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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 264-70
2. (U) 202000H to 212000H September 1970
3. (C) Summary of enemy activity

a. Air Activity

(1) DELAYED ENTRY: 201725H via YD258207, B Trp obs 50 2x3' fighting psns w/act in the last 72 hrs.

(2) DELAYED ENTRY: 201730H via YD252210, B Trp obs 30 2x3' fighting psns w/act in the last 72 hrs.

(3) DELAYED ENTRY: 201745H via YD168216, B Trp obs 1 50x100' field that was burning at the time of observation.

(4) DELAYED ENTRY: 201745H via YD310220, B Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 3 rds SAF at 100' and 60 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. OH6A, on second pass, recd 10-15 rds SAF at 100' and 60 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was re-eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(5) 210145H via YD555226, C Trp FLIR msn obs 6 NVA and a yellow light. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 2 NVA KBH.

(6) 210740H via YC350925, C Trp obs 2 marijuana fields 100x150' and 150x150'. The larger field had a 6' high bamboo fence around it w/act in the last 1 wk.

(7) 210742H via YC340937, C Trp 9bs 1 50x75' corn field w/act in the last 1 wk.

(8) 210744H via YC368919, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(9) 210748H via YC382911, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented in an unk direction w/act in the last 48-72 hrs.

(10) 210749H via YC393932, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented N-S w/signs of 5 personnel moving in an undet direction in the last 6 hrs.

(11) 210750H via YC387935, C Trp obs trail 1 1/2' wide oriented N-S w/signs of 5-6 personnel moving in an undet direction in the last 6 hrs.

(12) 210820H via YD304117, HBT UH1H C&C recd 1 RPG at 30' and 110 km. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

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(13) 210821H vic YD304117, HHT obs 1 12.7mm MG and 1 NVA in an open bunker. Area was eng w/gunships and A/S w/ unk res.

(14) 210810H vic YD247134, B Trp obs 1 20x20' bunker w/a large circular pit in front of it. Signs of act in the last 72 hrs.

(15) 210830H vic YD247134, B Trp obs trail 3' wide oriented SE-NW w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(16) 210745H vic YD304117, B Trp BDA of A/S revealed 1 12.7mm MG still in tact and 1 NVA in a bunker. AH1G while engaging area rec'd 1 RPG rd at 200' and 130 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships and A/S. BDA of A/S revealed that the strike missed the tgt, but the MG was now gone. Res: Unknown.

(17) 210820H vic YD302118, B Trp obs 10 2x4' fighting psns and 5 5x5' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(18) 210855H vic YD314213, A Trp OH6A AAR msn rec'd 25 rds 12.7mm fire at 150' and 95 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships and A/S w/unk res.

(19) 210915H vic YD325218, A Trp AH1G AAR msn rec'd 120 rds SAF at 300' and 100 km. /S sustained 1 hit in the main rotor blade. Neg cas. A/C rtnd to Quang Tri (non-flyable). Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(20) 210700H vic YD035263, A Trp obs trail 2' wide w/signs of 20 personnel moving SW in the last 24 hrs.

(21) 210715H vic YD064257, A Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/scattered pieces of wooden boxes along the trail w/act in the last 1 wk.

(22) 210715H vic YD061260, A Trp obs 1 6' diameter pit, 1 3x5' bunker and signs of 30 personnel in the area in the last 24 hrs.

(23) 210720H vic YD048253, A Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented N-S w/neg rec act.

(24) 210725H vic YD043264, A Trp obs 5 6x8' bunkers w/act in the last 1 wk.

(25) 210740H vic YD034263, A Trp obs 2 6x8' huts w/act in the last 24 48 hrs. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 2 huts dest.

(26) 210745H vic YD032261, A Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn w/neg rec act.

(27) 210807H vic YD033268, A Trp obs 10 6x8' bunkers w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(28) 210809H vic YD032268, A Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/signs of 5-6 personnel moving in an undet direction in the last 24 hrs.

(29) 210905H vic YD334214, A Trp obs 4 NVA in 2x3' fighting psns. Also obs 1 UO AA/AW psn. Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 3 NVA KBH.

(30) 210855H vic YC527849, C Trp obs trail 3' wide oriented N-S w/act in the last 24-48 hrs.

(31) 210910H vic YC476845-475844, C Trp obs 3 strands of commo wire oriented NW-SE across stream w/undet act.

(32) 210912H vic YC479849, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 24 hrs.

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(33) 210915H vic YC480842, C Trp obs trail 1½' wide oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(34) 210930H vic YC471650, C Trp obs a cult field 200x250' w/a 6' bamboo fence around it w/act in the last 1 wk.

(35) 210935H vic YC468857, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 1 wk.

(36) 210937H vic YC420852, C Trp obs a small stream oriented NW-SE reddish in color (REF).

(37) 211005H vic YC426956, C Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 1 unk type air burst at 600 and 30 km. A/C sustained 1 hit in the main rotor blade and miss schrapnel hit throughout the left side of the A/C, resulting in 1 US WIA. A/C rtd to Phu Bai (non-flyable). WIA taken to 85th Evac. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. Res: 1 US WIA.

(38) 211005H vic YD308111, HHT obs 2 8x8' bunkers, 2 8x10' bunkers and 1 NVA in a bunker and 1 4x5' hut. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(39) 211005H vic YD314213, A Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 50 mds SAF at 75' and 60 mds. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(40) 211015H vic YD310214, A Trp OH6A AAR msn recd 25-50 mds SAF and 3 mortar mds at 500' and 60 km. Neg hits or cas. ATFG on gun run recd 1 RPG and 3 mortar mds at 200' and 140 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.

(41) 211005H vic YD316213, A Trp obs trail 2' wide w/signs of 8 personnel moving E and W in the last 24-48 hrs. Area obs trail 1' wide oriented E W w/act in the last 5-12 hrs and trail 4' wide oriented E-W w/signs of heavy traffic in the last 12-24 hrs.

(42) 211020H vic YD312215, A Trp obs 1 NVA wearing black pajamas (neg wpa). Area was eng w/gunships. Res: 1 blood trail.

(43) 211030H vic YC505807, C Trp obs 1 vehicle prev dest w/neg rec act.

(44) 211031H vic YC503821, C Trp obs 1 8x25x4' high bunker w/neg rec act.

(45) 211032H vic YC507817, C Trp obs signs of 3 personnel moving SE in the last 48 hrs.

(46) 211033H vic YC507814, C Trp obs 1 23mm AA gun prev dest. Gun was in several pieces and was approx 1 year old. Neg rec act.

(47) 211225H vic YC393987, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented NW-SE w/neg rec act.

(48) 211230H vic YC395979, C Trp obs signs of 2 personnel moving S on Rte 548 in the last 1 hrs.

(49) 211232H vic YC409970, C Trp obs 1 2x2' tunnel ent w/neg rec act.

(50) 211233H vic YC410957, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented NW-SE w/neg rec act.

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- (51) 211255H vic YC415930, C Trp obs 1 empty rocket box w/neg rec act.
- (52) 211240H -vic YC434947, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented N-S w/neg rec act.
- (53) 211235E vic YC434946, C Trp obs 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (54) 211230E vic YC434938, C Trp obs 2 UO AA/AW psns 1 of which contained 1 ammo box w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (55) 211214H vic YC430930, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented E-W and 1 UO AA/AW psn w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (56) 211205E vic YC430930, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented N-S w/neg rec act.
- (57) 211204H vic YC434936, C Trp obs trail 1' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (58) 211155H vic YC430930, C Trp obs trail 2' wide oriented E-W w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (59) 211300H vic YD302065, A Trp obs 1st rd recd 60 rds SAF at 250' and 100 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.
- (60) 211305E vic YC435206, A Trp obs 1st rd recd 40 rds SAF at 200' and 100 km. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.
- (61) 211210E vic YC435085 to YC435210, B Trp obs 5' wide trail oriented N-S w/signs of heavy foot traffic last 12 hrs. Also obs signs of some wire strung in the brush on trail along the trail.
- (62) 211240H vic YD196507, B Trp obs 1st rd recd 1 old vehicle prev dest w/neg rec act.
- (63) 211255H vic YD151225, B Trp obs 1 NVA/VO wearing dark uniform in the last 24 hrs. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res.
- (64) 211300H vic YD131314, B Trp obs 1 20x80: bunkers w/4x4' ent and 3 circular pits 5' in diameter w/act in the last 48-72 hrs.
- (65) 211310H vic YD229755, B Trp obs 1st rd recd 6-7 rds 12.7mm fire and 20-30 rds SAF at 80' 100 knts. Neg hits or cas. Area was eng w/gunships w/unk res. Also obs signs of heavy vehicle traffic on Rte 9222 in the last 8 hrs.
- (66) 211435E vic YD020207, A Trp obs 3' wide trail oriented N-S w/act in the last 6-12 hrs.
- (67) 211445H vic YD043214, A Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented NW-SE w/act in the last 6-12 hrs.
- (68) 211450H vic YD024197, A Trp obs 2 pits 6' in diameter, 1 5x8' bunker w/4' dia hole in the top of the bunker w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.
- (69) 211455H vic YD047201, A Trp obs 1 10x20' hut under const w/neg rec act.
- (70) 211500H vic YD040200, A Trp obs 4 trails intersecting, 3 were 1 1/2' wide, 1 was 3' wide, oriented in all directions w/act in the last 12-24 hrs.

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- (71) 211215H via Y0429976, 0 Trp obs 4 EO AA/AW 1st w/neg rec act.
- (72) 211220Z via Y0406004, 0 Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented N-S w/neg rec act.
- (73) 211221H via Y043005, 0 Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented E-W w/act in the last 2 weeks.
- (74) 211227H via Y0350104, 0 Trp obs 2 EO AA/AW 1st w/neg rec act.
- (75) 211230Z via Y0350102, 0 Trp obs 1 EO AA/AW 1st w/neg rec act.
- (76) 211235H via Y0366004, 0 Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented N-S w/act in the last 24 hrs.
- (77) 211236H via Y0371006, 0 Trp obs 1 EO AA/AW 1st w/neg rec act.
- (78) 211237H via Y0350104, 0 Trp obs signs of undet num of pers moving East through a brushy area in the last 48 hrs.
- (79) 211238H via Y0412507, 0 Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented N-S w/neg rec act.
- (80) 211239H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 bridge across a culvert and sand bags on the bridge.
- (81) 211245H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 vehicle parked in a field w/undet activity in the last 24 hrs.
- (82) 211246H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs signs of 2 pers moving SW in the last 48 hrs.
- (83) 211247H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs signs of undet num of pers moving S in the last 48 hrs.
- (84) 211248H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 EO AA/AW 1st w/neg rec act.
- (85) 211249H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs signs of 10-15 pers moving N in the last 48 hrs.
- (86) 211250H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 log across a stream built in the last 24 hrs.
- (87) 211255H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 EO AA/AW 1st w/undet act.
- (88) 211256H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 40x60' corn field w/act in the last 12 hrs.
- (89) 211257H via Y0412500, 0 Trp obs 1 NVA/VC in a 5x10' tomato patch area w/eng w/gunshots. Pos: 1 NVA/VC K&H.
- (90) 211410H via Y0580223, 0 Trp obs 3' wide trail oriented E-W w/act in the last 72 hrs.
- (91) 211415H via Y0590622, 0 Trp obs 1 10x12' hole 6' deep w/log overhead cover w/act in the last 6 hrs.

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(92) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs sight of 5 persons moving S across stream in the last 24 hrs.

(93) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 2' wide trail oriented NW w/act in the last 24 hrs.

(94) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 1 egg shaped mound 10' in dia 3' high w/2'2" on, and log and that overhead cover w/act in the last 12 hrs.

(95) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp CH2A on 17 mms road 1 mi S&E at 20' 70 knts. 60' high on case. Also obs 3 4x8' bunkers. Area was eng w/ABA. Rest: 5 bunkers dest by ABA.

(96) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 1 UO AA/AM psn w/neg rec act.

(97) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 1 force post in the middle of road 540' poss used as a barricade w/eng rec act.

(98) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs poss vehicle parking area w/5-10 vehicle capacity w/eng rec act.

(99) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs poss vehicle parking area w/15-20 vehicle capacity w/eng rec act.

(100) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs signs of 2-3 persons moving in an undet dir in the last 1 week.

(101) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 2 200' wide mound sites w/undet act.

(102) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp CH2A on 17 mms road 6-7 mms 12.7mm fire at 700' 20 knts. Neg high on case. Area was eng w/ABA. Rest: 5 bunkers dest by ABA.

(103) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 1 vehicle given dest by A/S w/act in the last 1 week.

(104) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp CH2A on 17 mms road 6-7 mms 12.7mm fire at 700' 20 knts. Neg high on case. ABA on gunship road 5 mms 12.7mm fire at 400' 120 knts. Neg high on case. Area was eng w/ABA. Rest: 5 bunkers dest by ABA. CH2A on 17 mms road 6-7 mms 12.7mm fire at 700' 20 knts. Neg high on case. Area was again eng w/ABA. Rest: 5 bunkers dest by ABA.

(105) 201420H via Y0588000, 3 Trp obs 3 6x8' bunkers w/poss 60mm mortar tube. Area was eng w/ABA. Rest: 1 poss 60mm mortar tube dest. Act in the area was in the last 1 week.

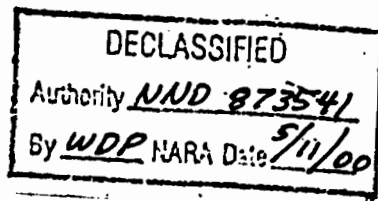
Ground Activity

(1) 201420H via Y0588000, Rgt Tm GRIMM obs 1 EVA/VO moving SE thru a garden plot on an undet dir from the 1st psn.

(2) 201420H via Y0588000, Rgt Tm BURMAN obs 1 EVA/VO moving S along a river wearing a dark uniform, at an undet dir.

(3) 201420H via Y0588000, 1 2/17 disc 4 4x8' bunkers and 1 UO AA/AM psn w/neg rec act. 40 meters to the NW, disc 2 4x8' bunkers w/neg rec act.

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4. (C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses:

a. 6 PW. KIA

b. 2 Mts. dest. 1 poss 60mm mortar tube dest.

c. By 2/17th Cavalry (Total for operation JEFFERSON BLIND)

(1)

23	29	30
KIA	WIA	WIA/VC POW

(2) and (3) omitted

(4)

24	30
WIA	WIA

5. APD POSITION: From to Spots appears 4/5 MIA POW

6. ROAD RECON: At 9229 from W. YD290360 to Laotian border shows signs of heavy vehicle and a cycle over the w/light foot traffic in the last 6-12 hrs. All other routes show no change from last report.

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ANNEX I to 24th Cavalry DEBUSH 26-70 Rpt to TAMPA Tm # 21

1. MISSION: One (1) Para of 3 Trip and one (1) Ranger tm will conduct an over-
 light subunit. When 3 Trip is returned the team will continue reconnaissance
 of assigned area.

2. REL: 10, size and activity of enemy in area.

3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 100

4. COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 300

5. DISSEMINATION/DEFERATION:

a. Via: 134300 Sept 70 Via: Y080610 Method: Touchdown

b. Sub: 2100300 Sept 70 Via: Y080750 Method: Touchdown

6. RUCPH: See para 7

7. TERRAIN

a. Country: Single to double

b. Vegetation: Eleventh grass 10-15' high

c. Undergrowth: Thin

8. ENTRY: There were no significant sightings or contacts during the patrol.

9. MATERIAL DAMAGE SOTRASH: Observed via 2100300 Sept 70, oriented
 E-W

10. COMBAT RESULTS: Good contact for the 20th of Sept then in the area

11. REL: Numerous 100 throughout the area.

12. CONCLUSIONS: No signs of activity in this area.

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ANNEX II to 2/17th Cavalry INFOSUM 264-70 Rgr Tm CAMEL Tm # 17

1. MISSION: Area reconnaissance of assigned recon zones, observe trail running W-E to the N to determine the extent of enemy activity in the area

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

3. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 6 US

4. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

5. INSERTION/EXTRACTION:

a. In: 160830H Sept 70 Vic, YD442068 Method: Touchdown

b. Out: 210732H Sept 70 Vic, YD438056 Method: McGuire

6. ROUTE: See Item # 8

7. TERRAIN:

a. Canopy: Triple canopy

b. Vegetation: Vines, trees

c. Undergrowth: Thick in the lowlands

8. ENEMY: 160830H, tm found 3 bunkers, L shaped 12' long 50 meters S of the LZ vic YD442068. YD442067, tm found trail that ran to vic YD444063, YD442067, trail running E, YD443065, trail running to the E. 160900H tm found 2 bunkers T-shaped 6x2' and 6 spider holes vic YD444067. 161030H vic YD443065, tm found 1 L shaped bunker 12' long. 161130H vic YD443062, tm found part built hut. 161700H vic YD445064, tm found trail oriented N-S. 171500H tm found markings in a tree from the top to the bottom of the tree consisting of a slash, an arrow, and a half of a circle all pointing to the NW vic YD445063. 171600H vic YD445063, tm found a tree in the middle of a stream with 3 arrows carved into it pointing to the East. 181500H vic YD439058, tm disc 6-8 2x6' T-shaped bunkers w/act in the last 1 month. 191500H vic YD438056, disc fresh built bunkers (some had not yet been completed) and a 2' wide trail oriented NW-SE.. 191400H vic YD438056, tm obs 1 NVA/VC moving West. Vic YD438056, tm disc M16 magazines, boxes for M60 ammo and some loose ammo lying in the area.

9. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Stream oriented from vic YD436062 to YD447062 and a stream oriented from vic YD444065 to YD444060.

10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good

11. HLZ's: None

12. CONCLUSIONS: Tm feels that the enemy used the area in the last month. Tm feels that there is a poss enemy force vic YD4504.

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