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SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned

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In accordance with Div Reg 525-4 15 Jan 69, subject: Operations Report  
Lessons Learned, the following information is submitted covering the period  
1 Feb - 30 Apr 70:

1. Section I. Operations: Significant Activities

a. During the reported period "A" Troop participated in two major operations; Randolph Glen beginning 9 Nov 69 and ending 31 Mar 70, and Texas Star beginning 1 Apr 70 and still in progress. Throughout this reporting quarter all operational assets were at Quang Tri, while the 332 TC Detachment and a skeleton crew remained behind at Camp Eagle. During the later stages of Randolph Glen "A" Troop provided direct support to the 3d Brigade 101ST Airborne Division (Airmobile) through the use of Hunter Killer Teams (One AH-1G, One OH-6A). The teams often worked in close support of company size ground elements providing visual reconnaissance in front of the maneuver elements, and securing their flanks and rear. The teams were also called on to Recon areas of interest dealing with URS's, SPAR's and sensor activations. The remainder of the Troops assets were used on missions in different areas of interest provided by Squadron and Division in an area extending from the DMZ to the northern boundary of the A Shau Valley.

At the start of Texas Star our LNO to the 3d Brigade remained at the 3d Brigade TOC and was given a Hunter Killer Team upon request. "A" Troop was involved in extensive Ranger insertion and extraction missions as well as immediate reactionary force (IRF) for Ranger contact. "A" Troops Aero Rifle Platoon was also involved in many ground operations with BRAVO, CHARLIE, and DELTA Troops in response to ground reconnaissance missions. "A" Troop was also involved with a Joint Ranger ARVN-US operation in the Ba Long Valley. Support was in the form of Hunter Killer teams and the lift section for insertion and extraction. The Aero Rifle Platoon was on standby at Quang Tri in response to any ground action or Ranger contact.

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