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Hq 4-3 Inf
LZ THUNDER (B9874325) KWH
101100H DEC 68
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FRAGORD 1-68 to OPORD 15-68, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf	MEC (-)/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 (OS)

TP PRIOR:

- a. /2/4-3 Inf
- b. /D/4-3 Inf
- c. Recon /E/4-3 Inf

2. 4-3 Inf conducts offensive search operations in Duc Pho AO with Co A/LZ THUNDER, Co B (-)/LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Co C/LZ LIZ, Co D (-)/LZ DRAGON, and Co E (-)/LZ THUNDER.

3. Co A:

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ THUNDER.
- b. Conducts offensive search operations vic LZ THUNDER.

4. Co B (-):

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ CHARLIE BROWN.
- b. Conducts offensive search operations AO YELLOW.
- c. Conducts squad size amb vic Bridge 94 by 1800H nightly.

5. Co C:

- a. Secures and defends LZ LIZ.
- b. Conducts offensive search operations vic LZ LIZ.

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6. Co D (-):

- a. Secures and defends LZ DRAGON.
- b. Conducts offensive search operations vic LZ DRAGON.

7. Co E (-):

- a. Hvy Mort plat: GS LZ THUNDER.
- b. GS Sec: GS LZ THUNDER.

8. Task Force PRYOR:

- a. Conducts night infiltration 111900H DEC from LZ BRONCO to BS750330.
- b. Conducts day and night amb vic BS749325, BS752339, and BS750330.
- c. Movement to locations will be conducted by stealth. Ambush locations will have overhead cover and complete concealment.
- d. Unit will carry 3 days water and ration supply (2 meals per day) chocolate candy will be carried as food supplement. Resupply will not be effected during operation. No beer or soda will be taken on this operation. No transistor radios will be taken. Dog tags will be taped as to prevent noise. No smoking will be in effect during hours of darkness. No fires during the operation. Complete camouflage, to include blacking of faces, will be accomplished prior to move out. Unit commander will inspect all personnel prior to movement to the operational area. Squad units will carry a minimum of 2 starlight scopes.

Acknowledge.


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Annex A: Operations Overlay

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AVTF-PA-4D-OP

10 December 1968

SUBJECT: Operations Summary

1. GENERAL:

- a. Name of Operation: Search and Clear
- b. Date of Operation: 20 Sept to 24 Oct 1968
- c. Location: DUC PHO
- d. Control Headquarters: 4-3 INF

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

Co A

Co B

Co C

Co D

Co E

HC (-)

3. MISSION: 4-3 INF conducted combat operations in the DUC PHO A.O.

4. EXECUTION: 4-3 INF conducted offensive search and combat sweep operations in the DUC PHO A.O. and secured LZ THUNDER and LZ CHARLIE FROM. Also improve defensive positions on LZ THUNDER and LZ CHARLIE FROM.

5. RESULTS:

FRIENDLY LOSSES

KIA MIA

2 22

ENEMY LOSSES

KIA CIA VCS WPHS

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SUBJECT: Operations Summary

1. GENERAL:

- a. Name of Operation: VERNON LAKE 1
- b. Date of Operation: 25 Oct to 02 Nov 1968
- c. Location: LZ PEPPER
- d. Control Headquarters: 4-3 INF

2. TASK ORGANIZATION:

Co A	En Control
Co B	C/3-1 Inf (OPCON)
Co C	
Co D	
Co E	
REC	

3. MISSION: 4-3 INF conducted combat operations in the area of FSB LOUWHORN; FSB DANGER; and FSB RAZORBACK.

4. EXECUTION: 4-3 INF conducted combat assaults, offensive searches with Co C 3-1 Inf (OPCON).

5. RESULTS:

FRIENDLY LOSSES

KIA	MIA	DOM
1	4	0

ENEMY LOSSES

KIA	CIA	VCS	WPKS
NVA 26	0	25	19
VC 49	0	0	0

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SUBJECT: Operations Summary

1. GENERAL:

- a. Name of Operation: VERNON LAKE 2
- b. Date of Operations: 02 Nov to 13 Nov 1968
- c. Location: LZ CORX
- d. Control Headquarters: 4-3 INF

2. TASK ORGANIZATION:

Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D
Co E
HEC (-)

3. MISSION: 4-3 INF conducted combat assault and offensive search combat sweep operations in the vic of LZ CORX.

4. EXECUTION: 4-3 INF conducted a CA into the LZ CORX area. LZ CORX received 30-80 rds 82MM mortar. Companies commenced offensive search operations in their assigned sector.

5. RESULTS:

FRIENDLY LOSSES

KIA	MIA
0	7

ENEMY LOSSES

	KIA	CIA	VCS	WPHS
NVA	21	0	6	2
VCS	3	0	0	0

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