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OPORD 6-71

Reference: MAP, SOUTH VIETNAM, 1:50,000, Series L7014, Sheets 6640II, III and 6639I, IV.

Task Org:

4-3 Inf

4-31 Inf

Bde Con

B/26 Engr (DS)

1-14 Arty (DS)

1. (C) SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces:

(1) Current INTSUMS.

(2) The 70th LF Bn, 72d LF Bn and the 74th LF Hv Wpn Bn are known to be operating in the AO. In addition, elements of the V16 LF Sapper Group and D11 LF Bn are believed to be located in the AO northeast of FSB CENTER.

(3) Annex B, Intelligence Overlay.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 23d Inf Div executes FRAGO 30-71 and 32-71 (U)(NOTAL).

(2) 11th Inf Bde executes para 1, 23d Inf Div FRAGO 30-71 (U)(NOTAL).

(3) 196th Inf Bde executes para 1, 23d Inf Div FRAGO 32-71 (U)(NOTAL).

(4) 16th CAG provides Army Aviation support.

(5) 7th AF provides tactical air support.

(6) Quang Tin (P) Territorial Forces conduct surge operations in assigned AO to destroy VC/PA forces in the western AK Valley area.

c. Attachments and Detachments: Task Org.

2. (C) MISSION

198th Inf Bde, in coordination and conjunction with the Quang Tin (P) Territorial Forces, conducts combat operations during the period 15-25 June in

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objective area northeast of FSB CENTER and in the AK Valley to destroy elements of the 70th LF Bn, 72d LF Bn, 74th LF Hv Wpn Bn, V16 LF Sapper Group, and D11 LF Bn and to interdict movement of supply parties into the objective area.

3. (C) EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations.

(1) Maneuver. 198th Inf Bde initiates operations 15 June by combat assaulting elements of 4-3 Inf and 4-31 Inf into assigned AO's to conduct search and ambush patrols. Annex A, Operation Overlay.

(2) Fires. Annex C, Fire Support.

b. 4-3 Inf

(1) Conduct operations in assigned AO with priority of effort along the valleys in the eastern and western extremities of AO.

(2) Continue present retraining phase until completion.

(3) Coordinate with RF Company 238 at FSB ANN DAO regarding establishment of Fwd CP at that location.

c. 1-6 Inf: Continue current operations.

d. 4-31 Inf

(1) Air assault from TLM KY International into assigned AO with priority of effort along AK Valley.

(2) Coordinate with 4/5 ARVN Regt regarding establishment of Fwd CP at FSB CENTER.

e. 1-52 Inf: Continue current operations.

f. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Units will operate continually in assigned areas 150600 Jun to 252400 Jun 71.

(2) 4-3 Inf and 4-31 Inf are authorized direct coordination with Quang Tin Province and 5th ARVN Regt.

4. (U) SERVICE SUPPORT: Current SOP.

5. (U) COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal: Current SOI index in effect.

b. Command: Bde CP at Chu Lai.

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Annexes: A - Operation Overlay

B - Intelligence

C - Fire Support

Z - Distribution

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Annex C (Fire Support) to OPORD 6-71

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Task Org: OPORD 6-71

1. (C) SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces: Current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 23d Inf Div executes FRAGO 30-71 and 31-71 (U) (NOTAL).

(2) 23d Inf Div Artillery provides supporting/reinforcing fires as required.

(3) 7th AF provides tactical air support as required.

c. Attachments and Detachments

(1) Task Org.

(2) G/3-82 Arty OPCON 1-14 Arty effective 150900 Jun 71.

2. (C) MISSION

Artillery with the Bde and supporting elements support 198th Inf Bde with conventional artillery and air support.

3. (C) EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation: 198th Inf Bde initiates operations 15 Jun by combat assaulting elements of 4-3 Inf and 4-31 Inf into assigned AO's to conduct search and ambush patrols.

b. Air Support:

(1) Aircraft will be available for armed reconnaissance of air routes, combat air patrols, and normal close air support missions.

(2) Airborne Forward air controllers will be provided from 20th TASS available on call through 198th Inf Bde S3 AIR.

(3) Fighter aircraft will be requested through 198th Inf Bde S3 AIR; allocated by I Corps D-30.

c. Artillery Support:

(1) Artillery will support the attack initially with preparation fires for the specified landing zones at H-10.

(2) Artillery fires will be available on call to support all phases of the operation.

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operation.

(3) Organization for Combat:

- C/1-14 Arty(-): DS 4-3 Inf
- C/3-82 Arty(-): DS 4-31 Inf
- B/3-16 Arty: GSR 1-14 Arty
- B/3-18 Arty: GS
- G-29 Arty(-): (Searchlight)

b. Air Defense Artillery:

- G/55 Arty(-): (Quad 50)

d. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) On 15 Jun, four 105mm howitzers from C/1-14 Arty will be moved by CH-47 to ANH D.O outpost (BT153263).

(2) On 15 Jun, four 105mm howitzers from C/3-82 Arty will be moved by CH-47 to LZ CENTER (BT053250).

(3) Standard 23d Inf Div Rules of Engagement and normal clearance procedures will be in effect except in the following cases:

(a) The boundary lines forming the 198th Inf Bde Operational Box is the FCL. Appropriate military and political clearance has been obtained for the duration of the operation to employ artillery and mortar fire up to and including the FCL except along that area that borders the QUANG TIN (P) RF operation which will be governed by the standard rules of engagement.

(b) Artillery Liaison Officers have the authority to obtain QUANG TIN (P) clearance through direct radio communications initially with the Fwd Cmd Post of the Province Forces at Hill 253 (BT182205) and subsequently with the TOC at Province HQ in TAM KY.

(c) 5th ARVN Regt clearance may be obtained through QUANG TIN (P) CP/TOC or direct to HAWK HILL.

(d) All fires within 500 meters of the US Inf Bn's AO boundary will be cleared by both Bn's.

(4) Requests for GSR and GS artillery support will be requested through 1-14 Arty Bn FDC.

(5) Priority of fires to units in contact.

4. (U) SERVICE SUPPORT

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- a. Material and Services. Class V ASR, to be announced.
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5. (C) COMMAND AND SIGNAL
- a. Signal. Current SCI/SSI in effect.
 - b. Command. 1-14 CP - En FDC.

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