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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 23-25

ELEVEN VIET CONG WERE KILLED AND THREE WERE CAPTURED SUNDAY BY MRF ELEMENTS OPERATING IN WESTERN DINH TUONG PROVINCE SIX MILES NORTH OF CAI BE.

CONTACT WAS GENERALLY LIGHT ALTHOUGH CHARLEY COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY RECEIVED SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE FOR NEARLY FOUR HOURS FROM 1045 TO 1430. THE TWO MRF BATTALIONS ACCOUNTED FOR SEVEN VC KILLED, WHILE A TEAM OF HELO GUNSHIPS WAS CREDITED WITH THE OTHER FOUR.

FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE ONE KILLED IN ACTION AND SEVEN WOUNDED, INCLUDING SIX FROM NON-HOSTILE CAUSES. THE ONLY NAVYMAN INJURED WAS A CREWMAN ABOARD RIV DIV 91'S COB WHO SUFFERED A SEVERE HIP INJURY WHEN HE WAS STRUCK BY A FALLING RADIO.

SUNDAY'S OPERATION BEGAN JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT WHEN ARTILLERY ELE-

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MENTS AND THEIR ASSAULT CRAFT ESCORTS GOT UNDERWAY FROM THE DONG TAM ANCHORAGE. BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 INSERTED 3/60 INFANTRY AT THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES AT 0815, WHILE 4/47 INFANTRY WAS LANDED BY RIV DIV 91 UNITS AT 0945.

THE MRF DEPARTED DONG TAM AT 0700 AND COMPLETED THE 26-MILE TRANSIT IN ABOUT FIVE HOURS.

ALL SHIPS WERE ON A SPECIAL ALERT FOR ENEMY SWIMMERS SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER THE FANTAIL SENTRY ON TOM GREEN COUNTY SPOTTED A SWIMMER WITH SNORKEL AND MASK ABOUT 100 YARDS OFF THE STARBOARD QUARTER AT 1712.

THE SWIMMER WAS REPORTEDLY VISIBLE FOR ABOUT FIVE SECONDS BEFORE DISAPPEARING BENEATH THE SURFACE. BID PATROLS PEPPERED THE AREA OF THE SIGHTING WITH CONCUSSION GRENADES AND GDT PERSONNEL INSPECTED THE HULLS OF THE TWO LSTs WITH NEGATIVE FINDINGS.

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