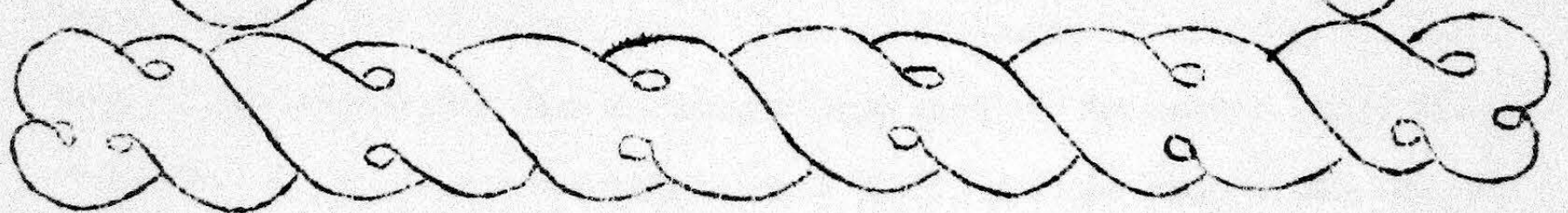


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4th BATTALION

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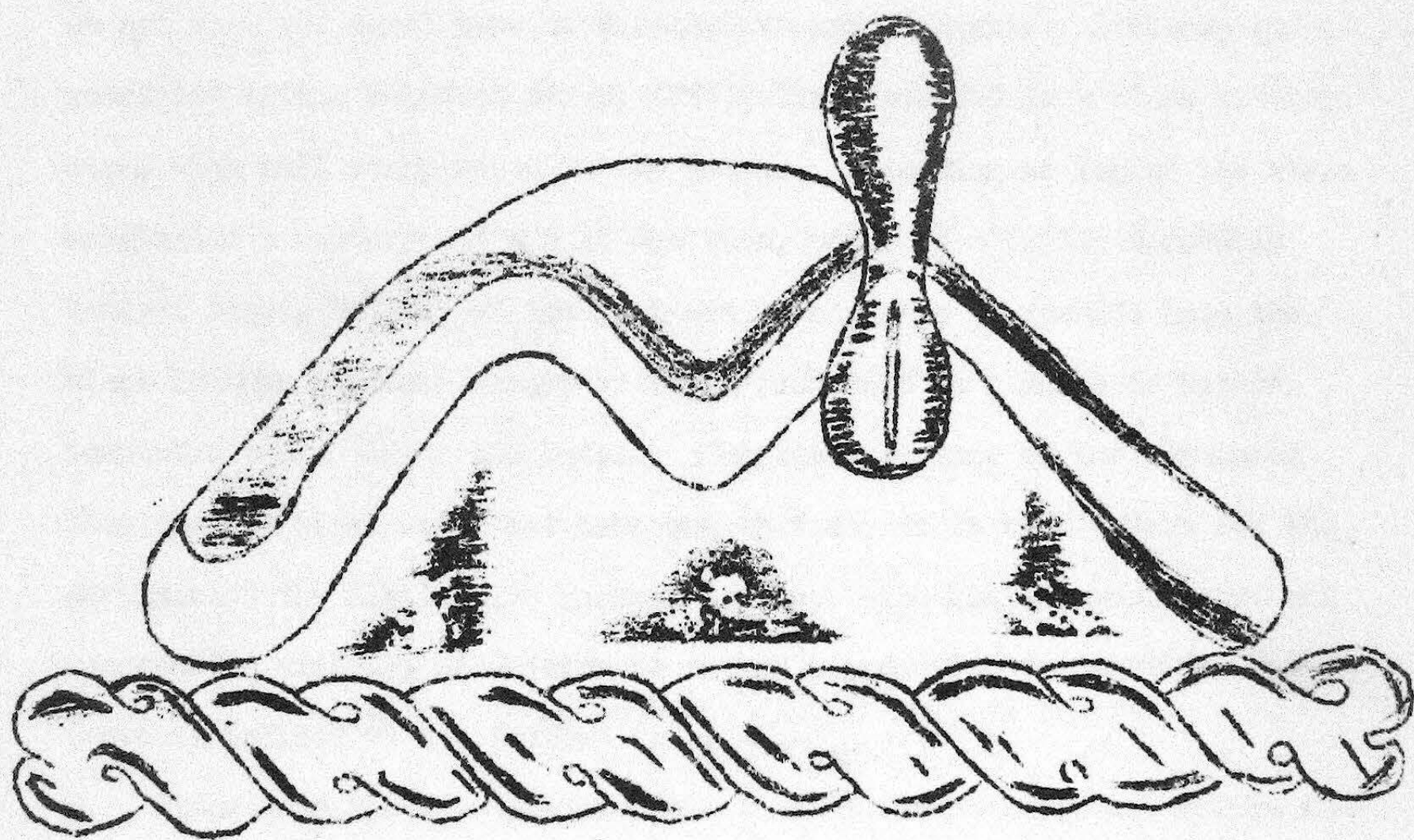
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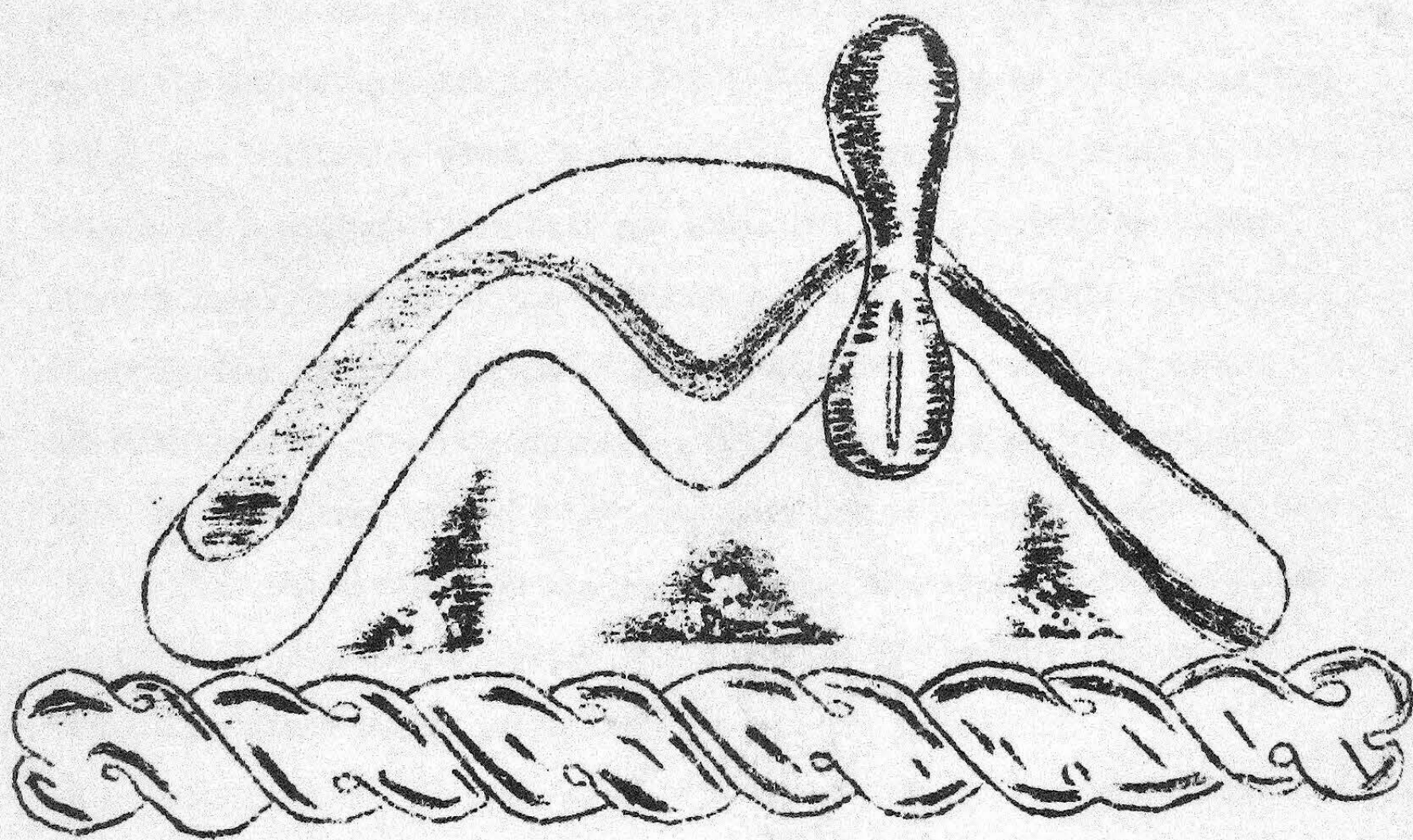
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NHC 11th Bde S-3

28 March 1970

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2. Request addressees submit a list of Battalion and Company/Troop Commanders with the dates of their service to this headquarters, ATTN: AVDF-BAOP, NLT 5 April 1970.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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1LT, INF
ASST. Adjutant

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7. 8 August - Return from Operations Coral Sands II.
8. 15 August - CPT Richard E. Six assumes command of HHC from CPT William R. Dennis, who is reassigned to HHC, 6th Support Battalion.
9. 16 August - 18 August - Brigade re-organization. Headquarters Company is divided into two separate companies. 3 Officers and 85 EM are reassigned to Co E, 4th Bn 3d Inf.
10. 17 September - 21 September - 16 Officers and 154 Enlisted Men participate in Brigade Field Training Exercise at the Kahuka Training Area on Island of Oahu.
11. 1 November - SGM Edward L. Foster reassigned to Ft. Shafter, Hawaii.

12. 6 November - SGM Harry L. Dorough assumes the duties as Sergeant Major of the Battalion.


13. 15 November - LSG Charles O. George assigned to HHC 4th Bn 3d Inf.

14. 1 December - SFC McDaniel reassigned to USAG, Schofield Bks. The company loses all of its non-deployables.

15. 2 December - 7 Officers and 13 Enlisted Men depart Schofield Bks by air transportation for a restricted area.

16. 4 December - Main body of 10 Officers and 130 Enlisted Men depart Schofield Bks, Hawaii aboard USS Gen W H Gordon to a restricted area.

17. 19 December - Permanent Change of Station from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii USARPAC to Duc Pho, South Vietnam USARPAC.


RICHARD E. SIX
CPT, Infantry
Commanding

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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FROM: Co B, 4th Bn, 3d Inf
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TO: S-1, 4th Bn, 3d Inf
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Company B, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry (The Old Guard) began the year of 1967 with six (6) Officers and ninety-three (93) enlisted men. This figure climbed steadily upward during February, six (6) Officers and one-hundred and twelve (112) enlisted men, and in March there was a total of six (6) Officers and one hundred and twenty-three (123) enlisted men.

On 16 March 1967, five (5) Officers and one hundred and ten (110) enlisted men departed Schofield Barracks, Hawaii as main party for Operation Moondust VI, at the Pohakuloa Training Area, Hilo Hawaii. Prior to leaving Schofield Barracks, Company B received the Battalion Award for the Best Mess and the Best Supply Room. This was the first time that the Battalion had given these awards.

On 1 April 1967, Co B, had a total to six (6) Officers and one hundred and twenty-six (126) enlisted men. The company Mess Hall again received the Battalion best Mess Award for the month of April. On 19 April 1967, Company B, returned

from extensive Jungle Training on the island of Hawaii to Schofield Barracks where they again set up for the usual organizational duties.

May 1, 1967 found the company with an assigned strength of six(6) Officers and one hundred fifty-four (154) enlisted men. This month was spent getting prepared for the Combat Material Maintenance Inspection (CMMI) and training in the Maneuver's. During this month also, on 17 May 1967, we swapped Officers with Co C, 4th Bn, 3d Inf, gaining Lt John D. Meier, O5 331 315, and losing Lt Jan F. Miles, O5 331 321.

1 Jun 1967, found Co B, over strength for the first time since it was organized with six (6) Officers and two hundred and two (202) enlisted men. Company B again won the Battalion Award for the Best Mess Hall for the month of June.

The strength for 1 July 1967, was six (6) Officers and two hundred and thirteen (213) enlisted men. This month was spent in training and preparation for exercise Coral Sands II.

On 1 August 1967, there was five (5) Officers and 210 enlisted men assigned to Company B, of which five Officers and one hundred and ninety-two enlisted men departed Schofield Barracks for the island of Molokai Hawaii for participation in exercise Coral Sands II. 1LT Robert F. Woodruff was reassigned to HHC 11th Inf Bde as Aide-de-Camp to BG Lipscomb, the Brigade Commander, on 1 August 1967. On 9 August 1967, Company B returned to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, ending their participation in Operation Coral Sands II. 4 August 1967 Company B lost its 130, 130 Coff, Wilford D. to A Btry, 6th Bn, 11th Arty due to his recent promotion to E-5 in an Artillery MOS. On 15 August 1967, Company B's Executive Officer was reassigned to HHC, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry to serve

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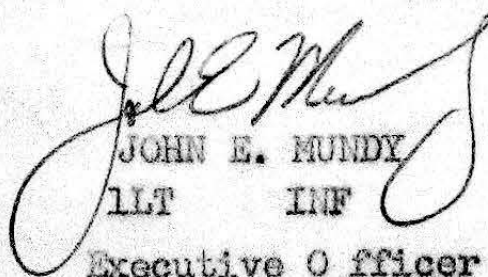
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On 1 October 1967, Co B had five Officers and one hundred twenty-six (126) enlisted men. 5 October 1967 we gained one 2LT, LT Robert L. Ross, a recent graduate from OCS at Fort Benning, Georgia. On 17 October 1967, a second lieutenant was assigned to the unit, 2LT David S. Carter, another recent graduate of OCS.

1 November 1967, found Co B, with seven Officers and one hundred and seventeen enlisted men. This month was almost solely devoted to preparation for Overseas movement.

1 December 1967, found Co B, with six Officers and one hundred and seventeen enlisted men. On 1 Dec 67, we lost LLT John D. Maier to HQ, USARHAW, G-1 due to his non-deployability with the Brigade to a restricted area. On 5 Dec 67, Co B, 4th Bn, 3d Inf, departed Hawaii for the Republic of Vietnam aboard the troop carrier USNS Gen W. H. Gordon, arriving in Qui Nhon harbor on 19 Dec 67. From there, Co B traveled by motor convoy to its base camp at Duc Pho RVN.

On 4 December 1967, LLT John E. Mundy assumed Command of the Company due to the absence of the Commander, CPT Earl R. Michles who left in the advance party for RVN, on the 4th of December. 19 December 1967, CPT Earl R. Michles resumed command of the Company upon its arrival in Vietnam.


JOHN E. MUNDY
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S-1 HISTORY FEEDER 1967

1. The Old Guard, 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, began the year 1967 with 40 officers and 502 EM out of an authorized strength of 39 officers and 785 EM. The Battalion was commanded by LTC Harold J. Meyer.
2. During January, the 11th Brigade began to renovate and rebuild the Jungle Warfare Training Center in the East Range Area. This required at least a platoon of detail personnel from each battalion per day.
3. On 21 January, the battalion participated in a Brigade change of command ceremony. Major General Hay turned over the command to Colonel Henderson and left to assume command of the 1st Infantry Division in Vietnam.
4. On 25 January, PFC Lambert, SGT Camacho, and SP4 Chambers represented the 11th Brigade in the Hawaii State AAU Boxing Championships. SGT Camacho went on to compete in Japan for USARPAC.
5. At an awards ceremony on 30 January, SP5 Robert C. Olson was presented with an Air Medal and an Army Commendation Medal, and SP4 Ronald T. Whitenack was presented with an Air Medal. The awards were presented by the Battalion Commander, LTC Meyer.
6. On 31 January, The Old Guard presents instruction and firing demonstrations of 81mm Mortars and 106 Recoilless Rifles for the ROTC Department of Leilehua High School. Commendation letter received from Commanding General, 11th Brigade.
7. February found The Old Guard with 39 officers and 585 EM.
8. Early in February, in response to our request, USARPAC authorized The Old Guard to wear its unit insignia sewn on the left breast pocket of the fatigue jacket.
9. On 6 and 8 February, The Old Guard performed Honor Guard Duty for General Freeman CGUSCOMARC, and General Ryan CGPACAF. Letters of praise received from several general officers.
10. Due to its outstanding performances on Honor Guard, the 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, on 13 February, designated Honor Guard Battalion for the 11th Brigade.
11. Four officers and six NCO's selected from The Old Guard to act as umpires for 3d Battalion 1st Infantry during their Company Army Training Tests at Pohakalua Training Area on Hawaii from 27 February to 6 March.
12. The strength on 1 March had again risen to a total of 38 officers and 610 EM.
13. On 13 March, the Battalion's Advance Party departed for Pohakalua Training Area on the island of Hawaii to prepare the area for the Main Body's arrival several days later. During the following five weeks, all the companies took their Army Training Tests and completed them satisfactorily.

14. April found The Old Guard still on Hawaii, the strength remaining fairly constant at 38 officers and 605 EM.

15. In late April, a large influx of enlisted personnel direct from basic training arrived in the Brigade to take Advanced Individual Training.

16. The strength figures on 1 May of 37 officers and 823 EM reflect the influx of AIT personnel.

17. On 19 May, The Old Guard held an awards ceremony in Quad C. Bronze Star Medals were presented to PSC Velligas and SGT Bridges, and the Army Commendation Medal (1st OLC) was presented to SFC White. The awards were presented by LTC Meyer, the Battalion Commander.

18. The first of June reflected a further increase in enlisted personnel due to the AIT personnel. Strength was 37 officers and 896 EM.

19. From 11 June to 17 June The Old Guard provided 4 officers and 6 NCO's as umpires for 1st Battalion 20th Infantry Army Training Tests. Several letters of commendation were received praising their performance of duty.

20. July's strength figures reflected 38 officers and 903 EM. The battalion was still considerably over its TO&E strength.

21. On 7 July, The Old Guard conducted a farewell review on Lightning Field for its departing battalion commander, LTC Meyer who was being reassigned to Washington, D. C. The Brigade Commander Brigadier General Andy A. Lipscomb attended.

22. On 17 July, Brigade sent POR/POM teams to the battalion. This was an early indication of possible future deployment overseas.

23. On 21 July, CPT Earl R. Michles of Company B received the CINCUSARPAC Leadership Award for outstanding leadership. He was chosen for this distinction from all the company commanders in the USARPAC Area.

24. On 22 July, LTC Alvin E. Adkins assumes command of the 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, The Old Guard. LTC Adkins came to The Old Guard from *THE ARMY WAR COLLEGE.*

25. On 28 July, USARPAC suspended all PCS processing (except for ETS) in the 11th Brigade. This was yet another concrete indication of impending deployment.

26. On 1 August, the battalion's strength was 36 officers and 900 EM.

27. From 1-10 August, The Old Guard participated in the 11th Brigade's Amphibious Exercise Coral Sands II, an assault on the island of Molokai. The battalion traveled aboard two ships, the USS Cavalier and the USS Tortuga. The Old Guard and the 11th Brigade received much praise for a job well done.

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29. September 1 found The Old Guard understrength with 39 officers and 873 enlisted personnel assigned.

30. From 1 September to 15 September LTC Adkins and the other battalion commanders accompanied Colonel Henderson, the Deputy Brigade Commander, on a reconnaissance tour of our probable area of operations in Vietnam.

31. On 29 September, The Old Guard celebrated its Organization Day with athletic events and a non-commissioned officers' review. Company C won the battalion trophy for best company of the day.

32. October found The Old Guard further understrength with the clearing of non-deployable personnel. The assigned strength on 1 October was 40 officers and 712 EM. Most of our non-deployable personnel were reassigned to Korea and Thailand.

33. On 31 October we were officially notified that the 11th Brigade would deploy soon to a "classified location."

34. On 1 November, the assigned strength of The Old Guard was 50 officers and 700 EM.

35. Throughout the month of November, packing, POR/POH processing, clearing post, and general preparation for overseas deployment were accomplished.

36. On 26 November, Major Roy A. V. Holck departed with the Advance Planning Group for our destination still undisclosed.

37. December's strength figures revealed that we were up to strength with 45 officers assigned but very short enlisted men, with only 700 assigned.

38. On 2 December, the Advance Party of 25 personnel left via aircraft for Vietnam. LTC Adkins and all the company commanders departed in the Advance Party.

39. The Main Body of the battalion departed Honolulu on 6 December aboard the USMS General Gordon.

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5. 22 July - LTC Alvin E. Adkins assumes command of the Battalion.
6. 1 August - 18 Officers and 217 Enlisted Men depart Schofield Bks for the island of Molokai aboard the SS Cavalier and SS Tortuga, for training in beach assaults and counter-insurgency operations -- Operation Coral Sands II.
7. 8 August - Return from Operations Coral Sands II.
8. 15 August - CPT Richard E. Six assumes command of HHC from CPT William R. Dalmis, who is reassigned to HHC, 6th Support Battalion.
9. 16 August - 16 August - Brigade re-organization. Headquarters Company is divided into two separate companies. 3 Officers and 85 EM are reassigned to Co E, 4th Bn 3d Inf.
10. 17 September - 21 September - 16 Officers and 154 Enlisted Men participate in Brigade Field Training Exercise at the Kahuku Training Area on island of Oahu.
11. 1 November - SGM Edward L. Foster reassigned to Ft. Shafter, Hawaii.

12. 6 November - SGM Harry L. Dorrough assumes the duties as Sergeant Major of the Battalion.
13. 15 November - 1SG Charles O. George assigned to HHC 4th Bn 3d Inf.
14. 1 December - SFC McDaniel reassigned to USAF, Schofield Bks. The company loses all of its non-deployables.
15. 2 December - 7 Officers and 13 Enlisted Men depart Schofield Bks by air transportation for a restricted area.
16. 4 December - Main body of 10 Officers and 130 Enlisted Men depart Schofield Bks, Hawaii aboard USS Gen W H Gordon to a restricted area.
17. 19 December - Permanent Change of Station from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii USAFAC to Duc Pho, South Vietnam USAFAC.



RICHARD E SIX
OPT, Infantry
Commanding

AVDF-BARI (28 Mar 70) 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Unit History

DA, HCS, 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, Americal Division, APO SF 96217 13 Jun 70

TO: CO, 11th Inf Bde, ATTN: AVDF-BARI, APO SF 96217

Reference your message, subject Unit History, dated 28 Mar 70, the
attached is submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

REED A. SIMMONS
1LT, Infantry
Asst. Adjutant

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Company C

CPT JOHN P. McANAW	1 Sep 66	
1LT GRANT MIDDLETON	9 Sep 67	
CPT JOHN R. SAM	17 Oct 67	
CPT RALPH L. BURKHART	8 Nov 68	25 Jun 69
CPT ROBERT J. H. SMALL	1 Jul 69	14 Aug 69 WIA
CPT JUDE E. SHEA	14 Aug 69	17 Feb 70
CPT JOHN P. BROOKS	17 Feb 70	21 May 70
CPT WILLIAM MYNATT	21 May 70	PRESENT

Company D

CPT JOHN A. GONZALEZ	19 Dec 67	10 Jun 68
CPT ROBERT WOODRUFF	12 Jun 68	1 Nov 68
CPT JOHN R. BLANKS JR.	1 Nov 68	21 Jan 69
CPT JOHN R. STOLEY	23 Jan 69	29 Jun 69
CPT BILLY D. BAILE	1 Jul 69	29 Aug 69
CPT EDWIN J. WILSON JR.	30 Aug 69	3 Jan 70
CPT GEOFFREY C. WEST	3 Jan 70	12 Apr 70
CPT ROBERT G. YEARCHEN	12 Apr 70	PRESENT

Company E

CPT K. E. REBERIK	15 Aug 67	19 May 68
CPT THOMAS K. WILLINGHAM	22 Jul 68	22 Jul 69
CPT ANTHONY J. PARINELLI	29 Jul 69	8 Nov 69
CPT JAMES SCHNEBACH	8 Nov 69	1 Mar 70
CPT FELIX J. CIARLO JR.	1 Mar 70	21 May 70
CPT JOHN P. BROOKS	21 May 70	PRESENT

Company HHC

CPT RICHARD E. SIA	12 Dec 67	8 Mar 68
CPT ROBERT MENIST	8 Mar 68	20 Sep 68
LT JAMES W. O'NEAL	21 Sep 68	15 Mar 69
LT DANIEL E. BRASCH	17 Mar 69	16 Jul 69
CPT ANTHONY J. PARINELLI	16 Jul 69	27 Jul 69
CPT EDWIN J. WILSON JR.	27 Jul 69	28 Aug 69
LT FRANK V. MEYER	28 Aug 69	23 Oct 69
CPT JOHN P. BROOKS	23 Oct 69	19 Feb 70
CPT WILLIAM L. MYNATT	22 Feb 70	21 May 70
CPT WARREN P. HAUGHEN	21 May 70	PRESENT

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry
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<u>BN COMMANDER</u>	<u>ASSUMED COMMAND</u>	<u>DEPARTED</u>
LTC H. J. MEYER	1 Jul 66	
LTC ALVIN E. ADKINS	15 Dec 67	30 May 68
LTC EDMOND BARKER	1 Jun 68	16 Jul 68 KIA
LTC ALBERT L. RUSSELL JR.	23 Jul 68	15 Dec 68
LTC JACK C. DAVIS	15 Dec 68	5 Jun 69
LTC ALBERT J. SMITH	5 Jun 69	18 Jun 69 KIA
LTC ROBERT N. FERNANDEZ	23 Jun 69	3 Jan 70
LTC STANLEY V. WIELGA	3 Jan 70	13 May 70
LTC PHILIP D. GRIMM	13 May 70	PRESENT

COMPANY COMMANDERS

Company A

1LT PETER L. LAWSON	12 Aug 66	
1LT VERNON A. CAMPBELL	10 Jul 67	
CPT DALE E. JOHNSON	7 Nov 67	
CPT VERNON CAMPBELL	15 Dec 67	14 May 68
CPT KENNETH HENDRICKSON	20 May 68	26 Jul 68
CPT JOHN K. MURPHY	9 Sep 68	22 Apr 69
CPT AMBROS D. CARNES	22 Apr 69	14 Aug 69
CPT JAMES SCHWEBACH	16 Aug 69	8 Nov 69
CPT WARREN P. HAUGEN	8 Nov 69	23 Apr 70
CPT JAMES SCHWEBACH	23 Apr 70	21 May 70
CPT FELIX CIARLO	21 May 70	PRESENT

Company B

CPT EARL R. MICHLES	1 Dec 66	
CPT JIM DAVIS	1 Jun 68	10 Oct 68
CPT JACK PRYOR	3 Oct 68	4 May 69
CPT KENNETH L. VEEDER	4 May 69	23 Jun 69
CPT JAMES P. HURLY	23 Jun 69	14 Nov 69
CPT RODNEY J. KIRK	19 Nov 69	13 Apr 70
CPT THOMAS L. PLUNKETT	13 Apr 70	PRESENT

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
COMPANY A
4TH BATTALION, 3D INFANTRY
11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE
APO San Francisco 96217

XIRD

22 February 1968

SUBJECT: Unit History (1967)

Company A, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry started off 1967 with an assigned strength of 7 officers and 96 EM.

2LT Jan F. Miles was reassigned to B 4/3 on 1 January 1967.

On 15 March 1967, 4 officers and 106 EM departed from Schofield Barracks for training at Pohokuloa Training Area, they were joined the following day by 1 officer and 9 EM. Training at Pohokuloa lasted approximately 5 weeks. At the Brigade ATT, A 4/3 received the highest score of any unit in the 11th Brigade, this score was attained by A 4/3 while considerably under-strength (6 officers - 131 EM).

On 31 March 1967, SSG Kramarewicz retired after serving 20 years in the United States Armed Forces.

On 10 April 1967, this unit had its largest personnel gain of the year, 27 EM were assigned for Advanced Infantry Training.

At the end of the training period at Pohokuloa, on 20 April 1967, the company returned to Schofield Barracks for further training.

1LT William H. Lance was assigned to A 4/3 from C 4/3 on 17 May 1967.

On 30 June 1967, PSG Frank Velligas and SSG Lawrence Hinojosa retired from the Army after serving with the Armed Forces for over 20 years. 2LT Rollin Rockett was reassigned to Vietnam on 3 July 1967.

XIRD

22 February 1967

SUBJECT: Unit History (1967) Cont'

On 10 July 1967, 1LT Vernon A. Campbell was assigned and took over command of the company from MAJ Dale E. Johnson who had been promoted from CPT on 27 April 1967. MAJ Johnson had commanded A 4/3 during the Pohokuloa Training. MAJ Johnson was reassigned to IHC, 11th Inf Bde on 12 July 1967.

A 4/3 joined the rest of the 11th Bde for an assault on the island of Molokai (Operation Coral Sands II) in August 1967. The company arrived off Molokai's coast on 4 August 1967 and watched a demonstration put on by the U.S. Navy and Air Force to show their firepower and accuracy on 5 August 1967.

On 6 August 1967, A 4/3 participated in the tactical assault on Molokai. The intent of the assault was the simulated destruction of SAM sites.

The company performed a tactical withdrawal from Molokai on 8 August 1967 and returned to Schofield Barracks on the S.S. Cavalier. The company arrived at Schofield Barracks on 9 August 1967.

Just after the unit's return from Molokai, Company A was put in charge of organizing and presenting a Weapons Demonstration for the Honolulu VFW. The demonstration was both amusing (Caveman chasing Cavegirl, etc.) and informative and thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

On 15 August 1967, A 4/3 lost 42 EM to D 4/3 as a result of the changed TO&E for a Light Infantry Brigade. 1LT Robert V. Nagasawa and 1LT Paul C. Perkins were reassigned to D B

XIRD

22 February 1967

SUBJECT: Unit History (1967) Cont'

2LT Alva E. Barr was assigned from 11th Bde Replacement Detachment on 9 September 1967 and 2LT Robert C. Anderson and 2LT Timothy D. Carroll were assigned from 11th Bde Replacement Detachment on the 11th and 22nd of October.

In October and November 1967 A 4/3 lost many personnel as a result of the cut-off date set by Department of the Army for personnel to be deployed to Vietnam. The Company's strength was replenished by new personnel from CONUS who had just completed AIT there.

On 1 December 1967, 1LT John M. Taylor was reassigned to USARHAW G-1 awaiting orders for Officer's Flight School.

On 2 December 1967, CPT Vernon A. Campbell and SSG James Spangler departed with the advance party for South Vietnam. The company followed on board the USS General Gordon on 5 December 1967. The unit arrived at Qui Nhon on 19 December 1967 and proceeded to Duc Pho to set up operations at LZ Carentan.

The remainder of 1967 was spent in Carentan. A 4/3 served as part of the perimeter guard and became accustomed to administrative policies and field tactics used in Vietnam.

George H. Houdek
GEORGE H. HOUDEK
1LT, Infantry
Executive Officer

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
COMPANY B, 4TH BATTALION, 3D INFANTRY
11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE, AMERICAL DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96217

26 February 1968

SUBJECT: UNIT HISTORY

FROM: Co B, 4th Bn, 3d Inf
11th LIA Amscal Div
APO SF 96217

TO: B-1, 4th Bn, 3d Inf
11th LIA Amscal Div
APO SF 96217

Company B, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry (The Old Guard) began the year of 1967 with six (6) Officers and ninety-three (93) enlisted men. This figure climbed steadily upward during February, six (6) Officers and one-hundred and twelve (112) enlisted men, and in March there was a total of six (6) Officers and one hundred and twenty-three (123) enlisted men.

On 16 March 1967, five (5) Officers and one hundred and ten (110) enlisted men departed Schofield Barracks, Hawaii as main party for Operation Moondust VI, at the Pohakuloa Training Area, Hilo Hawaii. Prior to leaving Schofield Barracks, Company B received the Battalion Award for the Best Mess and the Best Supply Room. This was the first time that the Battalion had given these awards.

On 1 April 1967, Co B, had a total to six (6) Officers and one hundred and twenty-six (126) enlisted men. The company Mess Hall again received the Battalion best Mess Award for the month of April. On 19 April 1967, Company B, returned

from extensive Jungle Training on the island of Hawaii to Schofield Barracks where they again set up for the usual organizational duties.

May 1, 1967 found the company with an assigned strength of six(6) Officers and one hundred fifty-four (154) enlisted men. This month was spent getting prepared for the Combat Material Maintenance Inspection (CMMI) and training in the Kahuks's. During this month also, on 17 May 1967, we swapped Officers with Co C, 4th Bn, 3d Inf, gaining Lt John D. Maier, O5 331 315, and losing Lt Jan P. Milles, O5 331 321.

1 Jun 1967, found Co B, over strength for the first time since it was organized with six (6) Officers and two hundred and two (202) enlisted men. Company B again won the Battalion Award for the Best Mess Hall for the month of June.

The strength for 1 July 1967, was six (6) Officers and two hundred and thirteen (213) enlisted men. This month was spent in training and preparation for exercise Coral Sands II.

On 1 August 1967, there was five (5) Officers and 210 enlisted men assigned to Company B, of which five Officers and one hundred and ninety-two enlisted men departed Schofield Barracks for the island of Molokai Hawaii for participation in exercise Coral Sands II. 1LT Robert F. Woodruff was reassigned to HHC 11th Inf Bde as Aide-de-Camp to BG Lipcomb, the Brigade Commander, on 1 August 1967. On 9 August 1967, Company B returned to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, ending their participation in Operation Coral Sands II. 4 August 1967 Company B lost it's LSG, LSG Coff, Wilford D. to A Btry, 6th Bn, 11th Arty due to his recent promotion to E-8 in an Artillery MOS. On 15 August 1967, Company B's Executive Officer was reassigned to HHC, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry to serve

an assistant Adjutant for the Old Guard. The vacancy left by the departure of 1LT Ludden was filled by 1LT John E. Mundy who is at present the Company Executive Officer.

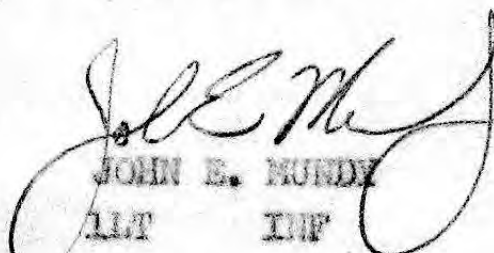
On 1 September, 1967, Co B, had a total of four (4) Officers and one hundred and sixty-four enlisted men. It was during this month that we became positive that shortly we would be moving to a restricted area.

On 1 October 1967, Co B had five Officers and one hundred twenty-six (126) enlisted men. 5 October 1967 we gained one 2LT, LT Robert L. Ross, a recent graduate from OCS at Fort Benning, Georgia. On 17 October 1967, a second Lieutenant was assigned to the unit, 2LT David S. Carter, another recent graduate of OCS.

1 November 1967, found Co B, with seven Officers and one hundred and seventeen enlisted men. This month was almost solely devoted to preparation for Overseas movement.

1 December 1967, found Co B, with six Officers and one hundred and seventeen enlisted men. On 1 Dec 67, we lost 1LT John D. Maier to HQ, USARNAV, G-1 due to his non-deployability with the Brigade to a restricted area. On 5 Dec 67, Co B, 4th Bn, 3d Inf, departed Hawaii for the Republic of Vietnam aboard the troop carrier USNS Gen W. H. Gordon, arriving in Qui Nhon harbor on 19 Dec 67. From there, Co B traveled by motor convoy to its base camp at Duc Pho RVN.

On 4 December 1967, 1LT John E. Mundy assumed Command of the Company due to the absence of the Commander, CPT Earl R. Michles who left in the advance party for RVN, on the 4th of December. 19 December 1967, CPT Earl R. Michles resumed command of the Company upon its arrival in Vietnam.


JOHN E. MUNDY
1LT INF
Executive Officer

COMPANY C
4TH BATTALION 3D INFANTRY (THE OLD GUARD)
11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE
APO San Francisco 96217

UNIT HISTORY

Company C, 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, 11th Infantry Brigade since 1 January 1967 to date has undergone training and reorganization in preparation for the mission it is now committed to.

Company C, 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, had a total strength of 105 EM and 5 OFF in January 1967. The Commanding Officer was CPT John P. Mcanaw and the Executive Officer was 2LT John D. Maier. During the time between January and March Training was limited and consisted mainly small group training, but future training was to be more flexible and geared to possible deployment to any part of the Pacific. In March and April, Company C was involved in Operation Moondust IV. The name was taken from the moon like terrain of the Pohakuloa Training Area. Operation Moondust IV was a resounding success and emphasized the the need for more useful training of this type. Since the mission of the 11th Brigade was to be ready for possible deployment to any place in the Pacific by land, sea or air more training of a wider scope was soon to follow.

During May of 1967, Company C lost, due to reorganization, a few key personnel to other companies in the battalion. Among a few EM we also lost our Executive Officer, 2LT John D. Maier, 1st Platoon Leader, 2LT William Lance and 2nd Platoon Sergeant Cleveland McBoe. At this time Company C gained competent leaders, such as 2LT Grady Middleton, the new Executive Officer and 2LT Jan F. Milles who became the 2nd Platoon Leader.

Company strength during the months of April and May was bolstered from 5 Off and 128 EM to 6 Off and 209 EM. These new personnel, the majority of them coming from stateside AIT companies, became familiar with the M16A1, the rifle that was making a name for itself in Southeast Asia. During June and July, the AIT personnel, who were trained in Hawaii, were divided among the companies. These personnel were familiar with the terrain and weather and proved themselves to be well trained and disciplined soldiers.

During August the training was stepped up to emphasize the need for well trained troops, since the situation in Southeast Asia wasn't improving and troop commitments were on the rise. More training was soon in coming. Thru a combined effort of the Army, Navy, Air Force and the Hawaiian Reserves Operation Coral Sands II was planned. Company C's part in Operation Coral Sands II was to be the Brigade reserve. One hour after the exercise began Company C got the word to move. The performance of the men and officers of Company C was outstanding to say the least and the operation was deemed a success in every way.

After Operation Coral Sands II, the 11th Brigade was destined for future deployment because of the high degree of its leaders and its well trained troops. During the months of September and October jungle training was emphasized and a jungle school was established. Company C was the school host and the training was excellent. After the completion of this, Company C underwent training geared to test the flexibility of newly organized Light Weapons Infantry structure. These exercises could only show what the men and officers of Company C and the 11th Brigade had learned over the long hard months behind them. They proved the point, we were ready.

Company C, during August, as well as others lost several officers and men to the newly formed Companies Delta and Echo, but our loss was the Battalion's gain. We also lost our Commanding Officer, CPT John P. McAnaw. At this time 1LT Grady Middleton took command. 1LT Alfred J. Lopresti was assigned as the new Executive Officer.

During October there was another change of command. CPT John R. Sam was assigned. CPT Sam is a West Point graduate and a combat veteran of Vietnam. His presence in Company C is an asset in itself. 1LT Middleton was once again the Executive Officer and 1LT Lopresti departed for flight school. The assignment of three Officer Candidate graduates added greatly to the training and leadership of the company. 2LT Dennis Fedder took command of the second platoon, 2LT John Scully took command of the first platoon and 2LT Sean P. Maloney took command of the third platoon. Our Weapons Platoon Leader 1LT Floyd W. McLean is another asset to the company.

Also during this period our unit gained a badly needed first sergeant. First Sergeant Edward E. Burkett was assigned the 8th of November 1967.

On the 2nd of December 1967, our advance party departed for Vietnam. It consisted of CPT John E. Sam and SGT Russell Hague. On the 5th of December 1967, the remainder of the unit boarded the USNS GORDON TAP 117. The voyage was two weeks in length. This unit arrived in Quin Nhon on the 19th of December 1968.

Company C was the first unit of this Battalion to make enemy contact. This was accomplished while the Battalion was based at Carantan South Vietnam. Company C, was also first in receiving its Combat Infantrymans' Badges.

During the short history of Company C, 4th Battalion 3d Infantry, 11th Infantry Brigade we have been fortunate in the leadership and character of the men we have had serve. The training has been excellent and the awards have been numerous. This Company is an outstanding example of the units that serve under the name of the Old Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
COMPANY E
4TH BATTALION 3D INFANTRY (THE OLD GUARD)
11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE
AMERICAL DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96217

26 February 1968

SUBJECT: History of Company E (15 August 1967 to 31 December 1967)

TO: Commanding Officer
4th Battalion 3d Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: S-1

Echo Company owes its young history to the expansion of the 4th Battalion 3d Infantry (The Old Guard). The Battalion added Echo Company to its command on 15 August 1967. CPT Kenneth N. Hendrix assumed command (Unit Orders Number 1) and was given the challenging task of forming a fighting unit from scratch. 1LT William H. LaMontagne, a former Recon Platoon Leader from Headquarters Company, took over as Executive Officer. SFC Harold D. Burchett, a former 4.2 Mortar Platoon Sergeant from Headquarters Company, was assigned Echo Company 1st Sergeant. Echo Company was given a TOE authorization of 4 Officers and 96 EM.

Immediately after the Company was activated, the Officers and Men were informed by CPT Hendrix that the 11th Light Infantry Brigade had been put on alert for future deployment to a restricted area. This meant the Company had between 90 and 180 days to prepare itself, for what was almost for certain, near-future combat in Vietnam.

The Recon Platoon, led by 2LT Christopher Lane, began stepped-up training in the Kahukas near Schofield Barracks. This training consisted of both night and day recon patrols. Vietnam SOP's were practiced over

and over until everything and every move became automatic. Spirit and morale was high and training was serious and meaningful. Recon was aware of their future assignment; they were going to be ready.

The 4.2 Mortar Platoon also knew they needed much training to develop themselves into a polished 4.2 team. The Platoon Leader, 1LT Paul C. Perkins, coordinated with the various line companies within the Battalion, therefore increasing their proficiency in supporting the line companies with fire missions.

The Ground Surveillance Section, under the supervision of SSG Adolphus E. Popwell, began intensive training with the PPS 4 Radar Set. The section began studying various types of terrain similar to that found in Vietnam. They learned the advantages and disadvantages of different types of terrains. They became very proficient in distinguishing between the various types of targets; they were able to distinguish between individual personnel and squad-size personnel, between a 4-ton vehicle and a 24-ton vehicle. They were to be the night eyes and ears of the Battalion in Vietnam. By the end of August, Radar had a full TOE with each individual proficient in operating the sets.

Echo Company had grown in strength, by the end of August, to a total of 4 Officers and 77 EM.

5 September 1967 marked a shocking and sad experience for the Company. SP4 Lewis E. Gentry, one of the dependable member of the Recon Platoon, drowned during a river-crossing exercise. The entire Company joined in the bereavement at Memorial Services held the Sunday following the tragedy.

Many of the personnel, due to their short time left in the Army, were declared non-deployable and were assigned to a non-deployable unit; consequently, the strength of the Company dropped somewhat to 4 Officers and 75 EM by the end of September.

On 19 October 1967, 2LT Lane was reassigned to another unit within the Brigade. Taking his place was 2LT Bruce A. Kendrick, a former Rifle Platoon Leader from "The Old Guard's" Charley Company.

On 27 October 1967, due to his non-deployable status, 1LT Perkins was replaced by 2LT Thomas J. Sarasin. 2LT Sarasin, a recent graduate of Officer Candidate School, attended FDC School prior to coming to Schofield Barracks.

The end of October showed a slight increase in personnel strength with 79 EM and 4 Officers.

On 8 November 1967 SFC Burchett, a non-deployable, was replaced as 1st Sergeant by 1SG B-8 Argen L. Dodds Jr. ¹ 1SG Dodds was a veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict.

Just as in October, November showed but a slight increase in personnel strength with 4 Officers and 80 EM.

December was the month of reckoning as Echo Company, "The Old Guard" and the 11th Light Infantry Brigade deployed to a restricted area overseas. That restricted area of course was to be The Republic of Vietnam.

On 3 December 1967, CPT K. W. Hendrix and SSG "J" "D" Hickman departed Hawaii on the advanced party. The advanced party was to prepare the new location for the arrival of the Brigade in Vietnam. In CPT Hendrix's absence, 1LT LaMontagne assumed command (Unit Orders Number 17).

The Brigade boarded the USNS General Gordon on 4 December 1967 and the following morning began its 14 day voyage across the Pacific. For the majority of the men, this was the first experience on an ocean voyage; and also for the majority of the men it was a most uncomfortable experience. Almost everyone experience sea-sickness, not to mention the boredom which increased day by day. There was one bright note, however, 2LT Kendrick was promoted to 1LT Kendrick.

On 19 December the USMC General Gordon docked at Qui Nhon RVN. The Brigade traveled by truck convoy to its permanent headquarters at Duc Pho. CPT Hendrix once again assumed command of the Company (Unit Orders Number 20).

It was not long before Echo Company got its first taste of war. On 23 December 1967, SGT Paul R. Maddox, a 4.2 Forward Observer attached to Delta Company, was out on a night patrol when he decided to move ahead of the patrol to get better observation to call in 4.2 fire. SGT Maddox walked into a VC ambush and was killed by small-arms fire. His death came just one day after his 25th birthday. SGT Maddox was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star with "V" Device.

Echo Company's personnel strength remained fairly constant during December. The assigned strength showed 4 Officers and 81 EM ending the month of December and the year 1967.

November Activities

The majority of the activities for the month of November were centered around the deployment of our unit to Vietnam. Some of the areas of major emphasis were:

1. Determining deployable/non-deployable personnel.
2. Requesting orders for reassignment of non-deployables.
3. PCR Processing
 - a. Legal matters
 - b. ID Cards and Dog Tags
 - c. Glasses
 - d. Finance
 - e. Immunization and Dental Work
 - f. Geneva Convention Forms
 - g. DA Form 41
4. Dropping AMOL, hospitalized, confined personnel.
5. Preparation of Alert Kits for all deployable personnel.
6. Preparation and checking and following through of Z12 Board Actions.
7. Preparation of DD Forms 1175 (Change of Address Cards) for all personnel.
8. Preparation of Battalion Rosters for clearing of deployable personnel.
9. Clearing of Unit Funds and Old Guard Fund.
10. Clearing of non-command-sponsored dependents.
11. Clearance of POW's and weapons.
12. Ordering of 90-day supplies of blank forms and office materials.
13. Collecting and turn-in of USARPW Regulations.
14. Requesting orders for dependent travel.
15. Obtaining waiver statements and intent to reenlist.
16. Clearing and return of special services equipment.
17. Conducting inspections of company records.
18. Preparing Advance Party and Main Body rosters.

19. Requesting issuance of certificates in lieu of PCS orders for all deployable personnel.

20. Packing of unit equipment for deployment.

21. Selection of 4/21 Infantry personnel and transfer of records.

22. Coordinating "last-minute" leaves for qualified deployable personnel.

23. Daily and weekly personnel reports.

24. Courts and boards

a. 1 Special Court-Martial

b. 5 Summary Courts-Martial

c. 5 Field Grade Article 15's

d. 28 Company Grade Article 15's

December Activities

The majority of the S-1 Section worked for CPT Menist who performed the duties of Ship's Adjutant for the officers and men aboard the USMS General Gordon. Among the duties of the Adjutant were the following:

1. Responsible for issuing orders, memoranda, and bulletins as directed by the Senior Unit Commander.
2. Published daily bulletins and assisted in publishing daily newspaper.
3. Prepared and maintained troop, duty, and compartment rosters.
4. Responsible for conducting daily sight ID Card musters.
5. Kept troops informed concerning drills, regulations, etc.
6. Maintained organizational records.
7. Insured that specified duties were performed by detail personnel.
8. Prepared and reviewed Ship's Article 15's.
9. Performed normal administrative duties for all units aboard.
10. Handled all mail.
11. Coordinated Chaplain's activities and shipboard training. (Area availability)
12. Processed nine (9) emergency leaves.
13. Prepared debarkation rosters.

The S-1 Section of the Advance Party worked with LT Ludden and accomplished the following:

1. Submitted requests for establishment of all company unit funds.
2. Obtained movie projector, tape recorder, film account, and Company A&R Kits.
3. Detail/guard roster maintained.
4. Log of activities maintained.
5. MPC conversion of all money.
6. Status reporting to Brigade.
7. Enlisted Operating Procedures published.

8. Breakdown of mail.
9. Maintained and published Malaria Pill rosters.
10. Stars & Stripes distributed.
11. Orders Class "A" Agent/Plaster Conversion Officers.
12. Obtained/distributed ration cards.
13. MFC Conversion Officers.
14. Re-constructed bunkers for S-1 office.
15. Set up tents for S-1 personnel arriving with the Main Body.

Upon the arrival of the Main Body at Carentan, the following was accomplished:

1. Obtained and distributed Red Cross bags.
2. Sent letters to donating Red Cross Chapters.
3. Ordered Cockades and Company designations for camouflage covers.
4. Processed 1 Field Grade Article 15; 11 Company Grade Article 15's.

January Activities

In early January the Battalion Trains moved to Chu Lai. Along with the moving of most of the Section and reorganizing the administrative support into a 3 base posture, the S-1 Section performed the following:

1. Coord reporting through 198th LIB.
2. Obtained beer and soft drinks account - Chu Lai.
3. Prepared infusion rosters.
4. Obtained 16mm motion picture film account set up at Chu Lai.
5. Prepared paperwork for the promotion of 162 people.
6. 99 replacements were processed and sent to the field.
7. "Lessons learned" submitted.
8. After-action report submitted (deployment).
9. Periodic Reports submitted
 - a. Daily Personnel Strength Report (to Bde).
 - b. Commanders Personnel Report (daily).
 - c. Daily Casualty Summary.
 - d. Daily Subsistence Report and Field Ration Report.
 - e. Officer Strength Report (Appendix I and II) weekly.
 - f. LIB MOS Report (weekly).
 - g. Periodic Personnel Summary (weekly).
10. Awards and Decorations

ACM's presented to 1SG Dahmer, Company B, and PSG Cruz, Company C by ceremony prior to leaving Carentan.
11. Courts and Boards
 - a. 5 Field Grade Article 15's.
 - b. 8 Company Grade Article 15's.

12. Administrative Order 1-68 was prepared and distributed.
13. Processed approximately 15 1049's.
14. Mail SOP.
15. Answered 4 Congressional Investigations.
16. Requested and received publications account number (Japan).
17. Processed numerous LOI's and requests for orders.
18. Processed paperwork on 28 casualties; including 10 letters of sympathy and condolence to next of kin.
19. Breakdown and distribution of mail. Re-route, no-record, re-direct mail handled daily.
20. Two (2) members of S-1 Office remained in Battalion Rear to process incoming replacements, mail and distribution.

February Activities

During February the S-1 Section continued to work from 2 basic locations. Work accomplished as follows:

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 - b. Commanders' Personnel Report (Daily).
 - c. Daily Casualty Summary.
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 - e. Officer Strength Report (Appendix I and II) weekly.
2. Courts and Boards
 - a. 4 Special Courts-Martial pending.
 - b. 1 Field Grade Article 15.
 - c. 7 Company Grade Article 15's.
3. Awards and Decorations (through February)
 - a. 38 Purple Hearts awarded through hospital.
 - b. 18 Purple Hearts submitted to Brigade (7 approved to-date).
 - c. 2 Silver Stars submitted, both awarded (Impact).
 - d. 11 Bronze Stars w/^m V^m submitted (11 approved to-date: 10 Impact; 1 posthumous).
 - e. 5 Bronze Stars for Service submitted (1 approved to-date: posthumous).
 - f. 2 Bronze Stars for Achievement submitted.
 - g. 1 ACM submitted for Service (approved: posthumous).
 - h. CIB's

	Submitted	Approved (to-date)
Company A	120	113
Company B	98	95
Company C	150	110

CIB's	Submitted	Approved (to-date)
Company D	108	106
Company E	90	87
HHC	25	12
1. CMB's	Submitted	Approved (to-date)
HHC	22	22

4. Processed approximately 25 1049's for reassignment, emergency leave, and branch transfers.

5. Answered Presidential investigation.

6. Eight (8) GER's prepared and forwarded.

7. R&R Disposition Form made and distributed to companies. Blank forms prepared for scheduling and recording allocations.

8. Blank forms made and printed

a. USARV 131 - Air Medal Log Sheet

b. R&R records

c. Awards and decorations log sheet

d. Casualty log sheets

e. S-4 equipment log sheet

f. Company supply record of Personal Effects

9. Mail

a. 800-1500 outgoing letters per day bundled and checked for correct postage and return address.

b. Outgoing mail delivered twice daily to APO.

c. All "no record" mail delivered to APO (ANGAL).

d. Average of 50 letters and 8 packages re-directed daily through proper channels.

e. Incoming mail distributed to companies.

10. Made daily liaison trips to Division Headquarters.

11. Printed sample copy of Accident Report Format.
12. Completed and forwarded 212 Board (Young).
13. Completely remade all companies' Personnel Information Rosters.
14. Processed paperwork on 74 casualties; including 35 letters of sympathy or condolence to next of kin.
15. Processed 111 replacement personnel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96217

AVDF-BA-ED-TE

27 May 1968

Major General Samuel W. Koster
Commanding General
Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96374

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Departing

Lieutenant Colonel Alvin E. Adkins

Arriving

Lieutenant Colonel Frank A. Barker Jr.

LAWRENCE E. LUDDEN
1LT, Infantry
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
1ST BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY
4TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO US Forces 96355

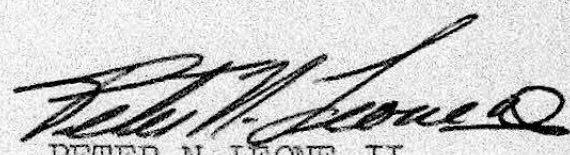
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31 January 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Turnover of the 1/35th Infantry Bn Rear Area to the 4/3d Infantry Bn was accomplished to the complete satisfaction of both unit representatives.


HOWARD C HARTSFIELD
MAJ, Inf
Executive Officer 4/3d Inf


PETER N LEONE II
MAJ, Inf
Executive Officer 1/35th Inf

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96217

AVIF-BA-ED-PE

28 May 1968

Lieutenant Colonel James A. Franklin
Commanding Officer
3d Battalion, 1st Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade
Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96217

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1LT, Infantry
Adjutant

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S-1 March 1968

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27 February 1968

SUBJECT: Unit Reorganization

Commanding Officer
4th Battalion, 3rd Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade
APO 96217

1. Your battalion was reorganized per USARPAC General Order Number 16 (8 copies attached).
2. Appropriate Morning Report entries will be made in accordance with rule 3, table 4-5, AR 335-60. Entries will be made under the heading of "Record of Unit Actions/Events" and will state the new authorized strength.
3. Acknowledge receipt of inclosed copies of General Orders and indicate the date changes will appear on Morning Report, NLT 1 March 1968.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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as

WILLIAM R. DAKNIS
Major, Infantry
Adjutant

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY, PACIFIC
APO San Francisco 96558

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER 16

15 January 1968

REORGANIZATION

1. TC 011. Following Organizations/Units REORGANIZED.

UNITED STATES ARMY, VIETNAM Units listed in Inclosure 1.

Effective date: 15 January 1968

Authorized strength: As indicated in Inclosure 1.

Equipment: Required and not available will be requisitioned in accordance with normal supply procedures; equipment rendered excess will be disposed of in accordance with current procedures.

Personnel: Maximum number of personnel required by this action will be assigned from locally available resources without MPA-PCS costs, remainder will be procured through application of normal requisitioning procedures. New enlisted personnel authorizations will be reflected immediately in the OPO-45 Report.

Files/records: Will be continued without cutoff in accordance with AR 345-210 or AR 345-215 as applicable.

Morning report: Entry will be made in record of events section in accordance with AR 335-60.

Authority: Letter, AGSD-C (M) (17 Nov 67) ACSFOR, HQ DA, 22 November 1967, subject: Approval of MTOE (USARPAC No. 16, FY 68)

Account classification: Obligate to the extent necessary the appropriate allotments in accordance with current fiscal procedures.

Special instructions: Not applicable.

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF:

OFFICIAL:

EDGAR C. DOLEMAN
Lieutenant General, USA
Chief of Staff

/s/Fred Hansard
/t/FRED E. HANSARD
Colonel, AGC
Adjutant General

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J. E. JAQUEZ
1LT, AGC

(GO 16, HQ USARPAC, 1968)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry
11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96217

AVDF-BA-RD-PE

27 May 1968

SUBJECT: Change of Command Ceremony 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry

See Distribution

1. GENERAL: A change of command ceremony for the 4th Battalion, 3d Infantry will be conducted at IZ Dottie on 30 May 1968 at ~~1400~~ 1530 hours. See inclosure for sequence of events.

2. PARTICIPATION:

a. Colonel O. K. Henderson.

b. Lieutenant Colonel Alvin E. Adkins: Departing Commander.

c. Lieutenant Colonel Frank A. Barker Jr.: Incoming Commander.

d. Major Charles C. Calhoun: Commander of troops.

e. Staff:

(1) S-1: CPT Michles

(2) S-2: LT Reiger

(3) S-3: LT Lipphardt

f. Personnel:

(1) One platoon (30 ea) from "E" Company (3-9 men squads).

(2) One platoon (30 ea) from "A" Company (3-9 men squads).

g. Each platoon will consist of the following:

(1) Company Commander

(2) Guidon Bearer

(3) First Sergeant

(4) Three NCO squad leaders

(5) Twenty-four enlisted men

h. Color bearers for United States flag, Vietnamese flag, and 14th Battalion, 3d Infantry colors ("E" Company - 5 ea).

3. FORMATION:

Platoon will consist of a 9 man front, 3 rank deep.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES:

a. All addressees insure that specified participants are present at times and places indicated.

b. S-1:

- (1) Perform duties as parade adjutant
- (2) Arrange for colors and bearers
- (3) Arrange PIO coverage
- (4) Extend invitations as directed

c. S-3:

- (1) Coordinate all activities relating to ceremony
- (2) Lay out parade and mark spot for key personnel
- (3) Obtain M-14's for color bearers

d. Headquarters Company:

Arrange for refreshments for guests

5. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Key Personnel - COT thru First Sergeant, all color bearers and color guards - assemble at 1000 29 May 1968 on road east of Mess Hall on LZ Dotson.

b. Uniform:

- (1) All color bearers - jungle fatigues, jungle boots, steel helmet with green camouflage cover and stripped pistol belt worn outside of the fatigue jacket.
- (2) Color guards - same as sub para (1) above, except with M-14 rifle.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1. All participants and colors in position NLT ¹⁵¹⁵~~1345~~ hours.
2. When Col Henderson, LTC Adkins and LTC Barker have assumed their positions, COT commands "present arms" and reports "Sir, the Command is formed." LTC ~~Barker~~ returns the salute.
ADKINS
3. COT gives troops "order arms" and "parade rest."
4. COL Henderson, LTC Adkins and LTC Barker move forward and halt six steps in front of the COT and salutes are exchanged. COT guides the reviewing party around the formation, beginning with the unit on the right of the line, passing between the front rank of troops and company commanders and then around the rear of the formation.
5. As the reviewing party approaches, each company commander gives "attention" and "eyes right." The guidon bearer executes present guidon, the company commanders execute eyes right and hand salute. Each soldier turns his eyes and head to the right. As soon as the reviewing party comes into their line of vision, they follow with their eyes, turning their heads, until it reaches their front. The company commander commands "order arms," so that he and the guidon bearer terminate the salute together. Troops remain at attention during remainder of inspection.
6. COT halts and salutes after passing around the line and arriving at the right front of the 1st company. The reviewing party and COT exchange salutes and return to their posts.
7. When each have resumed their post, COT commands "colors, center" (pause). Staff executes right face. COT then commands "march." Staff moves to the right far enough to provide clearance for the colors to pass. The Staff then halts and executes left face. COT proceeds forward with the colors halting 10 steps in front of reviewing party. COT salutes and reports "Sir, the colors are present." LTC Adkins returns the salute and directs the COT to return to his post. COT commands "parade rest." (If award is presented, step 8 is carried out, otherwise delete).
8. The reviewing party moves to a position 5 steps in front of the colors. LTC Adkins faces to the front and LTC Barker assumes a position to the left of Col Henderson. Citation is read and award is presented.
9. After presentation of award LTC Adkins faces about and Col Henderson and LTC Barker assume a position on his left. The battalion Sergeant Major (1SG Moats) moves by most direct route to position in front of the battalion colors. Assumption of Command orders are read. Sergeant Major takes battalion colors from color bearer, faces about and moves to a position in front of LTC Adkins. Colors are presented to LTC Adkins who faces to the left and passes colors to Col Henderson. LTC Barker faces to the right and receives the colors from Col Henderson. LTC Barker faces to the left and returns colors to Sergeant Major who in turn returns colors to color bearer. Reviewing party and Sergeant Major resume their post. COT commands "battalion, attention."

10. When all parties have returned to their posts, senior color bearer commands "colors, post, march." Colors reverse march and return to their post. COT moves staff to their original position after colors have passed.

11. When colors have returned to their post, COT commands "parade rest."

12. Remarks by:

Col Henderson

LTC Adkins

LTC Barker

13. Upon conclusion of remarks, COT commands "attention" and reports "Sir, this concludes the ceremony."

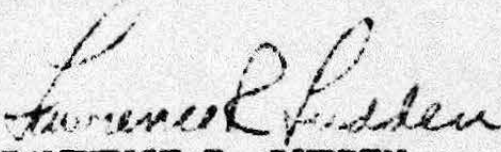
14. LTC Barker directs "dismiss the command." LTC Barker and COT exchange salutes.

15. COT commands "present arms" and the colors move off the reviewing grounds. COT commands "order arms" and then dismisses the formation.

(3) All others - same as sub para (1) above, except wearing individual weapons, first aid pouch, and canteen on left side of pistol belt.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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LAWRENCE R. LUDDEN
1LT, Infantry
Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - CO, 11th Inf Bde
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- 2 - CO, Co D, 4/3
- 2 - CO, Co E, 4/3
- 2 - S-1 file

Work Accomplished in S-1 Section since 14 February 68

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1. Processed paperwork on 13 wounded; 6 deaths.
2. Wrote and submitted 10 letters of sympathy and 10 letters of condolence to next of kin.

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C. Legal:

1. 3 Article 15's from "D" Company reviewed, recorded and forwarded
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3. 1 Delinquency Report processed on SP4 Harris, "C" Company.
4. 1 man counselled on legal matters and referred to SJA.
5. 1SG, "D" Company counselled on legal problems

D. OER's

OER's prepared on the following officers:

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LT Fedder	CPT Shanks
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LT Lopresti	LT Maier

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TOTAL 13

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Personnel Actions (Cont'd)

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17. Requested reassignment on SSG Jenkins, "D" Company (permanent profile)
18. Published sample copy of Accident Report
19. Made Daily Trips to Division PSD

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(1 WEEK - 14-21 FEB 68)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS 4TH BATTALION 3D INFANTRY
11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE, AMERICAL DIVISION
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96217

XIRD-LO

2 February 1968

SUBJECT: Monthly Activity Resume

TO: Commanding Officer
4th Battalion 3d Infantry
ATTN: XO
APO San Francisco 96217

1. Supplies:

a. Class I

(1) Approximately 27,800 A ration meals were cooked in Trains Mess. 25,100 of these were forwarded to field sites via helicopter.

(2) 10,600 raw meals were forwarded to Uptight (breakfast only), Sue and Dotty bases for local cooking.

(3) 52,900 C ration meals were forwarded to field sites. 12,000 meals are on hand as a 3-day basic load for 4/3 and TF Barker.

(4) Over 90,000 gallons of potable water was procured for fire base use, 2/3 of this was air lifted via CH 47.

b. Class II

(1) Replacement AN/PRC 25 was received and issued (Co E).

(2) TOME AN/VRC-41 was received for Battalion Commo Section.

(3) New TOME modification went into effect 28 Feb 68. Unit copies are not available yet, but it reportedly is the same one that was pending in Dec - Jan period.

c. Class III

(1) Mogas, 4600 gallons expended at Sue, Dotty and Uptight on non-vehicular uses such as stoves, generators, lanterns and napalm. 2600 gallons of this was in 55 gallon drums.

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(2) Diesel. 6300 gallons expended, 1500 gallons at Fire Base Sue, the balance to TF Barker who supports a Track Platoon from E/1 Cav.

(3) Package Products. Approximately 300 gallons of oil, grease, solvent and weapons cleaning products were consumed. 6/11 Arty accounted for over half of this total.

d. Class IV

(1) Direct exchange of unserviceable TA 50-901 items averages 190 items per day.

(2) Consumption of paper and plastic eating utensils averages 1500 per day.

(3) Materials for construction of 3000 meters of triple roll concertina fence and seven (7) bunkers was forwarded to Fire Base Sue.

(4) All elements expended 165,000 sand bags in February, bringing total used in this area (Barker and 4/3) to over 500,000.

e. Class V

(1) Battalion ASP achieved basic load levels on all Class V items in February (dump level).

(2) Over 15,000 rounds of small munitions including grenades were issued.

(3) 11,000 rounds of mortar and 105 ammo was forwarded to firing units.

(4) February marked first receipt of 40mm shotgun type ammo (72 rounds) and first use of fuel thickener by 4/3 for napalm use.

2. Maintenance:

a. Major work load consisted of flat tire repair. 157 $2\frac{1}{2}$ tires were repaired, 32 jeep tires and 6 $3\frac{3}{4}$ ton tires accounting for expenditure of 4 tires and 36 inner tubes.

b. Small component replacement such as batteries, carburetors, spark plugs, generators and lamps accounted for 136 issues from Motor PLL.

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2 February 1968

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c. All battalion vehicles received scheduled or ahead of schedule lubrication and adjustment during February. Prescribed service frequency is inadequate for vehicles operated under prevailing conditions.

d. 12 automotive and 16 small items including sights, weapons, and binoculars were evacuated to support maintenance. All but a wrecked 3/4 ton were repaired and returned to service.

3. Transportation:

a. Daily convoys of 2 trucks were dispatched in support of Fire Base Dotty.

b. Six (6) convoys were used on round trips to Bracco. These varied from 2 to 6 trucks in size and accompanied daily MP escort.

c. 128 CH 47 sorties and over 320 UH 1-D sorties were flown from Battalion Helipad in resupply role. February marked first time helicopter resupply of fire bases at night by CH 47 was employed by 4/3 Inf. Artillery ammo was lifted to Fire Base Uptight from 2130 to 2345 hours.

d. Turn around time for CH 47 at \$1600 per hour results in water cost of \$1.34 per gallon at Fire Base Sue and \$1.60 per gallon at Uptight as opposed to Dotty's cost of under 2¢ per gallon via road.

EDWARD S. BROWN
CPT, Infantry
S-4

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 23d Infantry Division (Americal)
APO San Francisco 96374

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER 4942

30 April 1971

1. TC 015. Following organization/unit ATTACHED/RELIEVED FROM ATTACHED as indicated.

4TH BATTALION, 3D INFANTRY (VIC: FDPO AA)

Relieved from attached: 11th Inf Bde

Attached to: 198th Inf Bde

Purpose: For all purposes

Will proceed date: NA

Effective date: 2 May 1971

Period: Indefinite

Accounting classification: NA

Authority: VOCO

Special Instructions: None

2. TC 459. Following orders are changed as indicated.

Action: Amendment

So much of: General Orders number 4530, HQ, 23d Inf Div, 20 April 1971.

Pertaining to: D Battery, 1st Bn, 82d Artillery (VIC: WGLMD)

As reads: Relieved from attached: 1st Bn, 82d Arty

Now changed: Amended to read: Relieved from attached: 3d Bn, 18th Arty.

Authority: VOCO

FOR THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL

[Signature]

W.J. BARNHART

LTC, AGC

Adjutant General

WILLIAM E. RICHARDSON
Colonel, GS
Chief of Staff

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 23d Infantry Division (Americal)
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Authority: VCCG

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Authority: VCCG

FOR THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL

WILLIAM R. RICHARDSON
Colonel, GS
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TC 001. Following action directed.

4th BATTALION, 3d INFANTRY REAR AREA AND TRANSIENT DETACHMENT
(PROV) (UICWFB1TO)

Action: Activation

Asgd to: 4th Bn, 3d Inf.

Mission: To perform rear area liaison and administrative and
logistic support and to provide for processing of
Transients assigned to the 4th Bn, 3d Inf.

Effective date: 9 March 1971

Authorized strength: 7 Off - 1 WO - 80 EM

Structure strength: 7 Off - 1 WO - 80 EM

Accounting classification: N/A

Files/records: IAW AR 340-2

Morning reports: IAW Para 1-3a (7) AR 680-1

Authority: VOCK

Special Instructions: Rear area detachment commander will be
designated by CO, 4th Bn, 3d Inf.
Permanent rear area personnel and all
personnel assigned to 4th Bn, 3d Inf
in a transient status who reside
temporarily in the rear area will be
under the command of the rear area
commander. Rear area commander will
have full command prerogatives to
include Military Justice Jurisdiction
over permanent and transient personnel
in the FSB Bronco area.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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ALPHUS R. CLARK
Colonel, GS
Chief of Staff

R.J. Barnhart
R.J. BARNHART
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UNIT ORDER
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19 December 1967

1. TC 355. The undersigned assumes command.

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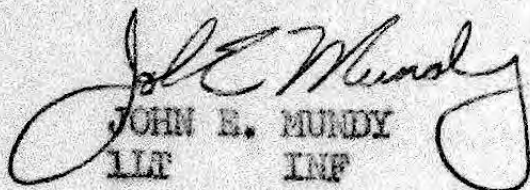
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Administration:

a) During operation Champagne Grove the following recommendations for awards were submitted:

- 3 Distinguished Service Cross
- 7 Silver Star
- 11 Distinguished Flying Cross
- 5 Bronze Star for Valor
- 12 Bronze Star for Service
- 2 Army Commendation Medal
- 4 Air Medal for Valor

b) The Battalion received a total of 2 officer and 18 Enlisted replacements.

c) During their operation the Battalion lost the following personnel:

KHA	WHA	DEROS
13	20	19

d) This period saw a return of the Battalion to the operational control of the 11th LIB. All administration actions normally going through Brigade were forwarded to the 11th LIB.



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CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

IN OBSERVANCE OF THE 4TH BATTALION, 3D INFANTRY'S ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FOURTH ANNIVERSARY I EXTEND MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE SPLENDID AND DEDICATED SERVICE WHICH THE "OLD GUARD" HAS SO FAITHFULLY GIVEN TO THE 11TH INFANTRY BRIGADE AND TO OUR NATION.

ON THIS DAY YOU CAN BE JUSTLY PROUD OF YOUR HEROIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS ESPECIALLY DURING THIS BRUTAL WAR. DAILY YOU ARE DEMONSTRATING TO THE FREE WORLD OUR VALIANT STRUGGLE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM.

I AM CONFIDENT THAT INSPIRED BY YOUR GREAT HERITAGE FROM MEMBERS OF THE "OLD GUARD" OF THE PAST, YOU WILL MEET ANY CHALLENGES OF THE FUTURE WITH YOUR TRADITIONAL GALLANTRY, DEVOTION, AND DETERMINATION. CONGRATULATIONS AND CARRY ON THE MISSION.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Oran K. Henderson", is positioned above the typed name.

ORAN K. HENDERSON
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Sheets, Mo Duc (67381); An Lac (6738II);
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Task Organization.

Co A	Co D	Bn Control
Co B	Co E (-)	Hv Mort Platoon
1 Tm Gd Surv		
Co C		
1 Tm Gd Surv		

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces (Annex B Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces

(1) 11th Inf Bde establishes, occupies and defends Fire Base Carenten, conducts intensive CI oriented training and prepares for the early relief of the 3-4 Inf Div for the purpose of conducting extended search and destroy operations within the Duc Pho AO.

(2) 3-4 Inf conducts S&D operations in Duc Pho AO, provides 11th Inf Bde limited troop lift, logistical and training support.

(3) 3-1 Inf

(a.) Occupy and defend assigned sector

(b) Establish roadblock vic coord 050373 during hours of darkness.

(4) 1-20 Inf

(a) Occupy and defend assigned sector

(b) Establish and occupy outpost on Hill 163

(5) 6-11 Arty. GS

(6) Trp E, 1st Cav (-)

(a) Occupy and defend assigned area.

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(b) Be prepared to furnish troop (-) on order within 15 mins as Bde reaction force.

(7) 6th Engr Co. GS

c. Attachments: Task Organization

2. MISSION

Bn occupies and defends assigned sector upon closure of main body and on order, conducts individual and oriented CI training vic Caranten in preparation for extended combat operations within the Duc Pho AO.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation (Annex A, Op Overlay)

(1) Manuever. 4-3 Inf occupies and defends assigned sector with Co A on the right, Co B in the center and Co C on the left and Co D reaction/catk force vic coord 844368. On order units conduct individual and unit oriented CI training IAW established directives and commence preparations for extended combat operations in Duc Pho AO.

(2) Fires

(a) One 4.2" Mort Barrage Co C

(b) Priority of fires to Co C to Co D upon commitment as Bde reaction/catk force.

(c) All 81mm and 4.2" Mortar H&I must be cleared by the 11th Inf Bde Arty LNO.

(d) Before any 81mm & 4.2" Mortar fire missions are fired, ie, H&I, defensive fires, or contact missions, the air advisory must be called to the 11th Inf Bde Arty LNO.

(e) Annex C Fire Support (TBP)

b. Co A

c. Co B

(1) Establish roadblock at bridge vic coord 838864 during hours of darkness.

(2) Secure bridge located vic coord 838364.

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(3) Secure sanitary fill

(4) On order attach one platoon to Co E (Bn Reaction Force)

(5) Employ radar via bridge coord 838364 for the purpose of maintaining surveillance of road from Carenten to Bronco.

d. Co C

e. Co D

(1) Be prepared for commitment as Bde reaction force within 15 mins after notification.

(2) Be prepared to catk, in 3-1 and 1-20 areas with priority sector 3-1.

(3) Prepare blocking position X. Occupy on order.

f. Co E

(1) Secure Bn CP Area

(2) Be prepared for attachment of one platoon Co B and for commitment as Bn reaction/catk force. Priority sector Co C.

g. Hvy Mort Platoon: GS

h. Coordinating instructions

(1) Bn boundaries are FCL's

(2) Coordination between commanders is directed

(3) All units construct defensive fortifications within assigned sector.

(4) Insure adequate protective bunkers for all assigned personnel

(5) Unidentified personnel with weapons outside the perimeter or attempting to come into the perimeter will be taken under fire immediately. During the hours of darkness all unidentified personnel may be taken under fire.

(6) Spot reports will be submitted ASAP after each engagement or suspected sighting. Sitreps will be submitted every 2 hrs. Neg reports required.

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(7) Perimeter bunkers will maintain 50% alert during hours of darkness.

(8) Use of lights during the hours of darkness will be held to a minimum. During hostile action all lights will be blackened out.

(9) Movement during hostile action will be held to an absolute minimum except designated reaction forces which will move IAW established plans.

(10) All movement during the hours of darkness outside the Carentan perimeter is prohibited unless cleared by this headquarters.

(11) This OPORD effective upon closure of main body.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

Annex D, Admin Log

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal

(1) Wire will be the primary means of communications between units and with the Bn CP. Bn FM net will be utilized as a back up. Line checks will be made daily at 1630 hours. Repairs required will be accomplished prior to 1800 hours.

(2) Minimum radio transmission all unit not in contact. Restrictions removed upon hostile contact.

(3) Current SOI- SSI in effect.

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b. Command. Bn CP vic coord 042368

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B - Intelligence
C - Fire Support(TBP)
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Can Quan (6838III); Thanh Gieng (6838IV).

1. Summary of Enemy Situation.

a. Current Intsums, Americal Div and 3 Bde, 4th Inf Div

b. Enemy Forces:

(1) Approximately 2,600 enemy troops are known to be operating in the Mo Duc/Duc Pho districts. This figure does not include part time village and hamlet guerrillas and supporters. The following locations are of the units operating generally around the 11th Bde defensive area (Carentan).

97th VC Main Force Bn	BS 7341
83d VC Local Force Bn	BS 6255
C-219 VC Local Force Co	BS 7058

(2) 97th VC Main Force Bn

The 97th Bn infiltrated SVN from Feb - Jul 1964 as the 703d Infiltration Group with a total strength of 600. The battalion was trained by the 338th NVA Brigade and cadre from the 308th NVA Division prior to each infiltration. Each company of the battalion infiltrated separately leaving at three day intervals; each group taking the designation of 703, 703A, etc. The battalion was designated the 97th upon its arrival in SVN and was assigned to the 2d VC regiment. The current strength of the battalion is estimated at 350-400. A summary of its engagement is contained in Appendix 1 to Annex B (Intelligence).

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(3) 83d Local Force Bn

The 83d (also known as the 38th) was formed in Tu NGHIA, Quang Ngai in 1964. One-third of the strength of the battalion consisted of North Vietnamese including cadre and soldiers and the remainder were South Vietnamese. The battalion is well-trained and has received many awards and promotions. The 83d is trained in raid, ambush and attack tactics. The battalion has received training in various night tactics involving raiding, harrassing and sabotage of bridges and friendly installations. Members of the battalion have attended various training courses conducted by the Quang NGAI province Politico - Military Training School headed by Tran Mat, former commander of the 48th LF Infantry Battalion, located north of Duc Pho. Squad and platoon level courses at the school consists of teaching fire and maneuver and basic combat tactics. The battalion will normally deploy its companies to operate independently to harrass friendly outposts and installations. At times the battalion will assemble the units to conduct a coordinated attack using indirect fire to cover their approach and then attack from two to three sides at once. Companies of the battalion will at times coordinate with supporting units and local force elements in the area to conduct attacks on villages, outposts, and friendly installations. Its estimated strength is now 350. A summary of its engagements is contained in Appendix 1 to Annex B (Intelligence).

(4) C-219 LF Company

Information concerning tactics, history and current engagements TBP.

2. EEI and Other Intelligence Requirements

a. EEI

(1) Are VC elements in vicinity of defensive area, if so, where and in what strength?

(2) Do VC elements have the capability of launching harrassing mortar attacks? If so, when and to what extent.

b. Other Intelligence Requirements

Are mines and booby traps being utilized in area? If so, where, how many and what type?

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3. Orders and Requests for Information

a. Orders to attached and subordinate units

(1) A, B, C companies, 4th Bn 3d Inf

(a) Report as obtained identification strength and disposition of VC units in sector; special attention to regular NVA or main force VC combat units.

b. Patrol and ambush reports to Bn S2 as soon as practicable.

c. Disposition of PW and documents per SOP

d. Spot reports per SOP

(2) GS Platoon

(a) One section attached to B Co and one section to C Co.

(b) GS area coverage plans to Bn S2 prior to 1600 hrs daily.

4. All units report information as obtained. Negative reports required every 2 hours.

a. Strength, location, activity, unit identification and armament of VC units in contact.

b. Condition of roads, trails in sector

c. Location of tunnels, holes or caches in sector

d. Mines, booby traps and unusual devices in sector

5. Miscellaneous

a. Handling of civilian personnel. Captured civilians (detainees) will be processed as PW's until status has been verified.

b. Maps

(1) Automatic issue of prescribed allowances (basic load) of maps will be made by Bn S2.

(2) Units submit requests for map coverage in excess of allowances to this Hq, ATTN: S4.

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6. Counterintelligence

- a. Disseminate information of all operations only to those whose assigned duties require it, and then only to the extent necessary to accomplish a specific task.
- b. Establish secure planning areas and restrict entry to key personnel.
- c. Challenge and password for SOP.

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Appendix: 1. Enemy Engagements
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1. 97th Main Force Bn

A document captured during Malheur I indicated strength of the battalion was 424 in January 1967 and that the battalion consisted of the Hqs Co, three infantry companies and a combat support company. The battalion was in heavy contact with U.S. Forces during Operations Malheur I and II during April - July 1967.

24 Apr 67 Engaged vicinity BS 764 408 sustained 15 KIA
26 Apr 67 Engaged vicinity BS 743 423 sustained 22 KIA
18 Jun 67 Engaged vicinity BS 800 466 sustained 13 KIA, ICIA
21 Jun 67 Engaged vicinity BS 741 595 sustained 71 KIA
25 Jun 67 Engaged vicinity BS 785 432 sustained 5 KIA
24 Jul 67 Engaged vicinity BS 782 438 sustained 10 KIA
20 Aug 67 Engaged vicinity BS 812 455 sustained 53 KIA

31 Oct 67 Coordinated with 83d LF Bn to attack Song Vo BS 695 635 and Cay Bua BS 691 647 Bridges. Battalion was ambushed by U.S. Forces while withdrawing and sustained 15 KIA

2. 83d LF Bn

11 Mar 67 Attacked regional force outpost in Mo Duc sustained 73 KIA
Strength 433

5 Apr 67 Engaged in Duc Pho sustained 81 KIA

Jun 67 Engaged in Pho Xuan

Jun 67 Engaged in Duc Pho - 3 KIA

Jul 67 Engaged in Duc Pho - 2 KIA

Aug 67 Engaged in Duc Pho - 2 KIA

9 Aug 67 Engaged in NGHIA THANH - 65 KIA

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1 Sep 67 Engaged in NGHIA HANH - 17 KIA
5 Sep 67 Engaged in NGHIA HANH - 5 KIA
16 Sep 67 Combined with C-19 to attack Duc Hai Op
31 Oct 67 Combined with 97th MF to attack Song Ve - 4 KIA

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BMVT</u>	<u>SR</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>BENT</u>	<u>MR</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>% ILLUMINATION</u>
18	0615	0703	1819	1907	1924	0809	99
19	0616	0704	1820	1908	2021	0902	96
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21	0617	0705	1821	1909	2215	1037	84
22	0617	0705	1821	1909	2310	1119	75
23	0618	0706	1822	1909	6-	1159	66
24	0618	0706	1822	1910	0005	1237	55
25	0618	0707	1822	1910	0100	1316	44
26	0619	0707	1823	1911	0158	1357	33
27	0619	0708	1824	1912	0254	1441	22
28	0620	0708	1824	1913	0356	1531	13
29	0621	0709	1825	1914	0502	1626	06
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Task Org: A Co
Hv Mort Plat
B Co
C Co

D Co
E Co(-)

Bn Con
Recon Plat
Grd Survl
Btry, 6-11 Arty (DS)
Elements occupying
CARENTAN Perimeter
OPCON for security
only effective
2 Jan 68
HHC, 11th Bde
Elements, 6th Spt Bn
Troop E(-)

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM, Annex B: Intelligence.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th Inf Bde assumes control of North and Central sectors DUC PHO - MO DUC AO effective 021800 Jan 68 in a phased operation to relieve 3-4 Inf Bde of responsibility for entire DUC PHO - MO DUC AO on 4 Jan 68; commences OPERATION CHAMPAIGN to: defeat enemy forces, provide security for sensitive installations and routes of communication, provide reaction forces on order Amcal Div, support Revolutionary Development, deny supplies to the enemy and interdict and harass enemy infiltration and supply routes, increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas, protect VN Nationals, assist in the training and support of RF-PF as directed and conduct psyops in support of tactical operations.

(2) 3-1 Inf occupies LZ LIZ and DRAGON effective 30 Dec, OPCON to 3-4 Inf until 2 Jan, conducts combat, stability, and security operations in assigned AO.

(3) 1-20 Inf occupies LZ THUNDER and CHARLIE BROWN beginning 2 Jan; conducts combat, stability, and security operations in assigned AO.

(4) 6-11 Arty DS 11th Bde.

(5) E Trp, 1st Cav.

(a) Integrates APCs in CARENTAN perimeter w/4-3 Inf effective 30 Dec 67.

(b) Provides convoy escorts, conducts clearance operations; Bde reaction force on order.

(c) Move to and occupy designated area LZ BRONCO on order.

(6) 6th Engr. Conduct road, LZ and demolitions clearing and road, bridges and culvert repair/building operations.

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

c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

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2. MISSION.

4-3 Inf organizes, establishes, and defends LZ OD; reorganizes and defends LZ CARENTAN beginning 30 Dec 67; completes reorganization of LZ CARENTAN 2 Jan 68 and conducts defensive and offensive operations in assigned AO to:

- a. Locate and destroy enemy units, guerrillas and VC infrastructure.
- b. Harass and interdict approaches to DUC PHO.
- c. Locate likely rocket and mortar firing sites threatening critical base areas and prevent use of these areas.
- d. Counter infiltration in coastal areas within assigned AO.
- e. Support Revolutionary Development.
- f. Deny needed food stuffs to the enemy.
- g. Protect VN Nationals against reprisals.
- h. Increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas.
- i. Conduct joint opns with and assist in the training and support of RF and PFs as directed.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation:

(1) Maneuver. 4-3 Inf initiates assumption of responsibility for LZ CARENTAN effective 30 Dec 67 with Co C and Brigade elements within the CARENTAN perimeter and occupies LZ OD with Co A and Hv Mort Platoon on 2 Jan. Companies B and D conduct offensive operations in sector commencing 3 Jan.

(a) Phase I (31 Dec 67). Platoon Co C and Recon Platoon relieves 3-1 Inf on CARENTAN perimeter.

(b) Phase II (2 Jan 68). Platoon Co C relieves Co A on CARENTAN perimeter. Co A with Hv Mort Platoon move by air to LZ OD; organizes and defends LZ OD.

(c) Phase III (2 Jan 68). HHC, 11th Inf Bde, 6th Spt Bn, and Troop E(-) OPCON to 4-3 Inf for security of LZ CARENTAN; relieves 1-20 Inf and Recon Plat 4-3 Inf on CARENTAN perimeter. Recon Platoon, CP security and Bn reaction force.

(d) Phase IV (3 Jan 68). Platoon Co C relieves Co B on CARENTAN perimeter. Co B conducts CA in 4-3 Inf AO on order and commences S&D operations.

(e) Phase V (4 Jan 68). Co C(-) relieves Co D on CARENTAN perimeter. Co D conducts CA in 4-3 AO on order and commences S&D operations.

(f) Phase VI. On order 4-3 Inf reorganizes and defends LZ CARENTAN with Co C and Recon Platoon.

(2) Fire Support.

(a) Air.

1. 7th USAF provides tac air support and interdiction missions on request.

2. 174th Avn Co provides rocket arty on request.

3. AC 47 Gunships (Spooky) on request.

(b) Artillery.

1. Btry 6-11 Arty DS 4-3 Inf.

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2. Priority of fires to units conducting CAs.

3. Annex C: Arty Fire Support Plan.

b. Co A:

(1) Move by helicopter lift 2 Jan 68 to LZ OD and occupy, develop and defend LZ OD. Annex D: Air Movement Plan.

(2) Conduct operations from LZ OD to:

(a) Provide support of Revolutionary Development.

(b) Deny needed food stuffs to the enemy.

(c) Protect VN Nationals against reprisals.

(d) Increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas.

(3) Be prepared to conduct psywar operations and civic action activities on order.

c. Co B:

(1) Conduct CA on order 3 Jan 68 and commence S&D operations to destroy enemy units, guerrillas and VC infrastructure in 4-3 AO.

(2) Be prepared to provide tactical security for Hwy 1 in 4-3 Inf AO.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations to:

(a) Provide support of Revolutionary Development.

(b) Deny needed food stuffs to the enemy.

(c) Protect VN Nationals against reprisals.

(d) Increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas.

(4) Be prepared to conduct psywar operations and civic action activities on order.

d. Co C:

(1) Commence relieving 3-1 Inf and Companies A, B, and D 4-3 Inf on CAENTAN defensive perimeter 31 Jan 67 with Troop E(-) (OPCON 4-3 Inf for security of CAENTAN perimeter only).

(2) Provide security and control access to CAENTAN/BRONCO Sanitary Fill effective 3 Jan 68.

(3) Secure bridge vic coord 838864 with one (1) APC Troop E(-) effective 3 Jan 68.

(4) On order conduct counter infiltration operations in coastal areas within 4-3 AO.

(5) On order reorganize, establish and defend entire CAENTAN perimeter.

(6) Be prepared to conduct operations to:

(a) Provide support of Revolutionary Development.

(b) Deny needed food stuffs to the enemy.

(c) Protect VN National against reprisals.

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(d) Increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas.

(7) Be prepared to conduct psywar operations and civic action activities on order.

e. Co D:

(1) Conduct CA on order 4 Jan 68 and commence S&D operations to destroy enemy units, guerrillas and VC infrastructure in 4-3 AO.

(2) Be prepared to provide tactical security for Hwy 1 in 4-3 Inf AO.

(3) Be prepared to conduct operations to:

(a) Provide support of Revolutionary Development.

(b) Deny needed food stuffs to the enemy.

(c) Protect VN Nationals against reprisals.

(d) Increase US/GVN influence over hamlet areas.

(4) Be prepared to conduct psywar operations and civic activities on order.

f. Co E(-): Organize, coordinate, and rehearse reaction force operation in the CARENTAN perimeter.

g. Recon Plat: Bn reaction force. Be prepared for employment within CARENTAN perimeter as counterattack force within 15 min after notification.

h. Grd Survl: Establish radar sites to scan bridge vic coord 838864; road from bridge to Bronco and beach area vic Troop E(-) sector.

i. 6th Spt Bn (CARENTAN perimeter defense element):

(1) Organize and defend assigned sector with a minimum of 40 personnel effective 2 Jan 68.

(2) Perimeter defense element OPCON 4-3 Inf for security of CARENTAN only.

j. Troop E(-):

(1) Organize and defend assigned sector effective 2 Jan 68.

(2) Elements OPCON 4-3 Inf for security of CARENTAN only.

(3) OPCON one (1) APC to Co C 4-3 for security of CARENTAN Bridge coord 838864 effective 3 Jan 68.

k. HHC, 11th Inf Bde (CARENTAN perimeter defense element).

(1) Organize and defend sector with a minimum of 20 personnel effective 4 Jan 68.

(2) Perimeter defense element OPCON 4-3 Inf for security of CARENTAN only.

l. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Boundaries are FCLs.

(2) Coordination between commanders for defense of CARENTAN is directed.

(3) CARENTAN defense elements render SITREPs every hour on the hour to 4-3 Inf Bn TOC during hours of darkness. Negative SITREPs required.

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(4) Spot reports will be submitted ASAP after each engagement of suspected sighting.

(5) All reports for CA operations SOP.

(6) Direct coordination with GVN officials for operations will be accomplished by this HQ only.

(7) Road and transport priority to tactical units when conducting move.

(8) All units be prepared on 12 hours notice for employment anywhere in SVN.

(9) One company employed anywhere within Americal AO within 2 hrs.

(10) All units be prepared to conduct joint combat and training operations with RF/PF troops on order.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal:

(1) Wire will be primary means of communications between CARENTAN defense elements and 4-3 Inf Bn TOC. 4-3 Inf FM net will be utilized as a back up.

(2) Minimum radio transmission all units not in contact. Restrictions lifted upon hostile contact.

(3) Units occupying fire bases will utilize RC 292 Antennas.

(4) En Air-Ground net will be used during all CA operations. Ground units conducting CAs will remain on En Air-Ground net 30 min prior to PU and 30 min after completion of TD in LZ. Thereafter, the En Cmd net will be utilized.

(5) Current SOI-SSI in effect.

b. Command.

(1) En CP vic coord 842368.

(2) Cmd Gp in C&C ship during all CAs.

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Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 21-67.

References: Maps, South Vietnam 1:50,000; sheets, MO DUC (6738 I),
AN LAC (6738 II), CAN QUAN (6838 III), THANGH GIENG
(6838 IV)

1. Summary of Enemy Situation.

a. Current Intsums, Americal Division, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
and 11th Infantry Brigade.

b. OPORD 20-67

c. Appendix 1 - Enemy Forces.

2. EEI and other Intelligence Requirements.

a. EEI

(1) Are enemy units deployed vicinity LZ OD, if so,
at what location and in what strength?

(2) Do enemy units vicinity LZ OD and LZ Carentan
have capability of launching all out or harrassing attacks? If so,
when and to what extent?

b. Other Intelligence Requirements

(1) Are mines and booby traps being utilized vic LZ
OD? If so, where; how many, and what type?

3. Orders and Requests for information.

a. Orders to attached and subordinate units:

(1) A Co 4-3 Inf

(a) Report as obtained identification, strength
and disposition of VC units vic LZ OD.

(b) Report as obtained current situation to in-
clude negative sitrep upon completion of touch-down on LZ OD.

(c) Spot Report to include who, what, when,
where and how many.

(d) Patrol and ambush plans to Bn S-2 as soon
as practicable.

(2) C Co 4-3 Inf

(a) Report as obtained all suspected and known
probing activities within the Carentan defensive sector.

(b) Spot Report (See Co A, 4-3 Inf)

(c) Report location of all suspected and known
VC bunkers, holes, routes to and from defense sector, mines, booby
traps and unsusal devices.

(d) Report all unusual activity, large groups
of Vietnamese, suspected carrying parties, also any change in the
usual number of farmers working in the rice paddies and fields.

(3) B and D Companies 4-3 Inf

(a) Report as obtained CA Touchdown, Hot or Cold
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Appendix 1 (Enemy Forces) to Annex B Intelligence to OPORD 21-67

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1. 97th Main Force Bn, OPORD 20-67
2. 83d Local Force Bn, OPORD 20-67
3. C-19 LF Sapper Company vic BS 7158

a. Training and tactics

(1) The C-19 LF Sapper Company of MO DUC (D) has received basic infantry military training including training in raids, ambushes, attacks on outposts and installations and attacks on bridges. The unit has recently received sapper training and is expected to employ sapper tactics rather than the basic infantry tactics.

b. Logistics

(1) Supplies for the C-19 Sapper Company are obtained through district channels. This is for ammo and medical supplies. The unit depends on the local villages and its organic production unit for good supplies. Replacements for the unit are provided by the indoctrination of local guerrillas and up-grading them to the local force level. Some replacements may come from the Politico-Military Training School of QUANG NGAI Province.

c. History

The C-19 LF Sapper Company of MO DUC (D) was activated in 1964 as the C-19 LF Infantry Company and has operated almost exclusively within the boundaries of the district. Some of the previous combat experiences of the company include:

- (1) 7 Jan 1967 Counter-sweep operations
- (2) 3 Mar 1967 Attack on MO DUC District
- (3) 14 Mar 1967 Attack and counter-ambush at MO CAY
- (4) 9 April 1967 Attack at NUI DAT 9 KIA
- (5) 14 April 1967 Attack at DONG CAC 2 KIA
- (6) May 1967 Received 37 replacements
- (7) Jun 1967 Engaged in MO DUC 7 KIA, 3 CIA
- (8) Aug 1967 Statements of PW's and low level agent reports indicate C-19 Company split to form C-19B LF Sapper Company and possibly C-19A Infantry unit.

4. 93d Main Force Bn vic BS 6629 (Suspected)

a. Unit History:

The 93d Bn infiltrated SVN in mid 1964 and recruited 1/3 of its strength from QUANG NAM, QUANG NGAI and BINH DINH provinces during infiltration. Captured documents indicate that the battalion personnel from NVN infiltrated as the 707 group. These documents have linked the 707A and 707B infiltration groups to the 93d battalion. The Battalion was assigned to the 2d VC Regiment upon its arrival in SVN. A summary of combat experience of the battalion includes:

- (1) Early in 1967 The bn operated mainly in BA TO (D), QUANG NGAI (P) and by April of 67 had an estimated strength of 350-400. Bn contacted heavily during operations MALHEUR I and II during April-July 1967. And an additional 24 KIA (BC) and numerous WIA during period Apr-Jul 67. Aug 67, Bn moved into BINH DINH (P).

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Captured documents indicate strength of 300.

5. 48th LF Bn (Suspected movement from vic 7479 South to 11th Ede AO)

a. Training and Tactics:

(1) The 48th LF Infantry Bn has received raid training at squad, platoon, company and battalion level. It has conducted night raid training, ambush and coordinated attack training. Members of the battalion have attended various training courses conducted by the QUANG NGAI Province POLITICO-MILITARY TRAINING SCHOOL, headed by NHUYEN MAT, former commander of the 48th LF Bn. Squad and platoon level courses at the school consists of teaching fire and maneuver and basic combat tactics. The battalion will attack RF and PF outposts, allied operations, and will conduct sabotage of installations. The battalion will combine with other local force and sapper units to carry out an attack. While operational the battalion will make a tactical move every 3-7 days whenever possible to avoid detection or major contact with allied units.

b. Logistics

(1) The battalion received replacements from villages within the province. It also can receive replacements from local force companies operating in the area or may have members assigned after their completion of the training course conducted by the Provincial Training School. The battalion depends on the Provincial Headquarters for ordnance and medical supplies. Food substances are obtained from Villages within the battalion's present area of operation and many time the acquirement of food substances is in the way of tax levy placed on the villagers. The battalion has its own production section for growing food but friendly operations have reduced the effectiveness of the unit to provide food for the entire battalion.

c. History

The 401st Provincial Independent Company became the 1st Co/48th Bn, the 802d Provincial Independent Company became the 2nd Co/48th Bn, the 3d Company/48th Bn was composed of personnel reassigned from various district units, the 4th Company drew personnel from the district forces and the 1st, 2d, 3d companies /48th Bn. The 48th LF Bn of QUANG NGAI (P) was activated on 1 Aug 1965 at BINH DUC (V), SON TINH (D), QUANG NGAI (P) with a strength of 500-550 men. The Cadre, from company to Bn level, were returnees from regroupment cadre, while the remaining strength was either guerrillas from Villages and districts or young draftees from the QUANG NGAI and QUANG TIN areas. Some of the activities of the battalion include:

- (1) Apr 67 Attacked SON QUANG (BS 7482)
- (2) May 67 Attacked ROKMC at BINH AN (V) 3 KIA, 5 WIA
- (3) Jun 67 Engaged ARVN at BINH AN (V) 3 KIA, 1 WIA
- (4) Aug 67 Attacked ROKMC at SON THANH (V) (BS 632828)
- (5) Sep 67 Coordinated with C-15 Co to attack TU THANH (V)
- (6) 15 Sep 67 Engaged ROKMC at SON THANH (V) (BS 705 768)
- (7) 1 Nov 67 Estimated strength of 350

6. 9th Bn, 22 NVA Regt (Suspected vic BS 7426)

a. Unit History

- (1) Jun 65 Began infiltration to SVN as the 514 Infiltration group
- (2) Sep 65 Arrived at assembly area in BINH DINH (P)
- (3) Oct 65 Assigned mission of attacking DUC PHO (D) and surrounding hamlets in QUANG NGAI (P)

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(4) Dec 65 91st, 92d, and 93d Cos to reinforce 7th Bn in attack on MINH LONG (D) - 94th Co (Hvy Wpns) located at GO GANG vic BS 539 512 to intercept reinforcements. Moved to HOAI THANH area (BS 887 024) to celebrate TET Holidays and to prepare for dry season.

(5) Jan 66 Strength 509

(6) Feb 66 Code name SONG THAO- Code Number 3d Bn

(7) May 66 Located at TAN AN vic BS 880110)

(8) Nov 66 Code Number 9th Bn, cover changed from Lien Doi 9 to Xom 9 with company prefix of thon

(9) Dec 66 8th and 9th Bns attacked elements of the 1st Air Cav Div.

(10) May 67 Moved to CAN HAU area and HY VAN-HY TRUONG area (BS 875 156) with the 7th Bn to prepare for rainy season.

(11) Jun 67 Engaged vic BS 796 482 Sustained 28 KIA

(12) Oct 67 Operated in AN LAO and BONG SON areas against elements of the 1st Air Cav Div.

7. 401 Main Force Regt. (Suspected Vic BS 5944. History TBP

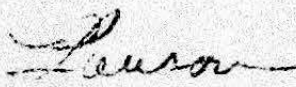
8. C-219 LF Company vic BS 7242, History TBP

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ANNEX D (Air Movement Plan) to OPORD 21-67

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SEQUENTIAL AIRLIFT SCHEDULE

MISSION COORDINATOR: CPT Henderson, 11th Bde S-3 (Air)

ITEM	UNIT	PZ TIME	PZ COORD	PZ CONTACT	LZ TIME	LZ COORD	LZ CONTACT	LZ PREP TYPE	PREP TIME	A/C REQ	PAX
1	A 4-3	0730 2 Jan 68	850372	Hallmark 8 51.6	0745	786372	Dragon B-6 51.6	COLD	NA	2 CH-47A	64
2	A 4-3	0755 2 Jan 68	850372	Hallmark 8 51.6	0810	786372	Hallmark A-6 51.6	—	—	2 CH-47A	64
3	A 4-3 E 4-3	0820 2 Jan 68	850372	Hallmark 8 51.6	0830	786372	Hallmark A-6 51.6	—	—	2 CH-47A	33 7000 lbs Cargo
4	A 4-3 E 4-3	Succeeding lifts will be external load cargo lifts. PZ and LZ times will be dependent on time needed to hook up sling loads and CH-47A refueling time. A total of 65,348 lbs of cargo will be transported to LZ OD in addition to the 7,000 lbs listed in Item #3.									

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Annex E (Civil Affairs) to OPORD 21-67

References: Maps S Vietnam 1:50,000; Sheets Mo Duc (6738I); An Lac (6738II);
Can Quam (6838III); Thanh Gieng (6838IV).

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces. OPORD 21-67

c. Attachments and detachments. None

d. Area intelligence:

(1) The population of the 11th Bde AO is approximately 123,000.

(2) There are 22,000 refugees residing within the (RD) Revolutionary Development areas. See OPORD overlay.

e. Assumptions:

(1) The VC infrastructure in the Duc Pho district is strong enough to levy and collect taxes from all people not residing within the RD areas.

(2) The population outside of the RD areas is generally sympathetic to the enemy cause.

(3) The (GVN) Government of Vietnam is capable of providing normal governmental services within the RD areas of Duc Pho district.

2. MISSION:

The 4th Bn 3d Inf will provide support for revolutionary development projects, deny the enemy needed foodstuffs which he often collects in taxes, protect nationals against reprisals, and increase US/GVN influence over the Bn area of operations.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operations:

(1) All companies will participate in civic action projects concurrently with other operations as directed.

(2) The Medical Section will participate in MEDCAP activities for indigenous personnel as directed.

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(3) Operations within the AO are not expected to generate many refugees, however, all units are responsible for the humanitarian treatment and care of any found until they can be turned over to GVN control. It is not anticipated that such persons will remain in the hands of the 4th Bn 3d Inf longer than 24 hours.

(4) Curfew in the AO is from ~~EMNT~~ to ~~EMNT~~ with the exception of RD areas, which is from BMCT to 2100 hours.

(5) All Commanders are responsible for proper conduct of their troops towards civilians.

(6) Request for psyops support (leaflet and loudspeaker) will be coordinated through S-5 channels.

(7) If U.S. Military operations cause civilian loss of property, injury or death report the incident immediately to the S-5.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

a. Provisions for care and feeding of refugees generated by operations will be procured through S-5 channels.

b. Request transportation for the evacuation of refugees through the S-5.

c. Hire of indigenous personnel is authorized on a daily basis. Payment will be made in the local currency at a rate commensurate with salaries paid on the local economy.

d. Money for the salaries of the indigenous laborers is provided by the S-5 11th Inf Bde on a weekly basis Monday through Sunday inclusive.

e. Contact with civilians will be reported to the S-5. Reports should contain a short narrative description of circumstances, names, location by coordinates, dates and times.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

See basic document.

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References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Sheets, Mo Duc (6738I); An Lac (6738II);
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1. GENERAL: Procedures specified herein provide for Combat Service Support of the 4th Bn 3d Inf while operating in the vicinity of Bronco, Duc Pho and Carentan areas.

2. MATERIEL AND SERVICES:

a. Supply

(1) Class I and Water

(a) A-rations normal in Carentan or Bronco

(b) Units maintain 1-day C-rations at unit supply. Replenish from HHC Mess.

(c) HHC Mess maintains 1-day supply of C-rations for the Battalion. Replenish from Bde Class I issue point, Carentan airstrip initially.

(d) S-4 maintains 1-day supply of C-rations for the Battalion for emergency use only.

(e) Water resupply Bronco and Carentan 400 gallons per Rifle Co. per day, HHC, Co E and messes 1600 gallons per day at mess location. Fire bases 450 gallons per day based upon aircraft availability.

(2) Class II & IV

(a) Units maintain 30-day level of expendables and PLL. Request from S-4.

(b) Barrier Materiel. Requested as required from S-4.

(3) Class III

(a) Vehicles refuel from 6th Spt Bn supply point. Coord 845369 (Carentan Airstrip) 1400 to 1600 hours daily.

(b) Bulk Diesel and gas for ranges, generators and latrines will be picked up as needed in 5 gallon cans from Bde Class III supply point.

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(c) PLL available at Bn S-4 for non-automotive. Bn Motor Pool for vehicles.

(4) Class V

(a) Units report all expended ammunition by 0800 hours daily to Bn Ammo NCO at S-4.

(b) Units report all 81mm and 4.2 in ammo on hand by 1400 hours daily.

(c) Unit resupply by Bn Ammo Section NLT 1600 hours daily.

(d) Emergency ammo request to S-4 or Svc Platoon Leader as required.

b. Helicopter sling load pickup zone is LZ Living End vic Coord 851367.

c. Transportation: Troop movement requests thru S-3. Supplies requested from S-4.

d. Laundry: Company XO's coordinate with S-4 NLT 0830 hours daily.

3. MEDICAL EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION:

a. Evacuation:

(1) Primary means of evacuation is by air.

(2) Med-Evac helicopters are located at 3d Bde, 4th Div. Requests for Med-Evac will be sent by radio to Doctor Control on frequency 46.90. Appendix 1 is format for Med-Evac request.

(3) All casualties within Brigade base area will be evacuated thru the Bn Aid Station. Any casualty which is felt by the medic should be medi-evaced, should be sent to the Bn Aid Station. The Aid Station should be notified prior to his arrival in order that arrangements be made with 6th Spt for evacuation.

b. Hospitalization:

(1) Short-term medical, short-term surgical, and patients pending medical diagnosis will be hospitalized at Brigade Clearing Station.

(2) Major casualties will be evacuated to Qui Nhen for hospitalization.

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c. Sick Call:

(1) Line units will be seen by their senior aid man. If necessary, individuals will be sent to the Bn Aid Station.

(2) Headquarters personnel and other individuals located in Bn Base area will be seen in the Bn Aid Station from 0730 - 0830 hours daily. Emergencies will be seen anytime.

4. PERSONNEL:

a. Maintenance of Unit Strength

(1) Strength Reports.

(a) Casualty Reports

1 USARV Form 130-R (U.S. Army Casualty Report) will be utilized for all types of casualties (battle and non-battle). Report will be rendered to Battalion S-1 immediately by most expeditious means. USARV 130-R will be prepared in 4 copies and submitted as soon as possible thereafter. Information must be accurate and will not be delayed due to lack of required data.

2 Replacements. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Para 3.

b. Personnel Management

(1) Personnel Procedures. Processed thru channels to Americal Division.

(a) Promotions

1 Officers and Warrant Officers. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Section 3.

2 Enlisted

a Recommendations to grades E-7, E-8, E-9 will be forwarded thru channels to Americal Division.

b Recommendations for promotions to grades E-4 thru E-6 will be submitted to this headquarters. Disposition Form may be used indicating names, ranks, service numbers, and Social Security Numbers.

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c Recommendations for accelerated promotions to the grades of E-5 and E-6 for truly outstanding individuals with combat MOS' will be submitted to this headquarters. Waiver of time in grade and time in service requirement may be granted, however, a position vacancy for that MOS and grade must exist. In some rare cases this policy may be applied against support MOS. Full justification is required.

d Allocations will be controlled by Americal Division.

(2) Civilian Personnel. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Para 4.

(3) Prisoners of War. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Section 7.

c. Development and Maintenance of Morale.

(1) Morale and Personnel Services.

(a) R&R. Begins after 90 days in-country. Allocations furnished by Brigade.

(b) Awards and Decorations.

1 Submitted on USARV Form 157-R in 4 copies.

2 Medals for Valor must have eye-witness(s). If other than an officer is witness and initiates action for the award, witness statements must be attached.

3 Purple Heart. If individual is evacuated to hospital for more than 24 hours, the medical facility will award medal. If treated locally and remains in the area, the unit must submit necessary paperwork (Casualty Report and USARV Form 157-R).

4 Air Medal. Determined by purpose of flight. Courier flights - No; Liaison flights between headquarters - Yes. Must be in support of combat situation. USARV Form 131 will be used.

5 Posthumous Awards. Recommendation should be included on the U.S. Army Casualty Report (USARV Form 130-R) at time of submission. USARV Form 157-R should be forwarded to Americal Division within 7 days. Social Security Number must be on the USARV Form 157-R.

6 Impact Awards. Awards recommended by Brigade CG to Division CG. Awards normally made by Division CG immediately. Form 157-R is prepared and award confirmed.

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7 Awards for Service. Awarded only at end of tour. If Commander changes, his recommendations must be maintained for consideration of next Commander at end of subject's tour.

8 Combat Medical Badge. Recommendation submitted in letter form to Battalion.

9 Combat Infantry Badge. Recommendation submitted in letter form to Battalion.

(c) Postal.

1 Company mail clerks will pick-up and sort all incoming mail twice daily; deliver outgoing mail to Battalion mail room; maintain DD Form 1175's for all company personnel, and store all accountable mail pending delivery.

2 Companies will pick-up incoming mail at 1230 hours and 1700 hours and deliver outgoing mail (properly processed) at 0730 hours and 1230 hours at the Battalion mail room. Units are responsible for informing the Battalion mail clerk of assigned personnel attached to other organizations for mail delivery on DD Form 1175.

3 Mail for deceased personnel will be processed in accordance with AR 65-75. Mail for hospitalized personnel will be processed in accordance with USARV Regulations, and returned to the Battalion mail clerk not later than 12 hours after the receipt by company mail clerk. Mail for all personnel hospitalized in-country is sent to Battalion mail clerk for rerouting. Mail for personnel hospitalized out-of-country is sent to each hospital under separate POD covers.

(d) Finance. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Section 4.

(e) Movies. Shown nightly 1900 hours (except Sundays) at the Battalion theater.

(f) Religious Services. Per information disseminated in Battalion letter.

d. Graves Registration. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Section 10.

e. Maintenance of Discipline, Law, and Order. Per Battalion Tactical SOP, Chapter II, Section 5 and Section 7.

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f. Headquarters Management. Per Battalion SOP, Chapter II, Section 9.
In addition, 8 additional guard posts have been established in the Command Post
area:

- Post 1 (Hill top vicinity BEQ)
- 2 (Bn CO/S-1 Complex)
- 3 (Bn TOC)
- 4 (Hill top vicinity Generator)
- 5 (Ammo Dump)
- 6 (Motor Pool)
- 7 (Dismount Point)
- 8 (Mess Area)

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Appendix 1 - Medical Evacuation Request Form

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Appendix 1 - Medical Evacuation Request Form

1. Requestor Radio Call Sign
2. Location of Pick-up Site: Coordinates n the clear
3. Category: URGENT PRIORITY ROUTINE

(Note: Urgent is used only when life or limb is in jeopardy. Priority is used when evacuation is necessary within 34 hours).

(Note: When a casual category is less than urgent, but the tactical situation prevents delay, the requestor should so state).

4. Number of patients: Litter Ambulatory
5. Nature of injuries:
6. Nationality U.S. VIETNAMESE .
7. Radio Frequency: This is the frequency

the unit will use to guide the chopper and will be either the dust-off frequency or the unit's frequency: (Note: Use unit designation only Do not use numerical designation).

8. Markings: (Smoke during day, lights at night)
9. Weather of pick-up site describe.
10. Security of pick-up site describe.
11. Hoist requirements YES NO

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References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Sheets, Binh Son (6739I); Quang Ngai (6739II); Son Ha (6739III); Tra Bong (6739IV).

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: Annex A; Road Movement Table

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th Bde remains in present AO.

(2) 3-1 Inf continues operations in assigned AO.

(3) 1-20 Inf relieves 4-3 Inf from present commitments in assigned AO.

c. Attachments and detachments: Co B 6th Spt Bn provides transportation for motor movement.

2. MISSION.

4-3 Inf w/ B battery, 6-11 Arty move by motor and air commencing H hour Jan 68 to assembly area vic 3d Marine Provisional Artillery (BT 630852) and to LZ SUE (BT 565877).

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation: 4-3 Inf moves by motor and air in 3 march units and 6 CH-47 helicopter chalks; first march unit SP H-hour 10 Jan and last march unit closing new area by H+3 hours and 35 min. Co B 4-3 Inf moves by CH-47 helicopter from LZ Living End (BS 849372) to LZ Sue, PZ time

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TBA. Artillery fire support from LZ Liz and LZ Dragon on call. Two (2) gunships from 174th Aviation Co provide air cover for march units.

- b. March unit 1.
- c. March unit 2.
- d. March unit 3.
- e. CH-47 chalk 1-6 (See Annex C, Air Movement Table).
- f. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Quartering party will move by UH-1B helicopter from LZ Living End (BS 849372) at 10 0730 H Jan 68. Party will consist of S-3, S-4, LNO, and DS Artillery Battery Commander.

(2) All units moving by vehicle will be assembled and loaded on vehicles NLT 10 0830 H Jan 68 vic 6th Spt Trains area (Air strip coord 843371).

(3) Co B 4-3 Inf will be assembled by chalk vic LZ Living End NLT 10 0700 H Jan 68.

(4) MP Platoon, HHC, 11th Inf Bde provides escort and establishes TCPs along route to vic bridge north of Quang Ngai (BT 642748).

(5) MPs, 198th Inf Bde provide escort and establish TCPs from bridge north of Quang Ngai to RP.

(6) Vehicle commanders are responsible for briefing drivers and occupants on 4-3 Inf motor convoy SOPs.

(7) March unit commanders will establish radio communications within march unit for control.

(8) Formation: Closed column (50 meters between vehicles).

(9) Column gap: March units---15 minutes.

(10) Annex A, Road Movement Table

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(11) Annex B, Route Overlay.

(12) Annex C, Air Movement Table.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Supply.

(1) Class I.

(a) 2 meals carried by convoy personnel.

(b) 7 meals per man (140 men) helilifted to Fire Base Sue
NLT H+4.

(2) Class II & IV: Minimum essential equipment. Sandbags in
trains available D+1.

(3) Class III: Vehicles fuel prior to H-2. Refuel location
assembly area vic coord 650852.

(4) Class V.

(a) Co B carries double basic load.

(b) Remaining Units and Bn ASP carry present loads.

(5) Water.

(a) 3 quarts carried by all individuals.

(b) 2000 gallons in trains.

(c) 500 gallons helilifted to LZ Sue NLT H+5.

b. Transportation.

(1) Troop lift, organic and Co B, 6th Spt Bn 34 each 2½ tons w/1½
ton trailers (cargo)(water).

(2) Cargo lift, organic and Co B, 6th Spt Bn 11 each 2½ tons w/1½
ton trailers (cargo).

(3) Bn maintenance mechanic in last 2½ ton vehicle, 3d march unit.

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(4) HHC 4-3 Inf furnish truck guides for attached transportation at 100800 H Jan 68 at 4-3 Inf motor pool area.

c. Miscellaneous.

(1) PZ Co B in LZ Living End.

(2) CH-47 helicopter (31 men or 7000 lbs cargo) after 0700 H Jan 68.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

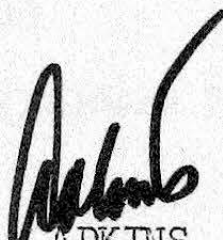
a. Signal:

(1) Current SOI in effect.

(2) Communications checks NLT 100830 H Jan 68 with Hallmark 65.

b. Command: Serial commander moves initially with march unit 2.

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Annexes: A - Road Movement Table
B - Route Overlay
C - Air Movement Table

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ANNEX A (Road Movement Table) to OPORD 1-68

References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Sheets, Binh Son (6739I); Quang Ngai (6739II); Son Ha (6739III); Tra Bong (6739IV).

1. Average Speed: 20 MPH
2. Catch up Speed: 25 MPH
3. Halts: None
4. Route GUARD:
 - a. LZ CARENTAN BRIDGE, BEACH ROAD (BS 848363) (Start Point)
 - b. DUC PHO (BS 807378) (Highway 1)
 - c. XUAN YEN TAY (2) (BS 624854) (Release Point)
5. Critical Points:
 - a. Start point all march units: Bridge (BS 848363)
 - b. Intersection of Beach Road and Highway 1 (BS 807378)
 - c. Release point all march units: Intersection of Highway 1 and road leading to marshalling area (3d Provisional Marine Battery Fire Base) (BS 624854)
6. March Units:

SERIAL OR MARCH UNIT	DATE	ORGANIZATION AND COMMANDER	NO OF VEHICLES	SP	RP	REMARKS
March Unit 1	10 Jan	(Serial Cmdr LTC ADKINS)				
		Co C	8 (2½ T) 1 (¼ T)	H hr	H + 3 hrs	
		B Btry 6-11 Arty	13 (2½ T) 2 (3/4T) 3 (¼ T)			
		Comd Grp Co E (-) (Recon Plat & G.S. Sec)	3 (¼ T) 3 (2½ T) 3 (¼ T)			
			1 FIA			
		CPT Hendrix	TOTAL 37 Vehicles			

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SERIAL OR MARCH UNIT	DATE	ORGANIZATION AND COMMANDER	NO OF VEHICLES	SP	RP	REMARKS
March Unit 2	10 Jan	Co D	8 (2½ T)	H-hr + 15 min	H + 3 hrs 15 mins	
		HHC (-) (Med Plat (-), Comm Plat Bn Hqs Sec (-)	1 (2½ T) 1 (FLA) 4 (¼ T)			Includes Arty LNO ¼ T
		Bn Tns	11 (2½ T) 2 (¼ T)			
		CPT Six	TOTAL 27 Vehicles			
March Unit 3	10 Jan	Co A	8 (2½ T) 1 (¼ T)	H Hr + 30 mins	H + 3 Hrs 30 mins	
		Hvy Mort Plat	6 (3/4T) 1 (FLA)			
		CPT Campbell	TOTAL 16 Vehicles			

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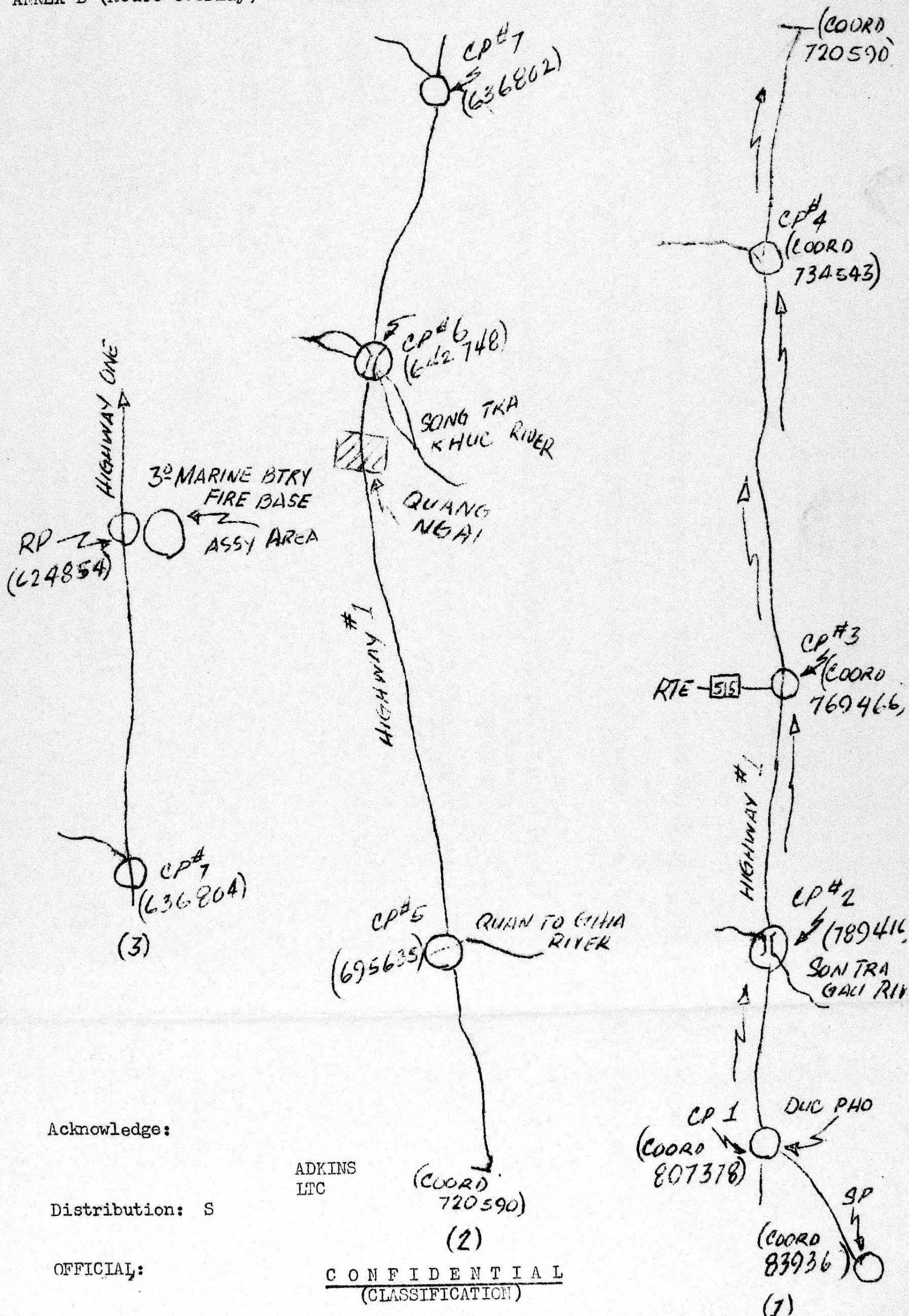
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ANNEX C (Air Movement Table) to OPORD 1-68

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I T E M	UNJT	PZ TIME	PZ COORD	PZ CONTACT	LZ TIME	LZ COORD	LZ CONTACT	LZ PREP TYPE	PREP TIME	A/C REQ	PAX
1	B 4-3	100700 H	BS849372	Hallmark B6 51.60	100725 H	BS565877	2-35 Inf Air/Ground Frequency	N/A	N/A	1	31
2	B 4-3	100750 H	"	Hallmark B5 51.60	100815 H	"	Hallmark B6 51.60	"	"	1	32
3	B 4-3	100850 H	"	(10 min refueling time) "	100915 H	"	"	"	"	1	31
4	B 4-3	100940 H	"	"	101005 H	"	"	"	"	1	31
5	B 4-3	101040 H	"	(10 min refueling time) "	101105 H	"	"	"	"	7000 lbs ext. cgo	—
6	B 4-3	101130 H	"	"	101155 H	"	"	"	"	7000 lbs ext. cgo	

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Task Org:

Defending Co

Tm HENDRIX
Hvy Mort Plat
Plat, B/6-11 Arty
Elements, HHC 4-3 Inf
Sqd, 3/C/26th Engr

1. SITUATION:

- a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: Omitted.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

2. MISSION:

4-3 Inf reorganizes defenses of LZ SUE (BS568879) commencing 270700H Jan 68.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operations. 4-3 Inf defends LZ SUE with one company and Team HENDRIX. Four DEFCONS from B/3-16 Arty (155 How). Hvy Mort Plat plan DEFCONS on all likely avenues of approach.

b. Defending company.

(1) Occupy forward defense bunkers at night or during attacks as shown in defense overlay.

(2) On order, 81 Mortar Platoon DS Recon Platoon vic OF GEORGE.

(3) Be prepared to employ Co(-) reaction force anywhere within 4-3 Inf AO 30 min after notification.

c. Team HENDRIX.

(1) Coordinate defense of LZ SUE and establish base defense control center.

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(2) Be prepared to assume defense mission of company defending LZ SUE upon commitment of Co(-) as Bn reaction force.

(3) Organize reaction force for defense of LZ SUE with Hvy Mort Plat, elements B/6-11th Arty, Engr Sqd, and HHC, 4-3 Inf.

(4) Be prepared to reinforce defending company or for employment as reaction force for LZ SUE within 15 minutes after commencement of enemy atk on LZ SUE.

(5) Rehearse counterattack plans with assumed penetration on EASTERN and SOUTHERN portion of LZ SUE.

d. B/6-11th Arty.

(1) Plan direct fires with special purpose ammunition for support of Tm HENDRIX. Employ direct fires on order only.

(2) On order attach one platoon-sized element to Tm HENDRIX for employment as reaction force.

e. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Direct coordination between commanders is authorized and directed.

(2) Unit commanders to include squad leaders conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal of counteratk/reaction force plans.

(3) Elements of Tm HENDRIX identified and organized NLT 270800H Jan 68.

(4) All personnel remain in bunkers/fighting positions during atk on LZ SUE (does not apply to reaction force).

(5) Priority of tasks for defense of LZ SUE.

(a) Construction of bunkers.

(b) Construction of wire and mine obstacles.

(c) Construction of communications and fighting trenches between forward bunkers.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS,

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal.

(1) Current SOL/SSI in effect.

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(2) Green Star Cluster emergency signal for employment of counter-
atk force on eastern portion of LZ SUE. White Star Cluster emergency signal
for employment of counteratk force on southern portion of LZ SUE.

b. Command. Cmd Gp remains vic Bn TOC.

Acknowledge:

Annexes:	A - Opn Overlay	ADKINS
	B - Fire Support Plan	LTC
	(TBP)	
	C - Counterattack Plan 2-68	(RED)
	D - Counterattack Plan 3-68	(BLUE)

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Annex C (Counterattack Plan 2-68 (RED)) to OPORD 2-68

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Task Org: OPORD 2-68

1. SITUATION:

- a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: OPORD 2-68.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org, OPORD 2-68.
- d. Assumptions:
 - (1) Defending company contains enemy penetration.
 - (2) Tm HENDRIX is available for counterattack.

2. MISSION:

Tm HENDRIX counterattacks on order to seize Obj 1, reduce enemy penetration and restore defense perimeter.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operation. Tm HENDRIX attacks to seize Obj 1, restore perimeter, and reassembles present position on order. Defending company contains enemy penetration, assists passage of Tm HENDRIX and continues defense of perimeter. A 5 min 155 How prep at H-5. Priority of fires Tm HENDRIX.

b. Defending Co.

c. Tm HENDRIX : Assemble vic Hvy Mort Plat.

d. B/6-11th Arty: Support Tm HENDRIX with direct fires on order.

e. Coordinating instructions:

- (1) Unit comdrs conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal to include sqd ldrs.
- (2) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution on order.
- (3) LD is LC for execution.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal: Current SOI and OPORD 2-68.

b. Command: OPORD 2-68.

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Appendix 1 - Counteratk Overlay
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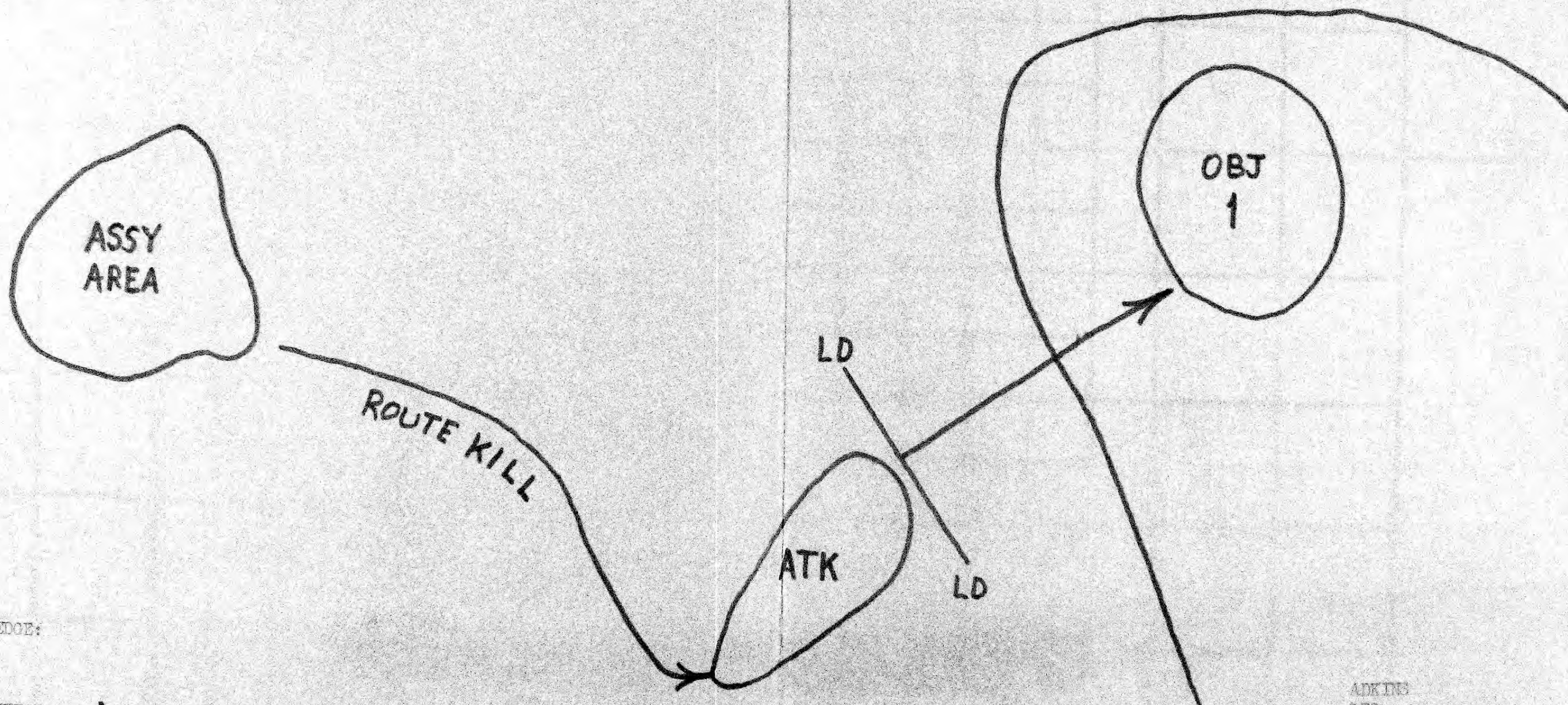
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Annex D (Counterattack Plan 3-68 (BLUE)) to OPORD 2-68

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Task Org: OPORD 2-68.

1. SITUATION:

- a. Enemy forces: Current ENTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: OPORD 2-68.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org, OPORD 2-68.
- d. Assumptions:
 - (1) Defending company contains enemy penetration.
 - (2) Tm HENDRIX is available for counterattack.

2. MISSION:

Tm HENDRIX counterattacks on order to seize Obj 2, reduce enemy penetration and restore defense perimeter.

3. EXECUTION:

- a. Concept of operation. Tm HENDRIX attacks to seize Obj 2, restore perimeter and reassemble present position on order. Defending company contains enemy penetration, assists passage of Tm HENDRIX and continues defense of perimeter. A 5 min 155 How prep at H-5. Priority of fires Tm HENDRIX.
- b. Defending Co.
- c. Tm HENDRIX: Assemble vic Hvy Mort Plat for counterattack.
- d. B/6-11th Arty: Support Tm HENDRIX with direct fires on order.
- e. Coordinating instructions:
 - (1) Unit comdrs conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal to include sqd ldrs.
 - (2) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution of order.
 - (3) LD is LC for execution.

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal: Current SOI and OPORD 2-68.

b. Command: OPORD 2-68.

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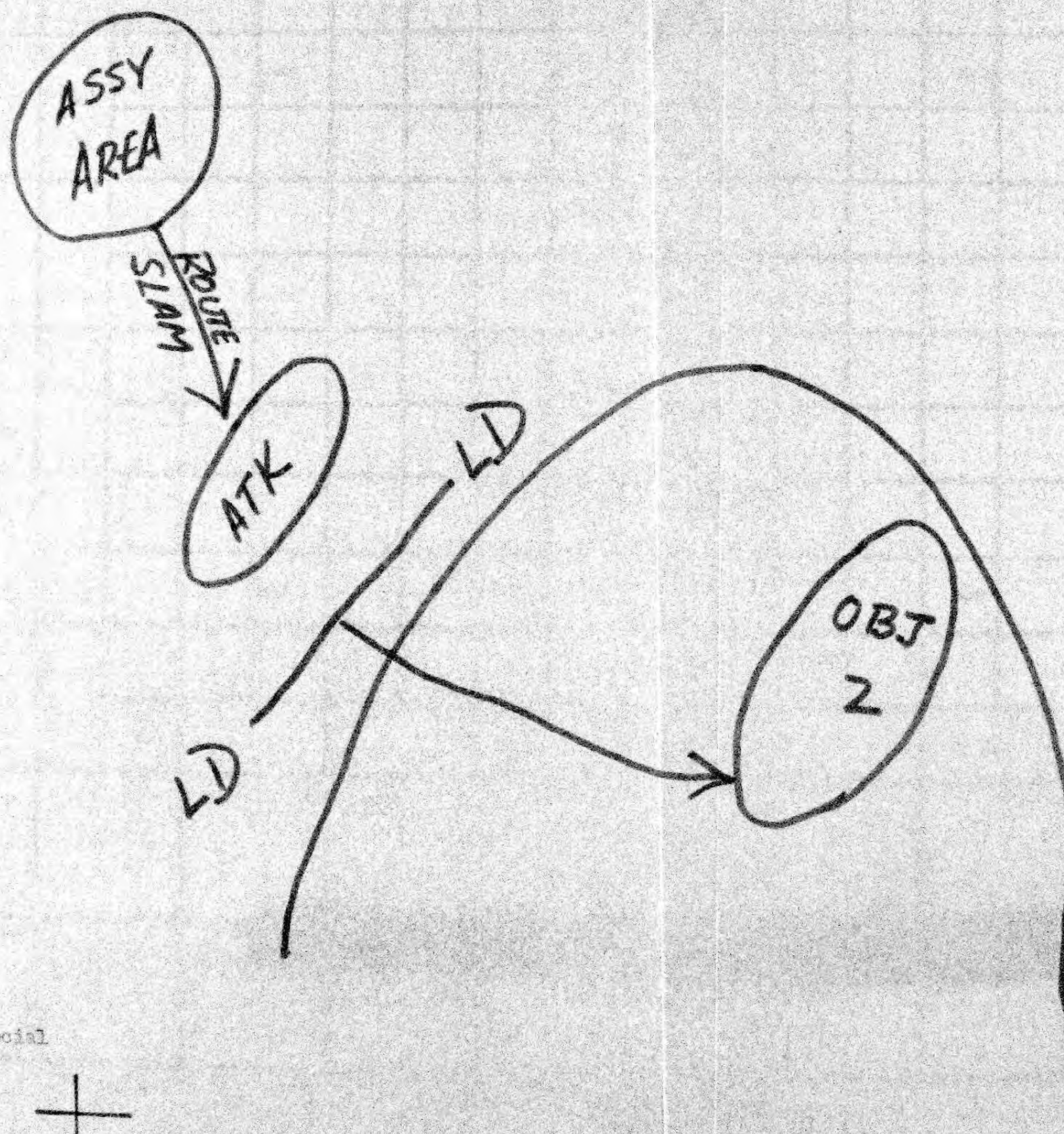
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Task Org:

Co A (+)	Co D (-)	Bn Control
Recon Plat	Co A/1-20 (+)	3/E-1 Cav
Co B	Plat	3/C-26 Engr(-) (DS)
Co C (+)	Sqd/C-26 Engr	B/6-11 Arty (DS)
Plat/Co D	Co E (-)	Searchlight Plat(-)
Sqd/C-26 Engr		

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy forces:

- (1) Current INTSUM.
- (2) Annex A: Intelligence.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th Inf Bde initiates operation SHOW LOW 070740H Mar 68; conducts search and destroy operations to eliminate enemy forces in area bounded by the SONG TRA KHUC, east-west grid line BS61, north-south grid line BS56, and north-south grid line BS40.

(2) Regiment, 2d ARVN Division.

(a) Participates in joint operation in coordination with 11th Inf Bde and CIDG Forces (HA THANH).

(b) Pre-positions blocking forces on 6 Mar 68 and blocks in sector north of TRA KHUC River on 7 Mar 68.

(c) On 7 Mar 68, conducts combat assault with two battalions into LZs TEAK and FIR, and executes S/D opns on axis BISHOP, ROOK, and QUEEN.

(3) On 7 Mar 68 CIDG Forces (HA THANH) occupy and block enemy in sector from positions C and D.

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(4) 3-1 Inf: Provides one (1) company for employment as Bde Ready Reaction Force with one (1) platoon on standby for immediate employment from QUANG NGAI Airfield.

(5) 1-20 Inf.

(6) TF BARKER.

(7) 6-11 Arty.

(a) Airlifts B/6-11 to firing position vic BS5380 on 5 Mar 68, and when secured, to position "A" on 6 Mar 68.

(b) Airlifts A/6-11 to HA THANH on 6 Mar 68. A/6-11 Arty reinforces fires of B/6-11 Arty.

(8) 7th Air Force and 1st Marine Air Wing provide air support as requested.

c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

2. MISSION.

4-3 Inf Bn conducts combat operations commencing 070740H Mar 68 to locate and destroy enemy forces in zone.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation:

(1) Maneuver. Annex B, Operation Overlay.

(a) Phase I (D-2, ⁶5 Mar 68) 4-3 Inf commences deployment of forces at 050700H Mar 68 with Co A moving from LZ SUE to vic NDP, coord BS514803, and Co B conducting CA, commencing 050800H Mar 68, from vic LZ UPTIGHT (BS728850) to LZ vic BS523815. Upon completion of CA, Co B secures initial fwd fire support base vic BS535805, NLT 051000H Mar 68.

1 3/E-1 Cav Plat with 3/C-26 Engr Plat(-) arrives vic initial fwd fire support base (BS535805) at time TBA. On order moves to and occupies NDP with Co A/4-3 vic BS514803. 3/E-1 Cav Plat and 3/C-26 Engr Plat(-) OPCON 4-3 Inf upon entering MUSCATINE AO.

2 Co C continues present operations.

3 Co D(-) moves to and occupies LZ SUE, commencing 050730H Mar 68.

4 Co E(-) continues present operations.

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5 B/6-11 Arty airlifted from LZ SUE to vic initial fire support base (BS535805), commencing 051300H Mar 68.

(b) Phase II (D-1, 6 Mar 68) 4-3 Inf moves 060730H Mar 68 to secure blocking position A with Co A and 3/C-26 Engr(-) moving on AXIS RED, and 3/E-1 Cav on AXIS BLUE, on order.

1 Co B: Remain at present location and prepare for CA on 7 Mar 68; prepare to assist in seizure of blocking position A on order.

2 Co C: Move to and occupy PZ vic BS587850; prepare for CA on 7 Mar 68.

3 Co D(-): Secure LZ SUE; conduct platoon size S/D operations vic LZ SUE and establish sqd sized night ambush.

4 Co E(-): Continue present operation.

5 B/6-11 Arty airlifted to fire support base at blocking position A when secured by Co A and 3/E-1 Cav.

(c) Phase III (D-Day, 7 Mar 68) 4-3 Inf conducts CA with Co B from PZ vic BS523815 to LZ KOA, seizes and occupies blocking position B. Co C and A/1-20 conduct CA from PZ vic BS587850 and LZ DRAGON to LZ OAK and LZ PINE respectively. Upon completion of CA into LZs OAK and PINE, commence S/D operations in zone on axes PAWN and KNIGHT respectively; destroys enemy and/or forces him into pre-selected killing zones.

1 Co D(-) secures LZ SUE; conducts platoon size S/D operations vic LZ SUE; establish sqd sized ambushes until completion of Bde operation SHOW LOW.

2 Co E(-) continues present operation until completion of Bde operation SHOW LOW.

(2) Fires. Arty fires on call for seizure of objectives on 5 and 6 Mar 68. Radar bombing (Sky Spots) employed on known and suspected enemy locations at H-2, D-Day. Pre-assault air strikes to clear LZs and neutralize or destroy enemy forces at each LZ area at H-40 min, D-Day. Five (5) min Arty prep of LZs commences H-8 min to H-3 min, D-Day. Gunship suppressive fires at H-1 min to H-Hour. Priority of fires to units conducting CA with priority to CA units in contact. Priority to Bn reaction force when committed.

b. Co A:

(1) Be prepared to provide and employ a platoon-size reaction force within five (5) minutes after notification.

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(2) Secure and establish fire support base at blocking position A; fix and destroy enemy forces attempting to exfiltrate and/or enter operational area.

(3) Conduct local patrols and establish ambushes vic blocking position A along likely avenues of approach and exfiltration.

c. Co B:

(1) Conduct CA into LZ KOA at 070740 Mar 68; seize and occupy blocking position B; fix and destroy enemy forces attempting to exfiltrate and/or enter the operational area.

(2) Occupy OP vic BS423743 with one (1) reinforced rifle squad.

(3) Conduct local patrols and establish night ambushes vic blocking position B along likely avenues of approach and exfiltration.

d. Co C.

e. Co D.

f. Co E(-).

g. Co A/1-20: Released to OPCON 4-3 Inf upon crossing northern Duc Pho AO boundary.

h. 3/E-1 Cav: Screen area north of TRA KHUC River in zone. Be prepared for employment as reaction force in 4-3 Inf sector.

i. B/6-11 Arty (DS).

j. 3/C-26 Engr(-):

(1) Assist Co A in clearing position A of mines and booby-traps.

(2) Reconnoiter and report locations of possible foot and personnel carrier fording sites along TRA KHUC River in 4-3 Inf sector.

(3) Assist in preparation of wire barrier vicinity position A.

k. Searchlight Platoon(-): Be prepared for airlift to position A on order.

l. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Reconnaissance restricted to Bn CO, S3, and Company Commanders. Recon limited to one (1) fly-over per person. Use of helicopters for recon is unauthorized.

(2) Units prepare to conduct operations for a five (5) day period.

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- (3) Report occupation of blocking positions and crossing of all phase lines.
- (4) Crossing of phase line JIM on order only.
- (5) Flame warfare equipment on call.
- (6) Construct LZs at each NDP.
- (7) All units carry one (1) 81mm mortar each with minimum of 20 HE, 10 Illumination, and 5 WP rounds of ammunition.
- (8) All units carry two (2) LAWs per rifle squad and one 292 antenna.
- (9) All units and engineer elements carry mine detectors and demolitions.
- (10) Direct coordination between commanders is authorized and directed.
- (11) Units report PZ and LZ times each lift and condition of LZs (Hot or Cold) upon touch down of each lift.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

Annex E: Administration and Logistics.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal: Current SOI; Annex F: Signal.

b. Command:

- (1) Bn Cmd group in C&C ship during all CAs.
- (2) Bn fwd TOC vic blocking position A, 6 Mar 68.

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Annexes: A - Intelligence
B - Operation Overlay
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1. Summary of enemy situation.

- a. Appendix 1 (Enemy Situation Overlay) to Annex A (Intel).
- b. Appendix 2 (Enemy Defensive Positions) to Annex A (Intel).
- c. Appendix 3 (Enemy Order of Battle) to Annex A (Intel).
- d. Current INTSUM.

2. EEI and other intelligence requirements.

a. EEI.

- (1) What is the disposition of enemy forces?
- (2) Which enemy NVA, Main Force, or Local Force units are located in your area of operation?
- (3) What are the enemy infiltration and exfiltration routes?
- (4) What enemy installations are located in zone of operation?

b. OIR.

- (1) Are there rocket or mortar positions in zone of operation?
- (2) Are there AA/AW positions located in zone of operation?
- (3) Is the local populace supporting the enemy?

3. Orders and Request for Information.

a. Orders to attached and subordinate units.

- (1) A Co, 4/3.

(a) Upon reaching blocking position, report condition of area, to include mines, enemy positions, fortifications and tunnels.

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(b) Report all activity across river in fortified village vic Grid Square BS5275.

(c) All enemy information to be reported per SOP.

(2) B Co 4/3.

(a) Report condition of LZ (Hot or Cold).

(b) Report all movement to include civilians north and south on Hwy #58.

(c) All enemy information to be reported per SOP.

(3) C 4/3.

(a) Report condition of LZ (Cold or Hot).

(b) Report all abandoned enemy base camps.

(c) All enemy information to be reported per SOP.

(4) B Btry, 6th Bn, 11th Arty.

(a) Report as obtained all enemy information received via radio transmission.

(b) Report as obtained suspected enemy locations.

(c) All enemy information to be reported per SOP.

b. Requests to higher units.

(1) S-2, 11th Bde is requested to provide VR consolidated lists as obtained.

(2) S-2, 11th Bde is requested to report all movement of large groups within zone of tactical operation as obtained.

4. Miscellaneous.

a. Handling of PWs and detainees per SOP.

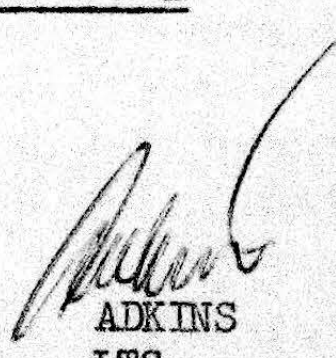
b. Request for aerial visual reconnaissance per SOP.

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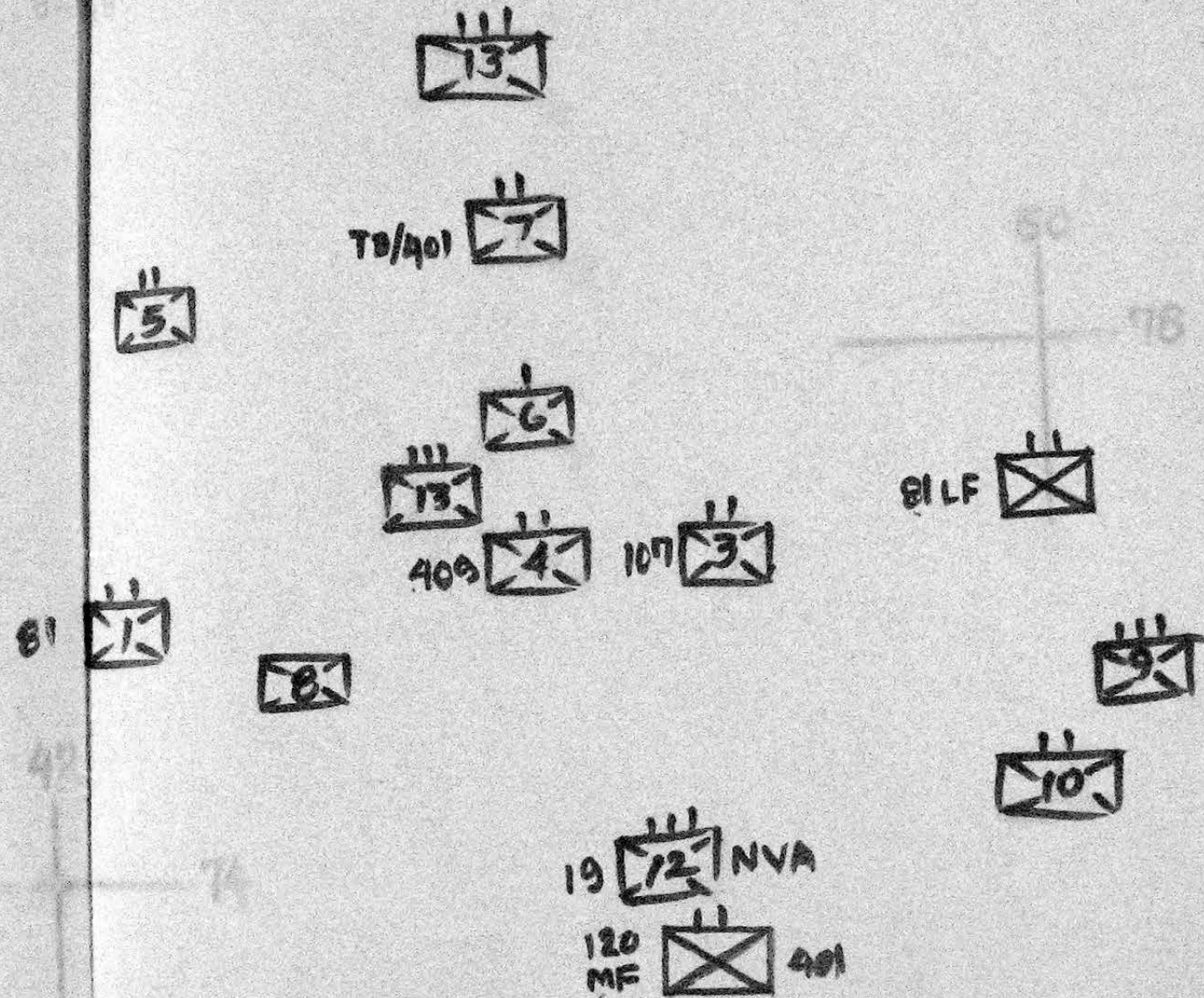
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APPENDIX **2** (Order of Battle) to ANNEX A (Intelligence)

UNITS IN VIC BASE CAMP AREA 121

406th Sapper Battalion:

Strength: 300

Weapons: 1-81mm mortar, 3-60mm mortar, 2-57mm RR, 4-B40 RL, machine guns, individual weapons.

Personnel: CO- Luyen, XO- Dan, PO- Tran Tan Doc, APO- Luc.

The 406th Sapper Bn was formed in April 1967 from a newly infiltrated unit from NVN and elements of the 409th Sapper Bn. The unit is well trained in sapper and infantry tactics. Members have been taught techniques of crossing various types of terrain and obstacles while advancing on an objective, use of explosive charges, bangalores, and hand grenades. The unit will normally carefully recon its objective and hold sandtable exercises before an attack. In attacking a target, penetration cells will move forward and effect an opening in any barbed wire obstacles. A mortar attack will be initiated simultaneously to the opening of an entrance to the objective area to deny friendly forces observation of the penetration cells. Upon completion of an attack, the individuals will exfiltrate the area and regroup at a predesignated point from there to a rest area. The Bn is now believed to be subordinate to the 401st Sapper Regt which allegedly participated in the 31 January attack on Quang Ngai City.

120th Montagnard Battalion:

Strength: 400

Weapons: unk

Personnel: CO- Dinh Quyen (aka Lam), XO- Dinh Doi, PO- Nguyen Dau.

The 120th Bn had been in existence since 1953. The majority of the cadre are veterans of the Viet Minh/French War and have fought in Laos. The unit has been trained in raid, ambush, and on installations tactics. The 1st, 2d, 3d companies are specifically trained to act as attacking forces against strongholds. The 4th and 5th companies are trained to act as a blocking force, and the 6th (support company) is well trained to support the other companies with indirect and HMG fire. In September 1967, the Bn attacked Tam Ky along with the 70 Bn and V16 Co. Over 200 VC were killed from these units. The Bn participated in the 31 January attack on Quang Ngai City.

81st Battalion:

Strength: 360

Weapons: 1-82mm mortar, 2-57mm RR, 4-B40 RL, individual weapons

Personnel: CO- Vo An, XO- Hien, PO- Le Vanh Hanh

The 81st Bn has been in existence since at least June 1967 when its designation was changed from 85 to 81. The unit participated in attacks in Oct and Nov 1967 and recently participated in the attack on Quang Ngai City.

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506B Sapper Company:

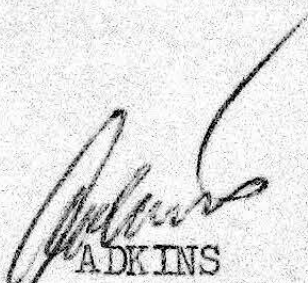
Strength: 69

Weapons: 6-ARs, 8 AKs, 18-Carabines, 8 SMGs, 5-K50s, 4-"improved model" weapons and demolitions.

Personnel: CO- My, XO- Nam, PO-Anh

The 506B Co of Quang Ngai Province was activated in 1966 when provincial unit 506 divided into 506A and 506B Sapper Companies. This unit is trained to set booby-traps, lay mines, set up ambushes along routes of travel, and to use demolition raids on installations. The company operates in platoon or squad size units around cities or towns. It participated in the 31 January attack on Quang Ngai City.

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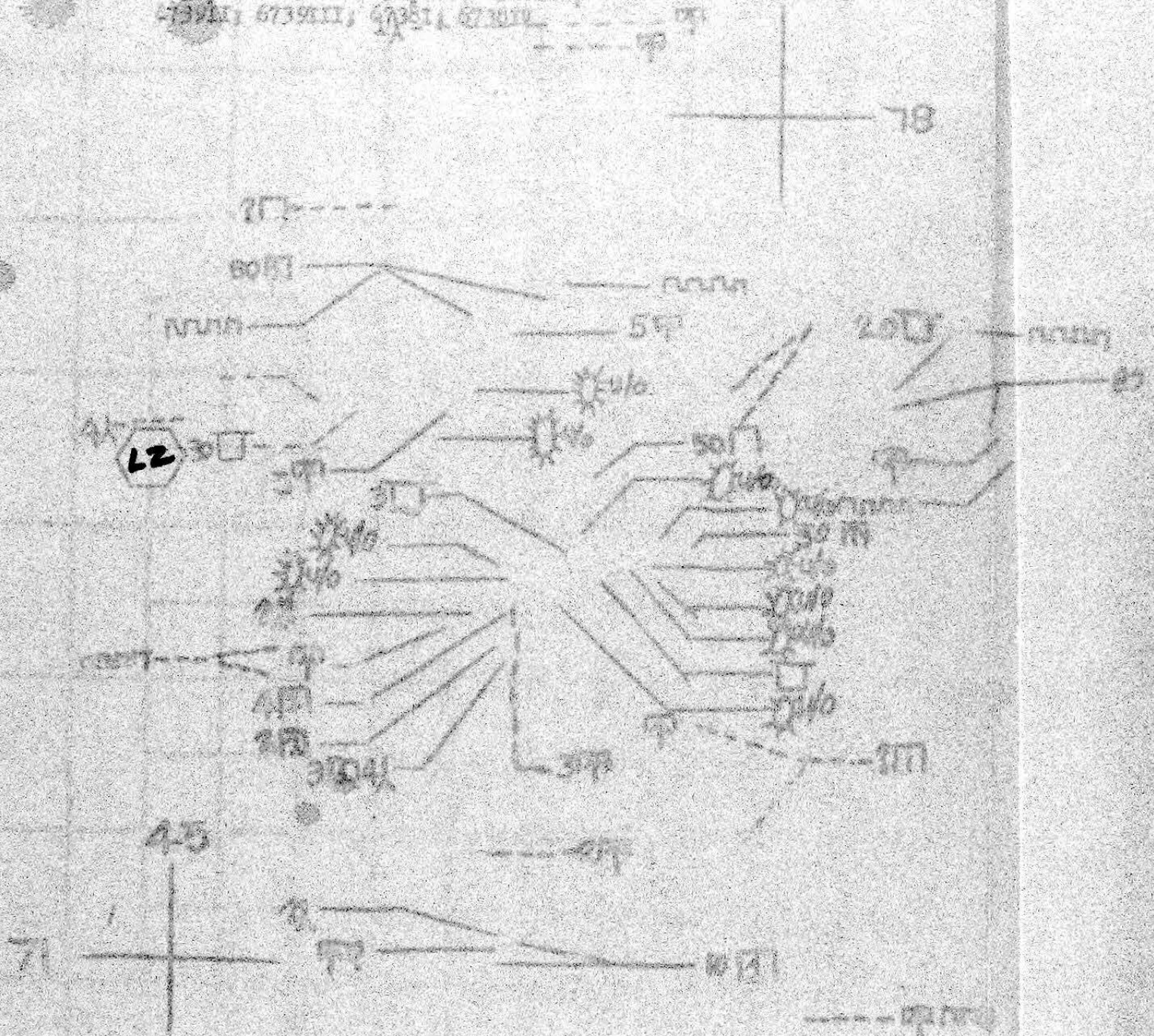
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REPORTS OF ENEMY LOCATIONS WITHIN AREA OF CONCERN

1. 23 Feb 68: 81st VC Bn was deployed at AN HOA hamlet. Commander NGUYEN DUC HOANG. Estimated strength: 450 personnel, including 30 women. Armaments included: an undetermined number of mortars and a variety of individual weapons. Personnel wore green khaki uniforms with parachute scarves. Attached to the unit were approx 100 laborers. At time of observation, personnel were repairing and building combat positions at the above location. Their mission: To attack Quang Ngai City at an undetermined time.
2. 21 Feb 68: Two companies of the 81st Bn with an estimated strength of 200 men including 20 N Vietnamese, were deployed at SUOI TO Stream. The units were armed with an undetermined number of 60mm mortars, B-40 RL, automatic rifles and individual weapons. They carried food and dry rice. At time of observation they were building combat positions at the above location. Their mission is to reinforce other undetermined units.
3. 23 Feb 68: 107th "Mountain Gun" Bn was deployed in the vic of PHUOC TRUNG. Estimated strength of 400 men. Weapons include one (1) 82mm mort, 3-57mm RL, 1-75mm RL, 1-12,5mm AA machine gun, and an undetermined quantity of light machine guns, automatic rifles and individual weapons. Personnel wore green, tan khaki, and grey uniforms. Each person carried with him enough food for five (5) days. Accompanying the units were approx 40 montagnard laborers. Their mission: to give artillery support to other units during the second offensive.
4. 24 Feb 68: 409th Sapper Bn was deployed at AN MY 545753. Commander: Maj THANH. Estimated strength of 450 men. Armaments include three 82mm mortar, two AA guns, and an undetermined number of 75 and 57mm RL, Flame throwers, and individual weapons. Personnel wore black and grey uniforms. Each person carried enough food for five days. Their present location is TRUNG PHUOC. Their mission: to shell and attack Quang Ngai Airstrip, Hill 10 outpost and 4th Regt ARVN Hqs.
5. 21 Feb 68: An unidentified VC Bn with an estimated strength of 360 men was deployed in the vicinity of SONG GIANG River. The unit was armed with an undetermined number and variety of weapons. The personnel wore black and grey uniforms., Each person carried with him enough food for 5 days. Accompanying the unit were approx 80 laborers. Mission: to attack SON TINH District Hqs.

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6. 21 Feb 68: Approx 200 Mantagnard laborers were located in the vic of HUNG NHUONG. They were in the process of preparing mortar shells for movement. Every four shells were tied together and put into baskets. Total number of mortar shells is undetermined. Security for the group was provided by a district forces unit commanded by LAM TEN. This unit consisted of 150 men who are armed with one 60mm mortar, one 57mm RR, one light machinegun, and an unknown number of automatic rifles. Commo equipment consisted of PRC-10 Radio.
7. 22 Feb 68: VC Bn TD/401 was located vic GO CAO (TAM AN). This unit participated in the last attack on QUANG NGAI. No other information is available at this time.
8. 20 Feb 68: 150 laborers from TU PHUOC, TU MY, & TU THINH villages; they were mobilized to cut down bamboo to build rafts which are scattered along the border of the TRA KHUC River. Their plan is unknown.
9. 22 Feb 68: A VC Regiment commanded by KHANH had been moved from QUANG TIN (p) to station at SON NAM (v). No other information available at this time.
10. 14 Feb 68: Approx 500 VC soldiers including regular and main forces, commanded by Maj Gen VO THU and PHAM KIET. They were to disguise as ARVNs. Wpns included many kinds of crew served guns. They plan to utilize boats to move troops to land at THI PHO DONG, THU LO, THACH BICH. No new information is available.
11. 22 Feb 68: A VC District Force company stationed at PHUOC LOC. This unit brought with them 600 laborers and they plan to launch some attacks on SON TINH District Hqs, Bo De Bridge, SON TRUNG Post, and also to shell into QUANG NGAI sector, 2d ARVN Div Hqs and the QUANG NGAI Airfield.
12. 19 Feb 68: NVA Regt NR 19, commanded by GIAP, having lost approx 400 men during the TET offensive, was located vic TU MY village and TU PHUOC village. Their intention at that time was to convalesce in this area.
13. 24 Feb 68: A VC Regular regt, name and commander unknown, dressed in yellow khaki clothes with forest caps. Wpns: one B-120 rkt, 5 B-40 RL, many mortars and IMGs. This unit moved from BINH DINH Province to the western TU NGHIA District, than they crossed the TRA KHUC river by bamboo float on 23 Feb to relocate at SON DONG (V)(BS455772). Also outside the PHU SON area (BS485808) beside BA GIA mountain was located a VC Bn belonging to VC ("THAI NGUYEN") Regt 299.

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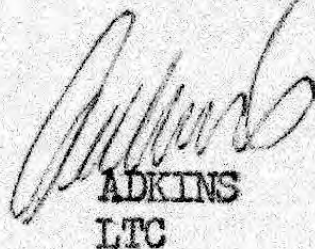
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6 Mar	0613	0700	1854	1940	1118	---	53
7	0613	0659	1854	1940	1204	0042	54
8	0612	0659	1854	1941	1253	0136	64
9	0611	0658	1854	1941	1347	0230	74
10	0611	0657	1854	1941	1443	0323	83
11	0610	0656	1855	1941	1541	0413	90
12	0609	0656	1855	1941	1641	0501	95

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Annex D (Lift Planning) to OPORD 3-68

SEQUENTIAL AIR MOVEMENT SCHEDULE

AMTF CMDR: LTC ADKINS (Outrigger 6)
MSN CMDR: LTC CARSON (Arab 6) 14th CAB

FOR MOVEMENT OF: 4-3 Inf Task Force
H HOUR: 070740H Mar 68

Item	UNIT LIFTED	NO. OF TROOPS	NO./TYPE ACFT	PZ	TIME DEPART PZ	LZ	LZ TIME
1	B/4-3 Outrigger B6 64.60	96 ACL 6	16 UH-1D	PZ A BS 522 815	H-0:08 07:32	LZ KOA BS 429 752	H-Hour 07:40
2	B/4-3 Outrigger B6 64.60	44 ACL 6	8 UH-1D	PZ A BS 522 815	H+0:07 07:47	LZ KOA BS 429 752	H+0:15 07:55
3	C/4-3 Outrigger C6 64.60	96 ACL 6	16 UH-1D	PZ B BS 590 853	H+0:26 08:06	LZ OAK BS 462 682	H+0:35 08:19
4	C/4-3 Outrigger C6 64.60	84 ACL 6	14 UH-1D	PZ B BS 590 853	H+0:51 08:31	LZ OAK BS 462 682	H+1:04 08:44
REFUEL @ DUC PHO (DOLPHIN REFUEL)				REFUEL @ DUC PHO (DOLPHIN REFUEL)			
5	A/1-20 Crossbow A6 64.60	96 ACL 6	16 UH-1D	LZ DRAGON BS 731 528	H+2:07 09:47	LZ PINE BS 478 695	H+2:34 10:14
6	A/1-20 Crossbow A6 64.60	67 ACL 6	12 UH-1D	LZ DRAGON BS 731 528	H+3:00 10:40	LZ PINE BS 478 695	H+3:27 11:07

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1. ARTILLERY PREP SCHEDULE

<u>TARGET</u>	<u>ARTY LOC</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>LEFT</u>
LZ KOA	A-6/11 BS 392 700 B-6/11 BS 455 773	H-0:08	H-0:03
LZ OAK	A-6/11 & B-6/11	H+0:31	H+0:26
LZ PINE	A-6/11 & B-6/11	H+2:26	H+2:31

2. COMMO

a. Unit call signs and frequencies:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>	<u>FM</u>	<u>UHF</u>
14th CAB Co	Arab 6	61.40	293.1
71st	Rattler	57.85	396.5
174	Dolphin	39.75	378.2
176	Minutemen	37.45	350.0
4-3 CO	Outrigger 6	64.60	
B/4-3	Outrigger B	56.95	
C/4-3	Outrigger C	67.85	
A/1-20	Cross Bow A	31.60	
Bde Arty	Vampire 99	44.45 (Check Fire)	
A/6-11	Vampire 28	42.85	
B/6-11	Vampire 56	65.75	
FAC	Helix	42.60	

b. During conduct of CAs radio traffic will be on 64.60

c. Reports submitted during CAs will be on 46.80.

d. After completion of CAs all units will switch, on order, to freq 64.60 for normal command traffic with Bn.

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3. Downed A/C: SOP.

4. Air Strikes: LZ KOA, OAK, PINE (in that order) commencing 070740H Mar 68.

5. All LZs are hot.

6. ACL: UH-1D 6 pers.

7. C&C ship will be changed at Quang Ngai AF upon completion of CA by Co A 1-20.


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ANNEX F (Signal) to OPORD 3-68

COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

1. All units will make maximum use of RC 292 antenna to insure that continuous communication between unit CPs and Bn CP is maintained.

2. All units conducting CAs will be operational on the 4/3 Inf Cmd Net (FM) during the assault.

3. Units that are OPCON to 4/3 Inf will enter the FM Cmd Net as soon as possible after coming under 4/3 Inf control.


4. Unit call signs and frequencies:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>	<u>FM FREQ</u>
14th CAB C.O.	ARAB 6	61.40
71st	RATTLER	57.85
174th	DOLPHIN	39.75
176th	MUNUTEMEN	37.45
BDE Arty	VAMPIRE 99	44.45
A Btry 6/11	VAMPIRE 28	42.85
B Btry 6/11	VAMPIRE 56	65.75
4/3 Inf Cmd	OUTRIGGER 65 (NCS)	64.60
A 4/3	OUTRIGGER ALPHA	57.70
B 4/3	OUTRIGGER BRAVO	56.95
C 4/3	OUTRIGGER CHARLIE	67.85
D 4/3	OUTRIGGER DELTA	45.25
4/3 4.2 Mortar	OUTRIGGER TANGO DUCE	36.30
4/3 Recon Plat	OUTRIGGER ROMEO	62.85
4/3 Admin/Log	OUTRIGGER	59.70
4/3 Bn Air/Cmd	OUTRIGGER 8	46.80
A 1/20 Inf	CROSSBOW ALPHA	31.60
3d Plat, E Trp/1st Cav	CROCODILE	65.10
D 3/1 Inf	BULLET	66.45
2d ARVN Div Advisor	SIMPLEX PAVER	33.60
Senior ARVN Advisor	SWEET BANNER 3	35.25
CIDG (Special Forces)	TUNED GALLON	42.70

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Annex C: Fire Support to OPOD 3-68

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1. SITUATION: See Annex A, OPOD 3-68.

2. MISSION: Provide fire support to 4-3 Inf TF during OPERATION SHOW LOW in the area bounded by the SONG TRA KHUC, east-west grid line BS61, north-south grid line BS56, and north-south grid line BS40.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operation.

(1) General: This will be a search and destroy operation during which artillery will be required to have a capability to fire 6400 mils.

(2) Maneuver: Artillery will move into positions on D-2 and D-1 and be prepared to cover movement of maneuver elements on D-1 and fire preparations on designated landing zones on D-Day.

(3) Fire Support:

(a) Artillery will be prepared to fire west of north-south grid line BS39 and north of the SONG TRA KHUC in addition to the normal zone of action.

(b) Phase 1 and 2 normal on call fire support.

(c) Phase 3 air preparation at H-40 minutes; artillery preparation at H-8 minutes on LZ KOA. See 3c(3).

(d) Priority of fires to units in contact. Priority to ready reaction force when committed.

b. Air support.

(1) 7th Air Force operates MSQ-77 "Combat Sky Spot" radar controlled bombing system at Pleiku (AR7850) and at Dong Ha (YB2461) in support of all weather air operations. 7th Air Force provides overall tactical air support for immediate and planned targets.

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(2) 1st Marine Air Wing (MAW) provides air support as requested, to include TPQ-10 radar bombing systems from Quang Ngai (BS6172) and Chu Lai (BT5211) in support of all weather operations.

c. Artillery support.

(1) General: The artillery will complete its coordination of positions and the forward fire support coordination center will displace to the vicinity of Quang Ngai during Phase I.

(2) Phase II:

(a) B/6-11 will be airlifted to designated firing position at 051300 Mar 68 with primary direction of fire 4300 mils.

(b) 6 Mar 68.

1 A/6-11 will be airlifted to Ha Thanh at 0800 hrs with primary direction of fire 1800 mils.

2 B/6-11 will be airlifted to fire support base at blocking position A after fire base is secured by A/4-3 with primary direction of fire 3000 mils.

(3) Phase III (D-Day, 7 Mar 68):

(a) B/6-11 will fire a 5 min prep on LZ KOA commencing at H-8 min. B/6-11 will keep all weapons laid on LZ KOA until combat assault landing is complete, then will prepare to fire 5 min prep on LZ PINE on call. B/6-11 will be prepared to fire prep on LZ KOA NLT H-30 min.

(b) A/6-11 will be prepared to fire a 5 min prep on LZ OAK on call after combat assault is completed on LZ KOA. A/6-11 will be prepared to fire prep on LZ OAK NLT H-30 min. Upon completion of LZ OAK prep A/6-11 will leave three howitzers on its primary direction of fire and will lay two howitzers on direction 0600 mils.

(4) Organization for combat:

(a) B/6-11: DS 4th Bn 3d Inf.

(b) A/6-11: Reinforces B/6-11.

(5) Miscellaneous:

(a) On all adjust fire missions the first round will be smoke unless the forward observer specifically denies it.

(b) All air warning data will be called in to the forward fire support coordination center.

(c) All Delta Tangos will be fired during hours of daylight unless the commander elects not to. He will then be advised of the inherent dangers involved when adjusting artillery in close during darkness.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

- a. Annex E: Administration and Logistics.
- b. Ammunition: A/6-11 and B/6-11 will both have at their position a minimum 1500 rounds on D-1. At least 1000 rounds will be high explosive (HE).
- c. ASP: Vic QUANG NGAI.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

- a. Signal:
 - (1) Artillery Command Frequency (Forward FSCC) 60.55.
 - (2) Other frequencies - Current SOI.
- b. Command:
 - (1) Brigade main CP located DUC PHO (BS812303).
 - (2) Forward Fire Support Coordination Center BS604714.

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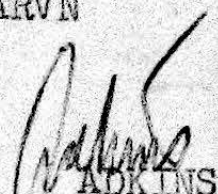
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<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>TOT</u>	<u>ACFT AND ARMAMENT</u>	<u>CONTROLS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
BS460786	AW Positions	052000-060600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS508684	Wpns Cache	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS458712	AW & Ammo Storage	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS519694	AW & Ammo Storage	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS516685	Fortified Pns	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS476714	Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS483706	Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS462740	Strong Point	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS522745	AW & Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS539732	Strong Point	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS458763	AW Position	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS458739	AW & Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS469742	Strong Point	062000-070600	A/A M-117 (D)	N/A	Sky Spot
BS476758	Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS444755	Bunker Complex	062000-070600	A/A M-117	N/A	Sky Spot
BS430750	LZ KOA	070710	A/A M-117		Priority 1
BS463682	LZ OAK	070745	A/A M-117		Priority 2
BS479695	LZ PINE	070945	A/A M-117		Priority 3
BS463747	LZ SPRUCE	070815	A/A M-117		Priority 6
BS475725	LZ CEDAR	070845	A/A M-117		Priority 7
BS500753	LZ BALSA	ARVN	A/A M-117		Priority 8
BS498688	LZ TEAK	ARVN	A/A M-117		Priority 4
BS543680	LZ FIR	ARVN	A/A M-117		Priority 5

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Task Org:

Co A
Co B
Co C

Co C 1-20
Co D
Co E(-)

Bn Control
Plat/E-1 Cav(-) (DS)
Sqd/C-26 Engr (DS)
Sqd/Mil Police (DS)

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th Inf Bde continues current operations and missions in the DUC PHO AO, inactivates TF BARKER 091200H Apr 68, conducts Operation MUSCATINE with one battalion and relocates FSBs in MUSCATINE AO.

(2) 3-1 Inf: Continues operations in DUC PHO AO.

(3) 1-20 Inf: Continues Operation CAPISTRANO.

(4) TF BARKER: Execute inactivation procedures to include release of personnel and equipment NLT 091200H Apr 68 to parent or controlling unit as designated.

(5) 6-11 Arty: Be prepared to relocate B/6-11 Arty and D/6-11 Arty by air movement from LZ SUE (BS568878) and LZ UPTIGHT (BS725856) to vic BS539825 and BS688873, respectively, on order.

c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

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2. MISSION:

4-3 Inf assumes responsibilities for MUSCATINE AO effective 091200H Apr 68; relocates battalion headquarters to LZ DOTTIE (BS629854); assumes responsibility for 24 hour tactical security of bridges along Hwy 1, and insures that Hwy 1 remains open to vehicle traffic; on order, vacates LZ SUE (BS568878) and LZ UPTIGHT (BS730848) and establishes FSBs at coord vic BS539825 and BS688873; on order, establish not less than squad size OPs on LZ SUE and LZ UPTIGHT.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for MUSCATINE AO, relocates battalion headquarters, vacates LZs SUE and UPTIGHT, establishes OPs on LZs SUE and UPTIGHT in a phased operation.

(1) Maneuver.

(a) Phase I: 4-3 Inf relocates battalion headquarters and Hq, Co E(-) to LZ DOTTIE (BS629854) commencing 090800H Apr 68, completes move and assumes responsibility for MUSCATINE AO NLT 091200H Apr 68.

(b) Phase II: On order, company occupying LZ SUE and B/6-11 Arty begin dismantling bunkers and constructing necessary bunkers for platoon size OP vic BS567879. Prepare for shipment by CH-47 material not used for construction of OP. On order, company 4-3 Inf moves to and occupies FSB vic BS539825. Provide security for and assist Plat/C-26 Engr in constructing FSB vic BS539825. Bunker material from LZ SUE shipped by air to vic BS539825 when FSB secured.

(c) Phase III: On order unit(s) occupying LZ UPTIGHT and D/6-11 Arty begin dismantling bunkers and constructing necessary bunkers for platoon size OP vic BS729849. Prepare for shipment by CH-47 material not used for construction of OP. On order, company 4-3 Inf moves to and occupies FSB vic BS688873; provide security for and assist Plat/C-26 Engr in constructing FSB vic BS688873. Bunker material from LZ UPTIGHT shipped by air to vic BS688873 when secured.

(2) Fires: Priority to companies occupying and constructing new FSBs.

b. Co A.

c. Co B.

d. Co C.

e. Co E(-): Be prepared to airlift heavy mortar platoon from LZ SUE to LZ DOTTIE on order.

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- f. Recon Plat: Continue present operations.
- g. B/6-11 Arty: Be prepared to move by air to vic BS539825, on order.
- h. D/6-11 Arty: Be prepared to move by air to vic BS688873, on order.
- i. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Material recovered from LZS SUE and UPTIGHT used to construct new FSBs to accomodate at least one rifle company and one artillery battery.

(2) Prior to vacating LZs SUE and UPTIGHT destroy all non-recoverable material and positions except that which is needed to establish designated QPs.

(3) Companies securing LZs SUE and UPTIGHT move on order and after departure of B/6-11 Arty and D/6-11 Arty respectively.

(4) During dismantling of bunkers on LZs SUE and UPTIGHT, units will occupy 3 man foxholes with overhead cover. Inner perimeter bunkers will be dismantled prior to dismantling fighting bunkers.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: No change.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.

b. Command: Bn CP location vic LZ DOTTIE after 091200H Apr 68.

Acknowledge:

Annexes: A - Sketch, Fire Support
Base, Hill 97
B - Sketch, Fire Support
Base, Hill 128



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References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Series L7014, Sheets; 6738I, 6738II, 6738III, 6738IV

Task Org:

Co(-) 4-3 Inf

B/39th Engr

Tm HENDRIX

Hvy Mort Plat

Plat, A/3-18th Arty

Detachment A, 11th MP Plat

Section/G/55Arty

Elements, HHC 4-3 Inf

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: Omitted.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

2. MISSION.

4-3 Inf reorganizes defenses of LZ DOTTIE (BS629854) commencing 260700H Apr 68.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operations. 4-3 Inf defends LZ DOTTIE with one Co(-), B/39th Engr and Tm HENDRIX. Two each DEFCONS from B/6-11 Arty and D/6-11 Arty. Hvy Mort Plat plan DEFCONS on all likely avenues of approach.

b. Co(-) 4-3 Inf.

(1) Occupy forward defense bunkers 1-12 (South end LZ DOTTIE) at night or during attacks.

(2) Occupy and defend LZ UPTIGHT with one rifle platoon and weapons platoon.

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(3) Be prepared to employ Co(-) reaction force anywhere within 4-3 Inf AO 30 min after notification.

c. Tm HENDRIX.

(1) Coordinate defense of LZ DOTTIE and establish base defense control center.

(2) Be prepared to assume defense mission of company defending SOUTH end (bunkers 1-12) of LZ DOTTIE upon commitment of Co(-) as Bn reaction force.

(3) Be prepared to reinforce defending units or for employment as reaction force for LZ DOTTIE within 15 min after commencement of enemy atk.

(4) Organize reaction force for defense of LZ DOTTIE.

(5) Rehearse counterattack plans with assumed penetration on SOUTHERN and WESTERN portion of LZ DOTTIE.

d. B/39th Engr: Occupy forward defense bunkers 1-21 (North end LZ DOTTIE) at night and during attacks.

e. A/3-18 Arty.

(1) On order attach one platoon-size element to Tm HENDRIX for employment as reaction force.

(2) Plan direct fires in support of Tm HENDRIX. Employ direct fires on order only.

f. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Direct coordination between commanders is authorized and directed.

(2) Unit commanders to include squad leaders conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal of counterattack/reaction force plans.

(3) Elements of Tm HENDRIX identified and organized NLT 260700H Apr 68.

(4) All personnel remain in bunkers/fighting positions during atk on LZ DOTTIE (does not apply to reaction force).

(5) Personnel engage targets within the defense perimeter of LZ DOTTIE in self defense only. (Does not apply to reaction force when employed)

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(6) Priority of tasks for defense of LZ DOTTIE.

(a) Construction of bunkers.

(b) Construction of wire and mine obstacles.

(c) Construction of communications and fighting trenches between forward bunkers.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal.

(1) Current SOL/SSI in effect.

(2) Green Star Cluster, emergency signal for employment of counter-attack force on southern portion of LZ DOTTIE. Red Star Cluster, emergency signal for employment of counterattack force on western portion of LZ DOTTIE.

(3) Base defense frequency 44.35 on order only.

(4) All units monitor 4-3 Inf command frequency.

(5) Continuous wailing of siren for 60 seconds, signal for enemy mortar or ground atk. All clear, siren wail at 3 second intervals.

b. Command: Cmd Gp remains vic Bn TOC.

Acknowledge:

Annexes: A - Op Overlay
B - Fire Support Plan
C - Counterattack Plan 1-68
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D - Counterattack Plan 2-68
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Annex C (Counterattack Plan 1-68 (BLUE) to OPORD 5-68

References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Series L7014, Sheets; 6738I, 6738II, 6738III, 6738IV.

Task Org: OPORD 5-68

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: Omitted.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org, OPORD 5-68.
- d. Assumptions:
 - (1) Defending units contain enemy penetration.
 - (2) Tm HENDRIX is available for counterattack.

2. MISSION.

On order Tm HENDRIX counterattacks to seize Obj 1, reduce enemy penetration and restore defense perimeter.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of operation. Tm HENDRIX attacks to seize Obj 1, restore perimeter, and reassembles present position on order. Defending units contain enemy penetration, assist passage of Tm HENDRIX and continue defense of perimeter.
- b. Co(-)/4-3 Inf.
- c. Tm HENDRIX: Assemble vic 4-3 Inf TOC NLT 15 min after the commencement of enemy ground attack.
- d. B/39th Ingr.
- e. A/3-18 Arty: Support Tm HENDRIX with direct fires on order.

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f. Coordinating instructions:

- (1) Unit commanders conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal to include squad leaders.
- (2) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution on order.
- (3) LD is LC for execution.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

- a. Signal: Current SOI and OPORD 5-68.
- b. Command: OPORD 5-68.

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Appendix 1 - Counterattack
Overlay (BLUE)


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Annex D (Counterattack Plan 2-68 (RED) to OPORD 5-68

References: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000: Series L7014, Sheets; 6738I, 6738II, 6738III, 6738IV.

Task Org: OPORD 5-68

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.
- b. Friendly forces: Omitted.
- c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org, OPORD 5-68.
- d. Assumptions:
 - (1) Defending units contain enemy penetration.
 - (2) Tm HENDRIX is available for counterattack.

2. MISSION.

On order Tm HENDRIX counterattacks to seize Obj 2, reduce enemy penetration and restore defense perimeter.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of operation. On order, Tm HENDRIX attacks to seize Obj 2, restores perimeter and reassemble present location. Defending units contain enemy penetration, assist passage of Tm HENDRIX, and continue defense of perimeter. A 105mm How prep at H-5. Priority of fires Tm HENDRIX.
- b. Co(-)/4-3 Inf.
- c. Tm HENDRIX: Assemble vic 4-3 Inf TOC NLT 15 min after commencement of enemy ground attack.
- d. B/39 Engr.
- e. A/3-18 Arty. Support Tm HENDRIX with direct fires on order only.

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f. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Unit commanders conduct recon and minimum one daylight, one night rehearsal to include squad leaders.

(2) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution on order.

(3) LD is LC for execution.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal: Current SOI and OFORD 5-68.

b. Command: OFORD 5-68.

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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014; Sheets: 6640 I, II, III & IV; 6739 I, II, III & IV.

Task Org:

Co A	Co D	Bn Control
Co B	Co E	C/6-11 Arty (DS)
Co C	HHC (-)	

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th LIB remains in present AO.

(2) 5-46 Inf and 1-52 Inf relieve 4-3 Inf in assigned AO effective NLT 021600H Jul 68.

c. Attachments: None

2. MISSION

4-3 Inf and C/6-11 Arty move north into new AO and conduct offensive operations against VC/NVA forces in zone, commencing 04 Jul 68. OPCON 196th LIB upon entry into 196th LIB TAOR.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of operation: 4-3 Inf moves by air and motor transport, commencing 01 Jul 68, from LZ BRONCO, LZ BUFF, LZ PARADISE & LZ DOTTIE to 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; all units closing NLT 02 Jul 68, time dependent upon arrival of elements from 5-46 Inf and 1-52 Inf to relieve 4-3 Inf. On 03 Jul 68, 4-3 Inf moves by motor, helicopter, and fixed wing transport from assembly area to LZ BALDY (BT132452) and LZ RYDER (AT947346); conducts combat operations in assigned AO, commencing 040700H Jul 68.

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b. Co A moves by CH-47B from SE helipad, LZ BRONCO, commencing 010830H Jul 68, and relieves Co D on LZ BUFF (BS538825); moves by CH-47B, commencing on 02 0830H Jul 68, to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; moves by CH-47B, commencing 03 Jul 68, to LZ RYDER, (AT947346); establishes NDP with Co C vic LZ RYDER and conducts offensive operations in assigned sector, 4 Jul 68.

c. Co B moves by motor transport 02 Jul 68 from LZ DOTTIE to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; moves by C-123, commencing 030830H Jul 68, from CHU LAI AF to LZ BALDY (BT132452); establishes NDP at LZ BALDY; and, on order, conducts offensive operations in assigned sector with Co D, commencing 4 Jul 68.

d. Co C moves by CH-47B, commencing 021030H Jul 68, from LZ PARADISE (BS697977) to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; on 03 Jul 68, moves by CH-47B to LZ RYDER; establishes NDP with Co A; conducts offensive operations in assigned zone, commencing 04 Jul 68.

e. Co D moves by CH-47B from LZ BUFF, commencing 010855H Jul 68, to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; Co D(-) moves by C-123 from CHU LAI AF to LZ BALDY on or about 030830H Jul 68; Co D(-) moves by CH-47B from LZ BALDY to LZ ROSS (BT028342) on or about 031200H Jul 68, & on order conducts offensive operations with Co B in assigned sector; Co D mortar platoon moves by CH-47B from assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, to LZ RYDER, on order.

f. Co E:

(1) Recon Platoon moves by CH-47B, commencing 021030H Jul 68, to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI; on 03 Jul 68 moves by C-123 to LZ BALDY and, on order, moves to LZ RYDER on or about 04 Jul 68.

(2) Hvy Mort Plat moves from LZ DOTTIE by motor transport to 4-3 Inf assembly area on 02 Jul 68; moves by either C-123 or motor transport to LZ BALDY; on order, moves to LZ RYDER.

(3) Co Hqs effects close out at LZ DOTTIE; establishes storage location on LZ DOTTIE for 4-3 Inf property until moved; moves by motor transport to 4-3 Inf assembly area, CHU LAI, on 02 Jul 68; moves to LZ BALDY by either C-123 or by road on 03 Jul 68.

g. HHC(-) moves by CH-47B and motor transport from LZ DOTTIE to assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, on 02 Jul 68; moves on 03 Jul 68 by motor transport and C-123 aircraft to LZ BALDY and LZ RYDER.

h. C/6-11 Arty moves by motor transport from LZ DOTTIE to 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, on 01 Jul 68; moves by motor transport to LZ BALDY on 02 Jul 68; moves by CH-47 B to LZ RYDER on 03 Jul 68.

i. Coordinating instructions:

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(1) Advance party will move by UH-1D from 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, NLT 021500H Jul 68; composition of party TBA.

(2) Units moving from 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, to LZ BALDY will have personnel assembled NLT 030700H Jul 68.

(3) Units moving by C-123 will have personnel assembled at CHU LAI AF, exact location TBA, NLT 030800H Jul 68. Movement will be accomplished by Division transportation elements.

(4) Units moving by CH-47B will have personnel assembled NLT 030630H Jul 68 vic 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI.

(5) MPs, 198th & 196th Inf Bde, provide convoy escort and necessary TCPs from CHU LAI Trains.

(6) Vehicle commanders are responsible for briefing drivers and occupants on 4-3 Inf motor convoy SOPs.

(7) March unit commanders will establish radio communications within march unit for control.

(8) Formation of vehicles: closed column.

(9) Co A, B & C will insure that they have briefed relieving commanders from 5-46 Inf and 1-52 Inf prior to departing LZs.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply

(1) Class I

(a) 2 meals carried by convoy personnel.

(b) 6 meals per man for personnel airlifted by C-123 and CH-47B to LZs BALDY and HYDER. Class I distribution point at LZs BALDY and ROSS.

(2) Class II & IV: Minimum essential equipment.

(a) 100 ft nylon climbing rope, 3/4 in, per platoon.

(b) 400 ft det cord per company.

(c) 2 machetes per platoon.

(d) 10 sandbags per man.

(e) 2 hand smoke grenades per man.

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(f) 2 star clusters per squad.

(g) Limited class II & IV available at LZ BALDY; sandbags available in Bn Trains as of 01 Jul 68.

(3) Class III:

(a) Vehicles top off prior to move north from CHU LAI.

(b) POL point at LZ ROSS.

(4) Class V

(a) Rifle companies carry a minimum 400 rds 5.56mm ammunition per rifleman; 1200 rds 7.62mm ball, linked, per MG and 36 rds 40mm ammunition per M79.

(b) ASP at LZ BALDY and LZ ROSS.

(5) Water:

(a) 3 quarts carried by all individuals.

(b) Minimum 2,000 gallons in forward trains at LZ BALDY.

(c) 500 gallons helilifted to LZ RYDER on 03 Jul 68.

(d) Water point at LZ ROSS.

b. Transportation.

(1) Troop and cargo lift provided by organic transportation and Division Transportation Office.

(2) A trained wheeled vehicle mechanic moves with each serial.

(3) HHC 4-3 Inf furnishes guides for attached transportation.

c. Miscellaneous: Omitted.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal:

(1) Current SOI in effect.

(2) Communications checks with NCS NLT 030630H Jul 68.

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b. Command: Command group moves initially with 1st CH-47B lift from assembly area, 4-3 Inf Trains, CHU LAI, to LZ RYDER.

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Annex **E** (Route Overlay) to OPORD **6-68**

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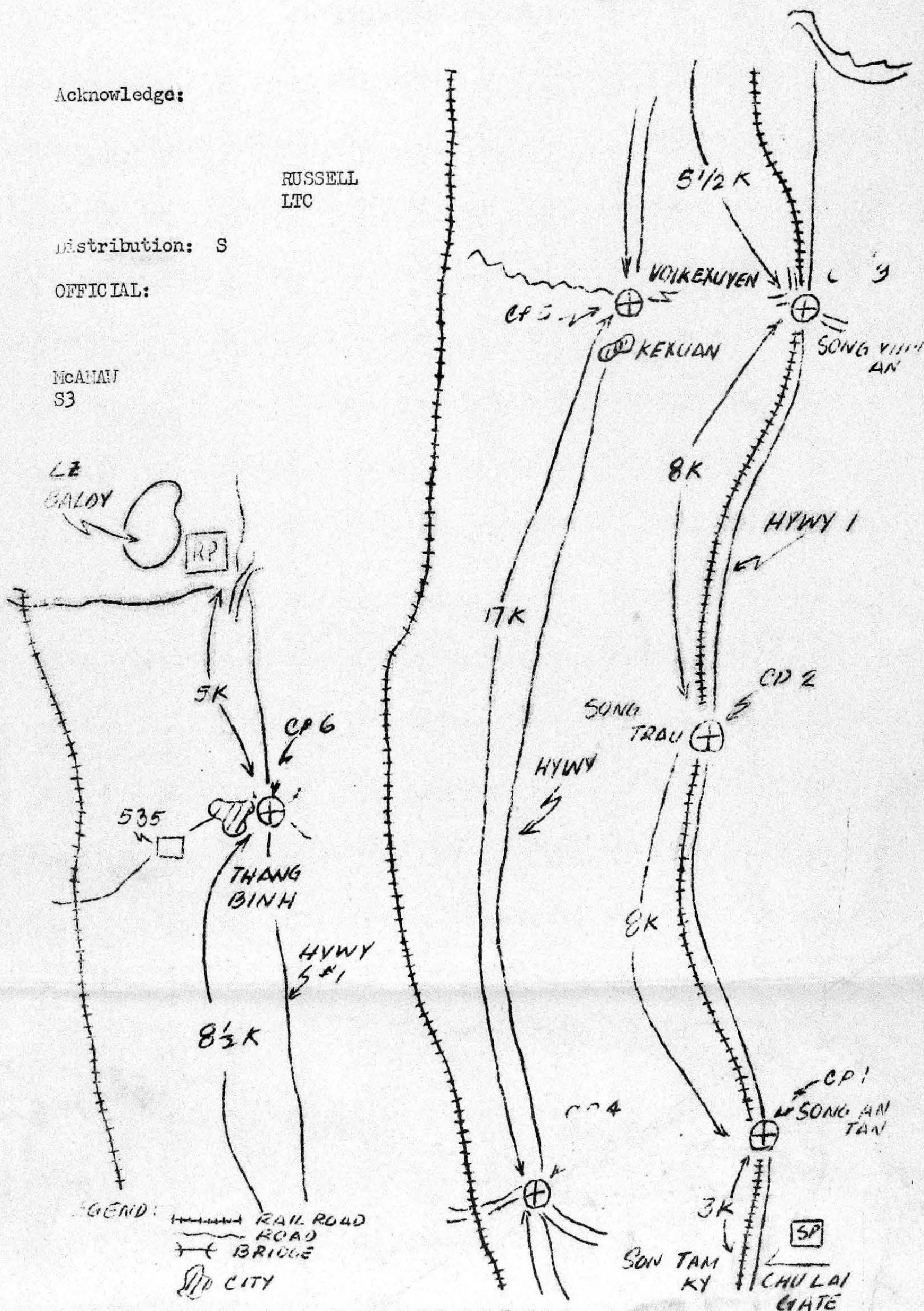
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Annex C to OPORD 6-68

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POINTS OF ORIGIN

For period 3 July 68 thru 9 July 68

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8739	RAIN						
9440	BULL			NANCY		LIZ	
9637		WELL					
9539		GRAPE					
8940			ROPE		ALICE		
9638			HORN				
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9836				PUT			
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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014, Sheets: 6640 I,II,III,IV; 6540 I,II;
6639 I,IV; 6539 I.

Task Org:

Co A	Co D
Co B	Recon Plat
Co C	Hvy Mort Plat

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces:

- (1) Current INTSUM.
- (2) Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly forces:

- (1) TF COOKSEY conducts Operation POCOHONTAS FOREST to find, fix, and destroy elements of 2d NVA Div; interdicts Hwy 534; and locates ARC light and TAC Air targets.
- (2) 198th Inf Bde continues operations in CHU LAI TAOR and BURLINGTON TRAIL AO, including extension of AO to LZ EAST.
- (3) TF ARVN atks to seize OBJ APACHE, vic AT800315; prepares to assume control OBJ CHEYENNE; prepares to continue attack to seize OBJ SIOUX.
- (4) 7th Air Force provides TAC Air spt.
- (5) 14th Avn Bn provides airlift spt.

2. MISSION

4-3 Inf secure engr and arty element enroute LZ ROSS - LZ O'CONNOR commencing 04 Jul 68. Secure GS arty FSBs in HIEP DUC Valley vic AT915240 and AT925238 with not less than one (1) rifle company each. Secure LZ WEST vic AT990251 on 04 Jul 68. Assemble elements of Bn in assigned AO MLT 05 Jul 68. Prepare to assume mission of attacking Bns or reinforce 5 ARVN TF. Prepare to seize OBJ CHEYENNE on order. Prepare to displace Bn CP to LZ O'CONNOR, vic AT933242, on order.

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3. EXECUTION

a. Maneuver.

(1) Co A moves by CH-47B from LZ BALDY and LZ RYDER, commencing 050800H Jul 68, to LZ WEST; conducts combat operations to W and S of LZ RYDER; prepares to reinforce Co D on order; prepares to accomplish any of the 4-3 Inf missions on order.

(2) Co B continues defense of LZ WEST; improves defensive positions; conducts platoon size daylight combat patrol vic LZ WEST; establishes minimum of three (3) night OPs; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned to 4-3 Inf on order.

(3) Co C moves by CH-47B from LZ BALDY, commencing 050830H Jul 68, to defend FSB vic AT925238; establishes at least three (3) night OPs; conducts platoon size daylight combat patrol vic FSB; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned to 4-3 Inf on order.

(4) Co D continues to secure engr and arty elements enroute LZ ROSS-LZ O'CONNOR; secures GS arty FSB vic BT915240 NLT 05 Jul 68; conducts daylight platoon size combat patrols vic FSB; establishes a minimum of three (3) night OPs; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned 4-3 Inf on order.

(5) Co E:

(a) Recon Plat continues defense of OP ROCKY, vic BT003246; conducts daylight recon patrols vic OP; establishes minimum of one (1) night OP; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned 4-3 Inf on order.

(b) Hvy Mort Plat remains at LZ WEST; provides indirect fire support for LZ WEST, OP ROCKY & Co A; prepares to displace with 4-3 Inf to new FSB on order.

(6) HHC:

(a) Svc Plat establishes trains at LZ BALDY; establishes Class I, III & V distribution point vic LZ ROSS (BT027340) NLT 05 Jul 68.

(b) Medical Plat establishes Bn Aid Station vic LZ WEST NLT 051800H Jul 68.

b. Fire support: Air and arty prep will be employed on initial objectives. Thereafter, prep fires on request (Annex C, Fire Support).

(1) C/3-82 Arty (105mm) DS.

(2) Hvy Mort Plat priority of fires to Co A initially.

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(3) Air Fire Line: Vertical grid ZC15 south to horizontal grid ZC30, east to horizontal grid ZC20, then south on ZC20 until OBJs MOHAWK and CHEYENNE are secured. Thereafter, vertical grid ZC10.

c. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) LD: East bank of SONG TRANH.
- (2) AO changes effective 051200H Jul 68.
- (3) Report crossing all phase lines.
- (4) If committed to seize OBJ CHEYENNE, E, or MOHAWK, 4-3 Inf will patrol no further west than PZ CHOCTAW once obj is seized.
- (5) Coordination between commanders is authorized and directed.
- (6) Reconnaissance flights available.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal.

- (1) TF COOKSEY SOL/SSI in effect on order.
- (2) Annex D (Signal).

b. Command: 4-3 Inf CP initially at LZ WEST. Bn Fwd CP displace to LZ O'CONNOR on order.

c. Reports.

- (1) SITREP to Bn Hq every hour.
- (2) CP location and proposed and actual displacements.

Acknowledge.

Annexes: A, Operations Overlay
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Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 7-68

1. AREA OF OPERATIONS.

A. WEATHER.

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B. TERRAIN.

(1) EXISTING SITUATION.

(a) The major portion of the objective area is made up of rugged mountains which are covered mainly by dense undergrowth and multicanopied forest. This vegetation necessarily limits foot and vehicular movement primarily to known trails and roads.

(b) Routes of communication are primarily limited to the rivers, valleys, and stream beds. Vehicular traffic is limited to the existing roads. Foot traffic throughout the objective area will be severely restricted. With the exception of known trails, roads, and the valley floors, foot traffic will be poor.

(2) EFFECTS ON ENEMY COURSES OF ACTION.

(a) The terrain affords the enemy numerous areas for the staging of troops and the storage of supplies. The canopy and dense undergrowth affords the enemy a measure of protection from aerial surveillance and tactical air and arty. The terrain lends itself to an extensive enemy ambush capability. In addition, well concealed anti-aircraft positions may be abundant. In the jungle area the enemy is capable of moving virtually free from detection.

(3) EFFECTS ON OUR COURSE OF ACTION.

(a) The terrain generally denies the friendly forces airmobile operations except at prepared LZ's. Aerial reconnaissance will be restricted in the canopied areas, but good along established trails, roads, and rivers. The nature of the terrain will make infantry movement slow and difficult.

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3. ENEMY SITUATION

1. GENERAL: The area of operation must be regarded as an enemy sanctuary. The terrain throughout the area of concern provides the enemy with natural cover and concealment. The general lack of friendly operations in the area, combined with the natural protection of the terrain, has afforded the enemy the opportunity to establish logistical and headquarters complexes free from friendly interference.

2. HIEP DUC. Friendly combat sweeps southeast of Hiep Duc (AT9024) have resulted in the discovery of battalion size base camps and various sized hospitals/aid stations. Caches of moderate size have been found along the Song Chang River. Due south of Hiep Duc there have been no previous combat sweep operations. The recent development of an improved trail leading southeast from highway 534 at AT8119 to AT9306 points towards this area as the possible heart of the enemy's forward logistical base. The 3rd NVA Regiment, 2nd NVA division has been identified in the AT9318 area.

3. Easter highway 534/North from Kham Duc to Hiep Duc has been the subject of considerable development and use by the enemy in the past 30 days. Air-strikes have done considerable damage to the bridges and culverts but by-passes have been established and movement continues along this route. Aerial photography, aerial reconnaissance, and secondary explosions resulting from air strikes indicate the area vicinity ZC1512 as a principal logistical area. The terrain and the total lack of friendly activity lends credence to such a possibility.

4. DISPOSITION, COMPOSITION, AND STRENGTH

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
2nd NVA Division	3,500	AT 7920
1st MF Regiment	1,000	AT 8738
3rd NVA Regiment	700	AT 9317
74th MF Bn	250	BT 1426
70th MF Bn	200	BT 1522
409th MF Bn	250	BT 3311
105th MF Bn	250	BT 0539
R-20 LF Bn	300	AT 9959

5. Reinforcement capability.

- (a) One rocket artillery regiment.
- (b) Elements of at least two NVA Divisions.

4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES.

(a) ENUMERATION

- (1) Conduct defense from prepared fortified positions.

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- (2) Conduct a mobile defense.
- (3) Conduct delaying actions.
- (4) Counter attack.
- (5) Conduct attacks by fire against key logistical installations (LZ ROSS and LZ BALDY) and interdict essential friendly lines of communications.
- (6) Attack friendly installations.

5. CONCLUSIONS.

A. EFFECTS OF AREA OF OPERATIONS.

- (1) The terrain restricts or reduces the effectiveness of aerial reconnaissance, tactical air, airmobile operations and artillery.
- (2) The weather will restrict tactical air, airmobile, and aerial reconnaissance capabilities.
- (3) LZ's must be carefully selected. In addition they will be small and highly susceptible to ambush.
- (4) The terrain lends itself to an extensive ambush capability for both friendly and enemy forces though a superior knowledge of the terrain will give the enemy force the advantage initially.

B. VULNERABILITIES

- (1) The enemy is not believed to be in a fighting posture at present as many of his troops are recent replacement undergoing training.

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Annex D (Signal) to OPORD 7-68

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces and capabilities: The enemy has the capability to jam FM radio nets.

b. Friendly forces: Communication Platoon, HHC, 4-3 Inf, will operate Net Control Station for Bn Headquarters; will install and operate necessary wire and radio equipment for communications with higher, adjacent, and subordinate units. All other units establish and maintain normal communications.

c. Attachments and detachments: VHF Tm from 11th Signal Co, 11th LIB, will install and operate 12 channel VHF system as directed by 196th LIB Signal Officer.

2. MISSION

Install, operate and maintain required communications with higher, adjacent, and subordinate units.

3. EXECUTION

Omitted.

4. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

a. Radio nets will consist of the following and be established with priority to command communications.

- (1) Battalion Command Net (FM).
- (2) Company Command Nets (FM).
- (3) Fire Control Nets (FM).
- (4) Air/Ground Net (FM).
- (5) Admin/Log Net (FM).

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b. Apparent intentional radio or radar jamming will be reported immediately to the Bn Net Control Station, giving the following information:

- (1) Frequency being jammed.
- (2) Type of jamming signal.
- (3) Time and direction of jamming.
- (4) Relative strength of jamming signal.

c. Frequency interference problems that cannot be resolved locally will be reported to the Bn Communications Officer, who will obtain new frequencies. When interference is experienced on any net, units should attempt to transmit through the interfering signal or between the transmissions of interfering station.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

Standard procedures for resupply of batteries to units and evacuation of inoperable or damaged communication equipment will be followed.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

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Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to OPORD 7-68

References: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014; Sheets 6640 I,II,III,& IV.

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy forces: Annex B (Intel).

b. Friendly forces.

(1) Task Org.

(2) Btry A, 1-14 Arty (DS) located LZ O'CONNOR (AT933243). Btry C, 3-16 Arty (GS) located LZ CHARLIE (AT921239). Btry B, 3-18 Arty (GS) located LZ KAREN (AT914240).

c. Attachments and detachments: None.

2. MISSION.

Btry C, 3-16 Arty supports Btry A, 1-14 Arty; Btry B, 3-18 Arty supports 4-3 Inf attack to seize OBJ CHEYENNE.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation: Btry A, 1-14 Arty provides arty fire support to 4-3 Inf. Supporting fires available from Btry C, 3-16 Arty and Btry B, 3-18 Arty.

b. All calls for fire will be sent to Btry A, 1-14 Arty FDC on the Arty FD Net.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Omitted.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal: Annex D

b. Command: Omitted.

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OPORD 7-68 (TF COOKSEY)

Reference: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014, Sheets: 6640 I,II,III,IV; 6540 I,II;
6639 I,IV; 6539 I.

Task Org:

Co A	Co D
Co B	Recon Plat
Co C	Hvy Mort Plat

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces:

- (1) Current INTSUM.
- (2) Annex B (Intelligence).

b. Friendly forces:

- (1) TF COOKSEY conducts Operation POCOHONTAS FOREST to find, fix, and destroy elements of 2d NVA Div; interdicts Hwy 534; and locates ARC light and TAC Air targets.
- (2) 198th Inf Bde continues operations in CHU LAI TAOR and BURLINGTON TRAIL AO, including extension of AO to LZ EAST.
- (3) TF ARVN atks to seize OBJ APACHE, vic AT800315; prepares to assume control OBJ CHEYENNE; prepares to continue attack to seize OBJ SIOUX.
- (4) 7th Air Force provides TAC Air spt.
- (5) 14th Avn Bn provides airlift spt.

2. MISSION

4-3 Inf secure engr and arty element enroute LZ ROSS - LZ O'CONNOR commencing 04 Jul 68. Secure GS arty FSBs in HIEP DUC Valley vic AT915240 and AT925238 with not less than one (1) rifle company each. Secure LZ WEST vic AT990251 on 04 Jul 68. Assemble elements of Bn in assigned AO NLT 05 Jul 68. Prepare to assume mission of attacking Bns or reinforce 5 ARVN TF. Prepare to seize OBJ CHEYENNE on order. Prepare to displace Bn CP to LZ O'CONNOR, vic AT933242, on order.

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3. EXECUTION

a. Maneuver.

(1) Co A moves by CH-47B from LZ BALDY and LZ RYDER, commencing 050800H Jul 68, to LZ WEST; conducts combat operations to W and S of LZ RYDER; prepares to reinforce Co D on order; prepares to accomplish any of the 4-3 Inf missions on order.

(2) Co B continues defense of LZ WEST; improves defensive positions; conducts platoon size daylight combat patrol vic LZ WEST; establishes minimum of three (3) night OPs; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned to 4-3 Inf on order.

(3) Co C moves by CH-47B from LZ BALDY, commencing 050830H Jul 68, to defend FSB vic AT925238; establishes at least three (3) night OPs; conducts platoon size daylight combat patrol vic FSB; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned to 4-3 Inf on order.

(4) Co D continues to secure engr and arty elements enroute LZ ROSS - LZ O'CONNOR; secures GS arty FSB vic BT915240 NLT 05 Jul 68; conducts daylight platoon size combat patrols vic FSB; establishes a minimum of three (3) night OPs; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned 4-3 Inf on order.

(5) Co E:

(a) Recon Plat continues defense of OP ROCKY, vic BT003246; conducts daylight recon patrols vic OP; establishes minimum of one (1) night OP; prepares to accomplish any of the missions assigned 4-3 Inf on order.

(b) Hvy Mort Plat remains at LZ WEST; provides indirect fire support for LZ WEST, OP ROCKY & Co A; prepares to displace with 4-3 Inf to new FSB on order.

(6) HHC:

(a) Svc Plat establishes trains at LZ BALDY; establishes Class I, III & V distribution point vic LZ ROSS (BT027340) NLT 05 Jul 68.

(b) Medical Plat establishes Bn Aid Station vic LZ WEST NLT 051800H Jul 68.

b. Fire support: Air and arty prep will be employed on initial objectives. Thereafter, prep fires on request (Annex C, Fire Support).

(1) C/3-82 Arty (105mm) DS.

(2) Hvy Mort Plat priority of fire to Co A initially.

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(3) Air Fire line. Vertical grid ZC15 south to horizontal grid ZC30, east to horizontal grid ZC20, then south on ZC20 until OBJs MOHAWK and CHEYENNE are secured. Thereafter, vertical grid ZC10.

c. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) LD: East bank of SONG TRANH.
- (2) AO changes effective 051200H Jul 68.
- (3) Report crossing all phase lines.
- (4) If committed to seize OBJ CHEYENNE, E, or MOHAWK, 4-3 Inf will patrol no further west than PL CHOCTAW once obj is seized.
- (5) Coordination between commanders is authorized and directed.
- (6) Reconnaissance flights available.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal.

- (1) TF COOKSEY SOL/SSI in effect on order.
- (2) Annex D (Signal).

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Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 7-68

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5. CONCLUSIONS.

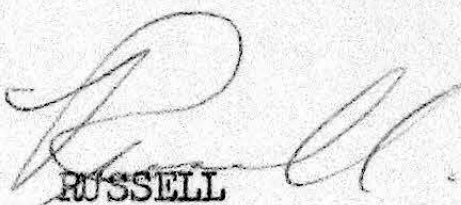
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Annex D (Signal) to OPORD 7-68

1. SITUATION

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- b. Friendly forces: Communications Platoon, HHC, 4-3 Inf, will operate Net Control Station for Bn Headquarters; will install and operate necessary wire and radio equipment for communications with higher, adjacent, and subordinate units. All other units establish and maintain normal communications.
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2. MISSION

Install, operate and maintain required communications with higher, adjacent, and subordinate units.

3. EXECUTION

Omitted.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

Standard procedures for resupply of batteries to units and evacuation of inoperable or damaged communication equipment will be followed.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

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Annex C (Fire Support Plan) to OPORD 7-68

References: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014; Sheets 6640 I, II, III & IV.

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy forces: Annex B (Intel)

b. Friendly forces.

(1) Task Org.

(2) Btry A, 1-14 Arty (DS) located LZ O'CONNOR (AT933243). Btry C, 3-16 Arty (GS) located LZ CHARLIE (AT921239). Btry B, 3-18 Arty (GS) located LZ KAREN (AT914240).

c. Attachments and detachments: None.

2. MISSION.

Btry C, 3-16 Arty supports Btry A, 1-14 Arty; Btry B, 3-18 Arty supports 4-3 Inf attack to seize LZ CHEYENNE.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation: Btry A, 1-14 Arty provides arty fire support to 4-3 Inf. Supporting fires available from Btry C, 3-16 Arty and Btry B, 3-18 Arty.

b. All calls for fire will be sent to Btry A, 1-14 Arty FDC on the Arty FD Net.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Omitted.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Signal: Annex D

b. Command: Omitted.

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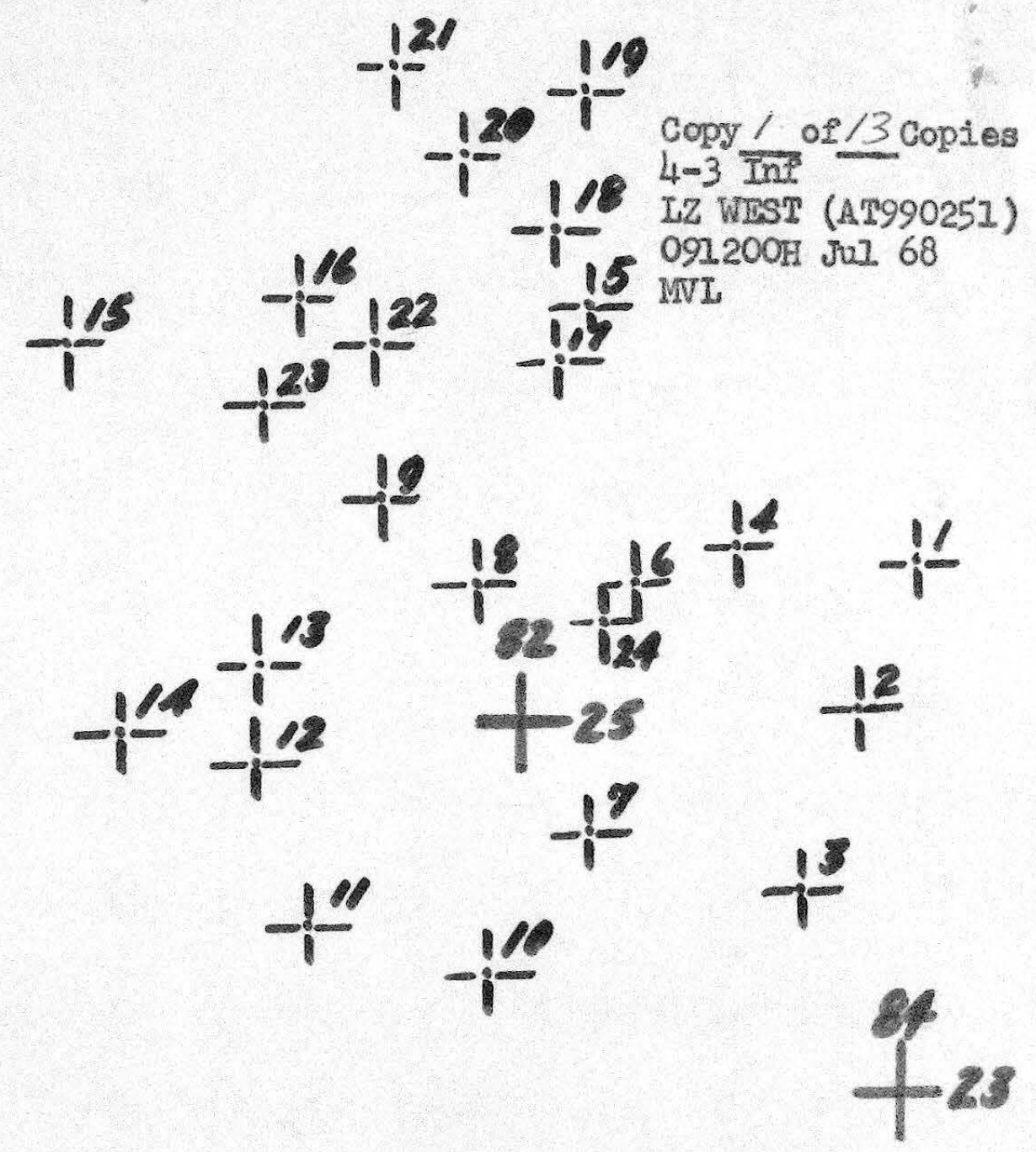
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1. GENERAL.

This ADMINO provides for the administrative and logistical support of the 4th Bn 3d Inf and attached units.

2. MATERIALS AND SERVICES.

a. All requirements and coordination of materials (except engineer class IV) and services will be directed to the Battalion S-4.

b. Supply.

(1) Class I.

(a) Unit distribution from Bn Forward Trains located vic LZ ROSS (BT027341).

(b) Ration Cycle: SBD.

(c) Ration supplement, sundry packs, issue factor: one case per one hundred. Present for duty strengths will be used as the computing factor.

(d) Ice, potable.

1 Authorization: Six lbs per man per day w/o refrigeration. Three lbs per man per day with refrigeration when available.

2 Issue factor: Pro-rated based on unit strength and amount of ice received.

(2) Class II and IV.

(a) Unit distribution from Bn Trains located vic LZ BALDY (BT132453).

(b) Class II (Medical) C Co, 8th Support.

(c) Class II (Repair parts) B Co, 8th Support.

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(d) Requests for barrier materials submitted to Bn S-4, LZ ROSS.

(e) Construction materials request thru CO DS Engr Company for bill of materials. All request will be accompanied by a letter of justification thru Commanding Officer 196th LIB for recommended approval.

(3) Class III.

(a) Unit distribution from Bn Forward Trains located vic LZ ROSS.

(b) Supply point distribution from 8th Support Class III points located vic LZ ROSS and LZ BALDY for organic and attached vehicles. Vehicles will be kept filled to the maximum capacity at all times.

(4) Class V.

(a) Unit distribution from Bn Forward Trains located vic LZ ROSS.

(b) Units maintain basic load.

(c) Units will not stockpile in excess of basic load.

(5) Water.

(a) All water sources considered contaminated unless approved by the 196th LIB Surgeon.

(b) Approved potable water sources:

1 Hawk Hill (BT227320).

2 Hill 10 (BT199290).

3 LZ BALDY (BT132453).

4 LZ ROSS (BT024342).

(c) Unit distribution from Bn Forward Trains located vic LZ ROSS.

(6) Captured material: Evacuation and disposition as announced by the 196th Bde S-2.

(7) Air resupply.

(a) 196th Bde TAC SOP.

(b) Requests for resupply sorties will be submitted to the Bn S-4 NLT 1400 hrs on the day prior to requirements. All requests will designate the number of sorties and type of aircraft.

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c. Transportation: All transportation requests will be submitted at least 24 hours in advance to S-3, 8th Spt Bn.

d. Services.

(1) Quartermaster.

(a) Bath.

1 One (1) shower point located vic LZ BALDY; non-potable water.

2 One (1) shower point located vic LZ ROSS.

3 Hours of operation as required.

(b) Laundry.

1 Location vic LZ BALDY.

2 Schedule turn-in 0800-1200 hrs. Daily pickup until 1800 hrs.

3 Commercial laundry - None.

(2) Graves registration point.

(a) Provided and operated by 23d S&T Bn, Americal Support Command, Americal Division, vic LZ BALDY.

(b) The following forms must be completed and accompany remains to the collecting point when possible.

1 Statement of recognition (DD Form 565) in five copies executed by two individuals who were acquainted with the deceased for a period of thirty days or more, when possible.

2 Personal data of deceased, (USARV Form 6) in five copies by the agency having custody of the deceased's personnel records.

(3) Medical. Medical company located at LZ BALDY provided and operated by C Co 8th Spt, forward support element.

3. MEDICAL EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION.

a. Evacuation.

(1) Routine patients who must be evacuated from the field or aid station go directly to the forward clearing station vic LZ BALDY.

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(2) Emergency surgical cases will be evacuated by DUSTOFF. Units request DUSTOFF on Bn command frequency; Bn forwards request to 196th LIB on Bde command frequency.

b. Medical records and reports. Field medical records must be maintained by all functioning medical treatment facilities.

c. Personal effects of medical evacuees to accompany evacuee.

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(C) Task Org:

A/4-3 Inf

E/4-3 Inf

B/4-3 Inf

HHC (-)/4-3 Inf

C/4-3 Inf

A/1-1st CAV (OPCON)

D/4-3 Inf

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 11th LIB continues operation CHAMPAIGN GROVE with two (2) rifle battalions; redeploys one (1) battalion to assume responsibility of the Duc Pho AO effective 161200H Sept 68.

(2) 3-1 Inf continues present mission.

(3) 1-20 Inf relinquishes control of Duc Pho AO to 4-3 Inf effective 16 Sept 68 and moves to CHAMPAIGN GROVE AO and assumes mission of 4-3 Inf.

2. MISSION:

4-3 Inf terminates operation CHAMPAIGN GROVE 16 Sept 68 and conducts airlift to Duc Pho AO; assumes responsibility of Duc Pho AO effective 161200H Sept 68.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operations.

(1) Maneuver: 4-3 Inf moves one (1) company to PZ at BS504676 NLT 151500H Sept 68 and conducts airlift by CH-47B commencing 151500H Sept 68 to LZ THUNDER & LZ CHARLIE BROWN. Moves remaining three (3) companies to PZ BS491763 evening of 15 Sept 68; 160700H Sept 68 commences airlift by CH-47B to designated fire support bases in Duc Pho AO. 4-3 Inf commences offensive operations in Duc Pho AO afternoon of 16 Sept 68.

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(2) Fires: Annex C - Fire Support Plan (TBP)

(a) A/6-11th Arty (DS) provides fire support until 4-3 Inf terminates operation CHAMPAIGN GROVE. C/6-11th Arty (LZ THUNDER) provides direct support effective assumption responsibility of Duc Pho AO by 4-3 Inf.

(b) 7th USAF provides close air support as requested.

(c) Helicopter gunships as requested.

b. Co A:

(1) Co A moves by CH-47B from PZ at BS491763 commencing 160700H Sept 68 to SE Pad at LZ BRONCO and Stands Down 16 - 18 Sept 68.

c. Co B:

(1) Move by CH-47B from PZ at BS491763 commencing 160700H Sept 68 to LZ LIZ (BS752435).

(2) Secure LZ LIZ w/Co (-) and set three (3) ambs vic LZ LIZ night of 16 Sept 68.

(3) Prepare to commence offensive operations vic LZ LIZ morning of 17 Sept 68.

(4) Moves wpns plat to MT MONTEZUMA BS819385 to provide indirect fire support for LZ BRONCO on 17 Sept 68.

d. Co C:

(1) Moves by CH-47B from PZ at BS504676 to LZ CHARLIE BROWN (BS-929220) & LZ THUNDER (BS874325) commencing 151500H Sept 68.

(2) Secures LZ THUNDER w/Co (-)

(3) Secures LZ CHARLIE BROWN w/one (1) rifle platoon & wpns platoon.

(4) Secures Bridge 111 (BS814359) w/one (1) sqd; also secures Bridge 94 (BS920213) w/one (1) sqd.

(5) Prepare to conduct platoon size combat patrols from LZ THUNDER commencing 19 Sept 68.

e. Co D:

(1) Moves by CH-47B from PZ at BS504676 to LZ DRAGON (BS734525) commencing 160700H Sept 68.

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- (2) Secures LZ DRAGON and improves defensive positions.
- (3) Sets two (2) ambs vic LZ DRAGON evening of 16 Sept 68.
- (4) Prepares to commence plat size combat patrols vic LZ DRAGON commencing 17 Sept 68.

f. Co E:

- (1) Recon plat remains at LZ THUNDER for Stand Down.
- (2) Co (-)
 - (a) Moves by CH-47B from LZ BUFF to LZ THUNDER on 16 Sept 68.
 - (b) Begins improvement of base facilities at LZ THUNDER.
- (3) Hvy Mort plat
 - (a) Moves by CH-47B from LZ BUFF to LZ THUNDER on 16 Sept 68.
 - (b) GS LZ THUNDER.
 - (c) Improve positions at LZ THUNDER.
- (4) GS Section
 - (a) Moves by CH-47B from LZ BUFF to LZ CHARLIE BROWN on 16 Sept 68.
 - (b) GS LZ CHARLIE BROWN.

g. HHC (-)

- (1) Hq sec (-), Commo plat (-), and service plat (-) move by CH-47B from LZ BUFF and OP#1 (BS517778) to LZ THUNDER on 16 Sept 68.
- (2) Prepares and improves required installations at LZ THUNDER.

h. A/1-1st CAV (OPCON)

- (1) Secures PZ at BS491763 for Co's A, B, and D.
- (2) Released OPCON 4-3 Inf effective completion final lift of Co D from PZ.
- (3) Returns to control 1-1st CAV.

i. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Elements will patrol to range of 400M around PZ before pick-up of first element.

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(2) All ambs will be plat size.

(3) Order of pick up from PZ at BS491763 will be Co B, D, and A.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal.

(1) Current SOI in effect.

(2) Emergency signal for units under enemy attack.

(a) Day: Red smoke grenade.

(b) Night: Red star cluster.

(3) Air ground frequency will be used during all air movements.

b. Command:

(1) Command group airborne in C&C helicopter initially.

(2) Bn CP displaces to LZ THUNDER morning of 16 Sept 68.

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B, Operation Overlay - Omitted
C, Fire Support Plan - TBP
D, Air Movement Schedule - TBP

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References:

a. Maps, Vietnam 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6738III and 6838IV.

b. 11th Light Infantry Brigade OPORD 5-68 (Base Defense Plan Defiance)

Task Organization - No Change from 11th Bde OPORD 5-68 (Base Defense Plan Defiance).

1. Situation:

a. Enemy Forces: Current Intsum

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 1-20 Inf (Rear) secure Sector E, occupy bunkers 43-50

(2) 3-1 Inf (Rear) secure Sector C, occupy bunkers 27-33

(3) 6th SPT Bn FSA (OPCON), E troop 1st Cav (OPCON) sector B, occupy bunkers 9-26

(4) 6-11 Arty (-) secure Sector G, occupy bunkers 60-65

(5) 11th Bde HHC secure Sector F, occupy bunkers 51-59

(6) 4-21 Inf (Rear) secure Sector A, occupy bunkers 1-8.

(7) Wpns B/4-3, 11th Sig (-) (OPCON) secure Sector H, occupy bunkers in Sector.

c. Attachments and Detachments:

(1) One Wpns Platoon (81MM Mortar) detached to OPCON of Bronco Base Security Officer.

2. Mission:

a. Defend assigned sector and critical installations therein.

b. Assume OPCON of all forces assigned to the sector for defense.

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c. Construct, maintain and occupy fortified fighting positions and observation towers along the perimeter within assigned sector during specified hours.

d. Coordinate and supervise the defense and local security measures of all forces assigned to the sector.

e. Coordinate defensive measures with adjacent sectors.

f. Insure availability of protective bunkers for all personnel billeted in assigned sector and/or unit area.

g. Establish and maintain radio and wire communication between all bunkers in sector and with the Base Defense Control Center.

h. Provide a RRF consisting of not less than one officer and 40 EM to reinforce/relieve/counterattack any part of the Bronco Base perimeter within 15 minutes as directed by the Base Defense Officer.

i. Be prepared to assume command and control of Bde reaction forces as designated by the Base Defense Officer to conduct and counterattacks as directed.

j. Be prepared to release RRF to Bde Control on order.

k. Be prepared to execute counterattack plans as directed. (Annex C, D, and E, Counterattack plans Boston, Newark and Portland, to 11th Bde OPORD 15-67, Base Defense Plan Defiance)

3. Execution:

a. Concept of Operations: Annex A Operation Overlay

(1) Maneuver: Bn (Rear) defends Sector D of Bronco Base perimeter, occupies perimeter bunkers 34, 36 thru 42 utilizing three men in each, with one M-60 MG in each 4th bunker, during the hours of darkness (1800 - 0630). Posts one OP in the watchtower, vicinity bunker 35, during daylight hours (0630 - 1830), mans two interior guard posts, one stationary in motor pool and one roving through trains area as directed in HHC guard instructions. Command bunker located inside the trains area will monitor all bunker operations between the hours of 1830 - 0600 daily and maintain contact with 11th Bde Security Officer utilizing radio and wire communications as appropriate. HHC monitor operations of OP from 0630 - 1800 hours.

(2) Supporting fires: Annex B, (Fire Support) to 11th Bde OPORD 5-68 (Base Defense Plan Defiance).

(3) Interior Protective Bunkers: Annex F, (Trains Area Overlay)

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b. Co A (Rear)

(1) Provide personnel for bunker guard as required.

(2) Provide not less than 5 fully equipped personnel to Bn Ready Reaction Force. All personnel to include personnel assigned to RRF will assemble in personnel protective bunker A during alert condition RED. RRF personnel will be designated and briefed each evening.

c. Co B (Rear)

(1) Provide personnel for bunker guard as required.

(2) Provide not less than 5 fully equipped personnel to Bn Ready Reaction Force. All personnel to include personnel assigned to RRF will assemble in personnel protective bunker A during alert condition RED. RRF personnel will be designated and briefed each evening.

d. Co C (Rear)

(1) Provide personnel for bunker guard as required.

(2) Provide not less than 5 fully equipped personnel to Bn Ready Reaction Force. All personnel to include personnel assigned to RRF will assemble in personnel protective bunker C during alert condition RED. RRF personnel will be designated and briefed each evening.

e. Co D (Rear)

(1) Provide personnel for bunker guard as required.

(2) Provide not less than 5 fully equipped personnel to Bn Ready Reaction Force. All personnel to include personnel assigned to RRF will assemble in personnel protective bunker C during alert condition RED. RRF personnel will be designated and briefed each evening.

f. Co E

(1) Provide personnel for bunker guard as required.

(2) Provide not less than 4 fully equipped personnel as security for guards for Command Bunker during alert condition RED. All personnel except shell rep team will assemble in protective bunker A.

(2) Train and maintain one shell rep team for trains area and locate in Command Bunker during DEFGON RED alert conditions.

g. HHC

(1) Provide not less than twenty (20) fully equipped personnel to Bn Reserve Force to protective bunker B. All others assemble in protective bunkers A and C during condition RED. Reserve Force personnel will be appointed and informed each evening.

(2) Establish and maintain guard rosters as appropriate for bunker and interior guards.

m (3) Establish detailed guard SOP Regulations to comply with provisions listed herein.

(4) Provide personnel for bunker and interior guard as required.

(5) Insure that all bunkers are maintained in a high state of repair at all times.

(6) Insure that the required basic load of ammunition is kept on hand at all times and in a high state of maintenance.

(7) Insure that expended ammunition is replaced in the basic load each morning.

(8) Insure that the Officer and SGT of the Guard receives daily briefing.

(9) Provide and control interior guard as directed.

(10) Insure that each bunker has a permanent range card and an azimuth determination device and firing stakes to align principal direction and sectors of fire.

(11) Insure that all guards test fire their weapons once per week at the 11th Bde Test Fire area, vicinity of bunker 49. Clearance must be obtained from 11th Bde TOC. Firing will be under supervision of a noncommissioned officer.

(12) Insure that a sweep is made once weekly in coordination with Bde TOC to the front sector D not to exceed 300 meters distant from the perimeter wire.

(13) All perimeter guards will have protective masks in their possession while on guard. All other personnel will have protective masks readily available at all times.

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(14) Insure that the perimeter guard is inspected twice before midnight and twice after (once prior to darkness and once after daylight).

(15) Establish and maintain a sector CP located to the rear of perimeter bunkers.

(16) Insure that all transient personnel remaining overnight at LZ Bronco are briefed on alert procedures and location of protective bunkers.

h. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Perimeter bunkers will be occupied between 1830 and 0630.

(2) Observation tower, vicinity of Shower Point, will be manned daily from 0630 to 1830.

(3) Bunkers A and C are the designated assembly areas for the RRF. S4, S1 and PEO are commanders of bunkers A, C, and B respectively. Bunker commanders will insure accountability of all RRF personnel and insure that they are properly equipped.

(4) RRF will move by vehicle or foot to relieve or reinforce the perimeter or counterattack to restore the perimeter on order.

(5) In the event of penetration in sector, personnel will remain in assigned bunkers and provide maximum fire support into the penetrated area. The RRF will assemble and react as directed.

(6) Black Out conditions will prevail during DEFCON RED alert.

(7) Trip Mines and M18A1 (claymore) mines and anti-personnel devices will be employed to the full extent possible near perimeter bunkers. M18A1 mines will be recovered daily.

(8) Fire coordination lines are sector boundaries. Fires outside Sector D must be coordinated with Base Defense TCC.

(9) Test fire will not be conducted from bunkers. Test fire for all guard personnel will be conducted at 11th Bde Test Fire Area, vicinity of bunker 49, under supervision of a noncommissioned officer. Coordination will be made with 11th Bde TCC.

(10) RRF personnel will be fully equipped to include protective masks and basic load of ammunition. Four (4) each fragmentation hand grenades for each RRF individual will be maintained and controlled by bunker commanders and issued only if RRF is called out.

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(11) Bunker commanders will draw and control twenty (20) each additional fragmentation hand grenades to be issued and used only for defense of bunkers in event of penetration by hostile forces.

(12) Personnel will remain confined to protective bunkers during alert condition RED, except R&F personnel if alerted. Local defenses will be set up around protective bunkers if the sector is penetrated by hostile forces.

(13) Magazines will not be inserted into weapons until bunkers are physically occupied. Rounds will not be chambered until the individual has reason to fire the weapon.

(14) Curfew for all personnel on or visiting LZ Bronco is from 1830 to 0630, except for personnel participating in tactical operations.

(15) Commanders will brief all personnel on contents of this order.

(16) The senior man in perimeter bunkers will be designated bunker commander.

(17) One man will remain outside perimeter bunker at all times and will periodically change locations.

(18) SGT of the Guard will personally clear each man's weapon prior to being released from guard or departing assigned bunkers.

(19) Effect to be for planning on receipt, execution on order.

4. Administration and Logistics:

a. Administration:

(1) Guard roster will be kept by HHC for interior and bunker guard.

(2) Officer of Guard roster will be maintained by S-1.

b. Logistics:

(1) Expended ammunition will be replenished each morning by HHC to insure that the prescribed basic load will be available for guard at the beginning of each night.

(2) SGT/Officer of the Guard will be provided a 1/4 ton or 3/4 ton vehicle for guard use each night. Vehicle will be designated from battalion resources.

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c. Medical:

(1) One fully equipped medic will be placed in each personnel protective and command bunker during RED alert conditions.

(2) Two fully equipped medics will be on standby with 4 stretchers and 2 bearers at the Control Bunker during RED alert conditions.

(3) The Bn (Rear) Aid Station will be located in Bunker D during RED alert conditions.

(4) Insure an immediate medical coverage and evacuation capability is maintained for personnel occupying perimeter bunkers.

5. Command and Signal:

a. Signal:

Current SOI in effect.

b. Command:

(1) CP (Rear) located in Command Bunker directly behind maintenance shop.

(2) CO, HHC is designated Sector D commander.

(3) S4 is designated PRF commander.

(4) Bn XO is designated trains area commander and will supervise all activities relevant to sector defense.

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ANNEXES:

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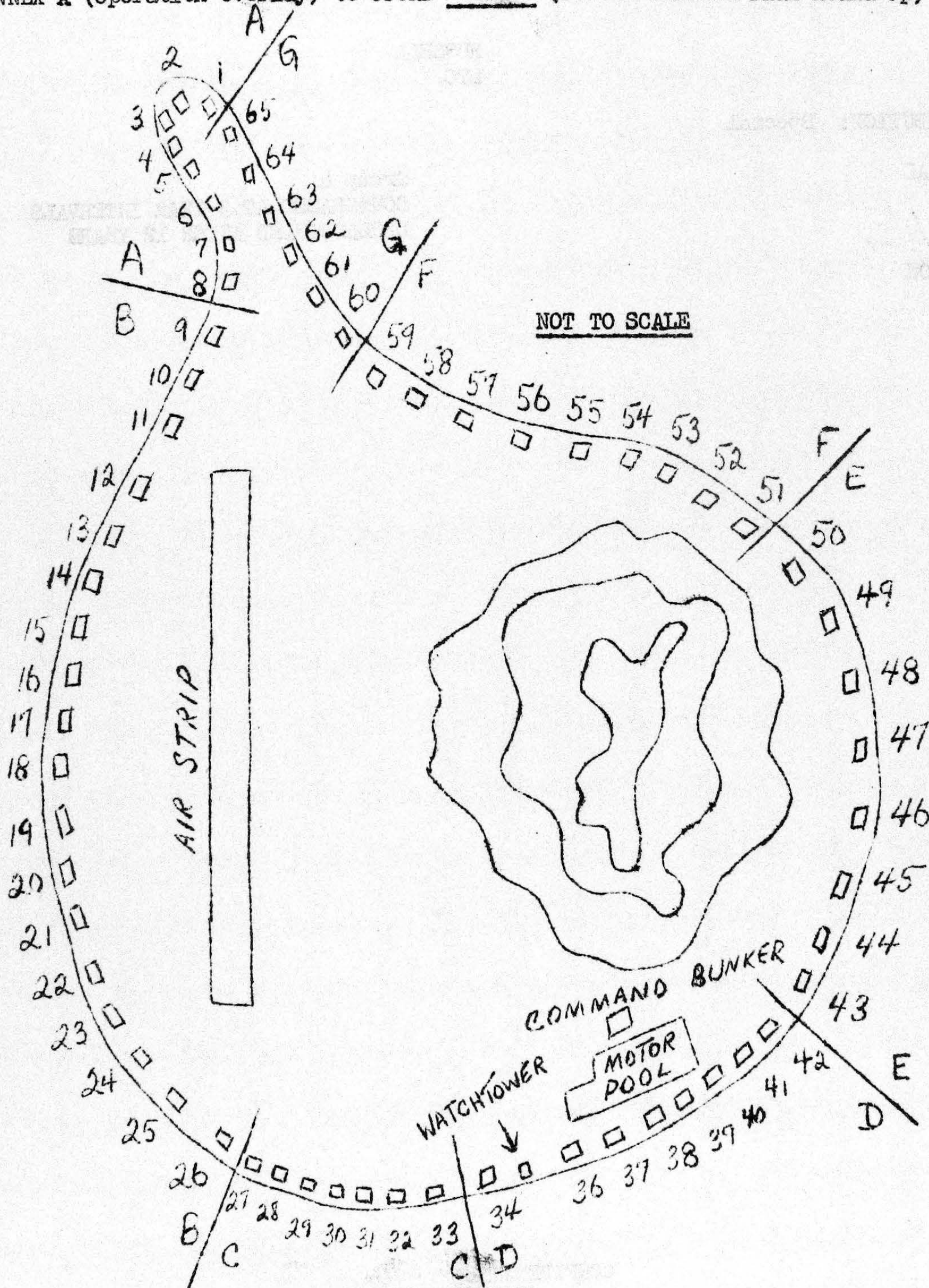
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ANNEX B (Alert/Reference Conditions) to OPORD 11-68 (Sector Defense Order Round Up)

1. The purpose of this Annex is to provide guidelines for conduct of trains units during alert conditions. The sector commander (CO, HHC) is responsible for informing all personnel and bunkers of alert conditions, and for the execution of required actions during RED, YELLOW, or GREEN alert. Alert conditions will be announced in the following manner:

- a. RED - Continuous Siren emission for two minutes.
- b. YELLOW - Telephonic/radio
- c. GREEN - Telephonic/radio

2. Alert conditions will normally be announced by the 11th Bde Base Defense Control Center (BDCC). The senior commander may announce a higher alert condition than that announced by BDCC if desired.

3. During daylight hours (0630 - 1830) normal security precautions will be taken unless an alert condition higher than GREEN has been announced. Surveillance tower, vicinity Shower Point, will be manned by one individual who will remain constantly alert observing the perimeter at all times especially during periods of limited visibility. Suspicious actions of indigenous personnel will be reported to the sector commander who will contact the 11th Bde Provost Marshal's Office for investigation or appropriate action.

4. Alert conditions and actions to be taken are defined as:

a. Alert Condition GREEN:

(1) This is the normal alert condition during the hours of darkness. This is a condition where security precautions other than normal are appropriate, such as manning perimeter bunkers. This condition may be implemented during daylight hours if warranted.

(2) Actions:

(a) During daylight hours personnel conduct normal activities. Off post activities will be in accordance with 11th Bde Regulations and Directives concerning "off limits" areas.

(b) Occupy all perimeter defensive positions. Emplace trip flares, claymore mines, and initiate all required defensive measures.

(c) Establish communications.

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(d) All personnel manning perimeter bunkers will be equipped as required.

(e) Implement all other defensive measures deemed appropriate.

b. Alert Condition YELLOW:

(1) This condition will be declared when intelligence indicates a need for active defensive measures to prepare the base area against imminent enemy attack, enemy attack within a few hours time period, or less, or when a subordinate unit fire base is under ground, rocket or mortar attack.

(2) Actions:

(a) Execute all actions required for condition GREEN.

(b) Hamlets and villages are off limits except for executing tactical operations.

(c) All movement within the sector/base area will be held to a minimum.

(d) Maximum effort will be applied to the preparation of defensive positions and all activities will be suspended except those required to support combat operations.

(e) Perimeter personnel will remain 100% alert.

c. Alert Condition RED:

(1) This condition will be declared when LZ Bronco is receiving hostile fire or when a ground attack has been initiated against the base.

(2) Actions:

(a) Execute all actions required for GREEN and YELLOW alert conditions

(b) Movement of any nature will be only in case of emergency.

(c) All personnel secure equipment and ammunition as required and report to assigned bunkers.

(d) Command bunker conduct communications check with BDCC immediately and one additional check each hour thereafter.

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(e) RRF will assemble in designated bunkers prepared to conduct combat operations within fifteen minutes of initial notification.

(f) Personnel will engage targets inside the sector area only in self defense or for protection of property. Every effort will be made to positively identify a target before engagement.

(g) Prepare to destroy documents and equipment. Execute plans only if capture is imminent.

d. Sector will receive changes to RED alert condition by radio or land line.

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ANNEX C (Rules of Engagement) to OPORD 11-68 (Sector Defense Order Round Up)

1. General:

Rules of Engagement, as set forth herein, are prescribed to minimize non-combat personnel and property losses which may occur during military action against hostile forces. Commanders will ensure that all personnel assigned to defensive positions within the base area are instructed on and comply with the cited rules.

2. Rules of Engagement:

a. During the hours of darkness the following procedures are prescribed:

(1) Challenge in English and Vietnamese (Dung Lai).

(2) If the person challenged makes an overt attempt to avoid apprehension, opens fire, or commits any hostile act endangering life, the challenger may engage the target.

(3) Illumination prior to firing is authorized.

b. During daylight hours the sequence of engagement is the same as paragraph (1) and (2) above. However, suspicious personnel loitering or working inside or near the perimeter barrier will be investigated by the Provost Marshal. Warning shots will not be fired at individuals under these circumstances except in self defense or when the person observed has unquestionably committed an overt hostile act.

c. Personnel occupying defensive positions may insert loaded magazines in their weapons. Rounds will not be chambered nor grenades loaded in launchers until contact with the enemy is imminent.

d. The Sector commander will order chambering and firing of ammunition.

e. Firing of Fougassers and E3 CS dispensers will be cleared with BTOC (except as a last means of self defense).

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3. Weapons Employment: Weapons will be fired in the following priority by personnel occupying perimeter positions.

- a. Rifles
- b. M79 grenade launchers
- c. Light Machine Gun (M-60)
- d. E8 CS dispensers
- e. Fougasse

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ANNEX D (Ammunition Basic Load) to OPORD 11-68 (Sector Defense Order Round Up)

1. The following basic load of ammunition will be issued to personnel manning perimeter bunkers and RRF personnel.

- a. Per individual - Two fragmentation hand grenades
- b. Per rifleman - 600 rounds
- c. Per automatic rifleman - 600 rounds
- d. Per machine gun - 2000 rounds
- e. Per weapon - 30 M-79 rounds
- f. Per bunker:
 - (1) Five trip flares
 - (2) Five hand flares
 - (3) Two WP grenades
 - (4) Three CS grenades
 - (5) Four each M18A1 Claymore mines
 - (6) One each E8 CS dispensers

2. Ammunition basic loads will be inventoried daily and replenished as required by the SGT of the Guard.

3. Ammunition will be stored in protective containers and secured at a centrally located area. Ammunition will be inspected daily for serviceability and required maintenance. Unserviceable ammunition will be disposed of in accordance with appropriate directives. The Headquarters Commandant will insure that this is accomplished.

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ANNEX E (Signal) to OPORD 11-68 (Sector Defense Plan Round Up)

1. Situation: OPORD _____

2. Mission: Install and maintain positive wire and radio communications in sector to expedite transmission of matters concerning sector defense.

3. Execution:

a. Concept of operation: The Sector Command Bunker will be provided wire and radio communications to each perimeter bunker. Perimeter bunkers will be provided land line communications with each adjacent bunker for coordination of mutual support. Command Bunker will establish a subordinate radio station on the Base Defense each night from 1800 - 0600 daily.

b. Signal Platoon:

(1) Provide AN/PRC-25 radios for Command Bunker and ERF.

(2) Provide PRR-9 squad radios for each perimeter bunker and the Command Bunker.

(3) Install and maintain all communications wire and equipment to insure that reliable communications means are available at all times.

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Appendices

1. Communications Diagram - Wire Net
2. Communications Diagram - Radio Net

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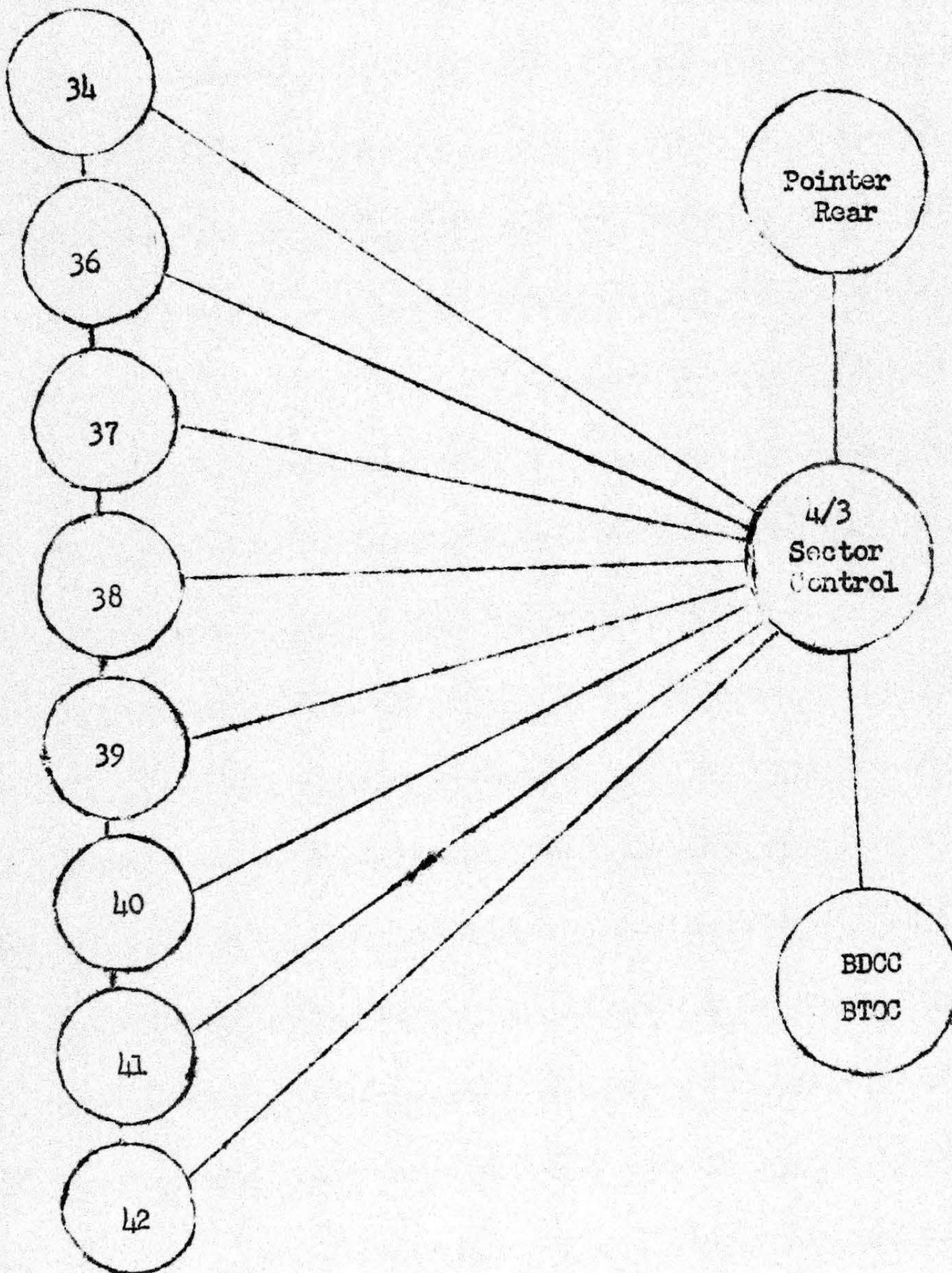
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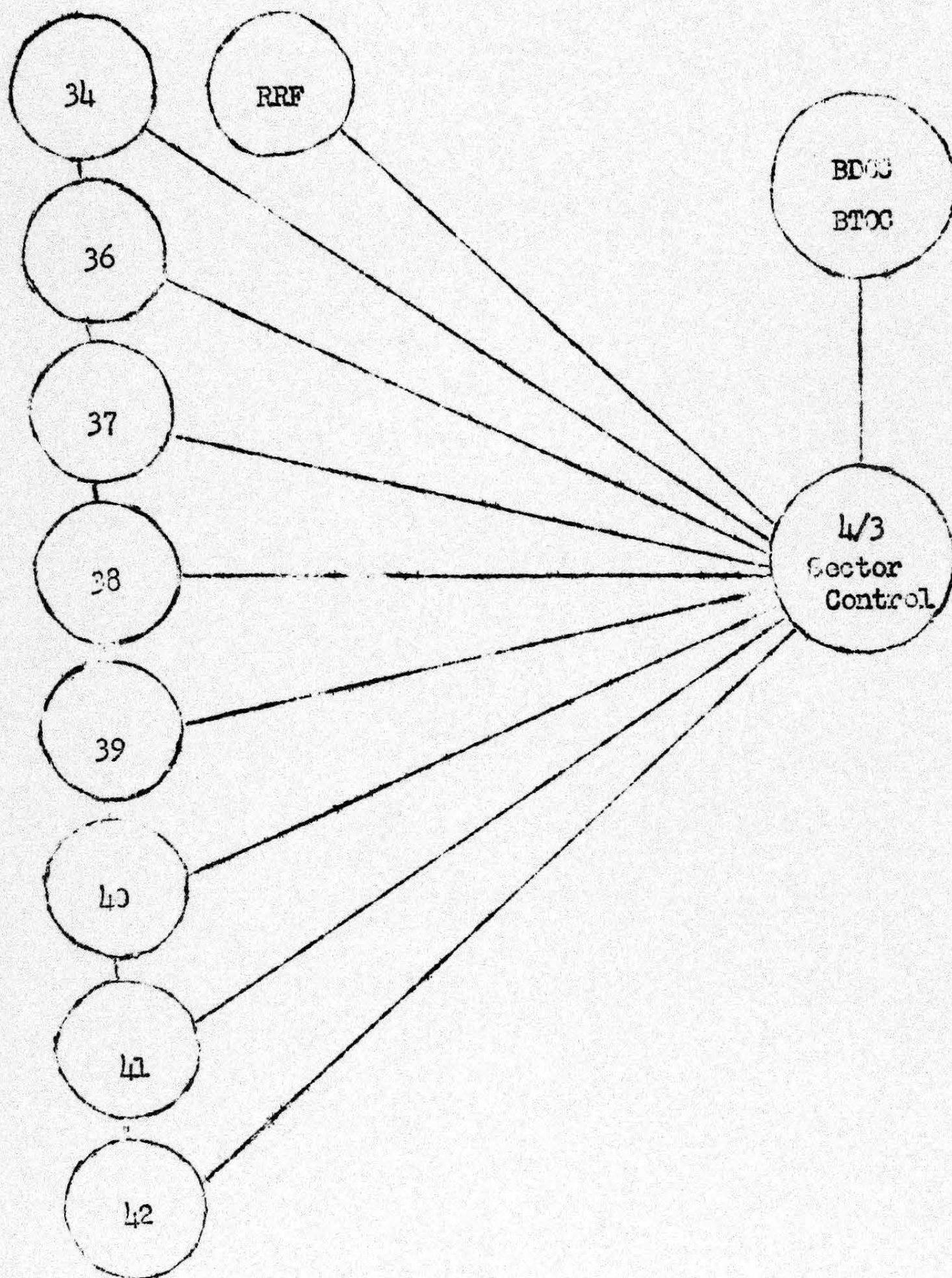


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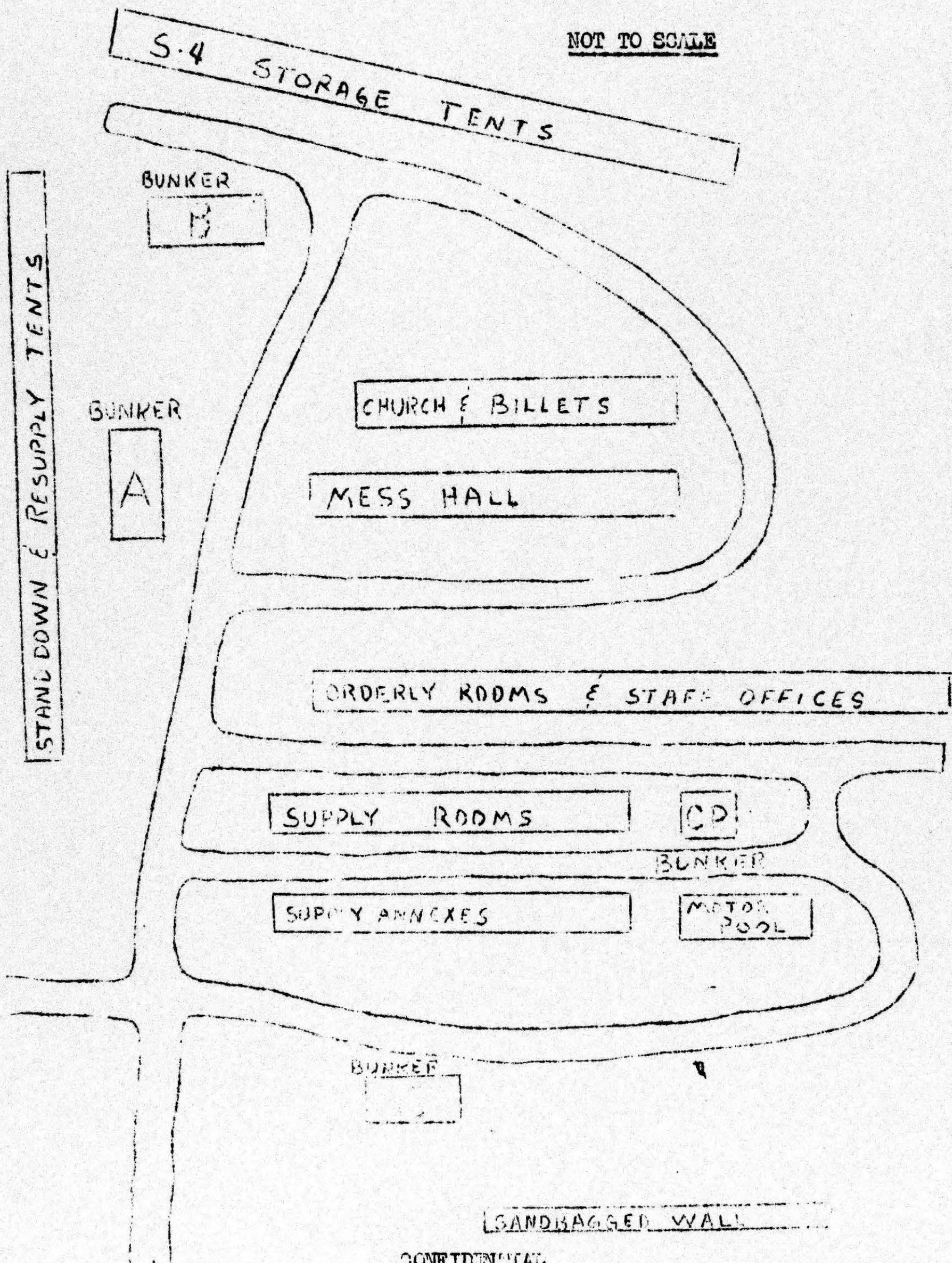


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