

Document reveals that although all personnel of the division had been given lessons on resolution 9, they continued having very low morale, caused by longing for peace and low determination to fight. These shortcomings were reported to have resulted from poor Party leadership and a weak ideological viewpoint on the part of cadre and members.

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SUBJ: (C) Composition and Personnel Strength of V61 Transportation and Depot Battalion Group 86, Rear Service Staff Department, Headquarters, SVNLA.

(C) (77 pages, handwritten; B-3) Notebook, entries dated 29 Oct 68 to 12 Dec 69, prepared by a member of an unspecified transportation battalion ((possibly V61 Transportation and Depot Battalion, Group 86, Rear Service Staff Department, Headquarters, SVNLA)), contains notes taken during Party meetings and records of the unit's organization.

Entries dated 29 Oct 68 to May 69 refer to the organization and political activities of the C66 Transportation Company. It consisted, of a 28-member company Command Committee; a 37-member ground transportation B ((platoon)) equipped with 30 unspecified vehicles ((possibly pack-bicycles and oxcarts)); a 26-member junk transportation B with four one-and-one-half metric ton freight junks; a reconnaissance element with one one-half metric ton freight boat; and a boat construction and maintenance platoon.

The junk transportation platoon was armed with one RPD light machine gun, four AK's, and 13 CKC's. On 24 Mar 69, this company had 139 members.

Subsequent entries refer to the composition, personnel strength, and activities of an unspecified transportation battalion designated B ((possibly V61 Transportation and Depot Battalion)), which consisted of C1, C2, C3 ((possibly 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Companies)), and a reconnaissance element. The battalion strength dropped from 414 members in Jun 69 to 376 members in Sep 69. Its main mission was the transportation of various merchandise, particularly on Lines A and B.

It was indicated that the battalion had received from unspecified sources 200 metric tons of husked rice and 100 tons of X goods ((weapons and ammunition)), and had purchased 93 metric tons of food during Nov 69.

Entry dated 30 Nov 69, dealing with the situation in the ((Cambodia-South Vietnam)) border area, states that because of the strategic importance of the ((VC/NVA)) sanctuaries in the border area, diplomatic

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relations with the Cambodians should be maintained and regulations concerning the border area should be respected ((by VC/NVA members)).

Final entries show the personnel strengths of the following elements ((possibly subordinate to Vol. Transportation and Depot Battalion): VB ((Battalion Headquarters)), 30 members; ((Unit)) 31 ((possibly Transportation Company)), 46 members; ((Unit)) 32, 64 members; G36, 34 members; F11, 17 members; and Dispensary, 17 members.