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FROM: CO, 2/17th Cavalry

TO: CG, 101st Abn Div (Ambl)

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1. (U) 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry INTSUM 187-70
2. (U) 052000H to 062000H July 1970
3. (C) Summary of enemy activity
  - a. Air Activity

(1) 060830H via YD299044, B Trp obs road 12' wide oriented NW-SE w/ 4 strands of commo wire supported on 12' high poles w/act in the last 6-12 hrs.

(2) 060835H via YD344086, B Trp obs 20 5x5' bunkers and trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/signs of 30-40 personnel moving in both directions in the last 24 hrs. A/S was employed. Res: 10 bunkers dest and 10 bunkers damaged.

(3) 061100H via XD940260, A Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/signs of 25 personnel moving both directions in the last 6 hrs.

(4) 060940H via YD315126, C Trp obs 2 5x6' bunkers and 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(5) 060942H via YD318130, C Trp obs a road oriented E-W w/several 5x6' bunkers along the road. Also was a log const rail along the road w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(6) 060945H via YD218124, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(7) 060950H via YD321128, C Trp obs 10 6x8' bunkers and 1 10x10' hut w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(8) 061000H via YD320125, C Trp obs tunnel ent w/ftprints of an undet number of personnel in the area in the last 12 hrs.

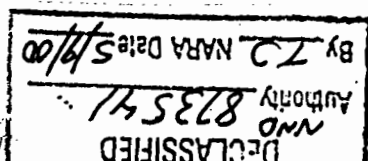
(9) 061005H via YD325125, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/ftprints of 8 personnel moving both directions in the last 12 hrs.

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(10) 061010H via YD327125, C Trp obs 1 10x10' hut and 4 4x6' bunkers w/ act in the last 12 hrs.

(11) 061110H via XD940260, A Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/ ftprints of 25 personnel moving both directions in the last 6 hrs.

(12) 061150H via XD887305, A Trp AH1G AAR msn reod 10-15 rds SAF at 1000' and 100 kn w/neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(13) 061152H via XD893304, A Trp obs 2 trails 2' wide oriented E-W and several 5x6' bunkers w/act in the last 1 hr.

(14) 060900H via YD346087, B Trp BDA of CS drop reports BLU 52 bomb was on target and effectively interdicted the trail.

(15) 061430H via YD138268, A Trp obs trail 3' wide oriented E-W w/signs of heavy usage in the last 12 hrs. Also 6 4x5' bunkers and 1 10x15' bunker w/ air holes in the roof. Signs of act in the last 12 hrs.

(16) 061500H via YD817059, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented N-S w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(17) 061510H via YD817060, C Trp obs ftprints of 10 personnel moving N across a field in the last 1 wk.

(18) 061530H via YD802067, C Trp obs trench 2x30' oriented NW-SE. Neg rec act.

(19) 061620H via YD309045, B Trp OH6A AAR msn reod 20 rds SAF at 40' and 60 kn. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(20) 061630H via YD310029, B Trp OH6A AAR msn reod 1 RPG at 200' and 80 kn. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(21) 061635H via YD354037, B Trp OH6A AAR msn reod 30 rds AWF at 500' and 120 kn. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

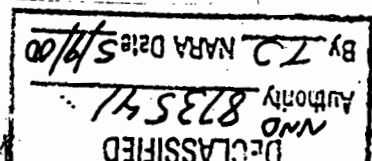
(22) 061600H via YD312042, B Trp obs 2 6x8' bunkers and 1 NVA/VC in one of the bunkers. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. Also was a 12' pole w/3 strands of commo wire on glass insulators on the pole. The wire ran to the following coordinates: YD302045 to YD288037 to YD270031 to YD267022.

(23) 061605H via YD314034, B Trp obs 1 4x12' hut and 2 6x8' bunkers and numerous fighting psns w/neg rec act.

(24) 061620H via YD281032, B Trp obs hut 4x8' and numerous fighting psns 2x3' w/act in the last 1 wk.

(25) 061815H via XD918262, A Trp obs 1 10x12' hut. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 1 hut dest and 1 secondary explosion.

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Ground Activity

(1) DELAYED ENTRY 051915H via XD678457. Rgr tm JAVOLIN obs 1 NVA moving W from LZ. Believed to be trail watcher.

(2) 061530H via XD745459, Rgr tm FERRARI reod SAF and frag grenades from an est en platoon. Res: 6 US WIA (evac). Tm rtnd fire and Cav gunships and ARA were employed. Res: 4 NVA KIA by Rgrs, 3 NVA KBH CAV and 6 NVA KBARA. Tm was extracted. Res: 6 US WIA (evac), 6 NVA KBARA, 3 NVA KBH and 4 NVA KIA (Rgrs)

(3) POW from 808th Bn, 7th Front, during interrogation by CO of D 2/17, revealed locations of rice caches via XD153282 and YD200300. The cache at YD153282 consists of 10 huts 6x10' containing 10,000 to 20,000 lbs of rice from which 3 battalions draw rice. The huts are 50 meters apart and guarded by 6 NVA w/AK-47's who live in 2 bunkers facing ESE towards the Khe Tion river ("A CHO" to the NVA). The cache was developed 5-6 months ago and is not believed to be EBT'd. A trail runs to the cache from W-E and enters the cache site from the N. A second cache is located via YD200300 and consists of 3 6x10x4' huts and is guarded by 3 NVA w/AK-47's. The cache contains approx 3,000 lbs of rice. Other information obtained from the PW reveals that the Da Krong river is known as the Song Ta Rut and that hill 848 via YD197304 is known as Doc Mieu. This PW has travelled to the suspected rice cache in the A Gioi area from the 808th's location at Coc Ba Sai along a trail wide enough for only 1 man oriented E-W. The rice bearers are not permitted in the cache site, but the rice is packed in rucksacks waiting on the trail for the rice bearers when they arrive.

4. (0) Enemy personnel and equipment losses: 1 hut dest and 1 secondary explosion

a. 7 KIA

b. By US Forces (Total for operation TEXAS STAR)

(1)  $\frac{281}{KIA}$   $\frac{281}{NVA}$   $\frac{00}{NVA/VC POW}$

(2) and (3) Omitted

(4)  $\frac{26}{IWC}$   $\frac{02}{OSWC}$

5. APD MSN: Neg

6. SPECIAL ROUTE RECON: No change from last report.

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