

Notes June 2

- 1 June 0925 - LTC rpts that there appears to be a build up of enemy forces E and W of QL 14 between KTM and Vo Dinh. MSN for BTRP is to search that area as soon as Wx permits.
- 1008 - S.S. rpts that he took 51 cal fire from ZA 789893 (south side of airfield at KTM)
- 1100 - Hawk's claw launched. Claw 3 rpts he has taken hit in hydrohis - lost hydro. returning to HAAF. - made successful landing.
- 1345 - Hawk's Claw was launched again for bunker busting.
- 1540 - 361st rpts that 2 teams have flown 16 hours so far and have not fired a round.
- 1618 - Rec'd call from LTC that 20 loads of ammo are ready at the ASP and they must be moved tonight. (Wx now grounded A/C)
- 2200 - LTC Rpts further gunships engaged a tgt in KTM city accidentally injured 18 friendlies. It was reported that the Div CO had given clearance to hit the target. The ordinance hit the target but the friendlies were too close. 1830 hrs AR 788 886. The rpt also said the U.S. advisor, Col Bricker did not think it was the guns fault.

2 JUNE

- 0925 - CTOL repts Binh Dinh TOC blown up by sappers at or about 0835. Results were 3 U.S. WIA, 14 WIA, 1 ARVN KIA and 2 ROV KIA. AN LOH was also shot down at 0730 in Binh Dinh.
- 1050 - Gladiator 12 down at ZA 201692 and burning. S.S. has spotted burning A/C in UTM pass.
- 1110 - C+C Gpt Suttle CTRP hit attempting to make pickup of crew of downed A/C
* (Fred died later in hospital - Joe Emberton burned in the 57th slick.)
- 1130 - Pick up of crashed personnel of Gladiator 12 complete, enroute to hospital. Gladiator 6 went in to pick up the pilot.
- 1815 - S.S. took a round (arty) 50 feet away from A/C at FOB. Experienced severe vibration and is returning PKU.

3 JUNE

- 0930 - Rpt from CTOL that LZ Crystal was hit at 0630 and that the ammo storage area was hit. Also POL point was on fire.
- 1150 - CTOL repts that LZ Crystal is under attack and they are declaring a TAC-E.
- 1815 - Gpt Bell A/C hit low level NW of arty hill - hit in chicken plate - no injuries.

- 4 June 1210 - S.S. reports that the F.O.B. had taken six 122MM rockets.
- 1345 - CTOC reports a UH-1H was shot down at LZ Crystal (actually at LZ uplift 4 hits no injuries A/C recovered)
- 1835 - monitored call from Mrs. VAWN that he had taken hits 5-6 Km NW of AKTY Hill and he was having difficulty staying in the air. apparently no injuries! Requests this station get some arty on the area just for revenge.
- 5 June 0936 - CTOC called a report UH-1H and OH-6A shot down at LZ Crystal. The Huey was shot down on or extraction of the OH-6A crew that was shot down. As of 0915 the 6 people were extracted.
- 6 June 1050 - launched a Search and Rescue mission to look for downed C-46
- 1300 - Big Windy 15 reports no Med. Evacs are at Kontum soccer field but that approx. 50 healthy ARVN soldiers rushed on his ACC and won't get off.
1375. - CTOC advises not to take the GCA rig up to Kontum. It will go first thing tomorrow to the airfield.

- 6 Cont 1550 - LTC Anderson reports that he and Sgt Slaughter had just recovered 6 ARVN LRP's that had been lost for several days 15 Km north of Kontum. He returned them to FOB.
- 1826 - Big Windy 15 reports that he had taken an airburst at ZA 200700. The A/C was hit but not badly damaged. The flight engineer was wounded in the leg. Minor wound.
- 7 June 1645 - Gladiator 35 reports wreckage in ravine at BA 122 470. MAC SOG will insert people at crash site.
- 8 June 0755 - (TOC reports that Col Eschlin (SA KM) told LTC Baguel that he thinks the CH-47's are no longer in danger from the refugees and he wants to make sure they start recovering them. He says they seem to be reluctant to backland refugees.
- 0945 - 57th UH-1H reports taking fire at AR 879 230. Report seeing 3 people 2 trucks. Took one hit in shield.
- 1130 - Have all CO's give a list of responsible Gt's for airbase NLT 1700.
- 1600 - SS. Reports that the HT19 GCH was operational and it was being flight checked. C-130's would be landing at AB. at night.

8 June Cont - 1945 - B.W. Tally fire 5 KM
SW of KTM est 50 cal at
ZA 1981

- 9 June
- 1430 - S.S. repted that the H/107 had
spotted an APC and some trucks
Vic ZB 165130 launch Claw.
- 1500 - S.S. (me) reported that Panther 14
while conducting a BDA, had taken
51 cal. fire and was going into
FOB for a check.
- 1545 - "No generator repairman at KTM"
- 2200 - Received word of a possible
LOH down at ZA 204706 -
launched flare, 2 guns +
Congo's Revenge.
- 2240 - Gladiator 71 reported he saw
a small fire. Coney and
Specter plus Hawk 5 are on
station.
- 2340 - Eagle 5 (LtC Anderson) landed
at the suspected crash site
- 2344 - Eagle 5 rept a crashed
helicopter with 3 bodies;
one is tentatively identified
as MR. VANN. The name tag
on one body read Doughtie
and the other body is too badly
burned. They will extract
MR VANN's body. (3rd man -
Cpt Robertson)

- 10 June 0200 - Maj Bauer called Maj Brown CTOC and Told him that LTC Phan was trying to marry up MA. Vann's body with casket from Gen Toan.
- 0800 - CTOC - look for black bag at crash site.
- 0935 - check on 57th ACC being fired on by missile.
1120. - H160 LOH is in air over FSD 42 with body bags with no contact on ground. Quest as to where the bodies are at this time.
- 1145 - SS. repts Panthers got two possible hits.
- 1220 - Accident investigation team is in at FSB 42 and will be enroute to crash site on the ground.
- 1228 - WOG which revised his location of missile launch site as VB 880 190
- 1320 - The two remaining bodies from the OH-58 crash were taken to LSA graves registration.
- 1325 - gladiator reports that the crash site is at ZA 204706.
- 1840 - CTOC repts SA-7 fired at F-4 in KTM area.
- 11 June 1755 - S.S. repts. that he observed a missile that was fired at the F-4 as it was making a run 24827892. He also saw two more fired on the second pass.

- 12 JUNE 0005 - Eagle MCC rept CRB is under small arms attack and POL has been blown up. - supper attack.
- 1640 - gladiator 363 took a hit in synchronized elevator near Wake Davis.
- 13 JUNE 1400 - CTC rept that HTM took a round in the 44th Rept ammo drops and now there are rounds cooking off.
- 1745 - CH-47's taking fire vic ZA095710.
- 14 JUNE WX bad in HTM
- 1735 - Maj Gibbs of H/17 rept that he had a 40mm grenade blow up. Heavy damage to turret.
- 15 JUNE 1430 - CTC called - Cher Res reports he saw an explosion in the air. Believes it was a mid air collision.
- Aircraft reported to have crashed at BR 100 020; four parachutes reported
- 1530 - S.S. rept parts of two A/C
One is a Convair 880 possibly Air Vietnam - no survivors
The other a silver high performance A/C
- 16 JUNE 0345 - CTC - Hooks will start on normal missions but will be on call to MIA looks for air lines.

16 cont 1430 - H/17 repts an OH-6A - 68-17263 -
has taken 2 hits and the pilot
and observer were WIA - enroute
back.

1720 - LTC Bagnal repts that VNAF
spotted 3 Tanks at YB 975078
and 5 tanks at ZB 155087 and
he wants to have H/17 check it out.

17 June 1235 - LTC Anderson reported that the
VNAF slicks had inserted troops
on the ground at Tan Canh.

1457 - LTC Anderson repts Tan Canh
raid over and VNAF is
pulling out everyone.

18 June 1226 - H/17th repts OH-6A at the
Crash site had taken fire 2 1/2
Kilometers NE of site. Multiple hits.
Pilot WO1 Forge was hit
in foot and face. - enroute back.

1700 - 66th AHC reports an AH-1G shot
down at BR 878585 (near LZ
Crystal). A/C burned and
exploded, totally destroyed.
Crew Ejected to Crystal by
wing man. Now in ARSON
No injuries.

19 June 0435 - CTC / Gt Fieldman / Repts FSB
41 is under ground attack.

0510 - CTC - FSB 41 atk cont.
TAL-E launch guns and
flare ship.

19 cont. 0800 - Eagle 3/S.S. rept he overheard that H/17K had a LOH shot down NE of KTM. VIC AR 890950/ took fire from vic AR 864955 Pilot wounded and A/C landed safely - Pilot shot in leg, passed out being transferred to to ship to be returned to PKU. Pilot STEIN, James E. CPT 528-70-1197 and O.B. WRIGHT, Harry W. E-4 531-46-1575 with leg wound.

1600 - KTM taking rockets.

20 JUNE 1000 - H/17 rept that they have discovered a 2 1/2 ton truck at ZB 160130 and they want to launch Hawk's claw.

1044 - H/17 reports that an OH-6A has been shot down at ZB 090180. Pilot and observer ok. fire came from village of Binh Binh.

1125 - Rec'd mission to launch 2 guns for troops in the open at AR 773763 NVA are attempting to retrieve dead.

1225 - H/17 rept that the ship and OH-6A attempting to recover the downed OH-6, drew intense fire from vicinity of the village and from camouflaged vehicle. Both A/C hit & returning to PKU.

- 20 cont 1830 - Hawk's den reports that they hit and destroyed 2, 2 1/2 ton trucks.
- 21 JUNE 1000 - H/17 rept discovered a bullet hole in AH-16 #032. Don't know where it came from.
- 22 JUNE NOTHING significant.
- 23 JUNE 0705 - Rec'd word from LTC Anderson that CTys (H/10) would be returning to An Son to work the Binh Dinh Prov.
- 0945 - Eagle Br. rept. H/10 AH-16 #627 took hit at BR935784. MIN damage no injuries.
- 1000 - CTOL rept LZ Salmon BR9380 in Binh Dinh Prov. has been over run.
- 1200 - CTOL states PW rept in HCM a regimental CP plus 2 BN CP's were located at ZA110934.
- 1220 - Rec'd a call from 57th that A/C #020 with CWO Wehr as AC repted that it had a missile fired at it while conducting a VR east of Pokoi Klong AT ZA104922. It missed the A/C by approx. 100' and disappeared into the clouds.
- 1635 - Gladiator 18 states he saw a missile fired at a flight.

- 23 CONT of 5 VNAF-44TH from
2B095055. It left a white
smoke trail. It missed and
disappeared into the clouds.
- 2330 - Grenade exploded in D117
area. 2 killed one injured.
later died (3 dead) - men
playing "Chicken" CW02
Anderson Duty officer.
- 24 JUNE Nothing significant
- 25 JUNE "
- 26 JUNE 1230 - CTC Repts that ARVN had
repted enemy tanks and troops
at 2A002282 and 2A013297.
near Tanh AN. Can well
check it out.
- 27 JUNE 0925 - H117 will be going in
on OH-6 crash site 2A196760
to look for remains - Crew MIA
1621 - H117 recovered parts
of one individual and
suspect parts of another.
- 28 JUNE Nothing significant.
- 29 JUNE 1550 - Rec'd call from 361st that
A/C 727 was down at Ben Het
with all its transmission
fluid gone. Crew was recovered
ok by CTC. Ben Het taking
incoming this time.
- 30 JUNE 1515 - From 361st - Panther 14 (wo sig brief)
had taken several hits at 2A137596
A/C 70-16023. both crew hit
leg and arm.