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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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101st Airborne Division (Airmobile)
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SUBJECT: Combat After Action Reader Report Covering the Period 010001
Dec 70 to 31 2100 Dec 70 of Operation Jefferson Glenn/Monsoon Plan 70.

TO: Commanding Officer
101st Avn Bn (Aslt Hel)
101st Avn Div (Ambl)
APO: 96383

CLASSIFIED BY: CG 101
SUBJECT TO GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION
SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652
AUTOMATICALLY DOWNGRADED AT TWO YEAR
INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED ON: 31 DECEMBER 1977

1. The primary mission of the 101st Avn Bn (Aslt Hel) during operation Jefferson Glenn/Monsoon Plan 70 was to provide tactical mobility for combat troops, supplies, and equipment of the 101st Avn Div (Ambl) during the conduct of combat and airmobile operations. To accomplish this mission, the battalion was organized with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, three Assault Helicopter Companies and one Aerial Weapons Company. One Assault Helicopter Company was placed in direct support of the 1st Infantry Brigade and one in direct support of the 2nd Infantry Brigade, while the 3rd Assault Helicopter Company was in general support of the Division. During the reporting period, each direct support Assault Helicopter Company provided a minimum of one command and control aircraft and ten UH-1H's daily for the use by the Division. The Battalion Aerial Weapons Company fulfilled its mission by providing a minimum of three light fire teams for daily use by the Battalion.

2. During the reporting period, the Assault Helicopter Company in General Support continued to provide four aircraft daily in support of Special Forces Command and Control North. These aircraft which are part of the general support commitment, flew a total of 315 hours. The use of aviation assets in support of this mission allowed for the rapid positioning, extracting of recon forces throughout the area of operation and increased the overall effectiveness of the operation. The total hours flown in support of the 1st Infantry Division (AV) during this reporting period, was 152 hours while completing 853 sorties. The Assault Helicopter Companies in support of the 1st and 2nd Infantry Brigades, provided aviation assets to their respective brigades for repositioning of Infantry Battalions and realignment of brigades for the monsoon season.

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3. Lessons Learned:

a. (1) **Item:** During the reporting period, pilots of the 101st Avn Bn (A) were requested by the supported brigades to attempt entry into some landing areas that were extremely ill-prepared.

(2) **Discussion:** Prior to arriving at the LZ's, the pilots were told the LZ's were clear. Upon arrival, it was found that the LZ's were extremely small and many had high grass, stumps and tree limbs still remaining in the LZ.

(3) **Solutions:** Improper LZ's can cause the loss of lives, both air crews and ground troops, not to mention expensive damage to aircraft. It has been found that a more thorough briefing should be given to the ground troops on LZ preparation. Better LZ preparation will allow much safer operations and allow the assault helicopter companies to provide better support to their respective brigades.

b. It is felt that the desired objectives of the continuing operation, Jefferson Glenn/Monsoon Plan 70, have been met. The use of aviation assets aided greatly in making the operation a success, to date. The increased maneuverability provided to each Infantry Brigade, through the use of aviation assets, permitted rapid repositioning of combat forces and equipment throughout the area of operation.

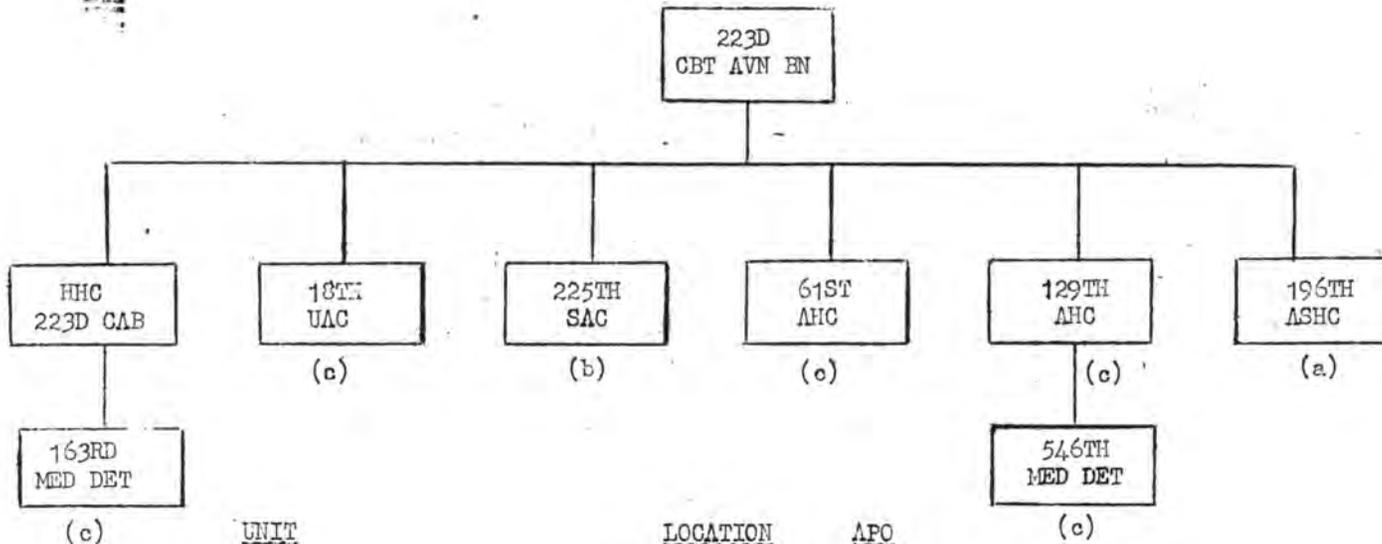
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UNIT	LOCATION	APO
HHC, 223D COMBAT AVIATION BATTALION	QUI NHON	96238
18TH UTILITY AIRPLANE COMPANY	QUI NHON	96238
225TH SURVEILLANCE AIRPLANE COMPANY	TUY HOI	96316
61ST ASSAULT HELICOPTER COMPANY	AN SON	96226
129TH ASSAULT HELICOPTER COMPANY	AN SON	96226
196TH ASSAULT SUPPORT HELICOPTER COMPANY	CHU LIA	96374

- (a) 196TH ASHC REDEPLOYED TO CONUS ON 15 DEC 70
- (b) 225TH SAC REASSIGNED 268TH CAB ON 25 JAN 71
- (c) 18TH UAC, 61ST AHC, 129TH AHC, 163RD MED DET AND 546TH MED DET REASSIGNED 7/17 ACS ON 31 JAN 71

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