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SUBJECT: Feeder After Action Report (1 August-31 August 1971)

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1. General activities during the continuation of operation "Jefferson Glenn" and Lamson 720. Troop B was used in general support of the 101st Airborne Division (Ambl) and the 1st Infantry Division (ARVN). The primary mission was to gather intelligence through visual reconnaissance missions. Secondary mission included, screening for troop movements, downed aircraft security in the Division area of operation, bomb damage assessments for B-52 strikes, TAC Air, artillery, and supply an instant reaction force for the Division.
2. Sequence of Significant Activities: On 6 August 1971, B Troop ARP inserted on a downed CH-47 vicinity YD878195. Aircraft was extracted next day. On 7 August 1971, B Troop gunships destroyed one 12.7mm machinegun vicinity YC48868. On 9 August 1971, B Troop supported sniffer mission vicinity FSB Ripcord with negative results. On 12 August 1971, B Troop gunships destroyed two (2) huts vicinity YC-305916. On 17 August 1971, B Troop gunships destroyed one (1) hut vicinity YD310-113. On 19 August 1971, B Troop gunships killed one (1) NVA vicinity YC427964. On 22 August 1971, B Troop gunships destroyed one (1) hut vicinity YD124167. On 28 August 1971, B Troop heavy pink team assisted ARVN vicinity YD279350. On 29 August 1971, B Troop OH-6A wounded seriously one (1) NVA vicinity XD864371. On 30 August 1971, B Troop Gunships killed one (1) NVA vicinity XD753407. B Troop ARP inserted at 305127. Result, one (1) bunker destroyed.
3. Lessons Learned: Due to the increased enemy knowledge of Air Cavalry operations and the enemy anti-aircraft capabilities, the use of gun teams to accomplish reconnaissance has proven extremely effective. The employment of CS has proven very advantageous for harassment and rousting the enemy into the open so that he maybe successfully engaged.