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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 04-15

EIGHTEEN ARMY AND NAVY PERSONNEL RECEIVED MINOR WOUNDS
MONDAY AFTERNOON IN A SWIFT RECOILLESS RIFLE ATTACK ON THE
MRB AS IT WAS ANCHORED EAST OF MY THO.

TOM GREEN COUNTY TOOK SIX HITS AND BENEWAH WAS STRUCK THREE
TIMES IN THE SUDDEN ATTACK FROM THE SOUTH BANK AT 1407. ALL OF
THE HITS WERE ABOVE THE WATERLINE AND NO SERIOUS DAMAGE WAS
DONE TO THE SHIPS.

DESTROYED AS A RESULT OF THE ATTACK WAS A CONVERTED LCM-6
WHICH HAD BEEN SPECIALLY CONFIGURED TO SERVE AS A REFUELER TO THE
ASSAULT BOATS. IT WAS STRUCK BY A ROUND WHILE ALONGSIDE THE
BENEWAH AND WAS IMMEDIATELY CAST OFF WHEN IT BURST INTO
FLAMES. THE BLAZE COULD NOT BE CONTROLLED BY ONE OF THE YTB'S AND IT

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WAS DECIDED TO INTENTIONALLY SINK THE ENFLAMED REFUELER.

THE TANKER'S THREE CREWMEN ALL JUMPED OVERBOARD AND WERE
RESCUED BY ASPB 92-2.

THE 18 WOUNDED INCLUDED FOUR PERSONNEL ABOARD THE TOM GREEN
COUNTY, FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BENEWAH'S SHIP'S COMPANY, FOUR ARMY
PERSONNEL EMBARKED ON THE BENEWAH AND FIVE ASSAULT BOAT CREWMEN.

THE HOSTILE FIRE WAS SUPPRESSED BY THE SHIPS WITH 40MM
CANNON, THREE-INCH AND MACHINE GUN FIRE. THE AREA WAS ALSO
STRAFED BY ARMY ARTILLERY AND AN AIR FORCE AIR STRIKE.

TWO HOURS AFTER THE ATTACK, ONE OF THE BID PATROLS
DISCOVERED A LOG FLOATING NEAR THE SOUTH BANK WITH A DEAD VIETNAMESE
TIED TO IT. IN ANOTHER INCIDENT, A FLOATING BOOBY TRAP WITH
A VC FLAG AND PROPAGANDA MATERIALS WAS DISCOVERED BY
BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 111, 1500 METERS WEST OF MY THO. THE
BOOBY TRAP AND OTHER MATERIALS WERE DESTROYED.

THE ATTACK ON THE SHIPS OCCURRED AS BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON
NINE WERE PREPARING TO BACKLOAD THE TWO MRF BATTALIONS IN THE AO,
SIX MILES SOUTHEAST OF THE MRB. CONTACT WAS GENERALLY LIGHT MONDAY
WITH SIX VC KILLED IN ACTION AND THREE US PERSONNEL WOUNDED FROM
NON-HOSTILE CAUSES.

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BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 RECEIVED A FLURRY OF SMALL ARMS, AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHILE TRANSITTING THE SONG BA LAI ABOUT 0915 IN THE ONLY INCIDENT REPORTED MONDAY BY NAVAL ELEMENTS. FIRE WAS SUPPRESSED BY BOTH THE BOATS AND ARMY HELICOPTERS. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AND NO DAMAGE, ALTHOUGH SHORTLY AFTER THE ATTACK, AN UNEXPLODED B-40 ROCKET ROUND WAS FOUND LODGED IN THE STYROFOAM OF ATC 92-10. THE ROUND WAS TO BE REMOVED BY EOD PERSONNEL AFTER THE BOAT'S RETURN TO THE MRB.

THE FIVE SHIPS RETURNED TO THE DONG TAN ANCHORAGE MONDAY AFTERNOON, COMPLETING THE ONE-HOUR TRIP AT 1900.

THE MRF IS BEING VISITED BY MR. CAL TINNEY, A POPULAR HUMORIST WHO WILL BE CONDUCTING A HANDSHAKE TOUR ON THE SHIPS ALL DAY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY MORNING.

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