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Hq 4-3 Inf
LZ BUFF (BS541825) RVN
180800H Mar 69
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OPORD 4-69, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6739I, 6739II, 6739III, and 6739 IV.

(C) Task Organization:

Co A/4-3 Inf
1st Plat H Trp, 17th CAV

HHC (-)/4-3 Inf

Battalion Control

Co B/4-3 Inf
2nd Plat H Trp, 17th CAV

Co E (-)/4-3 Inf

Co C/4-3 Inf

4.2 Mortar Plat/4-3 Inf

Co D/4-3 Inf

Recon Plat/4-3 Inf

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces: Current Intsum.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 198th LIB and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Division realign boundaries, relocate tactical units, and establish GENEVA PARK OPERATIONAL ZONE (OZ), conduct unilateral and combined operations to find, fix, and destroy enemy Main Force (MF) and Local Force (LF) units; and conduct other tactical operations as appropriate to accomplish the objectives of the GVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969.

(2) Current SITREPS.

2. MISSION: At 181200H Mar 69, 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for assigned Fire Control Area (FCA); conducts both unilateral and combined operations with ARVN and Provincial Forces to find, fix, and destroy enemy MF and LF units; and conducts other tactical operations as appropriate to accomplish the objectives of the GVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969; maintains one (1) fire support base at LZ BUFF; assumes responsibility for approval of all supporting fires impacting within assigned FCA; establishes a liaison team at Son Tinh District and Ha Thanh USSF/CIDG Camp; and on order, secures engineer work parties during the up grading of HL 529 (Tra Bong Road).

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: Annex A; Operation Overlay. On 181200H Mar 69, 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for assigned FCA. Co A w/1st Plat H Trp, 17th CAV conducts combined operation with Task Force 4th CAV, 2d ARVN Div by Group 4:

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establishing a blocking position vic BS543775 to prevent the escape of enemy forces as the ARVN forces sweep from East to West.

b. Fires: See Annex B; Fire Support.

c. Co A:

(1) Conduct sweep at 180700H Mar 69 from NDP location vic BS570-825 to blocking position vic BS543775.

(2) Establish and maintain block oriented to the east to prevent escape of enemy forces in coordination with sweep being conducted by Task Force 4th CAV 2d ARVN Division.

(3) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF on order.

d. Co B:

(1) Continue security of CHIC.

(2) Conduct standdown at 196th LIB standdown area at Chu Lai from 201000H Mar 69 to 241000H Mar 69.

e. Co C:

(1) Continue standdown.

(2) Conduct airlift from Ky Hoa Pad, Chu Lai on 20 Mar 69 to CHIC.

(3) Assume mission of security of CHIC upon closing CHIC on 20 Mar 69.

f. Co D:

(1) Continue defense of LZ BUFF.

(2) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF as directed.

g. Co E:

(1) Recon Plat:

(a) Continue standdown.

(b) Conduct airlift from Ky Hoa Pad, Chu Lai to LZ BUFF at 201000H Mar 69.

(c) Assist in defense of LZ BUFF upon closing LZ BUFF on 20 Mar 69.

(d) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF as directed.

(2) 4.2 Mortar Plat: GS LZ BUFF.

(3) GS: GS LZ BUFF

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h. 1st Plat H Trp 17th CAV: OPCON Co A.

i. 2d Plat H Trp 17th CAV: OPCON Co B.

j. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Status of counterpart commanders at all levels is co-equal.

(2) Temporary FCA's for operations must be submitted 24 hours prior to effective date.

4. Administration and Logistics: No Change.

5. Command and Signal:

a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.

b. Command: CP remains at LZ BUFF

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Annex A: Operations Overlay

Annex B: Fire Support

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ANNEX B (Fire Support) to OPORD 4-69

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1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div and 4-3 Inf provide ground support in the current Fire Control Area (FCA).

(2) 7th Air Force provides tactical air support.

2. MISSION: 4-3 Inf and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div conduct unilateral and combined operations to accomplish the objectives of the GVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969.

3. EXECUTION:

a. 4-3 Inf and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div conduct unilateral and combined operations in the Common Operations Zone (OZ) to find, fix, and destroy the enemy.

b. Air Support: Requests for tactical air support will be submitted to the Bn S-3 Air.

c. Artillery support:

(1) D Btry, 1/11th Arty (105mm towed) will provide DS for the LZ BUFF FCA.

(2) D Btry, 1/82d Arty (155/8" SP) located on LZ DOTTIE will provide general support.

(3) Additional fire support is available from 3/18th Arty (175/8" SP) located at Tra Bong.

(4) Btry G (-) 55th Arty (105) will provide additional fire support for the defense of LZ BUFF.

(5) 3rd Plat (-) Btry G, 29th Arty (SLT) will provide illumination for the defense of LZ BUFF.

d. Coordinating Instructions:

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(1) Rules of Engagement: Americal Regulation 525-4, Feb 69.

(2) Clearance of fires will be requested from the Arty LNO.

4. Admin and Log: No change.

5. Command and Signal:

a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.

b. Command: No change.

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