



AVDALR-RP

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SUBJECT: Lessons Learned Report of Company H (RANGER), 75TH Infantry (AIRBORNE) for period ending 30 November 1969.

Commanding Officer
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Section I. Lessons Learned:

a. Personnel: None

b. Operations:

(1) A Ranger Team can be most useful when it combines both reconnaissance and combat aspects. Ranger Patrol 45, during the period 3-4 November, accounted for 2 enemy KIA themselves, and directed air support to produce another 51 enemy KBH. The early warning and intelligence that Ranger Patrol 45 provided again proved the worth of the reconnaissance-combat concept.

(2) Alertness is important at all times while on patrol. Flank security must be good, particularly when a patrol is establishing an ambush position, since at that time the patrol is most vulnerable to enemy movement.

c. Training: None

d. Intelligence:

(1) When searching a body, every item of equipment must be examined thoroughly. Recently, several documents have been found inside of flashlights or cigarette lighters. Any area, that can hold documents, must be searched.

e. Logistics: None

f. Organization: None

g. Other: None


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