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CO, 2/17th Cavalry

CG, 101st Abn Div
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report

1. (C) Op Summary

a. 1st Bn: C1A flew aerial recon ALONG THE LOWLINE BORDER conducting VE of penetration routes for 4 sorties and 7 hours of aerial reconnaissance. Provided 1 OH1E C&C and 1 OH1A for Rangers. Provided 1 OH1H C&C for relief on station with "B" Troop C&C.

b. A Troop: Conducted VE for the 54th AVN Regiment. Conducted insertions of the Florida and Delaware and extractions of Ranger teams California and Arizona. OH6A received moderate AK fire via YD 071370, 8 hits negative casualties, engaged with gunships results unknown, aircraft is nonflyable.

c. B Troop: Provide aerial recon to 1st Bde. Provide aerial recon to 2d Bde. Conducted 1st and last light checks in 1st Bde AC. OH6A via YD 474104 received 150 rds of S&F negative hits. Engaged with gunships results unknown. OH6A via YD 474109 received 25 rds of AK negative hits. Engaged with gunships results unknown. OH6A received heavy AA47/30 cal and 12.7mm fire, 6 hits, negative casualties. Engaged area with gunships results unknown, A/C is nonflyable. OH6A via YD 471119 received heavy 12.7mm, 30 cal, AA47 fire and one RPG round. A/C received undetermined number of hits, burst into flames and crashed via YD 470136. ARP was inserted via YD 475135, 1E green, to secure aircraft and conduct RIF for possible survivors. Results 3 U.S. KIA (A/C crew). OH6A in support of ARP received undetermined amount of AA47 fire, received undetermined number of hits, A/C auto rotate to river via YD 474134, and submerged in 20' of water with negative casualties. Due to the fact that A/C had submerged ARP could not be employed. ARP extracted via YD 474134, 1E green. The ARP and a diving team to be inserted 1 May 70 for recovery operation.

d. C Troop: Conducted VE for 54th AVN Regiment. Conducted aerial recon for 3d Bde. ARP remained at Quang Tri on REF for downed A/C. ARP returned to Phu Bai at 1800 hrs. Supported 3d Bde on two contact missions via REF CHANIER.

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e. B Troop: One platoon was MV for Eagle and downed A/C security. One platoon conducted a sweep in B sector with negative findings. One platoon was at Quang Tri as secondary reaction force for 54th ARVN Regiment operation.

f. Co 1, 75th Inf: Inserted team Florida at 1013 hrs via YD 193577, LZ was green. Inserted team Del Mare at 1123 hrs via YD 010412, LZ was green. Extracted team California at 1034 hrs via XD 969470, LZ was green. Extracted team Arizona at 1132 hrs via YD 122492, LZ was green. Team night locations are as follows: Tn 11/15 Colorado XD 184393, Tn 21 Pennsylvania YD 175579, Tn 14 Florida YD 192579, Tn 26 Delaware YD 018418. Maintaining 5 teams in Div AO.

2. (c) Plan Summary

a. A Troop: Will provide 1 AC aircraft for Ranger overflights. Provide radio relay with B Troop. Will provide wheel vehicle maint support to B Troop. Will provide bunker guards for B Troop during hours of darkness.

b. A Troop: () Will provide screen for 54th ARVN Regiment in AO extension. Will provide aerial recon to 3d Lde. AHP plus C Troop AHP will be at Quang Tri in response to downed A/C. Will extract Ranger teams Pennsylvania and Colorado.

c. B Troop: Will provide aerial recon to 1st Lde. Will conduct recovery of downed aircraft. Will conduct intensive VR in Special VR Box to obtain hard targets for AHC light drops. Will conduct 1st and last light checks in 1st Lde AO. Will conduct VR of Command Vault locations. Will conduct Sniffer in Div AO. AHP will be at Eagle in response to any ground operation and downed A/C.

d. C Troop: (-) Will conduct VR of Special Cav AO. Will conduct Sniffer mission in Special Cav AO. Will conduct insertion of two platoons of Delta Troop (4-10 man team) in Special Cav AO. AHP will be at Quang Tri (Upon A Troop) on standby in support of 54th ARVN Regiment. Will conduct insertion of Ranger teams Conn, and Hawaii.

e. D Troop: Will provide radio relay for Tns in Special Cav AO. Will be prepared to insert 1-10 man team and 1-20 man team in Special Cav AO. With the mission to monitor enemy movements trail activity and NW smatch.

f. Co 1, 75th Inf: Planned insertions: to Connecticut and to Hawaii in Special Cav AO. Planned extractions: in 11/15 Colorado via XD 184393 and to 21 Pennsylvania YD 176379. Will maintain 5 teams in Div AO.

3. (c) Loss of friendly & enemy losses: 3 U.S. KIA
b. Enemy: No change.

4. a. b. c. d. e. No change.

5. Item 12. No change

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