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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 240-70
2. (U) 272000H to 282000H August 1970
3. (U) Summary of enemy activity
 - a. Air Activity

(1) 280805H vic YD396205, C Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn and 1 3x3' bunker w/neg rec act.

(2) 280815H vic YD390214, C Trp obs a trail 2' wide oriented N-S w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(3) 280820H vic YD389216, C Trp obs boot prints of an undet number of pers moving north in the last 24 hrs.

(4) 280823H vic YD387217, C Trp obs 2 4x4' fighting psns dug w/in the last 7 days.

(5) 280827H vic YD414234, C Trp obs a trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(6) 280840H vic YD412239, C Trp obs a trail 1 1/2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(7) 280850H vic YD437234, C Trp obs a trail 3' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

(8) 280900H vic YD428233, C Trp obs 1 4x4' bunker w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

(9) 280910H vic YD430194, C Trp obs 4 6x6' bunkers w/neg rec act.

(10) 281000H vic YD407182, C Trp obs 1 4x4' tun ent w/unk act.

(11) 281005H vic YD413174, C Trp obs a trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 10 hrs.

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(12) 281305H vic YD130089, C Trp obs 1 truck w/a 6x6' bed and tandem wheels. Also obs 3 55 gal. POT drums. OH6A recd 30 rds SAF at 40' and 80 kn. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships. Rest 1 truck dest and 3 secondary fires.

(13) 281300H vic YD132092, C Trp obs 6 6x6' bunkers w/act in the last 1-2 hrs.

(14) 281305H vic YD129089, C Trp obs 4 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 1-2 hrs.

(15) 281300H vic YD139158, C Trp obs 2 6x10' huts and 20 4x4' bunkers w/act in the last 1-2 hrs.

(16) 281300H vic YD143310, C Trp obs 2 log const bridge 7x15' w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(17) 281600H vic YD110045, C Trp obs a truck revetment dug into the side of a cliff w/a 12x15' ent and vehicle tracks in the area in the last 6 hrs.

(18) 281605H vic YD143094, C Trp obs 10 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 12 hrs.

(19) 281610H vic YD154096, C Trp obs 1 5x5' tunnel ent and 1 6x8' tunnel ent w/rec act.

b. Ground Activity

(1) 280732H vic YC714839, Rgr Tm NEW ZEALAND made contact w/unk size enemy force. Tm eng enemy w/unk res. Tm called for Pint. Tm, broke contact w/the enemy and was extracted.

(2) 280940H vic YC818965, B/2/17 ARP disc 30-40' ds. Fighting psn and 1 6x10' bunker w/act in the last 2 weeks.

(3) 280955H vic YC819960, B/2/17 ARP disc 3 lean-to's and 4 fighting psn w/act in the last 2 weeks.

(4) 281200H vic YC822961, B/2/17 ARP disc 34 fighting psns, 8 lean-to's, 1 old G.I. rucksack w/packages inside (unk contents) and 1 camouflaged steel helmet. Eng act in the last 2 weeks.

(5) 281420H vic YC817964, B/2/17 ARP disc 20 3x6' bunkers w/act in the last 1 week.

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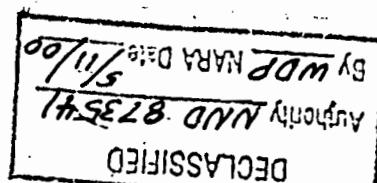
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4. (C) Enemy Personnel and equipment losses: 1 truck dest and 3 secondary explosions.

a. Negative

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

(1) 564 564 05
KIA NVA NVA/VC POW

(2) x2 (3) Omitted

(4) 42 14
IWC OSW

5. AFM MISSION: Negative

6. ROUTE RECON: No change from last report

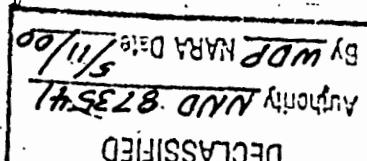
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ANNEX I to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 240-70 Ranger Tm Name NEW ZEALAND Tm # 25

1. MISSION: To conduct reconnaissance of assigned recon zones, monitor enemy movement and directions, check for possible base areas and cache sites.
2. EEE: Id, size and activity of enemy in area.
3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US
4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good
5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:
 - a. In: 280703H Aug 70 Vic. YC714839 Method: Touchdown
 - b. Out: 280805H Aug 70 Vic. YC714839 Method: Touchdown
6. ROUTE: See Item #8
7. TERRAIN:
 - a. Canopy: Triple
 - b. Vegetation: Trees 75-100' high, bamboo
 - c. Undergrowth: Vines, underbrush (thick)
8. ENEMY: 280703H tm was inserted vic YC714839 and moved East down the hill. Tm set up for commo check, tm member heard movement 30' to the west. Tm member then obs 1 NVA/VC coming through the underbrush towards the tms loc. Tm member hit the grd and took up a firing psn at which time the NVA/VC turned and ran back into the underbrush. The tm then moved 20 meters to the east to set up perimeter to eng the NVA/VC. While tm was moving to this loc, tm came under fire from an est 8 NVA/VC using Ak47's, SKS, and m-16's. Tm returned fire and called for gunship support. After gunships made their runs, enemy withdrew to the West and SW. Tm obs 2 NVA/VC wearing only black lion Cloth with no headgear or footgear and with their bodies completely camouflaged, with a black greasy substance. They enemy was carrying weapons only. Tm was extracted w/o res from the con. Tm had neg cas.
9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Conformed to map
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good
11. HLZ's: None
12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm feels there is a way station or base camp in this area. Tm feels they made contact with a sapper unit as indicated by their appearance.

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