

AVDG-GB

Visual Reconnaissance for 13 August 1971 (U)

ACofS, G3

ACofS, G2

12 Aug 71
CPT Merchant/gah/5357

1. (C) The following areas are submitted in priority order for visual reconnaissance by the 2d Squadron, 17th Cavalry on 13 August 1971. Essential elements of information and indications of recent enemy activity are provided for each area.

a. Da Krong River Valley between FB Shepherd and FB Shiloh. To determine the extent of enemy activity in the area and to locate elements/bases of the 66th NVA Regiment. (Signs of heavy foot traffic moving along the Da Krong River in the vicinity of FB Fun Tavern and FB Shiloh - 10 August)

b. A Shau Valley between A Luoi Airstrip and the Laotian border, to locate elements of the 6th NVA Regiment. To determine the extent of traffic along Rte 548 and to locate truck parks, truck turnaround points and cache sites. (Signs of heavy truck traffic moving south on Rte 548 between YC426952 and YC310071 reported 11 Aug and 12 Aug 1971.)

c. The area between FB Fury and YC8078. To determine the extent of trail/stream activity in the area. To locate elements/bases of the 5th Regiment. (Four URS's on 8 August and heavy URS activity for four days. Three ground-to-air incidents and signs of activity of 75-100 personnel at YC693773 on 9 August 1971. Signs of trail activity on 12 August.)

d. Route 616. To determine the status of the route and the extent of enemy traffic on route. (Reports of truck traffic on Route 616 extension at XD938331 and on Route 616 between XD902270 and XD037311.)

2. (C) The following area is submitted for visual reconnaissance by D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry on 13 August 1971.

a. The area between FB Fuller and the DMZ. To determine the extent of enemy activity, the status of trails and possible firing positions in the area. Suspected enemy firing positions are located at:

YD041644
YD029644
YD033640

YD047689
YD060635
XD980645

b. Perform EDA of the following ARCLIGHTS:

(1) TOT 101310H
(2) TOT 101430H
(3) TOT [REDACTED]

(4) TOT 121340H ✓
(5) TOT 121500H ✓

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