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Hq 4-3 Inf  
LZ THUNDER (B3874325) RTN  
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OPORD 15-68, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series 17014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

(C) Task Org:

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| A/4-3 Inf | HHC (-)/4-3 Inf    |
| B/4-3 Inf | Battalion Control  |
| C/4-3 Inf | A/6-11th Arty (DS) |
| D/4-3 Inf | C/6-11th Arty (DS) |
| E/4-3 Inf | C/3-18th Arty (DS) |

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current DITSUN (see intelligence).

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) On order 11th Bde conducts operations with two (2) Bns West of LZ BACHCO.

(2) 3-1 Inf

(3) 1-20 Inf

(4) 4-21 Inf

(5) 6-11th Arty

(6) C/3-18th Arty

c. Attachments and Detachments: Task Org.

d. Assumptions:

(1) Enemy is capable of launching sustained attack in the Duc Pho AO at any time of his own choice with not more than one (1) regiment.

(2) Enemy is capable of conducting continuous harassing operations throughout the entire Duc Pho AO.

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(3) Helicopters will be available for limited lift capability.

2. MISSION:

On order 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for Dac Pho AO.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operation: On order 4-3 Inf airlifts Company C from LZ BRONCO to LZ LIZ, Company D from LZ THUNDER to LZ DRAGON, Company B assumes responsibility for LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Company A responsibility for LZ THUNDER, Recon platoon Company E will assume responsibility for operations around LZ BRONCO. Fires will be on call.

b. Co A.

c. Co B.

d. Co C.

e. Co D.

f. Co E: Heavy mortar platoon will be GS LZ THUNDER, GS section GS LZ THUNDER.

g. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Companies will conduct local patrolling and night ambushes around their LZ every day and night.

(2) Units maintain and update lift requirements for personnel and equipment daily and inform this Hq's of any changes.

(3) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution on order.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

a. See current ADMINO.

b. Resupply by airlift on request.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal.

(1) Current SOI in effect.

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(2) All units will monitor Bn Command frequency, 65.05.

b. Command: Bn CP located at LZ THUNDER.

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