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OPERATION GLEN BURNIE

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As directed in OPOED 13-66 the 3^d Squadron conducted a night road march from Base Camp to Binh Loc Village YT450135. By 030355 January 1967 the seal was completed and at 030710 January Phase II of the operation commenced as Teams I, L, and M initiated a systematic search in their predesignated sectors of the village. All of the villagers were directed to a control interrogation point where each was screened, his identification checked, his name compared to a blacklist and asked questions concerning VC activities and their relations with the VC. The interrogation netted 29 detainees. All were evacuated to Xuan Loc by CH-47 but they were all later released. No tactically significant information was gained from any of the suspects however two gave indication of advance warning that the village would be entered and placed under GVN control. One suspect stated that as many as ten days prior to the operation VC informed the villagers of what would take place on 3 January. Another suspect stated that many residents who left to work in the rubber and other jobs outside the village never returned home that night before the operation.

In terms of prisoners and captured equipment or food the operation yielded little. However, GLEN BURNIE did succeed in that it removed the village from VC domination and now ARVN Forces and Revolutionary Development personnel are securing and improving the Binh Loc Hamlet.

The following artillery expenditures resulted from the operation
Landing Zone preparation for the 52^d Ranger Bn. (ARVN).

Provisional Mortar Battery - 180 rds HE
B/2/35 Artillery. - 180 rds HE

Sealing Fires.

How/3-11 - 120 rds HE
C/7/93 Artillery - 120 rds HE

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One US and four ARVN were wounded at 1720 hours when a claymore was command detonated against a team K ~~AGAV~~ at YT445142. Team K had moved North to search a suspect^{ed} area that one of the detainees had indicated might have been a refuge for the village VC. The search produced negative results. The US WIA was not serious.

One accomplishment of Operation GLEN BURNIE was the employment of a CH-47 to emplace a section of bulk bridging on a critical crossing site at YT 452129. The method proved extremely expedient and will be used in the future.

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