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FROM: CO, 2nd Cavalry

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1. (U) 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry INTSUM 233-70

2. (U) 202000H to 212000H August 1970

3. (U) Summary of enemy activity

a. Air Activity

(1) 210725H via YD463027, B Trp OH6A AAR msn reed 20 rds 7.62mm at 1000' and 60 km. Neg hits on cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(2) 210755H via YB461020, B Trp obs signs of 10 personnel moving in lts 547 in the last 12-24 hrs.

(3) 211040H via YD280170, HHT UH1H C&C reed an undet amt of SAF at 1000' and 60 km. Neg hits on cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(4) 211150H via YC813957, C Trp OH6A AAR msn reed an undet amt of SAF at 1000' and 60 km. A/C sustained numerous hits causing the A/C to crash. Neg cas. Grew was extracted by C, 2/17. C, 2/17 APP was unable to secure the A/C due to intense hostile fire in the area.

(5) 211150H via YD273178, HHT obs 2 wide oriented N-S signs of 20-30 personnel moving in an undet direction in the last 4 hrs.

(6) 211150H via YD273178, HHT obs 1 secondary explosion and fire at 1000'.

(7) 211150H via YD 273179, HHT obs 6-8 10x12" huts w/bunkers. Neg hits. Arty was employed. Res: 6 huts dest.

(8) 211150H via YD280173, HHT obs 1 secondary explosion at 1000'.

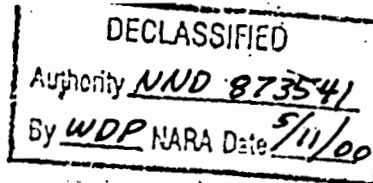
(9) 211150H via YD280173, HHT UH1H C&C reed 5-10 rds SAF at 800' and 60 km. Neg hits on cas. Area was eng w/gunships and A/S w/unlk res.

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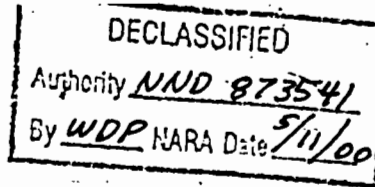
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- (10) 211125H via YC815942, C Trp obs 30 2x6' bunkers w/neg rec act.
- (11) 211127H via YC812946, C Trp obs 20 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 72 hrs.
- (12) 211128H via YC812943, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 72 hrs.
- (13) 211129H via YC811941, C Trp obs 20 2x6' bunkers w/neg rec act.
- (14) 211132H via YC814940, C Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 48 hrs.
- (15) 211133H via YC815941, C Trp obs 8 underground bunkers w/neg rec act.
- (16) 211137H via YC815957, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 72 hrs.
- (17) 211145H via YC806956, C Trp obs 4 ropes hanging from trees over a cleared area w/4 4x6' bunkers surrounding the clearing. Neg rec act.
- (18) 211330H via YD280172, A Trp obs 1 2x5' bunker w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.
- (19) 211331H via YD278169, A Trp obs 1 5x5' bunker w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.
- (20) 211333H via YD278171, A Trp obs 1 5x5' bunker w/an unk type bunker inside. Signs of act in the last 12-24 hrs.
- (21) 211338H via YD281171, A Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.
- (22) 211340H via YD278171, A Trp obs misc LBE lying on the ground and 1 NVA wearing green uniform running through the area. Area was eng w/ gunships. Res: 1 NVA KBH.
- (23) 211340H via YD170280, A Trp obs 10 5x5' bunkers and numerous trails 1' wide oriented in all directions and 1 NVA in the open. Area was eng w/ gunships. Res: 1 NVA KBH.
- (24) 211340H via YD165284, A Trp obs 1 UO mortar psn and numerous fighting psns w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (25) 211450H via YC816954, C Trp BDA of A/S revealed 1 large secondary explosion 100-200' high.
- (26) 211 OH via YC81895, C Trp UH1H during extraction of crew of downed OH6A recd 60 rds SAF at 5' and 0 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/ gunships w/unk res.
- (27) 211220H via YC810954, C Trp UH1H C&C recd 15-20 rds 12.7mm fire at 3000' and 80 km. Neg hits or cas. Employed A/S w/unk res.

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(28) 211315H vic YC815962, C Trp UH1H C&C recd 30-60 rds SAF at 2500' and 50 km. Nog hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(29) 211453H vic YD285185-284182, HHT obs 100 6x8' bunkers and 5 fighting psns, each consisting of 20 2x3' foxholes arranged in a semi-circle. Also obs trail 3' wide oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(30) 211455H vic YD278183-278179, HHT obs 10 6x8' bunkers, 5 fighting psns consisting of 20 2x3' foxholes and numerous trails 3' wide oriented NE-SW w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(31) 211500H vic YD286174, HHT obs trail 3' wide oriented NE-SW w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(32) 211503H vic YD287173, HHT obs 40 2x3' fighting psns w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(33) 211510H vic YD288175, HHT obs 20 6x8' bunkers, 1 UO AA/AW psn, 1 15x20' bunker and trail 3' wide oriented NE-SW w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(34) 211512H vic YD289173, HHT obs 40 2x3' fighting psns and trail 3' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(35) 211515H vic YD290172, HHT obs 40 2x3' fighting psns w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(36) 211516H vic YD290178, HHT obs 10 6x8' bunkers and 20 2x3' fighting psns w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(37) 211530H vic YC836948-834949, C Trp obs 50 6x8' bunkers along ridgeline. Also was an IZ on the ridgeline w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(38) 211537H vic YC810954, C Trp obs 15 5x6' bunkers under construction w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(39) 211540H vic YC803953, C Trp obs 10 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

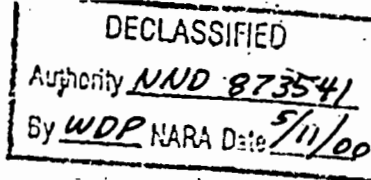
(40) 211545H vic YC806956, C Trp obs 8 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(41) 211550H vic YC814952-808953, C Trp obs 2 strands of commo wire w/neg insulation 3' off the ground. Wire was cut by A/S.

(42) 211553H vic YD810953, C Trp BDA of A/S revealed 10 4x6' bunkers destroyed.

(43) 211600H vic YC815964, C Trp obs 12 4x5' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

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(44) 211605H vic YC813964-217961, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-S w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(45) 211610H vic YC823958, C Trp obs 1 2x3' fighting psn and 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(46) 211615H vic YC816953, C Trp BDA of A/S revealed 1 secondary fire and some metal debris throughout the area.

(47) 211618H vic YC816950, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented SW-NE and 1 2x3' bunker w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(48) 211620H vic YC812965, C Trp obs 3 UO AA/AW psns w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(49) 211623H vic YC820951, C Trp obs 20 3x4' bunkers and 2 UO AA/AW psns w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(50) 211630H vic YC815964, C Trp BDA of A/S revealed 1 secondary explosion.

(51) 211530H vic YD222137, B Trp obs 1 15x30' bunker, 15 55 gal drums and 1 10x20' bunker (poss POL point). Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(52) 211530H vic YD229145, B Trp obs signs of 50 personnel moving in the last 24 hrs.

(53) 211545H vic YD245144, B Trp obs 1 NVA on a road. The en obs the NVA man into a bunker. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(54) 211552H vic YD222143, B Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 20-30 rds SAF at 10.0 and 20 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(55) 211535H vic YD219134, B Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 20-30 rds SAF at 4.00 and 80 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(56) 211650H vic YD271178, B Trp obs 2 UO AA/AW psns and 1 10x20' bunker w/act in the last 24 hrs.

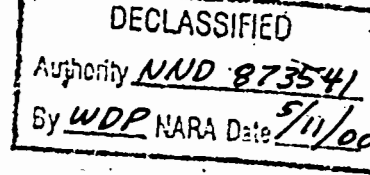
(57) 211720H vic YD273173, B Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented NE-SW and 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 5-6 hrs.

(58) 211730H vic YD270188, B Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 5-6 hrs.

(59) 211830H vic YD261189, B Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented NE-SW w/act in the last 1 hr.

(60) 211831H vic YD271178, B Trp BDA of A/S 2 4x4' bunkers and 14 3x4' fighting psns dest.

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(61) 211835H vic YD271179, B Trp BDA of A/S revealed 1 UO AA/AW psn dest and 15 3x4' fighting psns dest.

(62) 211840H vic YD619123, B Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented NE-SW w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(63) 211845H vic YD611123, B Trp obs 15 2x3' fighting psns and 1 UO AA/AW psn w/neg rec act.

(64) 211910H vic YD784104, B Trp obs a pipe 5" in diameter and 5' long oriented towards Camp Eagle. Also obs 2 empty ammo cans and 2 unk type canisters w/act in the last 3 wks.

b. Ground Activity

(1) 210850H vic YC624931, Rgr tm IRAN heard 2 signal shots 250 meters to their NW. At 0900H tm heard 5 more signal shots from the same loc.

(2) 210900H vic YC677987, Rgr tm TIBET discard old NDP used by 3-4 personnel in the last 3-4 hrs.

(3) 211140H vic XD922293, D/2/17 disc 4 boxes of 7.62mm ammo and old 57mm Chicom recoilless rifle tube. Res: 1 CSWC.

(4) 211110H vic XD921297, D/2/17 disc a fresh blood trail. Tm followed the trail w/neg res.

(5) 211300H vic YC911937, Rgr tm TOBAGO heard several signal shots approx 1500 meters to their NE.

(6) Heavy personnel and equipment losses: 4 boxes 7.62mm ammo and 1 recoilless rifle captured.

a. 2 NVA KBH

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

(1)

555	555	05
KIA	NVA	NVA/VC POW

(2) and (3) Omitted

(4)

47	13
IWC	CSWC

7. AIR MISSION: Negative

8. ROUTE RECON: No change from last report.

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Report to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 824-70 0, 2/17th Cavalry

1. MISSION: RIF

2. WEAP: Neg size and activity of enemy in area

3. FORCE/COMPOSITION: 61 US, 4 Kit Carson Scouts

4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:

a. In: 210930H Aug 70 Vic. XD918296 Method: Touchdown

b. Out: 211500H Aug 70 Vic. XD921295 Method: Touchdown

6. ROUTE: See Item # 8

7. TERRAIN:

a. Canopy: Triple

b. Vegetation: Elephant grass, trees 30-50'

c. Undergrowth: Thick to sparse

8. ENEMY: Vic XD918296, found fresh blood spots, 1 3x6x4' bunker double log reinforced and a 20' bamboo ladder leaning against a tree. vic XD923295, found 1 8x8x4' hut and 10 assorted empty ammunition boxes for 122mm rockets, 62mm and 60mm mortar rds, 12.7mm MG rds and 7.62mm MG rds. Vic XD922293, found 1 6x7' bunker (T-shaped) containing 1 ChiCom 75mm RR tube (old and rusted), 50' of time fuse, 2000 rds 7.62mm (type 53), 14 60mm mortar rds and 54 fuzes for 60mm mortar, everything was old and rusted. Vic XD923295, found 5 4x6' bunkers (L-Shaped), neg rec act. There were neg further contacts or sightings.

9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: None

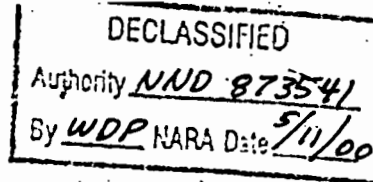
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good

11. WEAP: None

12. CONCLUSIONS: This area was possibly an old Arty unit cache site that was occupied by a small force.

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ANNEX II to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 833-70

RANGER TM CYPRUS Tm # 15

1. MISSION: To conduct reconnaissance of assigned recon zones, monitor enemy movements and directions, check for possible base areas and cache sites.

2. EEI: Id, size and activity of enemy in area.

3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US, 1 Kit Carson Scout

4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:

a. In: 161213H Aug 70 Vic. YC706904 Method: Touchdown

b. Out: 211107H Aug 70 Vic. YC706904 Method: Touchdown

6. ROUTE: See Item #8

7. TERRAIN:

a. Canopy: Double

b. Vegetation: Bamboo, trees 50-75' high

c. Undergrowth: Vines, thick undergrowth.

8. ENEMY: 191100H Aug 70, vic YC712914, tm found a trail 3' wide, oriented E-W w/signs of recent activity. Tm heard signal shots the entire time on patrol. Signal shots were coming from the SE at an undet distance. There were neg further contacts or sightings during the rest of the patrol.

9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Conformed to map

10. COMMUNICATIONS: Poor due to the terrain.

11. HLZ's: YC703911, large cleared area.

12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm feels there is only light enemy movement through the area.

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