME PERIOD MARINE HELICOPTERS FLEW 8,550 SORTIES CARRYING 15,282 PERSONNEL AND 1,646 TONS OF CARGO.

D. CNO AVIATION SAFETY AWARDS

FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR
MARINE OBSERVATION SQUADRON VM076 BASED AT KY HA, AND VMA-223, FLYING A4E'S FROM CHU LAI, HAVE RECEIVED THE CNO ANNUAL AVIATION SAFETY AWARD. MARINE TRANSPORTATION SQUADRON VMGR7352 AND VMGR7152 WHICH HAVE DETACHEMENTS BASED IN OKINAWA, WERE ALSO RECIPIENTS OF THE AWARD FOR FISCAL YEAR 1967.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES: THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES: THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (-), AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 17120H, THE THIRD RECON TEAM OBSERVED 12-15 NVA CONSTRUCTING BUNKERS (YD 265692). THE ENEMY WAS ENGAGED WITH SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC

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 WEAPONS, AND ARTILLERY RESULTING IN FIVE NVA KIA(CONF) AND ONE AK-47 CAPTURED. (LATE ENTRY) BETWEEN 171500H AND 171700H, THE THIRD RECON TEAM OBSERVED 19 NVA MOVING FROM THE TREELINE (XD 238641) INTO THE OPEN. THE ENEMY WAS ENGAGED BY THE MARINES, UTILIZING SMALL ARMS FIRE, ARTILLERY FIRE, AND AIP STRIKES. ONE NVA WAS KILLED BY SMALL ARMS WHILE AIR STRIKES, DELIVERED BY VMFA7115 AND VMFA7323, ACCOUNTED FOR SIX NVA KIA(CONF). (LATE ENTRY) ON 17 AUGUST, AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED OVER EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE ACCOUNTED FOR ONE NVA KIA(CONF) AND TEN ENEMY KIA (PROB). (END OF LATE ENTRIES). AT 180850H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 165643) SUSTAINED ONE USMC WIA BY A GRENADE. BETWEEN 1100H AND 1130H, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION, (YD 214739) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN THREE USMC WIA AND ONE M7129 HOWITZER CARRIAGE DAMAGED. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. AT 1230H, COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 173648) ACCOUNTED FOR ONE ENEMY KIA(PROB), AFTER FIRING ON AN ENEMY MOVEMENT TO THEIR FRONT. AT 1340H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DISCOVERED A WEAPONS CACHE (YD 092633) CONTAINING FIVE ROCKET ROUNDS, 2 M716 RIFLES, TWO M726 GRENADES,

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 ONE 155 ARTILLERY ROUND, ONE 60MM MORTAR TUBE, AND ONE AN/PRC-25 RADIO. AT 1700H, A MARINE FROM COMPANY M, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES WAS WOUNDED WHEN HE STEPPED IN A PUNJI PIT (YD 025447).
 (B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA7115, VMFA7323, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMA(AW)-533 FLEW 61 SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 59 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (7 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 132 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS SEVEN KBA (CONF), 10 KBA (PROB), AND TWO STRUCTURES, TWO BUNKERS, ONE AW POSITION, TWO ARTILLERY POSITIONS WERE DESTROYED. ONE BUNKER AND ONE TRENCH WAS DAMAGED WHILE ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND FOUR SECONDARY FIRES WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG716 FLEW 61 SORTIES TRANSPORTING TEN PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 475 MISSIONS AND 7614 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED NINE OF THESE MISSIONS EXPENDING 56 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED TEN MISSIONS AND 72 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE
 USMC ENEMY
 2/48 KIA 13/228 KIA(CONF)

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5/451 WIA

11/371 KIA (PROB)
 2/62 DETAINEES
 2133 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 1/46 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
 2/9 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTYSEVENTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1425H, A RECON TEAM (XD 737418) DIRECTED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON SIX NVA RESULTING IN THREE NVA KIA (CONF) AND THREE NVA KIA (PROB). LATER IN THE DAY, THE TEAM OBSERVED 25-32 NVA MOVING UP HILL 728 (XC 730417). THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING THREE MORTAR TUBES, A HEAVY MACHINE GUN AND SMALL ARMS. AN AIR STRIKE WAS DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY RESULTING IN

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 17 KIA (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA7542, VMA7211, AND VMFA7115 FLEW EIGHT SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND SIX DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 12 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 17 KBA (PROB) AND TWO SECONDARY FIRES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 331 MISSIONS EXPENDING 756 POUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

8/2 KIA

8/31 WIA

ENEMY

731 KIA (CONF)

23/129 KIA (PROB)

2/3 DETAINEES

2/6 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE FOURTH MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES AND SECOND BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1032H, COMPANY G, SECOND BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 573293) ACCOUNTED

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C O N F I D E N T I A L
SUBJECT: TELECON
(C) I CTZ:

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A. REF PARA 1D MY MSG 201000Z AUG 67. UPDATE: EN BROKE INTO SMALL GROUPS IN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE. SOME EN TRPS WERE TAKEN UNDER SA FIRE BY BLKG FORCE AT 201830H. SWEEP COMPLETED AND CONTACT TERM APPROX 202000H. ADJ FINAL RES: FRD: TWO WIA; EN: 53 KIA, 18 I/WPNS AND ONE C/S WPN CPTD.

B. OP KING FISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD196748) THREE KM NNW OF GIO LINH AT 191045H PTL FR F/2/9 USMC ENGAGED EIGHT EN W/SA AW AND GREN. A PLAT REACTION FORCE ENGAGED 12 EN W/SA/AW AND ARTY FIRE. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 191145H. RES: FRD: ON WIA; EN: SIX KIA.

C. OP CUMBERLAND: IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD 645095) 18 KM SW OF HUE AT 201300H A CONVOY WAS FIRED ON BY SA AND RPG RKTS, CONVOY CONT UNDER COVER OF ARTY FIRE. RES: FRD: FIVE WIA; EF: UNK.

D. OP BENTON:

(1) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT190098) 16 KM SW OF TAM KY AT 201320H B/2/502 EFGAGED AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE, SA/AW FIRE WAS EXCHANGED, FRD ARTY SPTD. EF BROKE CONTACT AT 201400H. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: NINE KIA.

(2) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT264122) NINE KM SW OF TAM KY AT 201205H GUNSHIPS ASLTD EN POS RES IN NINE KIA.

E. OP COCHISE: IN QUANG TIN PROV (AT851212) 45 KM OF TAM KY AT 201155H B/1/3 USMC FOUND RICE CACHE EST 15 TONS. ORIGIN RICE LOCAL RICE TO BE EXTRACTED PM OF 21 AUG.

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

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A.S ALL OPS CONTY/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

B. CUM RES: OP FREMONT- NO CHANGE

FRIENDLY

	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	CUMBERLAND	COCHISE	BENTON
	US	US	US	US/ARVN	US
KIA	9	48	4	8/66	22
WIA	31	456	62	82/140	172
MIA	0	0	0	0/3	0
AIR SORTIES	338	1878	103	254	274
NEG	0	690	0	15	0
ARC LIGHT	42	0	0	0	0
		ENEMY			
KIA	35	235	6	324	217
DET	3	61	23	88	5
RET	0	0	0	0	2
IND/WPNS	5	46	2	79	99
C/S WPNS	1	9	0	2	7

ASTERISK ADJUSTED

2. (C) II CTZ:

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

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B. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY					
	FRANCIS MARION	BYRD	PERSHING	GREELEY	HONG KIL DONG	
	US	US	US	US	ROK	
KIA	174	21	423	128		27
WIA	792	225	1868	198		67
MIA	8	0	0	0		0
AIR SORTIES	3953	1039	5123	778		206
NGF	0	114	2390	2		0
ARC LIGHT	300	9	177	147		36
		ENEMY				
KIA	1079	650	2928	190		599
DET	825	ASTERISK854	9312	17		180
RET	11	16	181	3		34
IND/WPNS	242	222	728	87		31
C/S WPNS	53	5	68	16		91

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3. (C) III CTZ:

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

B. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY					
	FAIRFAX	ENTERPRISE	CORONADO IV	PORTLAND	SHELEY	
	US/ARVN	US	USUS	US	US	
KIA	993/42	159	0	0	0	0
WIA	583/160	671	1	0	0	0
MIA	0/2	0	0	P	P	0
AIR SORTIES	1277	835	23	106	17	0
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
ARC LIGHT	6	0	0	0	0	0
		ENEMY				
KIA	943/156	1187	38	3		29
DET	2208/390	ASTERISK107	0	2		1
RET	3980	33	0	0		0
IND/WPNS	251/133	162	2	2		2
C/S WPNS	1/4	7	1	0		0

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S 4. (U) IV CTZ:

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ING HEAVY ENEMY FIRE. THE PATROL HAD BEEN IN AN ARMY HELICOPTER

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WHICH CRASH-LANDED AFTER RECEIVING GROUND FIRE AND LATER HAD MANAGED TO LIFT OUT OF THE AREA BUT WAS UNABLE TO CARRY THE PATROL. DURING THE RESCUE, MACHINE GUN FIRE BY A GUNNER ABOARD THE MARINE AIRCRAFT KILLED 20 OF THE VIET CONG, AND PROBABLY KILLED ANOTHER 30.

D. CONTACT NORTH OF DUC PHO

AT NOON ON 20 AUGUST, COMPANY C, 2D BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY, OPERATING 7 KILOMETERS NORTH OF DUC PHO, ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED PLATOON SIZE ENEMY UNIT. COMPANY C WAS QUICKLY REINFORCED BY ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS OF THE BATTALION TO EXPLOIT THE CONTACT. AS THE REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED, THE ENEMY UNIT ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE BY BREAKING UP INTO SMALL GROUPS; HOWEVER, THE ARMY UNITS PURSUED THEM AND MAINTAINED CONTACT UNTIL 2000H. FINAL RESULTS OF THE ENGAGEMENT WERE 2 USA KIA, 53 ENEMY KILLED AND 19 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

E. SUPPORTING ARMS

ON 19 AUGUST, MARINE AIRCRAFT AND ARTILLERY KILLED AT LEAST 57 ENEMY CONFIRMED, WHILE SUPPORTING MARINE INFANTRY UNITS. OF THESE, III MAF ARTILLERY UNITS FIRING INTO AND NORTH OF THE DMZ ACCOUNTED FOR 17 KILLED AND 11 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED. MARINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT CONDUCTING STRIKES IN I CORPS WERE

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CREDITED WITH 20 ENEMY KILLED AND ANOTHER 40 PROBABLY KILLED. THE REMAINDER WERE KILLED DURING A RESCUE MISSION BY A MARINE HELICOPTER. (SEE PARAGRAPH 2 FOR DETAILS).

F. III MAF SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

ON 19 AUGUST, A TOTAL OF 1226 COUNTERGUERRILLA PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND SMALL UNIT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WERE CONDUCTED IN AND AROUND THE TACTICAL AREAS. OF THESE, 66 PERCENT, OR 821 WERE CONDUCTED AT NIGHT. DURING THESE OPERATIONS, 35 OF THE ENEMY WERE KILLED AND 8 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED IN EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE ON 18 AUGUST AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS (YD 091743) (YD 263542) ACCOUNTED FOR 1 NVA KIA (CONF) AND 5 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 191040H, CON THIEN RECEIVED 6 ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY

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 FIRE FROM (YD 110845) RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA. AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY POSITION WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. AT 1040H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DISCOVERED AN AMMO BUNKER CONTAINING 2,000 ROUNDS OF LINKED AMMO, 8 GRENADES, 1 RPG ROUND, 2 CONTAINERS OF BLASTING CAPS, AND 6 GRAVES. ONE VC WAS KIA (PROB) AND 1 USMC WAS WIA BY A PUNJI STAKE DURING THE PERIOD.

(E) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMA(AW)-533, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 64 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 56 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (24 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 129.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. RDA WAS 1 KBA (CONF), 5 KBA (PROB), 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED, 1 BUNKER DESTROYED, 1 TRENCH DAMAGED, 3 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED AND 2 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 68 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 10 PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 579 MISSIONS (5013 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 11 MISSIONS EXPENDING 15 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 4 MISSIONS EXPENDING 20 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/48 KIA	1/229 KIA (CONF)
2/453 WIA	6/377 KIA (PROB)
	0/60 DETAINEES
	0/33 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	0/46 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0/9 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES 1 AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. AT 1115H, BATTERY C, FIRST BATTALION, THIRTEENTH MARINES (XD 781341) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 2 PLATOONS OF NVA WITH SMALL ARMS AND ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 15 NVA KIA (PROB).

(H) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542 AND VMA-223 FLEW 6 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 4 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT SORTIES.
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F. 2ND BATTALION, 9TH MARINES ENGAGED 8 ENEMY. ANOTHER PLATOON, SUPPORTED BY TANKS, WAS COMMITTED TO ASSIST AND NEAR THE INITIAL CONTACT 10 ADDITIONAL NVA WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE. SMALL ARMS FIRE, ARTILLERY FIRES AND AIR SUPPORT CAUSED BOTH ENEMY GROUPS TO FLEE FROM THE AREA AT 1145, LEAVING 200 AND 6 DEAD.

ALSO ON THE 19TH, 7 KILOMETERS SOUTH WEST OF CON THIEN, COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES LOCATED AN ENEMY POSITION CONTAINING 66 COVERED BUNKERS, 47 FIGHTING HOLES, 126 MORTAR ROUNDS (82MM) AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT. THE BUNKERS AND AMMUNITION WERE DESTROYED.

C. RECONNAISSANCE TEAM INSERTION

IN OPERATION ARDMORE, A HELICOPTER INSERTING A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM 10 KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF KHE SANH CAME UNDER INTENSE SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE LANDING. AIR CREWMEN RETURNED FIRE AND THE HELICOPTER, WITH THE RECONNAISSANCE TEAM, LIFTED OUT OF THE LANDING ZONE. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, AN AIR OBSERVER SIGHTED ONE 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN POSITION, ONE 30 CALIBER MACHINE GUN POSITION AND 10-20 NVA. FIXED WING

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AIRCRAFT FROM VMA 223 CONDUCTED AN AIR STRIKE WHICH KILLED 4 OF THE ENEMY.

D. III MAF OPERATIONS IN QUANG TIN PROVINCE

IN OPERATION COCHISE MODERATE ACTION WAS ENCOUNTERED WITH MARINE UNITS MAKING 10 CONTACTS WITH SMALL GROUPS OF THE ENEMY AND ACCOUNTING FOR 10 ENEMY KILLED. COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION, 3RD MARINES FOUND A RICE CACHE ESTIMATED TO BE 15 TONS, WHICH WILL BE EXTRACTED DURING THE AFTERNOON OF THE 21ST.

TASK FORCE OREGON, OPERATING IN AN AREA IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF COCHISE, MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY IN OPERATION ONHBENTON, KILLING 29 DURING THE PERIOD. IN ONE ENGAGEMENT COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION, 14TH INFANTRY ENCOUNTERED AND ENEMY FORCE WHILE GUARDING A DOWNED HELICOPTER AND WITH THE AID OF AIR SUPPORT KILLED 9 ENEMY.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNPT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES(-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DES OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRIES) WT 191045H, A PATROL FROM COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES

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MADE CONTACT WITH EIGHT NVA (YD 196748). DURING THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE ONE NVA WAS KIA (CONF). AT 191135H, A REACTION FORCE, WHICH HAD BEEN SENT TO REINFORCE THE PATROL, ENGAGED TEN NVA (YD 183745) RESULTING IN FOUR NVA KIA (CONF) AND ONE USMC WIA. AN ARTILLERY MISSION AND AIR STRIKES WERE THEN DIRECTED ON THE ENEMY, ACCOUNTING FOR ONE NVA KIA (CONF) AND SIX NVA KIA (PROB). BETWEEN 191800H AND 191830H, THE TWELFTH MARINE COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED 14 ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 122MM ARTILLERY AND FOUR ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. (END OF LATE ENTRIES) AT 201940H, AN ONTOS FROM SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 165698) CAUSING SLIGHT WOUNDS TO ONE MARINE AND SOME DAMAGE TO THE ONTOS.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA-211, VMA-223,

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VMA-311, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 28 SORTIES CONSISTING OF EIGHT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 20 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (9 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 43.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS ONE KBA (CONF), SIX KBA (PROB), AND SEVEN STRUCTURES, 23 BUNKERS, TWO SAMPANS, AND ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED. ONE STRUCTURE, FIVE BUNKERS, 12 AW POSN, THREE TRENCHES, TWO TUNNELS AND ONE GUN POSITION WAS DAMAGED. TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE ALSO OBSERVED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 520 MISSIONS EXPENDING 5721 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 23 OF THESE MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 59 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 17 MISSIONS EXPENDING 75 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/48 KIA	6/235 KIA (CONF)
3/456 WIA	7/384 KIA (PROB)
	0/63 DETAINEES
	0/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	(ADJUSTED)
	0/165 WEAPONS CAPTURED
	(ADJUSTED)

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SUBJ: TELECON(U)

1. (C) I CTA:

A. OP KINGFISHER:

(1) IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD157727) FIVE KM NW OF GIO LINH AT 211518H L/3/36 WHILE SEARCHING A BUNKER COMPLEX FOUND 51 RDS 60MM MORT COMPLETE, ONE RPG RD, MISC EQUIP, PACKS AND DOCUMENTS.

(2) IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD972505), EIGHT KM WSW OF CAMP CARROLL, AT 222240H, ELMS OF 1/9 USMC RECD 100 RDS OF UNK CAL MORT

FIRE, CBTRY WAS FIRED. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, 16 WIA; EN: UNK.

B. OP CUMBERLAND IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD628083) 20 KM SW OF HUE AT 222555H CO'S A AND B/1/4 RECD 45-50 RDS 82MM MORT, 60MM MORT, FIRE WAS RTND IMMEDIATELY, FOLLOWED WITH 35 RDS OF 105MM ARTY. SEARCH OF EN PCS REVEALED HVY BLOOD STAINS AND THREE MORT PITS. RES: FRD: THREE WIA, MINOR DAM TO ENGR EQUIP; EN: UNK.

C. OP BENTON IN QUANG TIN PROV(BT272130) 11 KM SW OF TAK KY AT 221225H FAC CALLED IN AIRSTRIKE ON AN UNK NO OF EN RS IN THREE EN KIA. AT 221100H ANOTHER AIRSTRIKE WAS DIRECTED 700 METERS TO THE WEST RES IN EIGHT EN KIA. CUM RES: EN: 11 KIA.

D. ON 22 AUG THROUGHOUT I CTZ ARVN UNITS HAD NINE SMALL UNIT CONTACTS. RESAC FRD: SEVEN WIA; EN: SIX KIA, SIX DET, FOUR I/WPNS CPIRD.

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

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OP PERSHING: IN BINH DINH PROV (BR8290) 10 KM SW OF PONG SON FR 222925H THROUGH 221745H AUG 67 1ST CAV DIV (AM) UNITS. HAD 10 SCATTERED CONTACTS. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 12 KIA, 15 DET, TWO I/WPNS CPIRD.

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

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THE GVN HAS TAKEN STEPS TO EXPAND ITS AID TO THE GROWING I CORPS REFUGEE POPULATION BY ASSIGNMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL REFUGEE RELIEF MOBILE GROUP TO THE AREA. THIS INCREASED TO EIGHT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TEAMS EMPLOYED WITHIN I CTZ TO ASSIST IN PROCESSING OF REFUGEES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM. ADDITIONAL DETAILS RELATING TO THE REFUGEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ARE DESCRIBED IN MY REPORT OF 19 AUGUST AND IN PARAGRAPH 3E OF THIS REPORT.

F. QUANG NGAI SUGAR MILL

IN ANOTHER REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, MORE EQUIPMENT, DESTINED FOR USE IN THE QUANG NGAI SUGAR MILL, ARRIVED AT CHU LAI ON THE 22TH OF AUGUST. THIS IS A CONTINUATION OF THE PROJECT STARTED IN MAY TO RELOCATE AN UNPRODUCTIVE SUGAR MILL NEAR SIAGON TO QUANG NGAI CITY (SEE MY REPORT OF 25 JULY). THE ESTIMATED TIME OF THE FINAL SHIPMENT IS MID SEPTEMBER.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY

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BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 201940H, THE THIRD RECON TEAM ENGAGED 15-20 NVA (YD 088695) RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. AT 210730H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY. THE MARINES WERE SUPPORTED BY ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES. THE FIGHTING CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE DAY WITH THE ENEMY BREAKING UP INTO 15-20 MAN UNITS AND RETREATING TO PREPARED BUNKER POSITIONS. AT 2050H, THE COMPANY HAD SET UP NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND PLANS TO CONTINUE THE ATTACK AT FIRST LIGHT. RESULTS OF THE CONTACT ARE 5 ENEMY KIA (CONF), 5 ENEMY KIA (PROB), 1 USMC KIA, AND 2 USMC WIA. AT 1045H, AN AMTRAC DETONATED A MINE (YD 112689). THE EXPLOSIONS IGNITED AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVE BEING TRANSPORTED ABOARD THE VEHICLE RESULTING IN 19 USMC WIA.

AT 1330H, A THIRD MARINES RESUPPLY CONVOY MOVING FROM THAN

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SON LAM TO CA LU ON ROUTE 9 WAS ATTACKED BY AN ENEMY REGIMENT, UTILIZING SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, RPG-2 ROCKETS, AND MORTARS. THE MARINES WERE SUPPORTED BY ARTILLERY AND FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. A REACTION FORCE CONSISTING OF COM-

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COMPANIES L AND M, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES, REINFORCED WITH TANKS, WAS DISPATCHED BY THE THIRD MARINES. AN AO ON STATION OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED 300 ENEMY AT A POINT AWAY FROM THE MAIN CONTACT AND DIRECTED AIR STRIKES AND 175MM ARTILLERY FIRE ON THE ENEMY. THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AT 130H. INITIAL CASUALTIES ARE: 109 ENEMY KIA (CONF), 265 ENEMY KIA (PROB), 3 ENEMY PW'S, 2 UYMC KIA, 3 USA KIA, 26 USMC WIA, 7 USA WIA AND 1 USN WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMA(AW)-533, VMA(AW)-242, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 66 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 58 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (33 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 119 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 6 STRUCTURES, 9 BUNKERS, AND 1 GUN POSN DESTROYED. FOUR STRUCTURES, 3 BUNKERS, 2 ARTILLEJY POSNS, AND 1 ROAD WAS DAMAGED. ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND

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2 SECONDARY FIRES WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 22 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 13 PERSONNEL. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 523 MISSIONS AND 8732 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 19 OF THESE MISSIONS, EXPENDING 141 ROUNDS WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 3 MISSIONS EXPENDING 15 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
3/12 KIA	114/149 KIA (CONF)
47/70 WIA	270/414 KIA (PROB)
USA	3/3 NVA/PW
3/3 KIA	0/3 DETAINEES
7/7 WIA	0/6 WEAPONS
USN	
1/1 WIA	

~~OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)~~

~~(A) THE TWENTY SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES I AND J, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUING SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI~~

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 TOTAL OF 51 FOR THE 7 DAY PERIOD 15-22 AUGUST. DURING THIS PERIOD OVER 290 TONS OF ORDNANCE WERE EXPENDED ON 49 PREASSIGNED TARGETS AND 83 TARGETS ACQUIRED BY AIRBORNE MOVING TARGET RADAR.
 HMM ROTATION SLF BRAVO

ON 23 AUGUST, HMM 262, WITH 17 CH74SA HELICOPTERS, DEPLOYED FROM MARELE MOUNTAIN TO THE USS TRIPOLI (LPH-13) AND RELIEVED HMM7265 AS THE AIR ELEMENT OF SPECIAL LANDING FORCE BRAVO. HMM7265 IS NOW BASED AT MARELE MOUNTAIN.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

~~1. OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)~~

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES: THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES(-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRIES) ON 21 AUGUST 1967, AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED IN SUPPORT

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 OF THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES ACCOUNTED FOR TWO NVA KIA (CONF) AND NINE NVA KIA (PROB). FROM 211313H, TO 211500H, AN AO DIRECTED THREE AIR STRIKES ON 47-52 FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS (XD 976492). SIX ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF), TEN ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB), THREE BUNKERS, EIGHT FIGHTING HOLES, AND TWO AUTOMATIC WEAPON POSITIONS WERE DESTROYED. ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION WAS ALSO OBSERVED. AT 211635H, A TANK FROM SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES, DETONATED A MINE (YD 140692) WHILE MOVING TO MEET A RESUPPLY CONVOY. ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED. AT 212315H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES ACCOUNTED FOR TWO NVA KIA (CONF) (YD 167765) BY 90MM FIRE. AT 221340H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES DISCOVERED ONE .50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN AND ONE 60MM MORTAR POSITION (XD 975502). IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY, FOUR NVA BODIES WERE FOUND, ONE OF WHICH IS SUSPECTED TO BE AN OFFICER. WEAPONS AND DOCUMENTS CAPTURED INCLUDED TWO AK-47, ONE PISTOL, ONE MAP, ONE DIARY, AND A WALLET. DURING THE PERIOD SEVEN DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA 7542, VMA 211, VMA 7203, VMA 7311,

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VMA(AW)-533, VMA-242, VIF(AW)-232, AND VIF(AW)-235 FLEW 54 SORTIES CONSISTING OF SIX CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 48 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (17 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 99.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 2 MDA (CONF), FOUR BUNKERS, ONE AW POSITION AND ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED. ONE TRENCH AND ONE AW POSITION WAS DAMAGED, TWO ROADS WERE CUT, AND THREE SECONDARY FIRES WERE OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAC716 FLEW TEN SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 635 MISSIONS EXPENDING 6851 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 26 OF THESE MISSIONS EXPENDING 87 ROUNDS WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 12 MISSIONS EXPENDING 48 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
3/55 KIA (ADJUSTED)	14/363 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
1/517 MIA (ADJUSTED)	19/769 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
	7/61 DETAINEES
	2/33 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	3/55 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY

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BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 211742H, AN AO (YD 917439) DIRECTED ARTILLERY FIRE ON ONE .30 CALIBER MACHINE GUN POSITION, AND ONE .50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN POSITION, FOUR BUNKERS, AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. FIVE ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF), THREE BUNKERS AND ONE GUN POSITION WERE DESTROYED, ONE BUNKER WAS DAMAGED AND TWO SECONDARY FIRES WERE OBSERVED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMAF7542 AND VMA7511 FLEW THREE SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND ONE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (1 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 5.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 31 MISSIONS EXPENDING 338 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
3/9 KIA	5/47 KIA (CONF)
1/32 MIA	2/144 KIA (PROB)

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FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING CONDUCTED 188 SORTIES IN RVN IN SUPPORT OF III MAF DURING THE PERIOD, WHILE ALSO STRIKING AT TARGETS IN NVN WITH 46 OTHER SORTIES AND PROVIDING 6 ECM MISSIONS OVER NVN. PARTIAL RESULTS OF THESE MISSIONS SHOWED 53 STRUCTURES, ONE GUN POSITION, 1 BRIDGE AND 11 BUNKERS DESTROYED, AND 21 STRUCTURES, 3 TRUCKS AND 1 AUTOMATIC WEAPON POSITION DAMAGED.

WING HELICOPTER SQUADRONS FLEW 1,692 SORTIES, LIFTING 2,254 PASSENGERS AND 325 TONS OF CARGO. COUNTY FAIR 5-18

DURING THE PERIOD, 1,200 MORE VIETNAMESE FROM PHU DA VILLAGE, 30 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF DANANG WERE PROCESSED BY CIVIL AFFAIRS TEAMS IN COUNTY FAIR 5-18, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONNEL SCREENED TO 2,000. IN ADDITION, MEDICAL AND DENTAL PERSONNEL SUPPORTING THE 2D BATTALION, 5TH MARINES OPERATION HAVE TREATED OVER 2,100 PERSONNEL IN THE FIRST 2 DAYS OF THE OPERATION.

VC TERRORISM

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DURING THE WEEK 13 THROUGH 19 AUGUST, 21 INCIDENTS OF TERRORISM AND 6 ACTS OF SWBOTAGE OCCURRED IN I CORPS TACTICAL ZONE (SEE PARAGRAPH 3. F. 3.). IN A CONTINUATION OF THESE TACTICS, TWO MORE TERRORIST ACTS WERE COMMITTED IN THE PHU BAI AREA ON THE 22D OF AUGUST. THIRTY MILES NORTHWEST OF HUE, A CIVILIAN BUS DETONATED A MINE ON ROUTE 1, KILLING 12 CIVILIANS AND INJURING 15 OTHERS. LATER IN THE DAY TWO MORE CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AND 1 INJURED WHEN ANOTHER BUS EXPLODED A MINE ON ROUTE 1, 28 MILES SOUTHEAST OF HUE.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES(-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRIES) AT 221430H, COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION,

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NINTH MARINES (XD 470502) FOUND AN ENEMY POSITION THAT HAD SUSTAINED A DIRECT HIT BY ARTILLERY. A SEARCH OF THE AREA DISCLOSED 1 AK-57 RIFLE, 4 GRENADES, FIVE 60MM MORTAR ROUNDS, TEN 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND FIGHTING HOLES. NO EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE FOUND. AT 221130H,

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- COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (YD 165706) FOUND THE REMAINS OF 1 NVA BODY APPARENTLY KIA FROM AN AIR STRIKE.
-) AT 221640H, THE THIRD RECON TEAM SUSTAINED 1 UMC KIA BY SNIPER FIRE (YD 066695). THE SNIPER WAS BROUGHT UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE BY THE PATROL AND KILLED. AFTER THE PATROL WAS
 -) EXTRACTED, AN AIR STRIKE WAS CONDUCTED ON THE AREA (ACCOUNTING FOR 3 NVA KIA (CONF)). AT 222224H, THE FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE
 -) FROM THE VICINITY OF (XD 972505) RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA AND 26 USMC WIA. COUNTERMORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE WAS DELIVERED ON THE SUSPECTED ENEMY LOCATION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. (END
 -) OF LATE ENTRIES). AT 231200H, THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE ARTILLERY BATTALION (YDS214739) RECEIVED 6 ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 85MM MORTAR RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA. COUNTERBATTERY FIRE
 -) WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNDETERMINED RESULTS. DURING THE PERIOD

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 -) COMPANY A, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND 16 REIN-FORCED FIGHTING HOLES, 3 MORTAR POSITIONS, 14 BUNKERS, 2 AK-47 RIFLES, AND 1 BAG OF RICE. ONE DETAINEE WAS ALSO APPREHENDED DURING THE DAY.
 -) (B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMA(AW)-533, VMA(AW)-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, AND VMF(AW)-232 FLEW 53 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 16 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 37 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (24 TPG) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 110 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA WAS 4 KBA (CONF), 5 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 1 BUNKER DAMAGED,
 -) 6 SECONDARY FIRES AND 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 19 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 5 PERSONNEL.
 -) ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 608 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 4866 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION
 -) IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 38 OF THESE MISSIONS, EXPENDING 86 ROUNDS, WHILE NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 12 MISSIONS EXPENDING 29 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.
 -) (C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE
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| USMC | ENEMY |
| 3/58 KIA | 8/371 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED) |
| 27/544 WIA | 0/707 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED) |

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP KINGFISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (XDS72478) 12 KM SW OF CAMP CARROLL AT 251102H B/1/9 USMC WAS ATKD BY UNK SIZE EN FORCE, REC SA, 59 CAL FIRE, 175 RDS 60/80MM MORT, AND 62 GRENS. RIPE WAS RIND. FRD ARTY SPD, CN PLAN WAS EXECUTED, SPORADIC CONTACT CONT THROUGHOUT THE DAY. AT 262220H A LIGHT PROBE WAS REPULSED ACCOMPANIED BY MORT FIRE. SPORADIC CONTACT

CONT. AC-47 ON STATION. INITIAL RES: FRD: THREE KIA, 12 WIA; EN: UNK.

B. OP BENTON:

(1) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT169127) 17 KM SW OF TAN KY AT 520920H A/2/502 (AEN) USA RECD SA/AV FIRE FR UNK SIZE EN FORCE. SA/AV, GREN AND MORT FIRE TRND. CONTACT SPORADIC UNTIL 251715H, WHEN FRD TRCOPS SWPT AREA. RES: FRD: SIX KIA, 22 WIA; EN: NINE KIA, SIX I/WPNS CPTD.

(2) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT22231) 15 KM SW OF TAN KY AT 251420H A/2/307 (AEN) USE RECD SA/AV AND MORT FIRE FR UNK NO EN. SA/AV FIRE TRND AS ARTY SUPPORTED. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 251635H. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, SEVEN WIA; EN: UNK.

(3) IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT22231) 12 KM SSW OF TAN KY AT 251855H C/1/14 INF (US) LOCATED AN EN BASE CAMP AND TUNNEL COMPLEX. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: 10 KIA, FIVE I/WPNS CPTD, TUNNELS DEST.

C. DURING 25 AUG, THROUGHOUT I CTZ, ARVN ELMS HAD 12 SMALL UNIT CONTACTS. RES: FRD: FOUR KIA, 19 WIA; EN: ONE KIA, ONE I/WPNS CPTD.

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

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AND 4 MORE ENEMY WERE LOCATED NEARBY, SITTING AROUND A CAMPFIRE. ARTILLERY FIRES ACCOUNTED FOR 5 ENEMY KILLED, WITH ANOTHER 5 PROBABLY KILLED.

IN OPERATION FREMONT, AN AIR OBSERVER SUPPORTING COMPANY F, 2D BATTALION, 4TH MARINES CONTROLLED AN AIR STRIKE ON 16 VC LOCATED 16 KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF HUF, AND PROBABLY KILLED 8 ENEMY. SEVENTEEN KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF QUANG NGAI CITY, TWO VC KIA AND 5 OTHERS PROBABLY KILLED WERE ATTRIBUTED TO ARTILLERY FIRES DIRECTED BY ANOTHER AIR OBSERVER.

SMALL UNIT ACTION

NINE KILOMETERS NORTH OF DUC PHU, COMPANY A, 2D BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY AFTER RECEIVING FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 20 ENEMY, ASSAULTED THE ENEMY POSITION AND KILLED 17 VC IN SPIDER HOLES. IN ADDITION, ONE 60 MM MORTAR AND 13 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED.

ARVN UNIT OPERATIONS NEAR GIO LINH

THE 1ST AND 2ND BATTALIONS, 2ND REGIMENT, 1ST ARVN DIVISION MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY EIGHT KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF GIO LINH, IN AN ENGAGEMENT

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THAT LASTED FROM 0820 TO 1430. THE ARVN UNITS SUPPORTED BY ARTILLERY FIRES, KILLED 30, DETAINED 3 AND CAPTURED 9 SMALL ARMS AND 1 CREW SERVED WEAPON.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES (-)); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRIES) BETWEEN 231715H AND 231740H, AN AO OBSERVED MULTIPLE SMALL TRAILS RUNNING FROM (XD 881484) TO (XD 863484). AT HILL 715 (XD 944476) 30 FIGHTING HOLES AND 2 MORTAR POSITIONS WERE SIGHTED. AT 231825H, THE AO OBSERVED 20 ENEMY (XD 924499) MOVING SOUTHEAST. WHILE CONDUCTING AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON THE ENEMY, SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RECEIVED FROM AN ESTIMATED 20-30 ENEMY (XD 928494). UPON IMPACTION OF THE ARTILLERY, THE AO SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY

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100 MVA/VC MOVING BETWEEN (XD 922503) TO (XD 931488). 26 ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF) AND 30 ENEMY WERE KIA (PROB). BETWEEN 231835H AND 231920H, THE AO DIRECTED 3 AIR STRIKES ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS (XD 923504) (XD 931493) (XD 928490) ACCOUNTING FOR

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6. 1000 H. (PROB). AT 232152H, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON P-5
 WENT TO AN AMBUSH POSITION (XD 106523), OBSERVED 2-3 ENEMY
 AND ENGAGED THEM UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE ENEMY RETALIATED
 WITH ONE CASUALTY RESULTING IN 2 USMC KIA. (END OF LATE
 ENTRIES) AT 240600H, THE FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (-)
 COMPANY GROUP RECEIVED 70 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS RESULTING IN
 6 USMC KIA AND 1 SCOUT BOG KIA. ARTILLERY FIRE, MORTAR FIRE,
 AND AIR STRIKES WERE RETURNED ON THE SUSPECTED POSITION
 (XD 967496) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 1210H, AN AMBUSH
 PATROL FROM THE FIRST AIRBORNE BATTALION (YD 305737) (YD 303735)
 SUSTAINED 2 USMC KIA BY SNIPER FIRE. SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS
 RETURNED RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA (CONF) AND 1 INDIVIDUAL WEAPON
 CAPTURED. AT 1315H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES
 DISCOVERED 3 NVA BODIES (XD 979518) ACCOUNTING FOR 3 NVA
 KIA (CONF). AT 1645H, A TANK WITH COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION,
 NINTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 970478) RESULTING IN 4
 USMC KIA.

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(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VVA-223, VMA-311,
 VMA(AW)-533, VMF(AW)-232, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMF(AW)-242 FLEW 68 SOR-
 TIES CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 60 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
 (29 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 117 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BDA
 WAS 6 KHA (PROB), 9 STRUCTURES AND 8 BUNKERS DESTROYED, TWO
 STRUCTURES AND 1 TRENCH WERE DAMAGED. TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS
 AND 1 SECONDARY FIRE WERE ALSO OBSERVED. HELICOPTERS FROM
 MAG-16 FLEW 17 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 540 MISSIONS
 EXPENDING 4548 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERAT-
 IONS. THE 175MM GUNS FIRED 26 MISSIONS EXPENDING 112 ROUNDS WHILE
 NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 19 MISSIONS (147 ROUNDS).

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/53 KIA	31/402 KIA (CONF)
13/557 WIA	33/740 KIA (PROB) ADJUSTED
H 1/1 MIA	0/69 DETAINEES
	7/60 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	ADJUSTED)
	1/66 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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ENEMY AND TOOK 2 PRISONERS DURING NO CONTACT.
 US FORCE CROWNED UNITS ALSO ACCOUNTED FOR 3 KILLED DURING 3
 INCIDENTS IN THE DUC PHO AREA. THE REMAINING ENCOUNTERS
 WERE NEAR PHU KAI, WHERE 3 OTHER ENEMY WERE KILLED. TWO
 THESE BY COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS WHO SUCCESSFULLY
 CRUSHED VIET CONG SQUADS ON TWO OCCASIONS. THE COMBINED
 ACTION UNIT ALSO CAPTURED A SMALL QUANTITY
 OF ENEMY ARMS, EQUIPMENT AND DOCUMENTS CAPTURED.

DETAILS OF THESE SMALL UNITS OPERATIONS ARE
 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 3 C, BELOW.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
 (A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
 THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY

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 SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES)
 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG
 TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD.
 AT 0005H, THE FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (XD 970478)
 RECEIVED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF 60/82MM MORTAR ROUNDS. THE
 ENEMY PROBED THE MARINE POSITION FROM THE EAST, WEST AND
 SOUTH. MARINE SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ARTILLERY
 (XD 995511, XD 967479, XD 978482, XD 965485) RESULTED
 IN EIGHT ENEMY KIA (CONF). SIX AK-47'S, ONE RPG ROUND,
 AND ONE DETAINEE WERE CAPTURED. EIGHT MARINES WERE KILLED
 AND TWENTY-ONE WERE WOUNDED. AT 1000H, COMPANY A, FIRST
 BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND ONE AK-47, GRENADES, A BLOCK
 OF TNT, ONE PACK AND 60MM MORTAR AMMUNITION. AT 1130H, A
 TANK RETRIEVER DETONATED A MINE (YD 123688) RESULTING IN TWO
 MARINES WIA. AT 1430H, A WIREMAN FROM THE TWELFTH MARINES
 (YD 214739) DETONATED A MINE RESULTING IN ONE MARINE KIA
 AND TWO MARINES WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMA-223, VMA(AW)-533, VMA(AW)-242, VMF(AW)-
 232, VMF(AW)-235, VMFA-115, AND VMFA-542 FLEW 31 SORTIES
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CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 29 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (1A TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 74.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 12 SECONDARY FIRES, THREE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, 12 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, THREE ROAD CUTS, AND ONE FORD CUT. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 36 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 15 PERSONNEL AND 8.4 TONS OF CARGO. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 461 MISSIONS EXPENDING 3430 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED EIGHT MISSIONS EXPENDING 182 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

9/67 KIA

25/533 WIA

ENEMY

9/410 KIA (CONF)

0/740 KIA (PROB)

1/70 DETAINEES

0/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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7/73 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) AND COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 241847H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 895468) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED THIRTY ENEMY. ONE MARINE WAS WIA. ARTILLERY AND UH-1E HELICOPTERS SUPPORTED THE MARINES. ONE ENEMY WAS KILLED (CONF) AND NINETEEN ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB). AT 0700H, THE RECONNAISSANCE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED UNDER HEAVY ENEMY AM/SA FIRE. AN AIR STRIKE FROM MAG-12 SUPPORTED THE EXTRACTION RESULTING IN THREE ENEMY KILLED (PROB). AT 1740H, COMPANY B FOUND ONE AK-47.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-232, VMFA-235, VMA-211, AND VMA-223, FLEW TEN SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND EIGHT DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (4 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 9.5 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS THREE ENEMY KBA (PROB).

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ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 65 MISSIONS EXPENDING 1386 ROUNDS OF

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 ZEN/CHDR 7TH AIR FORCE
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A. OP KINGFISHER IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD970478) AT
 271810H B/179 USMC RECD EST 15 RDS 60 MM MORT FIRE. CM FIRE
 RTND BY MORT AND ARTY. RES: FRD: NINE WIA; EN: UNK.

B. REF PARA 1D, MY MSG 272200Z AUG 67; UPDATE: THE
 MARBLE MTN AIR FACILITY RECD EST 10 RDS 140MM RKT FIRE. COUNTER
 RKT FIRE PLAN EXECUTED ON SUSPECTED EN POS. INITIAL RPTS

INDICATE: RES: FRD: FOUR KIA, 80 WIA, ONE UH-34 AND TWO UH-
 1E DEST, FOUR CH-53, FOUR UH-34 AND ONE UH-1E DAM.

C. IN QUANG NAM PROV (BT170574) THREE KM E OF HOI
 AN AT 271625 H PTL FR B/1/1 USMC DDT AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE.
 WHILE MOVING WIA TO EVAC LOCATION ANOTHER DEVICE WAS DET.
 REACTION FORCE SENT TO ASSIST IN EVAC OF WIA DET THREE MORE
 DEVICES OF THE FIVE DEVICES TWO WERE M-16'S. RES; FRD: FIVE
 KIA, 10 WIA.

D. OP BENTON: IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT1402) 27 KM
 SW OF TAM KY AT 280730H 2/327 DELETED FROM OP AND WILL DIS-
 PLACE TO DUC PHO AREA.

E. IN THUA THIEN PROV (ZD156012) 27 KM SE OF PHU
 BAI AT 272200H AN EST 30 EN ENTERED PHUOC-HUNG VILLAGE AND
 KIDNAPPED SIX CIV. NO POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE REPTD.

F. OP KINGFISHER: IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD2361),
 AT DONG HA: AT 280600H THE AIRFIELD AND MARINE BASECAMP
 REPTD REC AN UNK TYPE AMOUNT AND CAL INCOMING FIRE. SOME
 RDS IMPACTED IN FUEL DUMP BETWEEN AIRSTRIIP AND PARKING AREA
 CAUSING A FIRE WHICH WAS QUICKLY UNDER CONTROL. ACFT ON
 STATION RUNNING STRIKES ON SUSPECTED EN FIRING POS. ATK

TERM AT SOME TIME PRIOR TO 280730H. EXT OF DAM UNK. TENTATIVE
 CAS RES: FRD: THREE KIA, NINE WIA; EN: UNK.

G. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT

REPTD.

H. CUM RES: OPS BELT DRIVE AND YAZOO NO RES

REPTD.

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	FRIENDLY						
	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	CUMBERLAND	COCHISE	BENTON	
	US	US	US	US	US	US	
KIA	0	69	13	4	10	40	
VIA	34	651	158	83	93	252	
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	
AIR	398	2187	127	127	273	577	
SORTIES							
NGF	0	786	0	0	15	0	
ARC	42	9	24	24	0	0	
LIGHT							
		ENEMY					
KIA	46	426	58	6	154	389	
DDT	3	71	67	23	138	7	
RET	0	0	0	0	0	0	
IND/VPNS	6	69	22	2	41	149	
C/S WPNS	1	10	0	0	0	8	

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. REF PARA 2B MY MSG 260300Z AUG 67: UPDATED REE:
 FRD: TWO KIA, 24 VIA, 14 HEL DAM (FOUR UH-1D HEL MAJ DAM, TWO
 TWO UH-1H MIN DAM, ONE UH-1BMIN DAM, SEVEN UH-1D MIN DAM);
 EN: UNK. ALL DAM HEL ARE REPAIRABLE.

B. REF PARA 2A MY MSG 260300Z AUG 67: UPDATED RES:
 FRD: ONE VIA; EN: 24 KIA, 35 DDT, TWO I/VPNS AND TWO C/S WPNS
 CPTRD.

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

D. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY				
	FRANCIS MARION	BYRD	PERSHING	GREELEY	HONG KIL DONG
	US	US	US	US	ROK
KIA	175	21	437	129	27
VIA	786	227	1954	198	68
MIA	8	0	2	0	0
AIR	4110	1078	5341	815	221
SORTIES					
NGF	0	374	2495	0	0
ARC	306	9	195	147	36
LIGHT					
		ENEMY			
KIA	1087	655	3035	190	638
DET	869	855	9585	17	184
RET	11	16	181	3	34
IND/VPN	243	222	772	87	359
C/S VPN	55	5	62	16	94
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3. (C) III CTZ:

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

B. CUM RES: OP FAIRFAX, CORONADO, AKRON II NO

CHANGE.

FRIENDLY
ENTERPRISE

US	
KIA	159
VIA	703
MIA	0
AIR	859
SORTIES	
NGF	N/A
ARC	0
LIGHT	
	ENEMY
KIA	194
DET	141
RET	33
IND/WPN	160
C/S WPN	7

4. (C) CTZ:

A. REFPARA 4A MY MSG 270300Z AUG 67: TO BE CORRECTED
AND UPDATED AS FOLLOWS: 30 HOUSES 50 TO 80 PERCENT DAMAGED;
EN: DO CHANGE.

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

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REPORTS ARE THAT ONE BRIDGE HAS A BY-PASS, BUT THE OTHER MUST BE REPAIRED TO REOPEN THE PASS.

AN ASSASSINATION OF A HAMLET CHIEF AT BINH AN VILLAGE, THIRTY MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG, TOOK PLACE ON THE NIGHT OF THE 25TH. A NUMBER OF THE ENEMY ENTERED THE HAMLET AND SHOT THE HAMLET CHIEF, HIS FATHER AND HIS THREE CHILDREN.

THE LCU RAMP AT HUE WAS MORTARED BY THE ENEMY JUST BEFORE 0100H ON THE 27TH. ELEVEN ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FELL IN THE AREA, BUT NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE WERE REPORTED.

C. SUPPORTING ARMS IN THE DMZ AREA

WHILE THE ENEMY GENERALLY AVOIDED CONTACT WITH MARINE UNITS IN THE NORTHER QUANG TRI -A DMZ AREA, HIS POSITIONS AND SUPPLIES WERE SUBJECTED TO CONTINUAL POUNDING BY III MAF AIR AND ARTILLERY AS WELL AS NAVAL GUNFIRE FROM SHIPS OF THE U.S. SEVENTH FLEET. ON THE 26TH, 2697 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY, INCLUDING 254 ROUNDS OF 175MM, WERE FIRED AT ASSEMBLY AREAS, ARTILLERY POSITIONS AND FORTIFICATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE AND INTO AND NORTH OF THE DMZ. TWENTY-ONE MARINE AIRCRAFT ATTACK SORTIES WERE FLOWN BY VMFA-323, VMFA-232, VMA-211,

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VMA-311 AND VMA(AW)-533 IN CONNECTION WITH OPERATIONS ARDMORE AND KINGFISHER. THESE DELIVERED OVER FORTY-NINE TONS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES ON THE ENEMY AND WERE IN ADDITION TO THE TWENTY ATTACK SORTIES FLOWN INTO ROUTE PACKAGE ONE. THE USS DUPONT (DD-941) FIRED 196 ROUNDS OF 5 INCH 54 ON NVA POSITIONS AND ASSEMBLY AREAS DURING THE DAY.

D. STING RAY PATROL RESULTS

A RECAP OF THE STING RAY PATROLS THUS FAR IN AUGUST, SHOWS THAT ENEMY CASUALTIES CAUSED BY THESE DEEP PATROLS CALLING IN AIR ATTACKS AND ARTILLERY MISSIONS ON ENEMY TROOPS SIGHTED IN THE HINTERLAND, ARE FAR EXCEEDING LAST MONTH'S TOTALS. WITH FIVE DAYS OF OPERATIONS REMAINING, 153 ENEMY HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED KILLED AND 259 PROBABLY KILLED COMPARED TO ONLY FORTY-THREE CONFIRMED KILLED DURING JULY. THE AUGUST TOTAL SO FAR SHOWS THE SAME ENEMY CASUALTY RATE, 5.9 ENEMY KILLED PER DAY, AS WAS EXPERIENCED IN JUNE WHEN 178 OF THE ENEMY WERE KILLED BY STING RAY PATROLS.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES(-)); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED

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SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 251535H, ELEMENTS OF THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION (YD 306735) EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH THREE NVA. ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF) AND ONE NVA WAS KILLED (PROB) WHILE ONE AK-47 AND FIVE GRENADES WERE CAPTURED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 251600H, A RECONNAISSANCE TEAM (YD 446218) RECEIVED AW/SA FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED ENEMY PLATOON AS THE MARINES ATTEMPTED TO DEBARK FROM THE HELICOPTER. THREE ENEMY WERE KILLED (CONF) BY THE HELICOPTER GUNNER AND TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB) AS THE RECON TEAM WAS EXTRACTED. AIR STRIKES WERE CONDUCTED IN THE AREA WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. (LATE ENTRY) AT 250030H, A COMPANY K, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES LISTENING POST (XD 989501) OBSERVED SIX TO EIGHT ENEMY TWENTY-FIVEMETERS IN FRONT OF THEIR POSITION. A SUPPORTING SQUAD WAS ALERTED AND THE ENEMY WAS TAKEN UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE. THREE MARINES WERE WIA WHEN THEY RECEIVED ONE ENEMY GRENADE. (LATE

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ENTRY) AT 252130H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (XD 970478) KILLED ONE NVA (CONF) DURING A BRIEF EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AND GRENADES WITH AN UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE. (LATE ENTRY) AT 251100H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES RECEIVED 50 CAL AND HEAVY SA/MORTAR FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. TEN MARINES WERE WIA. (LATE ENTRY) IN THREE OTHER CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY ON THE 25TH, FOUR MARINES WERE WOUNDED WHILE THE ENEMY SUFFERED ONE KILLED (CONF) AND FOUR KILLED (PROB). FIXED WING AIRSTRIKES DURING THIS PERIOD RESULTED IN TWO NVA KILLED (CONF) AND FOUR NVA KILLED (PROB). AT 1630H, A PATROL FROM THE SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 148695) KILLED ONE NVA (CONF) WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CAPTURED ONE WEAPON. DURING THE PERIOD, TWO OTHER CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY RESULTED IN SEVEN ENEMY KILLED (PROB). ONE ENEMY BODY WAS FOUND IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 989491).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-323, VMFA-232, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, AND VMF(AW)-533 FLEW 16 SORTIES CONSISTING OF SIX CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND TEN DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (4 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 38 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS TWO KBA (CONF), FOUR KBA HT

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(PROB). THREE BOATS DESTROYED, ONE BOAT DAMAGED AND TWO SECONDARY
EXPLOSIONS. HELICOPTERS FROM MAR-16 FLEW 26 SORTIES. ARTILLERY
UNITS FIRED 591 MISSIONS EXPENDING 2317 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.
175MM GUNS FIRED 49 OF THOSE MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 156 ROUNDS.
NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 25 MISSIONS EXPENDING
94 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

2/59 KIA

41/624 MIA

ENEMY

13/423 KIA (CONF)

45/735 KIA (PROB)

3/73 DETAINEES

6/43 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

6/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY
BATTALION. (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES

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I AND M. THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH
AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE
CONTACT REPORTED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMA-223, AND VMA-423 FLEW THREE SORTIES CON-
SISTING OF ONE CLOST AIR SUPPORT AND TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
SORTIES WHICH EXPENDED 7.5 TONS OF AMMUNITION. ARTILLERY UNITS
FIRED 25 MISSIONS EXPENDING 94 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/5 KIA

0/31 MIA

ENEMY

2/13 KIA (CONF)

0/241 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)

0/43 DETAINEES

0/43 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION
(FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED
CONTACT REPORTED AT 1500. COMPANY 2 CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION
ON 20 AUG 67 WITH 200 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. DURING THE

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 O 281000Z AUG 67
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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OP ARDMORE: IN QUANG TRI PROV (XD932398) SEVEN KM E OF
 KHE SANH FR 271135 TO 271205H AOBSS RAN AIRSTRIKES ON 25 EN W/VPNS.
 RES: 15 EN KIA AND TWO SECONDARY FIRES. NO REPT OF VPNS CPTRD.
 B. OP CHOCHISE: IN QUANG NAM/TIN PROV (BT0635) 21 KM SE OF

AN HOA AT 280600H OP COCHISE TERM: CUM RES: FRD: 10 KIA, 113 WIA;
 EN: 156 KIA, 138 DET, 41 I/VPNS CPTRD.

C. DURING 27 AUG THROUGHOUT I CTZ, III MAF UNITS HAD 24
 SMALL UNIT CONTACTS. RES: FRD: THREE KIA, 26 WIA; EN: EIGHT KIA,
 44 DET. ROKMC UNITS HAD TWO CONTACTS. RES: FRD: ONE KIA; EN: TWO
 KIA. NO REPT OF VPNS CPTRD.

D. OP KINGFISHER: (1) IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD2174) AT GIO LINH
 AT 280835H THE COMPOSITE ARTY BN AT GIO LINH RECD 84 RDS OF 85 MM
 ARTY AND 105MM RR FIRE. RES: SIX USMC WIA (EVAC).

(2) IN QUANG TRI PROV YD2361) IN DONG HA THE FOL IS A
 CURRENT UPDATE OF THE ARTY/RKT ATK ON DONG HA: AT 280558 TO 280615H
 THE DONG HA CBT BASE RECD 19 RDS OF 140MM RKT RES IN FIVE KIA, 15
 ZIA, THREE UH-34 SUBSTANTIAL DAM, ONE HOLE IN RUNWAY, FOUR CELLS
 OF AVN GAS DEST. AT 281040H TO 281115H DONG HA RECD IN EXCESS OF
 150 RDS ARTY/RKTS RES IN ONE KIA, 12 WIA, ONE CH-46 DEST, THREE
 CH-46 MINOR DAM, FOUR UH-1E DAM (THREE MINOR), ONE C-123 AND ONE
 C-130 DAM, THREE 2 1/2 TON TRKS DEST, TWO PICK-UP TRKS, ONE JEEP, ONE
 3/4 TON TRK, ONE WATER TRLR, ONE TRACTOR TRLR DAM; ONE TWO TON
 MULTIFUEL CELL CONTAINER DEST; FIVE 10,000 GAL FUEL TANKS DEST;
 TWO 10,000 GAL FUEL TANKS DAM; A TOTAL OF 40,000 GAL OF AVN GAS

DEST. FIVE TO 10 PER CENT CLASS II SUPPLIES DEST; 2,000 FT OF
 RUN WAY USABLE. CUM CAS RES: SIX KIJ

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N 27 VIA; EN: UNK.

- F. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
2. (C) II CTZ:
 A. REF PARA 2B MY MSG 280300Z AUG 67, OP PERSHING UPDATED
 RES; FRD: ONE VIA; EN: 24 KIA, 35 DET, 21 I/VPNS, THREE C/S VPNS AND
 ONE RADIO CPTD.
 B. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
3. (C) III CTZ:
 A. OP AKRON II: IN BIEN HOA PROV (YS32870) 23 KM SE
 BEAR CAT OP AKRON II WHICH COMM 220700H, TERM AT 272400H. FINAL
 RES: FRD: SIX KIA, 15 VIA; EN: 52 KIA, EIGHT DET, 22 I/VPNS CPTD.
 B. IN BIEN HOA PROV (YS078921) 18 KM SE BEAR CAT AT
 281005H ELM 4/39 INF MADE CONTACT WITH EST TWO EN SQD. LFT AND ARTY
 SPTD AND EN BROKE CONTACT AT 281100H. RES: FRD: SIX VIA; EN: THREE
 KIA, NO REPT OF EN VPNS CPTD.
 C. IN PHUOC LONG PROV (YU190043) FIVE KM S PHUOC BINH AT
 280800H RD CADRE WERE ATK BY UNK NO EN. RD RTN FIRE AND EN BROKE
 CONTACT. RES: FRD: 10 KIA, FIVE VIA; EN: UNK.
 D. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
4. (C) IV CTZ:
 ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
5. (C) WEATHER:
 A. I CTZ: THERE WERE TWO FIXED WING SORTIES OUT OF 238
 SCD CANCELLED DUE TO BASE WEATHER WITH NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON GRD
 OPS.
 B. II, III, IV CTZ: WEATHER HAD NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON
 COMBAT OPS.

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Spot Report Operation KINGFISHER

1. Between 281040H and 281115H Dong Ha Combat Base came under artillery/rocket attack fr positions in and north of the DMZ. In excess of 130 rounds recieved - Counter battery fired and air strikes run on enemy positions - Damage assessment which follows includes both the 0558 and 1040 attacks; DAMAGED: 1 C123, 1 C130 (flat tire), 2 pickup trucks, 1 3/4 ton truck, 1 water trailer, 3 CH46's (minor), 1 UH-1E (substantial), 3 UH-1E's (minor), 4 warehouses (fragment damage), 4 refrigerator's (repairable), 5 to 10% of Class II supplies lost in fire, fragment damage to C-rations, 5 holes in runway, 1 2½ ton truck, 2 10,000 gal. tanks. DESTROYED: 3 6x6 trucks, 1 jeep, 1 hard back hut, 1 RC-292, 1 CH46, 1 tractor trailer, 5 10,000 gal. tanks, 4,000 gal's of JP4, a total of 40,000 gallons of aviation gas destroyed, 1 GP tent. Cumulative casualties of both attacks are as follows:

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6 KIA
25 WIA

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2 WIA

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I.(C) I CTZ:

A. IN QUANG NGAI PROV(BS721610) 14 KM SE OF QUANG NGAI CITY AT 280845H 72D PF PLAT ON PTL REC HARASSING SA FIRE FR EST EN SQD. PF ASLTD THE EN POS AND EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: 11 VIA; EN C UNK.

B. OP KINGFISHER IN QUANG TRI PROV KYDQGRUPQL TWO KM W OF CON THIEN FROM 281205H THROUGH 281550H, 3/4 USMC READ 10

RDS OF ITMM ARTY AND 15 RDS OF 120MM MORT. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, TWO VIA; EN: ONE 120MM MORT POS DEST BY AIR STRIKES.

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

D. CUM RES: OP BELT DRIVE NO RES REPTD.

	ARDMORE	KINGFISHER	FREMONT	CUMBERLAND	YAZOO	BENTON
	US	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	9	71	13	4	1	41
VIA	34	662	161	83	3	266
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
AIR	425	2214	107	ASTERISK	120	ASTERISK
SORTIES						605
NGF	0	796	0	0	0	0
ARC	42	9	24	0	ASTERISK	0
LIGHT						
			ENEMY			
KIA	61	512	59	6		E96
DET	3	70	ASTERISK	68	23	9
RET	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND/VPN	6	69	23	2	1	150
C/S VPN	1	10	0	0	0	8
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THIRD UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES(-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) ON THE 26TH COMPANY B AND H OF THE NINTH MARINES (YD 158418, YD 141897) AND THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION (YD 279689) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND

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MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN NINE MARINES WIA. ONE ENEMY WAS KILLED (PROB). FIXED WING AIR STRIKES WERE CONDUCTED OVER THE EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE ON SUSPECTED AA/PW POSITIONS (YD 100774). AIR STRIKES WERE ALSO CONDUCTED ON EIGHT BOATS (YD 274708) RESULTING IN FOUR BOATS DESTROYED AND ONE NVA KILLED (PROB). ON THE 27TH, FROM 1002H TO 1030H, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114701), RECEIVED SEVEN ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE FROM THE VICINITY OF (YD 077795), YD 085780, YD 106795). ONE MARINE WAS WIA. TANKS AND 175MM GUNS FIRED AT THE ENEMY'S POSITION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 1028H, BATTERY D OF THE SECOND BATTALION, TWELFTH MARINES (YD 11669) RECEIVED SEVEN ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY RESULTING IN ONE MARINE WIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS FIRED AT THE ENEMY'S POSITION (YD 077795) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 1030H, A UNIT FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BN (YD 114701) OPERATING WITH THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES RECEIVED TWO ROUNDS OF 85 MM ARTILLERY FIRE. ONE MARINE WAS WIA. AT 1430H, THREE NVA BODIES WERE FOUND IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 970478) BY COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES. AT 1810H, COMPANY R, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (XD 970478) RECEIVED TWELVE TO FIFTEEN ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE. ARTILLERY AND 60MM MORTAR FIRE WAS

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RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. NINE MARINES WERE WIA. AT 1850H, A TANK IN SUPPORT OF THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES DETONATED A MINE (YD 106707). FOUR MARINES WERE WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-232, VMFA-242, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA(AW)-542, VMA(AW)-533, VMA-211, VMA-323, AND VMA-311 FLEW 27 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 21 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (11 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 72.1 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 16 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 12 STRUCTURES DAMAGED, 31 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 1 KBA (PROB), 5 TUNNELS DAMAGED, 2 TRENCHES DESTROYED, 15 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS 3 SECONDARY FIRED AND 3 GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 522 MISSIONS EXPENDING 2969 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. OF THOSE MISSIONS FIRED THE 175MM GUN FIRED 56 MISSIONS EXPENDING 179 ROUNDS. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 10 MISSIONS EXPENDING 150 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/69 KIA	3/426 KIA (CONF)
27/293 WIA	2/784 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
	0/70 DETAINEES

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0/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
0/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

VV ACN111
G MACV9405
TELECON ITEM 1548/67
O 300300Z AUG 67
FM COMUSMACV
TO NMCC
CINCPAC
ICMO ZEN/ CG III MAF
ZEN/CG I FFORCEV
ZEN/CG II FFORCDH
ZEN/COMNAVFORV
ZEN/SA IV CORPS
ZEN/CMDR 7TH AIR FORCE
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O 1 A. IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD460466) 18 KM ESE OF QUANG TRI CITY AT 290600H THE HAI LANG PF CO ENGAGED AN UNK NO OF EN W/SA AND AW FIRE, FRD ARTY SPTD. THE EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: NONE; EN: FIVE KIA, TWO DET, THREE I/WPNS CPTD.

B. IN QUANG TRI PROV (YD310565) FIVE KM NNW OF QUANG TRI CITY AT 290830H THE TRIEU PHONG PF CO ENGAGED AN UNK NO OF EN W/SA AND AW FIRE, FRD ARTY SPTD. THE EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: FIVE KIA, THREE WIA; EN: UNK.

C. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD710288) SEVEN KM NNW OF HUE AT 290700H THE HOUNG TRA PF CO ENGAGED AN EST EN CO W/SA AND AW FIRE, FRD ARTY SPTD. THE EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: ONE KIA, 10 WIA; EN: UNK.

D. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD835148) FIVE KM W OF PHU BAI AT 300200H ELM OF 3D ENGR BN (USMC) AND MCB-3 (USN) RECD EST 10 RDS UNK CAL MORT FIRE. RES: FRD: TWO KIA (USN), 17 WIA (16 USN, ONE USMC).

E. IN THUA THIEN PROV (YD880142) AT PHU BAI AT 300150H THE 3RD MAR DIV HQ RECD AN UNK NO OF MORT RDS IMPACTING IN VIC OF THE AIRSTRIP. THE ATK TERM AT 300230H. CM PLAN WAS EXECUTED. RES: FRD: FOUR WIA (USMC); ONE WATER TRLR DAM; EN: UNK. AT 300230H THE MORT ATK SHIFTED TO THE ARVN DONG DA TRNG CENTER VIC YD870153 WHICH RECD AN UNK NO OF MORT RDS FOLLOWED BY A GND ATK BY EST TWO EN CO'S USING SA/AW, GREN AND SACHEL CHARGES. ARVN RTND FIRE AS FLARE SHIP SPTD. EN BROKE CONTACT. RES: FRD: 16 ARVN KIA, 23 WIA; EN: UNK.

F. IN QUANG TIN PROV (BT 164414) 24 KM NW OF TAM KY AT 290130H THE THANG BINH DIST HQ AND NEAR-BY GO THOUNG OP MANNED BY A PLT FR ARVN 34TH ARTY AND ELMS OF 2/5 INF ARVN RECD EST 300 RDS 60/82MM MORT FIRE. A GND ATK BY EST EN CO WAS DIRECTED AGAINST THE OP. EN EMPLOYED SA/AW, GREN, FLAME THROWERS, BANGALORE TORPEDOS, SACHEL CHARGES AND MORTS IN PENETRATING POS. FRD UNITS RTND SA/AW, GRENS AS ARTY, FLARE AND GUNSHIPS SUPPORTED. EN EJECTED FR POS AND BROKE CONTACT APPROX 290400H. 5TH MAR COMMITTED A REACTION FORCE BUT FAILED TO MAKE CONTACT. AT 291200H ARVN COMMITTED ELMS OF 2/5 INF TO SWEEP AREA. RES: FRD: 70 KILLED (39 ARVN, 31 CIV), 104 WOUNDED (51 ARVN, 53 CIV), 32 MISSING (THREE ARVN, 29 CIV), THREE I/WPNS AND ONE PRC-10 LOST, TWO 155MM HOW DAM BY FLAME THROWERS; EN: 14 KIA.

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

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H. CUM RES: OP YAZOO NO CHANGE
FRIENDLY

	ARDMORE US	KINGFISHER US	BELT US	DRIVE US	FREMONT US	CUMBERLAND US	BENTON US
KIA	9	73		1	13	5	41
WIA	34	675		7	161	86	263
MIA	0	0		0	0	0	0
AIR SORTIES	434	2274		0	112	126	632
NGF	0	820		0	0	0	0
ARC LIGHT	42	9		0	24	0	0
			ENEMY				
KIA	61	521		6	59	6	397
DET	3	72		0	67	23	9
RET	0	0		0	0	0	0
IND/WPN	6	69		6	23	2	150
C/S WPN	1	10		0	0	0	0

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. IN DARLAC PROV (ZV039268) 35 KM NW OF BAN ME THOUT AT 300255H THE TRANG PHUC CIDG CAMP AND BAN DON VILLAGE REC APPROX 60 RDS OF EN 82MM HE MORT FIRE. EN MORT BELIEVED LOC EAST OF CAMP. CAMP FIRED 81MM MORT AT SUSPECTED EN POS. AC-47 WAS ON STATION. RES: 35 WOUNDED (ONE USASF, ONE CIV INTERPRETER, ONE LLDB, 32 CIDG); EN: UNK.

B. IN PHU YEN PROV (CQ162462) ONE KM S OF TUY HOA AT 300300H AUG 67 AN EST EN SQUAD ATK A BRIDGE ON HWY 1 WITH SA AND AW FIRE. EN EMPL SATCHEL CHARGES AND BLEW A TWO FT GAP IN THE SOUTH END OF THE BRIDGE. BRIDGE IS IMPASSIBLE AND NO BY-PASS EXISTS. EST TIME OF REPAIR UNK. RES: FRD: (PF) ONE KIA; EN: UNK.

C. IN PHU YEN PROV (CQ071401) SIX KM S OF TUY HOA AT 300230H AUG 67 ELM OF THE 3/47 INF (ARVN) WHILE IN NIGHT DEF POSITIONS CAME UNDER ATK FR EST TWO EN CO. FIRING SA AND AW FIRE. ARTY AND AC-47 ACFT SPTD FRDLY FORCES. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 300600H. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, FOUR WIA, ONE I/WPN LOST; EN: THREE DET, THREE C/S WPNS CPTD.

D. IN PHU YEN PROV (CQ201351) 12 KM SSE OF TUY HOA AT 300220H AUG 67 THE 533D COMPANY FR THE 577TH ENGR BN WHILE GUARDING A FLOAT BRIDGE ON HWY 1 CAME UNDER ATK FR AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE FIRING SA AND AW. EN OVERRAN A BUNKER GUARDING THE SOUTH APPROACH TO THE BRIDGE. THE 577TH ENGR BN SENT A REACTION FORCE TO REINF THE BRIDGE. ARTY AND AC-47 ACFT SPTD FRDLY FORCES. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 200555H. FLOAT BRIDGE NOT DAMAGED. RES: FRD: THREE KIA, THREE WIA, ONE CAL 50 MG DEST, ONE M-60 MG LOST; EN: UNK.

E. IN PHU YEN PROV (CQ155475) TWO KM S OF TUY HOA AT 300130H AUG 67 AN EST EN COMPANY ARMED WITH AW, MORT AND RPG-2 RL ATK A VN PRISON, ARTY AND AC-47 ACFT SPTD. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 300230H. RES: ONE KIA, FOUR WIA; EN: UNK.

F. ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.
G. CUM RES: OP HONG KIL DUNG NO CHANGE.

	FRIENDLY			
	FRANCIS MARION US	BYRD US	PERSHING US	GREELEY US
KIA	175	23	438	129
WIA	786	232	1977	199
MIA	8	0	2	0
AIR	4150	1093	5395	826
SORTIES				
NGF	0	387	2521	0
ARC	306	9	195	147
LIGHT				
	ENEMY			
KIA	1088	655	3055	190
DET	882	855	9661	17
RET	11	16	181	3
IND /WPN	244	222	786	87
C/S WPN	55	5	62	16

3. (C) III CTZ.

A. IN GIA DINH PROV (XS799899) CITY OF SAIGON
AT 290900H SUVN SGT WAS ASSASSINATED BY AN UNK TERRORIST.
SGT WAS PASSDKGXAFIN A MILITARY VEHICLE CARRYING ELECTION
POSTER.

B. REF PARA 3D AND 3E MY MSG 292222Z AUG 67:
DELETE AS ERRONEOUS.

C. OP ITTYHAWK: IN LONG KHAN PROV (YT445007)
EIGHT KM S OF XUAN LOC AT 300745H APC FR K/3/11 ACR
DETONATED MINE. RES: FRD: FIVE WIA.

D. ALL OTHER OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
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E. CUM RES:

	FRIENDLY		
	FAIRFAX US/ARVN	ENTERPRISE US	CORONADO IV US
KIA	94/42	159	0
WIA	592/160	712	15
MIA	0/2	0	0
AIR			
SORTIES	1332	859	62
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC			
LIGHT	6	0	0
	ENEMY		
KIA	955/156	1198	76
DET	2240/390	151	72
RET	39/0	33	0
IND/WPN	253/133	164	62
C/S WPN	1/4	7	15

4. (U) IV CTZ: ALL OPS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
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MARINES FROM SLF BRAVO, PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION BELT DRIVE,
KILLED 5 VC AND CAPTURED 5 SKS RIFLES.

C. STATUS OF SLF ALPHA

AT 0600 ON THE 29TH, BLT 1/3 AND HMM-362, THE MARINE UNITS
THAT COMPRISE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE ALPHA, COMMENCED BACK-
LOADING FROM CHU LAI TO SHIPS OF TASK GROUP 76.4. THE MARINE
UNITS WILL BE ABOARD AMPHIBIOUS READY GROUP ALPHA (TG 76.4)
SHIPS, WHICH ARE USS OKINAWA (LPH-3), USS DULUTH (LPD-6), USS
HERMITAGE (LSD-34) AND USS TIIGA COUNTY (LST 1158).

TWO BRIDGES DAMAGED

AT 280015 THE ENEMY DETONATED A MINE AGAINST
THE CAU LAU BRIDGE, 5 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF HOI AN,
RESULTING IN TWO SPANS OF THE BRIDGE BEING DROPPED INTO
THE WATER. A FERRY IS BEING USED TO BYPASS THE BRIDGE.
AT 290215 THE ENEMY ATTACKED THE CAU DO BRIDGE, APPROXI-
MATELY 4 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF HILL 327 IN THE DANANG
AREA. EXPLOSIVES WERE DETONATED AGAINST THE BRIDGE, CAUSING
TWO SPANS TO COLLAPSE.

THANG BINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ATTACKED
IN A CONTINUATION OF THE ATTACKS ON INSTALLATIONS IN

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THE HOI AN LOCALE (SEE MY REPORT OF 27 AUGUST), THE THANG
BINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, 15 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF HOI
AN, AND A NEARBY ARVN OUTPOST AND ARTILLERY POSITION
RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND 82MM MOTAR FIRE, EARLY IN THE
MORNING OF THE 29TH. LATEST REPORTS STATE THAT THE ARTILLERY
POSITION WAS ATTACKED AND OVERRUN BY AN ENEMY FORCE. THE
ARVN REGROUPED, COUNTERATTACKED, AND REPELLED THE ENEMY
FORCES, ACCOUNTING FOR A TOTAL OF 15 VC KILLED WITHIN THE
PERIMETER DEFENSE. ARVN CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED AS LIGHT.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES;
THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY
SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES)
CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE
PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 271100H TO 271950H, AN AO OR-
SERVED FIFTY TO SIXTY NVA (XD 893498) IN TWENTY BUNKERS.

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AIR STRIKES FROM VMA-223, VMA-211, AND VMFA-115 HIT THE
ENEMY POSITION, RESULTING IN SIXTEEN NVA KILLED (CONF) AND

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ELEVEN NVA KILLED (PROB). ONE 50 CAL POSITION AND ONE BUNKER WERE DESTROYED. THREE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 271235H TO 271255H, AIR STRIKES FROM VMF(AW)-235 (XD 935444) RESULTED IN TWO ENEMY KILLED (CONF). (LATE ENTRY) FROM 271415H TO 271505H, AN AO (XD 897501) OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED TWENTY BUNKERS (3 OCCUPIED) AND FORTY TO FIFTY NVA IN THE VICINITY. AIR STRIKES FROM VMFA-115 RESULTED IN THIRTY ENEMY KILLED (CONF) AND FIVE ENEMY KILLED (PROB). EIGHT BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 271535 TO 271635H, AN AO OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED TWENTY ENEMY AND THIRTEEN BUNKERS (TEN OCCUPIED) IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 896497). AIR STRIKES FROM VMFA-115 RESULTED IN EIGHT NVA KILLED (CONF), FOUR NVA KILLED (PROB), ONE 50 CAL POSITION DESTROYED, ONE SECONDARY FIRE AND FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 271555H, AN AO OBSERVED FORTY NVA IN THE OPEN (XD 896495). AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS CALLED IN, RESULTING IN FOUR NVA KILLED (CONF) AND NVA WERE KILLED (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) AT 271620H TO 271637H, TWENTY-FIVE NVA AND

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SEVEN BUNKERS (XD 896496) WERE OBSERVED BY AN AO. MAG-12 CONDUCTED AIR STRIKES ON THE ENEMY, RESULTING IN NINE NVA KILLED (CONF), NINE ENEMY KILLED (PROB), AND FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 271655H TO 271950H, FIVE AIR STRIKES (XD 892497, XD 886496), XD 909496, XD 020496, AND XD 896495) FROM MAG-12 AND MAG-13 RESULTED IN THIRTEEN NVA KILLED (CONF), TWENTY-NINE NVA KILLED (PROB), SIX SECONDARY FIRES, ELEVEN BUNKERS DESTROYED, ONE 50 CAL POSITION DESTROYED, AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. RESULTS FOR THE ACTIONS WERE EIGHTY-THREE ENEMY KILLED (CONF), SIXTY-THREE ENEMY KILLED (PROB), THREE 50 CAL POSITIONS DESTROYED, TWENTY EIGHT BUNKERS DESTROYED, SEVEN SECONDARY FIRES AND FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. (END OF LATE ENTRIES). AT 1145H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD114701) RECEIVED TEN ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY FROM (YD 105820, YD 095830), RESULTING IN THREE MARINES WIA. FROM 0630H TO 0835H, THE TWELFTH MARINES CAB (YD 214739) RECEIVED ARTILLERY, (ESTIMATED TO BE 85MM) AND RR WEAPON FIRE. SIX MARINES WERE WIA. COUNTERBATTERY FIRE WAS FIRED AT (YD 763653, YD 235801, YD 161854, AND YD 225835). AN OP REPORTED THAT THREE ENEMY
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 WERE KILLED (CONF). AT 1512H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH
 MARINES (YD 114701) RECEIVED SEVEN ROUNDS OF 120MM MORTAR
 FIRE. TWO MARINES WERE KIA AND TWO MARINES WERE WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMF-211,
 VMF-223, VMA(AW)-533, VMF(AW)-232, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 59
 SORTIES, CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 51 DIRECT AIR
 SUPPORT (21 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 113.5 TONS OF
 ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 79 KBA (CONF), 63 KBA (PROB),
 8 STRUCTURES DAMAGED, 12 ARTILLERY POSITIONS DESTROYED, 2
 ROCKET POSITIONS DESTROYED, ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED AND
 ONE SECONDARY FIRE. HELICOPTERS FROM MAC-16 FLEW 23 SORTIES.
 ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 489 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 4184 POUNDS OF
 AMMUNITION. OF THESE MISSIONS, THE 175MM GUN FIRED 30
 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 48 ROUNDS. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 24
 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 93 ROUNDS.

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(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

2/71 KIA

11/662 WIA

ENEMY

36/512 KIA

68/252 KIA (PROB)

3/70 DETAINEES

2/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

6/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH ONE INFANTRY
 BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES
 I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED
 SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN CHANG TRI PROVINCE,
 WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
 AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMA-211, VMA-123, VMA(AW)-533 AND
 VMF(AW)-232 FLEW 9 SORTIES, CONSISTING OF 8 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
 (1 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 19.1 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
 ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 195 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 331 POUNDS OF
 AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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 TELECON ITEM 1555/67
 O 310300ZNUAUG 67
 FM COMUSMACV
 TO NMCC
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 INFO ZEN/ CG III MAF
 ZEN/CG I FFORCEV
 ZEN/CG II FFORCEV
 ZEN/CONNAVFORV
 ZEN/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/CMDR 7TH AIR FORCE
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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. REF PARA 1D, MY MSG 302215Z AUG: CHANGE CAL OF ARTY FIRE
 RECD FR 120MM TO 122MM.

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

	ARDMORE US	KINGFISHER US	BELT DRIVE US	CUMBERLAND US	FREMONT US	YAZOO US
KIA	9	73	3	5	13	4
VIA	34	688	11	87	162	4
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
AIR	444	2332	0	128	116	0
SORTIES						
NGF	0	836	0	P	P	P
ARC	42	9	0	0	24	0
LIGHT						

	BENTON US
KIA	41
VIA	263
MIA	0
AIR	649
SORTIES	
NGF	0
ARC	0
LIGHT	

	ENEMY
KIA	61
DDT	3
RET	0
IND/VPN	6
C/S WPN	1
KIA	397
DET	9
RET	0
IND/VPN	150
RC/S WPN	8

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. (C) FI CTZ:

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

B. CUM RES: OP HONG KIL DONG NO CHANGE

FRIENDLY

	FRANCIS MARIONN	BYRD	PERSHING	GREELEY
	US	US	US	US
KIA	175	23	438	129
VIA	787	232	1983	200
MIA	8	0	2	0
AIR	4176	1108	5420	231
SORTIES				
NGF	0	399	2544	0
ARC	306	9	195	147
LIGHT				

ENEMY

KIA	1088	656	3093	190
DET	887	855	9702	22
RET	11	16	181	3
IND/VPN	244	222	793	87
C/S VPN	55	5	62	16

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. REF PARA 3A MY MSG 301000Z AUG 67: DELETE ENTRY.

DUPLICATION OF PARA 3C, MY MSG 300300Z AUG 67.

B. IN GIA DINH PROV (XS967980) 10 KM NE OF SAIGON AT
 310100H AN ELM FR ARVN INF SCHOOL ON PTL I THU DUC DISTRICT MADE
 CONTACT WITH E N SQUAD. EN BROKE CONTACT AT 0115H. RES: PRD:
 FIVE KIA, ONE BAR AND ONE CARB LOST; EN: UNK.

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

CUR RES:

	FAIRFAX	FRIENDLY ENTERPRISE	CORONADO IV
	US/ARVN	US	US
KIA	94/42	159	0
VIA	592/160	714	15
MIA	0/2	0	0
AIR	1335	859	62
SORTIES			
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A
ARC	6	0	0
LIGHT			

ENEMY

KIA	95		
	0'/?' , 510-4, 0		
DET	2240/390	151	82
RET	39/0	33	0
IND/WPN	254/133	164	65
C/S WPN	1/4	7	15

4. (C) IV CTZ:

A. IN AN XUYEN PROV (WR103333) IN THE THOI BINH AT 301920H AUG AN UNK SIZE EN FORCE ATKD THOI BINH DISTRICT TOWN AND 4/32 ARVN BN, W/100 RDS 60MM AND 81MM MORT FIRE. ARTY AND AC-47 SUPPORTED FRDLY UNIT. ATK TERM APPROX 310200H AUG. RES: FRD: TWO KIA, 14 WOUNDED (SEVEN ARVN, SEVEN CIV); EN: UNK.

B. ELEVEN EN INITIATED INCIDENTS WERE REPTD IN IV CTZ FR 300500H TO 310500H AUG. RES: FRD: THREE KIA, 19 VIA; EN: UNK.

C. IN PHONG DINH PROV (WR732938) IN RACH GIA AT 310200H UNK NO EN DETONATED UNK TYPE EXPLO DEVICE ON BRIDGE ON ROUTE 31. BRIDGE 100 PERCENT DEST. NO BY-PASS AVAILABLE. NO ETR.

D. IN PHONG DINH PROV (WR871875) THREE KM NW OF PHUNG HIEP AT 310825H UNK NO EN DETONATED UNK TYPE EXPLO DEVICE IN CULVERT ON ROUTE 4. HWY IMPASSABLE. NO BY-PASS AVAILABLE. ETR UNK.

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

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COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION, 9TH MARINES, SENT TO REINFORCE THE ARVN FORCES UNDER ATTACK AT THANH BINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS (SEE MY REPORT OF 28 AUGUST), MADE CONTACT WITH APPROXIMATELY 24 ENEMY 2 KILOMETERS NORTH EAST OF THAT DISTRICT TOWN AT 0800. THE COMPANY, SUPPORTED BY FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT FROM MAG-12, KILLED 15 VC, WITH 6 ADDITIONAL PROBABLY KILLED.

D. SMALL UNIT COUNTER GUERRILLA OPERATIONS

DURING THE PERIOD, III MAF UNITS OF COMPANY SIZE OR SMALLER CONDUCTED 1247 COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS, OF WHICH OVER 800, OR 65 PER CENT, WERE AT NIGHT. THERE WERE 59 CONTACTS REPORTED, RESULTING IN 39 VC KILLED. IN ONE NOTABLE ENGAGEMENT, COMBINED ACTION PLATOON H8 AMBUSHED 20 VC, 15 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF PHU BAI ON THE EVENING OF THE 30TH. A PF MEMBER OF THE UNIT KILLED 5 VC WITH M-79 ROUNDS BEFORE THE ENEMY FLED.

E. OPERATION BELT DRIVE

OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF SPECIAL LANDING FORCE BRAVO (BLT 2/3), IN OPERATION BELT DRIVE, PASSED FROM CTG 76.5 THROUGH III MAF TO 3RD MARINE DIVISION AT 0900. ENEMY RESISTANCE

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IN THE OPERATION, WHICH IS BEING CONDUCTED SOUTH OF QUANG TRI CITY, HAS BEEN LIMITED TO CONTACTS WITH SMALL GROUPS OF ENEMY. THUS FAR, 8 ENEMY HAVE BEEN KILLED, WITH AN ADDITIONAL 24 PROBABLY KILLED.

F. PROVINCIAL CAPITAL AND ARVN INSTALLATION ATTACKED.

VIET CONG FORCES CONTINUED THEIR HARRASSMENT OF PROVINCIAL CAPITALS AND ARVN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS BY CONDUCTING TWO ATTACKS ON THE EARLY MORNING OF THE 30TH. AT 0200, IN QUANG NGAI CITY, THE MACV COMPOUND RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 75 TO 100 ROUNDS OF 82 MM MORTAR FIRE. SIMULTANEOUSLY, ENEMY FORCES BROKE INTO THE PROVINCIAL JAIL LOCATED IN THE CITY AND RELEASED APPROXIMATELY 980 PRISONERS, FOUR HUNDRED WERE RECAPTURED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY BY UNITS OF THE 2D ARVN DIVISION AND THE SEARCH FOR THE REMAINDER CONTINUES.

A FORCE CONSISTING OF AN ESTIMATED 2 ENEMY COMPANIES, SUPPORTED BY MORTARS, ATTACKED THE ARVN DONG HA TRAINING CENTER ADJACENT TO THE PHU BAI AIRSTRIP AT 0230. ARVN CASUALTIES WERE 16 KIA AND 23 WIA. A REPORT OF ENEMY CASUALTIES COULD NOT BE MADE, PENDING A DAYLIGHT SEARCH AND COUNT.

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LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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

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THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 281600H, THE FIRST AV TRAC BN WHILE IN A BLOCKING POSITION RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM THE VICINITY (YD 275704). TWO MARINES WERE KIA. TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 281000H, COMPANY B, FIRST BATTALION, NINTH MARINES FOUND THREE NVA BODIES IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 970479). FROM 281843H TO 281855H, THE DONG HA COMBAT BASE (YD 241599) RECEIVED EIGHT ROUNDS OF UNKNOWN CALIBER ARTILLERY FIRE. TWO HUTLER BUILDINGS WERE DAMAGED AND ONE HELICOPTER (UH-34) WAS DESTROYED. ONE MARINE WAS KIA. (LATE ENTRY) AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED ON THE 27TH OF AUGUST IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 896495) ACCOUNTED FOR SIX ENEMY KILLED (CONF) AND FOUR ENEMY KILLED (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) AT 281630H,

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THE TWELFTH MARINES COMPOSITE PATROLLING BATTALION (YD 214739) RECEIVED THIRTY-EIGHT ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 85MM ARTILLERY AND 57MM RR FIRE. TWO MARINES WERE KIA AND ONE 155 HOWITZER (SP) WAS DESTROYED. (LATE ENTRY) AT 281910H, A LVT FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION (YD 330695) DETONATED A MINE RESULTING IN FOUR MARINES KIA. (LATE ENTRY) AIR STRIKES ON THE 28TH IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 239759) ACCOUNTED FOR THREE NVA KILLED (CONF) AND FIVE NVA KILLED (PROB). (END OF LATE ENTRIES) AT 1555H, COMPANY H, SECOND BATTALION, NINTH MARINES (YD 165707) RECEIVED A HEAVY VOLUME OF AW FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. ONE MARINE WAS KIA AND FIVE MARINES WERE KIA. DURING THE EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE, TWO ENEMY WERE KILLED (CONF) AND NINE ENEMY WERE KILLED (PROB). DURING THE PERIOD, TWO DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED.

(H) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA-211, VMA-223, VMA-311, VMA(AW)-533, VMA(AW)-242, VMF(AW)-232 AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 58 SORTIES, CONSISTING OF 8 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 50 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (15 TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 60.7 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 9 KBA (CONF), 9 KBA (PROB).
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13 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 BUNKERS DAMAGED, 7 SECONDARY XPLOSIONS,
4 ROCKET POSITIONS DESTROYED, ONE ROCKET POSITION DAMAGED,
4 AW POSITIONS DESTROYED, ONE MOTAR POSITION DAMAGED, AND 3
TRENCHES DAMAGED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 8 SORTIES.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 493 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 3146 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED 26 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 46 ROUNDS.
NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE MARINES WITH 16 MISSIONS, EXPENDING
49 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/73 KIA	16/529 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
13/675 WIA	18/867 KIA (PROB) (ADJUSTED)
	2/72 DETAINEES
	0/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

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0/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES, WITH ONE INFANTRY
BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES
1 AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED
SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE
WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT REPORTED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARDMORE, FIXED WING
AIRCRAFT FROM VMA-211, VMA-223, AND VMF(AW)-232 FLEW 10
SORTIES, CONSISTING OF 2 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 8 DIRECT AIR
SUPPORT (4 IPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 11.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 202 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 369 ROUNDS OF
AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/9 KIA	0/61 KIA (CONF)
0/42 WIA	0/188 KIA (PROB)
H	0/3 DETAINEES
	0/7 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(3) OPERATION FREMONT (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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BRIGADE, 4TH DIVISION WILL ESTABLISH A CORDON AND CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF LOCAL ELECTION POLLING SITES. DURING PHASE II, THE 2 BRIGADES WILL PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE POLLING SITES WITHIN THE OPERATING AREA TO PREVENT OR MINIMIZE ENEMY ATTEMPTS TO DISRUPT THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS. PHASE III WILL CONSIST OF A SWEEP THROUGH ENEMY BASE AREA 121 BY THE 1ST BRIGADE, 101ST AIRBORNE TO LOCATE, CAPTURE OR DESTROY ENEMY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL.

J. STATUS OF THE SLF

SLF ALPHA (BLT 1/7 AND HMM-362) HAS COMPLETED BACKLOADING AT CHU LAI AND IS MAINTAINING A 24 HOUR READINESS POSTURE IN THE HOLDING AREA OFF DANGANG WHILE PREPARING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

SLF BRAVO, (BLT 2/3) IS CONTINUING OPERATION BELT DRIVE,

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SOUTH OF QUANG TRI CITY, UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF 3D MARINE DIVISION (SEE PARAGRAPH 3).

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 291305H, COMPANY H AND COMPANY G OF THE NINTH MARINES WERE ADVANCING NORTH ON A PARALLEL AXIS WHEN BOTH COMPANIES BEGAN TO RECEIVE SNIPER FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. COMPANY H WAS PINNED DOWN IN OPEN TERRAIN WHILE A PLATOON ENVELOPED THE ENEMY'S FLANK. ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND SEVEN MARINES WERE KIA. AIR STRIKES SUPPORTED THE MARINE COMPANIES WHILE THE TANK/INFANTRY TEAM OVERRAN THE ENTRENCHED ENEMY'S POSITION. CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY CONTINUED UNTIL 291830H.

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TOTAL CASUALTIES WERE ONE MARINE KIA AND NINE MARINES WIA. THE ENEMY HAD TWO KILLED (CONF) AND NINE ENEMY KILLED (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) AT 202015H, THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114701) CALLED AN 81MM MORTAR MISSION WHEN THEY HEARD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF THEIR POSITION. ONE NVA WAS KILLED (CONF). (LATE ENTRY) AT 281402H, THE FIRST AVTRAC BATTALION (YD 549693) RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY FOUR ROUNDS OF 100MM ARTILLERY. TWO MARINES WERE WIA. AT 1530H, THE TWELFTH MARINES CAB (YD 214739) RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF ESTIMATED 57RR FIRE WHICH LANDED INSIDE THE COPOUND. THREE MARINES WERE WIA: (END OF LATE ENTRIES). FROM 1717H TO 1847H, THE TWELFTH MARINES CAB (YD 214739) RECEIVED TWENTY-ONE ROUNDS OF 120MM ARTILLERY. FIFTY PERCENT OF THE INCOMING ROUNDS WERE AIR BURSTS FOUR MARINES WERE WIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS DELIVERED ON THE FOLLOWING COORDINATES (YD 245425, YD 250426). AT 1950H, THE TWELFTH CAB (YD 214739) RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF ARTILLERY (AIR BURST) ESTIMATED TO BE 122MM. ONE MARINE WAS WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMFA-323, VMA-211,

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VMA-223, VMA-311, VMA(AW)-242, VMA(AW)-533, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 63 SORTIES, CONSISTING OF 6 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 57 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (20 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 135.1 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS 2 KBA (CONF), 6 KBA (PROB), 10 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 1 STRUCTURE DAMAGED, 27 BUNKERS DESTROYED, 8 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, TWO POL BARGES DESTROYED, ONE MORTAR POSITION DAMAGED, ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED, 2 AW POSITIONS DAMAGED, AND 9 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 31 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 304 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 1799 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED 18 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 60 ROUNDS. NAVAL GUNFIRE FIRED 18 MISSIONS AND EXPENDED 106 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/73 KIA	1/530 KIA (CONF)
12/688 WIA	0/867 KIA (PROB)
	0/72 DETAINEES
	0/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS
	0/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARDMORE (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

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(A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES AND COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) FROM 292000H TO 292200H, SECURITY

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TWO HOURS LATER, ON THE MORNING OF 1 SEPTEMBER, ARVN UNITS OPERATING KILOMETERS TO THE EAST OF GIO LING MADE CONTACT WITH ANOTHER ENEMY UNIT. THE ARVN WERE STILL MAINTAINING CONTACT AS OF 1515H THAT AFTERNOON. TWENTY ENEMY KIA HAVE BEEN REPORTED THUS FAR.

IN SOUTHERN I CORPS, 4 PF PLATOONS SWEEPING 4 KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF QUANG NGAI ENGAGED A 202 MAN VC UNIT AT 0920H. SHORTLY AFTER ELEMENTS OF 1ST BATTALION, 5TH ARVN INFANTRY REINFORCED THE PF UNITS, THE ENEMY WITHDREW, WITH THE LOSS OF 24 KILLED.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALION, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (-)); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) DURING THE 6TH, SEVEN AIR STRIKES

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IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE IN THE VICINITY OF (XD 909496, XD 914493, XD 925492, XD 926504, XD 914494, XD 905492) BY VMF(AW)-235, VMA-211, VMFA-115, AND VMFA7323 ACCOUNTED FOR SEVENTEEN ENEMY KIA (CONF), TWO ENEMY KILLED (PROB), THIRTEEN BUNKERS DESTROYED, SIX SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, SIX SECONDARY FIRES AND ONE GUN POSITION DESTROYED. IN EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, AIR STRIKES FROM VMA7211, VMFA7115, VMF(AW)-235, AND VMFA-542, (YD 172767, YD 243794) ACCOUNTED FOR ONE NVA KILLED (CONF) AND TWO NVA KILLED (PROB). (LATE ENTRY) AT 02045H, A PATROL FROM THE FIRST AMTRAC BATTALION (YD 02738) ENGAGED SIX NVA WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE PATROL THEN CAME UNDER HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED FIFTY NVA. A PLATOON WAS SENT TO ASSIST THE PATROL AND LVT H76'S SUPPORTED THE CONTACT. THREE ENEMY WERE KILLED (CONF). ELEVEN MARINES WERE KIA. (END OF LATE ENTRIES) FROM 2430H TO 2432H, CAMP CARROLL RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-ONE ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE. THREE MARINES WERE KIA. AT 1020H THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES REPORTED THAT A CONVOY OF FOUR USA TRUCKS (YD 992556) RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE FROM THE VICINITY OF (YD 006533). ARTILLERY WAS CALLED IN
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 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. ONE USN, TWO USA AND FOUR MARINES
 WERE WIA. AT 1450H, COMPANY L, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-
 SIXTH MARINES (YD 275550) HAD TWO MARINES WIA WHEN A MINE
 WAS DETONATED. DURING THE PERIOD, ONE DETAINEE WAS APP-
 REHENDED AND ONE ENEMY WAS KILLED (PROB).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT FROM VMFA-542, VMFA-115, VMA-211, VMA-223,
 VMA-311, AND VMF(AW)-235 FLEW 70 SORTIES CONSISTING OF
 20 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 50 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (23 TPQ)
 SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 137.3 TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE RE-
 PORTED HDA WAS 18 KBA (CONF), 4 KBA (PROB), 7 STRUCTURES
 DESTROYED, 24 HUNKERS DESTROYED, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS,
 4 SECONDARY FIRES, 1 MORTAR POSITION DESTROYED AND ONE
 TRENCH DESTROYED. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG-16 FLEW 4 SORTIES.
 ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 395 MISSIONS EXPENDING 5842 ROUNDS

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 OF AMMUNITION. 175MM GUNS FIRED 26 MISSIONS EXPENDING 64
 ROUNDS. NAVAL
 GUNFIRE SUPPORTED THE OPERATION WITH 7 MISSIONS EXPENDING
 46 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

0/73 KIA

23/711 WIA

ENEMY

21/551 KIA (CONF)

5/871 KIA (PROB)

1/73 DETAINEES

0/40 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

0/79 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION ARMOR (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)
 (A) THE TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES WITH ONE INFANTRY
 BATTALION (FIRST BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES AND
 COMPANIES I AND M, THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY SIXTH MARINES)
 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN WESTERN QUANG
 TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED. AT 1900H, AN AO
 CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON FIVE NVA (XD 825485). THREE
 NVA WERE KILLED (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ARMOR, ARTILLERY

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1. IAW REF (A) THE FOLLOWING RPT IS SUBMITTED:

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A. MAJOR UNIT OPS.

(1) OP KINGFISHER

(A) 3D MARDIV WITH 6 INF BNS (3/3, 3/4, 1/9, 2/9, 3/9, 3/26(-)) CONT SRD OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT FOR PD.

(LATE ENTRY) AT 311030H-311115H 12TH MAR CAR VIC (YD 214739) RECD 29 ARTY RDS, EST 85MM: 5 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 010320H 3/4 CP VIC (YD 114701) RECD 11 RDS EN RKT FIRE: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).

AT 010340H 3/4 CP VIC (YD 114701) RECD 15 RDS, EST EN RKT: 3 USMC WIA (MINOR).

(LATE ENTRY) AT 311920H 12 MAR CAR VIC (YD 211739) RECD 13 RDS EST 122MM ARTY: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). FIRED COUNTER ARTY FIRE VIC (YD 165852).

AT 011000H CO M/3/3 ORSR 10-15 NVA IN OPEN VIC (XD 976486). CALLED ARTY. MSN: 2 NVA KIA (PROB).

AT 010555H CO K/3/26 VIC (YD 224630) WHILE MVG INTO POS ENGAGED W/UNK NR EN: 1 USMC KIA. RTND SA FIRE W/UNK RES.

AT 010725H 3/4 VIC (YD 114701) RECD 19 RDS OF 85MM ARTY: 3 USMC WIA (MINOR).

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 AT 010830H CO L/3/26 VIC (YD 244535) MAR DET ROOBY TRAP AND
 RECD 20 RDS SPR FIRE FM VIC (YD 244532): 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 AT 010914H 3/4 VIC (YD 114701) RECD TOTAL OF 55 RDS 82MM, 85MM,
 120MM, RKTS FM VIC (YD 055700, 095753, 100815): 2 USMC KIA,
 14 USMC WIA (4 MED EVAC).
 AT 010810H 1ST AMTRAC BN AND CO F/2/3 VIC (YD 250810) RECD
 HVY ARTY AND MORT FIRE: 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
 AT 010855H CO I/3/3 FD 4 NVA KIA BY NAPALM AND ARTY: 4 NVA
 KIA (CONF).
 AT 011135H CO C/1/9 PTL VIC (YD 131511) MAR DET 3' M-26 GRENS
 IN TREE RIGGED W/TRIP WIRE AND 105MM RD: 3 USMC KIA, 2 USMC
 WIA (MED EVAC).
 AT 011105H CO L/3/26 VIC (YD 257537) RECD APPROX 30 RDS OF
 SPR FIR: 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
 AT 011430H CO I/3/4 VIC (YD 045705) WHILE ON SWEEP ENGAGED 2 NVA:
 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 IWC.
 AT 011440H 3/4 CP VIC (YD 114701) RECD 4 RDS 85MM ARTY FIRE:
 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 AO'S CONDUCTED A/S FLOWN OVER 9TH MAR AD ON 31 AUG VIC (YD
 181746), (YD 160731) BY (VMFA-323, VMA-211, VMF(AW)-235)

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 ACCOUNTING FOR: 6 NVA KIA (PROB).
 AT 011700H 1ST AMTRAC BN VIC (YD 297742) RECD 3 RDS EST 100MM
 ARTY. WHILE ON S&D MSNS EXCHANGED BW FIRE W/UNK SIZE NVA
 FORCE: 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), 2 NVA KIA (PROB).
 AT 012100H CO K/3/3 OBSR 2 EN IN TREELINE CARRYING FLASH LIGHT.
 ARTY MSN, 81MM MSNS FIRED: 2 EN KIA (PROB).
 AT 011820H 3/4 CP VIC (YD 114701) 12 MAR WHISKEY BTRY RECD
 30 RDS MORT FIRE: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 (B) AIR SUPPORT. VMFA-542, 115, 323, VMA-211,
 223, 311, VMA(AW) -242, 533 AND VMF(AW) -235 FLEW 10 CAS, 42
 DAS, (18 TPQ) SORTIES DELIVERING 100.2 TONS OF ORD. RPTD BDA WAS
 2 KBA (CONF), 6 (PROB), 3 STRUC DEST, 17 BUNKERS DEST, 1 DAM,
 7 SEC EXPLOS, 8 SEC FIRES, 1 GUN POS DAM, 1 ARTY POS DEST,
 5 DAM, 2 MORT POS DEST AND 1 AW POS DEST. MAG-16 HELS FLEW 12
 SORTIES FOR 13.4 HRS.
 (C) ARTY SUPPORT. 175 GUNS FIRED 21 UNOBSR MSN
 AND 4 OBSR MSNS EXPENDING 68 HRS FE.
 (D) RES: (PD/CUM)
 USMC
 7/80 KIA
 ENEMY
 6/557 KIA (CONF)

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 16/400 WIA (MEDEVAC) 12/879 KIA (PROB) (ADJ)
 (ADJ) 25/355 WIA (MINOR) 0/73 DET
 0/40 INCIV

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1/70 IWC
0/10 CSWC

(E) CUM HEL SUPPORT:

- (1) SORTIES: 3218
- (2) PAX: 1409
- (3) CARGO (TONS): 237.7

(F) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES:

- (1) CAS: 330
- (2) DAS: 2121
- (3) OTHER: 66
- (G) NGF: (PD/CUM)
- (1) MSNS: 11/872
- (2) RDS: 64/3258
- (H) ARTY: (PD/CUM)
- (1) MSNS: 542/27062
- (2) RDS: 3948/180887
- (2) OP ARDMORE.

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(A) 26TH MAR CONT S&D OP IN QUANG TRI PROV
WITH NEC CONTACT FOR PD.

(B) AIR SUPPORT. VMA-211 AND 223 FLEW 5 DAS

(5 TPQ) SORTIES DELIVERING 8.9 TONS OF ORD. NO RPTD BDA.

(C) ARTY SUPPORT. 175 GUNS FIRED NO MSNS.

(D) RES: (PD/CUM)

USMC

0/9 KIA

(CONF)

0/24 WIA (MEDEVAC)

0/10 WIA (MINOR)

ENEMY

0/64 KI

0/189 KIA (PROB)

0/3 DET

0/6 IWC

0/1 CSWC

(E) CUM HEL SUPPORT:

- (1) SORTIES: 401
- (2) PAX: 90
- (3) CARGO (TONS): 1.4
- (F) CUM TAC AIR SORTIES:
- (1) CAS: 97
- (2) DAS: 319
- (3) OTHER: 49

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION KINGFISHER (THIRD MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION WITH SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS (FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BATTALIONS, NINTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES; THIRD BATTALION, TWENTY-SIXTH MARINES (-); AND THE THIRD BATTALION, THIRD MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FOR THE PERIOD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 311030H, THE TWELFTH MARINES ARTILLERY POSITION AT GIO LINH RECEIVED 29 ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN 5 USMC KIA. AT 311920H, THE POSITION RECEIVED 13 ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 122MM ARTILLERY RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WAS RETURNED BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN. AT 010320H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES COMMAND POST (YD 114701) RECEIVED 11 ROUNDS OF ROCKET FIRE

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RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA. AT 0340H, THE BATTALION RECEIVED 15 ADDITIONAL ROUNDS OF ROCKET FIRE WHICH WOUNDED THREE MARINES. AT 0455H, COMPANY K, 25TH MARINES ENGAGED AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 224630). ONE USMC WAS KIA IN THE CONTACT BUT ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE NOT KNOWN. AT 0725H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES (YD 114701) RECEIVED 19 ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN THREE USMC KIA. AT 0810H, THE FIRST AVIRAC BATTALION (YD 250810) RECEIVED HEAVY ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND FIVE WIA. AT 0830H, ONE MARINE FROM COMPANY L, 26TH MARINES WAS KIA BY A MINE (YD 244535). AT 0855H, COMPANY I, THIRD MARINES FOUND FOUR NVA KIA. AT 0914H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES RECEIVED 55 ROUNDS OF MIXED 82MM, 85MM AND 120MM FIRE RESULTING IN TWO USMC KIA AND 14 WIA. AT 1000H, COMPANY M, THIRD MARINES ADJUSTED ARTILLERY ON AN ESTIMATED 15 ENEMY IN THE OPEN (YD 978496) RESULTING IN TWO KIA (PROB). AT 1105H, TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY L, 26TH MARINES WERE KIA BY SPIDER FIRE (YD 257537). AT 1135H, COMPANY C, NINTH MARINES DETONATED FOUR MINES RIGGED IN TREES WITH TRIP MINES (YD 161511) RESULTING IN THREE USMC KIA AND TWO WIA. AT 1450H, COMPANY

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1. FOURTH MARINES KILLED TWO NVA (CONF) AND CAPTURED ONE WEAPON (YD 045705). AT 1440H, THE THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES CP RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF 85MM ARTILLERY FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 1700H THE FIRST ANTRAC BATTALION RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF ESTIMATED 100MM ARTILLERY FIRE (YD 247742). WHILE ON A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION ELEMENTS OF THE BATTALION ENGAGED A UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE. TWO NVA WERE KIA (PROB) AND TWO USMC WERE KIA IN THE ENCOUNTER. AT 1820H, THE 107MM MORTAR BATTERY SUPPORTING THE THIRD BATTALION FOURTH MARINES (YD 114701) RECEIVED 30 ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. AT 2100H, COMPANY K, THIRD MARINES FIRED ON 2 ENEMY IN A TREE LINE. TWO ENEMY WERE KIA (CONF).

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION KINGFISHER, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FROM VFA-542, VFA-323, VFA-115, VFA-211, VFA-223

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VFA-311, VFA(AW)-242, VFA(AW)-533, AND VFA(AW)-235, FLEW 52 SORTIES CONSISTING OF 10 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND 42 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (18 TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 100 TONS OF ORDNANCE. BOA HAS 2 KBA(CONF) 6 KBA (PROB), 3 STRUCTURES, 17 BUNKERS, 2 MORTAR POSITIONS, 1 AW POSITION AND 1 ARTILLERY POSITION DESTROYED; 1 BUNKER, 1 GUN POSITION, 5 ARTILLERY POSITIONS DAMAGED; 7 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND 8 SECONDARY FIRES. HELICOPTERS FROM MAG 16 FLEW 12 SORTIES. ARTILLERY UNITS FIRED 542 MISSIONS EXPENDING 3948 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION IN SUPPORT OF INFANTRY OPERATIONS. OF THESE, 175MM GUNS FIRED 25 MISSIONS EXPENDING 68 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT CONSISTED OF 11 MISSIONS EXPENDING 49 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC

7/80 KIA

41755 KIA

ENEMY

47587 KIA (CONF)

12787 KIA (PROB)

1774 DETAILERS

1740 FRODOEN CIVILIANS

1730 FRODOEN CIVILIANS

(D) OPERATION RPT (YD) (CONF) (PROB) (AVAIL)

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