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DCS 200-820/67VN

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OPERATION BILLINGS- 1st INF. DIV.

PHOU LONG PROVINCE, RVN

PFC. CHARLES W. ABBOTT	NONE	19 JUN 67
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NYTMO 5251 1000 ft.	NONE	X
NONE PAY/EXT 25	10	AIR FREIGHT 21 JUN 67

## SUMMARY

On 19 JUN 67 - The Reconnaissance Platoon, of the 1st. Battalion, 28th Infantry, 3rd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, took part in Operation Billings. A Search and Destroy Operation in the Phouc Long Province. Approx. 23 km. North of Phouc Vinh, in War Zone "D". At present, 7 Inf. Bn. are involved in this operation under the operational control of the 1st. and 3rd. Bde. with approx. 6800 troops involved. Their objective is the 271st Viet Cong Infantry Regiment, suspected to be operating in this area.

The patrol moved out at 10:00 hrs. and returned at 13:30 hrs., covering approx. 2000 meters. During this time, the men patrolled through a dense Jungle, slowing their advance. The patrol did not contact the enemy during this time. / 81mm Mortar section,

Roll one, shows a member of the ~~XXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ waiting for transportation to a Medical Area for further treatment of a unidentified insect bite. Roll two and three covers the Recon patrol during their movements in the Jungle.

## ROLL # 1

LS - Troops gather around PFC Juan Concepcion (Puerto Rico) a victim of an unidentified insect bite.

MS - Same as above...different angle.

CU - PFC. Juan Concepcion.

CU - Same as above...different angle.

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## ROLL # 2

LS - Patrol getting ready to move out.

MS - Same as above...different angle.

MS - Men moving into Jungle.

MS - Men moving through Jungle.

## ROLL # 3 /PFC

MS - Paul Del Duca/(Brooklyn, N.Y.) Radioman, talking to radioman in front of ~~the~~ patrol.

MS - Patrol moving thru Jungle. /SP-4

CU - Donald Fancher(Ft. Worth, Texas) Squad Leader, taking a break.

CU - PFC. Benny Tucker(Kaithfield, Louisiana) Rifleman, takes a drink while on break. (con't next page)

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ROLL # 3 (continued from page # 1)

CU- PFC. Robert G. Brabson (Franklin, N. C.) Machine gunner, taking break.

ROLL # 4 - and the next 6 Rolls are shots taken back at the Battalion forward, Command Post.

CU - PFC. Paul Blake (Normal, Illinois) relaxing back in forward Command Post area.

LS - Men eating "C" Rations.

MS - Same as above...different angle.

CU - PFC. Bob Brabson (Franklin, N.C.) heating a can of "C" Rations

TILT TO:

CU - "C" Ration can being heated.

MS - Men eating "C" Rations.

ROLL # 5 - shows more men eating "C" Rations, and a Drill on 81mm. Mortars.

LS - Men eating "C" Rations.

MS - Same as above...different angle.

CU - PFC. Richard Rodriguez (San Antonio, Texas) eating "C" Rations.

LS - Crew setting up mortars.

MS - SP/4 Edward Lashley (Lexington, N.C.) setting elevation on mortar.

ROLL # 6 - shows Medical Treatment and a weapon being cleaned.

MS - SP/4 George Hook (Chicago, Ill.) Senior Medic for the Recon platoon, treating an Ear Infection of SGT-E/6 Clifton Davis (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

CU - Same as above...different angle.

LS - Same as above...different angle.

MS - SGT-E/6- Platoon SGT- James P. Turner (Brooklyn, N.Y.) cleans M-16 Rifle.

CU - Same as above...different angle.

CU - Same as above...different angle.

ROLL # 7 - Majority of this Roll is a Soldier digging a trench for cover in case over-run by the enemy.

MS - Clothing and equipment being dried.

MS - PFC. Tom Morris (New Orleans, La.) assistant machinagunner, digging trench.

CU - Same as above...different angle.

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MS - Same as above...different angle.

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ROLL #8 - Landing and unloading a CH-47

LS - Pan CH-47 landing

MS - CH-47 being unloaded.

ME - Same as above...different angle.

ROLL # 9 - CH-47 lifting a sling loaded with engineer stakes.

LS - CH-47 lifting up from ground.

LS - PAN CH-47 lifting loaded sling.

LS & Men loading sling.

ME - Men taking stakes from pile and laying them into the sling.

ROLL # 10

LS - CH-47 being unloaded of supplies.

LS - As CH-47 lifts off ground a shot of the men sitting on supplies to keep them from blowing all over the area.

LS - Ariel view of 3rd. Bde. Base Camp.

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DATE SHOT: 19 JUL 67

LOCATION: VIET-NAM

DATE SCREENED: 17 JUL 67

PHOTOGRAPHER: ABBOTT

REMARKS:

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Framing definitely needs improvement. Abbott requires closer supervision until improvement is shown.

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# FILM CRITIQUE

TO:

SP/4 ABBOTT

FROM:

OPERATIONS OFFICER

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PROJECT:

DCS-200-82C-67-VN

SUBJECT:

OPERATIONS BILLINGS 1st INF DIV

TOTAL FOOTAGE:

1000ft

CAMERA MAN:

ABBOTT

## CRITIQUE

SOFT FOCUS THROUGHOUT APPEARS TO BE SLATE FOCUS. A FEW CLOSE UPS WERE IN FOCUS. EXPOSURE POOR THROUGHOUT, VARIES FROM OVER TO UNDER. FOCUS PROBLEM COULD BE DUE TO IMPROPER SEATING OF LENS. OVERALL JOB POOR.

OVERALL RATING:

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Location Vietnam

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