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The Army Concept Team in Vietnam evaluated the operations of the 273d Assault Support Helicopter Company (Heavy) from 28 October 1968 to 1 February 1969. The 273d Company was composed of three platoons of three CH-54A helicopters each and one float CH-54A. The primary mission of the company was to provide combat support and combat service support airlift. The purpose of the evaluation was to document the capabilities and limitations of the company in performing support airlift missions, and to determine the adequacy of heavy lift helicopter company TOE. The 273d Company successfully carried out its assigned mission, providing satisfactory airlift movement of heavy supplies, equipment, vehicles, and aircraft to units throughout the III and IV CTZs. Analysis of all evaluation data resulted in 14 recommendations which, if satisfied, will improve the effectiveness of the heavy lift helicopter company.

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