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TO: CO, 2/17 Cavalry
 TO: CG, 101st Abn Div (Ambl)

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1. (U) 2/17 Cavalry INESUM 293-71.
2. (U) 192000H to 202000H October 1971.
3. (G) Summary of Air Activity.

a. Air Activity:

DELAYED ENTRIES:

A 2/17 obs between 1503H to 1605H.

XD776237, 616 interdio to veh traff by A/S, difficult to repair, est 1 week to repair w/neg ft or veh act.

XD777218, lgt ft act mov S on sand bar in last 48 hrs.

XD777217, river passable to veh and ft traff w/neg rec activity.

XD794218, NRA.

XD794196, mod ft act mov N in last 48 hrs.

XD802201, NRA.

XD813190, lgt ft act mov undet direc in last 48 hrs.

XD807186, mod-hvy ft act mov NE in last 48 hrs.

XD806185, 1 6x20' bamboo raft, good crossing point for ft traff w/NRA.

XD813189, good crossing for ft traff w/NRA.

XD811180, mod ft act mov NW along 2' trl in last 48 hrs.

XD849164, hvy ft act along W side of river mov undet direc in last 48 hrs.

XD851160, hvy ft act mov SE along sand bar on E side of river in last 48 hrs.

XD855180, hvy ft act wearing boots on S side of river mov undet direc w/act 24 hrs.

XD855166, 1 1/2' sand trl w/lgt ft act on W bank of river w/act 24 hrs.

XD857163, 1 4x25' bamboo raft damaged by M-16 fire w/NRA.

XD859158, 1 4x25' bamboo raft in river w/act 24 hrs.

XD862155, lgt ft act mov NW w/act 24 hrs.

XD861149, good crossing for ft act w/NRA.

XD887164, 1 fishing trap in river w/act 8 hrs.

XD897187, hvy ft act mov S along E side of river bank w/act 24 hrs.

XD900202, hvy ft act mov SW along E side of river w/act 24 hrs.

XD939241, 1' trl E-S w/undet act mov undet direc w/act 48 hrs.

XD945255, 2 UO AA/AW psns w/camp, 2' trl NE-SW thru area, w/undet size trench running to pit area w/act 24 hrs.

XD936263, 2 sets fresh dozer tracks along Rte 616 mov undet direc w/act 48 hrs.

XD933254, additional camp added to previously dest dozers w/act 72 hrs.

XD944256, OH6a AAR msn #57-16-565 recd 25mils SAF at 50' and 50km, Neg hits, AAC 4a, Supp w/gs Res: unk Spt Cvr: 2 nails, 6 17lb,

Summary: Neg signs of veh crossing point from V-1 along border to vic of V-4, there is mod-hvy ft act along Laotian side of river mov N, on Vietnamese side of river, very lgt ft act.

DELAYED ENTRIES:

A 2/17 obs between 1650H to 1803H.

XD615263, 3 undet size bnks, 1 undet size clearing all w/NRA.

XD1827, NRA.

XD8226, NRA.

XD805261, NRA.

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DELAYED ENTRIES Cont:

XD842262; 1 8x10' storage site w/NRA.
XD853235; 2 undet size clearing w/NRA.
XD855235; 1 undet size clearing, 1 6x12' bnk, 2 4x8' old empty gas pits w/NRA.
XD875250; 1' trl NW-SE w/NRA.
XD795233; 8 pieces of fresh cut wood of undet size and desc, w/undet act.
XD800233; 40 pieces of fresh cut wood of undet size and desc w/undet act.
XD806232; 1 undet size clearing w/NRA.
XD808232; veh tracks of undet size veh leading to undet size trk stop w/undet act.
XD809232; 1 4x8' bnk, 1 undet size storage site w/1 55 gal drum in it, 1 12.7mm ammo box and AK-47 ammo w/NRA.
XD815234; V-2 has NRA.
XD827237; 1 undet size bidge disassembled w/act 3-4 days.
XD835238; 8" trl N-S w/Undet act.
XD832233; trk tracks of undet size veh mov E&W for approx 150M, 2 10" trls leading into area, Eng area w/gs Res: unk, Spt Cav: 10 17lb.
XD832228; 10" trl N-S w/undet act mov undet direc w/act 72 hrs.
XD836227; 6-7 1 1/2' trls N-S w/undet act mov undet direc w/act 24-48 hrs.
XD837218; sus camf area w/approx 10 1' trls leading into area w/act 48 hrs.
XD838213; 3-4' trl E-W thru undet size clearing under trees w/act 1 week.
XD842212; 1 undet size clearing under trees, HP w/partially eaten fruit in area w/neg neg fruit trees in surrounding area.

Summary: No significant enemy act in Saigon area, there appears to be a company size force S of V-3, nsn obs livly cultivated area across border in Laos, NEG RECON POSS, area appears to be approx 500M dia freshly cultivated and fenced in fields, tripod structures in fields approx located 0916, also obs large dwellings on sticks in same vic, NEG RECON OF AREA POSS.

DELAYED ENTRIES:

A 2/17 obs between 1752H to 1920H.

XD978306; dozer tracks mov NW on Rte 616 w/act 12 hrs.
XD980305; 1 set dozer tracks mov E on Rte 616 w/act 24 hrs.
XD975304; 2 sets dozer tracks mov undet direc w/act 24 hrs.
XD989301; 1 set dozer tracks end on Rte 616 w/act 24 hrs.
XD979308; lgt ft act mov N w/act 24 hrs.
XD965333; lgt ft act mov SE w/act 24 hrs.
XD965333; Rte 616 interdicted by A/S to veh traff and dozer tracks end here on 616.
XD961332; very old dozer tracks mov undet direc w/NRA.
XD Rte 616 ext interdicted by A/S w/NRA.
XD969328; veh pull off point w/neg veh w/act 48 hrs.
XD948333; old dozer tracks along Rte 616 ext, Rte 616 ext washing away due to rain w/NRA.
XD947334; pull off into traffic movement area w/bamboo matting and old camf, w/unk act.
XD939334; Rte 616 ext has been scraped w/hand tools to attempt to repair due to rain, attempt mediocre w/act 4 days.
XD929334; Rte 616 ext interdicted by A/S and undet length land slide, est 1 day to repair, w/NRA.
XD921340; bidge of undet size across stream w/unk activity.
XD920339; trk park w/neg veh and NRA.

Summary: Repair and const are continuing on KHE SANH to LEATHERNECK ext and Rte 616 from V-5a to V-6, tracks indicate 1 dozer in area, undet act in area, Efforts based in Salient and area immediatly to W of Salient on Rte 616 ext.

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(1) C 2/17 obs between 0740H-0931H

YC471823; 1 poss campsite ang w/gs w/res unk. Exp spt cav: 2 2.75 rhts.

YC444350; 3 fids 15x20' w/unk crop w/aot last 2 wks.

YC441861; trl 1' hp bs NW-SE w/NRA.

YC541775; Rte 548 w/lt von traf on Eastern side of border. Traf stopped at border S of Lohau Strip. From Eastern side of border N along rte 548 hvy it traf w/aot last 48

YC564794; trl 2' hp bs E-W w/lt aot w/aot last 36 hrs.

YC560790; 4 fids 30x30' w/unk crop and aot. Reg w/gs. Reg aot cav 5 HE and 5WP rhts. w/unk res.

Summary: Very little aot around FB Rocket and to the SE of FB Rocket. Operations hampered by Grl fog and dangerous lighting conditions w/very little cloud aot in hills to the SE of FB Rocket.

(2) C 2/17 obs between 0910H-0931H

YC515854; Trl 1' hp bs E-W w/aot last 24 hrs.

YC352835; 6 def fgt posn 2x5' under const w/aot last 24 hrs.

YC383870; at 0931H, ONIA AAR men recd 20 rds SAR at 10' 80kms w/neg hits. #67-12-987 AAR 4a Supp w/gs army times: undet.

Summary: aot in Ruong Buong Valley via FB Pist lgt - mod. Appears to be 15-20 persons repairing def posns. Aot appears to be moving SW-NE.

(3) B 2/17 obs between 0710H and 0855H:

YC506970; spider hole w/NRA.

YC502976; 4 2x2x3' fgt psn 12-24 hrs.

YC507968; 3 2x2x3' fgt psn w/ aot 12-24 hrs.

YC505961; 6 spider holes w/aot 24 hrs.

YC514958; 5 2x2x3' fgt psn w/aot 36 hrs.

YC522955; 5-6 2x2x3' fgt psn w/aot 36 hrs.

YC530953; 4-5 2x2x3' fgt psn w/aot 36 hrs.

YC535956; trl 2' NW-SE w/aot 2 wks.

YC523948; YC528945, NRA in area.

YC524941; 6x8' blk 2' ONIA w/NRA.

YC534947; half of a Blivet w/NRA.

YC533950; 8x10' pit w/hvy camf aot 4S-72 hrs.

YC522958; caved in tunnel w/NRA.

YC518963; UO AI/AN psn aot 24 hrs.

YC519970; 6x8' blk 2' CFC w/aot 24 hrs.

YC498968; 4-5 2x2x3' fgt psn w/NRA.

YC494976; 4-5 2x2x3' fgt psn w/NRA.

YC491979; 5-6 large rocks used as cover for 2-3 2x2x3' fgt psn aot undet.

YC500978; 5-6 2x2x3' fgt psn w/aot 24 hrs.

YC482962; NRA in area.

YC425948; lgt aot mov S bt Ta Bat air strip last 24 hrs.

YC434947; lgt aot mov S on rt 548 last 24-48 hrs.

YC430948; 450924, rt 548 interdicted by flood and mud aot 2 wks.

YC537942; NRA on rt 548

YC440938; lgt aot mov S along river last 24 hrs.

YC442924; NRA due to flooding.

YC440927, YC443915, YC432922, YC437919, NRA due to flooding.

Summary: FB GOLF has had lgt aot, A Shau valley very cold.

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(4) E 2/17 obs between 0915H and 1015H:

YC401975, NRA on rt 548.
 YC409971, 5x6' bmk 2' OHG hvy camf w/act 24 hrs.
 YC417969, lgt act nov undet dir on rt 548 last 24-48 hrs.
 YC406965, NRA in area.
 YC414955, NRA in area.
 YC407951, NRA in area.
 YC417948, trail 7' along river NW-SE w/lgt act last 24 hrs.
 YC402950, NRA in area.
 YC411934, NRA in area.
 YC415935, fresh cut bamboo w/mod act in area last 72 hrs.
 YC376973, lgt ft act last 48 hrs.
 Sum: lgt act in area gen scattered last 48-72 hrs.

(5) A 2/17 obs between 1220H to 1240H.

XD822331, 2 4x6' bmk old w/NRA.
 XD842345, NRA.
 XD839344, NRA.
 XD835341, 1 3x10' lmt, 1 4x6' bmk w/saved in top w/NRA.
 XD851313, 1' trl N-S HP NRA.
 XD829310, 1 4x6' bmk old NRA.
 XD819322, 10" trl E-S HP NRA.
 XD825312, NRA.
 XD824312, undet no. cans, 1 2x3' empty cardboard box w/NRA.
 XD809325, 10" HP N-S w/NRA.
 XD812338, 1 par nov W w/act 1 month.
 XD792339, 1 old 4x6' bmk w/NRA.
 XD793348, NRA.
 XD802332, NRA.
 XD802331, NRA.
 XD805308, 2 4x6' bnks w/NRA.
 XD808312, 10" trl E-W w/NRA.
 XD802301, 4 4x6' bnks, 3 4x12x12' pits, 2 old empty 5 gal cans reusable w/NRA.
 XD801298, 2-3' trl E-W w/NRA.
 XD801297, 2 4x6' bnks w/NRA.
 XD801296, 1 1x4x4' empty pit w/NRA.
 XD801266, 2 1/2' trl HP E-W w/NRA.
 XD799297, 2' trl HP E-W w/mod ft act nov W, 1 week.
 XD799297, undet no. 4x6' clearings w/oily rags used to clean wpns in 1 clearing, NRA.
 XD798296, 2' trl HP E-W w/lgt ft act nov W, 1 week.
 XD798299, 3' trl HP E-W w/mod ft act nov W, 1 week.
 XD798305, 2' trl HP E-S w/NRA.
 XD798309, 1 1/2' trl E-S w/NRA.
 XD798315, mod ft act nov undet direc on sand bar, 1 week.
 XD794299, 1' trl HP E-W w/NRA.
 XD792281, 2' trl HP E-W w/lgt ft act nov W, 1 bareft, 1 w/tennis shoes, rest unk, 1 wk.
 XD792288, 1 par nov W slipped and fell w/act 1 week.
 XD809283, 1 undet sine cut down tree w/act 1 week.
 XD801291, 1 4x6' bmk old, 1 4x4' pit w/NRA.
 XD776137, V-1 interdic by 15' land slide w/NRA.
 XD815235, V-2 interdic to veh traff by 10' land slide w/NRA.
 XD829238, lgt ft act nov E w/act 48 hrs.
 XD855234, V-3 open to traffic.
 XD863237, lgt ft act nov E-W on Rte 616 w/act 48 hrs.

(5) cont: V-4 closed by 4:30
 XD902738, V-4 closed by 4:30
 Summary: Appears to be 1415H.
 (6) C 2/17 obs at 1415H.
 Summary: Appears to be 1415H.

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(5) Cont:

XD902738, V-4 closed by trees across rd.

Summary: Appears to be Bag Mac Activity in area.

(6) C 2/17 obs at 1415L.

Y0883870, ARVN ARMY ON GEN AREA OF SEOF AT, 14 rds 175 from B-HAM, Res; 2 hut, 2 bunk dest.

(7) C 2/17 obs between 1620H to 1715H.

Y0661843, 6 15x30' undet crop flds, w/2' trl thru them w/aot 24 hrs.

Y0661725, 1 WPT in circle w/10-15 3x5' fgt pns w/aot 24 hrs.

Y0884873, Rte w/10-20 3x5' fgt pns in 4 connecting circles, poss ARVN use in last 2 wks.

Y0831818, 1" dia barbed wire or vine runs across river, appears to be straight rather than crooked w/aot 24 hrs.

Summary: lgt act in area.

(8) A 2/17 obs between 1627H to 1706H.

XD902234, neg veh traff, old ft act mov undet dirco.

XD902252, 901230, 900220, NRA.

XD882198, 21' trl W-E w/undet act mov undet dirco, 1 week.

XD897218, NRA.

XD902211, old small boat that was not there when it returned to area, unk rec act.

XD892209, NRA.

XD898204, 2 bamboo fishing poles on bank, 1 w/fishing line, 1 rucksack undet desc in cave, rick was on rock shelf w/NRA.

XD892204, 1 6x10' hut, 1 2x6' table, lgt ft act in area in last 5 hrs, Eng area w/ga Res; 1 hut dest, 3x6' door 12 nails, 6 17lb,

XD897207, 855213, NRA.

XD859210, 1' grass trl E-S w/aot mov undet dirco in last 3 days.

XD858209, 1' grass trl E-S w/NRA.

Summary: majority of area S of the 516 and Vietnamese Salient is cold w/neg significant act, one exception is the area due S of 516, lgt act obs there, there are no veh routes in this area.

(9) A 2/17 obs between 0830H to 0950H.

XD865388, lgt ft act w/aot 48 hrs. more rd work done rd was scraped, also undet size bomb crater, rd is open.

XD865372, interdio by loose dirt, undet size of vehicle w/neg ft act.

XD882345, 4 undet size trees across 616 ext; also old ft act mov N in last 36 hrs.

XD886345, Rte 616 ext in bad need of repair, w/poss tank park w/aot 24 hrs.

XD889345, undet also interdio by wash-out, w/old dozer tracks and neg ft act.

XD691349, land slide of undet length, est 6 hrs to repair, 1 20x30' bomb crater, NRA.

XD893345, 3 empty 55 gal drums, 1 undet size land slide, est 4 hrs to repair.

XD901348, neg ft act, interdio by erosion, est 1 day to repair.

XD901350, NRA.

XD979309, 1 very old undet size hut w/NRA.

XD987298, 4 old undet size huts, also undet act in 1 8x8' clearing.

Y041312, 1 pot hole in rd of undet size, est 2 hrs to repair, 1 undet length land slide, est 3 hrs to repair w/aot 36 hrs.

XD045316, neg veh traff, rd closed, 2 shovels, 1 rake, 1 scraper w/NRA.

XD046317, 1 land slide of undet length, est 2 hrs to repair.

XD093292, 1 land slide of undet size, est 2 hrs to repair, also interdio by A/S est 6 hrs to repair, 1 land slide of undet length, est 4 hrs to repair.

Summary: Leatherneck and 516 ext are in very poor condition, only in isolated areas were repairs being made, they seem more concerned on preventing erosion than repairing the damage already done. They will not be able to support veh for est 8 weeks, the Khe Sanh Leatherneck ext is inaccessible to dozer work, is not used as personnel infiltration route to any degree.

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(10) A 2/17 obs between 1300H to 1420H,
YD098298, 1gt ft act mov S in last 36 hrs.
YD089332, 079339, 067347, NRA.
YD051352, 6' trl HP E-W w/undet act mov undet direc w/NRA.
YD052351, Rte 616 in good condition w/NRA.
YD050341, land slide of undet length est 2 hrs to repair, 3 abandoned scraping tools w/NRA.
YD050340, 2 land slides of undet length, est 6 hrs to repair, 2 undet size trees across road est 6 hrs to repair, 1 land slide of undet length, est 8 hrs to repair.
YD050334, 1 scraping tool, 1 land slide of undet length, est 3 hrs to repair.
YD053332, erosion of undet length, est 6 hrs to repair, 1 rusted scraping tool, 1 land slide of undet length, est 4 hrs to repair, erosion of undet length, est 6 hrs to repair, erosion of undet length, est 3 hrs to repair.
YD040324, 2 4x4' holes 1 mortar pit and 1 12.7mm pit neg wpa w/NRA.
YD042325, 1 1/2' trl HP E-S w/NRA.
YD056323, large undet size pit, 1 CO AA/4W pen, 2' trl undet dired runs into rest area w/NRA.
YD049333, 1' trl E-W over side of hill w/NRA.
YD043342, NRA.
YD043341, 1' trl HP undet direc of trl w/NRA.
YD039349, NRA.
Summary: In Vt of Da Xoung Valley, no significant signs of enemy act, Tan Tavena ext of Rte 616 is in bad condition. Scraping tools in area are rusty and unused, area is cold.

(11) A 2/17 obs between 1700E to 1750E.
XD738363, interdio by wash-out of undet size but still open w/NRA.
XD763352, NRA.
XD748341, good ford w/neg veh traff, 1st act w/boots mov undet direc w/NRA.
XD755352, bidge of undet size dest by mine, NRA.
XD759343, mod ft act mov E in last 7 days.
XD768340, 1gt ft act mov S in last 24 hrs.
XD785358, NRA.
XD809367, 1gt ft act mov E in last 36 hrs.
XD815365, 1 undet size trl E-W w/NRA.
XD821378, small arms pit of undet size w/neg wpa, also 3-4 4x6' log reinforced bks NRA.
XD833375, undet size rd E-W also undet size trl N-S w/NRA.
XD840387, 1 concrete house w/holes in it w/NRA.
XD852390, undet size trl E-W w/NRA.

Summary: QL-9 can't be used for veh traff until they build large bidge over key interdio points, there is an infiltration route for ft act from Laos to QL-9, area around QL-9 is cold.

b. GROUND ACTIVITY: Neg.

4.(C) Enemy personnel and equipment losses:

a. Neg. b. 3 hrs dest; 2 bks dest. c. By 2/17 Cavalry (Total for OPOD 11-71)

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(2) and (3) omitted.

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5.(C) ROUTE RECON: See para (3) (5) (8) (9) (10) (11) of this INSUR.

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