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ORIAN 3-69 (PIERCE VALLEY) (U)

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TIME ZONE: Hotel.

Tech Organization:

1-23 Inf	3-1 Inf	4-3 Inf	Bde Com
D/6-11 Arty(DS)	A/6-11 Arty(DS)	B/6-11 Arty(DS)	6-11 Arty(-)(DS)
			C/25 Regt(DS)
			H/1 Cav

1. (C) SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces:

- (1) Current THREATS.
- (2) Annex B, Intelligence (TBT).

b. Friendly Forces:

- (1) Americal Division conducts extensive operations in zone to interdict enemy base areas and LOC's.
- (2) 4th ARVN Regiment continues operations in zone and assumes increased responsibility for security of coastal plain.
- (3) 7th U.S. Air Force and 1st MAW provide tactical air support as required.

(4) Current SITREPS.

c. Attachments and detachments: A-21 Inf OPCON 198th Inf Bde effective as order.

d. Assumptions:

- (1) That 2D ARVN Division will have completed their redistribution of forces within the 12th DTA by D-Day.
- (2) That a three battalion 11th Brigade force will be adequate to control the Brigade OZ during the period of the operations.
- (3) That the 11th Brigade will be relieved of reaction force responsibility for SF/CIDG camps in zone.

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2. (C) MISSION: On order the 11th Infantry Brigade assumes responsibility of new OZ, releases one battalion to OPCON 198th Infantry Brigade and continues operations to find, fix and destroy enemy main and local forces in zone.

3. (C) EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation:

(1) Maneuver: Annex A, Opn O/L. E-Hour, D-Day the 11th Infantry Brigade expands its operational zone (OZ) to the north. 4-21 Infantry is released to OPCON 198th Infantry Brigade and 1-20 Infantry is air moved to FSB STINSON (BS338826) to begin operations in the area north of QUANG NGAI City. The move will necessitate realignment of fire base security and fire control areas. FSB JEFF will be closed, and 3-1 Infantry will assume responsibility for FSB LIZ as well as an increased FCA. 4-3 Infantry will remain on FSB SAN JUAN HILL. There will be no realignment of the 2D ARVN Division commensurate with the operation.

(2) FIRES: Annex C, Fire Support (TBP).

b. 1-20 Inf:

(1) Assume responsibility for new FCA, on order.

(2) Be prepared to air move to FSB STINSON and establish battalion FSB with D/G-11 Arty, on order.

(3) On order conduct a combat assault with one company into BATANGAN PENINSULA to provide security for local refugees, interdict and reduce VC infrastructure, and destroy VC main and local forces in the area.

(4) Provide security for RMK work party south of QUANG NGAI with minimum of 1 platoon.

(5) Coordinate with 6th ARVN Regiment reference combined operations in FCA.

(6) Coordinate with 1-52 Inf at FSB STINSON and 5-46 Inf at FSB GATOR (BS585943) reference assumption of missions b(2) and b(3) above.

(7) Conduct combat sweep operations VIC FSB STINSON to find, fix, and destroy enemy forces in the area.

(8) Coordinate with District/Province officials and advisors as required.

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c. 3-1 Inf:

- (1) Assume responsibility for new FCA, on order.
- (2) Be prepared to secure FSB LIZ with one company, on order.
- (3) Continue to secure FSB DEBBIE with one company.
- (4) Secure LZ CHARLIE BROWN with 4.2 mortar platoon and one rifle platoon.
- (5) Continue to provide security for engineer mine sweep teams and upgrading work parties in FCA.

d. 4-3 Inf:

- (1) Assume responsibility for new FCA, on order.
- (2) Continue to interdict enemy base camps and LOC's within FCA.

e. 4-21 Inf:

- (1) Be prepared to close FSB JEFF, on order.
- (2) OPCON 198th Infantry Brigade, effective on order.

f. 6-11 Arty: Annex C, Fire Support (IBF).

g. E/1 Cav:

h. C/26 Engr:

i. Coordinating Instructions:

- (1) D-Day, H-Hour: to be announced.
 - (2) New FCA's effective on order.
 - (3) Effective for planning on receipt, execution on order.
 - (4) Direct coordination with commanders concerned is authorized and directed.
4. (U) ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. 1st Brigade Admino 1-69.
5. (C) COMMO AND SIGNAL.
- a. Signal: Current SOR/SSI in effect.

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b. Command: Brigade CP command FSB BROWARD (65014306).

Schedule:

MEMBER:

A - Operations O/L
B - Intelligence (TSP)
C - Fire Support (TSP)
D - Psychological Operations (TSP)

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