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CG, 2/17th Cavalry

CG, 101st Abn Div

ATTN: C-3

SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report

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1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. MHT: Due to inclement weather the 01-Es did not cdt aerial recon from FSB PIKE to the DMZ.

b. A Trp: Trp assets staged at Quang Tri. AWP was airlifted to Quang Tri in response to any grd recon opns & downed A/C security. Cdt VR in 101 RZ. Vic XD933251, while edting sub-sequent RDA of QT 10507, obs an est 60-80 VC/NVA wearing OD uniforms (with no visible markings) in trenches & bunkers, armed with AK-47s. AWP rec intense AK-47, 50 cal & 30 cal fire. A/C rec 1 hit. Neg casualties. A second AWP rec intense AK-47, 50 cal & 30 cal fire. A/C rec 1 hit. Neg casualties. OH6A also rec intense AK-47, 50 cal, & 30 cal fire. Neg hits or casualties. Engaged area with gunships resulting in 16 + 1 VC/NVA KIA Cav. Requested A/S. Results for Air Force 2 VC/NVA KIA & 1 cal 50 position dest. AWP was requested & did dest 3 50 cal positions. Both damaged AWP's were flown back to EAGLE. Cdt VR in 3d Bde AO. Trp assets closed EAGLE at approx 1800H.

c. B Trp: Cdt VR in 101 RZ. Vic YC627871 obs 1 bunker 8x10'. Activity in area in last 24 hrs. Engaged with gunships resulting in 1 bunker dest. Vic YC421940 obs 2 huts 10x20', 1 bunker 5x4, ladder in tree leading to OP, 2 lean-to's 10x15', 1 VC/NVA in bunker. Indiv was barechested & in bunker. OH6A rec int fire of AK-47 fire & engaged resulting in 1 VC/NVA KIA (Cav) & 1 secondary explosion. Gunships then engaged area resulting in 2 huts, 10 bunkers, & 2 lean-tos destroyed. AWP then rec approx 30 rds of green tracers neg hits or casualties. Engaged area again resulting in 2x20 bunker uncovered. Obs 2 VC/NVA inside bunker. Indiv were wearing dark green uniforms. Engaged with gunships resulting in 2 VC/NVA KIA Cav. Vic YC409941 obs 1 bunker 5x4'. Activity in area in last 1 hr. Engaged with gunships resulting in 1 bunker dest. Vic YC399935 obs bunker complex, numerous tunnel ent. 2x3' & 2x5'. Activity in area 3 2000 in last 4 hrs. Engaged area with gunships resulting in 1 bunker dest & 1 tunnel caved in. AWP remained at EAGLE in response to any grd recon opns & downed A/C security. Spt Cav-Arty raid in Div AO. Cdt 1st & last light in Div AO. Cdt VR in 1st Bde AO. Spt marines with VR Jan 70 1 3

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for recon to Boxhill/Atlas. Due to inclement weather no SNIFFERS were edtd in Div AO.

d. G Trps: Cdt VR in 101 RZ. Vic YD588145 obs 1 dead VC/NVA floating in river. Indiv was wearing black shirt & khaki pants. Results 1 VC/NVA KIA Cav. Vic YD098192 obs 2 VC/NVA wearing UD trousers. Indiv did not appear to have weapons. Engaged with 101 resulting in 2 VC/NVA KIA Cav. Vic YD059194 obs 1 hut 15x30. Activity in area in last 24 hrs. Engaged with WP resulting in 1 hut dest. Vic YD040200, 2 ON6A edting VR of BRS, rec approx 3 rds SKS fire. Neg hits or casualties. Engaged area with gunships with unk results. ARP remained at SALLY in response to any grd recon opns & downed A/C security. Continued search by air of missing indiv reported on 014515 with neg results. Cdt BPA of Aralights in 101 RZ. Cdt 1st & last light in Div AO. Cdt VR in 2d Bde AO. Spt Rgrs with extraction & insertion of 1 Rgr tm in Div AO. Spt Rgrs by inserting & extracting 1 Rgr tm in Div AO.

e. D Trps: 1st plt was IMP for EAGLE & downed A/C security. 2d plt was IMP Lifesaver & Rgrs. 3d plt edt sweep & sub in B Sec with neg significant findings.

f. F Trps: Cdt VR in 101 RZ. Vic YD813046 obs 7 huts 7x15'. Activity in area in last 4 days. Engaged with gunships resulting in 2 huts dest. Cdt 1st & last light around EAGLE.

g. Co L, 75th Inf: Inserted & extracted 1 Rgr tm in Div AO. Present tm call signs & locs: Tm Impala YD031295, tm Excalibre YD045303, tm Apache YD055269.

2. (C) Plan Summary:

a. A Trps: Will provide spt to 3d Bde. Will edt VR in the 101 RZ 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, & 21. ARP will be at Quang Tri in response to any grd recon opn. Will edt VR of penetration routes in 101 RZ T1, 2, 3, 408/S1, 616/S1. BPA of Aralight in 101 RZ.

b. B Trps: Will provide recon to the 1st Bde. Will edt VR in 101 RZ 8, 10, 11, & 12. ARP will be at EAGLE in response to any grd recon opn. Will edt 1st & last light in Div AO. Will edt VR of penetration routes in 101 RZ 923/548/S1. Will edt SNIFFER men in Div AO.

c. C Trps: Will provide recon to the 2d Bde. Will edt recon in 101 RZ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 7. ARP will be at SALLY in response to any grd recon opn. Will edt VR of penetration routes in 101 RZ 9222/548/S1. BPA Aralights in 101 RZ. Cdt 1st & last light in Div AO.

d. D Trps: 1st plt will be at EAGLE in response to any grd recon opn. 2d plt will edt sweep & sub in B sec. 3d plt will be IMP for EAGLE, Lifesaver, Rgrs, & downed A/C in Div AO.

e. F Trps: Cdt 1st & last light in Div AO. Will edt VR in 101 RZ 0814.

f. Co L, 75th Inf: Maints 5 tms in Div AO.

3. (C) Recap of friendly & enemy losses: a. No change.

b. Enemy: 21 KIA, 12 bunkers, 2 huts dest.

4. a. b. No change.

c. Enemy personnel losses: CAV 28 KIA, 0 DETAINED, 0 CAPT, 0 RAILLED
TOTAL: 28 KIA, 0 DETAINED, 0 CAPT, 0 RAILLED

d. See para 3b this report

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5. thru 12. No change.