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Subject: Commander's Situation Report

HHT: Provided a C&C on standby for the Squadron CO from 0730 to 2200. Provided a UH1H aircraft for a Ranger overflight/recon Vic FSB Brick. Five admin/log missions were completed in UH1H aircraft.

A 2/17: Provided two Pink Teams with Chase to conduct a VR of RT 616. Supported the 147th Marines Vic FSB Sarge with a heavy Pink Team with Chase. Provided two OH6A's to transport personnel to an AMC meeting at Dong Ha. Two admin/log missions were completed with UH1H's. One test flight of an AHIG was flown. IRF maintained standby. Bad weather hampered combat operations.

B 2/17: Provided a Gun Team with Chase to VR RZ 6. Supported 1st Bde with a Pink Team and Chase. A heavy Pink Team with Chase conducted a VR of RZ 6. A weather check was made in a UH1H of general AO. A last light VR of the Hue/Eagle Tan My Rocket Belt was made with a White Team. Three admin/log missions were completed along with two test flights. IRF maintained standby from 071800 to 081800 hrs. Bad weather hampered combat operations.

C 2/17: Provided two heavy Pink Teams with Chase to support 3rd Bde Vic FSB Rakasan and FSB Ripcord. Last light VR of Hue/Eagle/Tan My Rocket Belt was flown by a White Team. During this last light VR, several VC were spotted Vic YD 859055. As a result, 4 UH1H with ARP, 4 AHIG, 1 C&C, and 1 OH6A were used to support a search and destroy mission. The ARP was not inserted. Sixteen test flights and one admin/log mission were completed. IRF on standby 051800 to 071800. (1) C 2/17 OH6A rec'd 100 rds SAF Vic YD 416164 and observed 5 NVA. Engaged with Gun Ships, results; 1 NVA KBN.

D 2/17: Maintained Eagle Reaction Force. Prepared for future operations.

L Co: Prepared for future operations. Provided a night Ambush outside the Eagle Perimeter.

Subject: Planned Summary

HHT: 1. C&C on standby 0620.

2. UH-1 for D 2/17 Cpt Kersey at 0900 to Nam Hoa and 2nd Bde TOC VR potential AO.

3. UH-1 to QT 0745 Cpt Stubbs wait and return.

4. UH-1 for Rangers 1000 Recon and 1530 HR on FB Barbara.

A 2/17: 1. Support CA as briefed.

2. Provide backup IRF on standby B 2/17 primary.

B 2/17: 1. Reposition ARP, lift, 1 C&C and two Guns to Mai Loc at 0800, monitor 60.70 Spear 20 43.25 (secure) 124.0 Husky 20.

a. ARP will provide primary downed aircraft security A 2/17 will back up.

b. Expected release time 1000 to return to VR missions. ARP will remain on standby at QT guns will be released to missions.

c. ARP, lift, C&C and guns will return to Mai Loc at 1530 to resume standby. Expected release time 1730.

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2. Support Cav Recon. 1st priority of Recon. two fuel loads.
 - a. VR RED DEVIL ROAD with emphasis placed to north of road.
 - (1) Draws and Valleys XD 855485-XD 895505- XD 915525.
 - (2) Track and wheel vehicle signs.
3. Support Cav Recon. 2nd priority of Recon.
 - a. VR area between QL-9 and RT 616 generally from XD 978343-XD 912343 emphasis on Vic XD 917343.
 - (1) Foot and vehicular traffic.
 - (2) Construction efforts to improve and conceal road.
4. Support Cav Recon. Last priority of Recon.
 - a. VR QL-9 and area north along RT 608, Khe Sanh Plateau.
 - (1) Recent activity.
 - (2) Evidence of vehicular traffic.
 - (3) Interdiction points, roads washes.
5. Be prepared to support 147th Marine move if required. This will not conflict with assets needed for 2/17 combat assault to LZ or pickup from PZ.
 - a. This move will be briefed at QT by S-3/A/2 GPS officer.
6. Hue/Eagle/Tan My Rocket Belt screen after 1800.
7. IRF on standby 071800-081800.

C 2/17: 1. Support Cav Recon. a. VR in RZ 8-9.
(1) Emphasis on YC 8080.
(2) Enemy camp/trail activity.
(3) Extent of traffic on RT 545.

2. Support 1st Bde. a. VR in box 3x3 lower left YC 5189 on station 1100 Vic B-Ham contact Textbook 28R 42.05 brief B-Ham.

3. Support 3rd Bde 1/506. a. VR in YD 2724-2727-3027-3024 on station 1400 contact Longhorn L 42.70. Free fire initials DAF. Pass spots to ground contact.

4. Support Cav Recon. First light priority. a. VR in RZ 6, RT 548.
(1) BDA Arc lites.
 TOT 060300-YC 485877-477872-493847-501852
 TOT 060420-YC 463856-459848-494865-487873.
(2) Status of Route/Washouts, interdiction points.
(3) Recent activity.

5. Support Cav Recon. a. VR in RZ 5, RT 548.
(1) Status of route in zone to include section of 547 where it joins 548.
(2) Area of interest extends north of Airborne and Eagles Nest, and south of Destiny.

6. Support Cav Recon. a. White Team at first lite to area of contact in Rocket Belt to assess the results of Gunships and Arty.
(1) On station MLT 0700 Hrs.

7. Hue/Eagle/Tan M Rocket Belt screen after 1800 hrs.

8. IRF on standby 081800-091800.

D 2/17: 1. 3rd Platoon QPCON 1st Bde.
2. Eagle Reaction Force.

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L Co: 1. Prepare for future operations.

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