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coverage of the entire division areas of operations and interest. The responsiveness to the individual commander's intelligence needs remains high. Augmentation of MI specialists to meet special operations or unexpected work loads at Brigade level is readily accomplished by shifting personnel resources. Using the Detachment's extensive intelligence files, more timely information is provided to all elements of the division.

c. Order of Battle Section: The order of Battle Section continued to produce timely intelligence concerning the enemy situation in the Southern ICTZ. During the reporting period this section received a 71% increase in personnel. This increase has enabled the section to expand its detailed knowledge about enemy trends, units and probable courses of action. The section has been divided into Province Teams, each headed by an officer. This permits in depth coverage of specific geographic areas and the enemy forces working within these areas. Significant events of the Order of Battle Section are as follows:

(1) A program was implemented to have the order of battle factors incorporated into unit folders. This enables a quick reference in determining the composition, disposition, strength, training, tactics, logistics, combat efficiency and miscellaneous data on any unit operating within the Americal Division AO. This program should be completed prior to the next reporting period.

(2) A program was implemented to reduce the time factor in the preparation of area studies. An all source study will be prepared for each map sheet (1/50,000) covering the Division Area of Operation. Each study will be updated weekly with all information received concerning enemy activity in the area. This will facilitate identification of increased enemy activity and assist in the rapid exploitation of likely targets. The system is designed to insure the timely flow of intelligence without undue preparation time.

(3) Liaison visits with intelligence specialists in the field has produced a better understanding of the field unit needs with regard to intelligence and has again produced a greater dissemination.

d. Imagery Interpretation Section: The II section went through a large expansion program during the reporting period. The consolidation of all the Bde MID's gave the section new equipment which increased our capability and performance. New light tables and soon 70 stereoscopes were received giving the section the capability of reading out duplicate positive imagery. An ES-38B Photo Lab was received giving the II Section its own processing and printing lab to support the proposed cameras following the 21st RAC. The month of December was the heaviest month for photography in the last six. 89 photo missions were read out and 35 mosaics were made. The following projects were started and are now complete or being continued:

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d. Reference para 5b (4) XM-21 "Push Package" containing spare parts for XM-21 system was received by 14th Avn Bn's supporting DSU (335th TC Co (ADS) in early August. Continual strong emphasis should be placed on preventative maintenance, cleaning and inspection of these weapons systems.

e. Reference para 5c. This method has been adopted by the engineer whenever possible to aid in dust and sand suppression.

5. (C) Reference Section II, part II, Recommendations.

a. Reference para 1b. Discussion with CID officials indicates that they have an extremely heavy workload and their backlog of incomplete cases will probably continue.

b. Reference para 1c. The problem has been largely solved with recent change in DA policy permitting all but the lower grade EM authority to carry their records.

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