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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY

FOURTEEN VIET CONG WERE KILLED FRIDAY BY ARMY ELEMENTS ENGAGED IN A TWO-BATTALION SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION SEVEN MILES NORTHEAST OF MY THO.

VIRTUALLY NO ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED UNTIL LATE IN THE AFTERNOON WHEN ELEMENTS OF 3/60 INFANTRY ACHIEVED CONTACT WITH A VC FORCE OF ESTIMATED COMPANY SIZE HOLED UP IN A HEAVILY BUNKERED WOODLINE.

HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUED UNTIL AFTER DARK, WITH THREE INFANTRYMEN FROM 3/60 KILLED AND 12 OTHERS WOUNDED AS OF 2030. SEVEN OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL WERE INJURED BY BOOBY TRAPS FRIDAY--FOUR IN THE AO AND THREE ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO PROVIDING SECURITY FOR THE MRB.

THE ONLY NAVAL UNITS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION ARE THE CCS

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AND TWO ASPB'S OF RIV DIV 111 WHICH ARE STATIONED NEAR MY THO FOR COMMUNICATIONS RELAY. BOATS FROM RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON NINE LIFTED THE TWO BATTALIONS TO PICKUP ZONES EARLY IN THE MORNING, BUT ALL OF THE ASSAULT CRAFT RETURNED TO THE MRB AFTER DROPPING OFF THEIR TROOPS.

NO LATER REPORTS WERE RECEIVED FRIDAY FROM I CORPS WHERE ATC 112-7 HIT AN ENEMY MINE THURSDAY WHILE SWEEPING IN FRONT OF A CONVOY ON THE THACH HAN RIVER.

THE MRB WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL W.V. COMBS, COMMANDER SERVICE FORCE, U.S. PACIFIC FLEET. HE RECEIVED A BRIEFING ON RECENT MRB OPERATIONS FROM COMMODORE SALZER.

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