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LZ Gator (BS573964) RVN
121200 Aug 68

FROM: CO, 1st Bn, 52d Inf

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SUBJECT: Frag Ord 3 (Reconnaissance) to OPORD 2-68 (U)

1. (C) At 121200 Aug 68 198th Inf Bde changes Opcon from Americal Division to TF Cooksey, to pursue, attack and destroy major enemy forces in TAOR.
2. (C) 1-52 Inf continues operations in current AO, conducts intensive reconnaissance in AO and in assigned reconnaissance zone to find, fix and identify enemy forces.
3. (C) A Co.
 - a. Continue present operations in assigned AO.
 - b. Observe approaches into Chu Lai from the west through the Tri Binh Area.
 - c. Conduct reconnaissance patrols to determine enemy strength, location and identity of enemy forces.
4. (C) B Co. Continue security of LZ Paradise and River Boat South and conduct patrols and ambushes in present AO.
5. (C) C Co.
 - a. Continue present mission in assigned AO.
 - b. Conduct observation of approaches from high ground west of Quang Ngai through Son Tinh into Chu Lai TAOR.
 - c. Interdict east-west routes south of LZ Buff by Arty and Mortar fire.
6. (C) D Co. Continue operations in assigned AO.
7. (C) E Co.

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- a. Continue fire support from LZ Chippewa and CAP 133. Continue patrols and ambushes in AO vicinity LZ Buff.
- b. Conduct reconnaissance to west within AO and recon zone to determine strength, location and identification of enemy forces.

8. (C) Coordinating Instructions.

- a. Aero Scout Company - available for recon and screening action. F Troop 8th Cav is available on a mission basis to conduct serial recon and PW captive operations.
- b. All companies will report selected PZ's each night for elements in the field as a ready reaction force. Each unit must be able to mark PZ's at night. Report PZ's and number of pax to TOC NLT 1730 hours daily.

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040600 Aug 68

FROM: CO, 1-52 Inf, 198th Inf Bde (Lt), CHU LAI, RVN

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SUBJECT: FRAG ORD 2 to OPORD 2-68 (1-52 Mission)

1. (C) 1-52 Inf realigns and relocates forces in revised TAOR (see operations overlay).
2. (C) A Co.
 - a. Continue to provide security for LZ Gator and improve perimeter defenses.
 - b. Change Opcn of 2d platoon fr Co E effective 041200 Aug 68. 2d platoon to be airlifted on 041100 Aug 68.
 - c. Conduct squad-sized patrols, ambushes and surveillance operations in AO vicinity LZ Gator primarily at night.
 - d. Provide one platoon as the Battalion Reaction Force.
3. (C) B Co.
 - a. Co (-) secure LZ Paradise w/one section of Quad 50. Continue all present missions.
 - b. Conduct squad-sized patrols and ambushes in AO vicinity LZ Paradise for coordination w/CAP 135 to deny enemy routes of approach into Phuoc Tien Refugee Center.
 - c. Two platoons secure River Boat South and conduct squad-sized ambush patrols and combat patrols in AO west of River Boat South in coordination w/CAP 135.
 - d. Be prepared to be reaction force for all CAP Posts and refugee centers in your AO.
4. (C) C Co.
 - a. Provide security for LZ Dottie.

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- b. Conduct interdiction activities and cordon and search of villages in the area of LZ Dottie to eliminate probable VC transportation units and movement of supplies through the area.
- c. 3d platoon will be extracted from Rocket Mountain Area on morning of 4 Aug 68 to LZ Chippewa for movement to LZ Dottie on 4 Aug 68.
- d. Two platoons Co C provide security for LZ Buff and conduct interdiction operations, combat patrols and ambushes primarily at night in AO vicinity LZ Buff.
- 5. (C) D Co.
 - a. Move from LZ Buff via CH-47 to LZ Chippewa to secure that firebase.
 - b. Conduct interdiction operations in the vicinity of LZ Chippewa to provide early warning for Chu Lai area of possible movement of NVA elements from west of Chippewa.
 - c. Conduct combat patrols and ambushes, primarily at night, to engage enemy forces infiltrating and occupy day OP's for early warning.
- 6. (C) E Co.
 - a. 4.2 Mortar Plat (-) continues fire support from LZ Chippewa.
 - b. Two 4.2 Mortars continue fire support in AO from CAP 133 location BS664984.
 - c. Recon Platoon will be extracted from field location to LZ Chippewa on 041600 Aug 68; conduct foot movement from LZ Chippewa to vicinity BS4495 and initiate recon operations to detect enemy movement into TAOR from the west.
- 7. (C) 1-52 Inf retains Opcn of one platoon H Trp 17th Cav. This platoon will be utilized at night for security of bridges and refugee camps and will be utilized as a part of the battalion reaction force.
- 8. (C) Coordinating Instructions.
 - a. Coordination between units authorized and directed.
 - b. CO's conduct VR of AO's as required.

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9. (U) Requests for ammunition, fortification materials and transportation will be submitted to S4, 1-52 Inf.

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