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 HUE. UPON LANDING, THE CREW AND PASSENGERS WERE
 ATTACKED BY AN ESTIMATED 100 ENEMY. THE PERSONNEL
 FORMED TWO GROUPS OF FIVE MEN EACH AND TOOK EVASIVE ACTION

ONE GROUP IS NOW SAFE AT CAMP EVANS. THE OTHER IS NOT
 REPORTED. SCATTERED CONTACTS THROUGHOUT THE AO
 RESULTED IN FOUR ENEMY KIA, NINE WEAPONS CAPTURED
 AND 20 USA WIA.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JEB STUART
 USAF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 18 SORTIES.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	USA	ENEMY
0/1 WIA (EVAC)	0/222 KIA	4/2909 KIA
	2/1409 WIA	0/50 NVA/PW
		0/32 VC/PW
		0/483 DETAINEES
		0/8 RETURNEES
		0/57 CIVIL
		DEFENDANTS
		9/638 WEAPONS

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(6) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(1) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-) 1ST MARINES AND 2D
 BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) COMMENCED SEARCH AND
 DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH
 LIGHT CONTACT. SIX SMALL AND UNRELATED CONTACTS RESULTED IN
 TWO VC KIA, 13 DETAINEES APPREHENDED AND FIVE USMC
 WIA AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD THE
 1ST BATTALION, 11TH MARINES AND 5TH 155 GUN BATTERY
 FIRED 22 MISSIONS EXPEDING 133 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
5/5 WIA (EVAC)	2/2 KIA
	13/13 DETAINEES

(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (1ST, 2D, AND 3RD BATTALIONS, 5TH
 MARINES)
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(b) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 141300. COMPANY E EXCHANGED FIRE WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ENEMY (YD 913220). ELEVEN ENEMY WERE KIA, FOUR WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED AND 23 DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED WHILE MARINES SUSTAINED ONE KIA AND 7 WIA AND EVACUATED. AT 141300, COMPANY F (YD 915218) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY PLATOON, KILLING FIVE NVA AND CAPTURING THREE WEAPONS. TWO USMC AND ONE USN WERE KIA AND 22 WERE WIA AND EVACUATED. AT 142200, THE 2D BATTALION, 3D MARINES CP RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE. SEVEN USMC WERE WIA AND EVACUATED. AT 150530, COMPANY C FIRED ON AND SANK AN ENEMY BOAT (YD 955156) KILLING THREE ENEMY. FIVE ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED CONTACTS RESULTED IN FOUR ENEMY KIA, TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED, THREE DETAINEES APPREHENDED

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AND FOUR USMC WIA AND EVACUATED. TWO DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED ONE PN/NVA AND ONE INNOCENT CIVILIAN.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD, HELICOPTERS FLEW 62 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 25 PERSONNEL AND 12 TONS OF CARGO. THE 1ST BATTALION, 11TH MARINES AND 1ST 155 GUN BATTERY FIRED 36 MISSIONS EXPENDING 899 ROUNDS. USS JAMES C. OWENS (DD-776) FIRED 23 MISSIONS EXPENDING 381 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
3/3 KIA	23/25 KIA
40/45 WIA (EVAC)	1/1 NVA/PW
USN	27/40 DETAINEES
1/1 KIA	9/9 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS (1ST, 2D AND 3D BATTALIONS, 5TH MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN SOUTH-EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. TWO NVA WERE KIA AND ONE WEAPON WAS CAPTURED.

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OF FIVE FIRING POSITIONS WITH FIVE AIMING STAKES, 14 FOXHOLES, EMPTY ROCKET CARRYING CASES, AND ROCKET

FUZES. (LATE ENTRY) THROUGH OUT THE 15TH, SEVERAL

OTHER SCATTERED CONTACTS RESULTED IN 24 NVA KIA, FOUR WEAPONS CAPTURED, ONE USA KIA AND 16 USA WOUNDED AND

EVACUATED. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED FOR THE 15TH; 30 ENEMY KILLED, ONE DETAINEE

APPREHENDED AND SIX WEAPONS CAPTURED. TWO USA WERE KIA WHILE TWO WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JEB STUART, USAF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 42 SORTIES.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USA

6/230 KIA

18/1099 WIA(EVAC)

USMC

ENEMY

54/2991 KIA

0/50 NVA/PW

0/32 VC/PW

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0/1 WIA(EVAC)

1/486 DETAINEES

0/8 RETURNEES

0/57 CIVIL DEFENDANTS

10/661 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(6) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY

BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D

BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND

DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH

LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 151612H, COMPANY E

WHILE CONDUCTING A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 960177) DISCOVERED FRESHLY DUG GRAVES

THAT CONTAINED 18 NVA BODIES. (LATE ENTRY) AT

151900H, A COMPANY D PATROL RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF

60MM MORTAR FIRE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 957154).

FOUR MARINES WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED. (LATE ENTRY)

AT 152130H, COMPANY F (YD 948180) RECEIVED TWO ROUNDS

OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. ARTILLERY MISSIONS AND 106

RECOILLESS RIFLES WERE FIRED IN THE VICINITY OF (YD

948189). NINE NVA WERE KILLED. AT 1230, COMPANY F

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 FOUND THREE NVA BODIES LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF
 (YD 965153). TWO MARINES WERE
 WOUNDED AND EVACUATED FROM MINING INCIDENTS. SIX-
 TEEN DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED AS THREE PW/NVA, TWO
 CIVILIAN DEFENDANTS AND 11 INNOCENT CIVILIANS. TWO
 OTHER UNRELATED CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY RESULTED IN
 ONE VC KILLED AND TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED.

- (B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD,
 HELICOPTERS FROM THE FIRST MARINE AIR WING FLEW 219
 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 445 PERSONNEL AND 819 TONS OF
 CARGO. HELICOPTERS FIRING SUPPRESSIVE FIRE ACCOUNTED
 FOR FIVE STRUCTURES DESTROYED, FOUR STRUCTURES DAMA-
 GED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. THE 1ST BATTALION,
 11TH MARINES FIRED 157 MISSIONS EXPENDING 1283 ROUNDS.
 THE USS JAMES C OWENS (DD-776) FIRED 16 MISSIONS EXPEN-
 DING 135 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/3 KIA	31/62 KIA (CONF) (ADJUSTED)
6/52 WIA (EVAC)	3/4 NVA/PW

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 (ADJUSTED)
 USN
 0/1 KIA
 6/46 DETAINEES
 2/2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 2/11 WEAPONS CAPTURED

- (7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)
 (A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THE 1ST, 2D AND
 3D BATTALIONS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS
 IN SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
 FIVE UNRELATED CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY ACCOUNTED FOR
 TWO ENEMY KILLED AND TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED. SEVEN
 MARINES WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

- (B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON,
 FIXED WING AIRCRAFT OF VMFA(AW)-235, VMA-121 AND
 H&MS-11 FLEW THREE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPQ) SORTIES,
 WHICH EXPENDED 4.6 TONS OF ORDNANCE. MAG 16 AND
 MAG-36 HELICOPTERS FLEW 70 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 37
 PERSONNEL AND 4.6 TONS OF CARGO. BATTERIES A, B, AND
 G FROM THE 11TH MARINES FIRED 91 MISSIONS EXPENDING
 490 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
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10 NO ENGAGEMENTS ON THE 15TH, 16
 ENEMY WERE KIA, THREE DETAINEES APPREHENDED, AND FOUR
 WEAPONS CAPTURED. 12 SOLDIERS WERE KIA AND 29
 SOLDIERS WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JEB STUART,
 USAF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW 27 SORTIES.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/1 WIA (EVAC)	22/2993 KIA (ADJUSTED)
USA	0/50 NVA/PW
12/242 KIA	0/32 VC/PW
29/1128 WIA (EVAC)	3/489 DETAINEES
	0/8 RETURNEES
	0/57 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	10/671 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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(a) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D
 BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND
 DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE
 WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) IN TWO SEPARATE
 ENGAGEMENTS ON THE 16TH, ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED
 AND ONE VC WAS CAPTURED. DURING THE PERIOD,
 SCATTERED CONTACTS RESULTED IN ONE ENEMY KIA, AND
 TWO DETAINEES APPREHENDED. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY
 CASUALTIES.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD, 1STMAW
 HELICOPTERS FLEW 83 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 50
 PERSONNEL AND 19 TONS OF CARGO. THE 1ST BATTALION,
 11TH MARINES AND THE 1ST 155 GUN BATTERY FIRED 52
 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 272 ROUNDS. USS JAMES C. OWENS (DD-726)
 FIRED ONE MISSION EXPENDING 19 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/3 KIA	1/63 KIA

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(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THE 1ST, 20,

AND 30 BATTALIONS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 1810-30, COMPANY H,

DURING A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION, ATTACKED AN UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE IN THE VICINITY OF (AT 902971). SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS EXCHANGED AND THREE MARINES WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED. ONE NVA WAS KILLED AND ONE WEAPON WAS CAPTURED.

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AT 161530Z, COMPANY H (ZC 993002) EXCHANGED SMALL
ARMS FIRE WITH A SAIPER. ONE MARINE WAS KIA, ONE
FLEWY WAS KILLED AND ONE WEAPON WAS CAPTURED.

DURING THE PERIOD, ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED
LATER RECLASSIFIED AS A PW/MC.

(b) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON, FIXED

WING AIRCRAFT OF VMA(A)-533, VMA-211, VMA-311, AND
HMS-12 FLEW 5 SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE

AIR SUPPORT AND THREE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPO)

SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 14.2 TONS OF ORDNANCE.

SORTIES, WHICH EXCEEDED 2000 METERS. MAG-16 AND MAG-36 HELICOPTERS FLEW 61 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 103 PERSONNEL AND 2.2 TONS OF CARGO.

BATTERIES A, B, AND C OF THE 11TH MARINES FIRED 140 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 900 ROUNDS.

(0) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USPC

1/10 KIA

5/03 WIA (EVAC)

USA

U/2 KIA

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2/30 CIA (CONF)

1/1 VC/PW

0/40 DETAINEES

07/14 RETURNEES

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THREE ARTILLERY POSITIONS DESTROYED AND THREE

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ARTILLERY POSITIONS DAMAGED. MAG-16 AND MAG-36
HELICOPTERS FLEW 157 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING 100
PERSONNEL AND 65.5 TONS OF CARGO.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
2/166 KIA	21/1177 KIA
6/674 WIA (EVAC)	0/9 NVA/PW
	0/41 DETAINEES
	0/169 WEAPONS

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(5) OPERATION JEB STUART (1ST CAVALRY DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE)
WITH NINE INFANTRY BATTALIONS CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN
PROVINCES WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) ON
17 MARCH, IN EIGHT SMALL AND SCATTERED INCIDENTS
THROUGHOUT THE AO, SEVEN ENEMY WERE KIA, FOUR WEAPONS
WERE CAPTURED, FOUR DETAINEES SURRENDERED, AND
FOUR USA WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JEB STUART,

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FIXED WING AIRCRAFT OF VMF(AW)-235 FLEW TWO CLOSE
AIR SUPPORT SORTIES.
DIVISION ARTILLERY FIRED 772 MISSIONS EXPENDING
9961 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USA	ENEMY
0/242 KIA	7/3000 KIA
4/1132 WIA (EVAC)	0/50 NVA/PW
	0/32 VC/PW
	4/493 DETAINEES
	4/12 RETURNEES
	0/57 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	4/675 WEAPONS

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(6) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D
BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND
DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE
WITH LIGHT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 171400, COMPANY

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 E, 3D MARINES (2D 003135) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND
 60MM MORTAR FIRE. FOUR USMC WERE WOUNDED AND
 EVACUATED. SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH
 UNKNOWN RESULTS. IN FIVE SMALL AND UNRELATED
 INCIDENTS ONE VC WAS KIA, TWO WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED,
 ONE DETAINEE WAS APPREHENDED, AND SIX USMC WERE
 WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD, MAG-16
 AND MAG-36 HELICOPTERS FLEW 88 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING
 EIGHT PERSONNEL AND 12.3 TONS OF CARGO. THE 1ST
 BATTALION, 11TH MARINES AND THE 1ST 155 GUN
 BATTERY FIRED 24 MISSIONS EXPENDING 843 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/3 KIA	1/64 KIA
100/62 WIA (EVAC)	0/4 NVA/PW
USN	0/1 VC/PW
0/1 KIA	1/51 DETAINEES
	0/2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	2/13 WEAPONS CAPTURED

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(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THE 1ST, 2ND,
 AND 3D BATTALIONS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
 OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH
 LIGHT CONTACT. SIX SMALL AND UNRELATED CONTACTS
 RESULTED IN TWO ENEMY KIA, ONE WEAPON CAPTURED, ONE
 DETAINEE APPREHENDED AND RECLASSIFIED A RETURNEE,
 ONE USMC KILLED AND SIX USMC WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON,
 FIXED WING AIRCRAFT OF VMA(AW)-242 FLEW THREE
 SORTIES CONSISTING OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND ONE
 DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPQ) SORTIE, WHICH EXPENDED 12
 TONS OF ORDNANCE. MAG-16 AND MAG-36 HELICOPTERS FLEW
 42 SORTIES, TRANSPORTING 26 PERSONNEL AND 3.9
 TONS OF CARGO.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
1/11 KIA	2/32 KIA
6/72 WIA (EVAC)	0/1 VC/PW
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 THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSUMED OPERATIONAL
 CONTROL OF THE 1ST BRIGADE, 101ST AIRBORNE INFANTRY
 FROM THE 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION. (LATE ENTRY) AT
 182000, TROOP A, 1ST SQUADRON, 9TH CAVALRY DIRECTED
 ARTILLERY MISSIONS ON A BUNKER COMPLEX (YD 222408)
 RESULTING IN NINE ENEMY KIA, FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED
 AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY
 ON 18 MARCH RESULTED IN SIX ENEMY KIA, TWO WEAPONS
 CAPTURED AND TWO DETAINEES APPREHENDED.

(B) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USA	ENEMY
0/242 KIA	15/3015 KIA
0/1132 KIA (EVAC)	0/50 NVA/PW
	0/32 VC/PW
	2/495 DETAINEES
	0/12 RETURNEES
	0/57 CIVIL
	DEFENDANTS
	2/677 WEAPONS
	CAPTURED

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(6) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 1ST MARINES WITH TWO INFANTRY
 BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION (-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D
 BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES) CONTINUED SEARCH AND
 DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE
 WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. (LATE ENTRY) AT 181430,
 COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION, 1ST MARINES RECEIVED
 SPORADIC SMALL ARMS FIRE AND BECAME ENGAGED WITH
 AN ESTIMATED ENEMY BATTALION IN FORTIFIED POSITIONS
 (YD 951187). THE ENEMY ALSO UTILIZED MORTAR AND
 B-40 ROCKETS. COMPANY D MOVED TO REINFORCE COMPANY
 C WHILE ARTILLERY AND ARMED HELICOPTERS WERE CALLED TO
 SUPPORT THE CONTACT. ACTION CONTINUED THROUGHOUT
 THE AFTERNOON, TERMINATING AT 2000. DURING THE
 CONTACT 46 NVA WERE KIA, TWO WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED,
 SIX USMC WERE KIA AND 21 USMC WERE WOUNDED AND EVAC-
 UATED. AT THE SAME TIME, COMPANY E, 3D MARINES
 LAUNCHED AN ATTACK IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY C AND BECAME
 ENGAGED WITH AN ESTIMATED 250 ENEMY (YD 947197).
 DURING THE ACTION 13 NVA WERE KIA, FOUR USMC WERE

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 KIA, AND 15 USMC WERE WOUNDED AND EVACUATED. IN
 THREE ADDITIONAL AND UNRELATED INCIDENTS ONE VC WAS
 KIA, THREE DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED, THREE WEAPONS
 WERE CAPTURED AND ONE USMC WAS WOUNDED BY A MINE
 AND EVACUATED.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD, FIXED
 WING AIRCRAFT OF H&MS-11 FLEW ONE DIRECT AIR
 SUPPORT (TPQ) SORTIE, WHICH EXPENDED ONE TON OF
 ORDNANCE. THE REPORTED BDA WAS SIX STRUCTURES
 DESTROYED AND FOUR STRUCTURES DAMAGE.. FMAW
 HELICOPTERS FLEW 112 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 17
 PERSONNEL AND 20 TONS OF CARGO. THE 1ST BATTALION,
 11TH MARINES AND THE 1ST 155 GUN BATTERY FIRED 17
 MISSIONS EXPENDING 369 ROUNDS. THE USS JAMES C.
 OWENS (DD 776) FIRED THREE MISSIONS, EXPENDING 147 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
10/13 KIA	60/124 KIA
37/99 WIA (EVAC)	0/4 NVA/PW
USN	0/1 VC/PW

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 0/1 KIA

3/54 DETAINEES
 0/2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
 5/14 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)
 (A) THE 5TH MARINES WITH THE 1ST, 2D
 AND 3D BATTALIONS CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY
 OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH
 LIGHT CONTACT. FIVE ENEMY WERE KIA AND TWO DETAINEES
 WERE APPREHENDED AND RECLASSIFIED AS ONE PW/VC
 AND ONE RETURNEE/VC.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON,
 FIXED WING AIRCRAFT OF VMA-211, VMA-122, VMA-533,
 VMF(AW)-235 AND H&MS-11 FLEW EIGHT SORTIES CONSISTING
 OF TWO CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND SIX DIRECT AIR SUPPORT
 (TPQ) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED 14.9 TONS OF ORDNANCE.
 FMAW HELICOPTERS FLEW 28 SORTIES TRANSPORTING 29
 PERSONNEL AND .2 TONS OF CARGO. BATTERIES A, B,
 AND C OF THE 11TH MARINES FIRED 93 MISSIONS,
 EXPENDING 651 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

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USMC	ENEMY
0/1 WIA (EVAC)	8/3032 KIA (ADJUSTED)
USN	0/50 NVA/PW
0/1 WIA (EVAC)	0/32 VC/PW
USA	7/502 DETAINEES
0/242 KIA	0/12 RETURNEES
3/1135 WIA (EVAC)	0/57 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	0/677 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(6) OPERATION FORD (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) AT 1800, THE 1ST MARINES, WITH TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS (1ST BATTALION(-), 1ST MARINES AND 2D BATTALION (-), 3D MARINES), TERMINATED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN EASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. IN EIGHT SEPARATE INCIDENTS 21 ENEMY BODIES WERE FOUND, ONE WEAPON WAS CAPTURED AND FOUR DETAINEES WERE APPREHENDED. FIVE SEPARATE AND UNRELATED MINE INCIDENTS RESULTED IN NINE USMC WOUNDED AND EVACUATED. TWO DETAINEES WERE RECLASSIFIED AS NVA RETURNEES.

(B) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION FORD, FIXED

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WING AIRCRAFT OF VMF((AW)-235 FLEW TWO DIRECT AIR SUPPORT (TPO) SORTIES, WHICH EXPENDED FOUR TONS OF ORDNANCE. THE 1ST BATTALION, 11TH MARINES AND THE 1ST 155 GUN BATTERY FIRED 18 MISSIONS, EXPENDING 18 ROUNDS.

(C) RESULTS: DAILY/CUMULATIVE

USMC	ENEMY
0/13 KIA	21/145 KIA
9/108 WIA (EVAC)	0/4 NVA/PW
USN	0/1 VC/PW
0/1 KIA	4/58 DETAINEES
	2/2 RETURNEES
	0/2 CIVIL DEFENDANTS
	1/19 WEAPONS CAPTURED

(7) OPERATION HOUSTON (1ST MARINE DIVISION)

(A) THE 5TH MARINES, WITH THE 1ST, 2D AND 3D BATTALIONS, CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. TWO MINING INCIDENTS (ZC 143975, ZC 182009) RESULTED IN FOUR USMC WOUNDED AND EVACUATED.

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