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Dear Sir:

I arrived in country on the 22nd of Sept, and was subsequently assigned to the RVN Infantry School on the 24th.

Currently I am holding down two jobs. (Senior Inf Tng Advisor and Plans & Programs Advisor) I had entertained hopes of going to the Ranger Group, but now I realize that I am in a pretty important position here.

I am quite impressed with what I've seen here and I am sure the Infantry School will have a definite impact upon the Army in the very near future.

In reviewing the POIs, and checking training, the school seems to be moving in the right direction. They are now beginning to get input from the field and in turn incorporate it as "Lessons Learned".

Three big areas that seems to be getting considerable attention is Unity of Command, Combined Arms, and Fire Support Planning at all levels. These areas I feel, will add to the proficiency of the units in the field.

I must say that at times I really feel that I am back at Benning, particularly when observing the O/C program. I only hope that in the near future a greater priority will be given to the needs of the Infantry School from a stand-point of funding, equipment, training facilities and selection of personnel.

As for my attendance at Hampton Institute I graduated in the top 5% of my class. I had planned to send you an invitation but the graduation exercise was cancelled due to student unrest.

I must close for now and hope to hear from you sometime in the future.

Sincerely,

JAMES R.M. BOULDIN