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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY C3-12

ADMIRAL THOMAS H. MOORE, CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, RECEIVED A BRIEFING ON MRF OPERATIONS AND PRESENTED FIVE BRONZE STARS MONDAY MORNING DURING A ONE-HOUR VISIT TO THE BENEWAH.

AFTER BRIEFINGS FROM COMMODORE SALZER AND COLONEL ARCHER, THE ADMIRAL PRESENTED BRONZE STARS TO CDR. LOU HAMEL, FORMER COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON NINE AND NOW OPS OFFICER FOR TASK GROUP BRAVO; LT. NATHAN LOESCH, A FLOTILLA CHAPLAIN; AND HMI IRA V. BIDDLE OF RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON NINE.

RECEIVING A GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF A SECOND BRONZE STAR WERE BM1 DONALD B. GROCE AND BM1 WILLIAM M. MILLER, BOTH OF RIV DIV 92.

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AFTER THE AWARDS CEREMONY, ADMIRAL MOORE TALKED WITH BOAT CREWMEN OF RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION ELEVEN ON THE BENEWAH PONTOON. THE CNO WAS ACCCOMPANIED BY REAR ADMIRAL VETH, COMMANDER NAVAL FORCES VIETNAM.

IN CHARGE OF COMMAND CEREMONIES ABOARD THE NUECES MONDAY MORNING, COMMANDER CURTIS A. SORENSEN ASSUMED COMMAND OF RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN. CDR. SORENSEN, WHO JOINS THE MRF AFTER SPENDING TWO YEARS TEACHING NAVAL SCIENCE AT THE U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT, RELIEVED COMMANDER R. H. SULLIVAN, WHO HAS SERVED AS COM RIV RON ELEVEN SINCE FEBRUARY.

BRAVO AND CHARLIE COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY WERE AIRLIFTED FROM DONG TAM TO AN AREA NEAR THE NORTHERN REACHES OF THE CHO GAO CANAL MONDAY TO SUPPORT FIRST BRIGADE ELEMENTS REPORTED IN HEAVY CONTACT.

MEANWHILE, THIRD BRIGADE ELEMENTS SUPPORTED BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 131 ACHIEVED MODERATE CONTACT WITH VC ELEMENTS SEVEN KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF THE SONG VAM CO AND CUA SOIRAP. A LATE AFTERNOON REPORT SAID THAT 18 VIET CONG HAD BEEN KILLED AND FOUR PRISONERS CAPTURED. SEIZED IN THE FIGHTING WERE SIX AK-50 COMMUNIST CHINESE ASSAULT RIFLES.

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