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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 254-70
2. (U) 102000H to 112000H September 1970
3. (U) Summary of enemy activity  
a. Air Activity

(1) 110400H vic YC376914, C Trp ~~reports~~ that AF fighter/bomber on bomb run in support for Rgr Tm BUFFALO crashed into hill from unk cause. There were no survivors located.

(2) 110745H vic YC366932, HHT UH1H C&C recd 100 rds SAF at 800' 80 knts. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(3) 110735H vic YC376914, B Trp obs wreckage of AF fighter/bomber that had crashed earlier. Wreckage cons of several strips of sheet metal, 1 tire, and 1 glove.

(4) 110820H vic YC360925, C Trp OH6A on AAR msn recd 300 rds SAF and 100 rds 12.7mm fire at 80 knts 100'. A/C sust num hits. A/C set down at FB B'Ham were it was found to be non-flyable. A/C was slung back to Phu Bai. Res: 1 US WIA minor

(5) 110945H vic YC365930, B Trp BDA of A/S rev 3 large sec exp w/flames 20-40' high, poss an ammo cache.

(6) 111130H vic YC371911, A Trp obs the tail portion of AF Jet, a wing tip, and a harness hanging in the trees. The harness was burned w/blood stains on it.

(7) 111140H vic YC370922, A Trp OH6A on AAR msn recd 20 rds SAF at 40 knts 100'. A/C sust 5 hits, 1 in the tail boom, 1 in the main rotor blade, 1 in the bubble, and 2 below the left door. A/C ret to CEE where it was found to be non-flyable. Res: 1 US WIA minor.

(8) 111205H vic YC371919, C Trp obs either an 8' or 175mm rd dud lying on the grd, Neg rec act.

(9) 111206H vic YC365917, C Trp obs 25-30 bunkers, ranging in size from 3x8' to 2x4' w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(10) 111210H vic YC371918, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/act in the last 6 hrs.

(11) 111345H vic YC343922 B Trp obs 6 NVA/VC on the ridgeline, OH6A on AAR msn recd 10-15 rds SAF and 10-15 rds 7.62mm fire at 70 knts 100'. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/unk res.

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(12) 111355H vic YC343922, C Trp OH6A on AAR msn recd 30-50 rds SAF st 100' 90 knts. Neg cas or hits. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(13) 111447H vic YC365916, B Trp obs 100 bunkers and fighting psns. Bunkers were 5x8' and fighting psn were 2x3' w/act in the last 1-6 hrs.

(14) 111410H vic YC365915, B Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn, 5 4x5' bunkers, 50 2x3' fighting psns, and 1 10x4' trench w/act in the last 12-24 hrs. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(15) 111415H vic YC360919, B Trp obs 20 4x5' fighting psns, 20 5x10' bunkers and fresh diggings w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

(16) 111430H vic YC373918, B Trp obs 3 10x10' bunkers, 4 4x5' fighting psns, 4 poncho's w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(17) 111445H vic YC373918, B Trp obs 4 4x6' bunkers, trail 4' wide oriented N-S. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. C/S was dropped in the area.

(18) 111500H vic YC348928, B Trp BDA of A/S rev 1 5x10' bunker dest. Also obs trail 4' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 1-6 hrs.

(19) 111645H vic YC987813, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 12 hrs.

(20) 111646H vic YC983803, C Trp obs an uncult field 75x125', also trail 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(21) 111650H vic YC980801, C Trp obs 2 50x75' fields being harvested cont marijuana crops. Also obs trail 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 12 hrs.

(22) 111655H vic YC980808, C Trp obs a piece of plywood 4x8' and a wood 3' high made of sticks and grass, poss a cam for an air vent on tunnel ent, rec act.

(23) 111530H vic YD227187, A Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/signs of 5-10 pers moving W in the last 24 hrs.

(24) 111540H vic YD228187, A Trp obs 15 3x5' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(25) 111545H vic YD223186, A Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented NE-SW w/signs of 5-6 pers moving SW in the last 24-36 hrs.

(26) 111547H vic YD220185, A Trp obs 3 8x10' huts w/act in the last 12-24 hrs. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 3 huts dest.

(27) 111605H vic YD275335, A Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented N-S w/signs of 5-6 pers moving N in the last 24-48 hrs.

(28) 111608H vic YD232240, A Trp obs 2 3x5' bunkers w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

(29) 111610H vic YD277243, A Trp obs 1 10x10' bunker w/act in the last 24 hrs.

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(30) 111615H vic YD223180, A Trp obs trail 4' wide oriented NE-SW w/signs of 15 pers moving SW in the last 24 hrs.

(31) 111600H vic YC373918, B Trp OH6A on AAR msn recd 5 rds 7.62mm at 100' 80 knts. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(32) 111620H vic YC347923, B Trp BDA of A/S rev 2 5x8' bunkers and 5 2x3' fighting psns dest.

(33) 111630H vic YC365918, B Trp obs 10 4x5' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(34) 111640H vic YC364917, B Trp obs 15 5x8' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(35) 111655H vic YC364932, B Trp obs 10 4x5' fighting psns, 4 5x8' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(36) 111658H vic YC345922, B Trp OH6A on AAR recd 4 rds SAF at 50 knts 200'. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(37) 111710H vic YC338925, B Trp obs 4 cult fields cont marijuana w/4' high fences made of logs around each field. Also obs 1 6x6' hut w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

(38) 111770H vic YC338925, B Trp OH6A on AAR msn recd 8 rds SAF at 60 knts 200'. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(39) 111800H vic YD300235 to YD310235, A Trp obs approx 100-150 bunkers and fighting psns. Bunkers were 3x5' and the fighting psns were 2x3'. Also obs num 2' wide trails oriented in all dir throughout the area. Act was in the last 1 hr.

(40) 111825H vic YD305228, A Trp obs 3 UO AA/AW psn, 1 AA/AW psn w/tri-pod and 1 NVA/VC. Also obs an est Battalion size ele on this hilltop. Did not eng due to proximity of friendlies.

(41) 111835H vic YD323228 to YD317242, A Trp obs est 100-150 2x3' fighting psns and 5x8' bunkers w/act in the last 1 hr.

(42) 111855H vic YD323232, A Trp obs 4 NVA/VC in the open. Did no eng due to proximity of friendlies.

(43) 111915H vic YD320232, A Trp obs bunker complex cont 50-100 bunkers, 1 unfinished UO AA/AW psn 10' in dia w/act in the last 1 hr.

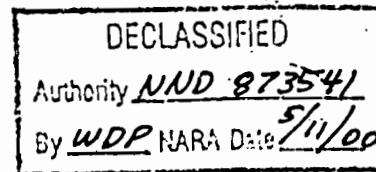
(44) 111925H vic YD306222, A Trp obs 2 NVA/VC. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 2 NVA/VC KSH.

(45) 111930H vic YD315133, A Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 2-4 hrs.

b. Ground Activity

(1) 102315H vic YC368921, Rgr Tm BUFFALO heard est enemy platoon around their psn. At 2315H, tm heard enemy crawling towards tms psn. At 102325H, tm was in contact w/est platoon size ele, receiving SAF. Tm was in sporadic contact throughout the night and up until ext. Tm was ext 111004H YC366918, PZ Green. Neg cas. Tm returned SAF and frag grenades on SEL. ARA, Cav gunships and A/S were emp on SEL w/unk res.

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4. (C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses:
  - a. 2 NVA/VC KIA
  - b. 3 huts dest
  - c. By 2/17th Cavalry (Total for operation JEFFERSON GLEN)
    - (1) 09 09 00  
EIA NVA NVA/VC POW
    - (2) and (3) omitted
    - (4) 00 00  
IWC CSWC
5. AFPD MISSIONS: Negative
6. ROUTE RECON: Negative

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ANNEX I to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 254-70 Rgr Tm BUFFALO Tm # 6

1. MISSION: Area reconnaissance and trail watch of assigned recon zones, observe trail junction vic YC374930 and trail running east-west to the north to determine extent of enemy activity.

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

3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 6 US

4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:

a. In: 070918H Sept 70	Vic YC358931	Method: Touchdown
b. Out: 111004H Sept 70	Vic. YC366913	Method: Touchdown

6. ROUTE: See Item # 2

7. TERRAIN:

- a. Canopy: Double to triple
- b. Vegetation: Scrub brush vines bamboo
- c. Undergrowth: bushes, thick deadfall

8. ENEMY: Tm was inserted vic YC358931 on 070918H. Tm moved in an easterly direction. Tm set up their NDP vic YC363927, 071930H tm heard signal shots from vic YC365932 (Hill 706). YC365932 at 080400H tm obs 3 lights. On the morning of the 8th, tm heard signal shots from vic YC363935. 08 Sept, tm moved SE to vic YC365927. During the move the tm heard numerous sporadic signal shots around their psn. At 080900H and 081400H, tm heard 1-2 rds fired from a 12.7mm MG from vic YC367918. Tm leader feels that the wpn was being test fired. 09 Sept 70, tm moved in a S-SE direction to vic YC366923 where the tm set up their NDP. Activity decreased during the 3rd night of the patrol. Tm leader feels that the tm was being followed and that the activity decreased due to the fact that the tm was moving away from Hill 705. On the fourth day of the patrol the tm moved to the top of the ridge line vic YC368922 at 1500 hr. Tm tm heard 2 signal shots between 1700 hrs and 1730 hrs. from vic YC367918 while in thier NDP site. At 2100 hrs tm obs 2 large lights moving down the ridge to their north vic YC367924. Patrol obs an undet number of lights moving towards their psn from the east vic YC366923. Tm heard movement of an est platoon size element allarround their psn. Pink tm was called for and on station at 2135 hrs. Upon arrival of the Pink tm, the enemy began firing SAF from the tms north. The tm returned w/ frag grenades. ARA in the area began taking heavy 7.62mm fire and 12.7mm fire from the ridge line vic YC366918. A HHT UH1H C&C while on VR of the LZ vic YC368922 recd SAF from the west, north, and east. At the same time the tm recd SAF from their west, north and east. Tm returned SAF and frag grenades on the SEL. As more A/C arrived on sta and the flare ship arrived the enemy broke contact. At approx 0230 hrs 11 Sep, the tm heard an Air Force fighter/bomber take fire on a bomb run to the south of their psn and crash vic YC3791 (Grid Square)

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ANNEX I CAV INTSUM 254-70 (Cont'd)

At approx 110730H, tm began moving to their southeast to LZ vic YC368918. Vic YC368920, the tm disc 2 huts, num trails table w/nd signs of rec act. At YC368919, tm disc a double headed arrow carved in a tree, 5' from the grd on the side of the trail they were following. The tm swas moving S at the tm of the disc. Upon arrival at the LZ, the tm disc approx 20 well cam bunkers w/signs of recent act w/in the last 24 hrs. The bunkers were 5' deep, 5' wide and 8' long. They were const of logs and had 6" of sod overhead cover. They were const so that the top of the bunkers were flush to the grd. The tm also disc a 3' wide trail hard packed oriented east to west along the south side of the ridge YC366913, where the LZ was located. The trail had been cut into the side of the ridge. Vegetation obscured obs of the trail from the air. The trail showed signs of recent use. There were 3 bunkers located along the trail 100 ft apart. The bunkers were 3x5x3'. Tm was ext 111004H Sept 70 PZ Green.

9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Did not conform to map. There is a stream running from YC362929 to YC363926. Stream running from YC366929 to YC364926, Stream running from YC367926 to YC368927. The above corrections have been indicated on the appropriate map sheet and forwarded to the Army Map Service.

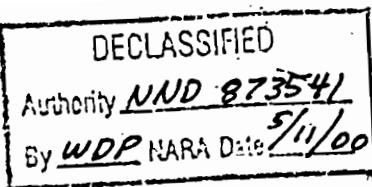
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good

11. HIZ's: LZ's vic YC367918, YC382925

12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm feels that Hill 706 YC365932 is being used as a base area or observation post. Tm also thinks the trail which is cut into the ridge side is presently being used for infiltration and re-supply.

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ANNEX II to 2/17th Cavalry INTSUM 254-70 Egr Tm ALBANY Tm # 24

1. MISSION: Area reconnaissance and trail watch of assigned recon zones, observe trail running N-S to the east to determine nature and scope of enemy activity from Laos to the A Shau Valley.
2. EEEI: Id, size and activity of enemy in the area.
3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US
4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good
5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:
  - a. In: 070935H Sept 70 Vic. YC423890 Method: Touchdown
  - b. Out: 111509H Sept 70 Vic. YC423890 Method: Touchdown
6. ROUTE: See Item #8
7. TERRAIN:
  - a. Canopy: Double to Triple canopy 50-70' high Defoliated
  - b. Vegetation: Bamboo, vines.
  - c. Undergrowth: Deadfall
8. ENEMY: 091145H, tm heard movement of approx 4 pers vic YC428884 moving North. Tm moved North to vic YC427885 and heard movement on their flanks. Rainfall subdued sounds of movement so tm moved farther North. There were no further significant sightings or contacts during the rest of the patrol;
9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Stream vic YC420884 oriented NE to vic YC424885.
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good
11. HAZ's: None
12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm did not obs a trail but heard movement in the direction of the area where the trail was supposed to be loc. Trail is poss being used as an infiltration route.

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