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1. (U) 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry INNSUN 86-71

2. (U) 012000H to 022000H April 1971

3. (C) Summary of enemy activity

a. Air Activity:

(1) 021300H vic YD519052, B 2/17 obs 1 6x6' bunker w/18" ont w/act 12 hrs.

(2) 021320H vic YD517100, B 2/17 obs 2 1' wide trail oriented NE-SW w/act 36 hrs.

(3) 021325H vic YD521101, B 2/17 obs signs of 20-25 personnel mov N along a sandbar w/act 24 hrs.

(4) 021330H vic YD519101, B 2/17 obs 1 5x5' lean-to well camouflaged w/act 36 hrs.

(5) 021335H vic YD511042, B 2/17 obs 1 6x6' lean-to well camouflaged w/act 72 hrs.

(6) 021230H vic YD036361, C 7/17 obs 1 6x10' hut, also a 20x10' field Eng/ps Res: Tm started fire. Act in area is 24 hrs.

(7) 021245H vic YD985347, C 7/17 obs 10x20' field w/act 24 hrs. Eng/ps and started fire.

(8) 021300H vic YD999321 to YD001321, YD006321, C 7/17 obs a 20x30m field at each loc. Act 24 hrs.

(9) 021315H vic YD001301, C 7/17 obs group of trees 50' in dia w/12' wide road and 4-5 1' wide trails leading into the area w/present usage.

(10) 021325H vic YD005226, YD007226, YD008228, C 7/17 obs 28x30m field at each loc. Tm eng and started fires. Act in area was 24 hrs.

(11) 021120H vic YD947303 to YD123260, A 2/17 obs 3-4 personnel to 10-12 personnel with no boots moving on road in last 12 hrs.

(12) 021125H vic YD020305, A 2/17 obs pos campfire w/neg rec act.

(13) 021130H vic YD029309, A 2/17 obs 8x8' bamboo bridge on road w/neg rec act.

(14) 021131H vic YD033310, YD038312, A 2/17 obs road cleared of brush and trash which appeared to have been cleared by hand, neg signs of vehicles. Act is 12 hrs.

(15) 021132H vic YD053323, A 2/17 obs UO 12.7mm psn w/act 24-48 hrs.

(16) 021135H vic YD068309 to YD069303, A 2/17 obs signs of 10-20 personnel mov E in last 12 hrs.

(17) 021145H vic YD121272, A 2/17 obs signs of 8-10 barefoot personnel mov E on road w/act 12 hrs.

(18) 021155H vic YD077295, A 2/17 obs fresh cut elephant grass on 1' wide trail oriented NE-SW w/act 24-48 hrs.

(19) 021205H vic YD035227, A 2/17 obs smoke in field pos burnign field or campfire. Eng/ps w/unlk res.

(20) 021213H vic YD073234, A 2/17 obs 10x20m plowed field, also obs a garden in one corner and 1' wide trail around field w/act 6-12 hrs.

(21) 021215H vic FB Shiloh to vic FB Leatherneck, A 2/17 obs heavy foot traffic. Tm also obs bamboo and elephant grass has been cut to repair bridges w/act 24 hrs.

(22) 021217H vic YD078235, A 2/17 obs 6 5x8' bunkers, 1 20x20' bunker, 8 figt psn size 3x5' w/neg rec act.

(23) 021220H vic YD052263, A 2/17 obs UO 12.7 psn w/act 48 hrs. Eng/ps w/unlk res.

(24) 021415H vic YD072665, A 2/17 obs 3 8x6' huts, w/act 12-24 hrs. Eng/ps Res: 3 huts dest.

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- (25) 021500H vic YD073277, A 2/17 obs 2 6x4' bunkers and 1 18x6' hut.
 Eng/ps res: 1 hut and 1 bunker dest. Act is 12-24 hrs.
- (25) 021505H vic YD012301, A 2/17 obs 6' wide and 12' to 15' long bamboo bridge w/undet act.
- (27) 021530H vic YD062260, A 2/17 AH1G AAR msn recd 8-10 rds SAF at 200' and 100 km, neg hits. Eng/ps w/unlk res.
- (28) 021415H vic YD535141, B 2/17 obs 1' wide trail oriented N-S w/act 48 hrs.
- (29) 021417H vic YD538147, B 2/17 obs 2 2x3x2' fgt psn constructed of bamboo w/act 48 hrs.
- (30) 021419H vic YD532147, B 2/17 obs 1 1/2' wide trail oriented NW-SE w/signs of 12 personnel moving undet dir w/act 48 hrs.
- (31) 021420H vic YD535141, B 2/17 obs 20-25 2x3x2' fgt psn w/act 24-48 hr.
- (32) 021422H vic YD542153, B 2/17 obs undet amt of 2x3x2' fgt psn w/act 48 hrs.
- (33) 021425H vic YD556155, B 2/17 obs 1 1/2' wide trail oriented N-S w/act 72 hrs.
- (34) 021424H vic YD555153, B 2/17 obs 30-40 2x3x2' fgt psns w/act 48 hrs.
- (35) 021425H vic YD567158, B 2/17 obs 1 3x6' lean-to and 1 1/2' wide trail oriented N-S w/act 48 hrs.
- (36) 021430H vic YD567163, B 2/17 obs 1 1/2' wide trail oriented N-S w/act 72 hrs.
- (37) 021435H vic YD557161, B 2/17 obs 2' wide trail oriented N-S w/signs of 40-50 personnel mov undet dir w/act 24-48 hrs.
- (38) 021440H vic YD568141, B 2/17 obs 4 4x5' bunkers, 5 2x3x2' fgt psns w/act 48 hrs.
- (39) 021445H vic YD520128, B 2/17 obs 40 2x3x2' fgt psn w/act 24 hrs.
- (40) 021453H vic YD568130, B 2/17 obs trees cut w/act 48 hrs.
- (41) 021500H vic YD558132, B 2/17 obs 15 2x3x2' fgt psns w/act 24 hrs.
- (42) 021515H vic YD557144, B 2/17 obs 1' wide trail oriented E-W w/signs of 30-50 personnel mov E w/act 24 hrs.
- (43) 021520H vic YD586136, B 2/17 obs 1' wide trail oriented N-S w/act 72 hrs.
- (44) 021525H vic YD197135, B 2/17 obs signs of 10-15 personnel mov N on river w/act 48 hrs.
- (45) 021540H vic YD581155, B 2/17 obs 2' wide trail oriented E-W w/act 72 hrs.
- (46) 021502H vic YD072277, A 2/17 obs 1 5x10' bunker w/3x3' ent. Eng/w/unlk res.
- (47) 021507H vic YD075285, A 2/17 obs 1 1/2' wide trail oriented NE-NW w/act 24-48 hrs.
- (48) 021515H vic YD075267 to YD078277, A 2/17 obs 1-2' wide trail oriented NW-SE w/signs of 3-6 personnel mov undet direc w/act 24 hrs.
- (49) 021523H vic YD062256, A 2/17 obs 1 6x8' hut. Eng/ps and 1 hut dest.
- (50) 021540H vic YD062256, A 2/17 obs 1 12x12' bamboo thatched mat. Eng/ps w/unlk res.
- (51) 021545H vic YD061253 to 064252 to 065247, A 2/17 1m started fires at these loc.
- (52) 021735H via YD001239, A 2/17 obs 3 5x10' huts. Eng/ps and dest 2 huts.
- (53) 021800H vic YD077241, A 2/17 obs 10 5x10' bunkers, 1 8x6' hut, 1 4x4' lean-to w/neg rec act.

4. (C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses.

a. Negative

b. 7 huts and 1 bunker dest.

c. By 2/17th Cav (Total for operation JEWELLERSON GLENN)

(1) $\frac{910}{KIA}$ $\frac{910}{NVA}$ $\frac{02}{NVA/VC POW}$

(2) and (3) Omitted.

(4) $\frac{19}{I/C}$ $\frac{07}{C/S/C}$

By 2/17th Cav for LAM SON 719

(1) $\frac{625}{KIA}$ $\frac{625}{NVA}$ $\frac{00}{NVA/VC POW}$

(4) $\frac{13}{I/C}$ $\frac{04}{C/S/C}$

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ANNEX I to 2/17th Cavalry INTBUR 92-71. Rgr Tm WILSON.

1. MISSION: Conduct area recon to determine extent of enemy activity in the area of interest. Conduct ambush on PC1 snatch if tactical situation permits.
2. SIZE/COMPOSITION: 5 US.
3. TFI: Identity, size, and activity of enemy in the area.
4. COMBATIVITY OF ENEMY: Good.
5. INFORMATION/INTERDICTION:
IN: 201452Z vic YC716902 Method: Touchdown.
OUT: 021542Z vic YC723916 Method: Touchdown.
6. TERRAIN:
a. Canopy: Triple.
b. Vegetation: Bamboo, vines
c. Undergrowth: Heavy.
7. SUMMARY: Tm found a BMT constructed from 60mm mortar rd on the NE side of LZ. ONH vic YC719903. Vic YC723905 Tm found 1 1/2' wide trail, oriented SW-NE w/act last 24 hrs. t 291100H Tm heard 3 shots 500m to E of Tm location at YC714904. Vic YC724904, Tm found 2 trail markers made from 9" piece of bamboo in ground with another 9" piece across the top pointing down the trail. Vic YC726907, Tm found 2 bunkers, 3'x5'x3', w/2' overhead cover. In front of the bunkers there were unji sticks set off the sides of the trail. ONH on 29th vic YC727907. Vic YC723917 trail branched into two trails and there was another trail marker. Act in the area was within last month. t 301015Z vic YC728918, Tm heard 1 shot from same vic as the three the day before. Tm on 30th vic YC728918. Vic YC727916, Tm heard wood chopping 100m to W. Chopping continued late into afternoon. ONH on 31st vic YC717917. At 1830H Tm heard 1 shot 100m to W. t 010930H Tm heard wood chopping again until they moved out of the area. ONH on the 1st vic YC722917. At 021430H a point recon went to blow down a tree on the LZ vic YC723916. They obs 4 EVA moving across the LZ from E to W. The EVA were wearing OD fatigues, rucksacks. They had 2 AK-47's and 2 SKS's. Tm obs w/ small arms and EVA returned fire and retreated to E. Tm found two blood trails. Tm was extracted at 021657Z.
8. THERMAL/MATERIAL NO. 3918: Spring in vic YC722913.
9. COMBATIVITY: Poor due to terrain.
10. TFI's: Negative.
11. CONCLUSIONS: The chopping could be a possible base area or else Montongnards.

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ANNEX II to 2/17th Cavalry INSUR 92-71. Rm Tm HARLBORO.

1. MISSION: Conduct area recon to determine extent of enemy activity in area of interest. Team will contact urban and POI search if tactical situation permits.
2. S.I.: Identity, size and activity of enemy in the area.
3. S.I.E.C. (I.C.): 6 hrs.
4. CONDITION OF AREA: Good.
5. INFORMATION/EXPLORATION:
IN: 23151N vic YC806677 Method: Touchdown.
OUT: 021657N vic YC791862 Method: Helipad.
6. ROUTE: See para 4.2.
7. TERRAIN:
 - a. Canopy: Double.
 - b. Vegetation: Trees.
 - c. Undergrowth: Thin.
8. 150m to 1 km of infil 12 Tm found a well-used trail, oriented E-W, 1' to 2' wide, which Tm followed for rest of mission. It had been used by 2 to 3 per last 24 hrs, moving from 12 Tm vic YC806677. At 290630 Tm obs 1 NVA 15m to 40m from 12 Tm. He was wearing khaki uniform and was carrying an AK-47. Tm engaged w/eng res and NVA retreated to S. ONI on 29th vic YC796872. ONI on 30th vic YC793865. At 301600 Tm smelled a campfire to NE. ONI on 31st vic YC789857. ONI on 1st vic YC787860. Neg further obs or sightings. On way extracted on the 2nd.
9. NATURAL AND SCENES: Negative.
10. COMMUNICATIONS: Good.
11. FLEETS: Negative.
12. CONCLUSIONS: Enemy not using ridge line. Movement is too difficult along ridge for frequent use.

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