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 4-3 Inf
 LZ THUNDER (BS874325) RVN
 110800H Oct 68
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FRAGORD 19-68 to OPORD 10-68, Hqs, 4-3 Inf

Task Org:

Ce A 4-3 Inf	Ce D	Ba Central C/6-11 Arty DS(OPCON)
Ce B	Ce E	3d Plat(-)/Trp E, 1st Cav(OPCON)
Ce C	HHC (-)	NPTF Team(10 men) (2) IPW tms fm 52d MID

1. Ce A secures and improves defenses LZ CHARLIE BROWN with 2 rifle plato and Mort Plat; secures Bridge 94 with (1) rifle sqd; 1st plat continues 3 day independent Hwy 1 and trail interdiction operation in AO YELLOW; (1) rifle plat conducts combat patrol, commencing 120640H Oct 68, SW of LZ CHARLIE BROWN to vic BS896205, closing back to LZ CHARLIE BROWN NLT 121635H Oct 68.

2. Ce B establishes night ambushes vic BS848281 and BS860294 and Ce(-) ambush vic BS857287; occupies blocking positions L (BS844292) M, (BS847301) and N (BS854302) NLT 120625H Oct 68; on order, establish cordon in assigned sector from BS838296 to BS854306; on order, tightens cordon from PL WAY to PL HIT and to PL HO. Upon termination of operation Ce B moves by motor transport to LZ BRONCO for STANDOWN night 12 Oct 68; pick up point vic BS842328.

3. Ce C(-) establishes NDP vic BS813335 NLT 111600H Oct 68 and plat night ambush positions vic BS800330 and BS811344; occupies blocking positions V (BS810320), W(BS817327), and X (BS819336) NLT 120625H Oct 68; prepares on order, to occupy blocking position P vic BS830330 with rifle plat(-); on order, establishes cordon in assigned sector from BS816313 to BS826333; on order tightens cordon from PL WAY to PL HIT and then to PL HO. Upon termination of operation Ce C moves by foot to secure and improve defenses LZ THUNDER; secures Bridge 111 w/(1) rifle squad NLT 121800H Oct 68.

4. Ce D secures and improves defenses LZ THUNDER; secures Bridge 94 NLT 111800H Oct 68; Ce D(-) conducts CA, commencing 120630H Oct 68 into LZs 1 (BS827302), 2 (BS833297), and 3 (BS820307); on order, establishes cordon in assigned sector from BS816313 to BS838296; on order tightens cordon from PL WAY to PL HIT and to PL HO. Upon termination of operation mort plat at LZ THUNDER rejoins unit and Ce D conducts offensive search and cordon operations to NW to vic BS795365.

5. Ce E:

a. Recon plat establishes night ambush vic BS864306, occupies blocking position K (BS857310) NLT 120625H Oct 68; establishes cordon in assigned sector from vic BS854306 to BS855317; prepares, on order, to occupy blocking position T (BS850320); on order, tightens cordon from PL WAY to PL HIT and to PL HO. Upon termination of operation Recon plat secures LZ THUNDER.

b. Hvy Mort Plat: GS LZ THUNDER

c. GS Sec: OPCON 1-20 Inf

6. 3d Plat/Trp E 1st Cav occupies blocking position P and T NLT 120625H Oct 68 with minimum 2 APC's each; 2 APC's on blocking position P OPCON to Co C and 2 APC's on blocking position T OPCON to Recon Plat, upon arrival at designated locations, plat(-), upon arrival from bridge guard mission, will initially move and join recon plat, OPCON upon arrival.

7. NPFF tm and (2)IPW teams, 52d MID move by UH1H from SE pad, LZ BRONCO, at 120650H Oct 68 and CA into LZ 4 vic BS836318, conduct intensified search operations and establish bn vcs collection/interrogation point. Upon termination of operation teams will be moved by motor transport to LZ BRONCO.

8. Coordinating Instructions:

a. Units will detain all personnel within cordon area of operations and move them to Bn vcs collection/interrogation point, the only exception being Vietnamese too infirm to walk.

b. Units will be constantly on alert for snipers and the locations of adjacent units.

c. During conduct of operation units will maintain proper dispersion and stay off of trails.

d. Household and personal belongings will not be removed from huts or from Vietnamese personnel unless authorized by the unit commander.

Acknowledge

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Annex A: Operation Overlay

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