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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 241-70
2. (U) 282000H to 292000H August 1970
3. (C) Summary of enemy activity

a. Air Activity

(1) 290749H via YC754956, C Trp UH1H, during insertion of Rgr to KIENTA, recd undet mat of SAF and 7.62mm fire at 30' and 30 km. A/C recd undet number of hits causing the A/C to crash into the LZ. Res: 3 US KIA; 5 US WIA. A/C was secured by C/2/17. MedEvac of crew and passengers complete at 0930H. Res: 3 US KIA; 5 US WIA; A/C dest.

(2) 290910H via YC755957, HHT UH1H C&C recd 50 rds 7.62mm fire at 1000' and 80 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(3) 291010H via YC754946, HHT UH1H C&C recd 20 rds SAF at 1000' and 80 km. A/C sustained 1 hit in the dust boot on the rotor head. Neg cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. A/C rtnd to Camp Eagle (non-flyable).

(4) 290615H via YC754956, C Trp AH1G, in spt of downed UH1H, recd 1 RPG at 200' and 110 km. A/C sustained numerous shrapnel hits throughout the A/C. Neg cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. A/C rtnd to Phu Bai (non-flyable).

(5) 291050H via YC751950, C Trp obs an unk type camouflaged psn w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(6) 291100H via YC749955, C Trp obs an unk type camouflaged psn w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(7) 291245H via YC746953, C Trp obs 8 4x6' bunkers and 2 10x10' huts w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(8) 291248H via YC746954, C Trp obs 8 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 48 hrs.

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Rgr from 11/11/70 found a trail
 w/act 5-6 months. Also found a trail
 NW-SE w/act 2 days.
 huts 6x8' btrs 4x6' f.p.s 2x3' trail 2' w

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(9) 291250H vic YC743957, C Trp obs 8 4x6' bunkers w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(10) 291253H vic YC749955, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(11) 291310H vic YC754960, C Trp OH6A, in spt of C/2/17 ARP recd 20 rds SAF at 70' and 70 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

(12) 291320H vic YC752943, B Trp obs 5 2x3' fighting pns and trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/signs of 50 personnel moving in an unk direction in the last 24 hrs.

(13) 291330H vic YC741950, B Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(14) 291350H vic YC752939, B Trp BDA of A/S revealed 2 12x12' huts and 1 5x3' bunker dest. Also obs 2 175mm gun canisters in the area.

(15) 291350H vic YC754956, B Trp UH1H, during insertion of D/2/17, recd 15-20 rds 12.7mm fire at 150' and 30 km. A/C sustained 1 hit in the tail rotor and 1 hit in the main rotor blade. A/C made precautionary landing in the IZ. Res: 1 US WIA. A/C was secured by D/2/17 and C/2/17. A/C was slung back to Camp Eagle (non-flyable). Res: 1 US WIA (Evno).

(16) 291430H vic YC753935, C Trp obs 1 12.7mm MG tripod w/neg wpn. Signs of act in the last 6-12 hrs.

(17) 291443H vic YC750939, C Trp obs a poss 7.62mm MG tripod w/legs 1½-2' long. Undet act.

(18) 2911545H vic YC754936, B Trp obs 4 12.7mm MG tripods (neg wpns). Area was eng w/gunships w/unlk res.

b. Ground Activity

(1) 290945H vic YC753956, D/2/17 disc 2 NVA rucksacks containing misc clothing and canteens and 1 plastic container (empty). All evac'd.

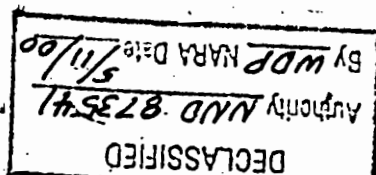
(2) 290930H vic YC503973, Rgr tm MALTA disc 2 6x8' huts, 2 4x6' bunkers, numerous 2x3' fighting pns and trail 2' wide oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 48 hrs.

(3) 291330H vic YD760057, Rgr tm SCOTLAND recd 1 unk type mortar rd which impacted in the center of the tms psn. Neg cas. Pink tm requested. Res: Neg

(4) 291205H vic YC751949, D/2/17 disc 1 12.7mm MG. The wpn did not have a bolt or tripod. Res: 1 CSWC.

Rgr Vm MALTA found 2 huts, a bunker, w/act 5-6 months. Also found a trail NW-SE w/act 2 days. huts 6x8' btrs 4x6' f.p.s 2x3' trail 2' w

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(C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses; 2 rucksacks and 1 12.7mm captured.

a. Negative

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

(1) $\frac{564}{KIA}$ $\frac{564}{NVA}$ $\frac{05}{NVA/VC POW}$

(2) and (3) Omitted

(4) $\frac{40}{IWO}$ $\frac{15}{GSWC}$

5. APD MISSION: Negative

6. ROUTE RECON: No change from last report.

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Rgr vrm 11/11/60
w/act 5-6 months, Also found a trail
NW-SE w/act 2 days.
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1 to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 241-70 Rgr Tm Name KENYA Tm# 25

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

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

3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US

4. CONDITION OF PATROL: 2 US KIA 2 US WIA

5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION: 290749H

a. In: 290749H Aug 70 Vic. YC754956 Method: Crashed

b. Out: 290930H Aug 70 Vic. YC754956 Method: Med Evac

6. ROUTE: See Item # 8

7. TERRAIN:

a. Canopy: Double

b. Vegetation: Bamboo, vines

c. Undergrowth: Thick undergrowth

8. ENEMY: at 290749H Tm was 30' above the LZ in a C/2/17 UH1H when A/C recd a heavy amount of SAF and 7.62mm fire. A/C crashed in the LZ. All cas were sust from enemy SAF and 7.62mm fire. Cas and remaining Tm members were extracted at 290930H. Tm recd 2 unk type mortar rds from the NE whil in the LZ.

9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Conformed to map

10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good

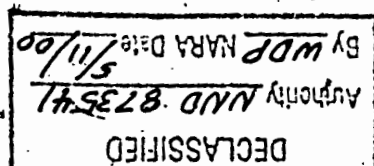
11. HLZ's: N/A

12. CONCLUSIONS: Team leader feels that the LZ site was the loc a an enemy over night halt area or a poss base camp area.

Team Debriefed by: MSG JOHN J. FOXEDA S-2

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w/act 5-6 months, 17150
NW-SE w/act 2 days.
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REF II to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 241-70 Tm Name MOROCCO Tm # 26

1. MISSION: To conduct reconnaissance of assigned recon zones; monitor enemy movements and directions, check for possible base areas and cache sites. To act as a radio relay for other Ranger Teams in the A/O.
2. EEL: Id, size and activity of enemy in the area.
3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US, 1 Kit Carson Scout
4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good
5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:
 - a. In: 250655H Aug 70 Vic. YC808878 Method: Touchdown
 - b. Out: 291527H Aug 70 Vic. YC808878 Method: Touchdown
6. ROUTE: See Item # 8
7. TERRAIN:
 - a. Canopy: Single
 - b. Vegetation: Banana trees
 - c. Undergrowth: Moderate deadfall.
8. ENEMY: 250730H vic YC806876, tm found a trail w/act in the past 5 days. YC808876, tm disc an old base camp area (poss last used by the ARVN's) w/neg rec act. 271200H vic YC818873, tm disc a trail w/signs of 3-5 pers moving SW undet time. 271300H tm heard movement from vic YC818873. 282000H, tm obs 15-25 lights moving E to W and turning off and on vic YC814874. Tm heard signal shots approx every 2 hrs during their entire patrol. Shots were fired from the E and W of the tms psn approx 500-800 meters away.
9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Conformed to map
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good except for in the low grd. Tm feels that their radio was being jammed due rushing and humming noise they monitored. Tm feels that their freq was being monitored due to increase of signal shots after tm was informed that TAC Air was to be in the area.
11. HLZ's: None
12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm feels there is an unk size enemy force vic YC814874.

Team Debriefed By: MSG JOHN J. POHLDA S-2 NCO

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