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FROM: CO, 2/17th Cavalry
TO: CG, 101st Abn Div (Ambl)~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

1. (U) 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry INTSUM 201-70
2. (U) 22000H to 23000H July 1970
3. (C) Summary of enemy activity

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Air Activity

- (1) 230642H vic YD907053, C/2/17 obser 15 Vietnamese females in a group. Informed 2nd Bde.
- (2) 230650H vic YD857030, C/2/17 obser a 2' wide trail oriented E-W with signs of activity within the last 48-72 hours.
- (3) 230715H vic YD330203, A/2/17 obser 2 3x5' bunkers with signs of activity within the last 12 hours.
- (4) 230725H vic YD330204, A/2/17 obser 1 3x5' bunker with signs of activity within the last 12 hours.
- (5) 230730H vic YD323203, A/2/17 obser 1 3x5' bunker with signs of recent activity.
- (6) 230745H vic YD333203, A/2/17 obser 1 unoccupied AA/AW position and 4 6x8' with signs of activity within the last 12 hours.
- (7) 230800H vic YD351183, A/2/17 AH1G AAR mission received 15-20 rounds of small arms fire at 800', 120 knots with no hits. Engaged area with gunships with unknown results.
- (8) 230925H vic YD283188, B/2/17 obser 8, 5x5' bunkers and 15 2x3x3' fighting positions with signs of activity within the last 12-24 hours.
- (9) 230927H vic YD273187, B/2/17 obser a 2' wide trail oriented NE-SW with signs of activity within the last 24 hours.
- (10) 231015E vic YD354173, A/2/17 OH6A AAR mission received 60 rounds of small arms fire at 100', 100 knots with no hits. Obser 1 unoccupied 12.7mm MG position and 1 6x12' bunkers. Engaged area with gunships with unknown results.

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(11) 231020H vic YD347178, A/2/17 obsr 12 5x8' bunkers with signs of recent activity. Air Strike was employed with unknown results.

(12) 231135H vic YD317207, B/2/17 OH6A AAR mission received 30 rounds of small arms fire at 60 knots, 100' with no hits. Engaged area with gunships with unknown results.

(13) 230945H vic YD302143, B/2/17 obsr a 2' wide trail oriented E-W with signs of activity within the last 6 hours.

(14) 230950H vic YD289159, B/2/17 obsr a trench 3' wide, 2' deep, and 25' long, 30 5x3x2' bunkers, and 3 unoccupied AA/AW positions with signs of activity within the last 24 hours.

(15) 230952H vic YD288148, B/2/17 obsr 6 5x3x2' bunkers with signs of activity within the last 24 hours.

(16) 230955H vic YD287162, B/2/17 obsr 20 5x3x2' bunkers with signs of activity within the last 24 hours.

(17) 231010H vic YD317185, B/2/17 OH6A AAR mission received 7 rounds of small arms fire at 100', 80 knots with no hits. Engaged area with gunships with unknown results.

(18) 230955H vic YD378196, A/2/17 OH6A AAR mission received 7 rounds of small arms fire at 100', 100 knots with no hits. Engaged area with gunships with unknown results.

(19) 231030H vic YD378196, A/2/17 obsr 4 3x5' bunkers with signs of activity within the last 24 hours.

(20) 231045H vic YD377197, A/2/17 obsr 1 unoccupied 12.7mm MG position and 1 US steel helmet with signs of activity within the last 12 hours.

(21) 230730H vic YD325143, A/2/17 obsr 10-12 2x2' fighting positions and trail 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' wide oriented E-W w/activity in the last 24 hrs.

(22) 230740H vic YD350165, A/2/17 obsr 5 3x5' bunkers w/activity in the last 24 hours.

(23) 231110H vic YD377169, A/2/17 obsr a trail 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' wide oriented N-S w/activity in the last 12-24 hours.

(24) 231145H vic YD359188, A/2/17 obsr 10 6x8' bunkers w/activity in the last 24 hours.

(25) 231330H vic YD405183, A/2/17 UH1H C&O received 20 rounds of SAE at 1500' and 100 knots. Negative hits or casualties. Area was engaged w/ gunships w/unknown results.

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(26) 231345H vic YD342154, A/2/17 obsr 15-20 6x6' bunkers w/airholes in the tops of the bunkers and trail 3' wide oriented E-W w/signs of heavy usage in the last 6 hours.

(27) 231350H vic YD350155, A/2/17 obsr 8-10 6x6' bunkers and trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/activity in the last 6 hours.

(28) 231300H vic YD328206, HHT/2/17 UH1H C&C received 15-20 rounds of SAF at 800' and 80 knots. Negative hits or casualties. Area was engaged w/gunships w/unknown results.

(29) 231350H vic YD332204, C/2/17 UH1H C&C received 30-50 rounds of 7.62mm fire at 800' and 80 knots. Negative hits or casualties. Area was engaged w/gunships and artillery w/unknown results.

(30) 231415H vic YD318180, C/2/17 UH1H C&C received 15 rounds of SAF at 400' and 80 knots. Aircraft sustained 1 hit in the main rotor blade. Negative casualties. Area was engaged w/gunships and artillery w/unknown results. Aircraft returned to Phu Bai (non-flyable).

(31) 231750H vic YD338171, C/2/17 obsr 1 6x8' bunker and trail 2' wide oriented NW-SE w/activity in the last 3-6 hours.

(32) 231755H vic YD350168, C/2/17 obsr trail 1' wide oriented N-S w/footprints of 2-5 personnel moving in an undetermined direction in the last 2-4 hours.

(33) 231800H vic YD342169, C/2/17 obsr 15 8x10' bunkers w/3x3' entrances w/activity in the last 2-4 hours.

(34) 231805H vic YD355165, C/2/17 obsr 5 5x6' bunkers w/activity in the last 3-6 hours.

(35) 231815H vic YD360164, C/2/17 obsr trail 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' wide oriented N-S and 10 8x10' bunkers w/activity in the last 2-4 hours.

(36) 231820H vic YD351189, C/2/17 obsr 1 UO AA/AW position and 10 5x8' bunkers w/3x4' entrances. Signs of activity in the last 1-2 hours.

(37) 231710H vic YD318188, B/2/17 obsr 30-40 2x3x3' fighting positions w/activity in the last 24 hours.

(38) 231731H vic YD329189, B/2/17 obsr 15-20 5x5' bunkers w/activity in the last 6-12 hours.

(39) 231745H vic YD321186, B/2/17 obsr 3 3x5' bunkers and 1 2x4' cave entrance. Area was engaged w/gunships w/unknown results.

(40) 231723H vic YD322178, B/2/17 obsr 4 2x4' bunkers and 4 2x3' fighting positions and 1 unoccupied AA/AW position w/activity in the last 12 hours.

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(41) 231724H vic YD325175, B/2/17 obsr trail 1½' wide oriented NW-SE w/activity in the last 24 hours.

(42) 231728H vic YD329173, B/2/17 obsr 8-10 3x5' bunkers and 1 unoccupied AA/AW position w/activity in the last 12 hours.

(43) 231730H vic YD332173, B/2/17 obsr 15-20 3x5' bunkers w/activity in the last 24 hours.

(44) 231734H vic YD333172, B/2/17 obsr 16 3x5' bunkers, 1 unoccupied AA/AW position and 1 20x20' bunker previously destroyed w/activity in the last 48 hours.

b. Ground Activity

Negative

UPDATE: Spot Report #12 should read: Area engaged w/gunships. Results: 2 NVA KBH.

4. (C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses: Negative

a. 2 NVA KBE

b. By 2/17th Cavalry (Total for operation TEXAS STAR)

(1) 479 472 05
KIA NVA NVA/TC POW

(2) and (3) Omitted

(4) 46 09
IWC CSWC

5. APD MISSION: Negative

6. ROUTE RECOM: No change from last report.

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ANNEX I to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 204-70 Rgr tm CHAPARAL #12

1. MISSION: To conduct reconnaissance of assigned recon zones; to monitor enemy movement; to check for possible base areas and cache sites and to conduct a PW snatch if the tactical situation permits.
2. HEL: Id, size and activity of enemy in area.
3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US
4. COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Good
5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:
 - a. In: 191000H July Vic: XD763411 Method: Touchdown
 - b. Out: 231630H July Vic: XD766406 Method: Touchdown
6. ROUTE: See Item #8
7. TERRAIN:
 - a. Canopys: Single
 - b. Vegetation: Elephant grass and bamboo
 - c. Undergrowth: Sparse scrub brush
8. ENEMY: 191030H tm disc trail 3' wide oriented N-S from the LZ w/ft prints of 2 personnel moving N in the last 12 hrs. Vic XD763412 tm disc another trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/ftprints of 3-5 personnel in the last 12 hrs. 191430H vic XD763414 tm disc 2 6x4x4' bunkers and a tunnel ent. Was neg rec act in the area. The bunkers overlook the entire valley to the E. Neg further contacts or sightings. 201330E vic XD764413 tm disc 1 10x6x4' bunker and 1 4x6x4' bunker w/neg rec act. Neg further contacts or sightings.
9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Conform to map
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good
11. CONCLUSION: Was no indications of enemy presence in the area.

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