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OPLAN 12-71 (Relief/Reinforcement of 11th Inf Bde Fire Support Bases) (U).

Reference: Maps Vietnam, 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6639 I-IV; 6739 II, 6638I, 6738 IV, 6738 I, 6838 IV.

Task Organization: Current Task Organization.

1. (C) SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces:

- (1) Current INTSUM in effect.
- (2) Intell Annex, 11th Inf Bde TAC SOP.

b. Friendly Forces:

- (1) 23d Infantry Division continues current operations.
- (2) 198th Infantry Brigade continues current operations.
- (3) 6th ARVN Regiment continues current operations.
- (4) 4th ARVN Regiment continues current operations.
- (5) 7th U.S. Air Force provides TAC air support.
- (6) Current SITREPS.

c. Attachments and Detachments: Current Task Organization.

d. Assumptions: That an 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base receives an enemy attack which cannot be reduced by the forces at the fire support base.

2. (C) MISSION: 11th Infantry Brigade conducts combat operations with a reaction force initially consisting of one reinforced rifle company to reinforce/relieve/or evacuate any 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base under attack.

3. (C) EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation:

(1) Maneuver: 11th Infantry Brigade with designated forces from the unit whose fire support base is under attack conducts an airmobile assault to the vicinity of the contact area to reinforce/relieve/or evacuate the base as directed. The initial company will be followed by the remaining companies of the battalion until these forces are completely committed. Reinforcing units will then be brought in from other battalion-size units under brigade control. Relief/reinforcement will be conducted under the direction of the CO, 11th Infantry Brigade.

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(2) Fires: Priority of fires to reaction company(ies), Annex A (Fire Support).

b. 3-1 Infantry:

(1) Continue current operations.

(2) Be prepared to release OPCON, one or more reinforced rifle companies to conduct operations to reinforce/relieve/evacuate an 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base as directed.

(3) Provide primary reinforcement to FSB Lix and FSB Stinson.

c. 1-20 Infantry:

(1) Continue current operations.

(2) Be prepared to release OPCON, one or more reinforced rifle companies to conduct operations to reinforce/relieve/evacuate an 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base as directed.

(3) Provide primary reinforcement to FSB 411.

d. 1-52 Infantry:

(1) Continue current operations.

(2) Be prepared to release OPCON, one or more reinforced rifle companies to conduct operations to reinforce/relieve/evacuate an 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base as directed.

(3) Provide primary reinforcement to FSB 411 and FSB Dettie.

e. TF 23d Cavalry (Prev):

(1) Continue current operations.

(2) Be prepared to reinforce/relieve/evacuate an 11th Infantry Brigade fire support base as directed.

(3) Be prepared to act as a blocking or pursuit force against a withdrawing enemy force.

f. 6-11 Artillery: DS

g. D/26th Engineers: DS

h. 59th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog): DS

i. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Direct coordination is directed.

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- (2) This plan effective for planning upon receipt and execution on order.
- (3) This plan supercedes OPLAN 7-71.
4. (U) SERVICE SUPPORT: Current SOP.
5. (U) COMMAND and SIGNAL:
 - a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.
 - b. Command: Brigade CP at FSB Dettie.

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