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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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2 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 010001H to 012400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR in AO ALDGATE. HQ 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE, and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Elements deployed in support 2/48 ARVN in AO GUDGEON.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Two contact and 12 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 EAST of XUYEN MOC. Road improvement and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AO's ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy training ops HORSESHOE HILL. C Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO DREIKIKIR.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base, conduct Base AO patrols and provide the Ready Reaction Company.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR (-) continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB. Elements of C Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in conjunction with 2/48 ARVN Bn in AO GUDGEON.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN Bn remained op con to 1 ATF and continued RIF and ambush ops in AO GUDGEON.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN Bn continued RIF ambush ops in AO TACKLE.
- (11) Significant Airstrikes. Negative airstrikes due to weather.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 010905H at YS563937 4 Pl B Coy 9 RAR exchanged fire with an unknown number of enemy, resulting in 1 AUST WIA (Evac) and 1 VC WIA (bloodtrail), 25 lbs rice and 10 lbs tobacco and one pack recovered.
- (2) At 011705H at YS491519 2 Pl A Coy 5 RAR were fired on by one enemy resulting in 1 VC WIA (bloodtrail).

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses. 1 AUST WIA (Evac).
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 2 VC WIA (bloodtrail).
 - (b) Material. 1 x pack, 25 lbs rice, 10 lbs tobacco.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS485546, 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289, 3 Tp FSPB LONGREACH.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Tp YS673675, 2 Tp (-) FSPB THRUST, Sect Sp Tp FSPB LONGREACH, Sect Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base, 105 Fd Bty (-) FSPB THRUST, Sect 105 Fd Bty YS261681, 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS.

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- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST, A Coy (-) YS485546, B Coy HORSESHOE HILL, C Coy (-) YS321678, D Coy (-) YS480609.
- (5) 6 RAR. 1 ATF Base.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ, A Coy (-) FSPB FLINDERS, B Coy (-) YS562932, C Coy (-) 1 ATF Base and AO GUDGEON, D Coy YS588913.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ (+) FSPB LONGREACH, Coy YS563770, Coy YS551779, Coy YS527775.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. Bn HQ (+) FSPB DARWIN), Coy YS563605, Coy YS548589.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480390 in AO BLOCK. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
- (2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN Bn conducts RIF Ops READBACK (TEST) in AO GUDGEON centre of mass YS5577.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Bn conducts RIF ops in AO TACKLE centre of mass YS5359.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - two
Platoon - nil
Squad - seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has five LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil

2. Combined Operations (Psy Ops) - Nil operations.

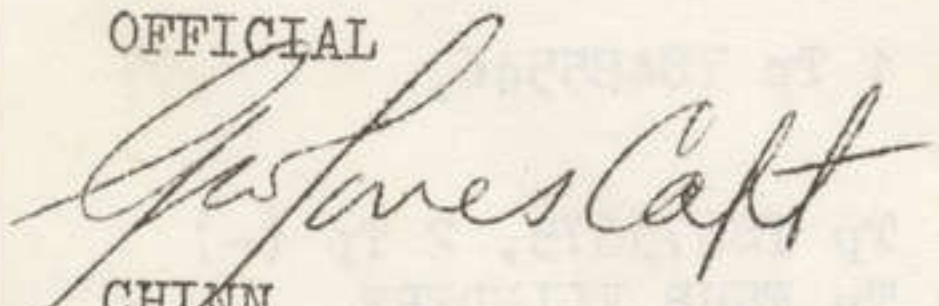
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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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3 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 020001H to 022400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR in AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK. HQ 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One combat and 18 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 EAST of XUYEN MOC. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 3 Cav Regt continued RIF, ambush and pacification ops in AO's ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy training ops HORSESHOE HILL. C Coy returned from AO DREIKIKIR to AO ALDGATE. A Coy relieved D Coy in AO BLOCK. D Coy moved to commence RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base, conduct Base AO patrols and provide Ready Reaction Company.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR (-) continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB. Elements of C Coy completed ops in AO GUDGEON and returned to 1 ATF Base.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN completed ops in AO GUDGEON and returned to HORSESHOE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TACKLE.
- (11) Air Support - Significant Airstrikes.

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
1045H	YS290880	VC Base Camp	100/50. 100 meters trench exposed, one large tunnel entrance exposed and damaged, 3 fighting pits exposed and damaged.
1045H	YS302792	VC Base Camp	100/100. Negative BDA.
1145H	YS302793	VC Base Camp	100/50. 1 bunker destroyed, 3 bunkers exposed, 1 weapon pit exposed, 3 bunkers damaged, 1 spider hole exposed, 1 table destroyed.
1445H	YS302793	VC Base Camp	100/30. 25 meters trench destroyed, 75 meters trench exposed, 2 bunkers collapsed, 1 bunker destroyed.
0505H	YS29238755 (CSS)	VC Base Camp	100/30. 300 meters exposed, 20 meters trench exposed.

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b. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At YS587909 at 1020H D Coy 9 RAR sighted 2 enemy, did not engage due to restricted field of fire.

(2) At YS587909 D Coy located compound caches. Recovered 11 X SKS rifles, 1 X M1, 1 X Gerrand rifle, 1 X PPS, 1 X RPD, box of 12.7 ammo, part of 12.7 mm tripod, 8 X E 90 grenades, 1 X B 40 grenade, 1 X 82 mm round, qty of med supplies, qty of SKS ammo, qty of PPS ammo, 1 X stick grenade, 1 X SKS rifle (rusty), 79 claymore leads, 2 X 4 gallon drums of documents, 1 X ammo box of documents.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses: Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses:

(a) Personnel: Nil.

(b) Material: 12 X SKS rifles, 1 X Gerrand rifle, 1 X PPS, 1 X RPD, 8 X E 90 grenades, 1 X B 40 grenade, 1 X 82 mm round, box 12.7 ammo, qty med supplies, qty SKS ammo, qty PPS ammo, 1 X stick grenade, 79 claymore leads, 2 X 4 gallon drums of documents, 1 X ammo box of documents.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. 1 Tp YS673675. 2 Tp NUI DAT, 3 Tp NUI DAT,

(2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. 1 Tp YS483543. 2 Tp YS527898. 3 Tp and 4 Tp NUI DAT.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS480609. B Coy HORSESHOE. C Coy (-) YS368644. D Coy (-) YS 480609.

(5) 6 RAR. 1 ATF Base.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ, A Coy (-) FSPB FLINDERS. B Coy (-) YS562932. D Coy (-) YS584964.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. HORSESHOE.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. FSPB DARWIN.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE centre of mass YS4754, one company conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD, One company protects defence development DAT DO in AO BLOCK, Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.

(2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Company. Two companies conduct ambush/RIF ops in AO MOON, centre of mass YS237773.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667, Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN moves from HORSESHOE to FSPB DARWIN for preparation for further ops.

(5) 2/52 ARVN moves to HORSESHOE for training.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides tank troops to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with inf elements conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides sections to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Troop and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one section B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on Route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - three.
Platoon - one.
Squad - six.

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has five LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small unit actions with contact - nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and HB team targeted at D67 and C41 over areas centre of mass YS2973, YS2971, YS2969, YS3368, YS3666, YS3364. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was one and one half hours.

(2) Ground Broadcasts. Ground broadcasts were conducted by HB team targeted at the population of LONG PHUOC, AN HOA, AN PHUOC hamlets. The themes were GVN image and Anti VC. The total broadcasts time was one and one half hours.

(3) Face to Face. Face to face missions were conducted by HE team targeted at the population of AP BAC, AN HOA, AN PHUOC and LONG PHUOC hamlets. The themes were GVN image and Anti VC. A total of 10 movies were screened for a total screening time of three and one half hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team. Armed propaganda team conducted person to person conversation targeted at the known VC families at AP BAC, AP DON, AN HOA, AN PHUOC and LONG PHUOC hamlets. The themes were Chieu Hoi and VIP. The team operated for a total of four hours.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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4 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 030001H to 032400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR in AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK. HQ 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 25 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Bridge construction continued on Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 3 Cav Regt continued RIF, ambush and pacification ops in AO's ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR(-) remained in the 1 ATF Base, conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company. A Coy and Sp Coy deployed into AO MOON centre of mass YS2377.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN occupied FSPB DARWIN and prepares for future operations.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN completed RIF and ambush ops in AO TACKLE and moved to HORSESHOE HILL YS4692 for retraining.
- (11) Air Support - Significant Airstrikes.

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
0730H	YS309802	Base Camp	5 bunkers collapsed
0800H	YS309802	VC Base Camp	100/30. 50 metres trench exposed, 1 bunker destroyed, 2 metal cylinders exposed (4' long x 6" diameter.)
0815H	YS29238755		Neg BDA, bombs fell 500 metres South of target.
1515H	YS629898	VC Base Camp	1 bunker destroyed, 1 bunker exposed, 1 table exposed.
0710H	YS309802	VC Base Camp	100/50. 5 bunkers collapsed.
1450H	YS629898	VC Base Camp	90/30. 1 bunker exposed 1 bunker destroyed, 1 table exposed

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b. Contacts and Incidents

(1) At YS450583 engr element with 5 RAR located and destroyed one enemy positioned M16 mine.

c. Results

(1) Friendly Losses: Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses: One M16 mine.

d. Locations

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS485539; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS673675; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS4954; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS485539; Elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty(-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; One sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy(-) YS483539; D Coy(-) YS361660.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base; A Coy(-) YS263764; Sp Coy(-) YS254796.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ, A Coy(-), C Coy FSPB FLINDERS; B Coy(-) YS568923; D Coy(-) YS576892.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. FSPB DARWIN YS5261.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans summary for period 040001H to 042400H Jul 69:

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT BO vic YS480390 in AO BLOCK. One Coy prepares to train 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.

(2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 Ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS237773.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN Bn prepares for Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885 commencing 5 Jul.

(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn commences retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing Ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on Route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - Four
Platoon - Two
Squad - Five

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has two LRRP's deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

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Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and 1 ATF Psy Op Sect targeted at 274 VC Regt over areas centre of mass YS3081 and YS3079. The theme was Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was half hour.

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(2) Ground Broadcasts. Ground broadcasts were conducted by HB team targeted at the population of LONG SON, LONG BINH and LONG LIEN hamlets. The themes were GVN image, New Life development and Anti VC. The total broadcast time was two hours.

(3) Face to Face. Face to Face missions were conducted by HE Team targeted at the population of LONG SON, LONG BINH and LONG LIEN hamlets. The themes were GVN image, Anti VC. A total of seven movies were screened for a total screening time of two hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team. Armed Propaganda team conducted person to person conversations targeted at the known VC families at LONG SON, LONG BINH and LONG LIEN hamlets. The themes were Chieu Hoi and VIP. The team operated for a total of three hours.

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5 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 040001H to 042400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs MOON, ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 27 missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Bridge construction continued on Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AO's ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continue training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR(-) remained in the 1 ATF Base, conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company. A Coy and Sp Coy continued operations in AO MOON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN remains in FSPB DARWIN and prepares for future operations.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remains on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant Airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0845H	YS566770	VC Base Camp	2 bunkers destroyed, 2 weapon pits destroyed, 3 huts destroyed, 1 table destroyed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed.
1510H	YS287777	VC Base Camp	1 bunker destroyed, 1 bunker exposed, 1 tunnel exposed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed.
1510H	YS287777	Base Camp	100/70%. 1 bunker exposed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed, 1 tunnel exposed.
1710H	YS303794	Base Camp	100/70%. 2 bunkers destroyed, 5 bunkers damaged, 2 bunkers exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At YS483536 C Coy 5 RAR located an old Coy sized bunker system. Recovered were: two home made anti-vehicle mines; 3 manufactured anti-vehicle mines; 1 ch.com claymore and one 105mm command detonated mine.

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(2) At 2130H at YS490521 elements of 7 Pl C Coy 5 RAR detonated an unknown number of VC mines. Results: 1 Aust KIA and 19 (nineteen) Aust WIA (evacuated).

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses - 1 Aust KIA; 19 Aust WIA (evacuated).
- (2) Enemy Losses - 2 home made anti vehicle mines; 3 manufactured anti vehicle mines; 1 chicom claymore; one 105mm command detonated mine.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS483539; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS673675; 2 Sect 2 Tp YS493532; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS486536; Elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; one Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy(-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4962; C Coy(-) YS483539; D Coy(-) YS355650.
- (5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base; A Coy YS244774; Sp Coy YS239775.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy(-) YS553909; B Coy(-) YS239775; C Coy(-) YS622866; D Coy YS569887.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. FSPB DARWIN YS5261.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans summary for period 050001H to 052400H Jul 69:

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480390 in AO BLOCK. One Coy prepares to train 2.52 ARVN at HORSESHOE YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
- (2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 Ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys plus conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS237773.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN Bn commences Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing Ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on Route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - Four
Platoon - Two
Squad - Five
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has LRRP's deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations. Nil Return.

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3. Monthly Return.

Reference II FFORCE V LTR AVFB-DCS, subject Monthly Statistical Report, dated 19 Jan 69. Following information submitted for period 1 Jun - 30 Jun 69.

- (1) Friendly KIA - 10
- (2) Friendly WIA - 70
- (3) Contacts - 86
- (4) Enemy KIA - 179
- (5) PW captured - 16
- (6) Total VCI killed and captured - 33
- (7) Total SA captured and destroyed - 101
- (8) Total crewserved weapons captured and destroyed - 12

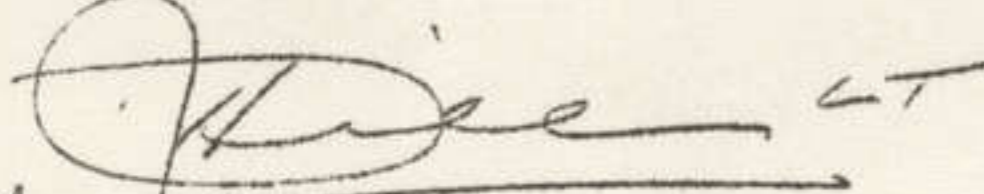
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6 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 050001H to 052400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs MOON, ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. 3 Tp came under op con 6 RAR for operations in AO MOON.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 54 missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Bridge construction continued on Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AO's ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continue training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR(-) remained in the 1 ATF Base, conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company. A Coy and Sp Coy(-) continued operations in AO MOON. V Coy was deployed into AO MOON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN deployed into AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS4588 and commenced RIF and ambush training.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remains on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant Airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0705H	YS680882	Base camp	100/80% Negative BDA due to smoke & foliage.
1130H	YS3179	Intellegence Tgt	1 hut exposed, 2 x tunnel entrances exposed, 1 structure destroyed. 1 breather hole exposed, 7 bunkers exposed 6 bunkers destroyed.
1433H (HEAVY ARTY)	YS280790	Base camp	<u>Results.</u> 10 bkr des, 9 bkr exp, 1 struct destroyed.
1445H	YS587606	VC Base camp	100% on target 100% covered. <u>Results.</u> 1 bkr dest, 4 bkr exp, 1 table dest, 1 desk destroyed.
1502H	YS320780	VC Base camp	100% on target 50% covered. <u>Results.</u> 1 bkr dest, 1 tunnel ent exp.

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b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 1115H at YS446897 2 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted approx 20 enemy during an LZ securing operation. Results 1 VC KIA(BC) 3 VC WIA bloodtrails; four packs containing a quantity of documents; medical supplies and 9MM ammo were recovered.
- (2) At 1510H at YS349642 a Ptl of 10 Pl D Coy 5 RAR engaged three enemy resulting in one enemy KIA BC, one enemy WIA and 1 Aust WIA (evacuated). One 7.62MM SMG and a pack containing documents were recovered.
- (3) At 1745H at YS612681 elements of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted approx 20 enemy with unknown results. One Aust was WIA and evacuated.
- (4) At 1730H at YS261802 V Coy 6 RAR contacted four enemy with unknown results. Four packs containing food and cooking utensils were recovered.
- (5) At 1905H at YS442884 elements of 2/48 ARVN contacted 2-3 enemy resulting in one VC WIA and one pack being recovered.
- (6) At approx 2100H at YS263802 3 Pl V Coy 6 RAR engaged approx six enemy with unknown results. Sweep to be conducted in morning.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses. Two Aust WIA (evacuated).
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Two enemy KIA(BC) five enemy WIA (four to 1 ATF and one to 2/48 ARVN).
 - (b) Material. Six packs containing a quantity of food, medical supplies, documents and cooking utensils, one 7.62 SMG, small quantity SAA.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS483539; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289; 3 Tp FSPB NELSON YS2475.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS644676; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS484539; Elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; one Sect 101 Fd Bty FSPB NELSON. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; one Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy(-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4962; C Coy(-) YS483539; D Coy(-) YS348641.
- (5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base; A Coy(-) YS266782; V Coy(-) YS262802.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy(-) YS536905; B Coy(-) YS563907; C Coy(-) YS604873; D Coy(-) YS566886.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BUFFALO YS4488; one Coy YS442883; one Coy YS442896.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans summary for period 060001H to 062400H Jul 69:

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480390 in AO BLOCK. One Coy prepares to train 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
- (2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 Ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys plus conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS285775.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

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- (4) 2/48 ARVN Bn commences Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides Sects to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing Ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one Sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on Route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - Four
Platoon - Two
Squad - Five
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has four LRRP's deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations. Nil Return.

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SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 060001H to 062400H Jul 69.

7 Jul 69

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1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs MOON, ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con to 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 operations in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 4 contact and 74 H & I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd. Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE and Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK. Bridge construction continued on Route 23 East of XUYEN MOC.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continue training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR (-) remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company. A Coy, V Coy and Sp Coy (-) continued operations in AO MOON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush operations in AO TRANSVERSE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remains on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0705H	YS586588	VC Base Camp	100% on target, 100% covered. Results: 5 Bkrs dest. 1 Bkr exp and badly damaged.
1510H	YS322810	VC Base Camp	100% on target, 30% covered. Results: 1 Bkr exp. 1-80' observ platform destroyed.
1710H	YS299798	VC Base Camp	100% on target, 20% covered. Results Neg BDA

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 0850H at YS561881 10 PI D Coy 9 RAR contacted approx 6 en resulting in 1 Aust KIA and 1 Aust WIA (evacuated). En losses unknown.
- (2) At 1035H at YS277787 2 PI A Coy 6 RAR contacted approx 2 en with unknown results.
- (3) Centred at YS273788 A Coy 6 RAR located an en camp spread over an area 250 m by 25 m. Camp consisted of ten bunkers and would hold 60 - 80 tps. Located 105 mm shell and 3 booby trap switches. Camp had been used within previous 12 hours and had been hit by airstrike and arty. Part of a body was located.
- (4) At 1150H at YS475536 a bulldozer of 1 Fd Sqn detonated a mine estimated at 50 lbs HE. No cas - dozer moderately damaged.
- (5) At 1600H at YS274798 V Coy 6 RAR contacted 3 en with unknown results.

(6) At YS438880 2/48 ARVN located and destroyed a 30 lb Chicom anti tank mine.

(7) At YS483536 C Coy 5 RAR located and destroyed a year old coy sized bunker system.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 Aust KIA, 1 Aust WIA (evacuated).

(b) Materiel. 1 bulldozer moderately damaged.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 KBA.

(b) Materiel. 1 x 105 mm shell; 3 booby trap switches; 1 x 30 lb Chicom A tk mine.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS484540; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289; 3 Tp FSPB NELSON YS2475.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp (-) YS645677; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS495534; Elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base; one sect 101 Fd Bty FSPB NELSON; 105 Fd Bty FSP THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty (-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; one sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy (-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy YS484540; D Coy (-) YS340643.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base; A Coy (-) YS277787; V Coy (-) YS271804; Sp Coy (-) FSPB NELSON.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy (-) YS528908 B Coy (-) YS565903; C Coy YS605874; D Coy YS560889.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ 1 Coy FSPB BUFFALO YS4888; 2 Coy (-) YS460882; 3 Coy (-) YS441912.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans Summary for period 070001H to 072400H Jul 69.

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480390 in AO BLOCK. One Coy trains 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.

(2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 Ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys plus conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS285775.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5667. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDER; YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN Bn continues Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885.

(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides Sects to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing Ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE, AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859, with op con one Sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt on Route 23 AO SCORPION.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Four
Platoon - Two
Squad - Five

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has four LRRP's deployed.

(3) Small unit actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following Psy Ops were conducted during the reporting period.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and 1 ATF Psy Ops Sect targeted at the illegal inhabitants over areas centre of mass YS7669 YS7869, YS7671, YS7871, YS7667, YS7867. The themes were- return to GVN. The total broadcast time was one and a half hours.

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SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 070001H to 072400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs MOON, ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con to 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements continued phase 2 ops in AO SCORPION. Elements remained op con 5 RAR, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Two contact and 28 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continue training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR (-) remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy. V Coy and Sp Coy (-) continued operations in AO MOON. B Coy replaced A Coy in AO MOON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remains on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were :

Time	Coordinates	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
1450H	YS680882	VC Base Camp	100% on tgt 50% covered Results: 1 tunnel ent exp 1 hut dam, 1 hut dest, 1 bkr dest, 2 50 gal drums dest.
1600H	YS328687	VC Base Camp	100% on tgt 30% covered Results: 2 bkrs exp, 1 footbridge dest.

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b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 0830H, North of FSPB BUFFALO YS4388, a Hoi Chanh presented himself to 2/48 ARVN Bn.
- (2) At 1030H, at YS336640, D Coy 5 RAR contacted five enemy resulting in 1 enemy WIA (bloodtrail).
- (3) At 1035H, at YS432908, 3 Coy 2/48 ARVN Bn contacted an unknown number of enemy resulting in 2 enemy KIA (BC) and one enemy WIA (PW) who DOW. One carbine was recovered.
- (4) At YS342642, D Coy 5 RAR located and destroyed an old bunker system consisting of 35 bunkers.
- (5) At 1530H, at YS478531, a bulldozer of 1 Fd Sqn was hit and damaged by an RPG. Nil casualties.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Nil.
 - (b) Materiel. 1 Bulldozer damaged.
- (2) Enemy losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 2 enemy KIA (BC), 1 enemy WIA (PW) DOW, 1 Hoi Chanh (all credited to 2/48 ARVN) 1 enemy WIA (bloodtrail).
 - (b) Materiel. 1 Carbine (captured by 2/48 ARVN).

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS484540. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289. 3 Tp FSPB NELSON YS2475.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp (-) YS645677. 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST, YS5055. 3 Sect 2 Tp YS484540. Elements Sp Tp FSPB NELSON. 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS260680.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect 101 Fd Bty FSPB NELSON. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS, B Bty (-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS. 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS480609. 2 Pl FSPB DARWIN YS5261. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692. C Coy (-) YS484540. D Coy (-) YS334653. 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.
- (5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base. B Coy (-) YS278790. V Coy YS291799. Sp Coy (-) FSPB NELSON.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy (-) YS520921. B Coy (-) YS560900. C Coy YS538861. D Coy YS554885.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BUFFALO YS440880. 1 Coy (-) YS442889. 2 Coy (-) YS466884. 3 Coy (-) YS454906.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans Summary for period 080001H to 082400H Jul 69.

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One Coy trains 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
- (2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys plus conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS285775. Bn HQ remains 1 ATF Base.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN Bn continues Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides tk tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt with Inf elms conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides Sects to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859.

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f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - five.
Platoon - two.
Squad - five.
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has four LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small unit actions with contact - nil.
- (4) Results - nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following Psyops was conducted during the reporting period :

(1) Aircraft Broadcast.

Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and HB Team targeted at C41 and D67 over areas centre of mass YS3168, YS3368, YS3166, YS3366, YS3165 and YS2772, YS2770 and YS2869. Themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was one and a half hours.

(2) Ground Broadcast.

Ground broadcast were conducted by HB Team targeted at the population of LONG LIEN and LONG PHUONG Hamlets. Themes were GVN Image and Anti VC/NLF. The total broadcast time was two hours.

(3) Face to Face.

Face to Face operations were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of LONG LIEN and LONG PHUONG Hamlets. The themes were GVN Image, Public Safety and Anti VC/NLF. A total of five movies were screened for a total of two hours screening time.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team.

APT conducted person to person conversations targeted at known VC families in LONG LIEN and LONG PHUONG Hamlets. The themes were Chieu Hoi and Third Party Inducement. The team operated for a total time of two hours.

(5) 1 CAP.

A 1 CAP was conducted by the HE Team, HB Team, Mitsup, Int, VIS and APT, targeted at the population of DAT DO Village. The 1 CAP was conducted for a period of two and a half hours.

(6) Chieu Hoi.

A Chieu Hoi rallied to 2/48 ARVN Bn (Op con 1 ATF) in AO TRANSVERSE. The Chieu Hoi is under interrogation and if he is of Psyops value, he will be exploited 8 Jul 69.

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8 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 080001H to 082400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General,
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

(1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs MOON, ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in 1 ATF Base.

(2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con to 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.

(3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements ceased Phase 2 ops in AO SCORPION and returned to 1 ATF Base. Elements remained op con 5 RAR, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.

(4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 13 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.

(5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.

(6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continue training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.

(7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR(-) remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy. B Coy and V Coy continued operations in AO MOON. TAC HQ remains at FSPB NELSON.

(8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.

(9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE.

(10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.

(11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0735	YS767692	VC Base camp.	100/100. Results: 4 structures destroyed. 4 structures exposed. 2 bkr ent exp. 1 small shelter des. 1 rice mill exp and damaged.
1455	YS 290873	VC Base camp	100/50. Results: Neg further due to smoke and foliage.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 0006H 5 RAR FSPB THRUST YS5055 received 12 rounds 82mm mortar resulting in 3 Aust WIA (evacuated). Base plate appeared to have been at YS504532.

(2) At 0500H at YS643677 elements of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt were engaged with two claymores with negative casualties. A sweep this morning revealed two further claymores; 1 US and 1 Chicom.

(3) At 0745H at YS333638 one enemy was shot and killed by a sentry of 10 Pl D Coy 5 RAR. One pack and one 7.62mm SMG were recovered.

(4) At YS290800 V Coy 6 RAR located a two Coy sized camp

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consisting of huts and squad sized bunkers. Camp had been used two to three days ago.

(5) At YS259794. B Coy 6 RAR located a Coy(-) sized camp consisting of shelters and bunkers. Camp had been used two to four days previously. Recovered were: small quantity rice and sugar; 420 piastres; 20 containers penicillin and other antibiotics; 11 field dressings. One grave containing one enemy KIA from GSW was ~~discovered~~. Body was three days old.

(6) At YS331654 D Coy 5 RAR located an occupied enemy camp. An attack on the camp is planned for 9 Jul.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 3 Aust WIA (evacuated)

(b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 2 enemy KIA(BC).

(b) Material. One 7.62mm SMG; one pack; small quantity rice and sugar; 420 piastres; 20 containers penicillin and other antibiotic drugs; 11 field dressings.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS484540; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289; 3 Tp FSPB NELSON YS2475.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS485538; elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS; elements Sp Tp FSPB NELSON; 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS2686.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; one Sect 101 Fd Bty FSPB NELSON; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty(-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty(US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy(-) YS580609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy YS484540; D Coy(-) YS334653; 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base; Tac HQ FSPB NELSON; B Coy YS291794; V Coy YS296800.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ, A Coy FSPB FLINDERS; B Coy YS566904; C Coy YS576871; D Coy YS560892.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BUFFALO YS4488; 1 Coy(-) YS433884; 2 Coy(-) YS477883; 3 Coy(-) YS463905.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans summary for period 090001H to 092400H.

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One Coy trains 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS5055.

(2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys plus conduct RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS285775. Bn HQ remains 1 ATF Base. Tac HQ at FSPB NELSON YS2475.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN Bn continues Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885. Bn HQ FSPB BUFFALO YS4488.

(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

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(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides tk tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt provides Sects to 5 RAR, 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Three
Platoon - Two
Squad - Five

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has six LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

(4) Results: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following Psy Ops were conducted during the reporting period.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcast were conducted by USAF and Psy Ops sect targeted at 274 VC Regt, SR 4 units and LONG SON ISLAND Guerillar Unit. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was two hours.

(2) Ground Broadcasts. Ground Broadcasts were conducted by HB Team targeted at the population of LONG TAM and LONG TUAN hamlets. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC/NFL. The total broadcast time was four hours.

(3) Face to Face. Face to Face missions were conducted by HE Teams targeted at the population of LONG TAM and LONG TUAN Hamlets. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC/NLF. A total of seven movies were screened for a total screening time of four hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team. APT conducted person to person conversations targeted at the known VC families of LONG TAM and LONG TUAN Hamlets. The themes were Chieu Hoi and third party inducement. The APT operated for a total time of four hours.

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10 Jul 69

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From 090001H to 092400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

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a. General.

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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR, 6 RAR in AO MOON and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Four contact and 30 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR (-) remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy. B Coy and V Coy continued operations in AO MOON. TAC HQ remains at FSPB NELSON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
1430	YS571792	VC Base Camp	100/30. Results: 3 bkrs dest, 1 str dam, 1 table dest, 15 metres comms trench dest.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 090722H at YS330651, D Coy 5 RAR entered a VC Base Camp. Enemy withdrew NE and the attack was not pressed due to presence of women and children. Enemy males were wearing greens and yellow scarves. A second camp unoccupied was located at YS332654. Both camps appeared to have been used recently and consisted of a number of caves up to 50 feet deep. CIA: 1 Garrand rifle, 1 Russian ATK grenade, 250 .30 cal rounds, qty of medical supplies, qty of documents, 2 packs containing clothing and food.
- (2) At 090757H at YS296800, 2 Pl V Coy 6 RAR contacted 3 VC. Result: 1 KIA (BC) and 1 AK47 CIA. The VC had apparently reoccupied part of a bunker system being searched by V Coy. At 091335H, V Coy reported 25 major bunkers, 30 rounds 12.7mm ammo, 1300 rounds SA ammo, qty of medical supplies and 1 ton of rice.
- (3) At 091000H, B Coy 6 RAR located an old bunker system, vicinity YS301790 to YS302789, estimated to have not been used.

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for 1 to 2 months. Camp estimated to hold 2 Platoons and small qty of medical supplies was recovered.

(4) At 091455H at YS332637, 10 Pl D Coy 5 RAR contacted 3 VC (LF) carrying AK47s. Results: 1 VC WIA - blood trail. Also located an extensive base camp at YS331639.

(5) At 091736H at YS321798, B Coy 6 RAR contacted 2 VC (LF). Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK47 CIA.

(6) At 091142H at YS478539, 3 Sect 2 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt located a 3 - 5 lb blast charge (mine). It was destroyed in site.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly losses.

(a) Personnel. Nil.

(b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy losses.

(a) Personnel. 2 enemy KIA (BC).

1 enemy WIA (Bloodtrail).

(b) Material. 1 Garrand rifle, 2 AK47 rifles, 1 Russian ATK grenade, 250 rounds .30 cal ammo, 30 rounds 12.7mm ammo, 1300 rounds SA ammo and 1 ton of rice.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS484540; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289; 3 Tp FSPB NELSON YS2475.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS485539; elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS; elements Sp Tp YS214787; 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS2680.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base; one Sect 101 Fd Bty FSPB NELSON; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty (-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy (-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy (-) YS484540; D Coy (-) YS334653; 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base; Tac HQ FSPB NELSON; B Coy (-) YS321798; V Coy YS296795.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy (-) YS534893; B Coy (-) YS572907; C Coy YS576871; D Coy YS559893.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 (-) FSPB BUFFALO YS4488; 2 Coy (-) YS448890 3 Coy (-) YS444910.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary. Plans Summary for period 100001H to 102400H.

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD, centre of mass YS3566. One coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One coy trains 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS5055.

(2) 6 RAR remains 1 ATF Base for phase 2 ops. Responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two coys plus conclude RIF/ambush ops in AO MOON centre of mass YS285775, and return to 1 ATF Base.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN Bn continues Op BLOCKADE in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885. Bn HQ FSPB BUFFALO YS4488.

(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn continues retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides tk tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt provides Sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts Land Clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Three

Platoon - One

Squad - Eleven

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has eight LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small unit actions with contact - Nil.

(4) Results: Nil.

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2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations. The following were conducted during the reporting period.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts.

Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops sect targeted at the illegal inhabitants east of XUYEN MOC. The themes were return to GVN. The total broadcast time was one and a half hours.

(2) Ground Broadcasts.

Ground broadcasts were conducted by HB team targeted at the population of AH NGAI. The themes were GVN Image and anti VC/NLF. The total time was one hour.

(3) Face to Face.

Face to Face missions were conducted by the HE team targeted at the population of PHY MY village. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC. A total of five movies were screened for a total screening time of two and a half hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda.

The APT conducted person to person **conversations** targeted at the known VC families of PHU MY village. The themes were Chieu Hoi and third party inducement. The APT operated for a total time of two and a half hours.

(5) Integrated Civic Action Programme.

(ICAP) An ICAP was conducted at AN NGAI village. The ICAP was conducted for a total time of two and a half hours.

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11 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 100001H to 102400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
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1. Operations Summary

a. General

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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 22 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy. TAC HQ, B Coy and V Coy returned to 1 ATF Base on completion of Op WAIOURU in AO MOON.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0845H	YS456525	Base Camp	BDA to be done later.
1450H	YS772683	VC Base Camp	100/50. Results: 3 bunkers exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents

- (1) At 1320H at YS559893, D Coy 9 RAR located a cache containing a tape recorder, 5 tapes, and 5 reams of duplicating paper.
- (2) At 1402H at YS331638, 5 RAR located a base camp of 35 caves last used 24 hours ago. Recovered: 5 jerry cans, qty of mess tins, 1 megaphone (all Aust), qty of food, eating utensils and 100m of plastic sheeting. A temple was being used as a HQ and was equipped with tables, chairs and a photo of HO CHI MINH. All items destroyed.
- (3) At 1430H at YS333649, 11 Pl D Coy 5 RAR contacted 4 enemy resulting in 1 enemy KIA(BC), 1 enemy WIA(blood trail), 1 x pack, 1 x CHICOM grenade, 1 x 50,000 metre map showing BARIA and BIEN HOA. 4 Traces and overlays showing uninstalations.

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(4) During 10 Jul 69, 11 Fl D Coy 5 RAR located a platoon size camp in caves at YS330647. Cookhouse constructed with galvanized iron, 30 lbs rice in cache. All destroyed in site.

(5) At 1443H at YS5691, 6 Pl B Coy 9 RAR located an enemy camp used five to seven days ago. 1000 lbs of rice recovered. Old rifle butts and qty rifle oil. Possible workshop area.

c. Results

(1) Friendly Losses: Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses:

(a) Personnel. 1 enemy KIA(BC)

1 enemy WIA(blood trail).

(b) Material. 1030 lbs rice, 1 x tape recorder, 5 x tapes, 5 reams paper, 1 x pack, 1 x CHICOM grenade, 1 x 50,000 map, 4 traces and overlays.

d. Locations

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 1 Tp YS484540; 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS485538; elements Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS; 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS2686.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty(-), 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy(-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy(-) YS484540; D Coy(-) YS338651; 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR 1 ATF Base.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy(-) YS534893; B Coy(-) YS567916; C Coy YS573854; D Coy YS559893.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48(-) FSPB BUFFALO YS4488; 2 Coy(-) YS448878; 3 Coy(-) YS445897.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary

(1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One coy protects def development DAT DO vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.

(2) 6 RAR. 1 ATF Base, responsible for provision of ready reaction coy.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687, assumes responsibility for AO TRANSVERSE from 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.

(4) 2/48 ARVN concludes RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS 455885 and deploys to AO WIANGARUP centre of mass YS560600.

(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

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f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - one
Platoon - one
Squad - seven

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has eight LRRP's deployed.

(3) Small Unit Action with contact - two.

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- (3) (a) At 1845H at YS547555 a light aircraft was fired on with SA. The aircraft fired a rocket and saw one enemy blown into stream and not surface. Arty engaged area and covered area where other enemy was hiding. Pieces of clothing in area. Result: 1 enemy KBA(air), 1 enemy KBA(Arty).
(b) LRRP's: 1 enemy KIA(BC), 4 enemy KIA(POSSIBLE)

g. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses: Nil
(2) Enemy Losses
(a) Personnel: 1 enemy KIA(BC), 1 enemy KBA(Air), 1 enemy KIA(Arty). 4 enemy KIA(POSSIBLE)
(b) Material: Nil.

2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations. The following were conducted during the reporting period:

- (1) Face to Face. Face to Face missions were conducted by the HE Team targeted at the population of TAM PHUOC Village. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC/NLF. A total of 4 movies were shown for a total screening time of one and a half hours.
(2) Armed Propaganda Team. The Armed Propaganda Team conducted person to person conversations targeted at the known VC families of TAM PHUOC Village. The themes were Chieu Hoi and Third Party Inducement. The team operated for a total time of one and a half hours.
(3) Integrated Civic Action Programme. An ICAP was conducted at HOA LONG village. The duration of the ICAP was two hours.

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12 Jul 69

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From 110001H to 112400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
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ATTN: AVFBC-RE

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- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 24 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
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- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN completed RIF and ambush ops in AO TRANSVERSE and redeployed into AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
1445H	YS680882	VC Base Camp	100/90. Results: 2 Mil structures destroyed. 2 Mil structures damaged.

b. Contacts and Incidents

- (1) At 1140H at YS540888 1 Pl A Coy 9 RAR located 40 bunkers. Search still in progress. Have found what is believed to be a flame thrower.
- (2) At 1045H at YS558896 12 Pl D Coy 9 RAR located 6 x bunkers, 18 x 20 ft. Possible hospital area. Area contained 30 lbs TNT, quantity of chophytol, chloroquin di phosphate and powdered penicillin.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses: Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel: Nil
 - (b) Material: 1 x Flamethrower (to be cfm), 30 lbs TNT, quantity of chophytol, chloroquin di phosphate and powdered penicillin.

d. Locations

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; 2 Tp FSPB BUFFALO; 3 Tp YS484540.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base; 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055; 3 Sect 2 Tp YS484540; elements Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO; 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS2686.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base; 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST; 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS; B Bty(-); 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS; 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

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- (4) 5 RAR, Bn HQ FSPB THRUST; A Coy(-) YS480609; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692; C Coy(-) YS484540; D Coy(-) YS343641; 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.
- (5) 6 RAR, 6 RAR 1 ATF Base.
- (6) 9 RAR, Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS; A Coy(-) YS541889; B Coy YS567916; C Coy(-) YS506896; D Coy YS558891.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN, 2/48 Bn FSPB DARWIN.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN, HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF Ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One Coy conducts ambush/RIF Ops in AO NOMAD centre of mass YS3566. One Coy protects DEF development DAT DO VIC YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
- (2) 6 RAR, 1 ATF Base, responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush Ops in AO TOM TIUMB centre of mass YS5687, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush Ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ loc FSPB DARWIN YS525612.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Bn undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides Sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing Ops under op con 5 RAR VIC YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - one
Platoon - one
Squad - seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has nine LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: one.
- (4) At 1445H at YS447894 an APC of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt detonated a mine resulting in one Aust WIA (evacuated) and 1 APC destroyed.

g. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel: 1 Aust WIA (evacuated).
 - (b) Material: 1 APC destroyed.
- (2) Enemy Losses: Nil

Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations. The following were conducted during the reporting period:

- (1) Armed Propaganda Team
The Armed Propaganda Team conducted person to person conversations at the known VC families of LANG PHUOC HOA village. The themes were Chieu Hoi and Third Party Inducement. The team operated for a total time of two hours.
- (2) Aircraft Broadcasts
Aircraft Broadcasts were conducted by RAAF, HB Team and USAF at C41 and 274 VC Regt. The themes were Chieu Hoi and Surrender. Total time of broadcasts were four hours.

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13 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 120001H to 122400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con to 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and eight H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF, ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continues RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Co-ords	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0820H	YS773741	VC Base Camp	100/30. Results: 2 bkr dest. 1 bkr exp.
1445H	YS680882	VC Base Camp	2 military strrs dest. 2 military strrs dam.
1540H	YS346898	Occupied Camp	100/50. 1 mil str dest 3 bkrs exp. 1 bkr under constr exp. 6 packs and clothing scattered.
1645H	YS346898	Occupied Camp	100/50. 4 bkrs dest 3 bkrs exp. 1 table dest. Clothing scat. 1 KBA.
2000H 2015H 2043H	YS346886	Nightowl Mission on suspected Occupied camp.	100/70. Unk results. BDA to be done later.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 121215H at YS556887, 11 Pl D Coy 9 RAR were engaged with SA and RPG by enemy in a bunker system 100 metres away. Results: 2 Aust KIA, 1 Aust WIA (evacuated).

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c. Results.

- (1) Friendly losses:
(a) Personnel. 2 Aust KIA, 1 Aust MIA (evacuated)
(b) Materiel. Nil.
(2) Enemy losses: Nil.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 3 Tp YS484540.
(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055. 3 Sect 2 Tp YS491530. Elms Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 3 Sect Sp Tp ONG TRINH YS2686.
(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS. B Bty (-) 2/35 Arty (US) FSPB FLINDERS. 1 Sect B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS480609. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692. C Coy (-) YS484540. D Coy (-) YS343641. 1 Sect Mor Pl ONG TRINH.
(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR. 1 ATF Base.
(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy (-) YS537886. B Coy YS552915. C Coy (-) YS433873. D Coy YS556886.
(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn FSPB DARWIN.
(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF ops in AO ALDGATE, centre of mass YS4754. One coy conducts ambush/RIF ops in AO NOMAD, centre of mass YS3566. One coy protects def development Dat Do vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn loc FSPB THRUST YS4954.
(2) 6 RAR. 1 ATF Base, responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy.
(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB, centre of mass YS5687, AO TRANSVERSE, centre of mass YS455885. Bn HQ loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890.
(4) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE, centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ loc FSPB DARWIN YS525612.
(5) 2/52 ARVN Bn undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides tk tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt provides sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provides Ready Reaction tp and convoy escorts.
(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 5 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK Dat Do YS4859.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - one.
Platoon - one.
Squad - seven.
(2) 3 SAS Sqn has nine LRRPs deployed.
(3) Small unit actions with contact - nil.

2. Combined Operations (Psy Ops). Nil operations.

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14 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 130001H to 132400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Two contact and ten H and I and two smoke missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 FD Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF, ambush and pacification ops in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL. D Coy completed RIF and ambush ops in AO NOMAD and returned to 1 ATF Base.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AOs TOM THUMB, TRANSVERSE, and TANUNDA.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Co-ords	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0930H	YS346886	VC Base Camp	100/70. Results 2 bkr dest. 1 str dest, 4 bkr exp&dam
1600H	YS410760	VC Base Camp	100/30. Results 1 bkr exp&dam, 2 Tables dest and scattered cans and clothing in area

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 131010H at YS496607 a Hoi Chanh led the 1 ATF LO DAT DO, 1 ATF Intelligence sergeant, an elm of A Coy 5 RAR and an elm of RF to a tunnel in the middle of a minefield. The entrance to the tunnel was pulled back and the enemy throw a grenade out, wounding two Aust and one VN. A member of A Coy threw a grenade into the tunnel entrance. Result; 2 Aust WIA (evacuated) and one VN WIA, 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 M16 and 1 M1 rifle recovered.
- (2) At 131600H at YS349901 a patrol from 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR contacted four enemy resulting in 1 en KIA(BC) and 1 AK50 recovered.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel; 2 Aust WIA(evacuated) 1 VN WIA.
 - (b) Material; Nil.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel; 2 en KIA(BC)
 - (b) Material; 1xAK50, 1xM16, 1xM1.

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d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base. 2Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 3 Tp YS484540.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Sect 2 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055. 3 Sect 2 Tp YS484540. Elms Sp Tp FSPB FLINDERS.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161(-) Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS. Sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO. B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy(-) YS480609. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692. C Coy(-) YS484540. D Coy 1 ATF Base.
- (5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR 1 ATF Base.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy(-) YS344897. B Coy YS552918. C Coy(-) FSPB BUFFALO. D Coy YS556887.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 5 RAR conducts RIF OPS in AO ALDGATE, Centre of mass YS4754. One Coy protects Def developement DAT DO Vic YS480590 in AO BLOCK. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST YS4954. One Coy returns to 1 ATF Base, Nui Dat.
- (2) 6 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base responsible for provision of Ready Reaction Coy. Two Coys deploy to AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456 to conduct RIF and ambush OPS. One Coy deploys to XUYEN MOC to conduct Phase 2 OPS.
- (3) 9 RAR conducted RIF and ambush OPS in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS 5687, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885, AO TANUNDA centre of mass YS3489. Bn HQ(-) loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890. Elm Bn HQ Loc FSPB BUFFALO.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN Conducted RIF and ambush OPS in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn Hq loc FSPB DARWIN YS525642.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Underwent retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provided Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provided Sects to 5 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ALDGATE. Provided Ready Reaction Tp and Convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducted land clearing ops under op con 5 RAR Vic YS4754 within AO ALDGATE and AO BLOCK DAT DO YS4859.

f. Small Unit Action.

- (1) Company - one.
Platoon - one.
Squad - seven.
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn had nine LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small unit actions with contact - Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period:

- (1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft Broadcasts were conducted by RAAR and HB team targeted of D445 and LONG DAT District platoon over area centre of mass YS4456, 4654, 4652, 4851. The theme was Chieu Hoi. The total broadcasting time was one hour.

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15 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 140001H to 142400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 5 RAR in AO ALDGATE and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Three combat and Four H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ALDGATE. Road improvements and bunker construction continued in AO BLOCK.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) supported by 105 Fd Bty, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF, ambush and pacification ops AOs ALDGATE and BLOCK. B Coy continues training ops HORSESHOE HILL.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR (-) remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting Base AO patrols and providing Ready Reaction Coy. A Coy deployed to AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456. B Coy deployed to XUYEN MOC AO STRAND centre of mass YS6569.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AOs TOM THUMB, TRANSVERSE, and TANUNDA.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0815H	YS754807	Base Camp	100/50% neg further due to SMK and foliage
1300H	CSS YS32568702	Base Camp	Bombs on tgt. Results unknown.
1510H	YS407837	Base Camp	100/50%, 1 bkr dest, 8 bkr exp, 2 tables exp, 1 str exp, clothing and cooking pots scattered, one poss KBA.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 0930H at YS352904, a patrol of 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR contacted three en resulting in one enemy KIA (Poss). Coy HQ, 1 and 2 Pls swept through a camp towards 2 Pl. One VC KIA (BC) was located in the camp plus two heavy bloodtrails.
- (2) At 1215H at YS446895 C Coy 9 RAR detained two persons who have been identified by a HOI CHANH. The woman was identified as a supplier for 84 Rear Services. The man was an ARVN deserter. Both are held at 1 ATF Base for interrogation.
- (3) At 1220H at YS345898 A Coy HQ and 3 Pl of 9 RAR located a cache containing; 100lbs rice, 300 x AK47 rds, 5 x AK47 mags, 1 x Chicom grenade.

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(4) At 1305H vic YS484540 7 Pl 5 RAR located a cache containing quantity of nuts and bolts, bottle of substance, possibly liquid explosive, large quantities of batteries, number of personal packs.

(5) At 141450H at YS635699 4 Pl B Coy 6 RAR contacted 7 to 8 VC resulting in 2 VC WIA (bloodtrail) 1 x 7.62 short drum mag, 80 x 7.62mm rds, 1 x Chicom Anti Tk mine, 1 x RPG Booster, 2 bags rice, 2 tents, 1 pack.

(6) During 14 Jul 69 a road block at DAT DO YS4859 detained a total of seven persons. Two were recognised by a HOI CHANH, three were apprehended on a bus all dressed in same civilian dress. The civilian dress was the same as found on VC in a past operation. The **first** two were dressed in RF uniforms with incorrect insignia. They ran from the bus when the other three were apprehended.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 VC KIA (BC), 4 VC WIA (bloodtrail) 7 x detainees all VC suspects.

(b) Material. 1 x Chicom Anti Tk mine, 1 x Chicom grenade, 380 x AK47 rds, 6 x 47 mags, 1 x RPG Booster, 100 lbs rice plus 3 bags. Large quantity of batteries, 2 tents, quantity of packs, large quantity of nuts and bolts and a bottle of substance that could be liquid explosive.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 3 Tp YS484540.

(2) B Sqn 3 Coy Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST. YS5055. 2 Sect 1 Tp YS485538. Elms Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO II.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 (-) Fd Bty FSPB FLINDERS. Sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO II B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS480609. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692. C Coy (-) YS484540. D Coy 1 ATF Base.

(5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base, A Coy (-) YS544570, B Coy (-) YS650700.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy (-) YS352902, B Coy (-) YS549922, C Coy (-) FSPB BUFFALO II, D Coy YS553886.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS557617, 1 Coy (-) YS567614, 3 Coy YS546611.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 5 RAR (-) completes ops in AO ALDGATE and BLOCK and returns to 1 ATF Base. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(2) 6 RAR two coys continue RIF ops in AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456. One Coy continues phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC. Two Coys deploy to AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4754 and conduct RIF ops. Bn HQ located FSPB THRUST.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOMTHUMB centre of mass YS5687, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885, AO TANUNDA centre of mass YS3489. Bn HQ (-) loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890. Elm Bn HQ loc FSPB BUFFALO II.

(4) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.

(5) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

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- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides Sects to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ROSSLEA. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 6 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4754.

f. Small Unit Action:

- (1) Company - one
Platoon - one
Squad - seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn had seven LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small unit actions with contact - Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts.

(a) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops **Sect** targeted at the LONG DAT District population over areas centre of mass YS4556, YS4454, YS4653, YS4753, YS4757 and YS4750. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was one and a half hours.

(b) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by USAF and Psy Ops **Sect** targeted at the SR4 units over areas centre of mass YS3283, YS3483, YS3281, YS3481, YS3279, YS3479, YS3378, and YS3574, YS3774, YS3974, YS4076, YS4176 and YS3673, YS3873. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was two hours.

(2) Face to Face. Face to Face missions were conducted by HE Team targeted at the population of LO GOM village. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC. The team operated for a period of two hours.

(3) Armed Propaganda Team. APT conducted person to person conversations targeted at the population of LO GOM village. The Themes were GVN Image Anti VC and third party inducement. The team operated for a period of two hours.

(4) Integrated Civic Action Programme. ICAP was conducted at AN NHUT Village. ICAP operated for a period of three hours.

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16 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 150001H to 152400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF ~~TACH~~ and in AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One combat and 11 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR returned to 1 ATF Base, conduct base AO patrols and provide the ready reaction company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR A Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO WESTEND. B Coy continued RIF and ambush ops in AO STRAND. V Coy, D Coy and W Coy deployed to AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4854 and conduct RIF ambush ops.
- (8) 9 RAR. 9 RAR supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush ops in AOs TOM THUMB, TRANSVERSE and TANUNDA.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN continued RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out retraining.
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0944H	YS353664	VC Base Camp	100/20. Results: 1 Mil Structure destroyed.
1815H	YS456525	VC Base Camp	100/50. Results: 1 weapon pit exposed, 1 wooden frame destroyed, containers and clothing scattered in area.
1820H	YS464539	VC Base Camp	100/70. Results: 2 possible KBA.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 1021H at YS352905, A Coy of 9 RAR contacted one enemy who approached bunker system occupied by A Coy, he was engaged by the sentry with negative results.
- (2) At 1240H at YS352905 a patrol of A Coy 9 RAR located a cache containing a Chicom radio in good condition, a quantity of documents, clothing, SA ammunition, RPG rounds. Detailed list to be advised.
- (3) At 1620H at YS554570, A Coy (-) of 6 RAR contacted two enemy with negative results.
- (4) At 1630H at YS551573 3 Pl A Coy 6 RAR contacted three enemy resulting in two enemy KIA(BC) and 2 AK47's recovered.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses - Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel - 2 enemy KIA(BC)
 - (b) Material - 2 x AK47, 1 Chicom radio, quantity SA ammunition, RPG rounds and documents.

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d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 3 Tp YS484540.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055. 2 Sect 1 Tp YS485538. Elm Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO II.
- (3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 105 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty (-) FSPB FLINDERS. Sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO II B Bty. 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692.
- (5) 6 RAR. 6 RAR Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS544570. B Coy (-) YS650700. V Coy (-) YS440571. D Coy (-) YS500516. W Coy (-) YS480609.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy (-) YS351909. B Coy (-) YS549922. C Coy (-) FSPB BUFFALO II. D Coy YS544879.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. BHQ FSPB BATON YS557617. 1 Coy (-) YS584616. 2 Coy (-) YS536596. 3 Coy YS FSPB BATON.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 5 RAR (-) Remains in the 1 ATF Base, supports phase 2 ops in LONG LE District and provides Ready Reaction coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (2) 6 RAR. Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456. Coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC. In AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4754, coy conducts RIF ambush ops, coy conducts RIF ops and protects land clearing ops vic YS4854, coy conducts observation and ambush NORTH LONG HAI centre of mass YS4456. Bn HQ located FSPB THRUST.
- (3) 9 RAR Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885, AO TANUNDA centre of mass YS3489. Bn HQ (-) loc FSPB FLINDERS YS526890. Elements Bn HQ loc FSPB BUFFALO II.
- (4) 2/48 ARVN Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (5) 2/52 ARVN Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ROSSLEA. Provides Ready Reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn Conducts land clearing ops under op con 6 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4854.
- (9) 3 Sigs. Seven LRRPs deployed.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - one
Platoon - one
Squad - seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has four LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: two.
 - (a) LRRPs 2 x VC KIA (BC).
 - (b) At 1600H at YS457548 a H-13 rotary wing aircraft received approximately six rounds of ground fire resulting in damage to starboard fuel tank, loss of rotar controls, holes in airframe and exhaust. Negative personnel casualties.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period:

- (1) Armed Propaganda Team. APT conducted person to person conversations targeted at the population of AP SOUIE NAHE. The team operated for a period of three hours.

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17 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 160001H to 162400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. No combat and 11 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting base AO patrols and providing the ready reaction company. The ready reaction company with supporting elements from B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt were deployed to a position 2000 metres NORTH of BARIA. A platoon sized element was deployed in AO DAMON (centre of mass YS3264) operating in conjunction with two Coys of RF from PHUOC TUY Sector.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WESTEND, STRAND and ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elms of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Supported by 161 Fd Bty and elms of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs TOM THUMB, TRANSVERSE and TANUNDA.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training
- (11) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0812	YS407837	VC Base Camp	100/50%, 2 Bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker damaged.
1140	YS464539	VC Base Camp	100/50%, neg further.
1251	YS353669	VC Base Camp	100/10%, neg further.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 0550H at YS506518 a patrol of 6 RAR contacted three to five enemy leaving a village resulting in one enemy KIA (BC).
- (2) At 0920H at YS429554 a command detonated 105MM shell mine was detonated against a patrol of 6 RAR. There were no casualties.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses - Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel - 1 enemy KIA (BC).

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Tp YS395626, 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS, 3 Tp YS484540.

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(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. BSqn(-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS485538, 3 Tp YS395626, 1 Sect Sp Tp YS650700, 3 Sect Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO.

(3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base, 161 Fd Bty(-) FSPB FLINDERS, Sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO II, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST, B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base, A Coy YS395626, B Coy(-) HORSESHOE HILL.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Hq 6 RAR FSPB THRUST, A Coy(-) YS554570, B Coy(-) YS650700, V Coy(-) YS440573. D Coy(-) YS500516, W Coy YS477600.

(6) 9 RAR. HQ 9 RAR FSPB BUFFALO, A Coy YS358900, B Coy(-) YS549923 C Coy(-) FSPB BUFFALO, D Coy YS531891.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. HQ 2/48 ARVN FSPB BATON, 1 Coy(-) YS576614, 2 Coy(-) YS574605. 3 Coy(-) FSPB BATON.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 5 RAR(-) remains in the 1 ATF base, supports phase 2 ops in LONG LE District and provides ready reaction coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(2) 6 RAR. Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC. In AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4754 cmm one coy conducts RIF and ambush ops, one coy conducts RIF ops and protects land clearing ops, one coy conducts observation and ambush NORTH LONG HAI centre of mass YS4456. Bn HQ located FSPB THRUST.

(3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO TOM THUMB centre of mass YS5687, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885, AO TANUNDA centre of mass YS3489. Bn HQ(-) located FSPB FLINDERS, elm Bn HQ located FSPB BUFFALO II.

(4) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962

(5) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ located FSPB BATON YS557617.

(6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF ready reaction force.

(7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt provides sects to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and LCT AO ROSSLEA. Provides ready reaction Tp and convoy escorts.

(8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 6 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4854.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - two
Platoon - three
Squad - seven

(2) There are no LRRPs deployed.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations

The following were conducted during the reporting period.

(1) Ground Broadcasts. Ground broadcasts were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of LONG HUONG Village. The themes were GVN image, anti VC and Chieu Hoi. The total broadcast time was two hours.

(2) Face to Face. Face to face missions were conducted by the HE Team targeted at the population of LONG HUONG Village. The themes were GVN image and anti VC. A total screening time of two hours

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(3) Armed Propaganda Team. APT operated in LONG HUONG Village for a total time of two hours.

(4) Integrated Civic Action Programme. ICAP was conducted at PHUOC LOI Village for a total time of three hours.

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18 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 170001H to 172400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF remained in the 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB. Elements deployed into AO MICK centre of mass YS4779 and commenced pacification operations in conjunction with the DUC THANH District Chief.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and 9 RAR in AOs TOM THUMB and TRANSVERSE. Route security and convoy escort continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 1 Contact and 17 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting base AO patrols and providing the Ready Reaction Company. The Ready Reaction Company with supporting elements from B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt remain deployed 2000 meters NORTH of BARIA. A platoon sized element continued operating in conjunction with two Coys of RF from PHUOC TUY Sector in AO DAMON.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WESTEND, STRAND and ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs TOM THUMB, TRANSVERSE and TANUNDA. Supported by 161 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Elements commenced moving into AO PORPHYRY centre of mass YS3586.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained on HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. There were no significant airstrikes.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 0830H at YS554570 A Coy 6 RAR contacted one enemy with unknown results.
- (2) At 1310H at YS480525 a 1 Fd Sqn Bulldozer was hit by a RPG resulting in 1 Aust WIA (evacuated) and negligible damage to the dozer. Contact area was swept without result.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 1 Aust WIA (evacuated).
 - (b) Material. 1 Bulldozer negligible damage.
- (2) Enemy Losses. Nil.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS395627. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS YS5289. 4 Tp YS480525.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect, 2 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055. 3 Tp YS395627. 1 Sect Sp Tp YS650700. 6 Sect Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO II YS4489.

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- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty (-) FSPB FLINDERS. one sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO II. B Bty 2/35 Arty (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base. A Coy (-) YS335656. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692. C Coy YS395626.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS554570. B Coy (-) YS650700. V Coy (-) YS440572. W Coy (-) YS477600.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ, D Coy FSPB FLINDERS. A Coy YS358900. B Coy YS359862. C Coy FSPB BUFFALO II. (-)
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ, 3 Coy FSPB BATON YS5561. 4 Coy (-) YS548595. 2 Coy (-) YS562610.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 5 RAR (-) remains in the 1 ATF Base, supports phase 2 ops in LONG LE District and provides ready reaction Coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (2) 6 RAR. Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WESTEND centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC. In AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4754, one coy conducts RIF and ambush ops, one coy conducts RIF ops and protects land clearing ops, one coy conducts observation and ambush NORTH LONG HAI centre of mass YS447. Bn HQ located FSPB THRUST.
- (3) 9 RAR conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO PORPHYRY centre of mass YS3586, AO TRANSVERSE centre of mass YS455885. Bn HQ located FSPB DAMPIER, YS3686.
- (4) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (5) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ located FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (6) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF ready reaction force.
- (7) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt provides Sects to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and ICT AO ROSSLEA. Provides ready reaction Tp and convoy escorts.
- (8) Dets 1 Fd Sqn conducts land clearing ops under op con 6 RAR vic YS4754 within AO ROSSLEA centre of mass YS4854.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - One.
Platoon - Three.
Squad - Seven.
- (2) There are no LRRPs deployed.

2. Combined Operations.a. Psychological Operations. The following were conducted during the reporting period.

- (1) Face to Face. Face to face missions were conducted by the HE Team and Psy Ops Sect targeted at the population of BINH BA Village. The themes were GVN image and Anti VC. A total of four movies were screened for a total screening time of two hours.
- (2) Ground. Ground broadcasts were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of BINH BA Village. The themes were GVN image and Anti VC. Broadcast time one and a half hours.

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(3) Armed Propaganda Team. APT operated in BINH BA Village for a total time of two hours.

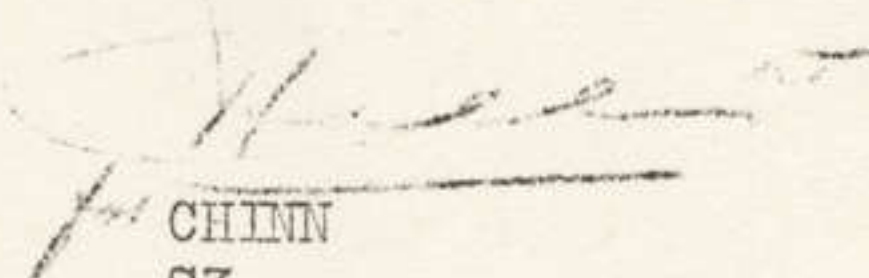
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19 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 180001H to 182400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 and established combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) and one sect moved with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provided 1 sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Route security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nine contact and 14 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting base AO patrols and providing the Ready Reaction Company. The Ready Reaction Coy with supporting elements remains deployed 2000 metres North of Baria. Platoon sized element completed operations in conjunction with two Coys of RF from PHUOC TUY Sector in AO DAMON.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Deployed into AO PORPHY centre of mass YS3586 and commenced RIF and ambush operations and continued RIF and ambush operations in AO TRANSVERSE.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Co-ords	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0425H	Arclight	VC Base Camp	3 bkrs des, 1 tunnel exp and dam, 1 well exp and dam.
0950H	YS382745	VC Base Camp	90/50. Results: 1 bkr exp, Long white cyl exp.
1010H	YS382745	VC Base Camp	100/100. 1 bkr exp and dam.
1420H	YS457537	VC Base Camp	100/70. Results: 1 bkr and tunnel complex exp, 3 bkrs exp, 1 long comms trench exp, numerous trenches exp.
1513H	YS457537	VC Base Camp	100/60. Results: 5 bkrs exp, 10-12 wpn pits exp, 30m trench exp.

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b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 180800H at YS605701, 6 Pl B Coy 6 RAR sighted 10 VC with packs at 500 metres moving West to East. Enemy was not engaged.
- (2) At 180900H at YS547561, 1 Pl A Coy 6 RAR located a camp consisting of 22 bunkers last occupied 24 hours ago. Located were approx 400 metres telephone wire, 4 bunguliere torpedoes, 4 chicom grenades and 1 x M72.
- (3) At 180935H at YS438575, C Coy 6 RAR located an M16 mine.
- (4) At 180950H at YS626720, 5 Pl B Coy 6 RAR contacted an unknown number of enemy with unknown results.
- (5) At 181200H at YS481524, the land clearing team detonated an M16 mine. There was no damage or injury.
- (6) At 181410H at YS604702, 6 Pl B Coy 6 RAR sighted 2 VC moving from North to South.
- (7) At 181515H at YS361906, 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR contacted unknown number of enemy. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (poss) - hit by claymore at 5 feet but body was dragged away - 2 AK47 and 3 packs captured. Enemy unsuccessfully attempted to drag other bodies away.
- (8) At 181550H, 1 Pl A Coy 9 RAR sighted 3 enemy moving West to East and engaged with M60, M79 and Arty with unknown results.
- (9) At 181630H, A Coy 6 RAR located 5 new bunkers, recovered were documents and bunguliere torpedo set up as a command detonated booby trap.
- (10) At 181715H, 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR engaged 3 or 4 enemy moving from South East. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC WIA (poss) blood trails, 1 pack containing medical supplies recovered.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

- (a) Personnel - nil.
- (b) Material - nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

- (a) Personnel - 3 KIA (BC), 1 KIA (poss), 1 WIA (poss).
- (b) Material - 2 AK47, 1 M72, 5 bongulone torpedoes, 1 M16 mine, 4 chicom grenades, 4 packs, 400 metres telephone wire, medical supplies.

d. Locations

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS399628. 2 Tp FSPB FLINDERS. 4 Tp YS479525.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect FSPB THRUST YS5055. 2 Sect 1 Tp YS480525. 2 Tp YS404625. 3 Tp YS395627. 1 Sect Sp Tp YS652700. 6 Sect Sp Tp FSPB BUFFALO II YS4489.
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 161 Fd Bty (-) FSPB DAMPIER. One Sect 161 Fd Bty FSPB BUFFALO II. B Bty 2/35 (US) 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base. A Coy, C Coy (-), D Coy NUI DAT. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4692.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). BHQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS539565. B Coy (-) YS650700. V Coy YS440572. D Coy (-) YS500516. W Coy (-) YS477600.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER. A Coy YS364910. B Coy YS359863. C Coy YS407906. D Coy YS350865.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561. A Coy (-) YS544604. B Coy (-) YS560605. C Coy (-) FSPB BATON.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF Fwd deployed at FSPB CLARE YS2083, estb combined HQ with ARVN Marine Bde HQ to direct Op Hat Dich 18 - 25 Jul 69.
- (2) 5 RAR (-) remains in the 1 ATF Base, supports phase 2 ops Long Le District and provides Ready Reaction Coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at Horseshoe Hill YS4962.
- (3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4754. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in Xuyen Moc District on AO STRAND, centre of mass YS6470. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.

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- (4) 9 RAR. Four coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHY centre of mass YS3686, on Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op Hat Dich, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.
- (5) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (6) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK centre of mass YS4679. Provides tk tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) plus one sect loc with HQ 1 ATF Fwd FSPB CLARE. One tp conducts phase 2 ops Xuyen Moc District. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROOSLEA. Provides one tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - two.
Platoon - nil.
Squad - seven.
- (2) There are no LRRPs deployed.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period,

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts.

- (a) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at D67 in the Nui Thi Vai's. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.
- (b) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at C41 in the Nui Dinh's. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.
- (c) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at D440 over area centre of mass YS3976. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.
- (d) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by USAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at the Long Son Village Guerrilla unit, at Long Son Island. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.
- (e) Aircraft broadcast were conducted by USAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at C25 in the Long Hais. Airstrikes, artillery and naval gunfire were exploited. The themes were Chieu Hoi or Surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.

(2) Face to Face.

Face to face missions were conducted by the HE Team targeted at the population of Ngai Giao Village. The themes were GVN Image, Anti VC and New Life. The team operated for a total time of two and a half hours.

(3) Ground.

Ground operations were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of Ngai Giao Village. The themes were GVN Image and Anti VC. The team operated for a total time of two and a half hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team.

The APT operated in Ngai Giao Village for a total time of two and a half hours.

(5) Integrated Civic Action Programme.

1 CAP was conducted in Hoa Long Village for a total time of three hours.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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20 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 190001H to 192400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC - RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provided 1 sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Route security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 9 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting base AO patrols and providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Co-ords	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
182015H	YS723658	VC Base Camp	100/100%. Neg BDA due to darkness.
182045H	YS723658	VC Base Camp	100/100%. Neg BDA due to darkness.
190700H	YS457537	VC Base Camp	95/50%. 2 bkrs des, 5 bkrs exp and dam.
191045H	YS381771	VC Base Camp	90/00. Neg BDA.
191110H	YS381771	VC Base Camp	90/20. 1 bkr exp.
191615H	YS276848	VC Base Camp	100/50%. Neg further BDA ground troops to get BDA.

b. Contacts and Incidents:

- (1) At 191002H at YS535558, 1 pl A Coy 6 RAR located a freshly constructed bunker system which had recently been occupied.
- (2) At 191100H at YS534559, A Coy 6 RAR located 3 new bunkers and 2 caches containing 14 x 4 gal drums of rice.
- (3) At 191412H at YS573605, 2 Coy 2/48 ARVN Bn located a battalion sized base camp.
- (4) At 191540H at YS535560, 2 pl A Coy 6 RAR contacted 1 VC. Nil results.
- (5) At 191628H at YS389906, 7 pl C Coy 9 RAR contacted 2VC approaching a water point. 1 VC KIA(BC) 1 VC WIA.

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- (6) At 191630H at YS535560, 2 pl A Coy 6 RAR contacted 2 VC. results 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 VC PW, 1 M1 carbine and a large quantity of misc equipment captured.
- (7) At 191730H at YS385906, C Coy 9 RAR contacted an estimated pl sized force in bunkers. Arty and LFT supported. Results, VC cas unknown, 1 Aust KIA, 8 Aust WIA.
- (8) At 190903H at YS615705, 5 pl B Coy 5 RAR contacted approx 4 en who fired claymore and SA. The en withdrew South - west with nil results.
- (9) At 191100H at YS601700, 6 pl B Coy 6 RAR contacted 4 en. Results unknown.
- (10) Elements of B Coy at 191300H assaulted a camp centre of mass YS600700. Heavy AK47, RPG and MG fire. Results, 3 VC KIA(BC), 4 Aust WIA.

c. Results.(1) Friendly losses.

- (a) Personnel - 1 Aust KIA, 13 Aust Wia.
(b) Material - Nil

(2) Enemy Losses.

- (a) Personnel - 6 KIA(BC), 1 WIA, 1 PW.
(b) Material - 14 x 4 gal drums rice, 1 M1 carbine.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base, 2&3 Tp YS443880, 4Tp YS 479525.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base, 1 sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 3 sect 1 Tp FSPB CLARE, 2 sect 1 Tp YS410525, 3 Tp YS672657.
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST, 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER, B Bty 2/35 (US) Arty 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) 1 ATF Base, B Coy HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST, A Coy(-) YS534577, B Coy(-) YS603700, D Coy(-) YS500516, V Coy(-) YS440572, W Coy(-) YS477600.
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER, A Coy(-) YS357906, B Coy(-) YS361877, C Coy(-) YS385906, D Coy(-) YS341882.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, A Coy(-) YS529593, B Coy(-) YS579603, C Coy FSPB BATON.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD deployed at FSPB CLARE YS2083, estb Combined HQ with ARVN Marine Bde HQ to direct op HAT DICH (18-25) Jul.
- (2) 5 RAR(-) in the 1 ATF Base, supports phase 2 ops LONG LE District and provides Ready Reaction Coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4754. Element protects Land Clearing ops in Vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND, centre of mass YS6470. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
- (4) 9 RAR. Four coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, on Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.
- (5) 2/48 ARVN conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE, centre of mass YS560600. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (6) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK on centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) plus one sect loc with HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE. One Tp conducts phase 2 ops XUYEN MOC District. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (9) LRRPS deployed - Nil.

f. Small unit Actions.

- (1) Company - two.
Platoon - Nil.
Squad - seven.
- (2) There are no LRRPS deployed.

2. Combined Operation. Omitted.

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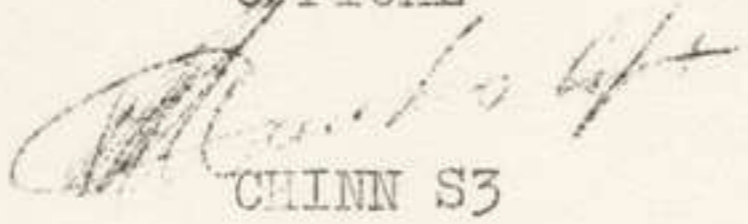
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21 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 200001H to 202400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC - RE

1. Operations Summary.a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provided 1 sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp deployed into TWINKLETOES on operation GARRYOWEN. Route security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and eight H and I were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Remained in the 1 ATF Base conducting base patrols and providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Cordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
1015H	YS469540	VC Base Camp	100/50. Negative BDA.
0940H	YS461539	VC Base Camp	100/30. Results: Negative BDA.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 200730H at YS442798, 3 civilians activated a mine. Results: 2 civilians WIA.
- (2) At 200940H at YS441576, V Coy 6 RAR located a M16 mine.
- (3) At YS434762, support section 3 Cav located 4 bunkers with overhead cover.
- (4) At 200945H at YS449706, ptl 51 from 1 ARU sighted 4 VC at 450 metres. The enemy were not engaged.
- (5) At 200930H at YS533560 V Coy 5 RAR located a bunker with trap door. Recovered were 2 lbs of chicom explosive.
- (6) Reference contact 191730H at YS385906, 7 Pl C Coy 9 RAR located a quantity of enemy equipment. Recovered were 2 entrenching tools, 1 pair sandals, 1 shirt, 5 x 60 mm mortar rounds, 3 x RPG 2 rounds, 2 x 81 mm rounds.
- (7) At 200635H at YS603600 located an enemy base camp. Recovered were 3 x RPG 7 rounds, 3 x RPG 7 Cooters, 6 x RPG 2 rounds, 2 x Anti tk grenades, 10 grenade bags, 2 machettes, 400 lbs rice, quantity clothes, plastic sheets, 1 x 5 gallon water bag, 1 drum mags with 7.62 rounds, 1 x transistor radio, enemy body in shallow grove from yesterday's contact.

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- (8) At 201030H at YS531555 A Coy 6 RAR located 8 bunkers and numerous pits, last occupied two days ago. Recovered were 8 x M16 mine fuses, 2 x M18 A1 firing devices, 1 claymore test device, 50 ft of cable, 3 pair wire cutters, 1 pair pliers, 1 x XM72, 1 x RPG 7 round, 4 x M26 grenades, 3 x ammunition boxes containing documents, 1 x NSU butterfly bomb, 40 rounds x M16 ammunition, 1 x chicom 7.62 rifle, 1 Japanese 7.7/99 rifle, 4 x electric fuses.
- (9) At 201645H at YS272657, 2 US trucks and jeep were ambushed by enemy. Rear truck was hit by B40 and SA fire, LFT and Arty fired in support. Results: 8 US WIA evacuated. Enemy casualties unknown.
- (10) At 201745H at YS730670 3 Tp 3 Cav contacted 1 enemy. Negative results.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

- (a) Personnel - Nil
(b) Material - Nil

(2) Enemy Losses.

- (a) Personnel - 1 KIA(BC) (Body in grove)
(b) Material - 2 lbs chicom explosive, 40 x M16 rounds, 9 x RPG 2 rounds, 1 x 7.62 chicom rifle, 2 x 81 mm rounds, 1 x 7.7/99 Japanese rifle, 5 x 60 mm rounds, 4 x electric fuses, 2 x entrenching tools, 4 x RPG 7 rounds, 2 x Anti tk grenades, 2 x machettes, 400 lbs rice, 1 x drum mag with 7.62 rounds, 1 x transistor radio, 8 x M16 mine fuses, 1 x M16 mine, 2 x M18 1A firing devices, 3 x pair cutters, 1 x pair pliers, 1 x M72, A x M26 grenades, 3 x ammo boxes with document, 1 x NSU butterfly bomb.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) YS424764, 2 Tp YS461783.
(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) FSPB CLARE, 1 Sect 1 Tp, 2 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 3 Sect 1 Tp YS213787.
(3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST, 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER, B Bty 2/35 (US) Arty 1 ATF Base.
(4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base, b Coy HORSESHOE.
(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST, A Coy (-) YS532555, B Coy YS629703, V Coy (-) YS440572, D Coy (-) YS500516, W Coy (-) YS477600.
(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER, A Coy (-) YS365908, B Coy (-) YS369880, C Coy YS390903, D Coy (-) YS333892.
(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON, 1 Coy (-) YS543612, 2 Coy (-) YS560602, 3 Coy (-) FSPB BATON.
(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE YS2083, combined HQ with ARVN Marine Bde HQ to direct OP HAT DICH 18-25 Jul.
(2) 5 RAR(-). Bn HQ and 2 coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO PANTHER, centre of mass YS7471. Provides Ready Reaction Coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL. YS4962. Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE YS7167.
(3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4754. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND EXTENDED, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
(4) 9 RAR. Four coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, on Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.
(5) 2/48 ARVN(-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
(6) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

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(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) plus one sect with HQ 1 ATF
FWD FSPB CLARE. Provides Sects to 5 RAR in AO PANTHER 6 RAR
and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force.
Provides convoy escorts.

(9) LRRPs deployed - 6.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Nil

Platoon - Nil

Squad - Seven

(2) There are no LRRPs deployed.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period:

(1) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by the Psy Ops section
and RAAF in support of ARVN ops in area centre of mass YS4158.
The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast
time was one and a half hours.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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22 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
From 210001H to 212400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC - RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provided 1 sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp deployed in AO PANTHER supporting 5 RAR operation DISTANT TRUMPET. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 21 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Deployed in AO PANTHER on op DISTANT TRUMPET supported by 1 sect 105 Fd Bty. One company remained in base providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Cordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0940H	YS274904	Base Camp	100/100 Results: Neg further BDA.
1005H	YS284909	Base Camp	100/100 Results: Neg further BDA.
1120H	YS386908	VC Base Camp	100/40 Results: Neg BDA. Immediate airstrike requested by 9 RAR before moving into bunker complex.
1445H	YS410760	VC Base Camp	100/70 Results: One command Bkr Des. One hut Des. Scattered clothing and documents. Five tunnel entrances exposed. One military structure exposed. One KBA confirmed.
1625H	YS377683	VC Base Camp	100/50 Results: Two weapon pits destroyed. One weapon pit exposed. Diggings also exposed.
1417H	YS353669	VC Base Camp	Results: Four Bkrs Exp, Two tunnel ent collapsed, one table des.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 210335H at YS443658 2 Pl V Coy 6 RAR contacted six to seven enemy. Results: Four V: KIA(BC), one VC WIA(blood trail)-one

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colt .45, one AK47, one M1, one PPSH 6 packs, qty documents, large quantity food captured.

(2) At 210515H at YS449518 D Coy 6 RAR contacted three enemy with negative results.

(3) At 210940H at YS525564 3 Pl A Coy activated one M16 mine. Results: One AUST KIA 18 AUST WIA. (All evacuated).

(4) At 21100H at YS443577 V Coy 6 RAR located two x M16 mines.

(5) At 211415H at YS525564 3 Pl A Coy activated M16 mine. Results: One AUST KIA five AUST WIA. (All evacuated). At second area of mine incidents the following were located in 8 foot deep cache, four by M26 grenades, eight anti lift devices, 60lbs chicom explosive, 750lbs rice (in 15 drums) one by M1 bayonet, cooking utensils, one gal cooking oil, small quantity docs, 31 by 7.96 rounds, 96 by .30 cal rounds, one transistor radio and two watches.

(6) At 211600 at YS554603 3 Coy 2/48 ARVN contacted ten enemy with negative results.

(7) At 211845 at YS694774 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav contacted four enemy with negative results.

(8) At 211920 at YS758737 1 Pl A Coy 5 RAR contacted approximately seven enemy. Results: Two VC KIA(BC) and one AUST WIA (not evacuated at this stage).

(9) At YS722659 12 Pl D Coy 5 RAR located a camp consisting of 50 bunkers last used three months ago.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel - one AUST KIA. 24 AUST WIA. (All evacuated).

(b) Material - Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel - six KIA(BC), one WIA(poss).

(b) Material - one colt .45, one AK47, one M1, one PPSH, six packs, qty docs, two M16 mines, four by 26 grenades, eight anti lift devices, 60lbs chicom explosives, 750lbs rice, 96 by .30 rounds, one transistor radio and two watches.
One by M1 bayonet, 31 by 7.96 rounds.

d. Plans Summary.

(1) HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE YS2083, combined HQ with ARVN MARINE Bde HQ to direct op HAT DICH 18-25 Jul 69.

(2) 5 RAR(-). Bn HQ and two Coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO PANTHER, centre of mass YS7471. Provides ready reaction Coy. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE YS7167.

(3) 6 RAR. Three Coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4754. Element protects Land Clearing ops VIC YS4854. One Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One Coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC district in AO STRAND EXTENDED, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.

(4) 9 RAR. Four Coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, on Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.

(5) 2/48 ARVN(-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two Coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.

(6) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

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(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) plus one sect loc with HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE. Provides sects to 5 RAR in AO PANTHER 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

(9) LRRPs deployed - eight.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

The following were conducted during the reporting period:

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and HB Team. Targeted at various local force units and D445 located in the LONG HAIS. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was two and a half hours.

(2) Integrated Civic Action Programme. ICAP was conducted at TAM PHUOC. The total time for ICAP was three hours.

b. ARVN Marines.

Nothing to report.

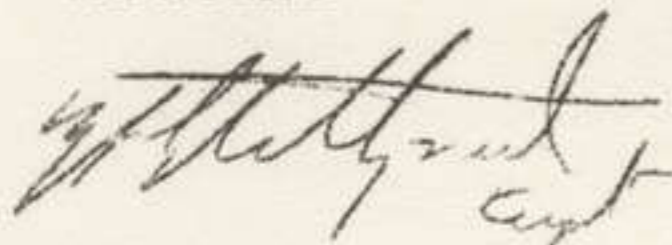
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22 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 210001H to 212400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC - RE

1. The following paragraphs are to be added to 1 ATF SITREP period 210001H to 212400H Jul 69.

a. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base; Elements Sqn HQ, 2 Tp, 3 Tp YS442830; 4 Tp YS500516.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. 2 Tp, 3 Tp YS470801; 4 Tp YS500516; B Sqn (-) FSPB CLARE; 1 Sect and 2 Sect 1 Tp THRUST; 3 Sect and 1 Tp CLARE; 2 Tp 3 Cav NUI DAT; 3 Tp HQ YS694775; 1 Sect 3 Tp YS697781; 3 Sect 3 Tp ELAINE.
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base. 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST. 105 Fd Bty (-) Nui Dat. Sect FSPB ELAINE YS7267. 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER. B Bty 2/35 (US) Arty 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR
Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE. A Coy (-) YS764732. B Coy HORSESHOE. C Coy Nui Dat Base. D Coy (-) YS763687.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS531554. B Coy (-) YS628702. V Coy (-) YS440575. W Coy YS477600. D Coy (-) YS500516.
- (6) 9 RAR Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER. A Coy (-) YS356908. B Coy (-) YS372882. C Coy YS385910. D Coy (-) YS334895.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON. 1 Coy YS632647. 2 Coy YS633652. 3 Coy YS554650.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.
- (9) B Bde ARVN Marine Div. Bde HQ (-) FSPB CLARE YS2083. 3 Bn (-) YS257882. 5 Bn (-) YS283903.

b. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - Two
Platoon - One
Squad - Seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has one LRRP deployed.

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23 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Report (SITREP)
From 220001H to 222400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp supported 5 RAR operations in AO PANTHER. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Three contact and 10 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER supported by sect 105 Fd Bty and 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav. One company remained in base providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0525H (Late Entry 21 Jul)	YS75367514	VC Base Camp	100/20%, bombs on target North/South trail exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 220945H at YS697781 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav contacted one NVA. Results: 1 NVA PW (wounded).
- (2) At 221040H at YS327885 6 Pl B Coy 9 RAR contacted one enemy. Results: One VC WIA (blood trail). At this location a large bunker system was located.

c. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Nil.
 - (b) Material. Nil.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. One NVA PW WIA (evacuated). One VC WIA.
 - (b) Material. Nil.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) YS448780. 1 Tp YS464791. 2 Tp, 3 Tp YS480804. 4 Tp YS500516.

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- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) FSPB CLARE, 3 Sect 1 Tp FSPB CLARE, YS2083. 1 Sect 1 Tp, 2 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST YS4955. 3 Tp(-) YS697781. 3 Sect 3 Tp FSPB ELAINE YS7267.
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base. 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST YS4955. 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. B Bty 2/35 (US) Arty (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Sect HORSESHOE.
- (4) 5 RAR. 5 RAR(-) Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE YS7267, A Coy(-) YS766744, B Coy HORSESHOE, C Coy NUI DAT, D Coy(-) YS779707.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). 6 RAR(-) Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy(-) YS530552, B Coy(-) YS628702, V Coy(-) YS441575, D Coy(-) YS500516, W Coy(-) YS477600.
- (6) 9 RAR. 9 RAR(-) BN HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy YS342912, B Coy YS373886, C Coy YS387907, D Coy YS308899.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. 2/48 ARVN (-) BN HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy(-) YS651629, 2 Coy (-) YS651629, 3 Coy(-) YS553644.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. 2/52 ARVN HORSESHOE.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE YS2083, Combined HQ with ARVN Marine Bde HQ to direct Operation HAT DICH 18 - 25 July.
- (2) 5 RAR(-). Bn HQ and two coys conduct RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER, centre of mass YS7471. Provides ready reaction coy. 1 coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962. Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE YS7167.
- (3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects Land Clearing operations vic YS4854. 1 coy conducts RIF and ambush operations in AO WESTEND, centre of mass YS5456. 1 coy conducts Phase 2 operations in XUYEN MOC district in AO STRAND, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
- (4) 9 RAR. Four companies conduct RIF operations in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, on Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. OP HAT DICH, combined operation with ARVN Marine Bde.
- (5) 2/48 ARVN(-) conducts RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. 2 coys conduct RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (6) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues Phase 2 operations in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) plus one sect loc with HQ 1 ATF FWD FSPB CLARE. Provides to 5 RAR in AO PANTHER 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (9) LRRPS Deployed - 1

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - Nil
Squad - 7
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has one LRRP deployed.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

- (1) Ground. Ground broadcasts were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of Dat Do Village. The themes were GVN image and anti VC. The total broadcast time was 3 hours.
- (2) Face to Face. Face to face missions were conducted by the HB Team targeted at the population of Dat Do village. The themes were GVN image and anti VC. The total screening time was 3 hours.
- (3) Armed Propaganda Team. APT operated in Da : Do for 3 hours.

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b. ARVN Marines.

(1) At 221615H at YS294854 Leatherneck 5A contacted an unknown number of enemy with unknown results.

(2) At 221930H at YS255831 Leatherneck 3 detonated a mine. Results 2 ARVN KIA.

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24 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Report (SITREP)
From 230001H to 232400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-25 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TCAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp supported 5 RAR operations in AO PANTHER. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 14 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER supported by sect 105 Fd Bty and 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav. One company remained in base providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AOs WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Supprt. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
CSS Ni 22/23	YS457537	VC Base Camp	Results: 10 Weapon pits exposed, 4 bunkers exposed, 1 shelter exposed, clothing scattered in area.
0900	YS578726	VC Base Camp	100/100%. Results: 1 Bunker exposed, 1 spider hole exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) (Late Entry) At 221400H at YS460764 B Sqn 1 Armd located a camp consisting of 8 weapon pits with 2 ft overhead cover.
- (2) At 230850H at YS597693 4/B/6 RAR located a camp consisting of 13 bunkers. Recovered were 15 loaded AK47 mags, 2 chicom claymores, 8 assorted grenades, 2 transistor radios, 10 packs, 10 sets webbing, 1 wire cutters, 1 shovel hoe, 3 torches, quantity food.
- (3) At 230850H at YS598692 4/B/6 RAR located 3 plus VC. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 2 KIA (poss).
- (4) At 231100H at YS527552 A Coy 6 RAR located and destroyed a M26 grenade with anti booby trap device.
- (5) At 231115H at YS782759 3/A/5 RAR located a camp consisting of 3 huts and 8 bunkers.
- (6) At 231200H at YS782760 3/A/5 RAR contacted 1 VC with negative results.
- (7) At 231300H at YS598692 4/B/6 RAR contacted 1 VC. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK47, 1 RPG2 (loaded) captured.
- (8) At 231410H at YS443576 V Coy 6 RAR detonated a M16 mine. Results: 2 Aust KIA, 1 Aust WIA all evacuated.

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(9) At 231525H at YS282758 3/A/6 RAR located an extensive corn field stretching for 10000 metres by 100 metres wide from Northing 755 NNW to MAY TAO generally following the province border.

(10) At 231600H at YS508546 W Coy 6 RAR detonated a M16 mine. Results: 1 NZ KIA, 5 NZ WIA (all evacuated).

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 3 KIA.
6 WIA. (All evacuated)

(b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 2 VC KIA (BC)
2 VC KIA (poss)

(b) Material. 15 AK47 mags (loaded), 2 chicom claymores, 8 assorted grenades, 2 transistor radios, 10 packs, 10 sets webbing, 1 wire cutters, 1 shovel hoe, 3 torches, quantity food, 1 M26 grenade (booby trap).

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) YS466791. 4 Tp YS500516.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) FSPB CLARE, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS500516, 3 Sect 1 Tp YS213788, 1 Sect 3 Tp YS697781, 2 Sect 3 Tp YS694775, 3 Sect 3 Tp YS725674.

(3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST YS4955, 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, B Bty 2/35 (US) Arty(-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB ELAINE YS7267, A Coy(-) YS766771, B Coy(-) HORSESHOE HILL, C Coy 1 ATF Base, D Coy(-) YS779716.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy(-) YS596684, B Coy(-) YS596684, V Coy YS440572. D Coy(-) YS500516, W Coy YS477600.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy YS340910, B Coy YS372886, C Coy YS387907, D Coy YS306903.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy(-), 2 Coy(-) YS644616, 3 Coy(-) YS553635.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 1 ATF Liaison Team FSPB CLARE YS2083 with ARVN Marine Bde HQ OP HAT DICH 18-25 Jul.

(2) 5 RAR(-). Bn HQ and two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO PANTHER, centre of mass YS7471. Provides Ready Reaction Coy. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND extended, centre of mass YS6471.

(4) 9 RAR. Four coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHY, centre of mass YS3686. OP HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.

(5) 2/48 Arvn(-) conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064.

(6) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 5 RAR in AO PANTHER, 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

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f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - two
Platoon - nil
Squad - seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has four LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts.

(a) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at C41 and D67 in the NUI DINHS and the NUI THI VAI Mountains. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcasttime was one and a half hours.

(b) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by USAF and Psy Ops Sect targeted at D440 NNW of NUI NGHE. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was one hour.

(2) Ground. Ground broadcasts were conducted by HB Team targeted at the population of DAT DO Village. The themes were GVN image and anti VC. The total broadcast time was two and a half hours.

(3) Face to Face. Face to face missions were conducted by HE Team targeted at the population of DAT DO Village. The themes were CVN image and anti VC. The total screening time was two and half hours.

(4) Armed Propaganda Team. The APT operated in DAT DO Village for a total time of two and a half hours.

(5) Integrated Civic Action Programme. An ICAP was conducted in HOA LONG Village for a total time of three hours.

b. Vietnamese Marines. At 230920H at YS295845 Leatherneck 5A contacted an unknown number of enemy. Enemy returned fire with SA. Results: 1 VN KIA, 1 VN WIA. Enemy casualties unknown.

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25 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Report (SITREP)
From 240001H to 242400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF FWD remains deployed at FSPB CLARE at YS2083 as a combined HQ with ARVN Marine Brigade to direct operations in HAT DICH (18-30 Jul). 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in the 1 ATF TAOR and in AO ROSSLEA. HQ 1 ATF Main remained in 1 ATF Base.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn(-) and one sect remains with HQ 1 ATF FWD at FSPB CLARE YS2083. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp supported 5 RAR operations in AO PANTHER. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 9 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER supported by sect 105 Fd Bty and 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav. One company remained in base providing the Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage
0905H	YS402769	VC Base Camp	100/100. Results: 1 Mil structure destroyed, 6 bunkers destroyed, 5 bunkers exposed and damaged, 4 tables destroyed, water bottles and clothing scattered in area.
1510H	YS465540	VC Base Camp	100/70. Results: Neg further due to weather.
1730H	YS571792	VC Base Camp	100/50. Results: 2 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker exposed.
1705H	YS571792	VC Base Camp	100/50. Results: 2 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) (Late Entry) At 231330H at YS699692, Atk Pl 5 RAR sighted one enemy withdrew West.
- (2) At 240001 at YS645610, 2/48 ARVN contacted an estimated Pl of VC. Results: 4 VC KIA(BC), 1 x AK50, 2 x MI carbines, documents captured.
- (3) At 240950H at YS513544, 2 Pl W Coy located an M16 mine.
- (4) At 241100H at YS648608, B Coy 5 RAR located a squad size bunkers containing a quantity of rice. Bunker and contents destroyed.
- (5) At 241105H at YS770771 5 RAR located 20 huts with bunkers under the huts. Huts and bunkers destroyed.
- (6) At 241230H at YS629607, 2/48 contacted an estimated squad of VC in an old hut. Clothing and quantity of rice found. Hut and contents destroyed.
- (7) At 241330H at YS760747, 5 RAR located and destroyed 5 bunkers and 3 huts.

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- (8) At 241600H at YS367894, 3 Pl A Coy 9 RAR contacted 1 VC with negative results.
- (9) At 241615H at YS567763, B Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a cornfield, food, shelters and trip wires were attached to chicom grenades.
- (10) At 241625H at YS367894, 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR contacted 1 VC. Results: 1 Aust WIA, DOW en route to Hospital.
- (11) At 241730H at YS591689, 4 Pl B Coy 6 RAR contacted 10 VC. Results: 1 Aust WIA, 2 VC KIA (poss).
- (12) At 241255H at YS238828, 3 Marine Bn contacted 5 VC - neg results.
- c. Results.
- (1) Friendly Losses.
- (a) Personnel - 2 Aust WIA (evacuated). (1 DOW en route to hospital).
- (b) Material - Nil.
- (2) Enemy Losses
- (a) Personnel - 4 VC KIA (BC) by ARVN.
- (b) Material - 1 x AK50, 2 x M1 carbines, documents, 1 x M16 mine, quantity food, 1 x chicom grenade.
- d. Locations.
- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) YS558748, 3 Tp YS532756, 4 Tp YS497507, 3 Tp YS647661.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) FSPB CLARE, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS500516, 3 Tp (-).
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST YS4955, 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER, B Bty 2/35 US Arty (-) 1 ATF Base, Sect 105 Fd Bty FSPB ELAINE.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB MAINE A Coy (-) YS777770, B Coy HORSESHOE HILL, C Coy 1 ATF Base, D Coy (-) YS779714.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy (-) YS523547, B Coy (-) YS596684, V Coy (-) YS440572, D Coy (-) YS500516, W Coy (-) YS477600
- (6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy YS364896, B Coy YS372886, C Coy YS387902, D Coy YS300902.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy (-) YS561620, 2 Coy (-) YS603638, 3 Coy (-) YS557608.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.
- e. Plans Summary.
- (1) 1 ATF Liaison team FSPB CLARE YS2083 with ARVN Marine Bde HQ, Op HAT DICH 18 - 30 Jul.
- (2) 5 RAR(-). 1 ATF Base and conduct phase 2 ops in LONG LE District. Provides Ready Reaction coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND EXTENDED, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
- (4) 9 RAR. Four coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde.
- (5) 2/48 ARVN(-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (6) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962
- (7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO NICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (9) LRRPs deployed - 8.
- f. Small Unit Actions.
- (1) Company - Two
Platoon - Nil
Squad - Eight
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has eight LRRPs deployed.

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2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts.

(a) Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by RAAF and Psy Ops sect targeted at elements of D445 N of NUI NHON. The themes were Chieu Hoi and surrender. Total broadcast time was 3 hours.

(b) Integrated Civic Action Programme. 1 CAP was conducted at BINH BA Village for a total time of two and a half hours.

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26 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 250001H to 252400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF Fwd returned to 1 ATF Base. 1 ATF Liaison team remains with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ in AO TRACKER.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ B Sqn (-) returned to 1 ATF Base. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp RF training in AO STRAND. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. No contact and 34 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Completed RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER and returned to 1 ATF Base. Conduct base patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
0915H	YS395797	VC Base Camp	100/50. 3 bunkers destroyed, 4 bunkers exposed, 2 tables exposed.
0940H	YS395797	VC Base Camp	100/70. 2 bunkers destroyed, 3 bunkers exposed, 1 bunker damaged, 1 military structure exposed, cans and clothing scattered in area.
1235H	YS295845	VC Base Camp	100/50. 1 bunker destroyed, 1 bunker slightly damaged and exposed, 2 dud bombs.
<u>CSS 24/25 Jul 69.</u>			
2148H	YS45365417	VC Base Camp	Bombs on target. 1 4X4X4 pit exposed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed, 3 weapon pits exposed, 30 meters trench exposed.
<u>Air Strike 24 Jul 69.</u>			
1510H	YS465540	VC Base Camp	3 large bunkers destroyed, tunnel entrance 2' square exposed, 1 track well used exposed. There are 4 additional bunkers that can be hit.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At YS487670 6 RAR Pt1 located 300 rounds of rimmed 7.62 ammo.
- (2) At 250645H at YS500548 6 RAR led by Hoi Chanh located a M16 mine.

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- (3) At 251045H at YS498611 6 RAR led by Hoi Chanh located 4 X M16 mines, 4 fuses.
- (4) At 251145H at YS500597 6 RAR led by Hoi Chanh located 28 X M16 mines with fuses, 66 X M26 grenades with anti lift devices.
- (5) At 251530H at YS373889 6 Pl B Coy 9 RAR located a bunker system.
- (6) At 251720H at YS561761 B Sqn 1 Armd Group contacted 7 - 10 VC. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 WIA (poss) Blood trails, 1 X M1 carbine and ammo captured.
- (7) At 251745H at YS5867 B Coy 6 RAR located 2 bodies 2 days old believed to be results of 4 Pl B Coy 6 RAR contact of 231300H Jul 69.
- (8) At YS 781707 5 RAR located 14 huts and 15 bunkers. Recovered were 20 rounds 30 cal, 1 rifle 30 cal (US), 3 lb rice, 2 lbs salt.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. Nil.

(b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 3 KIA (BC) (2 KIA from 23 Jul 69), 1 WIA (poss) blood trails.

(b) Material. 300 X 7.62 rimmed, 33 X M16 mines with fuses, 66 X M26 grenades, 1 X M1 rifle with ammo, 20 rounds 30 cal, 1 X rifle 30 cal (US), 3 lbs rice, 2lbs salt.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) YS547777, 2 Tp YS547777, 4 Tp YS500516.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS500516, 3 Tp YS646662.

(3) 5 RAR. 1 ATF Base. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy (-) YS523547, B Coy (-) YS596684, V Coy (-) YS441574, D Coy (-) YS500516, W Coy YS477600.

(5) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy (-) YS363895, B Coy YS372886, C Coy (-) YS387905, D Coy (-) YS297892.

(6) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy (-) YS561620, 2 Coy (-) YS568620, 3 Coy (-) YS567617.

(7) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 1 ATF Liaison Team with Vietnamese Bde HQ, Op HAT DICH 18 - 30 Jul 69.

(2) 5 RAR (-). 1 ATF Base, conduct phase 2 ops in LONG LE District. Provides Ready Reaction Company. One company conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(3) 6 RAR. Three companies conduct RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing operations vicinity YS4854. One company conducts RIF and ambush operations in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One company conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND extended, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ located FSPB THRUST.

(4) 9 RAR. Two companies conduct RIF operations in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, Bn HQ located FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Op HAT DICH, combined op with ARVN Marine Bde. Two companies to LCT Base YS2981, clear area in preparation for land clearing operations commencing 28 Jul 69.

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(5) 2/48 ARVN. Conduct RIF and ambush operations in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ located FSPB BATON YS557617.

(6) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 operations in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides tank troops to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One troop one AMC sect LCT/9 RAR. Provides one troop for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

(9) LRRP's deployed - eight.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Two.
Platoon - One.
Squad - Eight.

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has eight LRRP's deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Aircraft Broadcasts. Aircraft broadcasts were conducted by USAF targeted at VC units in LONG HAIS. The themes were Chieu Hoi or surrender. The total broadcast time was two hours.

b. Vietnamese Marines.

(1) 3rd and 5th Vietnamese Marine Bn continued to operate in their AO.

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27 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP).
From 260001H to 262400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANH III in 1 ATF AO and AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF Liaison team remains with Vietnamese Marine Bde in AO TRACER.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides onsect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp RF training in AO STRAND. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 1 contact and 19 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Completed RIF and ambush operations in AO PANTHER and returned to 1 ATF Base. Conduct base patrols and providing Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END, STRAND, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHYRY. Deployed elements into AO PORPHYRY extended.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. The significant airstrikes were:

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
0940H	YS662585	VC Base Camp	100/10%, unknown results.
1101H	YS670583 YS662585	VC Base Camp	100/30%, 1 tunnel entrance destroyed.
1355H	YS459537	VC Base Camp	100/30%, results - negative further.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 261750H at YS365888 a party from 2/A/9 RAR were moving through a bunker system to A Coy loc when they saw two enemy in a bunker. They engaged the enemy who returned fire with RPG and small arms. 2 Pl carried out a sweep and the enemy withdrew West. Results: 500 rounds AK47, 1 RPG 2 round, two sets webbing and two magazines captured. 1 Aust WIA.
- (2) At 261615H at YS591671 2 to 3 enemy engaged the sentry of 5/B/6 RAR. Results: unknown.
- (3) At 261700H at YS534675 6/B/6 RAR engaged two enemy moving down a track. The enemy went to ground and threw grenades. Results: 2 VC WIA (Bloodtrail), 1 AK47 captured. 3 Aust WIA.

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c. Results.(1) Friendly Losses.(a) Personnel. 4 WIA.(b) Material. Nil(2) Enemy Losses.(a) Personnel. 2 WIA (poss) bloodtrails.(b) Materiel. 1 x AK 47, 500 rounds AK 47 ammo, 1 RPG 2 round.d. Locations.(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base, SHQ YS466775, 4 Tp YS500516.(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS500516, 2 Tp LONG BINH, 3 Tp YS666678.(3) 5 RAR. 1 ATF Base. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL.(4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy (-) YS523547, B Coy (-) YS596684, V Coy (-) YS441574, D Coy (-) YS500516, W Coy YS477600.(5) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy (-) YS365883, B Coy (-) YS372887, C Coy (-) YS391899, D Coy (-) YS301821.(6) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy (-) YS564597, 2 Coy (-) YS557617, 3 Coy (-) YS567617.(7) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.e. Plans Summary.

(1) 1 ATF Liaison Team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, OP HAT DICH 18-30 Jul 69.

(2) 5 RAR (-). 1 ATF Base, conduct Phase 2 ops in LONG LE district. Provides Ready Reaction coy. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.(3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts Phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC district in AO STRAND extended, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ FSPB THRUST.(4) 9 RAR. Two coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Two coys LCT base YS2981, RIF and protection of land clearing ops.(5) 2/48 ARVN (-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGARIE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS557617.(6) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues Phase 2 ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides tk tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One tp one AMC sect LCT/9 RAR. Provides one tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.f. Small Unit Actions.(1) Company - one
Platoon - nil
Squad - nine

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has eight LRRP's deployed.

(3) Small Unit actions with contact: Nil.

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2. Combined Operations.

- a. 236 RF Coy less one Pl and one Pl of 611 RF coy operated in support of elements of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt in the XUYEN MOC area.
- b. 480 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN Bn in AO WIANGAREE.

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28 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 270001H to 272400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in 1 ATF AO and AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4755. 1 ATF Liaison team remains with Vietnamese Marine Bde in RTAVF TAOR vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779. One tp deployed to op con 9 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp RF training in AO STRAND. 2 Tp deployed with one AMC Sect to op con 9 RAR AO PORPHRY (extended) for LCT protection. Road security and convoy escorts continued.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 25 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Complete 1 ATF Base. Conducts base AO patrols and provides Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO's WEST END centre of mass YS5456, STRAND centre of mass YS6372, ROSSLEA supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHRY centre of mass YS3686, supported by 161 Fd Bty. Deployed elements into AO PORPHRY (extended) supported by elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt, and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6061, and AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. Significant Air Strikes were:

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
0915H	YS608584	VC Base Camp	100/30%, results: 20m of trench and 1 bunker exposed.
1400H	YS442561	VC Base Camp	100/20%, results: negative further.

b. Contacts and Incidents

- (1) At 271010H, 2 Pl A Coy 9 RAR during a search of a bunker at YS365888 found 10 lbs of rice, 2 chicom fragmentation grenades, 50 AK47 rounds, 1 shovel, 1 blanket, 2 packets of meat and one AK47 mag.
- (2) At 270947H a 5 Pl B Coy 6 RAR ambush sentry engaged one VC, at YS590670 while ambush party was changing position. Enemy withdrew North.

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- (3) At 271156H, A Coy 6 RAR located a bunker system at YS49570.
- (4) At 271235H, 4 Pl B Coy 6 RAR located 5 x RPG7 rounds and 3xRPG2 rounds at YS578676.
- (5) At 271430H, 1 Pl W Coy 6 RAR at YS457566 detonated an M16 mine. Main charge did not detonate - no cas.
- (6) At 271536H, 4 Pl B Coy 6 RAR located two further caches at YS580673. Recovered were 30 fragmentation grenades, 400x7.92 rounds 1xAtk mine, 20x75mm RCL rounds, 1x57mm RCL HE round, 19xRPG2 rounds and 14 RPG2 boosters, 3 RPG7 rounds, 1 anti aircraft gun sight and 580x7.62 short rounds.
- (7) At 271615H, elements of 2/48 ARVN Bn contacted 2 VC at YS540582. Enemy withdrew West with negative results.

c. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

- (a) Personnel. Nil.
- (b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses

- (a) Personnel. Nil.
- (b) Material. 8xRPG7 rounds, 22xRPG2 rounds, 14xRPG2 boosters, 20x75mm RCL rounds, 1x57mm RCL HE round, 32xfragmentation grenades, 400x7.92mm rounds, 580x7.62mm short rounds, 1xAnti Tank mine.

d. Locations

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base, SHQ YS465791, 4 Tp YS500516.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn(-) 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST, 2 Sect 1 Tp YS500516, 2 Tp YS295792, 3 Tp YS666678.
- (3) 5 RAR. 1 ATF Base. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955, A Coy(-) YS538560, B Coy(-) YS596684, V Coy(-) YS441574, D Coy(-) YS500516, W Coy(-) YS477600.
- (5) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686, A Coy YS365888, B Coy YS364889, C Coy YS302815, D Coy(-) YS306822.
- (6) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561, 1 Coy(-) YS560593, 2 Coy(-) YS557617, 3 Coy(-) YS560606.
- (7) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary

- (1) 1 ATF Liaison Team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, Op HAT DICH 18 - 30 Jul 69.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 Ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides tk tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One Tp one AMC sect LCT/9 RAR. Provides one tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (4) 5 RAR(-). 1 ATF Base, conduct phase 2 Ops in Long Le District Provides Ready Reaction Coy. One coy conducts retaining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

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(5) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND (extended), centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.

(6) 9 RAR. Two coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Two coys LCT Base YS2981, RIF and protection of land clearing ops.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 1
Squad - 8
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: One.

2. Combined Operations

- a. 236 RF Coy less one Pl and one Pl of 611 RF Coy operated in support of elements of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt in the XUYEN MOC area.
- b. 480 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN Bn in AO WIANGAREE.

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SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 280001H to 282400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) HQ 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANH III in 1 ATF TAOR and AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF Liaison team remains with Vietnamese Marine Bde in RTAVF TAOR vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Elements remained op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779. One tp deployed to op con 9 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHY (extended).
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. 3 Tp continues Phase II ops in AO STRAND. 2 Tp op con to 9 RAR in AO PORPHY (extended) for LCT protection. Road security and convoy escorts continue.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Three contact, six H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. 5 RAR (-) 1 ATF Base. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL training 2/52 ARVN. Conducts base AO patrols and provides Ready Reaction Company.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA and WEST END centre of mass YS5456 supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and AO STRAND centre of mass YS6372.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHY centre of mass YS3686 supported by 161 Fd Bty, elements in AO PORPHY (extended) supported by elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt for protection of land clearing ops.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6061 and AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) Air Support. Significant Air Strikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Target Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
1310H	YS394797	VC Base Camp	100/30% 3 bkrs dest, 1 secondary exp. 2 dud bombs.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 281000H at YS581672 6 RAR located 13 bunkers.
- (2) At YS365888 1 Pl located a typewriter, and one body 2 or 3 days old believed killed by Arty.
- (3) At YS543778 Task Force located 9 bunkers and 20 pits, 1 tunnel. Bunkers contained cooking utensils, webbing and explosives.
- (4) At 281510H at YS438575 6 RAR located an M16 mine.
- (5) At 281730H at YS438571 V Coy 6 RAR led by HOI CHANH located a cache containing 500 lbs rice in 13 x 4 gal drums.
- (6) At 282130H at YS476569 3 Pl V Coy contacted 4 VC. Results neg friendlies - VC unknown. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

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c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel Nil.

(b) Material Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel 1 VC KBA (BC).

(b) Material 500 lbs rice, 1 x M16 mine, quantity explosives and 1 x typewriter.

d. Locations.

(1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) NUI DAT; Sqn HQ YS452798; 1 Tp YS305824 (LCT); 3 Tp YS452798; 4 Tp YS506516.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) NUI DAT; TA1 FSPB THRUST; TA2 YS305824; TA3 YS668660.

(3) 1 Fd Regt. 1 Fd Regt (-) 1 ATF Base; 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST YS4955; 161 Fd Bty FSPB DAMPIER YS3686; 2/35 B Bty US Army 1 ATF Base.

(4) 5 RAR. 1 ATF Base; B Coy HORSESHOE HILL.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS4955; A Coy (-) YS548560; B Coy YS605677; V Coy (-) YS441584; D Coy (-) YS500516; W Coy (-) YS477600.

(6) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER YS3686; A Coy YS365888; B Coy YS364889; C Coy YS305824; D Coy (-) YS302822.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON YS5561; 1 Coy (-) YS564595; 2 Coy (-) YS557617; 3 Coy (-) YS573612.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

(1) 1 ATF liaison team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, Op HAT DICH 18 - 30 Jul 69.

(2) 5 RAR (-). 1 ATF Base, conduct Phase II ops in LONG LE District. Two Coys deploy to YS2981 assume responsibility for land clearing ops protection. Provides Ready Reaction Coy. One Coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(3) 6 RAR. Three Coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One Coy conducts Phase II ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND extended, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.

(4) 9 RAR. Two Coys conduct RIF ops in AO PORPHYRY, centre of mass YS3686, Bn HQ loc FSPB DAMPIER YS3686. Two Coys return to 1 ATF Base.

(5) 2/48 (-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two Coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.

(6) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(7) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues Phase II ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 6 RAR, 9 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(8) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides Sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One Tp one AMC Sect LCT/9 RAR. Provides One Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - Three

Platoon - One

Squad - Nine

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has ten LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

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Combined Operations.

- a. 236 RF Coy less One Pl and One Pl of 611 RF Coy operated in support of elements of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt in the XUYEN MOC area.
- b. 480 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN in AO WIANGAREE.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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30 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 290001H to 292400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) HQ 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in 1 ATF TAOR and AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF Liaison Team remains with Vietnamese Marine Brigade in RTAVF TAOR vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Provided one tp op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779. One tp deployed to op con 5 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One tp continues phase 2 ops in AO STRAND. One tp op con to 5 RAR in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (4) Task Force Artillery. No contact and 15 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Elms of 5 RAR deployed into AO PORPHRY with under comd one tp B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and one tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and in direct support 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs for land clearing operations. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL training 2/52 ARVN. Provides Ready Reaction Coy.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA and WEST END centre of mass YS5456 supported by 101 Fd Bty and elms of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and AO STRAND centre of mass YS6372.
- (8) 9 RAR. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHRY centre of mass YS3686 supported by 161 Fd Bty.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6061 and AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs remained in direct support of 5 RAR for land clearing ops in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (12) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

Time	Coordinates	Tgt Description	Bomb Damage Assessment
0930H	YS442560	VC Base Camp	100/80. Neg further
0955H	YS442560	VC Base Camp	100/50. Neg further
1015H	YS442560	VC Base Camp	90/30. Neg further
1530H	YS464546 YS464548 YS474536 YS472534		50% of bombs fell in tgt area. 75mtrs trench exp and des 140 mtrs trench exp and dam.
1805H	YS343882	VC Base Camp	100/50. Neg further
1302H	YS394797	VC Base Camp	100/30. Neg BDA at this time due to weather.

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b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 290640H at YS564597, A Coy 2/48 ARVN contacted two enemy who withdrew South East with unknown results. 1 VN WIA, 1 US WIA.
- (2) At 290930H at YS547574, A Coy 6 RAR located a platoon sized base camp recently lived in.
- (3) At 291115H at YS440870, elms of Tank Force contacted two enemy. 1 rifle and two haversacks with documents captured.
- (4) At 291230H at YS552580, 3 Pl A Coy 6 RAR located 1 M16 mine. Mine lifted for destruction.

c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

- a. Personnel Nil.
- b. Materiel Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

- a. Personnel Nil.
- b. Materiel 1 Rifle, 1 M16 mine, 2 haversacks.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS306823. 3 Tp YS460860.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 2 Tp YS306823. 3 Tp YS668680.
- (3) 5 RAR. Bn HQ (-) YS336842. B Coy (-) HORSESHOE HILL. C Coy (-) YS303809. D Coy (-) YS306823.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS523547. B Coy (-) YS605677. V Coy (-) DINH CO. D Coy (-) YS500516. W Coy (-) YS477600.
- (5) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER. A Coy FSPB DAMPIER. B Coy YS371878. C Coy YS304809. D Coy 1 ATF Base.
- (6) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON. 1 Coy (-) YS560619. 2 Coy (-) YS557617. 3 Coy (-) YS567609. 480 RF Coy YS546611.
- (7) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides tk tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One tp, one AMC sect LCT/5 RAR. Provides one tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (3) 1 ATF Liaison team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, FSPB GREY.
- (4) 5 RAR (-). Two coys RIF and protection of land clearing ops YS2981. One coy RIF and ambush ops vic YS3283. Bn HQ FSPB POLLY YS3283. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.
- (5) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Elm protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase 2 ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND Extended, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
- (6) 9 RAR. 1 ATF Base. Conducts phase 2 ops LONG DIEN District. Provides Ready Reaction Coy.
- (7) 2/48 ARVN (-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - Three.
Platoon - One.
Squad - Seven.
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has ten LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact - One.

2. Combined Operations (Psy Ops)

- a. 236 RF Coy less One Pl and One Pl of 611 RF Coy operated in support of elements of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt in the XUYEN MOC area.

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- b. 480 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN in AO WIANGAREE.
- c. Psy Ops.
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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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31 Jul 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 300001H to 302400H Jul 69.

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) HQ 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG III in 1 ATF TAOR and AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF Liaison Team remains with Vietnamese Marine Brigade in RTAVF TAOR vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Provides one tp op con 6 RAR in AO ROSSLEA and continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779. One tp op con 5 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides one sect to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One tp deployed to block position vic YS6168 in op against D445. One tp op con to 5 RAR in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (4) Task Force Artillery. One contact and 9 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. TAC HQ camps TWO coys in AO PORPHRY with under comd one tp B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and one tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and in direct support 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs for land clearing operations. B Coy HORSESHOE HILL training 2/52 ARVN.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA and WEST END centre of mass YS5456 supported by 101 Fd Bty and elms of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. One coy to block position vic YS5768 D445 op.
- (8) 9 RAR(-). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHRY centre of mass YS3686 supported by 161 Fd Bty. One coy 1 ATF Base (Ready Reaction Coy), one coy stand down.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN(-). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6061 and AO WIANGAREE. 2 coys block 55 - 58 Easting 67 Northing.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs remained in direct support of 5 RAR for land clearing ops in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (12) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

<u>Time</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Target Description</u>	<u>Bomb Damage Assessment</u>
0854H	YS662583	VC Base Camp	100/20. 1 bunker damaged.
1410H	YS457549	VC Base Camp	100/100. Negative further.
1440H	YS467539	VC Base Camp	90/20. Negative further.
1210H	YS480511	VC Base Camp	100/30. Negative further.
1610H	YS348687	VC Base Camp	100/30. 1 tunnel entrance exposed, 1 secondary exposed.

b. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 301200H approximately at YS560660 elms of 2/48 captured a PW.
- (2) At 301430H at YS309830 D Coy 5 RAR located a cache containing the following: 1 chicom MG, 2 - .30 cal German rifles, 5 Bangalore torpedoes, 2 RPG 2 rounds, 1 RPG booster, 3 aircraft bombs, 1 mortar sight, 1 - 60 mm mortar round, 20,000 assorted SA rounds and 1000 - 7.92 link.
- (3) At 301625H at YS302800 8 Pl C Coy 5 RAR located six bunkers. At YS302803 located seven bunkers. One body, estimated to be one week old was discovered in one of six bunkers at YS302800.
- (4) At 301700H at YS336844, elements of 5 RAR located a M16 mine with chicom explosive plus five 81 mm mortar rounds. All items were rigged as a mine/booby trap but were uncovered by a dozer blade.

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c. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

- a. Personnel - Nil
- b. Material - Nil

(2) Enemy Losses.

- a. Personnel - Nil
- b. Material - 1 chicom MG, 2 - .30 cal guman rifles, 5 Bangalore torpedoes, 2 RPG 2 rounds, 1 RPG booster, 1 mortar sight, 20,000 assorted SA rounds.

d. Locations.

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS306823. 3 Tp YS549777.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. B Sqn (-) 1 ATF Base. 1 Tp YS546673. 2 Tp YS306823. 3 Tp YS593685.
- (3) 5 RAR. Bn HQ (-) YS336842. A Coy (-) YS550679. B Coy (-) HORSESHOE HILL. C Coy (-) YS306793. D Coy (-) YS306823.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST. A Coy (-) YS523547. B Coy (-) YS581675. V Coy (-) YS562690. D Coy (-) YS500516. W Coy (-) YS477600.
- (5) 9 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DAMPIER. A Coy 1 ATF Base. B Coy YS371876. C Coy YS337841. D Coy 1 ATF Base.
- (6) 2/48 ARVN. Bn HQ FSPB BATON. 1 Coy (-) YS555679, 2 Coy (-) FSPB BATON. 3 Coy (-) YS564677. 480 RF Coy YS543613.
- (7) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans Summary.

- (1) 1 ATF Liaison Team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase two ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One Tp one AMC Sect LCT/5 RAR. Provides one Tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.
- (4) 5 RAR (-). Two coys RIF and protection of land clearing ops YS2981. One coy RIF and ambush ops vic YS3283. Bn HQ FSPB POLLY YS3283. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (5) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects land clearing ops vic YS4854. One coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. One coy conducts phase two ops in XUYEN MOC District in AO STRAND EXTENDED, centre of mass YS6471. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.
- (6) 9 RAR. 1 ATF Base. Conducts phase two ops LONG DIEN District, provides Ready Reaction Coy.
- (7) 2/48 (-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.
- (8) 2/52 ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - Two
Platoon - Nil
Squad - Seven
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has seven LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact - Nil

2. Combined Operations.

- a. 236 RF Coy less One Pl and One Pl of 611 RF Coy operated in support of elements of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt in the XUYEN MOC area.
- b. 480 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN in AO WIANGAREE.
- c. Psy Ops.
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

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1 Aug 69

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 310001H to 312400H Jul 69

TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) HQ 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANH III in 1 ATF TAOR and AO ROSSLEA. 1 ATF Liaison team remains with Vietnamese Marine Brigade in RTAVF TAOR vic FSPB GREY.
- (2) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continued pacification operations in AO MICK centre of mass YS4779. One tp op con 5 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides one tp to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One tp and elements of sp tp to 5 RAR for LCT protection in AO PORPHRY (extended). Elements of sp tp op con B Sqn 1 Armd in AO MICK. Road security and convoy escorts continue.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 3 contact and 2 H and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Continued land clearing operations in AO ROSSLEA.
- (6) 5 RAR. Completed deployment into AO PORPHRY (extended) for Land Clearing Operations. Under comd one tp B Sqn 1 Armd one tp and elements of sp tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and in direct support 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs. Supported by 105 Fd Bty.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) (-). Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROSSLEA and WESTEND supported by 101 Fd Bty and elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Two coys returned to 1 ATF Base.
- (8) 9 RAR. Completed RIF and ambush operations in AO PORPHRY and returned to 1 ATF Base. Conducts base AO patrols and provides Ready Reaction Company.
- (9) 2/48 ARVN. Continued RIF and ambush operations in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6061 and AO WIANGAREE.
- (10) 2/52 ARVN. Remained at HORSESHOE HILL carrying out training.
- (11) 501 Land Clearing Coy US Engrs. remained in direct support of 5 RAR for land clearing ops in AO PORPHRY (extended).
- (12) Air Support. Significant airstrikes were:

TIME	COORDINATES	TARGET DESCRIPTION	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
1005H	YS401820	VC Base Camp	100/50%, Negative further.
1040H	YS493510	VC Base Camp	100/50%, 2 tunnel entrances exposed.
1115H	YS518585	VC Base Camp	100/10%, 2 bunkers exposed, 1 bunker damaged.

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b. Contacts and Incidents

- (1) At 311230H, 311250H, 311310H at YS508550 elements of LCT with 6 RAR located 2 x M16 mines and 1 x 20 mm HE AA rounds.
- (2) At 311640H at YS505555 elements of LCT with 6 RAR detonated a mine resulting in 1 x D8 dozer moderately damaged. Also located 2 x M26 grenades.
- (3) At 311230H at YS552581, 3 Pl A Coy 6 RAR located and destroyed 6 x M16 mines. The mines are to have been laid 5 to 6 days ago.
- (4) At 311200H at YS550565 A Coy 6 RAR located 17 bunkers in good condition and 10 bunkers very old. Last occupied by 1 or 2 persons 3 days ago. Search continues.
- (5) At 311330 at YS315803 7 Pl C Coy 5 RAR located 5 bunkers. In one bunker they located footprints believed 30 mins old. 2 mortar aiming post were also located. 7 Pl and elements of Atk followed tracks and found blood trails. At 1425 hrs 7 Pl sighted 2 enemy. Scout fired killing first enemy 2nd enemy returned fire with RPG and withdrew. Results 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 x AK47 2 x anti-tk grenades captured, some documents and equipment captured.
- (6) At 311530H at YS534797 elements of Sp Tp B Sqn 3 Cav op con to B Sqn 1 Armd sighted 1 enemy and heard voices. Engaged area with organic weapons, negative results.
- (7) At 311230H at YS312790 8 Pl C Coy 5 RAR located a cache containing 160 lbs rice, 3 transistor radios some radio parts, 1 raincoat, 1 ameter.
- (8) At (approx) 311645H at YS312801 7 Pl C Coy 5 RAR contacted an unknown number of enemy. LFT and Spooky supported the contact. Results: 1 Aust (KIA), 1 Aust WIA (evacuated), 1 Aust WIA (not evacuated). Enemy casualties not known at this stage, area will be swept tomorrow.

c. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 1 Aust KIA
1 Aust WIA (evacuated)
1 Aust WIA (not evacuated)
 - (b) Material: 1 D8 Dozer moderately damaged.
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 1 VC KIA (BC)
 - (b) Material: 8 x M16 mines, 1 x 20 mm HE AA round, 2 x M26 grenades, 2 x mortar aiming posts, 1 x AK47, 2 x Anti Tk grenades, 160 lbs rice, 3 x transistor radios, 1 x ameter.

d. Locations

- (1) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn HQ and 3 Tp YS538773; 1 Tp YS305823.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt(-). 1 ATF Base, 1 Sect 1 Tp FSPB THRUST YS5055, 2 Tp YS305842, elements Sp Tp YS538773.
- (3) Task Force Artillery. 1 Fd Regt(-) 1 ATF Base, 101 Fd Bty FSPB THRUST YS5055, 105 Fd Bty FSPB POLLY, YS3484, B Bty 2/35 Arty US 1 ATF Base.
- (4) 5 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB YS3484, A Coy(-) YS304834, C Coy YS312801, D Coy YS305823.

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(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ FSPB THRUST YS5055, A Coy(-) YS528547, B Coy 1 ATF Base, V Coy 1 ATF Base, D Coy YS500516 W Coy YS477600.

(6) 9 RAR. 1 ATF Base.

(7) 2/48 ARVN. 1 Coy(-) YS560609, 2 Coy(-) YS557626, 3 Coy(-) YS567618.

(8) 2/52 ARVN. HORSESHOE HILL.

e. Plans summary.

(1) 1 ATF Liaison Team with Vietnamese Marine Bde HQ, FSPB GREY.

(2) 5 PAR. Two coys RIF and protection of land clearing ops YS2981. One coy RIF and ambush ops vic YS3283. Bn HQ FSPB POLLY YS3238. One coy conducts retraining 2/52 ARVN at HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

(3) 6 RAR. Three coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROSSLEA, centre of mass YS4745. Element protects Land Clearing ops vic YS4854. One Coy conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WEST END, centre of mass YS5456. Bn HQ loc FSPB THRUST.

(4) 9 RAR. 1 ATF Base. Conducts phase 2 ops Long Dien District, provides Ready Reaction Company.

(5) B Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Continues phase 2 ops in AO MICK, centre of mass YS4679. Provides Tk Tps to 5 RAR, 6 RAR and 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force.

(6) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Provides sects to 6 RAR and LCT in AO ROSSLEA. One Tp one AMC Sect LCT/5 RAR. Provides ont tp for Ready Reaction Force. Provides convoy escorts.

(7) 2/48(-). Conducts RIF and ambush ops in AO WIANGAREE centre of mass YS560600. Two coys conduct RIF and ambush ops in AO ROPE centre of mass YS6064. Bn HQ loc FSPB BATON YS557617.

(8) 2/52.ARVN. Undergoes retraining HORSESHOE HILL YS4962.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - two
Platoon - one
m Squad - eight.

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has six LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small Unit actions with contact: Three.

2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological operations - omitted.

b. 840 RF Coy operates with 2/48 ARVN in AO WIANGAREE.

3. Land Clearing Operations

a. 1 Fd Sqn Land Clearing Team op con 6 RAR cleared area bounded by YS508547, YS517548, YS504557 and YS507558.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORTS AND SUMMARIES ISSUED

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 182-69.
2. Period covered from 010001H to 012400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts with Task Force elements during the reporting period.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO TOM THUMB.
 - (a) (010905H) At YS563937, 4/B/9 RAR contacted unknown number of enemy moving SOUTH. The enemy withdrew NORTH. Results: One enemy WIA (bloodtrail), one Aust WIA. Recovered were 25 lbs of raw rice, 10 lbs of tobacco and a quantity of clothing.
 - (2) AO ALDGATE.
 - (a) (011705H) At YS491519, 2/A/5RAR contacted one enemy who withdrew EAST leaving a bloodtrail. On making a sweep of the area, elements of 2 Pl were engaged by M-71 fire. Results: One enemy WIA (bloodtrail).
 - b-c. Omitted.
 - d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.
 - (1) (011320H) At YS632648, elements of 236 RF Coy contacted an estimated two enemy squads who withdrew SOUTH. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, two RF WIA.
 - (2) (011620H) At YS572772, elements of 2/48 ARVN Bn located and destroyed approx $\frac{3}{4}$ acre of corn.
 - (3) (012050H) At YS653677, one to two enemy entered XUYEN MOC and fired one RPG round at a Self Defence Force bunker. Results: Unknown casualties; contact broken at 2100H.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Omitted.
 - b. WIA - 2
 - c - f. Omitted.
 - g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.
 - (1) Enemy WIA - 2
 - (2) - (4) Omitted.
 - (5) - (6) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - omitted.
 - (7) - (10) Omitted.
5. Obstacles and Barriers.
 - a. Mines and Booby Traps.
 - (1) (011120H) At YS490583, elements of D/5 RAR detonated a mine. Results: No casualties or damage.
 - b. Omitted.
- 6 - 8. Omitted.
- 9 - 10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.
11. Omitted.
12. Miscellaneous.
 - a - b. Omitted.
 - c. Corrections to Previous Intsums.
 - (1) Reference INTSUM Number 155-69. Para 4. f. (1), delete "5" and insert "4". Para 4.g.(3), delete "11" and insert "10".
 - (2) Reference INTSUM Number 163-69. Para 4. f. (1), delete "1" and insert "46". Amend subsequent INTSUMS accordingly.

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- (3) Reference INTSUM Number 164-69. Para 4. g. (3), amend to read "50". Amend subsequent INTSUMS accordingly.
 - (4) Reference INTSUM Number 170-69. Para 4. g. (3), amend to read "65". Amend subsequent INTSUMS accordingly.
 - (5) Reference INTSUM Number 176-69. Para 4. g. (3), amend to read "81". Amend subsequent INTSUMS accordingly.
 - (6) Reference INTSUM Number 181-69. Para 4. g, amend as follows:
 - (a) Para 4. g. (2) - Detainees - 33
 - (b) Para 4. g. (3) - Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 101.
 - (c) Para 4. g. (5-6) - Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.2 tons.
- d. Omitted.
- e. Other Items of Reporting Significance.
- (1) (011045H) From YS463783, an approximate enemy squad were reported to have entered BINH BA during the night of 30 Jun/1 Jul and were spreading propaganda in the village.
 - (2) (011900H) At YS317660, GVN Military Police sighted 40 enemy.

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- 1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 183-69.
- 2. Period covered from 020001H to 022400H Jul 69.
- 3. Summary of enemy activity. There was no contact during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO TOM THUMB.

(a) (021130H) At YS587909, D/9 RAR located a cache. Recovered were eleven SKS rifles, one M1, one GARAND rifle, one CHICOM type 43, one CHICOM type 56, box of 12.7mm ammo, nine grenades, one RPG2 round, one 82mm round, a quantity of SA ammo and a quantity of medical supplies - mainly tablets.

(b) (021540H) At YS588911, D/9 RAR located one SKS rifle, 79 claymore leads, two x four gallon drums of documents, 1 ammo box of documents.

b. Air Activity.

(1) (020005H) At YS284793 161 Recce Flt sighted an old base camp with several fresh bunkers and possibly a hut.

(2) (020730H) At YS290880, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Results: One large tunnel entrance exposed and damaged, three bunkers exposed, and three fighting pits were exposed and damaged.

(3) (020845H) At YS312801, 161 Recce Flt sighted a base camp with a large sheet of blue plastic on the ground - camp believed occupied.

(4) (021045H) At YS302792, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 100% coverage. Neg BDA.

(5) (021145H) At YS302793, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Results: one bunker destroyed, three bunkers exposed, one weapon pit exposed, three bunkers damaged, one spider hole exposed and one table destroyed.

(6) (021342H) At YS611805 RAAF sighted one bunker with good overhead protection.

(7) (021730H) At YS292875 an airstrike was conducted. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: 300 metres of trench exposed and 20 metres of bunkers exposed.

(8) (021730H) At YS302793 an airstrike was conducted against an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: 25 metres of trench destroyed, 75 metres of trench exposed, two bunkers collapsed and one bunker destroyed.

(9) Late Entry. (282400H) At YS390600-YS420570-YS430510-YS370050 RAAF sighted 30 sampan lights.

4. a-d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure

(1) Omitted

f. Enemy Weapon Losses

(1) Individual - 16.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy WIA - 2.

(2) Omitted.

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 16.

(5)-(10) Omitted.

5-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11-12. Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 184-69
2. Period covered from 030001H to 032400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO MOON

(a). (031715H). At YS 252794, elements of 6 RAR located an enemy base camp containing one old concealed tunnel, three bunkers, bamboo thatched huts and tables.

(b). (031330H). At YS 244790, elements of 6RAR located an enemy base camp containing two sleeping bunkers.

(c). (031630H). At YS 249795, elements of 6 RAR located an enemy base camp containing three large bunkers, one hut and one lean-to.

(2) Other Areas

(a). (031900H). At YS 641665, elements of B/3 Cav Regt sighted three enemy. The enemy were engaged with mortars as they withdrew to the NORTH EAST with unknown results.

b. Air Activity

(1). (030520H). At YS 292875, a CSS was conducted on an enemy base camp. There was no BDA.

(2). (030710H). At YS 309802, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Results: Five bunkers collapsed.

(3). (030725H). At YS 309802, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: One bunker destroyed, 50 metres of trench and two metal cylinders (4' by 6") exposed.

(4). (031015H). At YS 315792, 161 Recce Flt sighted a track running EAST - WEST through a camp.

(5). (031450H). At YS 629898, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 90% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: One bunker destroyed, one bunker and one table exposed.

(6). Late report. (021310H). Sniffer Mission Report. Strong readings were recorded at:

YS 543901-537899
 YS 553914
 YS 562899
 YS 530900
 YS 527875
 YS 528883
 YS 531920
 YS 537918
 YS 543897

Due to heavy winds these points are only approximate and could be in the case of YS 530900 be a friendly drift off.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(1). (030350H). At YS 650685, an unknown number of enemy attacked the National Police Field Force Post. One grenade was thrown by the enemy. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, friendly casualties nil.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a-f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

- (1). Enemy WIA - 2
- (2). Omitted.
- (3). Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 16
- (4-10). Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps

(1). (031000H). At YS 450583, elements of 5 RAR located an M16 pressure mine. There were no casualties and no damage.

b. Omitted.

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report " Enemy Situation in HUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11-12. Omitted.

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- 1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 185-69.
- 2. Period covered from 040001H to 042400H Jul 69.
- 3. Summary of enemy activity. There was no contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

- (1) AO TOM THUMB
 - (a) (040915H) Square YS6188, 7/B/9 RAR located signs of enemy movement on the NORTH/SOUTH track on the Western edge of the LZ.
- (2) AO MOON
 - (a) (041630H) Sp/6 RAR found tracks of 50/60 enemy who last night moved EAST along Fire Trail to YS256793 then veered SOUTH EAST. Area was checked yesterday when no tracks were found.
- (3) AO ALDGATE
 - (a) (032010) At YS432570 5 RAR reported Arty fired into an enemy group. Results of search this morning reveal one blood stained pack. One enemy WIA (poss).
 - (b) (041515H) At YS483536, C/5 RAR located a bunker system approx two years old. Recovered were: 2 x home made anti vehicle mines, 3 x manufactured anti-vehicle mines, 1 x CHICOM claymore mine, 1 x 105mm command detonated mine, 1 RPG2 round and a quantity of 7.62 CHICOM rounds.

b. Air Activity.

- (1) (041510H) At YS287777 an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 70% coverage. Results: 1 Bunker destroyed, 1 bunker exposed and 1 tunnel entrance exposed.
- (2) (041710H) At YS303794 an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 70% coverage. Results: 2 bunkers destroyed, 5 bunkers damaged and 2 bunkers exposed.

c-d. Omitted.

4.

a. Omitted.

b. WIA (poss) 1

c-e. Omitted

f. Enemy weapon losses.

- (1) Omitted
- (2) Omitted.

g. Cumulative totals for Jul 69.

- (1) Enemy WIA 2
WIA (poss) 1
- (2) Omitted.
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 16
- (5-10) Omitted.

5-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous.

a. S2 Comments.

- (1) Vis recce failed to locate significant numbers of enemy in the area EAST of THAI THIEN (YS2279) and PHU MY (YS2574) and there were no further signs of fresh diggings or camp construction. Track signs sighted by 6 RAR did however confirm heavy use of trails in SOM DA VANG area during the night 3-4 Jul 69. The BIEN HOA Agent report adds depth to the 1 ATF observations. An attack on THAI THIEN or PHU MY together with an attempt to cut Route QL15 by demolition or ambush is still considered to be imminent.
- (2) The lack of contact by 9 RAR in AO TOM THUMB during the operation so far suggests that personnel have moved into hiding or out of the immediate area of the base, possibly EAST of the SONG RAI. Elements left to guard caches of Rear Services Group 84 are likely to try to avoid contact and detection in the hope that 9 RAR will withdraw from the area.

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b-c. Omitted.

d. (031900H) Agent report from BIEN HOA states that a Sapper unit of 40/50 enemy were seen moving along trail from WEST to hamlet THAI THIEN, moving NORTH along Route 15 to two small bridges at YS224807 and YS218813. Evaluation C3.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

Report from a very reliable source.

(1) As of 1 Jul SR4 Base area vic YS310755 has approx 100 men armed with AK47, RPG2 and RPG7. Area has in excess of 40 reinforced tunnels and many fox holes.

(2) Med element SR4 is in vic YS310752. The number of patients is unknown but thought to be carry over from THAI contact of 15 Jun.

(3) 2 Bn SR4 vic YS310760 area has over 100 tunnels reinforced against airstrike and arty. The tunnels were constructed long ago.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 186-69.
2. Period covered from 050001H to 052400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were nine contacts and three mine incidents (two not in reporting period) with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO NOMAD

(a) (051510H) At YS349642, 10/D/5 RAR contacted three enemy who withdrew EAST. Results: One enemy KIA(BC), one enemy WIA (bloodtrail), one 7.62 mm SMG(NFI), one pack and a quantity of documents were recovered. One AUST was WIA.

(2) AO MOON

(a) (051714H) At YS258800, V/6 RAR contacted four enemy who did not return fire. Results: Three packs, cooking utensils and a quantity of SA ammunition were recovered.

(b) (051730H) At YS261802, elements of B/3 Cav Regt contacted four enemy who withdrew SOUTH EAST with unknown results. Recovered were: Twenty AK47 rounds and cooking utensils.

(c) (052109H) At YS262801, 3/V/6 RAR contacted an estimated six enemy. The enemy were engaged with SA, claymores and artillery fire. A sweep will be conducted at first light.

(3) AO TRANSVERSE

(a) (051115H) At YS446897, 2/B/3 Cav Regt contacted 20-25 enemy (MF) who withdrew NORTH, NORTH EAST and WEST. Results: One enemy WIA(POSS), four packs, quantity of documents, quantity of medical supplies and a quantity of 9 mm ammunition were recovered.

(b) (051905H) At YS442884, elements of 2/48 ARVN Bn contacted 2-3 enemy who withdrew SOUTH. Results: One enemy WIA(POSS), one pack was recovered.

(4) AO TOM THUMB

(a) (051530H) In the vicinity of YS565881, 10/D/9 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: 20 lbs of rice, quantity of tea, quantity of green plastic and one pair of sandals.

(b) (051600H) At YS561886, 11/D/9 RAR received three single shots of SA fire. Results: Enemy casualties unknown. There were no friendly casualties.

(c) (052025H) At YS605874, 7/C/9 RAR contacted one enemy. No further details are available at this stage.

(5) OTHER AREAS.

(a) (051745H) At YS612681, 1/B/3 Cav Regt contacted 20-30 enemy who withdrew SOUTH and EAST with unknown results. One AUST was WIA.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Late Entry. (040800H) At YS566770, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: Two bunkers, two weapon pits, three huts and one table destroyed, one tunnel entrance exposed.

(2) (050705H) At YS686882, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. There was no BDA.

(3) (051130H) At YS 3179, a B-52 airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. Results: Six bunkers and one structure destroyed, seven bunkers, two tunnel entrances, one hut and one breather hole exposed.

(4) (051433H) At YS280790, a B-52 airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. Results: Ten bunkers and one structure destroyed, nine bunkers exposed.

(5) (051445H) At YS587606, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 100% coverage. Results: One bunker, one table and one desk destroyed, four bunkers exposed.

(6) (051445H) At YS322810, 161 Recce Plt sighted a base camp consisting of six plus bunkers. The area was engaged with artillery. There was no BDA.

(7) (051502H) At YS320780, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Results: One bunker destroyed and one tunnel entrance exposed.

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(8) (051710H) At YS299798, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 20% coverage. There was no BDA.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (051800H) At YS446584, an RF Coy contacted two enemy. Results: One enemy KIA(BC), a pistol belt and 2 grenades were recovered.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b.		<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Possible</u>
	KIA by Ground Forces	2	-
	WIA	1	3

c.-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 1
(2) Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA(BC) - 2
WIA - 3
WIA(POSS) - 3
(2) Omitted.
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 17
(4-10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Late Report. (042107H) At YS490521, 7/C/5 RAR detonated an M16 mine. Results: One AUST KIA, ten AUST WIA.
(2) Late Report. (042205H) At YS490251, 7/C/5 RAR detonated an M16 mine. Results: One AUST KIA, seven AUST WIA.
(3) (050715H) At YS490521, elements of 5 RAR located an M16 mine. The mine was neutralized and lifted by a Combat Engineer Team. There were no casualties and no damage.

b. Omitted.

6 - 8. Omitted.

9 - 10 No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11 - 12. Omitted

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1. Australian Task Force INTSUM No 187-69.
2. Period covered 060001H to 062400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were THREE contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO MOON.
 - (a) (060955H) At YS273786 A/6 RAR located a recently used track running in an easterly direction and an area where stretcher poles had been cut. At approximately the same time at YS264798 V/6 RAR recovered a pack containing fresh fish.
 - (b) (061035H) At YS278789 2/A/6 RAR contacted two enemy (MF) with unknown results.
 - (c) (061130H) At YS273788 A/6 RAR located a base camp 250m x 25m along a creek, of 10 bunkers, 20 fighting pits and 30m of crawl trench. The camp had been used in the last 12 hours. A quantity of food, ammunition and documents, three booby trap pressure switches and one 105mm shell were recovered.
 - (d) (061600H) At YS274798 2/W/6 RAR contacted three enemy moving SE with unknown results. One water bottle was recovered.
 - (2) AO TOM THUMB.
 - (a) (060850H) At YS561851 10/D/9 RAR contacted an estimated six enemy moving NE. The enemy engaged 10 Pl with two RPG rounds and small arms fire. Fire was returned with small arms and claymores with artillery and mortars firing in support. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, one AUST KIA, one AUST WIA.
 - (b) (061625H) At YS558887 10/D/9 RAR located a track running SW last used this morning by an estimated NVA Coy(-).
 - (3) AO ALDGATE.
 - (a) (061820H) At YS483536 an element of 5 RAR located an estimated Coy size base camp, 200m x 200m which had not been used for 12 months. Five anti-vehicle mines, one CHICOM claymore, one 105 command detonated mine, one RPG2 round and a quantity of 7.62mm ammunition were recovered.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) (060725H) At YS586588 an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 100% coverage. Results: Five bunkers destroyed one bunker damaged.
 - (2) (061145H) At YS449705 a RAAF aircraft sighted a motorised vehicle loading or unloading 4'6" long objects, (possibly boxes).
 - (3) (061510H) At YS322810 an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: One 80' observation platform destroyed, one bunker exposed.
 - c. Omitted.
 - d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.
 - (1) (060115H) LONG THANH received an unknown number of mortar rounds.
 - (2) (061300H) At YS253914 a RTAVF element received RPG and small arms fire from an estimated 10-15 enemy. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, negative friendly casualties.
 - (3) (062040H) At YS421642 a SECTOR element received AK47 fire while moving into an ambush position. Results: Unknown at this stage.
 - (4) (062040H) At YS422648 609 RF Coy received AK47 fire from an unknown number of enemy. Artillery was fired in support but with unknown results at this time.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a-f. Omitted.

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g. Cumulative Totals for July 69.

(1) Enemy KIA(BC) - 2
WIA - 3
WIA(poss) - 3

(2) Omitted.

(3) Individual weapons captured destroyed - 17.

(4) - (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) (061150H) At YS475536 a bulldozer from the Land Clearing Team detonated a 40-50 lb pressure mine estimated to have been laid 48 hours ago. There was minor damage to the bulldozer.

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous.

a-d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) INTSUM NOTICE. Captured enemy documents: To avoid confusion and loss of valuable intelligence it is important that all units/subunits who process captured documents ensure that the contents from packs, bodies, PW, bunkers, caches etc be kept separate and tagged with appropriate covering data.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 188-69.
2. Period covered from 070001H to 072400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO NOMAD

(a) (071030H) At YS336640, elements of 5 RAR contacted five enemy who withdrew NORTH and SOUTH. Results: One enemy WIA (bloodtrail).

(b) (071220H) At YS342642, elements of 5 RAR located and destroyed 35 bunkers in an area 120 metres x 80 metres. Also found were a number of 82mm caps.

(2) AO TOM THUMB

(a) (070910H) At YS569901, elements of 9 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: 100 lbs of rice; one 20 lb tin of salt; 12 packets of flour; one radio; one saw; one US sand bag holding 1.5 volt batteries; two sets of webbing; two AK47 magazines; a small quantity of documents and a pair of black pyjamas. The cache was located on a stand three feet above the ground.

(3) AO ALDGATE

(a) (071530H) At YS478531, a Land Clearing Team received RPG fire from an unknown number of enemy at YS477536. Results: One bulldozer damaged; nil casualties.

(4) (071207H) At YS463783, elements of B/3 Cav picked up one detainee.

b. Air Activity

(1) Late report. (060930H). Sniffer Mission Report. Strong readings were recorded at:

- YS725623
- YS714617
- YS699615
- YS694617
- YS664615
- YS652623
- YS643624
- YS634623

Sightings: At YS648610, two persons on trail running SW-NE. At YS652624, bunkers were sighted on the NORTH slope of NUI KHO. Also one on top of the feature. Route 328 shows signs of heavy movement.

(2) (071315H). Sniffer Mission Report. Maximum readings were recorded at:

- YS765703
- YS768699
- YS760750
- YS758748
- YS754744
- YS745760
- YS743749
- YS727752
- YS732735
- YS737728
- YS743729
- YS733717
- YS752724

Along creek line from YS743730 to YS746715. Also one strong reading at YS733738. Sightings: At YS737773, large area under cultivation.

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(3) Late report. (062030H). SLAR readout:

YS280550, 2 on LONG SON ISLAND;
YS240615, 1 on stream;
YS600640, 1 on trail.

(4) (071450H). At YS680882, an airstrike was carried out against an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Results: one bunker, one hut and two 50 gal drums destroyed; one hut damaged and one tunnel entrance exposed.

(5) (071600H). At YS328687, an airstrike was carried out against an enemy base camp. It was 100% on target and had 30% coverage. Results: one footbridge destroyed and two bunkers exposed.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force elements.

(1) AO TRANSVERSE

(a) (071035H). At YS432908, C/2/48 ARVN contacted an unknown number of enemy who withdrew NORTH EAST. Results: three enemy KIA (BC) and one carbine recovered.

(2) Late report. (062000H). At YS498555, approx ten enemy beat to death the Deputy Chief Village Security at HOI MY.

(3) Late report. (062045H). At YS421642 and YS422648, 609 RF Unit contacted 20 enemy with negative results.

(4) (072000H). At YS422932, 199 LIB US contacted ten enemy who withdrew EAST then SOUTH with negative results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. WIA by Ground Forces - 1 (bloodtrail).

c. ARVN inflicted - KIA by Ground Forces - 3

d. Detainees - 1.

e. RPG2 - 1.

f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) En KIA (BC) - 2
WIA - 4
WIA (POSS) - 3

(2) Detainees - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 17

(4) Omitted.

(5-6) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - Omitted.

(7)-(10) Omitted.

5-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 1 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous.

a-d. Omitted.

e. Other Item of Reporting Interest.

(1) A letter CIA at YS421898 on 17 Jun 69 by 6 RAR reads in part as follows:

"We are preparing for the Summer Campaign. We are prepared for attacks on selected objectives in the BINH SON area, LONG THANH District, southern area of BIEN HOA Province and along Road 15. We will start to attack on the night of 16."

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Comment: The letter was captured with other documents identifying 1 Bn 274 Regt and the author seems authoritative as an RTAVF position at LOC AH(YS1791) was attacked on 16 Jun 69. The document supports recent intelligence that 274 Regt planned to interdict Route 15 in the vicinity of PHU MY or THAI THIEN.

(2) Documents captured by 6/B/9 RAR at YS563936 on 301330H Jun 69 identify elements of the BALONG Political Section and elements of D445. It is thought that some members of D445 were visiting BALONG to receive a directive for future missions.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 189-69.
2. Period covered from 080001H to 082400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were four contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO NOMAD
 - (a) (080745H) At YS333638, 10/B/5 RAR contacted one enemy (LF) moving NW. Results: 1 enemy KIA (BC). Aust casualties nil, recovered were one pack and one 7.62 SMG.
 - (b) (081925H) At YS331654, D/5 RAR located an occupied enemy camp.
 - (c) (082030H) At YS330651 D/5 RAR located another base camp. No further details available at this stage.
 - (2) AO MOON
 - (a) Late Report. (071600H) At YS290800, elements of 6 RAR located an enemy camp with bunkers, last used two to three days ago.
 - (b) Late Report. (071700H) At YS278790 B/6 RAR located two graves each containing five bodies approximately two years old.
 - (c) (081330H) At YS259794 B/6 RAR located an enemy camp containing eight large bunkers, last used two to four days ago. Recovered were: a small quantity of rice and sugar, a quantity of money and a quantity of medical supplies. One grave containing one enemy KIA from GSW was discovered. Body was three days old.
 - (d) (081034H) At YS295799 V/6 RAR located a bunker system. No further details available at this stage.
 - (e) (081805H) At YS298799 C/6 RAR located three bunkers which had been occupied in the last two days.
 - (f) (081915H) At YS206788, elements of 6 RAR contacted four enemy in a sampan. The sampan was engaged with tanks and arty. Results: Sampan believed hit, no further details at this stage.
 - (g) (082130H) At YS213716 elements of 6 RAR contacted another sampan. It was engaged by arty with no known results.
 - (3) AO AIDGATE
 - (a) (080045H) At PSPB THRUST (YS500549) received a total of twelve 82 mm mortar rounds from a suspected base plate position at YS504532. Results: two Aust WIA. The base plate position was engaged with arty and mortars with unknown results.
 - (4) Other Areas
 - (a) (080500H) At YS643677 1/B/3 Cav contacted an unknown number of enemy possibly LF. Recovered were: one US claymore, one CHICOM claymore.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Late report (072025H) SLAR Readout: YS360615 - Negative
YS630845 - Negative
YS390545 - 2 on river.
 - (2) (080735H) At YS767692, an airstrike was conducted against an enemy base camp it was 100% on target and 100% coverage. Results: Four bunkers, and one small shelter destroyed, one rice mill exposed and damaged, four bunkers and two bunker entrances exposed.
 - (3) (080858H) At YS670580 RAAF sighted a marker board on the beach, can be seen from two to three metres out to sea, used as a guide for boats to a trail entrance.
 - (4) (081000H) Sniffer Mission Report. A maximum reading was recorded at: YS720796.
Sightings: At YS725795, YS734771 and YS677753 old bunkers. At YS663763 AOM trench. At YS692795 - Trench. At YS675782 - cultivated area.
 - (5) (081250H) At YS754744, 161 Recce Flt sighted two bunkers in good condition, one bunker in disrepair, light tracks in the area. Well worn track two hundred metres EAST.

- (6) (081515H) At YS290873, an airstrike was conducted on an enemy base camp, it was 100% on target and had 50% coverage. Negative BDA due to smoke and foliage.
- (7) (082125H) SLAR Report. At YS275625 1 return on stream. At YS285660 1 return in open.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not involving Task Force elements.

(1) (080025H) At YS497565, 614 RF Coy at PHUOC LOI received ten 82 mm mor in their compound, arty fired in support of withdrawal route. Results: Negative friendly casualties, enemy casualties unknown.

(2) (082230H) At LONG DIEN (YS425597) in contact: Result: 3 enemy KIA (Poss). Captured one AK 47 one M2 CARBINE.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. KIA (BC) by Ground Forces - 1.

c - d Omitted.

e. Enemy ammunition expenditure

(1) Twelve 82 mm mortars.

f. Enemy weapon losses.

(1) Individual - 1.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 3
 WIA - 4
 WIA (Poss) 3

(2) Detainees - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 18

(4 - 10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) (080715H) At YS511544, 578 RF Coy detonated an M 16 mine during road clearing operations - Results: three RF KIA, four RF WIA.

6 - 8 Omitted.

9 - 10 No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 7 Jul 69.

11 - 12 Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 190-69.
2. Period covered from 090001H to 092400H.
3. Summary of enemy activity.

a. Ground Activity:

(1) AO MOON

- (a) (090800H) At YS296800, 2/V/6 RAR contacted 3 enemy moving West. Results: 1 enemy(KIA) 1 AK47(CIA).
- (b) (091335H) At YS296800 2/V/6 RAR located 25 large bunkers. Recovered were 30 12.7 rounds 1300 rounds SA ammo and a large amount of medical equipment. Also found was a Medical Register with last entry dated 24 Jun. 13 bunkers have been destroyed to date.
- (c) (091455H) At YS296800 2/V/6 RAR located one ton of rice.
- (d) (091000H) Between YS301790 and YS302789, 6 RAR has located a two platoon size old bunker system in which was found a small quantity of medical supplies.
- (e) (091320H) At YS303794, 5/B/6RAR located two old bunkers.

(2) AO NOMAD

- (a) (090720H) At YS331651, D/5 RAR located an occupied base camp of 10 caves some being 40' deep. Contact was prevented by presence of women and children. Quantity of cooking equipment and docs were recovered.
- (b) (090720H) At YS332655, D/5 RAR located 10 caves some up to 50' deep. Recovered were 1 Garand Rifle, documents, medical supplies, 250 .30 cal rounds, 1 Russian ATk grenade and two packs of clothing and food.
- (c) (091455H) At YS332637, 10/D/5 RAR contacted three enemy who withdrew North with unknown results.

(3) AO TOM THUMB

- (a) (091143H) At YS559892 elements of 9 RAR located a small cache containing a saucepan, a transistor radi@ and three cylinders 2" in diameter by 6" long. Cache is estimated one month old.
- (b) (091445H) At YS574909 a patrol from 9 RAR found a wire obstacle construction course not used for 6 months.

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	COORDS	TARGET	BDA
(091500H)	YS571792	Base Camp 2 bunkers, 1 table, 15 metres comms trench destroyed, 1 hut damaged.	

(2) Visual Recce

DTG	COORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
(090616H)	YS729613	161 Recce Flt Boat on beach which was engaged with rockets. Boat mad@ out to sea.	
(091200H)	YS784740	Voice Ac	Gardens planted.
	YS802697		
	YS736679		
	YS757689		
	YS757695		
	m YS752710		

(3) Aerial Sensors

DTG	TYPE	COORD	READOUT
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Late report

(082230H)	SLAR	YS275625	1 on stream
		YS285660	1 in open
		YS280755	1 on stream
		YS620760	1 on stream
		YS220660	1 on stream

- c. Omitted
- d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements
- (1) (090640H) At Y3445740 an unknown number of enemy were reported in area of DUC TRUNG. Local PF/RF swept through at 0730H without making contact.
- (2) (092000H) At YS230810 an enemy force est at 40 to 50 contacted local forces at THAI THIEN. 1 ATF elements provided arty fire support. Result: 14 VC KIA(BC), 1 B40 CIA, 6 AK47, 1 M16 1.45 pistol, 82 mm ammo and parts of 82 mm mortar CIA.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
- a. Omitted
- b. KIA by Ground Forces - 1 Confirmed
1
- c-e. Omitted.
- f. Enemy Weapon Losses
- (1) Individual - 2
- g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.
- (1) Enemy KIA(BC) - 4
WIA - 4
WIA(POSS) - 3
- (2) Detainees - 1
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 20
- (4) Omitted.
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.0
- (6-10) Omitted.
5. Obstacles and Barriers
- a. Mines and Booby Traps
- | DTG | COORDS | UNIT | TYPE | RESULTS |
|-----------|----------|-------|-----------------|--|
| (091245H) | YS479539 | 3 Cav | Pressure CHICOM | Mine of 3-5 lbs to be destroyed. |
| (091142H) | YS478539 | 5 RAR | Pressure | Mine of 3-4 lbs caused no damage, no casualties. |
- b. Omitted.
- 6-8. Omitted
- 9-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 7 Jul 69.
- 11-12. Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 191/69
2. Period covered from 100001H to 102400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO NOMAD

(a) (101402H) At YS331638 5 RAR found a base camp of 35 caves last used 24 hours ago. Recovered were 5 jerry cans, qty of mess tins, a megaphone (All Aust), qty of food, eating utensils, large number of RPG caps, 100m of plastic sheeting. A temple was being used as a HQ and was equipped with tables, chairs and a photo of Ho Chi Minh. All items destroyed. Estimated that camp had been occupied for one year.

(b) (101430H) At YS333649 5 RAR contacted 5 VC dressed in green and black uniforms. Results 2 KIA (BC). Captured 1 pack, 1 Chicom grenade, 1 WP grenade (Aust), map 1:50,000 Baria and Bien Hoa, 4 braces and overlays showing installations etc, documents, med supplies, M1 rounds, webbing, clothing and food.

(c) (101435H) At YS332648 5 RAR contacted 4 en moving South West. Results: 1 en WIA (blood trail).

(d) (102005H) At YS330647 5 RAR found a base camp of squad/platoon size. The base was in caves with a galvanized iron cook house. It had been used within one week and was 20 metres from creek with good water. A cache of 30 lbs rice was found. All were destroyed.

(2) AO MOON

(a) Late Report. (091730H) At YS321798 6 RAR contacted 2 enemy moving West. Results: 1 KIA (BC), 1 AK 47 captured.

(3) AO TOM THUMB

(a) (101320H) At YS559893 9 RAR located a cache containing a 'SHARPS' RD504 tape recorder, 10 x 5" tapes all in good condition, 5 reams of duplicating paper and a AVO meter.

(b) (101443H) At YS567916 9 RAR found a large bunker system of undetermined age and size. Signs indicate enemy present 5-7 days ago. Recovered: 1,000 lbs of rice and several old rifle butts. Type of bunker indicates either a HQ or workshop area. Poss more bunkers to East as all bunkers are waterlogged.

(c) (101834H) At YS569914 9 RAR located a large unoccupied bunker system. Bunkers measure 4' x 20' x 20' and 3' x 10' x 10' and were waterlogged. Also located in area were: a cooking pot, an elaborate table structure, washing on the line, chairs and a cooking structure. Signs indicate it was last occupied 7 days ago.

b. Air Activity(1) Visual Recce

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
101605H	YS528890	161 Recce	4 persons in trench 50m SE of 161 Bty area.
101830H	YS580573	161 Recce	2 people swimming in mouth of Song Rai. Also received groundfire from same area.
101845H	YS547555	161 Recce	3 en engaged with rockets after receiving groundfire Results: 1 KBA (poss), 1 KB Arty (poss).

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DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
102010H	YS5756	161 Recce	Ground fire at ac. Engaged by Arty. Results: 1 en KB Arty (poss).

c-d. Omitted.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b.		Confirmed	Possible
	KIA by Ground Forces -	4	4
	WIA	1	-
	KBA	-	1
	KB Arty	-	2

c-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses
(1) Individual - 1

g. Cumulative Totals for

(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	- 8
KIA(poss)	- 4
WIA	- 5
WIA(poss)	- 3
KBA(poss)	- 1
KB Arty(poss)	- 2

(2) Detainees - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed -21

(4) Omitted

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed -1.5

(6)-(10) Omitted.

5. a. Mines and Booby Traps

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
101330H	YS512546	5 RAR	M16	Located and destroyed

b. Omitted.

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 7 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous

a. S2 Comments.

1. 6 RAR RIF and ground BDA Op failed to make significant contact with elements of 274 VC Regt which were believed concentrating in the area immediately East of Thai Thien (YS2279) and Phu My Mil Post (YS2377).

It was established that bunker systems located during RIF had been occupied less than two days prior to discovery by elements of up to two battalion strength including a 12.7mm HMG element and a medical element which had treated an unknown number of cas.

Failure to establish contact is believed to be the result of the enemy force withdrawing immediately after the Combat Sky Spot and Arclight effort which was spread over 14 hours and the need for the RIF force to remain in a protective cordon around likely objectives, until cleared to enter bombed area after strikes.

Movement by enemy along known trails was fast while friendly movement was slower due to the terrain and deadfall from Airstrikes and to the knowledge that the access routes were established enemy minefield areas.

There is little doubt that large elements of 274 VC Regt were concentrated in the area of 4-6 Jul 69 but exfiltrated after taking casualties and realizing that its planned objectives were covered by 1 ATF.

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2. Reference II FForce V AVFBB-C 9174B dated 230750Z Jun 69. Visual Recce and Ground RIF failed to locate the units reported but there were numerous bunker systems located and destroyed which showed signs of very recent occupation and some contained medical supplies and surgical equipment. The presence of units of 274 VC Regt and SR4 has not been proven by documentary evidence but is considered proven by the number and recent use of installations in the area bounded by firetrails East of Thai Thien YS2480-YS3282-YS3380-YS2477.

12. b-e. Omitted.

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1. Australian Task Force TROOP No 192-69.
2. Period covered from 110001H to 112400H Jul 69. 12 Jul 69
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ALDGATE

(a) (111007H) At YS481534, elements of 5 RAR located a base camp consisting of 12 to 16 bunkers with 18" overhead cover. Large portion of the camp had already been destroyed by the Land Clearing Team, the rest of the bunkers were in poor condition.

(2) AO TOM THUMB

(a) (111045H) At YS558896, 12/D/9 RAR located six large bunkers, 18 ft x 20 ft and a number of well used tracks in the area. Recovered were 30 lbs TNT, quantities of chophytol, chloroquin di phosphate and powdered penicillin.

(b) (111230H) At YS540888, elements of 9 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 30 bunkers. Recovered was one RPG (booby trapped).

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
(Late Report) 100805H	YS456525	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
(Late Report) 101450H	YS772683	Base Camp	3 Bunkers exposed.
111445H	YS680882	Base Camp	2 military structures destroyed and 2 military structures damaged.

(2) Visual Recce

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
110945H	YS270700	RAAF	1 ox cart moving EAST
111010H	YS260700	RAAF	3 groups of people

(3) Aerial Sensors

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
110310H	SLAR	YS365575	1 near stream
		YS435870	1 on stream
		YS300605	1 on road
110410H	SLAR	YS230760	1 near road
110545H	SLAR	YS392675	1 on road
		YS400645	2 on road
		YS370805	1 on stream
		YS260680	1 on stream
		YS270875	2 on road
		YS230720	1 in swamp
		YS180780	1 on river
(Late Report)		YS150750	1 in swamp

c - d Omitted.

a - e Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses

(1) Individual - 1 RPG

g. Cumulative Totals for

(1) Enemy KIA(BC) - 3
 KIA (Poss) - 4
 WIA - 5
 WIA (Poss) - 3
 KBA (Poss) - 1
 KB Arty (Poss) - 2

(2) Detainees - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 22

(4) Omitted.

Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.5 tons.

(6) - (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps

CO-ORDS

YS447894

UNIT

B/ 3 Cav

TYPE

40 to 60 lbs explosive

RESULTS

One APC destroyed and one Aust WIA.

b. Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province"

Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 7 Jul 69.

11. Omitted

12. Omitted

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 193-69.
2. Period covered from 120001H to 122400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO TOM THUMB.

(a) (120820H) At YS556890, 11/D/9 RAR located a North-South track and a North-East track.

(b) (121215H) At YS556887, 11/D/9 RAR contacted an enemy squad in bunkers who initiated contact with RPG and SA fire, when engaged with mortar, artillery and a LFT, they withdrew North East. Results: enemy casualties unknown. Two Aust KIA and one Aust WIA.

(2) AO NOMAD.

(a) (121955H) At YS326634, 11/D/5 RAR located twelve holes which have been used to store ammunition and arms in the last 24 hours.

b. Air Activity.(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
120820H	YS773741	Base Camp	Two bunkers destroyed, one bunker exposed.
121540H	YS346898	Base Camp	One military structure destroyed, four bunkers exposed, six packs and a quantity of clothing scattered over the area.
121645H	YS346898	Base Camp	Four bunkers, six packs one table destroyed, four bunkers damaged, three bunkers exposed.
122000H	YS346886	Base Camp	Neg BDA
122015H	YS346886	Base Camp	Neg BDA
122043H	YS346886	Base Camp	Neg BDA

(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
121615H	YS346898	RAAF	Four enemy. Engaged with AW fire. Results: One enemy KBA.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
112105H	SLAR	YS475490 YS645635	One on road. One on stream.
120050H	SLAR	YS320730 YS350190	One on road. One on road.

(4) (121345H) At YS226706, a RAAF aircraft received ground fire from an occupied base camp.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (121645H) At Phu My (YS252746), MA VAN CAM rallied at 771 RF Coy HQ. The Chieu Hoi states that he is Finance Officer for the Chau Duc District Company.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

- a. Omitted.
- b. KBA - 1 (Confirmed).
- c. Omitted.
- d. Omitted.
- e. Omitted.
- f. Omitted.

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g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

- (1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 8
- KIA (poss) - 4
- WIA - 5
- WIA (poss) - 3
- KBA (BC) - 1
- KBA (poss) - 1
- KB Arty (poss) - 2
- (2) Detainees - 1
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 22
- (4) Omitted.
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.5
- (6) - (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Interdictions.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
120655H	YS272656	RAAF	Road Block
120655H	YS253700	RAAF	Culvert blown

6 - 7. Omitted.

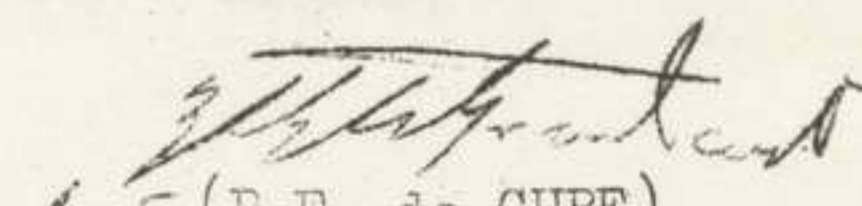
8. Omitted.

9 - 10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 7 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT.

(1) (121801H) At FSPB DARWIN (YS525615), a Hoi Chanh rallied to 2/48 ARVN Bn.

12. Omitted.


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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM number 194-69.
2. Period covered from 130001H to 132400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO BLOCK.

(a) (131010H) A female HOI CHANH led an Aust element to a tunnel at YS496607. A grenade was thrown from the tunnel wounding two Aust and one Vietnamese. Three to four enemy ran from the tunnel and were engaged with small arms fire. Results: One enemy KIA (BC), one M16 and one M1 rifle captured.

(b) (132140H) At YS498602 5 RAR element loc a pit 4'x6'x4' with 2' of overhead cover. It had been used in the last week.

(2) AO ALDGATE.

(a) (131607H) At YS482534 3/B/1 Armd Regt located one old bunker believed to be a sentry post. A quantity of cooking utensils and rice were recovered.

(3) AO TANUNDA.

(a) (131600H) At YS349901 an element of A/9RAR contacted four enemy. Results: One enemy KIA (BC), one NVA 7.62mm SIG CIA.

(4) AO WIANGAREE

(a) (131430) At YS563593 an element of 2/48 ARVN Bn found 25 pits, two raincoats, one RPG2 round and one entrenching tool.

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
130840H	YS346886	Base Camp	2 bunkers destroyed, 4 bunkers damaged.
131550H	YS410760	Base Camp	2 tables destroyed, 1 bunker damaged, scattered clothing and tins.

(2) Visual Recce

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
131300H	YS562572	161 Recce Flight	Camp of structures, pits, one well.

c. Omitted

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (132145H) At YS448738 RF elements contacted an unknown number of enemy attempting to enter BINH BA. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, one RF KIA, one RF WIA.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. KIA by Ground Forces - 2 (Confirmed)

c-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses

(1) Individual - 3

(2) Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 10
 KIA (poss) - 4
 WIA - 5
 WIA (poss) - 3
 KBA (BC) - 1
 KBA (poss) - 1
 KB Arty (poss) - 2

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- (2) Detainees - 1
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 25
- (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - omitted.
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.5.
- (6)-(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
131823H	YS492542	3 Cav Regt	2 M16	Failed to detonate on contact

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province" dated 7 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous.

a-d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (131400H) The son of the NGAI GIAO RD Cadre Chief kidnapped in Mar 69 was released by the VC and states that 12 numbers of the NGAI GIAO guerilla unit are in a camp in the vicinity of YS4484.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 195-69.
2. Period covered from 140001H to 142400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO BLOCK.

(a) Late report (132300H). At 498598 an element of 5 RAR located a spider hole and an underground hide out with two feet of overhead protection which had been used within the last twenty four hours. Recovered were: A gallon jar of kerosene, a number of small garden implements and some bottles of sauce. The hide out was filled in by local inhabitants.

(2) AO WESTEND.

(a) (141315H). At YS557573, 1/A/6 RAR located a lean-to made of corrugated iron and timber approx twelve months old.

(b) (141500H). At YS560574, A/6 RAR located four squad sized bunkers approx two years old and partly collapsed.

(3) AO STRAND.

(a) Late report (132300H). At YS653706, B/3 Cav sighted thirteen enemy, probably MF, not engaged, and moved North East.

(b) (141450H). At YS635699 4/B/6 RAR contacted seven to eight enemy who withdrew South. Results: two enemy WIA (bloodtrail), Aust Cas nil. Recovered were: one 7.62mm short drum magazine, eighty 7.62mm short rounds, one CHICOM Anti Tank mine, a length of wire, one RPG Booster, one 25 Set Battery, two bags of rice, two tents and one pack.

(4) AO TOM THUMB.

(a) (141132H). At YS556868, 12/D/9 RAR located six bunkers in good condition, also located an old cache. A CHICOM Grenade was found attached to a tree in the vicinity of the cache.

(5) AO TANUNDA.

(a) Late report. (131545H). At YS 347908 3/A/9 RAR located a cache which revealed a quantity of documents and ID cards.

(b) (140940H). At YS352904 2/A/9 RAR contacted three enemy. Results: one enemy KIA (Poss). There were no friendly casualties.

(c) (141220H). At YS345898, 3/A/9 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: one hundred pounds of rice, three hundred AK47 rounds, one fuse for Mortar or RPG, two 12 gauge shot gun cartridges, five AK47 magazines (Full), one CHICOM grenade.

(d) (141235H). At YS365898, 3/A/9 RAR located nine bunkers in good condition.

(e) (141235H). At YS344900 1/A/9 RAR located nine bunkers in good condition.

(6) Other Areas.

(a) (140822H). At YS421728, elements of 5 RAR located four old bunkers.

(b) (142025H). At YS553654 elements of 5 RAR located six bunkers and two shelters occupied eight to ten hours previously. A well was under construction. Recovered were some equipment and documents. The installation was indicated by a female HOI CHANH.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
140815H	YS754807	Base Camp	Neg BDA,
141420H	YS407837	Base Camp	8 bunkers exposed, 1 structure damaged, 1 structure exposed, 1 KBA (Poss). 1 bunker destroyed.

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(2) Visual Recce.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
141230H	YS407837	161 Recce Base camp under construction.	

c. Secondary Explosions. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(a) (140915H). In the vicinity of YS127892 a convoy was ambushed by an estimated squad. Enemy casualties unknown, nil friendly.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. US Omitted.

b. KIA by Ground Forces
WIA
KBA
KB Arty

Confirmed	Possible
	1
2	
	1

c. ARVN Omitted.

d. Detainees - 6
Hoi Chanh
PW

e. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses Omitted.

(1) Individual -

(2) Crew Served -

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 10
KIA (Poss) - 5
WIA - 7
WIA (Poss) - 3
KBA (BC) - 1
KBA (Poss) - 2
KB Arty (BC) -
KB Arty (Poss) - 2

(2) Detainees - 7
Hoi Chanh -
PW -

(3) Individual weapon captured/destroyed - 25

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - Omitted.

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.5

(6)-(10). Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
141045H	YS195937	RTAVF	Pressure	Five THAIS WIA, one 2½ ton destroyed.
140835H	YS085876	RTAVF	Pressure CHICOM	Two THAIS WIA, one APC damaged.

b. Interdictions. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identification, Movements and Locations. Omitted.

8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 7 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT.

(1) (141153H). At the Eastern Check Point at DAT DO (YS4959) four people were detained and are believed to be VC.

(2) (141215H) AT FSPB BUFFALO (YS4388) 9 RAR detained two persons who were indentified by a HOI CHANH with the coy as Follows: The woman is a supplier for 84 Rear Services camp. She had a quantity of money on her person, The man was identified as an ARVN deserter.

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(3) (141835H). At the Eastern Check Point at DAT DO (YS4959) two suspect VC were apprehended. One man and one woman. They were identified by a HOI CHANH and taken to DAT DO District Office.

12. Miscellaneous.

- a. S2 Comments (see attached). Omitted.
- b. Application of Spot Reports (see attached). Omitted.
- c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS. Omitted.
- d. Voluntary Information Obtained. Omitted.
- e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

Additional exploitation of the documents taken from the body of the Coy Comd C195 Recce and Special Delivery Unit T7 MR KIA by A/Tk Pl 5 RAR at YS294712 on 25 Jun 69 reveals the following:

(1) Enemy activity at BINH BA 5-6 Jun 69. This action commenced on the night of 5 Jun when TAY's (poss C of S 2Bn 33 Regt) elm attempted to fire five "rockets" at the village. All of these rockets failed to function. C195 participated in the Jun attack on BINH BA along with the "entire regt" (33 Regt). The documents reveal that C195 sustained 12 KIA and 11 WIA in the battle.

(2) Probable plan to ambush Route 15. The docs reveal that C195 was conducting recce of both sides of Route 15 in the vic of PHU MY (YS2574) in late Jun. The action was to take place on an unspecified date and C195, 274 Regt and an elm of 67 Engr Bn were to take part. (Comment: Intelligence indicates that 274 Regt moved into posn for this attack around 3 Jul 69. The enemy movement against Route 15 was interdicted by the heavy air bombardment of targets to the EAST of THAI THIEN (YS2279) on 4 and 5 Jul 69).

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- 1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 196-69.
- 2. Period covered from 150004H to 152400H Jul 69.
- 3. Summary of enemy activity. There were four contacts with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO TAMUNDA.

(a) (150700H) At YS352904 A/9 RAR located a cache in an enemy camp. Found were medical supplies, documents, clothing, SA ammo and a quantity of RPG2 rounds.

(b) (151021H) At YS352905 A/9 RAR contacted one enemy who withdrew NORTH with unknown results.

(c) (151215H) At YS352905 A/9 RAR located a bunker system. Recovered were one Chicom transceiver with HF frequency range in good condition and antenna parts.

(d) Further to contact on 141220H at YS352904 2/A/9 RAR have located one body at YS352903 also found were two heavy blood trails. Results: 1 en KIA(BC), 2 en WIA.

(2) AO WESTEND.

(a) (150745H) At YS554570, A/6 RAR contacted an unknown number of enemy with unknown results. Contact initiated by enemy.

(b) (151630H) At YS551573 A/6 RAR contacted three Local Force enemy. Results: Two enemy KIA(BC), two AK 47 CIA.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes.

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
150950H	YS353664	Base Camp	One military structure destroyed.
151530H	YS456525	Base Camp	One weapon pit exposed, one wooden frame destroyed. Containers and clothing scattered in area.
151600H	YS464539	Base Camp	Two KBA(Poss).

(2)-(3) Omitted.

(4) Ground Fire.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	RESULTS
(151620H)	YS457543	161 Recce Flt	Damage to fuel tank, tail rotor controls, airframe and exhaust holed.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(150717H) At YS409594 ARVN elements ambushed two persons. Results one KIA, one WIA(DOW). Not known at this stage if persons VC or civilian.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

	Confirmed	Possible
KIA by Ground Forces -	5	
WIA	2	
KBA		2

c.-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 2.

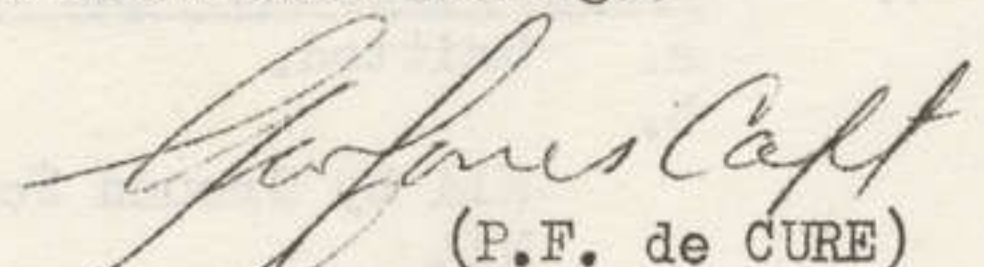
g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	- 16
KIA(Poss)	- 4
WIA	- 11
WIA(Poss)	- 3
KBA(BC)	- 1
KBA(Poss)	- 4
KB Arty(Poss)	2
(2) Detainees	- 9.
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed	-27
(4) Omitted.	
(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed	-1.5
(6)-(10) Omitted.	

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5. Obstacles and Barriers.
- a. Mines and Booby Traps.
- | DTG | CO-ORDS | UNIT | TYPE | RESULTS |
|---------|----------|------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 151330H | YS488530 | 11/D/6 RAR | M 26 Grenade | activated but failed to explode. |
- b. Interdictions.
- | DTG | CO-ORDS | SOURCE | DESCRIPTION |
|---------|----------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 150712H | YS224803 | RAAF | Piles of mud across route 15. |
- 6.-8. Omitted.
- 9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 13 Jul 69.
11. Omitted.
12. Miscellaneous
- a.-b. Omitted.
- c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.
- (1) Reference INTSUM number 195-69, paragraph 3a (4) (b), amend results to read one enemy KIA(BC), two enemy WIA (blood trails).
- (2) Reference INTSUM number 195-69, paragraph 4 b. amend as follows:
- (a) KIA by Ground Forces to read "1"(confirmed).
- (b) WIA to read "4".
- Amend paragraph 4g (1) accordingly.
- Correct Totals for Jul - up to 14 Jul 69.
- | | |
|---------------|----------------|
| KIA(BC) | - 11 (amended) |
| KIA(Poss) | - 4 (amended) |
| WIA | - 9 (amended) |
| WIA(Poss) | - 3 |
| KBA(BC) | - 1 |
| KBA(Poss) | - 2 |
| KB Arty(Poss) | - 2 |
| (2) Detainees | - 9 (amended) |
- (3) Reference INTSUM number 195-69, paragraph 4d. Amend detainees to read "8". Amend paragraph 4 g (2) accordingly.
- d. Voluntary Information Obtained.
- (1) (150900H) Agent Report C3(US) stated that on 14 Jul 2/274 Regt was at YS407900.
- e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
- (1) Agent report evaluation F/3. The Secretary of the Phuoc Hoa Long Village (Dat Do) has organised the women and children who sell drinking water to the Australian troops to report to him all movements of 1 ATF.
- Comment. It is realised by the VC that valuable intelligence information can be collected from idle conversation with soldiers. It is requested that units be reminded of this possible leak of information and that steps be taken to prevent such leakage.


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2. Period covered from 160001H to 162400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ROSSLEA.

(a) (160440H). Elements of 6 RAR reported eight vessels moving from PHUOC HAI, some with lights, some without. Some were fishing and moved past the headland SOUTH.

(b) (160550H). At YS506518, a patrol from 6 RAR contacted three to five enemy moving NORTH EAST. Results: One enemy KIA (BC). The patrol later reported that villagers had removed the body. The patrol also reported that local police had detained two men who sustained gunshot wounds.

(2) AO WESTEND.

(a) (161656H). At YS561561, elements of 6 RAR located two sampans on beach.

(3) AO TRANSVERSE.

(a) (161725H). At YS442875, 7/C/9 RAR located a village not marked on the map, consisting of ten houses. Village, at time of locating, was inhabited only by children and women who claim they live by themselves. Each house had a well constructed bunker and two x 44 gallon drums of rice were found in one house.

b. Air Activity.

(1)-(2) Omitted.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
160100	SLAR	YS410915	1 on stream
		YS450999	1 on road
160130	SLAR	YS210760	1 on river
160250	SLAR	YS270695	1 on stream
		YS300855	1 on stream
		YS330625	1 in open

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (1607700H). At YS288630, an enemy squad fired three B40 rockets at an element of 576RF Coy. Results: 1 RF KIA, 3 RF WIA, enemy casualties unknown.

(2) (16 Jul 69). At YS287620, six enemy fired three RPG rounds at the village office. Results: 1 RF KIA, 6 RF WIA, 1 civilian KIA.

(3) (160730H). At Ys209827, an RTAVF APC received one RCL round. Results: 2 Thai WIA, 10 en WIA (bloodtrails).

(4) (161100H). At YS448730, National Police arrested three detainees at DUC MY and BINH BA villages. Detainees believed to be VC suppliers.

(5) (162045H). At YS187860, US MAT Team reported sighting enemy crossing Route 15. The enemy party continued to move SOUTH WEST.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. KIA by by Ground Forces - 1 (Confirmed)

c-f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

Enemy KIA (BC) - 16
 KIA (poss) - 4
 WIA - 9
 WIA (poss) - 3
 KBA (BC) - 1
 KBA (poss) - 4
 KBA Arty (BC)
 KB Arty (poss) - 2.

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- (2) Detainees - 9
- (4) Omitted.
- (5) Tons of rice captured - 15
- (6)-(10) Omitted.
- 5. a. Mines and Booby Traps

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	RESULTS
160920	YS429554	6 RAR	Command detonated Nil damage to vehicle detonated booby or persons trap in 105MM shal,
- b. Omitted
- 6. Omitted
- 7. Enemy Unit Indications, Movements and Locations
 - a. NGUYEN VAN TRAI who rallied to LONG THANH Sub Sector at 141030H Jul identified himself as a assistant and platoon leader of 3 Coy /4 Bn/SR4. He located his bn at YS260900.
- 8. Omitted.
- 9-10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PEUOC-FUY Province" dated 13 Jul 69.
- 11. Omitted.
- 12. Miscellaneous.
 - a-b. Omitted.
 - c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS
 - (1) Ref INTSUM 196-69 delete para 3a (1) (d). Amend para 4g (1) as follows: Change enemy KIA (BC) from 16 to read 15 and Enemy WIA from 11 to read 9. Amend INTSUM accordingly.
 - d. (1) RD Cadre reports that enemy have been sowing mines in LOI THANH hamlet PHUOC LOI village YS500572
(2) (161000H). At YS496602 (approx) RD Cadre reports seeing three armed enemy moving EAST to WEST on attack.
 - e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) See Annex A

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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM
No 197-69

INITIAL INTERROGATION REPORT

RETURNEE: DO VAN BA

1. Biographical Data

- a. Name: DO VAN BA
- b. AKA: DO HUNG PHUONG
- c. Unit: E1 Recce (Coy) AKA C205 subordinate to SR4
- d. Appointment: Pl 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.
- e. D/POB: 1945, LUONG PHU Village GIONG TROM BEN District.
- f. Occupation: Student.
- g. Religion: Buddhist.
- h. Marital Status: Single
- i. Date joined VC 1965.

Details of Return.

- a. Date/time: 161030H Jul 69
- b. Place: LONG THANH Sector.
- c. Wpns/Docs: Personal docs and 13500 piastres.
- d. Circumstances: At 151300H Jul 69 subject left his base area with his platoon to buy and pick up rice at THAI THIEN (subject carried 13500 piastres for this purpose). Taking advantage of darkness he slipped away from the platoon and gave himself up to LONG THANH Sector the following morning .

3. Exploited Information

- a. E1(C205): Str of approx 120, divided into 3 pls, armed with B40 B41, AKs and rifles. Task of the unit is to recce selected areas and to guide in troops prior to an attack. Recently the areas for recce have been LONG THANH, BINH SON, and NORTH along Route 15. The unit is split up into smaller units all located within the area Eastings: 32 - 35; Northings: 82 - 86. Subject did not know the immediate intentions of the unit.
- b. Other units: Subject did not know exact locations of any one unit but stated in the area Eastings: 35 - 40; Northings: 79 - 89, there were very many units , including units of SR4, 12 Rear Services Group 84 Rear Services Group and 3 Bn 274 Regt. These units have not been very active and are possibly resting and training. Virtually all of these units go to THAI THIEN or BINH SON for rice and foodstuffs. Subject heard that elements of K10 hospital were in that area in May. He did not know of any Arty or Engr units in the area.
- c. Resupply Routes: Units in the area who go to THAI THIEN to buy rice and rations move West along the Firestone trail. Units to the North use the track that runs SW to meet the Firestone Trail at YS286809, units to the SOUTH meet the Firestone Trail before the VAT Bridge YS268802, from there they use the trail into THAI THIEN. Approx timings are; depart:base camp 1300 - 1400 arrive THAI THIEN 2000 - 2100. There is ample rive at THAI THIEN and the people are willing to sell it to the VC as they sell it for 35 piastres per liter and make a profit of 10 piastres a liter. All movement to THAI THIEN in on foot.
- d. Misc: Subject stated that the area immediatley NORTH of THAI THIEN had been mined.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 198-69.
2. Period covered from 170001H to 172400 Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ROSSIEA.

(a) (171155H) At YS480528, 11/D/6 RAR located an old bunker system. Nothing further reported.

(b) (171310H) At YS480525, 11/D/6 RAR contacted an unknown number of enemy who initiated contact by firing one RPG round from the NORTH WEST. Result: Enemy casualties unknown, one Aust WIA.

(2) AO WEST BND.

(a) Late Report. (162250H) Elements of 6 RAR sighted two boats in the vicinity of YS500505. Later they dispersed, one heading SOUTH and the other heading NORTH.

(b) (170830H) A/6 RAR contacted one enemy (IF) heading WEST. Result: Enemy casualties unknown, Aust casualties - Nil.

(3) Other Areas.

(a) (171745H) At YS410709 Elements of 5 RAR located a bunker system approx 6 months old. Some bunkers were partially destroyed.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
170812H	YS407837	Base Camp	2 bunkers destroyed and 1 bunker exposed.
171251H	YS353669	Base Camp	Negative BDA.
171140H	YS464539	Base Camp	Negative BDA.

(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
171203H	YS472583	RAAF	One person heading towards DAT DO carrying AK 47.
171630H	YS269791	RAAF	Sighted a hut and engaged. Result unknown.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
(Late Report) 162120H	SLAR	YS235770	1 on road.
(Late Report) 162140H	SLAR	YS270685	1 on stream.
170230H	SLAR	YS210760	1 on road.

(4) Ground Fire.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
170738H	YS5356	161 Recce Flt	Nil damage.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (Late Report) (161500H) At YS447733 Nat Police detained 1 VC suspect named DUONG.

(2) (Late Report) (161500H) At YS434884 Nat Police detained one Vietnamese without ID card.

(3) (Late Report) (161000H) At YS442712 Nat Police detained eight females for illegal rice carrying.

- (4) (170800H) At YS427765 and YS431752, 655 RF unit located a bunker system consisting of 12 X 2 man pits. All bunkers destroyed.
- (5) (171650H) At YS568600 elements of 2/48 ARVN located a two coy size base camp approx 10 days old. Recovered were 2 X 100 lb bags of rice.
- (6) (172110H) At YS411580, PRU unit contacted an unknown size enemy force. Results: 7 enemy KIA, 1 PW (WIA) and 5 u/i weapons CIA. PW identified unit as C25-Company.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a-f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for July 69.

- (1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 16.
 KIA (poss) - 4.
 WIA - 9.
 WIA (poss) - 3.
 KBA (BC) - 1.
 KBA (poss) - 4.
 KB Arty (BC) - Nil.
 KB Arty (poss) - 2.
- (2) Detainees - 9.
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 27.
- (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - Nil.
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.5.
- (6)-(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>OO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
171000H	YS472548	10/D/6 RAR	BOOBY TRAPPED 175MM SHELL	Nil casualties or damage for demolition.
171420H	YS447579	9/C/6 RAR	M16	Nil damage or casualties.

b. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

a. See Annex A to 1 ATF INTSUM No 198/69 dated 17 Jul 69.

8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 13 Jul 69.

11. VGI and Guerilla ORBAT.

a. Documents captured by D/9 RAR in an unoccupied base camp at YS559893 identify The Ba Long Province Political Sect. Dates on the documents indicate that the base camp was occupied by the Political Sect sometime after late May 69 for an unknown period.

12. Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 199-69.
2. Period covered from 180001H to 182400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were FOUR contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO STRAND.

- (a) Late report. (172145H) In vicinity of YS608708, 6/B/6 RAR reported sighting torch lights and hearing a rifle shot.
- (b) (180300H) At YS608708, 6/B/6 RAR sighted 10 enemy with packs 500 metres from their location. The enemy were not engaged as the distance was too great for SA.
- (c) (180950H) At YS626720, 5/B/6 RAR contacted an unknown number of enemy who withdrew North with unknown results.
- (d) (181410H) At YS604702, 6/B/6 RAR observed 2 enemy moving North to South.

(2) AO WEST END.

- (a) (180900H) At YS547561, 1/A/6 RAR located a bunker system containing 22 old bunkers that were being rebuilt. Recovered were: 1 M72, 4 Chicom grenades used as fuses for bangalore torpedoes, 400 metres of D10 and a qty of documents.
- (b) (181530H) At YS513541, 3/W/6 RAR detained one person who had no ID Card. Detainee sent to Det Co.
- (c) (181645H) At YS543563, A/6 RAR located three bunkers all of which were new.
- (d) (181630H) At YS541561, elements of 6 RAR located a squad sized camp containing 8 bunkers, five of which were 1-2 weeks old. Recovered were 1 bangalore torpedo and a small qty of documents.

(3) AO TANUNDA.

- (a) (181515H) At YS361906, 2/A/9 RAR contacted ten plus enemy approaching from the West at 15 metre spacings. Enemy were dressed in greens, khaki, fawn shirts and blue trousers. Enemy withdrew South when engaged with claymore, mortar and arty. Results: enemy casualties - 2 KIA (BC), 1 KIA (poss) 2 AK47 and 3 packs captured. Aust casualties - nil.
- (b) (181715H) At YS361906, 2/A/9 RAR contacted an estimated 3-4 enemy approaching from the South East. Enemy engaged by M60 at 15 Metres. Enemy withdrew East then South after being engaged. Results: Enemy casualties 1 KIA (BC), 1 WIA (blood trail) and 1 pack containing medical supplies was captured. Aust casualties - nil.
- (c) (181550H) At YS364910, elements of 9 RAR sighted 3 enemy moving West to East. Enemy engaged with M60, M79 and arty with unknown results.

(4) OTHER AREAS.

- (182130H) In the vicinity of YS270785, elements of HQ 1 ARF Fwd located 2 enemy caches. Recovered were: 200 lbs of rice, 20 lbs salt, 20 ponchos, 15 pairs of thongs and 2 bicycles.

b. Air Activity.(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
180425H		Base Camp	3 bkrs dest, 1 tunnel and 1 well exp and dam.
180950H	YS382745	Base Camp	1 bkr and 1 long white cyl exp.
181010H	YS382745	Base Camp	1 bkr exp and dam.
181420H	YS457537	Base Camp	Bkr and tunnel complex 3 bkrs, 1 long comms trench and numerous trenches exp.
181513H	YS457537	Base Camp	5 bkrs, 10-12 wpn pits and 30m of trench exp.

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(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
181305H	YS826712	RAAF	Gardens
181305H	YS752886	RAAF	Gardens
181305H	YS665858	RAAF	Gardens

(3) Aerial Sensors.

(Late Reports)

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
172010H	SLAR	YS320750	1 on stream
172230H	SLAR	YS350790	1 on stream

c. Secondary Explosions.

Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (180845H) At YS438515, Sector reported that B36 Compound received 3 rounds of 57 mm RCL fire. All rounds impacted outside compound. There were no casualties or damage.

(2) (181305H) At YS433917, A/2/3 BDE RTAVF and ARVN forces contacted 5 to 6 enemy with unknown results. Enemy last seen at YS430919.

(3) (182010H) At YS541608, Elements of 2/48 ARVN Bn ambushed 1 guerrilla. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, ARVN forces - Nil.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

	<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Possible</u>
b. KIA by Ground Forces -	3	1
WIA -	1	

c. Omitted.

d. Detainees - 1

e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 3

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy KIA (BC)	- 19
KIA (poss)	- 5
WIA	- 10
WIA (poss)	- 3
KBA (BC)	- 1
KBA (poss)	- 4
KB Arty (BC)	- Nil
KB Arty (poss)	- 2

(2) Detainees - 10

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 30

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - Nil

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 1.6 tons

(6). (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
(180935H)	YS438575	C/6 RAR	M16	No casualties
(181200H)	YS481524	LCT	M16	No casualties or damage

b. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

(c.) Documents recovered from a base camp at YS347903 on 13 Jul 69 by 9 RAR identify C24 (convalescent Coy) 274 Regt.

.../a. (1)(cont.)

The most recent document was dated 8 Jul 69. The documents indicate that some 274 Regt WIA from the attack on the RTAVF FSPB vic LOC AN (YS1791) on 15/16 Jun 69 were evacuated to this camp.

(b) The info recorded that at 140830H Jul 69 there was approximately one squad of VC armed with 1 MMG and individual weapons, they carried 7 bags of rice (50 kils each bag) and 5 big bread rolls and rested at the ox-cart trail, approximately 1000 metres north-west of PHUOC LOC Hamlet grid YS270654.

(c) At 1830H, 14 Jul 69 a VC troop (approximately 20 men), wearing mixed uniforms, armed with crew-served and individual weapons, appeared at "PHUOC HUU" Pagoda YS448628. This outfit was part of VC artillery unit of LONG DAT District. Same source also stated that this force will move to "CO THAN" pagoda (approximately YS435602) of LONG DIEN village, to fire in support of the attack on LONG DIEN Sub-sector. (Attack date unknown).

(d) Reference to message N - 740 Jul 12-69 of DIOCC/LD. The information CTV of scout joint group value ATF F6 noted at 1730H Jul 10-69, the C/2 D.445 force was hiding in middle of YS487504. Also this force is preparing to attack outposts or shell in the DD areas near BO DAP and PHUOC HAI outposts on 20 Jul 69. Comment: The information just have noted, need control and coordinate.

(e) National Police/DD report that the information by MBV.FKC/Y-24, value ATF F6 received in MOI Hamlet (NUI NHON) at 111315H Jul 69, VC are building a temporary station and defence area at YS538736. The VC claim that they will use this area for a temporary company district station and equipment for LONG DAT District. Comment: ARVN C/3, Aust F6.

8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province dated 15 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerrilla ORBAT.

(1) Resupply.

(a) VC are obtaining supplies from local people at YS441705 on Route 2 at 0730H and in the swamp at YS418712 at 0800H. Enemy using oxen or tractor to take the supplies into the jungle to the WEST and SOUTH-WEST. Information was provided by the LONG LE District Police Chief, Chief of Interrogation at PIC and confirmed by the Hamlet Chief of SOU NGHE.

12. Miscellaneous.

a. - d. Omitted.

e. Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Documents found at YS347903 give an indication of the numbers of WIA casualties suffered by 274 Regt. In the 11/12 May 69 attack on an RTAVF unit at YS239917 (in which 41 enemy were KIA(BC), the documents disclose that 19 enemy were WIA from 1 and 2 Bn 274 Regt. In the 15/16 Jun attack on the RTAVF FSPB vic LOC AN (YS1791) (in which 212 enemy were KIA(BC), 39 enemy were WIA from 1 Bn, 2 Bn, C17 (RCL) Coy, C20 (Sigs) Coy, C21 (Spr) Coy and C22 (Tm) Coy. Comment: These figures probably represent only those with mine wounds. More serious casualties would probably be evacuated to 84 Rear Service Group Hospitals.

(2) The following table constructed from info contained in the documents described above gives an interesting insight into the battle and non-battle casualties of 274 Regt:

<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>PATIENTS WITH MALARIA</u>	<u>PATIENT HOSPITALISED FROM OTHER CAUSES</u>	<u>PATIENTS WIA</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Aug 68	114	14	3	131
Sep/Dec 68	59	13	3	75
Nov 68	140	5	6	151
Feb/Mar 69	6	43	47	96
	319	75	59	453

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 205-69.
2. Period covered from 240001H to 242400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were four contacts with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PANTHER

(a) Late Report(231330H). At YS699692, Anti Tank Pl 5 RAR, contacted one enemy who withdrew West on contact.

(b) (240710H). At YS699692, elements of 5 RAR located a rest camp, one to three months old, eight to ten men.

(c) (241105H). At YS770711, elements of 5 RAR located twenty huts with bunkers underneath.

(d) (241330H). At YS760747, 1/A/5 RAR located a base camp which had previously been hit by an air strike. Results were five bunkers and three huts destroyed. Appears to be still used as a rest camp.

(2) AO MICK

(a) (241615H). At YS560763 elements of B/1 Armd, located a cornfield, food, shelters and a trip wire with a CHICOM grenade attached. Also sighted were two enemy who withdrew East at YS561761.

(3) AO PORPHYRY

(a) (241605H). At YS367894, 3/A/9 RAR, contacted one enemy who withdrew North West.

(b) (241625H). At YS367894, 2/A/9 RAR, contacted an unknown number of enemy. Results: 1 Aust WIA.

(4) AO STRAND

(a) (241100H). At YS648608, B/5 RAR located a squad size bunker, containing a quantity of rice which was destroyed.

(b) (241730H). At YS591686, 4/B/6 RAR contacted ten enemy (LF). Results: 1 Aust WIA, 2 enemy KIA(poss). Bunker system believed to be in the area.

(5) OTHER AREAS

(a) (241403H). At YS485670, elements of 6 RAR located three new US Butterfly bombs.

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
240905H	YS402769	Base Camp	100% on target, 100% coverage. 6 bunkers destroyed, 5 bunkers exposed and damaged, 4 tables destroyed and clothing scattered in the area.
241510H	YS465540	Base Camp	100% on target, 70% coverage. No further BDA.
241705H	YS571792	Base Camp	100% on target, 50% coverage. 2 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker exposed.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(1) (240030H). At YS645610, elements of 2/48 ARVN contacted a possible Pl size force (MF). Results: 4 KIA(BC), one AK47 and 2 MI Carbines and a quantity of documents captured.

(2) (241230H). At YS629607, elements of 2/48 ARVN contacted a squad size enemy force in a hut. The enemy withdrew South and West. The hut contained a quantity of clothing and rice. The hut and contents were destroyed.

(3) (241330H). At YS238828, elements of the ARVN Marines contacted five enemy with unknown results.

(4) (242012H). At YS414647 a patrol from HOA LONG was in contact with unknown results.

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4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. Omitted.

b.	Confirmed	Possible
	KIA by Ground Forces	2

c - f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	- 33
KIA(poss)	- 7
WIA	- 11
WIA(poss)	- 4
KBA(BC)	- 2
KBA(poss)	- 4
KB Arty(poss)	- 2

(2) Detainees - 17
 PW - 2

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 44

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.83

(6).(10) Omitted.

5. a. Mines and Booby Traps

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
240950	YS513544	6 RAR	M16	Neg cas. Also located signs showing skull and cross bones. Whole of perimeter of village is beleived to be mined.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

(a) Agent Report. (241935H). At YS550562 two VC coys with two 82 mm mortars and two 50 cal Machine Guns. Eval VN C/3. Agent Report. (241935H). At YS335590 one VC Pl. Eval VN C/2.

8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous

a-b. Omitted.

c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.

(1) Reference INTSUM No 204-69, Para 3 a(1)(b). Add, cornfield located measured 100 m by 10000 m.

d-e. Omitted.

Annex A

HOI CHANH - PHUOC HAI

1. Brief details are:

a. Name - NGUYEN THI BE, date of birth 1950.

b. Unit - PHUOC HAI Village Party Chapter.

c. Position - Entertainment Cadre.

d. Base camp is 500 metres towards hills from HON MOT PAGODA YS493508.

e. Org - Group contained 8 people of whom 7 had left the camp to attend a conference at PHUOC HAI on day of B52 strike.

f. After departure of the seven, six members of LONG DAT Party Charter arrived. One had pistol, remainder grenades. Subject went to a cave (which contained a shrine) at top of the hill (probably YS482507). B52 strike left BE unconscious for 1 1/2 days. She then saw bodies of the six LD members who were killed. She decided to Chieu Hoi (with this added inspiration).

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2. Miscellaneous Points.
 - a. Most VCI have left PHUOC HAI due to Aust Ops.
 - b. Food is short in LONG HAIS.
 - c. Morale is very low.
 - d. Member did not appear to know names of the 6 KIA.
 - e. She was in a state of shock.
 - f. She gave names of other members of her PHUOC HAI group.
 - g. She did not know details of other VC in LONG HAIS.
 - h. All her comrades are terrified of air strikes.
3. S2's from BARIA/LONG DIEN/DAT DO were present with their counterparts and interpreters. All were firing questions simultaneously. Psy Ops (Maj CURRIE) from BARIA were also present and [redacted] agreed to make a tape. Her state was such that this will not be done until tomorrow.
4. An airstrike at about 1500H in the LONG HAIS terrified the CH who was unwilling to say anything for some time afterwards.
5. [redacted] refused to go up in an aircraft or to go out in an APC or with troop to the base location.
6. She is terrified of reprisals against her family in PHUOC HAI.
7. She has been sent to the Chieu Hoi Centre, BARIA, overnight in an attempt to get them to influence her. She will be interrogated by Sector S2 Friday AM.

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1. Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 200/69
2. Period covered from 190001H to 192400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were 11 contacts during the period.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PORPHRY.

- (a) (191320H) At YS361877, elements of 9 RAR located a fresh track used by 8 to 10 persons moving SE to NW.
- (b) (191320H) At YS344874, elements of 9 RAR located a resting place for 8 to 10 enemy. Enemy approached resting place from NE and departed to NW probably along track in serial (2).
- (c) (191320H) At YS373878, elements of 9 RAR located a freshly made track running from North to South used by 10 to 20 enemy about 24 hours ago.
- (d) (191320H) At YS392896, elements of 9 RAR located a well used track running from North to South. 50 metres South the track swung West to YS388896.
- (e) (191628H) At YS389908, 7/C/9 RAR contacted 2 VC who came down to the water point from the West. Result 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC WIA (poss). En believed to be NVA and were wearing blue shirts and trousers.
- (f) (191735H) At YS361906, 2/A/9 RAR located a further body, body from contact yesterday.
- (g) (191730H) At YS385906, 7&8/C/9 RAR contacted an en pl in bunkers. C Coy initiated contact but en fired on leading elements of C Coy. Results 1 Aust KIA, 8 Aust WIA. En cas unknown.

(2) AO TRACKER.

- (a) (190505H) At YS197837, FSPB CLARE was hit by 20 rounds 82mm mortar. Results 3 Aust WIA.
- (b) (191600H) At YS248855, a marine coy contacted enemy. Results 2 marines WIA, 5 VC KIA.
- (c) (191600H) At YS277853, marines contacted enemy dug in using RPG, MG and SA.

(3) AO WEST END.

- (a) (190930H) At YS536558, elements of 6 RAR located 2 new bunkers approx 2 weeks old and of squad size. Occupied 1 to 2 days ago. Recovered, 300 lbs rice, 3 boxes of torch batteries, 100 yds black cloth, small qty of documents, 60 yds nylon waterproof material.
- (b) (191002H) At YS535558, 1/A/6 RAR located 3 freshly constructed and recently occupied bunkers. Recovered were 1 Chicom claymore and documents.
- (c) (191100H) At YS534559, elements of 6 RAR located 3 new bunkers last occupied 24 hrs ago. Recovered, 1xM16 mine without detonator, 21x4 gal drums of rice, each drum 40 to 50 lbs.
- (d) (191542H) At YS535560, 2/A/6 RAR contacted 1 VC local force. En was wearing green shirt and black trousers and carrying weapon possibly M16. En withdrew NW.
- (e) (191630H) At YS535560, 2/A/6 RAR contacted 2 VC local force. Results. 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 VC PW(female). Recovered 1xM1 carbine, 26 full M16 mags and 4 sets US pattern webbing, 5x shelters, qty food, 4x mugs, 4 sets clothing, 1 torch, silk, medical supplies, sewing gear, 1 large ARVN pack, 100x.45 rounds, qty M1 rounds.

(4) AO ROSSLEA.

- (a) Late report (182130H) At YS480525, elements of 6 RAR reported movement 150 metres to NORTHEAST. Engaged with M79 and cannister.
- (b) (190435H) At YS482525, elements 6 RAR reported 4 rounds of RPG fired at NORTHEAST perimeter.

(5) AO STRAND.

- (a) (190905H) At YS615705, 5/B/6 RAR contacted an unknown number of en with unknown results.

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(b) (191200H) At YS601700, B/6 RAR assaulted an en base camp. They encountered RPG, 10 x AK47 and heavy MG fire. A number of tunnels were located. 3 Aust WIA.

(6) AO WIANGAREE.

(a) (191412H) At YS573605, B/6 RAR located a VC base camp of coy size. Documents show it was occupied by D445 and is believed to have been used as a rice staging area with 800 kilos a day being moved. Also found was used medical supplies and blood transfusion equipment. There were 20 bunkers each 3 metres long over 150 metres EAST to WEST. A tunnel system was also located. 2 to 3 VC were seen running EAST from YS570603.

(7) Other Areas.

(a) (191330H) At YS301705 a battalion of enemy were reported by the US PRU Advisor in HOA LONG.

(b) (192215H) At YS590591 300VC reported by sector.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Co-ords</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
191100H	YS457537	Base Camp	Two bunkers destroyed Two bunkers exposed Clothing exposed
190955H	YS3877	Base Camp	One bunker exposed.

(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
191630H	YS7361	Poss	Received ground fire.

(3) Omitted.

c. Omitted.

d. Omitted

(4) Enemy personnel and equipment losses.

a. US

b.

	<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Possible</u>
KIA by Ground Forces	2	-
WIA	-	1
KBA	-	-
KB Arty	-	-
c. ARVN	5	-
d. Detainees	-	-
Hoi Chanh	-	-
PW	1	-
e. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure.	20 rds 82mm mortar	-
Enemy Weapon Losses		
(1) Individual	1	-
(2) Crew Served	1	-
g. Cumulative totals for;		
(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	21	-
KIA(poss)	5	-
WIA	10	-
WIA(Poss)	4	-
KBA(BC)	1	-
KBA(poss)	4	-
KB Arty(BC)	Nil	-
KB Arty(poss)	2	-
(2) Detainees	10	-
Hoi Chanh	-	-
PW	1	-
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed		31
(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed		Nil
(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed		4.25
(6.10) Omitted		

5. a. b. Omitted

6.-12. Omitted.

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1. 1Australian Task Force INTSUM No 201-69
2. Period covered from 200001H to 202400H Jul 69
3. Summary of enemy activity There were nine contacts (eight not in reporting period) with TaskForce elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO STRAND

(a) Late report (190845H) at YS614704, 5/B/6 RAR contacted 10-15 enemy moving SOUTH with unknown results.

(b) Late report (191045H) at YS601697, 6/B/6 RAR contacted four enemy moving EAST with unknown results.

(c) Late report (191100H) at YS601696, 6/B/6 RAR contacted one enemy moving NORTH results: One enemy KIA (BC), one transistor radio was recovered.

(d) Late report (191300H) at YS603700, elements of B/6RAR assaulted an enemy base camp. Heavy AK47, RPG and MG fire was received, at 1330H, B/6 RAR searched the camp revealing sleeping and fighting bunkers. Results three enemy KIA (BC) quantity of RPG rounds, 217 AK47 rounds, quantity of grenades, one Australian wrist watch, quantity of documents, rice and clothing were recovered. Four AUST were WIA (see Para 7 of this INTSUM).

(e) Late report (191915H) at YS607700, 6/B/6 RAR contacted three enemy moving SOUTH with unknown results.

(2) AO WEST END

(a) (200930H) at YS533560, elements of 6 RAR located a bunker with three feet of overhead protection recovered was 2lbs of CHICOM explosives.

(b) (201030H) at YS531555, elements of 6 RAR located eight bunkers and numerous fighting pits. Recovered were: Eight M16 mine fuses, two M18A1 firing devices, one claymore test device, 50 feet of cable, three pairs of wire cutters, one pair of pliers, one M72, one RPG7 round, four M26 grenades, three ammunition boxes of documents, forty M16 rounds, one CHICOM type 53 rifle, one Japanese 7.7MM rifle and four electric fuses (bomb fuses made by Radio Corporation of America).

(3) AO PORPHYRY

(a) (201044H) at YS385906, C/9 RAR entered a bunker system where 7 and 8/C/9 RAR had contact yesterday at 1730H. System appears to consist of 20-30 bunkers. Located and destroyed were: Two entrenching tools, one pair of HO CHI MINH sandals, one black shirt, five 60MM mortar rounds, two 82MM mortar rounds, three RPG rounds, two RPG containers, four 60MM containers and two 82MM containers. A further search revealed the following: Three RPG7 rounds, three RPG7 booster rounds, six RPG2 rounds, two anti tank grenades, two machettes, 400 lbs of rice, quantity of clothes, plastic sheets, hammock, one water bag, one 7.62 mm drum magazine and one transistor radio. A body was ~~also~~ located in a shallow grave inside a bunker.

(4) MARINE AO.

(a) Late Report. (191215H). At YS249862, elements of 5 Bn ARVN Marines contacted an estimated enemy company. Results: **Five** enemy KIA(BC), one AK47, one Mosin-Nagant and two Chicom grenades were recovered.

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(b) Late Report. (191325H). At YS277854, elements of 5 Bn ARVN Marines contacted an estimated enemy company. Results: Seven enemy KIA(BC), one M1, two claymores and one PRC 25 radio set (Serial No 3090) were recovered.

(c) Late Report. (191600H). At YS246906, elements of 3 Bn ARVN Marines contacted ten enemy moving NORTH WEST with unknown results.

(5) Other Areas.

(a) (200945H) At YS449706, a patrol from ARU sighted four enemy moving EAST.

(b) (201005H) At YS434762, 2/B/3 Cav Regt located four bunkers with overhead cover.

(c) (201745H) At YS730670, 3/B/3 Cav Regt contacted one enemy who withdrew SOUTH with unknown results.

(d) (201815H) At YS441761, elements of B/1 Armd Regt and RF forces located and destroyed thirty bunkers.

(e) (201815H) At YS415765, elements of B/1 Armd Regt and RF forces located ten bunkers.

(f) (201815H) At YS467738, elements of B/1 Armd Regt and RF forces reports that there is a mine field. Type of mine is unknown.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
182015H	YS723658	Base Camp	Nil BDA due to darkness.
182045H	YS723658	Base Camp	Nil BDA due to darkness.
190700H	YS457537	Base Camp	Two bunkers destroyed, five bunkers damaged and exposed.
191045H	YS381771	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
191110H	YS381771	Base Camp	One bunker exposed.
191415H	YS276848	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
200940H	YS461539	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
201015H	YS469540	Base Camp	Nil BDA.

(2) Visual Recce.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
200815H	YS5655	RAAF	Three sampans.
201300H	YS759685	USAF	New garden.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
200450H	RED HAZE	YS370531	One in swamp.
		YS372557	One in swamp.
		YS383555	One on road.
		YS390559	One in swamp.
		YS400529	One in river.
		YS415521	One in swamp.
		YS421555	One in swamp.
		YS494535	One in rice paddy.
		YS493530	One in rice paddy.
		YS492533	One in open.
202020H	SLAR	YS429582	One in open.
		YS465750	Moving targets on secondary road.
		YS470730	Moving targets on secondary road.
202130H	SLAR	YS675670	One on road.
202210H	SLAR	YS250650	One on river.

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(4) Sniffer Mission.

(a) (200930H) Strong readings were recorded at the following:
 YS737762, YS752761, YS774767, YS766757, YS767746, YS744736,
 YS744728, YS745717, YS754714, YS752704, YS736697, YS761687,
 YS726675.

Cultivations were also sighted at:
 YS717758, YS783758, YS742771, YS742769, YS771688, YS783688.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (201645H) At YS272657, a US convoy of three vehicles received RPG 2 and SA fire. Fire was returned with SA and artillery. Results: One ARVN was WIA.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. KIA by Ground Forces -

Confirmed	Possible
4 not in reporting period.	

c. ARVN - KIA by Ground Forces - 12 (confirmed)

d - e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses

(1) Individual - 2

(2) Crew served - 1

g. Cumulative Totals for

(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	- 25
KIA(poss)	- 5
WIA	- 10
WIA(poss)	- 4
KBA(BC)	- 1
KBA(poss)	- 4
KB Arty(poss)	- 2

(2) Detainees - 10
 PW - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 33

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 1

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.45

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
200940H	YS441576	V/6 RAR	M16	Located. There was no friendly casualties.

b. Interdictions.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION
201300H	YS615806	USAF	Barricade across the road.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

(a) Documents recovered from a contact by B/6 RAR at YS603700 on 191300H-Jul 69 identify C3/D445 Bn.

8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report "Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province dated 15 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT.

(a) (201845H) At YS441761, elements of B/1 Armd Regt and RF Coy detained seven females from HOA LONG.

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12. Miscellaneous.

a.-b. Omitted.

c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.

- (1) Reference INTSUM number 200-69, amend as follows:
 - (a) Para 3 a (5) (b), delete all reference.
 - (b) Para 4 g (5), amend to read 2.25 tons.

d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) A Sector S-2 agent report received 161200H Jul 69 and evaluated B-2 states that a battalion of 274 Regt is hidden at SUOI DA VANG approximately YS270800 (LONG-THANH/BIEN HOA) and SUOI BEN-TAU approximately YS295755 (PHU MY PHUOC TUY). The above unit intends attacking PHU MY and LONG THANH Sub-sector from now until 20 Jul 69. The communists will shell the ONG-TRINH post, BARIA CITY and 18 ARVN DIV Training during this period.

Comment: There is no concrete evidence of this activity. It is known that MR7/274 Regt were planning operations in Route QL 15 area adjacent to the HAT DICH and they may be persisting in their attempts despite heavy air attacks and ground actions against likely areas.

(2) A readout from documents captured at YT555085 on 16 Jul 69 by 2/49 ARVN states that an offensive is to begin on 21 Jul 69 throughout III CTZ.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 202-69.
2. Period covered from 210001H to 212400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were four contacts during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO ROSSLEA.

(a) (210355H) At YS443558, 2/V/6 RAR contacted ~~six~~ to seven enemy moving SOUTH. Results: Four enemy KIA(BC) one enemy WIA, one colt .45, one AK47, one M1, one PPSH, ~~six~~ packs, quantity of documents and large quantity food CIA.

(b) (210515H) At YS499518, D/6 RAR contacted three enemy moving NORTH with unknown results.

(c) (210940H) At YS525564 3/A/6 RAR detonated an M16 mine whilst clearing a harbour position. On clearing further mines in the area another M16 mine was detonated. Results: Two AUST KIA 23 AUST WIA. A search through the area recovered four M26 grenades, eight anti lift devices (six with detonators) 60lb Chicon explosive, 750lb rice (in 15 drums) one M1 bayonet, cooking utensils, small quantity documents, 31 x 7.96 and 96 x .30 small arms ammunition. Also recovered was one transistor radio and two watches.

(2) AO PANTHER.

(a) (211140H) YS724679 elements of D/5 RAR located two weapon pits approx three months old.

(b) (211250H) YS722659 12/D/5 RAR located 12 bunkers with 12" to 15" overhead cover. There is a creek 200M SOUTH of the bunker system.

(c) (211920H) At YS758737 1/A/5 RAR contacted an estimated seven enemy who approached across a creek line to the SOUTH. The enemy withdrew NORTH EAST and SOUTH WEST after contact. Results: Two enemy KIA(BC) one AUST WIA.

(d) (211845H) At YS694774 B/3 Cav contacted four enemy who withdrew to the SOUTH WEST with unknown results.

(3) AO PORPHYRY.

(a) (211000H) YS364883 4/B/9 RAR located a NORTH SOUTH foot track 48 hours old used by an estimated enemy squad moving SOUTH to NORTH. The track was blazed on each tree for 180 metres and a follow up revealed blood traces on a log.

(4) AO MIKE.

(a) (211250H) At YS415824 elements of B/1 Armd Regt located possible bunkers.

b. Air Activity.(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
211445H	YS353669	Base Camp	Four bunkers exposed, two tunnel entrances collapsed, one talbe destroyed.
211520H	YS410760	Base Camp	One command bunker destroyed, one hut destroyed, scattered clothing and docs. Five tunnel entrances and one military structure exposed, one enemy KBA (confirmed).
211650H	YS377683	Base Camp	Two weapon pits destroyed, one weapon pit exposed and small diggings exposed.

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(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
211700H	YS695731	FAC	Large, well kept garden.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
202015H	SLAR	YS330489	Three in open.
		YS390570	One in stream.
		YS670660	One in stream.
202100H	SLAR	YS455750	One on road.
210130H	SLAR	YS235910	One in open.
		YS595490	One in open.
		YS250480	Two in water.
		YS440510	Two on road.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(a) (211600H) At YS554603 elements of 2/48 ARVN contacted ten enemy moving NORTH WEST with unknown results.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

	<u>Confirmed</u>
KIA by Ground Forces	- 6
WIA	- 1
KBA	- 1

c-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 4.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy KIA(BC)	-31
KIA(poss)	- 5
WIA	-11
WIA(poss)	- 4
KBA(BC)	- 2
KBA(poss)	- 4
KBA Arty(poss)	- 2

(2) Detainees - 10
 PW - 1

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 37

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed- 1

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.83

(6).(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
211100H	YS443597	V/6 RAR	2M16	No casualties or damage.

b. Interdictions.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
210650H	YS246756	NUI DAT	Road blocks on Route 15.
	YS271655	ARTY	
210740H	YS2572	NUI DAT ARTY	Road block on Route 15.

6-8. Omitted.

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- 9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 15 Jul 69.
11. Omitted.
12. Miscellaneous.
- a-b. Omitted.
- c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.
- (1) Reference INTSUM number 201-69, amend as follows:
- (a) Para 12 e(2) Grid Reference should read XT555085 not YT555085.
- d-e. Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM Number 203/69.
2. Period covered from 220001H to 222400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were two contacts during the reporting period.
 - a. Ground activity.
 - (1) AO PANTHER.
 - (a) (220945H) At YS697781. 3 Cav contacted enemy. Results 1 en WIA and PW. Enemy belonged to Province Medical Unit strength 40. PW sent 24 Evacuation Hospital LONG BINH.
 - (b) (221440H) At YS770744. A/5 RAR located a 50metre x 50 metre rice paddy 200 metres South of Company location.
 - (c) (221440H) At YS758743. 1/A/5 RAR located a bunker system.
 - (d) (222042H) At YS722659 to 723658 to 720656 in a clearing 12/D/5 RAR located a bunker system of 50 bunkers. The bunkers were linear in 5 separate areas with 15 inches of loose earth overhead protection. There were 19 two man weapon pits. No major use for 6 months but minor use for at least 3 months probably caretaker group. There is a possible water point at YS722658.
 - (2) AO ROSSLEA.
 - (a) (221220H) At YS472543. A patrol from 6 RAR located a 250lb bomb. Bomb was blown.
 - (3) AO STRAND.
 - (a) (221530H) At YS596694. 6 RAR located a section sized camp of 4 pits with overhead protection and 10'x6' sleeping pits. They were 3 weeks old.
 - (4) AO WESTEND.
 - (a) (221530H) At YS540555. 2/A/6 RAR located 2 bunker systems. Results unknown.
 - (5) AO PORPHYRY.
 - (a) (221040H) At YS372885. 6/B/9 RAR located a bunker system. 1 enemy was seen moving into a bunker and was engaged with SA fire. A RPG was fired from a bunker in depth but landed to the rear. The bunker was engaged by arty and airstrike. 7 bunkers have been located but the system extends to the North, East and West. The system is newly occupied and well established with up to 3 feet of overhead cover and tables and chairs.
 - (b) (221810H) At YS387907. C/9 RAR located a heavy blood trail particular on a bunker. They have located 20 bunkers in the area.
 - (6) AO MICK.
 - (a) Late report (201330H) YS467738. B/1 Armd Regt located 30 mines planted Mine indicators wire sticks in upside down position and x sticks on extreme of field. 7 women were detained about 250 metres from mine field. All were from Hoa Long and are being held at Duc Thanh.
 - (b) Late report (212100H) at YS433797 1 Armd Regt observed 1 light from within FSPB VIRGINIA.
 - (c) Late report (212345H) At YS470794. 1 Armd Regt spotted at least two enemy moving West to East along track.
 - (d) (220100H) At YS440801. 1 Armd Regt spotted unknown number of enemy moving from West to East along track. Movement heard from 0100 to 0400.

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- a. (7) MARINE AO.
(a) (221613H) at YS294854. ARVN Marines contacted unknown number of enemy who fired SA and RPG. Results unknown.

b. Air Activity.

Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
210525H	YS753751	Base Camp	North/South trail exp
210940H	YS274904	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
211005H	YS284909	Base Camp	Nil BDA.
211120H	YS384908	Base Camp	Nil BDA.

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(2) Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO ORDS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
220745H	YS6857	RAAF	6 sampans

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO ORD</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
212120H	SLAR	YS409593	1 on road
		YS416546	1 on river
		YS523542	1 on river
		YS443545	1 on mountain
		YS453540	1 on stream
		YS462542	1 on stream
		YS466564	1 in open
		YS505543	1 on trail
		YS320562	1 on river
		YS319558	1 on river
		YS361616	1 on road
		YS260590	1 on stream
		YS270590	1 on stream
220015H	SLAR	YS240570	1 on river
		YS240670	1 in open
212025H	SLAR	YS280655	1 in open
		YS350645	1 in open
220030H	RED HAZE	YS320562	1 on river
		YS319558	1 on river
220051H	RED HAZE	YS409593	1 on road
		YS416549	1 on river
		YS423542	1 on river
		YS443545	1 on mountain
		YS453540	1 on stream
		YS466564	1 in open
		YS505503	1 on stream
		YS298594	1 on stream
		YS299584	1 on riverbank
		YS306571	1 on stream
		YS306554	1 on stream
		YS307552	1 on stream
		YS320562	1 on river
YS325560	1 on riverbank		
YS337577	1 on river		
YS331537	1 in open		
YS348569	1 on river		
YS357542	1 on river		
YS358538	1 on river		
YS365578	2 on riverbank		
YS374522	1 on stream		
YS377521	1 in open		
YS377530	1 on stream		
YS376540	1 on stream		
YS382551	1 on road		
YS385550	1 in open		
YS391539	1 on stream		
YS395563	1 on river		
YS402552	1 on river		
YS409548	1 on river		
YS412550	1 on river		
YS413548	1 on river		
YS413524	1 on riverbank		
YS419540	1 on river		
YS421547	1 on river		
YS424525	1 on river		
YS477506	1 on trail		

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- c. (Omitted)
d. Incidents not involving Task Force elements.
(a) (221930H) At YS652631. Elements of 2/48 ARVN located two houses. They were fairly old with no roofs. 10 MMG rounds and a platoon size bunker complex were located in area.

4. Enemy personnel and equipment losses.

- a,b,c. (Omitted)
d. Detainees. - 7
PW - 1
e,f. (Omitted)
g. Cumulative totals for July.
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|--|---|------|
| (1) Enemy KIA(BC) | - | 31 |
| KIA(poss) | - | 5 |
| WIA | - | 11 |
| WIA(poss) | - | 4 |
| KBA(BC) | - | 2 |
| KBA(poss) | - | 4 |
| KB Arty (poss) | - | 2 |
| (2) Detainees | | 17 |
| PW | | 2 |
| (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed | | 37 |
| (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed | | 1 |
| (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed | | 2.83 |

5. a. Obstacles and barriers

(a) Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
221920H	YS255831	Marines(ARVN)	Mine	2 KIA.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

(a) (221230H) AT YS316665 a coy sized Main force unit in process of building camp wearing green uniforms and carrying individual and crew served weapons, reported by wood cutters from PHUOC HOA. Unit ident unknown. VN C/2 US C/3.

(b) (221230H) At YS332662 a squad sized observation post from C41 observing activity in PHUOC HOA village.

(c) (221230H) At YS597655 and YS700719. En size unknown. Located by 18 Div. Tech Int system on 21 Jul 69. Evaluation A/2.

10. No change to Intelligence report 'Enemy situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

12. (c) Ref Intsum 202-69 para 32 (2)(c) add. 2 en WIA (blood trail), qty med supplies and docs were recovered.

(e) Docs captured by 4/B/5 RAR off a body at YS553590 on 21 Jun 69 said in part. "47,000 piastres was collected between 17 and 20 Jun 69 by these elements 11 members of village committies in Long Dat District as taxes. In addition 565 litres of husked rice were either collected or purchased. Six individuals in PHUOC THANH village were apprehended by RVNAF elements on the night of 18 Jun and 3 members of Comrade Quyet's element "Phuoc Thanh village unit" were positioned at the same location. The last sweep op of FWMAF/RVNAF troops in Dat Do district had inflicted serious damage to the VC organization in Phuoc Hoa Long village. Docs captured by A/6 RAR on 20 Jun 69 at YS530554 identify the Hoi My party chapter. The dates on the docs indicate the cache had been recently used.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 204/69.
2. Period covered from 230001H to 232400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were three contacts with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity

- (1) AO PANTHER.
 - (a) (231050H). At YS679636, elements of 5 RAR found an old camp which had not been used for some time.
 - (b) (231113H). At YS778740, 3/A/5 RAR located a field of corn and a well used track.
 - (c) (231200H). At YS782758, 3/A/5 RAR located an occupied camp consisting of three huts and a suspected eight bunkers with extensive track net in area. At YS782760 an unknown number of enemy were contacted. Results: One enemy seen running away.
 - (d) (232020H) At YS694775, 3/3 Cav located heavily used tracks, one metre in width, running EAST to WEST.
 - (e) (232140H). At YS782760, elements of 5 RAR located one bunker, one hut, a quantity of construction material and one large garden. Area was occupied at least four days ago.
- (2) AO MICK
 - (a) Late report (221400H). At YS460764, B/1 Armd located a platoon sized enemy base camp area, 75x75metres, consisting of eight well constructed weapon pits with two feet overhead cover, believed to be 24 to 48 hours old.
- (3) AO PORPHYRY
(230901H). At YS384908, 9/C/9 RAR located four bunkers and one RPG 7 rocket launcher.
- (4) AO ROPE
(231435H). At YS595654, Aust elements located four AK 47, one B40 with ammunition and heavy bloodtrails one day old.
- (5) AO WEST END
 - (a) (231340H). At YS527552, elements of 6 RAR located and destroyed a bunker ten feet x six feet with three feet overhead cover.
- (6) OTHER AREAS
 - (a) (231935H). At YS463644, patrol of 1 ARU sighted and attempted to stop two persons who escaped.
- (7) AO STRAND
 - (a) (230850H). At YS598692, 4/B/6 RAR, contacted three or more enemy while moving through a bunker system. Result: One enemy KIA (BC), 2 enemy KIA (POSS), 15 loaded AK 47 Mags, six RPG 2 rds, two chicom grenades, qty 7.62 short rds, ten packs and six sets of webbing, a large qty of documents, an amount of miscellaneous equipment and a qty of food were captured. The area consisted of 13 bunkers constituting a platoon sized camp.
 - (b) (231300H). At YS598692, 5/B/6 RAR contacted one enemy. Results: one enemy KIA (BC), one AK 47 and one loaded RPG 2 captured.
- (8) AO ROSSLEA
 - (a) (231135H). At YS488508, 4 Tp 1 Armd located and destroyed a man made shelter outside the entrance of a cave.
 - (b) (231510H). At YS507533, D/6 RAR sighted four armed persons dressed in greens moving EAST towards PHUOC HAI.
- (9) MARINE AO
 - (a) (230715H). Ref contact at 221613H at YS294854. Results: One RVN Marine WIA, 500 rds of AK 47, qty grenades, one box of medical equipment and 400 lb of rice were captured.
 - (b) (230920H). At YS295845, 5 Bn RVN Marines contacted unknown number of enemy. Results: One RVN Marine KIA, one RVN Marine WIA, negative enemy casualties.

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b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
230900H	YS578726	En Base Camp	100% on target, 100% coverage, 1 bunker and 1 spider hole exposed.
231020H	YS457537	En Base Camp	10 Weapon pits, 4 bunkers and 1 shelter exposed, clothing scattered in area

(2) Visual Recce.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
232030H	YS580805	73rd SAC	One on stream.
230630H	YS6658	161 Recce Flt	Recent, light track activity
	YS668582	"	Three people seen at a rendezvous.

(3) Aerial Sensors

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
232030H	SLAR	YS735775	One on stream.
13 Jul	Photo	YS325797	Bunkers
		YS280790	"
		YS293747	"
		YS291750	"
		YS305753	"
		YS313773	"
		YS320798	Holes in ground
		YS279790	Bunkers
		YS279800	"
232135H	SLAR	YS250670	One on stream
221925H (Late report)	Red Haze	YS435662	One in open
		YS406647	One on trail
		YS406642	One in open
		YS405603	One on trail
		YS409616	One in open
		YS493631	One in ricefield
		YS496579	One in ricefield
		YS432525	One in open
		YS320561	One on river
		YS381599	One in open
		YS354514	One in swamp
		YS370511	Two in swamp
		YS371517	One in open
222035H (Late report)	SLAR	YS410540	One on stream
		YS370525	One near stream
		YS330550	One near stream
222045H (Late report)	SLAR	YS530725	Two on stream
		YS430670	One on road
221605H (Late report)	Red Haze	YS314587	One on river
		YS359567	One on swamp
		YS372582	One on river
		YS374586	One on river
		YS386598	One on river
		YS381592	One on river
		YS386596	One in rice field
		YS389595	One in swamp
230025H	SLAR	YS352574	One in water
		YS220580	One in open
		YS405655	One in open
230030H	SLAR	YS403557	One on river
		YS450538	One on stream

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- c. Omitted.
- d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.
 - (1) (230930H). At YS413644, PF/RF elements from HOA LONG contacted two to four enemy. Results: One enemy WIA (Poss). Enemy withdrew WEST.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

- a. Omitted.
- b.

	Confirmed	Possible
KIA by Ground Forces -	2	2
- c-e. Omitted.
- f. Enemy Weapon Losses.
 - (1) Individual - 7.
 - (2) Crew Served - 1.
- g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.
 - (1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 33.
 - KIA (poss) - 7.
 - WIA - 11.
 - WIA (poss) - 4.
 - KBA (BC) - 2.
 - KBA (poss) - 4.
 - KB Arty (BC) -
 - KB Arty (poss) - 2.
 - (2) Detainees -17.
 - PW - 2.
 - (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 44.
 - (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2.
 - (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed 2.83.
 - (6). (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
(231100H)	YS527552	A/6 RAR	M26 grenade with anti-lift device	Neg cas.
(231410H)	YS443576	V/6 RAR	M16	2 Aust KIA, 1 Aust WIA
(231610H)	YS508546	W/6 RAR	M16	1 NZ KIA, 5 NZ WIA

6-8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT.

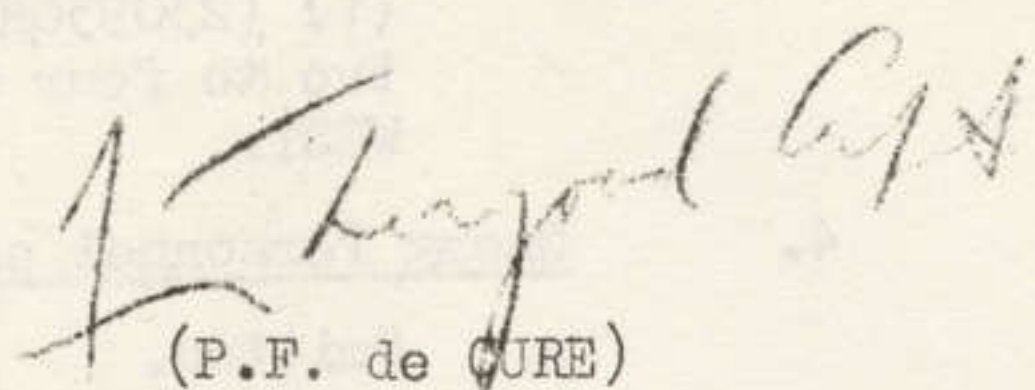
- a. Documents captured by 6 RAR at YS553560 on 19 Jul 69 identify elements of LONG DAT District HQ. Dates on the documents indicate that these elements were in this location in early Jul 69.
- b. Documents taken from bodies after a contact with V/6 RAR at YS443558 on 21 Jul 69 identified the Long Dien village Guerilla unit. Among the documents were two tax receipt books issued by the Ba Long Finance and Economy Section. This indicates that the group were probably going into Long Dien for tax collection purposes.
- c. PW NGO VAN TU captured by 3/B/3 Cav Regt at YS697781 was identified as an NVA soldier of the Ba Long Province Medical Unit. His task is growing corn for the unit which is located in the vicinity of BAU NGUA (YS6784). The strength of the unit is approximately 40 including two doctors.

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d. As a result of contacts by 6 RAR at YS598692, the enemy involved in both contacts were identified as belonging to C2/D045.

12. Omitted.



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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 206-69.
2. Period covered from 250001H to 252400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO ROSSLEA.

(a) (250044H) V/6 RAR sighted four boats heading SOUTH in grid square YS4055 and YS4154.

(b) (251730H) At YS487527 elements of 6 RAR sighted two enemy dressed in green heading towards the LONG HAI mountains.

(2) AO WEST END.

(a) (251940H) At YS523547, elements of 6 RAR reported mortar fire impacting approx 200 meters from the above grid reference. The fired appeared to be coming from between the military post and YS523547.

(3) AO PORPHYRY.

(a) (251532H) At YS373889, 6/B/9 RAR located a bunker system. Nothing further reported.

(4) AO PANTHER.

(a) (251845H) At YS781707, elements of 5 RAR located a base camp consisting of 14 huts and 15 bunkers. The camp was last occupied three to seven days ago. Recovered were 20 X 30 cal rounds, 1 rifle (US 30 cal M1917), 3 lbs rice, 2 lbs salt, a quantity of tables, chairs, beds and cooking utensils.

(5) OTHER AREAS.

(a) (Late Report. 241500H) At YS560763, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a squad sized camp. Also located in the vicinity was a corn field measuring 200 meters X 300 meters. Recovered were: 30 X 7.62 rounds, 3 pairs of black pyjamas, assorted cooking utensils and a quantity of VC leaflets.

(b) (250905H) At YS487670, elements of 6 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: 300 X 7.62 rounds.

(c) (251045H) At YS498611, elements of 6 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: four X M16 mines and fuses.

(d) (251145H) At YS500597, elements of 6 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: 28 X M16 mines with fuses and 66 X M26 grenades.

b. Air Activity.(1) Air Strikes.

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
Late Report 241510H	YS465540	Base Camp	3 bunkers destroyed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed, 1 well used track exposed.
Late Report 242145H	YS453541	Base Camp	1 pit exposed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed, 3 weapon pits exposed, 30 metres of trench exposed.
250915H	YS395797	Base Camp	4 bunkers exposed, 2 tables exposed.
250940H	YS395797	Base Camp	2 bunkers destroyed, 3 bunkers exposed, 1 bunker damaged, 1 military structure exposed, cans and clothing scattered in area.
251235H	YS295845	Base Camp	4 bunkers damaged and exposed.

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(2) Visual Recce.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
251400H	YS323812	161 Recce Flt	Heavy tracks leading from SOUTH WEST. Several bunkers in area.
251600H	YS608584	JADE	Trench and shelter bunker.
251610H	YS662585	JADE	Large bunker.
251620H	YS669583	JADE	Tunnel entrance.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
(Late Report) 242010H	SLAR	YS580805 YS735775	One on stream One on stream
(Late Report) 242315H	SLAR	YS205595 YS360580 YS390620 YS420670 YS360580	One on river One near river One on road One on stream One on stream
(Late Report) 242320H	Red Haze	YS321561 YS380551 YS384555 YS395565 YS396559	One on river One near road One near road One near river One near river
250515H	SLAR	YS409556 YS397533 YS399531 YS400535	One near river One on edge of water One on edge of water One on edge of water
252030H	SLAR	YS650590	One on road

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (late Report) (242238H) ARVN elements contacted an unknown number of enemy 800 meters north of AN NHUT village. Results: One enemy KIA, two enemy KIA (Poss). Comment:

NAME: NHA.
DOB: 1950.
POB: PHUOC THANH.
POSTING: 2IC PHUOC THANH Village Unit.
WEAPON: M2 carbine.

OBM 519 of 31 Jun 69

Phung Hoang Report No. 409/UBPH/PT/Z of 10 May 69 states:

On nights 9 - 10 May one section of well armed VC under command of NHA infiltrated Thanh Tan hamlet in Phuoc Thanh Village to spread propaganda and capture members of PSDG.

(2) (251720) At YS561761, sector elements contacted 7 - 10 (LF) enemy who withdrew NORTH and WEST. Results: One VC KIA(BC), one WIA (bloodtrail), one M1 carbine and a quantity of ammo.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a - e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 1.

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA (BC)	- 35.
KIA (Poss)	- 7.
WIA	- 11.
WIA (Poss)	- 4.
KBA (BC)	- 2.
KBA (Poss)	- 4.
KB Arty (BC)	- Omitted.
KB Arty (Poss)	- 2.

- (2) Detainees - 17.
PW - 2.
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 45.
- (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2.
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.83 tons.
- (6)-(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
250645H	YS500548	Mor Pl 6 RAR	M16	Mine destroyed.

b. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identification, Movements and Locations.

a. Documents captured by 4/B/ 6 RAR in a cache in a base camp at YS598692 on 23 Jul 69 contain the nominal rolls of all companies of D445. This indicates that the camp was probably occupied by HQ D445. The last date mentioned is 19 Jul 69 and it is thought that the camp was vacated by this element on 20 Jul 69.

8. Omitted.

-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT.

a. Documents located in a camp by B/6 RAR at YS598692 on 23 Jul 69 identify the XUYEN MOC FINANCE and ECONOMY Sect. The documents dealt only with finance and economy matters and were found in the same camp as those of identifying D445. Comment: It is possible that the XUYEN MOC FINANCE and ECONOMY Sect were located in a different area to the XUYEN MOC District Unit and C70 and relied on the D445 elements for protection. The dates on the documents indicate that the Finance and Economy Sect was in the camp at the same time as the D445 elements and probably vacated it on 22 Jul 69.

12. Miscellaneous.

a.b. Omitted.

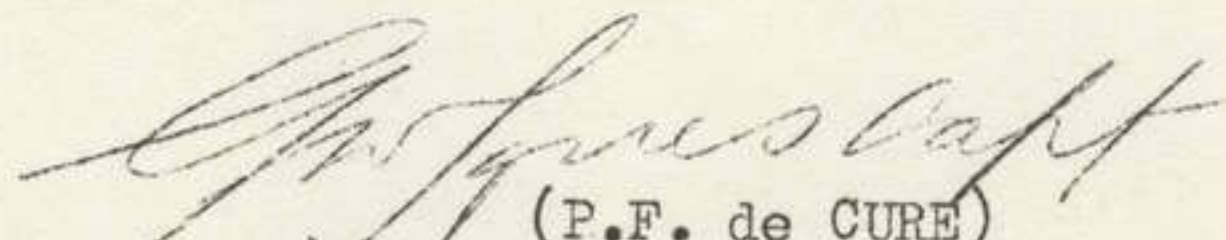
c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.

(1) Reference INTSUM Number 205-69 24 Jul 69. Para 4 g (1) add 2 KIA (BC).

d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Safety Device Bomb Fuse. Further to report of Para 3 (a) 2 (b) of INTSUM 201-69 of 20 Jul 69. Attached as Annex A is a diagram of a safety device bomb fuse Mk 26 MOD 0 LOT No 012 and other markings as per diagram for your info.


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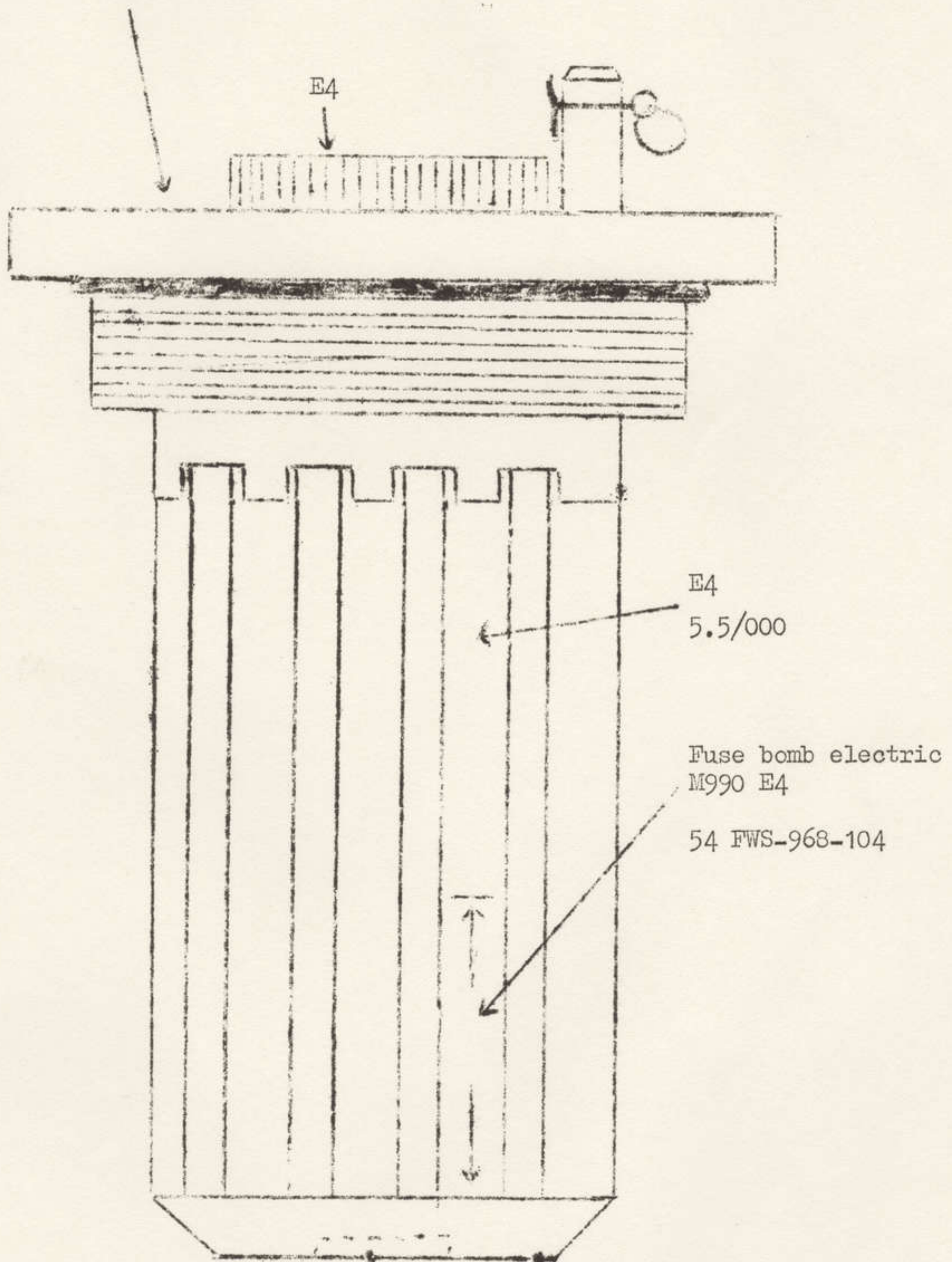
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INTSUM Number

206-69

SAFETY DEVICE, BOMB FUSE

MK 26 MOD 0 Lot No 7012



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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 207-69.
2. Period covered from 260001H to 262400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were three contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO STRAND

(a) (261615H). At YS591671, 5/B/6 RAR contacted two to three enemy moving WEST with unknown results.

(b) (261700H). At YS584675, 6/B/6 RAR contacted two enemy moving WEST. Results: Two enemy WIA (bloodtrail), one AK47 was captured. Three AUST WIA.

(2) AO ROSSLEA.

(a) (261730H). At YS474524, elements of 6 RAR directed mortar fire on this location from FSB THRUST (YS495544). Results: Three shelters destroyed.

(3) AO PORPHYRY.

(a) (261005H). At YS387908, C/9 RAR located eight bunkers last used two to three days ago.

(b) (261750H). At YS365833, 2/A/9 RAR contacted two enemy in a bunker who withdrew WEST, with unknown results. Ten bunkers were located in the area. Results: 500 AK47 rounds and two magazines were recovered. One AUST was WIA.

b. Air Activity.(1) Air Strikes.

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
260940H	YS662585	Base Camp	NIL BDA
261101H	YS670583	Base Camp	One tunnel entrance destroyed.
261355H	YS459537	Base Camp	NIL BDA

(2) Visual Recce.

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
261505H	YS212847	USAF	3 people on bicycles heading towards Route 15
261505H	YS224838	USAF	7 people coming from the woods onto a trail
261530H	YS279735	USAF	2 oxcarts each with 3-4 people moving WEST
261530H	YS289737	USAF	2 oxcarts each with 3-4 people moving WEST

(3) Aerial Sensors.

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
(LATE REPORT)			
252015H	SLAR	YS350570	1 on river
		YS380550	1 on road
		YS400590	1 on road
		YS450510	1 on road
		YS450570	1 near stream
		YS490630	1 on road
		YS480490	1 near mountain
		YS350490	1 in open
(LATE REPORT)			
25220H	SLAR	YS435850	1 near stream
260015H	SLAR	YS300610	1 on road
		YS310505	1 in open
		YS320505	1 on road
		YS360560	1 on river

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c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not involving Task Force Elements.

(1) Late Report. (252330H). At YS374604, an unknown number of enemy fired two RPG 2 rounds at a PSDF camp. Results: Enemy casualties unknown, negative friendly casualties.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. Confirmed
By ground forces
WIA 2

c-e. Omitted

f. Enemy Weapon Losses
(1) Individual - 1

g. Cumulative Totals for

(1) Enemy KIA (BC)	-	35
KIA (poss)	-	7
WIA	-	13
WIA (poss)	-	4
KBA (BC)	-	2
KBA (poss)	-	4
KB Arty (poss)	-	2
(2) Detainees - 17		
PW - 2		
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed	-	46
(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed	-	2
(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed	-	2.83
(6-10) Omitted		

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
261051H	YS457562	1/V/6 RAR	M16	2 located

b. Omitted.

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. Omitted

12. Miscellaneous.

a-d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) The following agent report is an extract from an 13 ARVN DIV INT-SUM Number 205-69: "The VC XUAN LOC District committee ordered its subordinate units to select members to take up residence in hamlets and gather information. The younger male members are to join ARVN forces and the females are to marry ARVN or build near ARVN installations, collect information and organise underground cadre forces in preparation for the future voting day. An estimated 200 cadre (male and female) were selected to operated in the BIEN HOA and LONG KHANH area. EVAL: ARVN C3, US F4.

(2) The following are extracts from OpO 10/68 "OP PINNAROO".

(a) M16s are generally laid with the prongs just level with the surface. The mine may be covered by plastic sheeting and then by leaves. The fuse prongs are likely to be covered by a piece of timber or metal to increase target area.

(b) M16 trip wires are generally laid one or two inches above the ground.

(c) Trees are felled across tracks in the area of the SUOI BUT THIEN (YS4655). The area around these trees is mined.

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(d) Where mines are on a track, VC marking is by just prior to the mines, a branch being broken on a tree and that broken branch (still connected to the tree) hanging in the direction of the safe line.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 208-69.
2. Period covered from 270001H to 272400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO STRAND

(a) (270947H) At YS590670, elements of 6 RAR contacted four enemy with unknown results. Enemy withdrew North.

(b) (271800H) In vicinity YS580673, 4/B/6 RAR located 3 caches. Recovered were:

Cache 1: 5xRPG7 rounds, 3xRPG2 rounds.

Cache 2: 1xA/Tk mine, 400x7.92 rounds, 30 fragmentation grenades, 3xAK47 mags, qty of AK47 short rounds with explosive heads.

Cache 3: Cleaning rod for 50 cal MG, 20x75 RCL rounds, 1x57 RCL HE shell and steel container, 19xRPG2 rounds, 14xRPG2 boosters, 100 ft claymore cable (blue and green) 3xRPG7 rounds, 1xanti aircraft gun sight and cleaning gear for sight, 1xARVN hammock, 580x7,62 rounds.

(2) AO WLANGAREE

(a) (271615H) At YS540582, elements of 2/48 ARVN Bn contacted two enemy with unknown results. Enemy withdrew West.

(3) AO WEST END

(a) (271156H) At YS549570, A/6 RAR located a platoon sized bunker system consisting of 8x2 man bunkers.

(b) (271245H) At YS544567, 3/A/6 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 5 bunkers. One CHICOM grenade was recovered.

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes:

DTG	COORDS	TARGET	BDA
270915H	YS608584	Base Camp	1 bunker and 20 metres of trench exposed.
271400H	YS442561	Base Camp	Nil BDA

(2) Visual Recce:

DTG	COORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
271620H	YS325825	USAF	3 bunkers with a log covering a possible tunnel entrance.
271620H	YS354837	USAF	30 metres of trench.
271620H	YS368832	USAF	30 metres of trench.
271620H	YS513746	USAF	Smoke sighted at these locations.
	YS517743		
	YS539748		
	YS542836		
271650H	YS355917	USAF	Trail North West to South East. 8 holes 2' x 2' x 2'. Appeared to be activity of 3 - 10 people.
271815H	YS391799	USAF	Bunkers damaged in a previous airstrike are being dugout and rebuilt.

(3) Aerial Sensors

DTG	TYPE	COORD	READOUT
Late Report 262010H	SLAR	YS630970	1 in open.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(1) (271530H) At YS280972, elements of VN Marines sighted an unknown number of enemy moving North.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a - f. Omitted.

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g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 35
KIA (POSS) - 7
WIA - 13
WIA (POSS) - 4
KBA (BC) - 2
KBA (POSS) - 4
KB Arty (BC) - Nil
KB Arty (POSS) 2

(2) Detainees - 17
Hoi Chanh - Nil
PW - 2

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 46

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 2.83 tons.

(6)-(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps

DTG	COORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
271430H	YS457566	1/W/6 RAR	M16	Powder charge of mine was ignited but main charge did not detonate. 3 mines in a 4' 0" triangular cluster were located. No casualties or damage.

b. Omitted

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous

a.-b. Omitted.

c. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.

(1) Reference INTSUM Number 207-69 dated 26 Jul 69, para 3a, sub para (3) (b). Add the following to results:

2 water bottles, 2 gas masks, 2 sets webbing, 1 set civilian clothes, 20 lbs rice, small qty of medical supplies.

d-e. Omitted.

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54 Arty	BIEN HOA TAC
REAVF	Advisory Team 82
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1. Australian Task Force INTSUM No 209-69.
2. Period covered from 280001H to 282400H Jul. 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO WEST END

- (a) (280800H) At YS539560, elements of 6 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 6 reconditioned bunkers and 11 old pits. Numerous empty caches were found.
- (b) (281000H) At YS548571, elements of 6 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 5 reconstructed bunkers with overhead cover.

(2) AO ROSSLEA

- (a) (281730H) At YS438571, V/6 RAR located a cache. 500 lbs rice in 13 x 4 gallon tins were recovered.
- (b) (282130H) At YS476569, 3/V/6 RAR contacted 4 enemy. Results unknown at this stage.

(3) AO PORPHYRY

- (a) (281314H) At YS365888, A/9 RAR located a signal cable. 1/A/9 RAR followed the cable which ran NORTH then EAST. The cable was cut in the area of three bed spaces. In the area 1 Pl located a typewriter. In Coy's location a body was found. The body was two or three days old and had been KB (Arty).

(4) AO MICK

- (a) (281050H) At YS418799, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted an unknown number of VC. Nothing further reported.

(5) AO STRAND

- (a) (281000H) At YS581672 elements of 6 RAR located a bunker system consisting of thirteen, one and two man bunkers with over head cover.

(6) OTHER AREAS

- (a) Late Report (261100H) At YS543778 to YS540780, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a camp area consisting of eight huts, mine bunkers, twenty pits and one tunnel.

b. Air Activity(1) Air Strikes:

DTG	CO-ORDS	TARGET	BDA
281310H	YS394797	Base Camp	3 bunkers destroyed, 1 secondary explosion.

(2) Visual Recce:

DTG	CO-ORDS	SOURCE	SIGHTINGS
280815H	YS234833	USAF	5 people dressed in black pyjamas.
281240H	YS780806	161 Recce	Large recently used hut.
281330H	YS756695	USAF	Several used tracks.
	YS760698	USAF	Gardens in good condition.
	YS757685	USAF	Gardens in good condition.
	YS762687	USAF	Gardens in good condition.
281430H	YS408566	161 Recce	Old hut.
	YS406568	161 Recce	Hut recently used.
	YS398563	161 Recce	Unloading area with tracks leading through swamp to the EAST.
	YS424573	161 Recce	Approx 30 sets footprints in swamp.
281455H	YS400790	USAF	Two barrels in clearing.

(3) Aerial Sensors

DTG	TYPE	CO-ORD	READOUT
280323H	SLAR	YS330730	1 on road.

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(4) Ground Fire

(a) Late Report. (271400H) At YS442561, Phantom 52 received ground fire. Results 2 x 50 cal in right engine, 1 x 50 cal in right wing.

(b) (281036H) At YS248789 AWCC reported aircraft received ground fire. Aircraft engaged area with unknown results.

(c) (281555H) At YS343882 Cobra received ground fire from 50 or 30 cal MG. Results nil damage.

(d) (281910H) In the vicinity of YS450745, Thunder Chief 19 received ground fire. Results nil damage.

c. Secondary Explosions

DTG	CO-ORD	SOURCE	TYPE
281310H	YS394797	USAF	1 diving airstrike.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(1) Late report (272400H) At YS419639, RD Cadre Ptl 6 received two rounds of RPG-2 fire. Results: One Civilian WIA.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. Omitted.

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b. KIA by Ground Forces	-
WIA	-
KBA	-
KB Arty	- 1

c.-f. Omitted.

g. Cumulative Totals for

(1) Enemy KIA (BC)	- 35
KIA (poss)	- 7
WIA	- 13
WIA (poss)	- 4
KBA (BC)	- 2
KBA (Poss)	- 4
KB Arty (BC)	- 1
KB Arty (Poss)	- 2
(2) Detainees	- 17
Hoi Chanh	- Nil
PW	- 2
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed	- 46
(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed	- 2
(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed	- 3.08 tons.
(6) (10) Omitted.	

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps

DTG	CO-ORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
281510H	YS438575	8/C/6 RAR	M16	Mine destroyed by Engr elements.

b. Omitted.

6-8. Omitted.

9-10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. a-d. Omitted.

c. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Police Agent Report Evaluated Aust F/3 1st Company of D445 (Strength 80 men) armed with 1 x B40, 1 x 60mm mortar and dressed in mixed uniforms were located at YS623604. Their purpose is to support the Rear Services from LOC AN to MAY TAO.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 210-69.
2. Period covered from 290001H to 292400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was ONE contact with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ROSSLEA.

(a) (Late report) (282130H) At YS476569, 3/V/6 RAR contacted four enemy with unknown results.

(b) (291730H) At YS500570, a Chieu Hoi rallied at the Phuoc Loi military post. This person is believed to be a Company Commander of D445 Bn who stated his group was located at YS513578. This area is currently being engaged by arty.

(2) AO MICK.

(a) (291050H) At YS452860, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a well used track, used by approximately 50 persons this morning.

(b) (291115H) At YS440870, elements of B Sqn 1 Armd Regt contacted 2 enemy with unknown results. The enemy withdrew West leaving one M1 rifle with magazine and two haversacks containing documents.

(3) AO WIANGAREE.

(a) (290640H) At YS564597, A/2/48 ARVN contacted seven enemy who withdrew South East. Results enemy cas unknown. 1 VN WIA, 1 US WIA.

(4) AO WEST END.

(a) (290930H) At YS547574, elements of 6 RAR located 16 bunkers in good condition. The platoon sized system with tracks running South and North East showed signs of recent use.

(5) AO BLOCK.

(a) (Late report) (282155H) At YS484582, VN elements in Dat Do contacted an unknown number of enemy with unknown results.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
290900H	YS442560	Base Camp	Negative
291000H	YS442560	Base Camp	Negative
291030H	YS442560	Base Camp	Negative
291310H	YS394797	Base Camp	Negative BDA due to bad weather
291810H	YS343882	Base Camp	Negative
291530H	YS464546	Base Camp	75 metres trench exposed and destroyed.
	YS474536		140 metres exposed and damaged. (This area engaged by heavy arty)
	YS464548		
	YS472534		

(2) Omitted.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
282010H	SLAR	YS610830	One return in open
282330H	SLAR	YS350860	One return on trail

c. Omitted.

d. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a.- e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 1.

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g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA (BC) - 35
KIA (poss) - 7
WIA - 13
WIA (poss) - 4
KBA (BC) - 2
KBA (poss) - 4
KB Arty (BC) - 1
KB Arty (poss) - 2
(2) Detainees - 17
Hoi Chanh - Nil
PW - 2
(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 47
(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - ?
(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 3.08 tons
(6) to (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers.

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
291230H	YS552580	3/A/6 RAR	M16	Mine lifted and blown.
b.	Omitted.			

6 - 8. Omitted.

9 - 10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

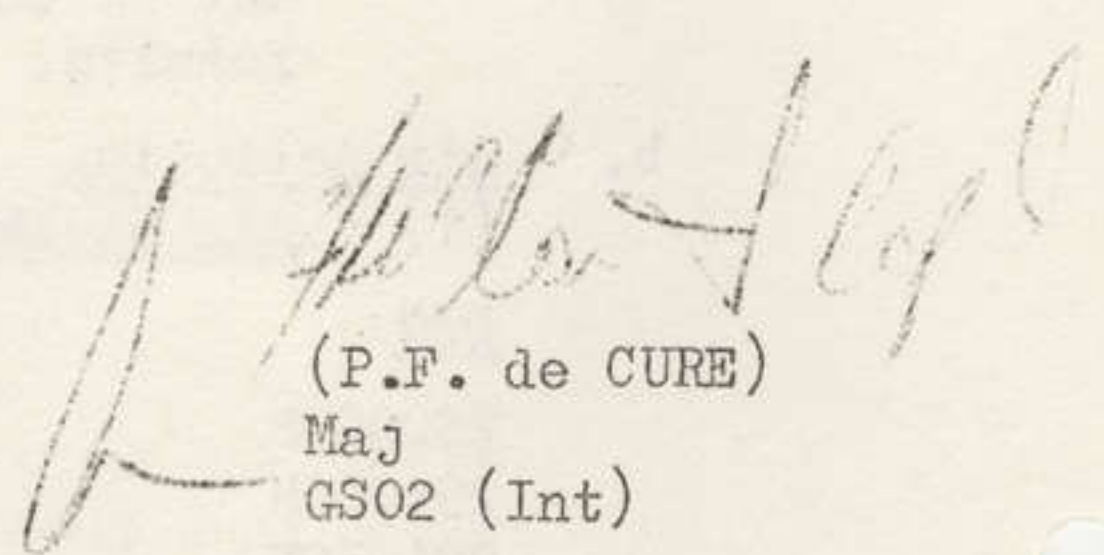
11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous.

a - d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(a) (290900H) LONG THANH Sector reported a Hoi Chanh who rallied today has good information. This information is currently being investigated.


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RTAVF
18 ARVN Div
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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 211-69.
2. Period covered from 300001H to 302400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There was no contact with Task Force elements during the reporting period.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO PORPHYRY

(a) (301430H) At YS309830, a patrol from 5 RAR located a cache, which revealed: one CHICOM machine gun, two .30 cal GERMAN rifles, five Bangalore torpedoes, two RPG 2 rounds, one RPG booster, three bombs of unknown size, one mortar sight, one 60 mm mortar round, one mantle type transmitter rigged as a booby trap, 20,000 rounds of assorted SA ammunition, 1000 rounds of 7.92 mm link. The cache was new and in reasonable condition.

(b) (301625H) At YS302805, 8/C/5 RAR located six bunkers all empty. At YS302803 located seven empty bunkers, and at YS302800, six bunkers, one of which contained one body, approximately one week old.

(2) AO ROPE/STRAND

(a) A 5 x Coy op consisting of A/5 RAR, B/6 RAR, V/6 RAR, 1/2/48 ARVN, 3/2/48 ARVN, cordoned an area suspected of harbouring D445 and 2/48 ARVN swept the target box. Visual and ground recce located tracks of approximately 2 Coys of people moving NE from the direction of DAT DO through YS563679 - YS572694. These signs and further sightings of movement at YS589111 at 1500H indicated that a large force of troops had moved NE and N during the night 29/30 Jul. The only positive result of the operation was the capture by 2/48 ARVN of one PW (NGUYEN VAN SAC of the PHUOC THO (DAT DO) Revolutionary Youth Group who stated that the area of the contact at YS560656 was the camp of the PHUOC THO Guerilla Unit until today. This group had withdrawn north carrying rice. He carried the units documents, which were CIA, because he was too weak to carry rice. He did not know the destination of his unit (strength 7). (S2 Comment) The trails from NE of DAT DO, NE to the D445 (LF) Bn base camp area were probably parties and elements of C2(-) who probably withdrew when they learned that their Coy Comd had become an Hoi Chanh. Further follow up search by ground forces and air recce and personnel detection will be made on 31 Jul 69.

b. Air Activity(1) Air Strikes.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>BDA</u>
(301145H)	YS662583	Base camp	1 bunker damaged.
(301210H)	YS480511	Base camp	Negative.
(301410H)	XS457549	Base camp	Negative.
(301440H)	YS467539	Base camp	Negative.
(301610H)	YS348687	Base camp	Negative.

(2) Omitted.

(3) Aerial Sensors.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
Late Report (292015H)	SLAR	YS680875	3 in open.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements.

(1) (300630H) At YS369606 a squad of 577 RF Coy contacted an unknown number of enemy with unknown results.

(2) (301838H) At YS573658, C/2/48 ARVN located an East to West three foot wide track used by a large body of people sometime during the night.

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4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. - e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses.

(1) Individual - 3

g. Cumulative Totals for Jul 69.

(1) Enemy KIA(BC) - 38
KIA(poss) - 7
WIA - 13
WIA(poss) - 4
KBA(BC) - 2
KBA(poss) - 4
KB Arty (BC) - 1
KB Arty(poss) - 2

(2) Detainees - 17

Hoi Chanh - Nil

PW - 2

(3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 47

(4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2

(5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 3.08 tons

(6). (10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles and Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
(301740H)	YS336844	LCT	Pressure Chicom	Mine lifted.

b. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Enemy Unit Identifications, Movements and Locations.

Late Report: (292315) HOI CHANH who rallied to BEARCAT puts 274 Regt in the following location - 4 & 8 Bns YS240900, YS270900, YS240880, YS270880. 1st and 2nd coys/4 Bn vic YS074916. Their mission is to supply POVL to the above area. This evening two Bns code name R located PHUOC SONG YTO703 with LONG KHANH YTO801 move to LONG THANH District. Another 2 coys of 4 Bn move into LONG DIEN YTO71918. Above units have mission to attack LONG THANH District and allied units in LONG THANH District.

(a) HOI CHANH, NGUYEN VAN LOI rallied to the RF post at PHUOC LOI at 291600H. Information was provided by LOI at 2300H that a company of D445 was located at YS513578.

(b) At 2345H the HOI CHANH changed his earlier statement by claiming that: HQ D445 loc YS557676, C1 loc YS557682, C2 loc YS557678, C3 loc YS586619, C4 loc YS565674.

8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 29 Jul 69.

11. VCI and Guerilla ORBAT - Omitted.

12. Omitted.

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1. 1 Australian Task Force INTSUM No 212
2. Period covered from 310001H to 312400H Jul 69.
3. Summary of enemy activity. There were three contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PORPHYRY

(a) (311230H) At YS312790, 8/C/5 RAR located a cache. Recovered were: 160 lbs rice, 3 transistor radios, radio parts, 1 A meter and 1 Aust raincoat.

(b) (311330H) At YS315803, 7/C/5 RAR located five bunkers and two mortar aiming posts. Fresh tracks of 2 persons were sighted and followed.

(c) (311425H) At YS318802, 7/C/5 RAR and elements of ATK F1 sighted and engaged two enemy. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC) 1 AK47 (CIA) and some documents and equipment recovered.

(d) (311824H) At YS312801, C/5 RAR contacted an estimated enemy platoon. Results: 1 Aust KIA, 2 Aust WIA, enemy casualties unknown.

(2) AO ROSSLEA

(a) (310610H) At YS495543 elements of 6 RAR sighted 3 enemy who were engaged with mortars. Results unknown.

(b) (311200H) At YS550565 elements of 6 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 17 bunkers in good condition and 10 very old bunkers.

b. Air Activity

(1) Air Strikes

DTG	COORDS	TARGET	BDA
311005H	YS401820	Base Camp	Negative BDA
311040H	YS493510	Base Camp	2 tunnel entrances exposed.
311115H	YS518585	Base Camp	1 bunker damaged and 2 bunkers exposed.
311327H	YS450549	Base Camp	Negative BDA
311439H	YS754744	Base Camp	1 Command bunker partially destroyed, 1 tunnel entrance exposed and utensils scattered in area.

(2)-(3) Omitted.

c. Omitted.

d. Incidents not Involving Task Force Elements

(1) Late Report (302315H) At YS421648, 609 RF Coy contacted 3 enemy with unknown results.

(2) (312005H) At YS273910 elements of VN Marines located a cache containing 1500 lbs of rice.

(3) (312005H) At YS255900 elements of VN Marines located a cache. Recovered were: 1 x 60 mm mortar, 175 mm RCL, 10 x 82 mm mortar rounds, 5 Antk grenades, 2 hand grenades and 1400 lbs of rice.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. Omitted.

b. KIA by Ground Forces - 2 (Confirmed).

c.-e. Omitted.

f. Enemy Weapon Losses

Cumulative Totals for Jul 69

(1) Enemy KIA (BC)	- 40
KIA (POSS)	- 7
WIA	- 13

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- (1) Enemy WIA (POSS) - 4
 - KBA (BC) - 2
 - KBA (POSS) - 4
 - KB Arty(BC) - 1
 - KB Arty(POSS) - 2
- (2) Detainees - 17
 - Hoi Chanh - Nil
 - PW - 2
- (3) Individual weapons captured/destroyed - 48
- (4) Crew served weapons captured/destroyed - 2
- (5) Tons of rice captured/destroyed - 3.18
- (6)-(10) Omitted.

5. Obstacles And Barriers

a. Mines and Booby Traps

DTG	COORDS	UNIT	TYPE	RESULTS
311230H	YS508550	B Sqn 3 Cav	2 x M16	No casualties or damage.
311250H			1 x 20mm	
311310H			AA round	
311230H	YS552581	3/A/6 RAR	6 x M16	Mines were lifted, no casualties or damage. Mine were indicated by blaze marks on trees (see para 12 e.)
311630H	YS505557	B Sqn 3 Cav	Mine (NFI)	Minor damage to bulldozer track.

b. Omitted.

6-8. Omitted.

9.10. No change to Intelligence Report 'Enemy Situation in PHUOC TUY Province' dated 22 Jul 69.

11. Omitted.

12. Miscellaneous

a-b. Omitted

c. Corrections to precious INTSUMS. Reference para 3. a. (2) (a), line seven of INTSUM 211/69 amend YS589111 to read YS589711.

d. Omitted.

e. Other Items of Reporting Interest. Mine Indicators. The mines discovered by 3 Pl A Coy 6 RAR at YS552581 were located because of the following "Mine Indicators". "Blaze" marks on trees, at eye level facing the track and "Blaze" marks on the opposite side of trees approx three feet from the ground. The mines were two feet from the trees. Five of the mines with this sign indicator were eight yards apart in a straight line at right angles to the track. One of the six mines located did not fit this pattern.

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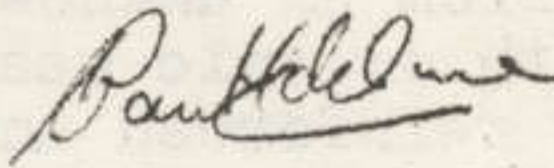
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Section 1. III Corps Tactical Zone

(A) Enemy Activity

1. Enemy initiated activity was above normal during the week reflecting the enemy's second phase of the June action period reaching a peak on the 19th and 20th. However the attacks did not have either the intensity or scope of those of the previous high point on 5th/6th June. Action followed the pattern suggested by captured documents which indicated co-ordination within enemy units was to be accomplished but corps wide synchronisation was not necessary. TAY NINH and BINH LONG were again the provinces where enemy activity was greatest.

2. Enemy activity in VC BA BIEN Province was highlighted by 7 significant attacks by fire against allied installations whilst in SR-4 there were 4 significant attacks by fire reported and one major ground attack on a RTAVF post 3.5Km SE of LONG THANH.

3. During the week there were 170 enemy initiated attacks in III CTZ compared to 95 last week of these there were 39 significant mortar and 41 rocket attacks compared to 24 and 31 respectively last week.

4. Details of major enemy initiated actions are:-

- a. 15th June, XT720855, 3.5Km S of AN LOC (BINH DUONG) province 1-9 1 US CAV (AM) received hostile fire followed by a ground attack; LFT and arty supported and with another company re-inforcing 72 enemy KIA were accounted for.
- b. 16th June, YS166916, 3.5Km SE of LONG THANH (BIEN HOA) A/& D/2-1 RTAVF received an unknown number of mortar rounds followed by a ground attack from an estimated 2 enemy battalions which resulted in 212 enemy KIA and 1 enemy PW. 16 AK-47s, 20 c/s weapons, 21,500 rounds of AK-47 ammunition, 832 Chicom grenades 65 field packs and other supplies and ammunition were captured. Captured documents identified elements of all 3 battalions of 274 Regt, K21 Sapper Reconnaissance Company and rear elements of 274 Regt.
- c. 19th June, XT266396, 5Km S of TAY NINH city C/3-4 Cav 25 US Inf Div received small arms fire from an unknown size enemy force; fire was returned with organic weapons and LFT and arty supported. B/3-4 Cav reinforced and the result was 105 enemy KIA; enemy unit unidentified.
- d. 19th June, XT146568, FSB WASHINGTON, 3.5Km W of TRANG SUP (TAY NINH) received an unknown number of mortar rounds and rockets followed by a ground probe; fire was returned using SA/AW, LFT, Spooky, Night Hawk and artillery supported resulting in 35 enemy KIA and 6PW. PWs identified 3-88 NVA Regt, 9 VC Div.
- e. 20th June, XT338719, LZ IKE, 13Km N of PHUOC HOA (TAY NINH) received number of 82mm rounds and 107mm rockets followed by a ground attack from an estimated enemy battalion. 2-5 1 US Cav (AM) reported 90 enemy KIA and 5PW. PWs identified elements of both 18B and 95C NVA Regts; 33 individual and 21 crew served weapons, 400 Chicom grenades and other ammunition was captured. This follows a previous attack by 1 NVA elements on LZ IKE on 18th June when the enemy lost 37KIA and 3PW.

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Enemy Locations

5. 9VC Division remained in Western TAY NINH province, oriented on allied installations to the S and NW of TAY NINH as well as TAY NINH city itself. 88 Regt was identified at FSB WASHINGTON and within TAY NINH city and attacks to the South at BEN SOI could probably be attributed to 271 and 272 Regts.
6. In 1 NVA Div the 95C and 18B Regts continued their co-operative efforts in Eastern War Zone C. The 95C was identified east of the CAU KHOI whilst 18B Regt and 28 Sapper Battalion were targetted against LZ IKE. The 101D Regt is firmly established as having a mission along Hwy 13 north of CHON THANH.
7. PWs, Hoi Chanh, and documents all indicate that 7 NVA Div is deployed around AN LOC and is targetted against the city. 141 Regt is east of the city, while 209 Regt is to the west and NW with 165 Regt to the south and SW.
8. In 5VC Div TAOI aerial sensors indicate enemy presence in the LA NGA Base Area and agents have indicated that 275 Regt may have returned to that area after its attack on LZ JOY on 12th June. The rest of the division is unlocated in LONG KHANH province. Captured documents have referred to a food shortage in the area, and large food caches were found along the DONG NAI River in late May and June. It is possible that the division has dispersed its elements to the N and E in an effort to find rice.
9. Action in MR-7 was highlighted by the 16th June attack by 274 Regt against a RTAVF NDP S of LONG THANH. This assault which resulted in heavy enemy losses has probably rendered the Regt marginally effective as a regimental size combat force. It is assessed that the remnants of the regt have withdrawn to their HAT DICH base area and will probably remain there for at least a month, until replacements are received. Captured documents indicate that 33Regt will operate in an AO from BLACKHORSE to NW of XUAN LOC; the documents also indicate that a serious food shortage exists within the regt and this may greatly degrade its combat capability.
10. The details of probable locations of enemy main force units are:-

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
<u>1 NVA Div HQ</u>	NW of NUI BA DEN	4425
18B NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG (XT3472)	1200
95C NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG (XT3472)	900
101D NVA Inf Regt	N of Minh Thanh (XT6781)	1300
<u>5VC Div HQ</u>	Central Wra Zone "D"	4710
275 VC Inf Regt	SE of DINH QUAN (YT6826)	1160
174 NVA Inf Regt	S of DINH QUAN (YT4639)	1175
95 NVA Inf Regt	GIA RAY (YT3648)	1150
<u>7 NVA Div HQ</u>	VIC FISHHOOK	4575
165 NVA Inf Regt	SW of AN LOC (XT7085)	1150
141 NVA Inf Regt	SE of AN LOC (XT8690)	1100
209 NVA Inf Regt	W BINH LONG (XT7085)	875
<u>9 VC Div HQ</u>	LOGO Area	4250
*-271 VC Inf Regt	SW of TAY NINH	1000
272 VC Inf Regt	NW of TAY NINH	1140
88 NVA Inf Regt	W of NUI BA DEN	860

* On 16th June 2 Hoi Chanh on interrogation stated that 271 VC Regt was composed of 95% NVA soldiers and the officers are mostly VC.

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<u>1 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Dispersed LONG AN province	1500
<u>*33 NVA Inf Regt</u>	S of XUAN LOC	1075

* Documents captured south of BLACKHORSE (YS4488) on 8th June disclosed that the possible strength of 33 NVA Regt was 660 personnel.

<u>268 VC Inf Regt</u>	BOI LOI WOODS	750
<u>101 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Vic TRAPEZOID	1050
<u>274 VC Inf Regt</u>	HAT DICH Base Area	650
<u>DONGTNAI VC Inf Regt</u>	NE of LAI KHE	1200
<u>QU YET THANG VC Inf Regt</u>	N of HOC MON	poss 1000

Enemy Losses

11. Enemy losses for the period in III CTZ were 1879 enemy KIA (BC), 88 PW, 138 Hoi Chanh, 414 individual weapons and 150 crew served weapons captured. There were 35.6 tons captured or destroyed.

Assesment of Enemy Intentions

12. The enemy characterised his efforts during the second high-point of the June action period by activity in each of the areas he terms as fronts - political, military and proselytising. Of a significance was the announcement of the formation of a Provisional Revolutionary Government, and a Hoi Chanh's statement that such bodies were to be announced whenever the military action could claim control of a GVN district or provincial seat. For example, there are consistent reports that 9 VC Div will attempt to continue to attack TAY NINH city in an effort to gain temporary or sufficient control of a part of the city to lend credence to a claim of an established Revolutionary government.

13. The marked increase in enemy efforts to conduct propaganda and indoctrination is further evidence of his emphasis on attempting to sway the allegiance of the population, and his military actions seemed slanted towards furthering the same goal. His aspirations and plans have consistently been in excess of his actual capability and the consistent failures of his ground efforts spotlight this inability to actually consolidate or control land area. However the enemy continues to threaten the outlying areas, and he is expected to continue to focus his efforts in this direction into the next high point.

14. Meanwhile it is estimated enemy ground actions against allied installations will decrease while he makes preparation for the next high point, possibly to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Peoples Party of Vietnam on 30th June.

Friendly Activities

15. Allied sweep operations during the week resulted in some heavy contacts in which moderate to heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Numerous small caches were found corps wide and one large haul of rice, 21 tons was taken from a cache (xt4686) WAR ZONE C and reported 18th June.

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16. Major friendly actions were:-
- a. On 15th June, XT482243, 5.5Km N of TRANG BANG (TAY NINH) 25 US Inf Regt engaged an unknown size enemy force resulting in 40 enemy KIA.
 - b. 15th June, XT237497, TAY NINH city, 25 US Inf Div and 8 ARVN Abn elements engaged an unknown size enemy force with organic weapons, LFT supported resulting in 37 enemy KIA, possibly elements of 9 VC Div.
 - c. 16th June, YT580210, 10Km NW of GIA RAY (LONG KHANH), 52 Regt Z and R Co 18 ARVN Div engaged an unknown number of enemy. Result 35 enemy KIA.
 - d. 17th June, XT570296, 6Km S of BEN SUC (BINH DUONG) 25 US Inf Div with 116 AHC engaged an unknown size enemy force; 32 enemy KIA; documents identified element of 268 VC Regt.
 - e. 18th June, XT704854, 6.5Km SW of AN LOC (BINH LONG) elements of 11 ACR and 5 SFGA engaged an unknown size enemy force resulting in 31 enemy KIA, 1 PW, 1 Hoi Chanh. The PW identified 209 NVA Regt and the Hoi Chanh identified a 165 NVA Regt element.
 - f. 19th June, XT180410, 7Km SW of TAY NINH 6 ARVN Abn Recon. Plat. engaged an unknown number of enemy, LFT, arty and TAC air supported resulting 101 enemy KIA/KBA. Possibly element 271 VC Regt.
 - g. 19th June, XT205387, 7Km SE of TAY NINH elements of 6 RVN Marine Bn engaged an estimated enemy company with SA/AW; arty, LFT and TAC air supported and reinforced with a US Co resulted in 72 KIA.
 - h. 19th June, XT237497, TAY NINH city, 25 US Inf Div and 8 ARVN Abn engaged an unknown size enemy force with organic weapons, LFT supported and 37 enemy were KIA.
 - i. 20th June, YS498896, 11.5Km N of NGAI GIAO (PHUOC TUY) elements of D/6 1ATF engaged an estimated 60 enemy resulting in 22 enemy KIA, 6 AK-47s, 2RPGs and quantity documents captured. A Hoi Chanh who rallied after the contact identified his unit as 1-274 VC Regt. Friendly casualties nil.

Section 2. SOUTH VIETNAM (excl III CTZ) and NORTH VIETNAM

(A) Enemy Activity

17. Country wide the number of attacks and ambushes decreased. Probable VC/NVA initiated activity by Corps zones is assessed as:-

- a. I CTZ. In the B5 front the enemy is expected to increase pressure against allied forces between CON THIEN and the coast. In MR TRI-THIEN-HUE the enemy will probably continue to react to friendly operations currently threatening his infiltration and logistics activities in THUA THIEN province. In front 4 southern I CTZ the enemy can be expected to conduct limited indirect and ground attacks.

- b. II CTZ. Enemy activity probably will continue to be centred around BEN HET and consist of indirect fire and ground attacks. In the remainder of II CTZ enemy activity will probably remain light and scattered. Attempts to interdict Hwy 19, both east and west of AN KHE.
- c. IV CTZ. Enemy activity will probably continue at a low level and consist of limited indirect fire and light ground attacks.

(B) Friendly Activity

18. I CTZ. There were 15 FW and 14 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in I CTZ were - enemy KIA - 1171 friendly KIA - 83.
- II CTZ. There were 12 FW and 12 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in II CTZ were - enemy KIA 519 friendly KIA - 96.
- IV CTZ. There were 1 FW and 87 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in IV CTZ were - enemy KIA 789 friendly 65.

Section 3. SOUTH VIETNAM SUMMARY

19. For the week ending 21st June the number of friendly large unit operations increased from 234 to 239. The number of operations with contact increased from 94 to 113. The number of enemy killed decreased from 4504 (adjusted) for the previous week to 3988.

Other Information

VC Administration Difficulties

20. A directive captured by 1ATF was listed "Administration and Employment of Personnel, Equipment, Property and Funds. Practice of Thriftiness and elimination of Corruption and Waste". The document states that the enemy's (GVN/FWMAF) fierce attacks on our (VC/NVA) installations, rear service agencies and rear areas have caused many difficulties and large expenditures. Corruption has also increased - "Some units have picked up rice and clothing for 10,000 people while their real strength is only 6000". The document further stated - "Waste and misuse of rice, poor maintenance and loss of weapons and ammunition is prevalent. In combat, booty or weapons left behind by wounded soldiers are not collected. Depots are not properly protected. The quantity of weapons and rice lost in depots and during movements is sometimes larger than the quantity used in combat. Waste and misuse of clothing and medicines is also prevalent. Torn clothing is not mended. After each battle the clothing replacement rate in some units reaches 90%. The directive orders that a political indoctrination campaign be conducted in order to emphasize self-sufficiency and responsibility. Strength reports must be accurate - "Personnel already killed in action should not be included in strength reports nor should they be issued supplies". The directive was promulgated by the Military Affairs Party Committee of SVNLA HQ.
(Extracted from II FFV Perintrep 25-69)

VC/NVA Relations

21. Reports continue to indicate friction between the VC/NVA and the Cambodians. One report stated that the VC/NVA mortared a Cambodian company resulting in 20 Cambodian soldiers KIA. Several Cambodians units were sent to reinforce the company and a sweep was conducted; 9 more Cambodians and 50 VC/NVA were killed. Four VC/NVA medical stations along with several rice caches and 200 cases of small arms ammunition were destroyed. In another operation 36 VC/NVA were captured by the Cambodians.

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22. Another report stated that the 3-271 VC Regt and the D16 TAY NINH Provincial Battalion were sent to reinforce a VC/NVA hospital at BO BA TAY (XT1627) in Cambodia.

23. The Cambodian police are attempting to prevent trade between the Cambodians and VC/NVA and liaison activity between BO BA TAY and BA THU in Cambodia has been disrupted. Another report (ARVN C-1, US F-6) stated that on 14th June the Cambodian government ordered all VC troops taking shelter in Cambodian territory to move all their bases supplies, hospitals and shops to Vietnamese territory prior to 14th June (sic). After this date, the Cambodian troops will sweep and destroy anything in Cambodian territory.
(Extracted from II FFV Perintrep 25-69)

Comment: The projected plan of the Cambodians mentioned in the last report seems rather grandiose and is considered beyond the capabilities of the Cambodian Armed Forces to implement. There are no doubt also parties with vested interests in Cambodia who would not wish to see such action occur.

EQUIP GUERRILLA SQUADS WITH GRENADE LAUNCHERS IN IV CTZ

24. During late May 1969 the VC AN GIANG (P) unit equipped regional and local guerrillas of the province with grenade launchers to be mounted on the CKC rifle. Each regional squad and each guerrilla squad was reportedly equipped with the launchers. The source reported that the round is about twice as long as a regular grenade (NFI), is shaped like a B-40 rocket round and its power is equal to that of an M-26 grenade. The maximum range of the launcher is reportedly 300 metres (Evaluation F-3)

Comment: The Chicom 7.62mm carbine type 53 (AKA NVN AT-44, Soviet M1944) commonly known as the CKC is more or less a standard weapon of LF troops not equipped with the AK-47. The NVN version of this weapon is equipped with a spigot type grenade launcher. This weapon utilises rifle grenades with 22mm diameter tail booms and the 7.62 X 54 rifle grenade launching cartridges.
(Extracted from COMNAFORV INSTUM 145-69)

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Section 1. III Corps Tactical Zone

(A) Enemy Activity

1. Enemy activity decreased quite considerably as he concluded the June phase of the Summer Offensive and avoided contact to refit, resupply and reconnoitre allied positions and installations in preparation for the next phase of the offensive. Activity during the week was characterised by a low level of indirect attacks by fire. Major units of 1 NVA and 7 NVA divisions avoided significant contact whilst none of 5VC Div main elements was in identifiable contact. Elements of 88 Regt 9VC Div suffered a total of 117 KIA and 3PWs in actions E and SE of NUI BA DEN in TAY NINH in the only major contact of the week.
2. The only enemy initiated action of any significance occurred on 27th June at XT1551 when TAY NINH base camp was hit by 30 X 82mm and 10 X 120mm mortar rounds; friendly units returned fire with organic weapons and with US arty support inflicted 23KIA; enemy unit was believed to be an element of 88 NVA Regt, 9VC Div.

Enemy Locations

3. The 9VC Div remained deployed in Western TAY NINH Province and its tactical actions evidenced a continuing interest in the province capital.
4. The 1 NVA Div has probably continued reconnaissance and planning for attacks by fire and sapper actions against allied positions from LA ST BARBARA (XT275682) to DAN TIENG.
5. The 7 NVA Div appears to remain in central BINH LONG Province and to be the central entity in one of the most involved task force groupings yet observed. Elements of provincial district and LFs have been identified by agents and PWs as working in co-ordination with the division.
6. Little intelligence has developed on 5VC Div during the period and its disposition at present is unclear. However a 22nd June Hoi Chanh from a 5VC Div element stated that 174 and 275 Regts had returned to War Zone "D" about 12th June and that 95 Regt was to follow. The Hoi Chanh's statements are partially substantiated by aerial sensor patterns and agents have stated that the Div is withdrawing to re-establish food supplies and will then return to its former AO. There are sufficient agent reports to substantiate a food shortage in the 5 Div TAOI,
7. In MR7 the main body of 274VC Regt probably remains in base areas in the HAT DICH recovering from recent heavy losses. 33 Regt is possibly SW of XUAN LOC.
8. Full details of probable locations of enemy main force units are:-

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
1st NVA Div HQ	NW of NUI BA DEN	4525
18 B NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG	1200
95C NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG	1000
101D NVA Inf Regt	N of MINH THANH	1300
5th VC Div HQ	Central War Zone D	4710
275 VC Inf Regt	Southern War Zone D	1160
174 NVA Inf Regt	Southern War Zone D	1175
95th NVA Inf Regt	North of GIA RAY	1150

<u>7th NVA Div HQ</u>	Vic FISHHOOK	4575
<u>165 NVA Inf Regt</u>	SW of AN LOC	1150
<u>141 NVA Inf Regt</u>	SE of AN LOC	1100
<u>209 NVA Inf Regt</u>	W BINH LONG Prov	875
<u>9th VC Div HQ</u>	LOGO Area	4250
<u>271 VC Inf Regt</u>	SW of TAY NINH City	1000
<u>272 VC Inf Regt</u>	NW of TAY NINH City	1140
<u>88 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Vic NUI BA DEN	760
<u>1st NVA Inf Regt</u>	Dispersed S LONG AN Prov	1500
<u>33 NVA Inf Regt</u>	SW of XUAN LOC	1075
<u>101 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Vic TRAPEZOID	1000
<u>268 VC Inf Regt</u>	BOI LOI Woods	800
<u>274 VC Inf Regt</u>	HAT DICH	650
<u>DONG NAI VC Inf Regt</u>	NE of LAI KHE	1200
<u>QUYET THANG VC Inf Regt</u>	N of HOC MON	Poss 800

Enemy Losses

9. Enemy losses for the period in III CTZ were 976 KIA (BC), 75 PW, 103 Hoi Chanh, 381 individual weapons and 51 crew served weapons captured. There were 60 tons of rice captured or destroyed.

Assessment of Enemy Intentions

10. The lack of substantive information and the low level of activity on the part of 1, 5 and 7 Divs indicate that these units are in a start down phase between the periods of the summer campaign. However, documents, agents and PWs state that the enemy is accelerating his propaganda and anti-pacification efforts and increasing his emphasis on control of the populace. The enemy continues his plans for the culmination period of the Summer Campaign but the scope of this planned action is not yet clear.

11. Agents and documents have suggested the phase is to end with an all out effort against the capital city but there are no signs at present of preparation for such an action. It is estimated that the focus of intense action during the July period will again be TAY NINH and BINH LONG provinces. Agents report that COSVN has issued orders that TAY NINH city must be occupied, presumably during the next high peak, and the purpose of the occupation will be to declare the city the Capital of the provisional government. Lighter but concentrated action against allied positions in PHUOC LONG and LONG KHANH province can be expected. Attacks by fire and smaller ground actions are likely to occur on a co-ordinated basis throughout the CTZ, commencing the first week in July, but no attempt is likely to be made to sustain action over the entire area.

12. The VC Div has remained relatively inactive during the current offensive but is expected to take a more aggressive role during the July phase. However supply difficulties may upset the division's timetable. At present, it is believed the division still remains targetted against objectives in LONG KHANH province.

13. MR-7 forces are assessed as having the mission of harassing allied installations and LOCs in S LONG KHANH and E BIEN HOA provinces possibly in co-operation with 5VC Div operations N of XUAN LOC.

Friendly Activities

14. Sweep operations during the week resulted in only one significant contact and generally clashes were small as enemy units avoided contact. Largest caches discovered were:-
- a. 26th June, XS553803, NW of BEN LUC (HAU NGHIA) elms of 1-50 ARVN found a cache containing 1 X 60mm mortar, 100 X 60mm mortar rounds, 68 assorted rifles, 1 X M-60 MG, 1 X 57mm RR and 1100 lbs of TNT.
 - b. 28th June, XT412796, WAR ZONE C 1 US CAV Div (AM) conducting a BDA of a 25th June airstrike observed a 350 X 200lbs bags of rice destroyed and 100 X 200lbs bags damaged.
 - c. 28th June, Vic XT4078 9 US Inf Div elements engaged an unknown number of enemy with SA/AW fire. A sweep of the contact area resulted in the capture of 800 bottles of streptomycin, 12 X 5 gallon cans of penicillin, 3600 lbs of rice, 40 packages of penicillin tablets, 25 gallons unknown type vitamins, 5 gallons of sulpha tablets, 5 operating kits, 2 bottles of glucose, 225 pressure dressings, 1200 individual medical kits, 2 X 20 lb cans of vitamin B, 1 X 5 gallon can of intravenous supplies, 54 quarts of ether and 50 bottles of anti-tetanus serum.
15. Main friendly actions were:-
- a. 22nd June, XT557178, 5Km SW of TRUNG LAP (HAU NGHIA) 25 US Inf Div elements engaged an unknown number of enemy resulting in 29 enemy KIA.
 - b. 27th June, XT758170, 5Km NW of PHU CUONG (BINH DUONG) 25 US Inf elements engaged an unknown size enemy force with SA/AW fire and LFT, TAC Air and arty supported resulting in 44 enemy KIA possibly from the QUYET THANG Regt.
 - c. 27th June, XT292570, 4.5Km SW of PHOUC HOA (TAY NINH) 25 US Inf Div elements and 158 RF Coy engaged an enemy force with SA/AW; TAC Air, LFT, Flame Bath and arty supported resulting in 94 enemy KIA and 3PW from 1-88 Regt.
 - d. 28th June, XT570667, 5Km SW of MINH THANH (BINH LONG) 1 US Cav Div elements found 54 enemy KBA as the result of an airstrike.

Section 2. SOUTH VIETNAM (excl III CTZ) and NORTH VIETNAM.(A) Enemy Activity

16. Probable VC/NVA activity (29JUN - 5JUL) is assessed as follows:-
- a. ICTZ. Enemy activity expected to remain low except in W MR TRI - THIEN - HUE where the enemy will probably continue to react to friendly ops threatening his logistic and infiltration activities.
 - b. IICTZ. The enemy will continue to apply pressure on BEN HET whilst interdicting Rte 512 into the area. An attack on the CIDG camp may be attempted probably by the 28th and 66NVA Regts supported by 40NVA Arty Regt. Minor ground and indirect fire attacks can be expected throughout the rest of B3 front to prevent redeployment of friendly forces to BEN HET.

c. IVCTZ. Enemy activity will probably consist primarily of indirect fire attacks and isolated ground probes in the CTZ.

(B) Friendly Activity

a. ICTZ. There were 15 FW and 13 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in ICTZ were - enemy KIA-824, friendly KIA-62.

b. IICTZ. There were 10 FW and 14 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in IICTZ were - enemy KIA-685, friendly KIA-180.

c. IVCTZ. There were no FW and 91 ARVN large unit operations. Casualties in IVCTZ were - enemy KIA-979 friendly KIA-35.

d. Friendly casualties in IIICTZ were:-

US	-	40 KIA	100 WIA	2 MIA
THAI	-	5 KIA	55 WIA	
AUST	-	2 KIA	7 WIA	
ARVN	-	11 KIA	118 WIA	1 MIA

Section 3. SOUTH VIETNAM Summary

18. For the week ending 28th June the number of friendly large unit operations increased from 238 adjusted to 257. The number of operations with contact decreased from 114 (adjusted) to 94. The number of enemy killed decreased from 4260 (adjusted) to 3333.

Other Information

Enemy use of New AK-47 Ammo

19. On 1st May 1969 elements of 50th Infantry Division (ICTZ) captured 5 magazines of AK-47 ammo. There was a total of 148 rounds, 54 of which were of a new type not previously seen in the area. The new type of ammunition is identical in size and shape to regular AK ammo, however instead of a brass casing, the casing is made of aluminium or another light alloy and is painted dark olive drab green. The new ammo is slightly lighter and the head-stamp is a double entry "2 X 180" with the two numerals 64 and 21, the latter indicating manufacture in Poland. No further details are available.
(Extracted from III MAF Per ntrep 24-69)

Paint Cans Used for Explosive Casings

20. Seven locally fabricated explosive devices intended for use in an hotel in SA DEC (IVCTZ) were siezed by local security personnel. The devices consisted of ordinary used one gallon paint cans filled to within one inch of the top with dark green Chicom plastic explosive. A quarter inch plastic tube is inserted in the plastique. Also captured were numerous clear glass vials, 2" X $\frac{3}{8}$ " filled with a clear acid which is poured into the fusing tube. After 15-20 minutes, the acid eats through the tube and the device detonates.

21. This type of device could be planted easily, if it were not expected, especially at any buildings where the use of Vietnamese painters is common.
(Extracted from COMNAVFORV Intsum 146-69)

New Table of Organisation and Equipment in MR5

22. A document (CDEC LOG No 06-1892-69) captured on 11th June, near HOI AN (ICTZ) dated 21NOV68, prepared by HQ Front 4, outlines the details of a new Table of Organisation and Equipment (TOE) for infantry units, prescribed by HQ MR-5. It instructs all subordinate units and district units to strictly apply the new table which is intended "to increase the combat effectiveness of units by increasing their organic personnel and weapons".

23. The new TOE is as follows:-

Rifle Squad:- 6 men (2AK, 2CKC, 1 automatic rifle or B-40).

Rifle Platoon:- 22 men (8AK, 6CKC, 1 automatic rifle, 1 B-40 and 1 M-79).

Rifle Co:- 85 men (1 60mm mortar, 1 B-41, 30 AK, 20 CKC, 3 automatic rifles, 3 B-40 and 3 M-79).

Fire Spt Co:- 39/41 men incl a 22 man 82mm mortar platoon (2 mortars) a 9-11 man MG Plat (2 MGS) and an 8 man Co HQ.

Inf Bn:- 360/367 men (112 AK, 71 CKC, 9 automatic rifles, 9 B-40, 3 B-41, 9 M-79, 3 60mm mortars, 2 82mm mortars, 2 MGS and 1 57mm RR.

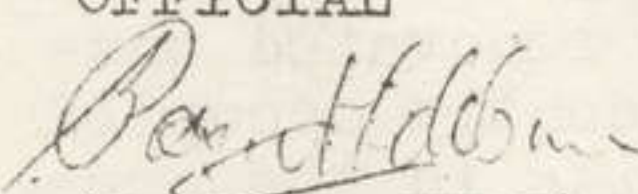
Inf Regt:- 2016 men (incl 3 Inf Bns, 1 Training Bn, 1 Security Guard Plat, 1 Engr Plat, 1 82mm mortar Co, 1 Rifle Co, 1 Sig Co, 1 Trans Co and 1 Med Co. Organic wpns incl; 542 AK, 340 CKC, 42-54 automatic rifles, 32-35 B-40, 9-18 B-41, 9 60mm mortars, 6-9 LMGs, 6 12.7 HMGs, 4 75mm RR and an unspecified number of pistols.

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Section 1. III Corps Tactical Zone

(A) Enemy Activity

1. Enemy activity was at a very low level for the second consecutive week as enemy units appeared to have withdrawn for re-organisation and re-fitment prior to initiation of the July action period of the Summer Offensive. Divisional forces for the most part withdrew to base areas leaving provincial forces and sub-region units to harass Allied forces and installations. The same pattern was reflected in the I, II and IV Corps areas.

2. Enemy activity was again confined to indirect attacks by fire and no significant ground actions were reported. The only main force elements identified in major contact were those of possibly 83NVA Regt and 58 Arty Bn which lost 44 KIA on 1st July in an engagement with 25th US Inf Div elements.

Enemy Locations

3. 9VC Div remains deployed along the Cambodian border with its 88 Regt in War Zone "C" north of TAY NINH city. The 88 Regt was identified SE of NUI BA DEN early in this week and late last week where a series of contacts accounted for 182 enemy KIA.

4. 1NVA Div elements were not in identifiable contact during the week and this combined with the small number of agents reports concerning the div plus the general dispersal of sensor activity in the area preclude drawing a clear picture of the units present location and future intentions. The identification of a PW from 101D Regt in central War Zone "C" indicates that elements of the unit may be moving to rear base areas, however it is estimated that the bulk of the Regt remains in west central BINH LONG province.

5. Little intelligence was developed on 7NVA Div during the week. 7 Div elements were/identifiably contacted during the week making the div's current disposition obscure. Aerial sensor patterns suggest that 141 Regt may be deployed along the SONG BE corridor NE of ANLOC, with 209 Regt located in base areas along the Cambodian border north of FISHHOOK. 165 Regt is unlocated. Numerous agent reports, probably referring to 7NVA Div elements, place unidentified enemy elements throughout BINH LONG province.

6. 5VC Div appears to have withdrawn into central War Zone "D". Lack of enemy activity or sensor patterns in areas south of the DONG Nai River formerly occupied by elements of the div, coupled with a series of light contacts and new sensor patterns north of the river indicate the div has withdrawn. A number of low level agents have indicated that the div was forced to relocate into War Zone "D" because of lack of food and supply difficulties experienced south of the DONG NAI.

7. In MR-7, 274 Regt elements returned to base areas in the HAT DICH. In the area north of NUI THI VAI freshly renovated base camps and bunker complexes appearing to have been recently occupied indicated that elements of the regt had been assembling in the area. 33 Regt was not identified during the period, although a series of contacts on 3rd July SE of TRANG BOM may be with elements of 33 Regt.

8. Full details of probable locations of enemy main force units are:-

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
1st NVA Div HQ	NW of NUI BA DEN	4525
18B NVA Inf Regt	N of NUI BA DEN	1200
95C NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG	1000
101D NVA Inf Regt	N of MINH THANH	1300

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<u>5 VC Div HQ</u>	Central WZ "D"	4710
275 VC Inf Regt	Southern WZ "D"	1160
174 NVA Inf Regt	DINH QUAN area	1175
95 NVA Inf Regt	Southern WZ "D"	1150
<u>7 NVA Div HQ</u>	Vic FISHHOOK	4575
165 NVA Inf Regt	SW of AN LOC	1150
141 NVA Inf Regt	N and E of ANLOC	1100
209 NVA Inf Regt	North of FISHHOOK	875
<u>9 VC Inf Div</u>	LO GO area	4150
271 VC Inf Regt	SW of TAY NINH	1000
272 VC Inf Regt	NW of TAY NINH	1140
88 NVA Inf Regt	North of TAY NINH	760
<u>1 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Dispersed S LONG AN Prov	1500
<u>33 NVA Inf Regt</u>	SW of XUAN LOC	1075
<u>101 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Vic TRAPEZOID (XT5535)	1000
<u>268 VC Inf Regt</u>	BOI LOI Woods	800
<u>274 VC Inf Regt</u>	HAT DICH	700
<u>DONG NAI VC Inf Regt</u>	NE of LAI KHE	1200
<u>QUYET THANG VC Inf Regt</u>	North of HOC MON	800

Enemy Losses

9. Enemy losses in III CTZ for the week were 903 KIA(BC), 98 PW, 183 Hoi Chanh, 295 and 45 individual and crew served weapons captured. There were 13 tons of rice captured or destroyed.

Assessment of Enemy Intentions

10. The enemy's plans and intentions for the July period are not yet clear. The divisional forces appear to have moved to more secure areas probably to refit and prepare for a resumption of offensive action. SR forces have also been inactive although reliable agents have indicated that these forces will attempt to keep allied forces occupied while the Divs prepare for attacks later in the month. TAY NINH and BINH LONG provinces continue to appear as the focal points for the next phase.

11. However the enemy retains considerable flexibility. From present positions he can withdraw his MF div's to bases along the Cambodian border should he consider this politically expedient and still maintain a semblance of pressure on allied forces through use of LF and SR units. He can also remain in his present posture almost indefinitely awaiting developments. Again SR forces would probably to maintain a presence.

12. The enemy is expected to continue his effort on propaganda and on his attempts to revitalize his shadow government, both linked to military action. The most likely cause of enemy action during July is to maintain a low to moderate level of action during the early part of the month, primarily conducted by other than MF units. However, arty elements and possibly some sapper units from the MF div's may support these efforts. It is expected these attacks will be primarily directed at villages in the vicinity of provincial capitals and to be aimed at preparing the way for further efforts by divisional forces.

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These MF units may then be committed against these targets if COSVN believes such efforts will favourably influence their bargaining position or enhance their in-country potential.

13. Of more immediate interest, the intentions of 5 VC Div are not clear but after a period of re-fitting it could return south to operate against allied installations along Routes 1 and 20, move north into PHUOC LONG province in an attempt to expand VC/NVA presence there, or conduct action against the PHUOC VINH Base camp.

14. In MR-7 the exact intentions of 274 Regt are not known but it is still in a position to threaten the BINH SON - LONG THANH area or interdict Route 15. It is estimated that 33 Regt remains targeted against the TRANG BOM - BLACK HORSE - XUAN LOC - BINH LOC areas.

Friendly Activities

15. Friendly activities again consisted of corps sweep operations which resulted generally in minor clashes. Only one large cache was found, this in WAR ZONE "D" by 2MSF elements at YT422474, 17 Km NW of DINH QUAN and the following items were recovered:-

296	B-41 rounds
643	B-40 "
73700	rounds 7.62 ammo
224	grenades
521	rounds 75mm (HE, AT and AP)
67	107mm rockets
6970	rounds 12.7mm ammo

and lesser quantities of assorted ammo and equipment.

16. Main friendly initiated actions were:-

- a. 30th June, XS697644, 2.5 Km NW TAN TRU the LONG AN PRU engaged an enemy platoon with arty support resulting in 37 enemy KIA and 3 PW and quantities of munitions and radio equipment captured. Documents identified the 2/107mm Rocket Coy (Poss AKA 2Co/3 Arty Bn SR3)
- b. 1st July, XT295576, 4 Km SW of PHUOC HOA (TAY NINH) 25 US Div elements engaged an unknown size enemy force with SA/AW and supported by flame bath, FAC, LFT, TAC Air and arty inflicted 44 KIA. Documents identified 58 Arty Bn which possibly supports 88 NVA Regt in operations in the area.
- c. 2nd July, XT640365, 6 Km NE of BEN SUC (BINH DUONG) 1-11 ACR secured a tunnel believed to have been an enemy hospital complex. The action resulted in 30 enemy KIA and 2 Hoi Chanh. Documents identified C-10 Medical Unit SR-1, 2-101 Regt and other military infiltration units.
- d. 2nd July, XT58589, 12Km NW of DAU TIENG (TAY NINH) 1 US Cav Div elements engaged an unknown number of enemy in bunkers with SA/AW; ARA, TAC Air and arty supported resulting in 32 enemy KIA.
- e. 4th July, XS654826, 6.5 Km NE of BEN LUC (LONG AN), 9 US Inf Div elements engaged an enemy platoon, arty, LFT and TAC Air supported result 36 enemy KIA/KBA. Documents identified 267 VC MF Bn of SR-2.

Section 2. SOUTH VIETNAM (excl III CTZ) and NORTH VIETNAM Omitted.

Section 3. SOUTH VIETNAM Summary - Omitted

Other Information

Enemy Use of CHICOM. RKG - 3T Anti-Tank Grenade

17. A XXIV Corps report indicated that during recent sapper activities in the corps the enemy has had in his possession quantities of the CHICOM RKG-3T anti-tank grenade. This anti-tank grenade designed to be used against tanks and other armoured vehicles employs the shaped charge principle. Stabilisation of the grenade in flight is accomplished by a drag type parachute, which is ejected from the grenade when it is thrown. On impact, the inertia-activated firing pin detonates the grenade.

18. The RKG-3T grenade is packed in three separate parts (body, fuze, handle) which are assembled immediately prior to use. The grenades discovered in the Corps AO have been modified to accept the common Chicom friction fuze and igniter. This indicates that the grenade is intended to be hand emplaced in the target objective. The grenade will effectively penetrate 5.1" of armour which makes all armoured vehicles, artillery pieces and bunkers vulnerable to damage or destruction.

(Extracted from III MAF Perintrep 25-69)

VC/NVA Monitoring of Allied Communications III CTZ

19. A PW and a rallier have given good information on VC/NVA monitoring of Allied Communications in III CTZ. The rallier from the Technical Reconnaissance Section (TRS) of MR-7 stated that the TRS consisted of a combined command staff and an administration section. It had two subordinate elements:-

- a. Short Wave (HF) Element (CW interception)
- b. Ultra-Short Wave (UHF) Element (Voice interception)
(See organisational chart)

the command staff of TRS consisted of a Chief, Asst Chief and political Officer (PO). The admin section consisted of 16-18 men, including a transport and mess sqd of approx 5 men. The UHF Element was composed of approx 16 men:- Element leader, Asst Ldr, and 14 radio ops. The HF Element consisted of about 12 men:- Elm Ldr, Asst Ldr, and 10 radio ops.

20. The mission of the TRS was to intercept US, Australian and ARVN voice and CW radio transmissions and to relay any info obtained to MR-7 HQ.

21. The UHF Element was equipped with 4 PRC-25 US made transceivers with both short sectional antennas and long wire antennas. The HF Element had 6 PHILLIPS 4 band commercial receivers of Dutch origin. The mission of the UHF Element was to gather info on enemy activity, particularly of impending air and arty strikes by intercepting Allied ARVN voice transmissions and to relay this information to HQ MR-7 for appropriate action. There were 6 English Linguists assigned to 2 of the PRC-25 radios and 8 non-linguists assigned on the other 2 sets. Usually 2 operators monitored 1 set by means of 2 sets of headphones spliced into one jack. Those operators usually worked 1-6 hours during daylight hours only. The length of a shift depended on the amount of traffic being transmitted and the intensity of friendly and or enemy activity in the area. Usually only 4 specific freqs were monitored. These freqs were :-

- a. HQ of an Australian Unit and/or the US advisors to 18

ARVN Div (1 freq)

- b. An Australian arty set, to include 4FSBs, the fire control centre and a heliborne observer (1 freq)
- c. A number of unknown ARVN units (2 freqs)

22. When an English linguist-operator intercepted a transmission, he was to write down everything he understood in particular significant abbreviations (eg "Alpha Sierra" for airstrike) and any corresponding Co-ords. A message requiring immediate attention, ie one containing a request for an air or arty strike in an area where a VC unit was operating would be given urgent treatment which often allowed sufficient time to notify the unit concerned, thus allowing it time to evacuate the target area. Usually the UHF element operated only during the day but if a VC unit was to launch a night attack the element would assign a night shift to intercept transmissions requesting air or arty strikes in defense of the Allied/ARVN position under attack.

23. Occasionally 1 or more elements, each consisting of 2 ops and 1 PRC-25 were attached to a VC unit for an operation, reportedly on to regt-size or larger operations. The intercept Elements set up their equipment in the op area normally up to 4 Km from the objective. These Elements co-operated closely with the radio ops at the CP centre who maintained communications between the CP and attacking units, so that any important info intercepted could be acted on immediately.

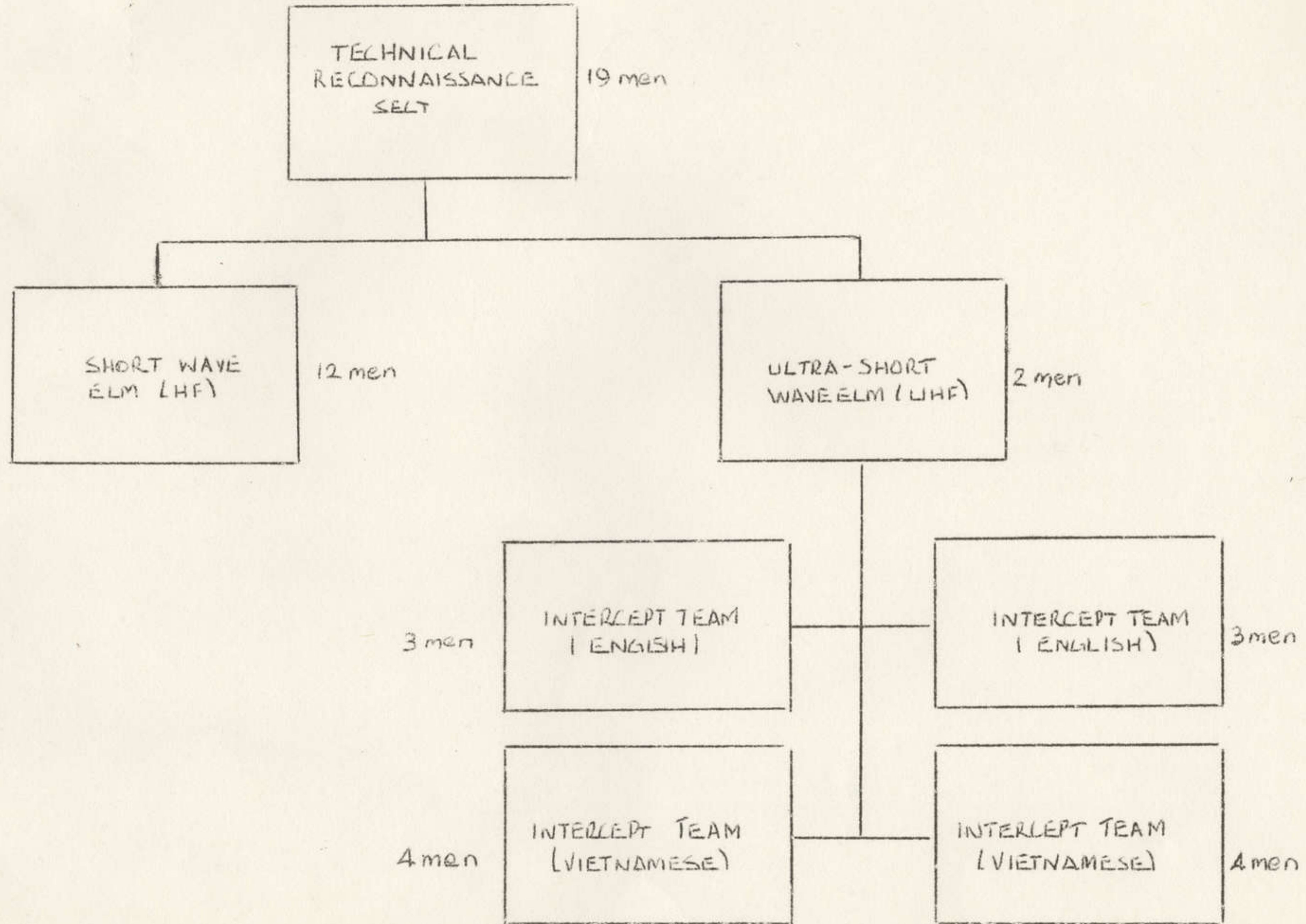
24. With the long wire antennas the PRC-25 radios had a reception range of about 30 Km. With the sectional antenna, the reception range was reduced to approx 15 Km. Flashlight size "C" batteries supplied the power for these radios, 12 X 1.5V batteries wired in series supplied sufficient operating power for 5-9 days. All 4 PRC-25s were used as receivers only and the element had no capability for either jamming or deception despite the presence of the transmitters.

25. In his training the rallier received instruction in map reading, operation of the PRC-25, enemy radio procedures to include phrasing and common abbreviations, phonetic alphabet and enemy callsigns which usually came over his freq. The rallier quoted the following callsigns:- 20, 30, 40 and 50 were Australian FSBs, 95 was the fire control centre; 29 or TONOME was the callsign of an U/I overall command HQ and 39A belonged to a heliborne observer. The rallier's practical training consisted of standing shifts monitoring the Australian arty set frequency in tandem with another operator. He also estimated that the Australians gave co-ords in the clear for air and arty strikes approx 60% of the time, basing this figure on overall transmissions, incl both messages from base camps or installations where the Australians always used a letter code and messages from units in contact, where they almost always gave co-ordinates in the clear. He had also heard that US advisors always gave co-ords in the clear when requesting air or arty support.

(G-2 Comment:- It is obvious that the enemy derives much info of great tactical value from intercepted radio communications. The necessity for the use of correct communications security cannot be over-emphasised)

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Section 1 III Corps Tactical Zone

(A) Enemy Activity

1. After a sharp increase of activity on the night of 5th-6th July, enemy initiated incidents rapidly diminished to the low level noted during the previous week. Despite indications from various sources that increased hostile action was imminent, such action failed to occur as enemy main force units again generally avoided ground contact. The main enemy initiated ground action of the week occurred on 9th July when 3 companies of 165 NVA Regt ambushed a US convoy 4.5 Km NW of AN LOC, resulting in 22 enemy KIA and 1 PW.

2. During the week there were 71 enemy initiated attacks in III CTZ compared to 46 the previous week. Of these, there were 17 significant mortar and 15 rocket attacks compared to 5 and 5 respectively last week.

Enemy Locations

3. 9 VC Div remained out of contact and has not been identified since 27th June when the 1-88 NVA Regt was contacted east of NUI BADEN.

4. 1 NVA Div elements continued to avoid identifiable contact. The Regts are believed to be relocating into base areas in northern WAR ZONE C and Cambodia to resupply, reinforce and train. Agent reports reveal that the division will probably return to eastern WAR ZONE C after completion of these activities.

5. Two regts of 7 NVA Div were identified with indications that the division may be moving north also to resupply and train in base areas in western BINH LONG province and Cambodia. 141 Regt was not identified.

6. At least part of 5 VC Div appears to have withdrawn into central WAR ZONE D. Lack of enemy activity and sensor patterns south of the DONG NAI River coupled with a series of light contacts and sensor patterns north of the river indicate that at least a portion of the division is in WAR ZONE D. It is believed that 275 vc and 174 NVA Regts have relocated there while 95 NVA Regt possibly remains in VC BA BIEN Province.

7. In MR-7 274 Regt probably remains near its normal HAT DICH base area, despite a series of B52 strikes, TAC Air strikes and arty fires placed in the area early in the week. These allied actions have undoubtedly disrupted the regiments planned actions in the LONG THANH area. Although little intelligence was developed on 33 Regt it is estimated that it is still in the XUAN LOC area.

8. Full details of probable locations of enemy main force units are:-

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
<u>1st NVA Div HQ</u>	NW of NUI BA DEN	4525
18B NVA Inf Regt	N of NUI BA DEN	1200
95C NVA Inf Regt	NW of DAU TIENG	1000
101D NVA Inf Regt	N of MINH THANH	1300
<u>5th VC Div HQ</u>	Central WAR ZONE D	4800
275 VC Inf Regt	S WAR ZONE D	1150
174 NVA Inf Regt	S WARZONE D	1175
95 NVA Inf Regt	Poss N of GIA RAY	1150
<u>7th NVA Div HQ</u>	Vic FISHHOOK	4575
165 NVA Inf Regt	NW of AN LOC	1150
141 NVA Inf Regt	E of AN LOC	1100
209 NVA Inf Regt	NW of AN LOC	875

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<u>9th VC Div HQ</u>	LO GO Area	4150
<u>271 VC Inf Regt</u>	SW of TAY NINH	1000
<u>272 VC Inf Regt</u>	NW of TAY NINH	1140
<u>88 NVA Inf Regt</u>	W of NUI BADEN	760
<u>1 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Dispersed S LONG AN Prov	1500
<u>33 NVA Inf Regt</u>	S of XUAN LOC	1075
<u>101 NVA Inf Regt</u>	Vic TRAPEZOID	1200
<u>268 VC Inf Regt</u>	BOI LOI Woods	775
<u>274 VC Inf Regt</u>	HAT DICH - BINH SON	700
<u>DONG NAI VC Inf Regt</u>	SW of PHUOC VINH	1200
<u>QUYET THANG VC Inf Regt</u>	N of HOC MON	poss 800

Enemy Losses

9. Enemy losses in III CTZ during the period were 902 KIA(BC), 81 PW, 193 Hoi Chanh, 245 individual and 50 crew served weapons captured. There were 13 tons of rice captured or destroyed.

Assessment of Enemy Intentions

10. Indications of enemy intentions are conflicting. The enemy continued to conduct reconnaissance of allied positions in WAR ZONE "C" and TAY NINH province and usually reliable agents reported on planned attacks in both the SE and west central portion of the CTZ. Such indications were supported by reports of planning conferences completed, replacements received, ambushes conducted on the main LOC in BINH SON province (Route 13), attempted infiltration by sapper elements into SAIGON and the low level of enemy action.

11. However the above reports are somewhat contradicted by enemy force dispositions. The 1NVA Div has possibly withdrawn towards northern WAR ZONE "C", 9 VC Div remained in its traditional base areas in Cambodia, 7 NVA Div was identified in only small scale actions and 5 VC Div remained out of contact, possibly in rear base areas in WAR ZONE "D". Recent reports from fairly reliable sources suggest that the enemy is emphasising his propaganda, proselyting and political activities in efforts to influence the military situation.

12. The possibility of a higher level of enemy military activity being initiated before the 20th July however cannot be ruled out. Such action will probably be characterized primarily by indirect attacks by fire and sapper actions against selected units. Some ground actions can be expected in attempts to gain a basis for claims of control in TAY NINH and ANLOC. Regardless of his actual military or political situation, it is anticipated that the enemy will maintain some degree of tangible military pressure, as the key factor in his efforts is the threat of a large scale action.

13. The location and intentions of 5 VC division are unclear. The division remains in relatively secure base areas in central WAR ZONE "D" and has the capability to move into PHUOC LONG province, towards PHUOC VINH base camp, towards LONG BINH - BIEN HOA complex, into southern LONG KHANH province or remain in place until committed by COSVN order.

14. In MR7, 274 Regt was thwarted in any projected attempt to interdict Route 15 though probably still has the QUYET THANG area as its objective. 33 Regt is assessed as still being targetted against LOC's and installations in the XUAN LOC area.

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Friendly Activities

15. Although allied forces continued their sweep operations contacts were generally light as most main force elements avoided contact. Most significant of these contacts were:-

- a. 8th July, XT65164, 3 Km N of PHU CUONG (BINH DUONG) elements of 3 RF Coys engaged an unknown size enemy force resulting in 18 enemy KIA; the enemy unit was identified as 2/2 QUYET THANG Regt assisted by elements of C10 LF unit.
- b. 9th July, YS230810, 7 Km NW of PHU MY (BIEN HOA) Province Bien Hoa Sector PRU platoon and 1 platoon 316 RF Coy engaged 30-40 enemy resulting in 19 enemy KIA and 5 PW who identified elements of 3 battalions 274 VC Regt.
- c. 9th July, XT 592279, 5.5 Km N of TRUNG LAP (BINH DUONG) 25 US Inf Div units engaged an enemy force later identified as 3-268 VC Regt resulting in 17 enemy KIA.
- d. 10th July, XU972349, 9 Km S of BODUC (PHUOC LONG) 1 U Air Cav units engaged an unknown size enemy force, there were 17 enemy KIA.
- e. 12th July, XT273604, NUI BA DEN (TAY NINH) 25 US Inf Div elements engaged an unknown size enemy force; result 31 enemy KIA; the enemy unit was unidentified.

Section 2. SOUTH VIETNAM (excl III CTZ) and NORTH VIETNAM (OMITTED)

Section 3. SOUTH VIETNAM Summary (OMITTED)

Other Information

Enemy Imitative Communications in III CTZ

16. An Imitative Communications Deception attempt was made on a 228 Avn Bn Chinook pilot recently. At 0300H 24th June, the pilot was attempting to contact LZ WESTCOTT when an individual came up on his frequency and identified himself as LZ JILL (previous name for WESCO), control. The Chinook pilot asked for directions because the weather was bad and he was flying just over the tree line. The individual gave him directions and told him the area was secured. By that time the weather had worsened causing the pilot to break off back towards QUAN LOI. On investigation it was discovered there were no friendly units in the area given by the "LZ JILL Control".

17. This is a good example of the enemy's capability to come up on Allied radio sets and by using perfect English trying to pass false information. The best defence against Imitative Communications Deception is constant use of authentication.
(Extracted from II FFV Perintrep 28-69)

VC Financial and Logistics Problems in MR-7

18. A 15th June document states that due to financial difficulties arising from a tax deficit, efforts should be made to minimise expenditures. The use of currency was temporarily suspended. Subsistence allowances have been reduced to the following levels:- combat troops and personnel transporting strategic goods will continue to receive 25 Kg of rice per month. Military Postal Service Personnel will receive 15 litres of rice plus 10 litres of rice substitute. Other non-combatant personnel will receive 15 litres of rice and 5 litres of substitute.

VC Use of "Flying Charges"

19. The VC are using satchel charges, captured artillery rounds and bombs as "flying charges" propelled by explosives placed in a hole underneath the bombs and shells. In this manner they have propelled objects as large as a 500 lb bomb into friendly positions. The range of these devices is limited to several hundred metres.

20. The launching device for the satchel charge for example is merely a hole with a 40°- 45° forward slope dug into soft ground (hard or sandy soils are avoided). The propelling charge is placed at the bottom of the firing pit and then covered with soil. Enough soil is placed on the propelling charge to bring the top of the explosive charge to ground level. The operator is located in a foxhole approx. 100 metres from the launch site. When he closes the electrical circuit the propelling charge will blast the explosive pack towards the target. (Extracted from USNACV Perintrep MAY 69)

Rumanian 1967 model 7.62mm Assault Rifle

21. On 16th April 1969 a 7.62mm Assault Rifle Kalashnikov (AKM) Rumanian 1967 model was captured by friendly forces in the western portion of II CTZ. It is the first model of this type recovered in the Republic of Vietnam. The weapon is similar in design to the Soviet AKM; however there have been several modifications. The most prominent of these is the addition of a front pistol - type handgrip. All other modifications are slight and do not affect the overall appearance or performance of the weapon.

Hungarian Model 7.62mm Assault Rifle

22. A Hungarian model 7.62mm Assault Rifle Kalashnikov (AKM) was captured for the first time in South Vietnam recently. The major differences between this and the Soviet model are the Hungarian AKM's shorter barrel, single piece folding stock, combination flash suppressor/compensator and front handgrip. The Hungarian model is 27mm (approx 1") shorter than the Soviet model with the stock extended. The rear of the receiver has been modified to support the folding stock and stock locking mechanism. The Hungarian AKM does not have the wooden front handguard which usually encloses the gas cylinder. The front handguard is made of stamped steel, with ten ventilation holes cut into each side of the handguard. A pistol grip is identical to the rear grip on this weapon, except it is mounted in a reverse angle.

VC Use of Bakelite Shoe Box Mine

23. On 20th April an element of the 1st US Marine Div discovered a bakelite shoe box mine in an enemy munitions workshop in I CTZ. This is the first known appearance of this mine in Vietnam. The mine consists of a brown plastic block with wells for a fuse and TNT charge, and a hinged plastic top which pivots downwards when pressure is applied. This activates the fuse.

24. The mine is approx 7" X 2" X 2" and it weighs about 14oz, including the fuse and TNT charge. The mine is similar in appearance and identical in function to the Soviet PMD-7ts Wooden Shoebox Mine. It employs a 75 gram cylindrical TNT charge, and an MUV fuse with MD2 detonator or home made equivalent. The country of origin is not known.

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NVA BASIC TRAINING

References: A. CMIC Report Number 6 029 0590 69 of 5 Jun 69
B. " " " 6 029 0584 69 of 6 Jun 69

General

1. The following information concerning Basic Training in the NVA, has been extracted from PW Interrogation reports listed at References A and B.

- a. DO VAN TIEN, Asst Squad Leader, 9B Arty Bn, 9 VC Div.
- b. NGUYEN HNG HAI, Asst Squad Leader, 12 Sapper Bn, SR-2

NVA Basic Training

2. a. DO VAN TIEN, Asst Squad Ldr 9B Arty Bn, 3 Inf Regt, 9th VC Div.

(1) Assignment. Source was assigned to the 7th squad, 3 Platoon, 8 Company, 2 Bn, 2 Regt, 330 Div, at the end of Mar 67 and remained there until he completed basic training at the end of Jun 67. He remained at the training center for three months after that for an unknown reason. During this time he did nothing (sic). Source's Bn was engaged in basic training but source did not know whether the other units in the Division were training units or not.

(2) Training:

(a) Rifle Training. The trainees learned to clean, assemble and disassemble the RPD, the CKC and the AK-47. They fired 12 rounds with the AK-47 at a range of 100 metres, six rounds at fixed targets and six rounds at moving targets. With the RPD, they fired 12 rounds at fixed targets 150 metres away and 12 rounds at moving targets 200 metres away. Night firing consisted of three rounds fired with the CKC at a 100 metre target. There was training with dummy grenades but none with live grenades.

(b) Tactical Training. The men were taught to assault a house and an outpost. When attacking the house, one man would provide cover with an RPD while two men assaulted with AK-47s. The same tactic was used to assault an outpost, except that an entire squad or platoon was used. There was no training in ambush tactics.

(c) Physical Training. There was 30 minutes of physical training during the dry season and 15 minutes during the rainy season. Source did not remember any of the exercises, except that they included running.

(d) Other Training. There was one political lecture during the training cycle concerning the psychological attitude one should assume if wounded. Another political lecture was given just before graduation but source could not remember the subject presented. There was no other political training. There was no infiltration Training. In first aid training the men learned how to bandage wounds and carry wounded personnel.

(e) Training Schedule.

0430: Reveille
0430 to 0550: Personal hygiene and Physical Training
0530 to 0600: Breakfast
0600 to 1100: Training
1100 to 1400: Lunch; Rest period
1400 to 1700: Training
1700 to 1730: Personal hygiene; Rest period
1730 to 1800: Supper
1800 to 2000: Review of Training
2000: Lights Out (sometimes at 2100)

(f) Miscellaneous

(1) Morale. Morale was very high, although source did not know why. He thought this might have been the reason why there was so little political training.

(2) Logistics. The Company Adjutant was given 72 cents (NVN) per day per man to buy food. This was mainly used to buy fish, meat, and vegetables. In addition, every man received 900 grammes of rice per day. The adjutant picked up supplies from Bn. He used labourers to carry them to the Company, but the source did not know who these personnel were. The Bn had a dispensary. Source went there once for a stomach ache and was given inoculations for a few days until he felt better. He did not know what the inoculations were, or what other medicine the Bn had, nor did he know how the medicine was obtained. The men had been issued their uniforms at the induction center and all they were issued at the training center was a shovel.

(3) Mail and Pay. Source received approximately three or four letters while in basic training. He did not write very often, but this was due to choice. Source knew of no limit on the amount of mail he could send or receive. As Privates, the trainees were paid five piasters (NVN) per month.

(b) NGUYEN HONG HAI

(1) Equipment and Clothing Issue. After leaving the Induction Center in CAM GIANG, source boarded a train which stopped at the VAN HO Railroad Station in HANOI. Here, spent a day and a half. He was issued clothing immediately after arriving and spent the rest of the time resting. His initial issue consisted of the following items:

- One Field Pack
- One Hard Hat
- One Soft Hat
- Two sets of uniforms
- Two sets of underwear
- One pair of jungle boots
- One pair of low quarter shoes
- Two pairs of socks
- One nylon rain cover (2m square)
- One mat

(2) Source did not know of any other Bns in the 3 Regt and had no information on OB of any higher units. The 17th Bn was divided into four companies: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Companies. Each company had four platoons and each platoon 3 squads. The squads were further broken down into four man cells.

(3) Military Training. Source was given training in the following areas: military courtesy, assembly and disassembly of the CKC and AK-47, weapons firing and firing positions, foxhole construction and camouflage techniques. When firing the rifles, the men used half-silhouette targets, placed 100 metres away.

(4) Physical Training. Source had 30 minutes of exercise each morning. The majority of the 30 minutes was devoted to running.

(5) Political Training. Source had political training one day a week for varied periods of time, depending on the subject covered. Some of the subjects covered were:

- Rules of the Army
- Rules for Discipline
- Fighting Tradition of the People
- Our Country is rich and beautiful
- Wounded soldiers
- Prisoners

(5) Infiltration Training. Source had to march varying distances with approximately 40 kilograms of rocks in his pack. These marches occurred every other week approximately and the distances varied up to three miles.

(6) Daily Training Schedule. Source's unit followed the following schedule with the exception of Sunday, which was their day off.

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0500:	Reveille
0500 to 0530	Physical Training
0530 to 0600	Personal hygiene
0600 to 0630	Breakfast
0630 to 0700	Prepare for training
0700 to 1100	Training
1100 to 1200	Lunch
1200 to 1330	Rest
1330 to 1730	Training
1730 to 1830	Supper
1830 to 1900	Rest
1900 to 2100	Review daily training

3. COMMENT.

While the two prisoners were of average intelligence and were fairly co-operative, approximately two years had passed since they had undergone basic training and in some instances, it was difficult for them to remember exact details.

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ENEMY SITUATION IN PHUOC TUY PROVINCE29 JUN 69 TO 6 JUL 69General

1. Enemy activity remained at a low level throughout the province during the reporting period.

Chau Duc District

2. The Western Hat Dich is reported to have been the most active area in the province during the past week. Reports have indicated a build-up of VC Main Force units in that area with possible intentions of attacking and occupying towns or military posts along Route 15 between THAM THIEN (YS2182) and ONG TRINH (YS2568) on or about 5 Jul 69. Bombing of reported base camps along the Soui DA VANG stream, East of THAI THIEN may have preempted or delayed the expected attack.
3. BA LONG Province HQ and 84 Rear Services Group appear to have either moved out of the northern border region or gone into hiding as a result of 1 ATF (9 RAR) operations in that area although light contact is being made by ARVN and 1 ATF units in the border area to the East and West of Route 2. The logistics installations which are believed to be sited in the AO, according to all available intelligence, have not yet been located.
4. Limited enemy activity in the Nui Dinh complex has been reported and light contacts have occurred. Positive unit identification has not been possible at this stage but it is considered that the contacts were with C41.

Long Dat District

5. There was only one significant enemy initiated incident in this area during the reporting period but enemy activity continued at a moderate level.
6. The enemys' prime concern at the moment is to collect food and taxes from the people in the closely populated areas, to discredit the Government and Local Administrators, to destroy the morale and effectiveness of the Peoples Self Defence Group and to hold elections for the village and district levels of the recently declared Provisional Government. 1 ATF and Regional Force operations however, are causing increasing difficulty to the Long Dat District Committee in gaining access to and from the Minh Dam Secret Zone and populated areas.
7. Incidents. At 062000H approx 10 VC entered the home of the Deputy Chief of Village Security at Hoi My (YS498555), dragged him into the street and beat him to death. The murdered man was a valuable source of local information on the VC.
8. Identifications. Documents captured in the Long Green (YS570603) by elements of 2/52 ARVN and A Coy 5 RAR on 26 Jun 69, identified B3/C1/D445 which was part of a multi-company group of D445 contacted during the operation.

Xuyen Moc District

9. There has been a slight increase in enemy initiated activity in this district the most significant being an attack by a small group of VC on the National Police Office. There has been no identification of enemy units operating in this district during the reporting period although elements of D445 LF Bn are believed to be hiding to the West of the town.

Conclusions

10. The possibility of a Main Force attack against villages or Military Posts along Route 15 should not be discounted. Local Force units still retain the ability to harrass the populated areas and as they become more desperate for food and prestige, concentrated efforts are likely to be made to relieve their predicament by ambushes, harassing attacks and mining of lines of communication.

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ENEMY SITUATION IN PHUOC TUY PROVINCE

13 Jul 69 TO 20 Jul 69

General

1. Enemy initiated activity remained at a low level during the past week.

CHAU DUC District

2. a. General. The majority of enemy activity in the District appeared to be directed at avoiding contact with limited resupply activity.
- b. Identifications.
- (1) Main Force.
- (a) C24/274 VC Regt (Convalescent Coy)(documents captured in a base camp by 9 RAR)
- (2) Local Force.
- (a) D440 (by two CHIEU HOI's, one from a Mortar Platoon D440, the other from the CHAU DUC Military Postal Section)
- c. Activity. The most important enemy activity was the continuation of harrassment operations, particularly the small vehicle ambush SOUTH of ONG TRINH on Route 15 on 20 Jul 69.
- d. 1 ATF operations to the NORTH and NORTH EAST of the District appear to have forced HQ 84 Rear Services Group and HQ BA LONG Province to move NORTHWARDS into LONG KHANH Province. The absence of contacts with groups moving EAST-WEST in the area further indicate that the traditional resupply routes are no longer being used and that realignment of the L of C has been effected.
- e. Although no firm identification has been made it appears that the enemy in the 9 RAR AO in the NORTHWEST of the province are probably elements of 274 VC Regt.
- f. A CHIEU HOI who rallied last week reported that D440 LF Bn has been operating in the District for some time, and it is believed that the Bn is located between the EASTERN HAT DICH and Route 2.

LONG DAT District

3. a. General. Enemy activity appears to have been directed at avoiding friendly operations and collecting food and taxes.
- b. Identifications.
- (1) Main Force. There have been no Main Force unit identifications.
- (2) Local Force.
- (a) C25 (PW captured by 615 RF Coy)
- (b) K47 (probably a cover designator for the LONG DAT Transportation Unit)(CHIEU HOI to Sector elements)
- (c) HOI MY Guerilla Unit (PW captured by A/6 RAR)
- c. Activity. The first confirmation that C25 is in the LONG HAI Hills is the most significant development in the period as this unit has not been contacted for approximately three months.
- d. A recent CHIEU HOI and several agent reports claim that the LONG DAT District Committee has moved to a more secure area in the vicinity of XUAN SON (YS5373). There is strong evidence that the committee is still in the SOUTHERN LONG HAI's area. The confirmed presence of C25, the District unit, tends to confirm this evidence as the District Committee and its unit seldom operate very far from each other. Logistics elements may have been established near XUAN SON as a result of ATF/ARVN operations against the VC L of C, SOUTH of Route 23.

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- e. The discovery of several caches in the Light Green area is significant as it adds to the growing detail on enemy locations and movement and activity patterns in the area. The lack of contacts in the Light Green and Long Green areas may be due to enemy moves NORTH and EAST from the area during ATF/ARVN operations, but it is believed that local guerilla units are still present and still active in the area, although perhaps on a reduced scale.
- f. The decrease of contacts in the DAT DO area and an increase in the LONG DIEN area indicates that the sources of supply of food may have possibly been changed from DAT DO to LONG DIEN, possibly as a result of 1 ATF operations to the EAST and NORTH of the LONG HAI's and in the Long Green and Light Green areas.

XUYEN MOC District

- 4.
 - a. General. There were no significant enemy initiated incidents during the period.
 - b. Identifications.
 - (1) Main Force. There have been no Main Force unit identifications.
 - (2) Local Force.
 - (a) C3/D445 (documents captured in a contact with B/6 RAR)
 - c. Activity. The contact with D445 WEST of XUYEN MOC tends to confirm suspicions that the bulk of D445 LF Bn has withdrawn out of the Light Green-Long Green areas to avoid contact.
 - d. A PW of the VC who escaped and returned to XUYEN MOC has indicated that a large storehouse area exists to the SOUTH of the District. This is possibly a staging area for supplies coming out of villages in the LONG DAT District through the Long Green and Light Green area or along the coast from Lang PHUOC HAI before they are transported NORTH to the 84 Rear Services Group area.

CONCLUSIONS

- 5. Enemy forces in the Province have probably been preempted from mounting a concerted ground attack at present. The coming week will probably be marked by a continuation of harrasing attacks by fire and route interdiction, particularly Route 15.

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ENEMY SITUATION IN PHUOC TUY PROVINCE

7 JUL 69 TO 13 JUL 69

General

1. Enemy initiated activity remained at a low level during the past week.

CHAU DUC District

- 2. a. General. CHAU DUC District was once again the most active in the Province.
- b. Identifications. There were no enemy unit identifications.
- c. Activity. RIF and ground BDA operations failed to make significant contact with elements of 274 VC Regt which were believed to be concentrated in the area EAST of THAI THIEN and PHU MY Military Post.

There is little doubt that large elements of 274 VC Regt (possibly 2 battalions and elements of HMG and Medical Coys) concentrated in the area on 4-6 Jul 69 but exfiltrated after taking casualties and realising that their planned objectives were covered by 1 ATF.

- d. The 5 RAR operations in the NUI DINH feature are thought to have disturbed the activities of the LONG HUONG Guerillas, although no firm identification was made.
- e. A CHIEU HOI who rallied last week revealed that a "B52 strike" (possibly H and I fire from 155mm Howitzers) killed approximately half the CHAU DUC Medical Section in a base camp in vicinity of YS 3172. He also revealed that the CHAU DUC base areas are as follows:
 - (1) YS 3664
 - (2) YS 3268
 - (3) YS 3775
 - (4) YS 4277
 - (5) YS 2871

LONG DAT District

- 3. a. General. There was little enemy initiated activity in this District during the reporting period.
- b. Identifications. There were no enemy unit identifications.
- c. Activity. The most significant activity was the rallying of a member of the PHUOC THO Guerilla unit. Although a full interrogation report is not yet available, the CHIEU HOI has a quantity of valuable information which should aid 1 ATF in its operations in this District.

XUYEN MOC District

- 4. a. General. There was only one enemy initiated incident during the reporting period.
- b. Identifications. There were no enemy unit identifications.
- c. Activity. The main enemy activity still appears to be resupply although the useage of Route 328 has dropped to an almost negligible level.

CONCLUSIONS

5. It is considered that harrassment, particularly along Route 2 and in LONG DAT District, will be the major activity for the coming week. Interdiction of Route 15 is also an activity which has a high priority with the VC.

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31 Jul 69ENEMY SITUATION IN PHUOC TUY PROVINCE20 Jul 69 to 27 Jul 69General

1. The enemy appeared to be preoccupied with resupply activities and avoiding contact.

CHAU DUC District

2. a. General The only enemy initiated incidents within the district was a small harrassing attack on the RD Cadre at HOA LONG on 27 Jul 69.
- b. Identifications There were no enemy unit identifications.
- c. Activity The enemy which 9RAR contacted in the north western corner of the district were probably elements of 274 Regt. As the contacts with 9RAR have been small and the enemy has made no attempt to stay and fight it is considered that small layback parties were left to cover the withdrawal of the majority of the elements and to lead friendly forces away from caches. It is possible that 274 Regt has withdrawn to its alternative base areas in the area of the BINH SON rubber plantation. The BDA from an airstrike on the occupied base camp at YS4176 20 Jul 69 and subsequent SLAR reports indicate that D440 is possibly still in the area between the HAT DICH and Route 2. It is not known what mission this battalion has been assigned but it is probable that it has moved there as a result of FWM/ARVN ops to the EAST of BLACKHORSE in D440's normal base area. No identifications of C41 were made during the period, but C41 and the CHAU DUC District Committee are probably still located in the NUI DINH-NUI THI VAI mountains.

LONG DAT District

3. a. General Although detected enemy movement remained at a low level, the enemy in this district probably continued with the primary tasks of tax and food collection.
- b. Identifications (i) There were no Main Force identifications.
(ii) Local Force: a. PHUOC HOI Guerillas and PHUOC HOI Party Chapter (CHIEU HOI to Sector elements.)
b. PHUOC THANH Guerillas (KIA by Sector elements at AN NHUT).
- c. Activity The B52 strike on the southern LONG HAI mountains is believed to have caused the death of 6 members of the LONG DAT District unit. It also disrupted the activities of the PHUOC HAI Village Committee. The locating of several caches of M16 mines in the "fence minefield" tends to confirm suspicions that the enemy has been using these mines for his own use. The explosion of a mine in PHUOC LOI by civilians is significant as it is believed that this mine had been planted for AUST forces who had been in the area and were expected to return.

XUYEN MOC

4. a. General There was little enemy initiated activity.
- b. Identifications (i) Main Force: There were no identifications.
(ii) Local Force: a. D445 (documents captured by 4/B/6RAR in a camp at YS598692).
b. XUYEN MOC Finance and Economy Section (documents captured by 4/B/6RAR in a camp at YS598692).
- c. Activity The location of large areas of cultivation and the fact that the Province Medical Unit has a production cell indicates that food supply is probably the major activity in the district. The production of food has probably attained greater significance since the pacification effort in LONG DAT has made resupply from that source more difficult.

CONCLUSIONS

5. The possible movement of 274 Regt out of the Province and the importance of food supply make the possibility of a significant ground attack more unlikely. The majority of units will probably continue to avoid contact during the coming week. Harassment activities will probably continue in the form of snipe and mortar attacks and attacks by fire. The local guerrilla forces and VCI will continue to infiltrate villages to collect taxes, food and to conduct proselytizing activities.



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1 ATF SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE REPORT No. 5/69

1. The following is a direct translation of a document captured by DUC THANH Sub-Sector forces on 20 May 69 at YS450740.
2. The contents of the document is evaluated by Vietnamese agencies as 'A1'.

TRANSLATION

PLAN TO ESTABLISH PEOPLES LIBERATION COMMITTEES IN
THE HAMLETS, VILLAGE, DISTRICTS AND PROVINCES OF
THE COMMUNISTS

General

1. Exploitation of Directive No 13/CTNF dated 4 Jun 68 from COSVN, which states.
 - a. COSVN has directed that Regional Party Committees, Sub Region Committees and Province Committees are to develop a plan to establish Peoples Liberation Committees in hamlets, villages, districts and provinces as follows.
 - b. General Guide for Requirements
Defeat the GVN and quickly set up a Revolutionary Government. Following this, prepare in sufficient time the basis for the establishment of a Central Government for when the time arises.
 - c. Method of Establishing Government
(1) In the liberated hamlets and villages a government authority is to be set up. In the hamlets it is to be called the Hamlet Liberation Branch. In the villages it is to be called the Village Peoples Liberation Committee.
 - d. Criterion
The village authority must be elected democratically. In the villages that have GVN posts, use military units to surround the posts and use the Village Guerilla Party Chapter to organise elections of the Village Liberation Committee who will nominate the Hamlet Liberation Branch members.
 - e. In the villages where we control the situation if the circumstances do not allow an election the villages must organise a meeting of the soldiers and the people which consists of the delegates, non party members, the peoples army guerilla organisation, security, information, education, finance and r r^r villagers and also a number of hamlet non party members (depending on the situation). This meeting of the people will elect a Provisional Peoples Liberation Branch.

Regulations on organisation and Delegation of Work in the Peoples Liberation Committees (PLC).

2. The criteria for choosing the people is as follows:
 - a. Have drive to get results
 - b. Devoted to serving the people
 - c. Be accepted by the people
 - d. Party members attending must not exceed 2/3 of the total committee members. Priority must be given to sub committee members and people sympathetic to the party.
 - e. The more female cadres the better and if possible allow them to hold the important positions (Secretary, assistant secretary, committee member) at the same time guiding and helping them.
 - f. The Village PLC, as well as that of the district and province should generally speaking consist of 7-5 members made up of one chairman, 1 or 3 assistant chairmen, 1 secretary and the committee members (there should be 5 committee members only in places that have small populations). In the Districts and Province LPC that have more than 1 assistant chairman one should be well educated.
 - g. The PLC should choose mainly workers, poor and middle class farmers and

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- should pay attention to the selection of females and religious people.
- h. The PLC must establish a Permanent Section of the Committee consisting of the chairman, assistant chairman, secretary and the security member. This Permanent Section represents the committee and guides it in its tasks.

Allocation of Tasks

3. Committees with 5 members
- a. The chairman and assistant chairman have the responsibility for 2 sections (1) Finance, (2) Military.
 - b. The secretary is responsible for (1) information (2) culture (3) education.
 - c. 1 Committee member for security.
 - d. 1 Committee member for wounded soldiers and medical.
4. Committees with 7 members
- a. Chairman + assistant chairman responsible for (1) Finance (2) military.
 - b. Secretary
 - c. Member responsible for security.
 - d. Member responsible for education, culture and information.
 - e. Member responsible for funds.
 - f. Member responsible for wounded soldiers, social service and medical.
5. Committees with 9 members
- a. Chairman
 - b. Asst chairman responsible for military.
 - c. Asst chairman responsible for finance and economics.
 - d. Secretary.
 - e. Member responsible for security.
 - f. Member responsible for production.
 - g. Member responsible for education.
 - h. Member responsible for information.
 - i. Member responsible for wounded troops, social service and medical.

Method of Work

6. Follow the collective leadership principles, open the meeting and fix the limits for discussion, activities and individual responsibility.

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ENEMY SITUATION - LONG GREENS

General

1. The VC District of LONG DAT is responsible for the area fo the LONG GREEN/LIGHT GREEN and the area to the North and South of Route LTL 23.
2. The main VC use of the area is:
 - a. As an L of C to carry food and medical supplies from the towns along Routes LTL 23 and LTL 44 to the Main, Local and Guerilla Forces operating in other areas of PHUOC TUY Province and also to 84 Rear Services Group between MAY TAO Mountains and Route LTL 2 near the LONG KHANH border.
 - b. As a secure base for village guerillas from VC LONG DAT District.
 - c. As a base area from which D 445 LF Bn can launch surprise attacks against DAT DO or the other towns in the area.

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3. D 445 LF Bn is known to use base camps in the area of YS5659-5859-5860-5660.
4. Guerilla Units of Hoi My and Phuoc Hai are reported to be located near SONG RAI river mouth.
5. DAT DO and PHUOC LOI units are reported to be located at YS5158 and YS 5358 and other guerilla camps are located at YS5559 and YS5861.
6. The main trails running East and West through the area are used regularly by VC troops and supply porters.

CONCLUSION

7. Location and destruction of guerillas, VCI and their installations in the area would greatly help Pacification of PHUOC TUY.
8. Interdiction and blocking of the L of C through the area would have a serious effect of all of VC BALONG Province's logistics capability.

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SUMMARY OF CAPTURED WEAPONS
PERIOD 1 JUN 69 TO 30 JUN 69

1. The following weapons were captured during the above period:

a.	<u>Individual Weapons</u>	<u>Country of Origin</u>	<u>Serial</u>
5 RAR	RPG2	China	1005660
	AK 47	China	13024687
	AK 47	China	10088121
	AK 47	China	10053542
	AK 47	N Korea	4148
	AK 47	China	9472778
	Garand M1	USA	5681113
	Mosin-Nagant	China	13562
	AK 47	China	12065443
	Type 56 Carbine	China	11292499
	M2 Carbine	USA	3339060
	M16 Rifle	USA	1257712
	M2 Carbine	USA	7044781
	M2 Carbine	USA	7116753
	Type 43 SMG	China	3194567
	M1 Carbine	USA	257441
	M1 Carbine	USA	6591689
	Type 56 Carbine	China	11296105
	Type 56 Carbine	China	11325561
	Pistol	Not reported	Not reported
6 RAR	AK 47	China	10130605
	AK 47	China	11056274
	AK 47	China	4191130
	AK 47	China	10124295
	AK 47	China	12051577
	AK 47	Russian	077114K
	M1 Carbine	USA	15121
	SKS Rifle	Not known	Not known
	SKS Rifle	China	11284404
	AK 47	Russian	10246
	AK 47	Russian	13445
	.45 cal Pistol	Not known	Not known
	AK 47	China	8414234
	AK 47	China	10051645
	AK 47	China	11097333
	AK 47	China	12166457
	7.62 mm Pistol	Russia	13001786
	AK 47	China	281404c
	Garand	USA	34084
	AK 47	China	11090010
	AK 47	China	11064505
	AK 47	China	11102750
	AK 47	China	12104883
	AK 47	China	12051957
	AK 47	China	1205240
	SKS Rifle	China	1306562
	AK 47	China	10087876
	AK 47	China	10051383
	AK 47	China	10084441
	AK 47	China	18061859

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<u>Individual Weapons</u>	<u>Country of O</u>	<u>o</u>
6 RAR AK 47	China	10135509
(cont) AK 47	China	10121176
RPG2	China	804900
AK 47	China	9479857
SKS Rifle	China	9189194
SKS Rifle	China	10057806
SKS Rifle	China	7052522
AK 47	China	11052690
AK 47	China	12191823
AK 47	China	1302039
AK 47	China	11049550
AK 47	China	1145263
AK 47	China	11108099
Garand	USA	3273974
M1 Carbine	USA	1046440
AK 47	China	12075150
RPG2	China	70061
AK 47	China	12125678
AK 47	China	12131045
AK 47	China	10116319
AK 47	China	12081255
AK 47	China	11072936
.45 Pistol	USA	1504713
AK 47	China	11062768
7.62mm Pistol	China	13008717
AK 47	Russia	N000468
AK 47	Russia	N006920
AK 47	China	1065255
SKS Rifle	China	655456
AK 47	China	12109443
AK 47	China	7050869
Thompson SMG	USA	850957
Mosin Nagant	China	c6150
Thompson .45 SMG	USA	410342
Thompson .45 SMG	USA	705728
M1 Carbine	USA	1834848
SKS Rifle	China	10129106
Garand	USA	3882870
Mosin Nagant	China	0916
SAS 7.62 Tokarev	China	13011180
Sqn AK 47	China	12105865
RPG2	China	804662
Launcher Gren M79	USA	16763
7.62 Tokarev	China	13014023
7.62 FPS 1943	China	3219028
SKS Rifle	Destroyed	

9 RAR No weapons captured

Total Number of Individual Weapons Captured

5 RAR	-	20
6 RAR	-	69
3 SAS Sqn	-	7
9 RAR	-	Nil


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b. <u>Crew Served Weapons</u>	<u>Country of Origin</u>	<u>Serial No</u>
5 RAR RPG 7	China	414
60 mm	China	00115
75 mm	China	110990
RPG 7	Soviet	DA 380
6 RAR BAR MG .30 cal	USA	610787
B Sqn RPD 7.62 mm	China	880558
1 Armd Regt		
<u>Total</u> - 6		

2. Total number of weapons reported captured by 1 ATF during the reporting period - 102.
3. Total number of weapons reported captured, as in Intsum 181 of 30 Jun 69 was 113.
4. As can be seen by the two paragraphs above, there is a discrepancy of eleven (11) weapons for the June total. This was due to incorrect reporting by capturing units and on one occasion incorrect information that 2/52 ARVN Bn was under 1 ATF operational command.
5. The discrepancies that occurred are given hereunder in this return to help clarify the situation:
- a. On 6-7 Jun 69 at YS4474 (BINH BA), it was reported that four (4) crew served weapons were captured. This was incorrect, only three (3) were recovered.
 - b. On 11 Jun 69 at YS479864, 12/D/6 RAR reported that one (1) RPG 7 had been captured. An RPG2 was captured not an RPG7 as stated.
 - c. On 19 Jun 69 at YS452896, 1,2/A/6 RAR reported that one (1) individual and four (4) crew served weapons had been captured. This was incorrect, captured were two (2) individual and one (1) crew served weapon.
 - d. Four individual weapons captured by SAS were inadvertently reported twice for the INTSUM 12 Jun 69.
 - e. On 26 Jun 69, two (2) weapons that were captured by 2/52 ARVN Bn were included in the INTSUM. As that unit was not under operational control of 1 ATF, these weapons should not have been included in the 1 ATF totals.
 - f. On 28 Jun 69 at YS389776, A/6 RAR reported the capture of one (1) 60mm mortar and bipod. This was incorrect, only a 60mm mortar bipod was captured.
 - g. On 29 Jun 69 at YS389776, 1/A/6 RAR reported locating an RPG2. An RPG2 spare parts bag was located, not an RPG2 as reported in the INTSUM.
6. Action has been taken to ensure that these errors do not occur again.


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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 198/69
DATED 17 JUL 69

INITIAL INTERROGATION REPORT

RETURNEE LE VAN NHANH

Biographical Data.

1. Name: LE VAN NHANH.
AKA: -
D/POB: 1935, DI AN, BINH HOA.
Unit: 8 Pl 8 Coy (heavy wpns Coy) D440.
Appt: Pl Comd.
Occupation: Driver.
Religion: Buddhist.

Circumstances of Joining VC.

2. In Jan 1966 subject was called up for National Service and went to VAN KIEP National Training Centre for initial training. In Feb 1966 VAN KIEP was attacked by the VC who led off 120 trainees. After three months training the subject was sent to D440 as a labourer and gradually worked his way up to Pl Comd.

Circumstances of Return.

3. a. Date/Time: 170800H Jul 69.
b. Place : THAI THIEN.
c. Wpns/Docs: 1 X SKS.
d. Reasons : Life was very difficult with the VC and subject was once demoted. Took advantage of confusion after an air strike to return.

Exploited Information.

4. a. Battle at Binh Ba: Subject stated D440 took part in the battle at Binh Ba 6-7 Jun 69, together with 33 Regt (AKA A57). D440 suffered about 60 casualties (KIA and WIA) including Coy Comd of C2 and 2 Pl Comds. They also lost a 75MM RCL. Following the battle the Bn moved to a base camp at approx YS442773, they remained there, resting, resupplying, reinforcements and being indoctrinated until 13 Jul 69.
b. Present Location: On 13 Jul 69 the base camp was hit by an airstrike, planes involved were AD6 (Skyraiders) and 8 direct hits were scored. This forced the Bn to move and they split into two, one group moved SOUTH WEST following roughly the Suoi Lup to a position SW of Nui Nghe. The other group moved SE to an area near Ap Suoi Nghe (subject thinks these are the poss locs as he moved West to Thai Thien during this period).
c. Bn Org: D440 consists of 8 Coys - 5 rifle coys, 2 labourer coys and one heavy wpns coy.
C1, C2, C3, C4, C5 - Rifle coys str approx 70. C6, C7 - Labourer coys str approx 30. C8 - heavy wpn coy str 28.
Total str at 13 Jul was 417.
Heavy wpn coy had 1 x 82mm mortar and 4 x 60mm mortar which were divided so each rifle coy had mortar sp.
Labour coys: Total strength approx 70. most of whom were women forced to join the VC.
D440 has no rockets but subject knew 33 Regt was equipped with them.
d. Personalities:
Bn Comd: Hai Ha carries K54.
Bn 2IC : Day Carries K54.
PO : Muoi Nhan carries K54.
C8 Coy Comd: Tu Quy carries K54.
C8 Coy 2IC: Ba Phe carries K54.
e. Supplies and resupply:
Whilst at the base near Binh Ba, local VCI would guide carriers from the labour coys into Binh Ba to pick up rice and supplies. However when ARVN or Australians were active in the area, the carriers were sent to Thai Thien for supplies (3 days march). Generally speaking, rations were very short and consisted mainly of dry goods i.e. canned fish and noodles. Ammunition for mortars was very short with only 20-25 rounds per weapon. SA ammo was available but resupplies had to be picked up from the Cambodian border area.

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f. Miscellaneous: D440 consists of about 2/3 NVA soldiers.

Morale: Subject stated morale was very low and most of the Bn wanted to Chieu Hoi but did not know how.

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ANNEX H TO COMMANDER'S DIARY OF HQ 1 ATF

FROM 1 Jul 69 TO 31 Jul 69

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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R38-69-9

HQ 1 ATF
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14 Jul 69

Distribution: See below

AMENDMENT NO 1 TO 1 ATF Q INSTRUCTION NO 7/69

Reference: A. 1 ATF Q Instruction No 7/69.

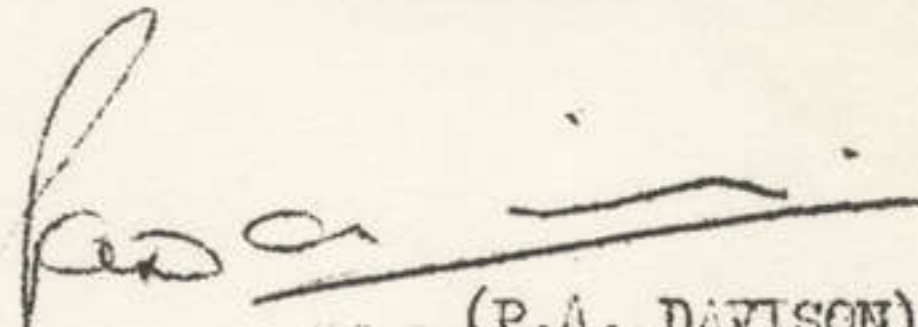
1. Reference A is amended as follows:

a. Paragraph 13, insert new subparagraph 13 e. which is to read:
"On Handover/Takeover, six copies of a Handover/Takeover certificate (AAF F51) are to be raised and distributed as follows:

- (1) Officer handing over Copy No 1.
- (2) Unit handing over Copy No 2.
- (3) Officer taking over Copy No 3.
- (4) Unit taking over Copy No 4.
- (5) 1 ATF Copy No 5.
- (6) AV22 account file Copy No 6.

b. Paragraph 13 e is to be renumbered 13 f.

c. Delete existing Annex C to reference A; insert new Annex C attached.


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Enclosure: 1. New Annex C to 1 ATF Q Instruction.

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HORSESHOE BASE TABLE OF ENTITLEMENT
STORE ACCOUNT AV22

Indent No	Designation	Regional Entitlement	ARVN Trg Supplement	Total
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>PART 1 - VEHICLES</u>				
6069B	Truck, cargo, 2½ ton GS with winch (CES 2153)	1	—	1
6016	Trailer, cargo, 1 ton, 2 wheeled, Aust, No 1, MK 1 (CES 2166)	1	—	1
6118B	Trailer, Tank, water, 200 gal, 2 wheeled, with filter and pump, Aust, No 1, MK 2 (CES 2168)	1	—	1
<u>PART 2 - WEAPONS</u>				
1005-66-021-0730	Machine Gun, Cal. .50, M2, heavy barrel, flexible w/e (CES 3563)	5	—	5
1005-00-605-7710	Machine Gun, 7.62mm M60 w/B	4	—	4
1005-00-710-5599	Mount, Tripod Machine Gun M122	16	—	16
	Armour Vests	8	—	8
<u>PART 3 - ORD TECH & GEN STORES</u>				
3610-66-010-1028	Duplicating Machine, spirit process, hand, f'scap, port.	—	1	1
3695-66-021-8495	Sew Gun and Maint Kit, gasoline engine 15 in (CES 3246)	1	—	1
3820-66-024-1019	Paving Breaker Set, Portable, and Accessory-Maint Kit, gasoline, Atlas copco (CES 3053)	2	—	2
4210-66-015-9713	Extinguisher, fire, foam, 2 gal	—	12	12
4210-66-017-2528	Extinguisher, fire, soda-acid, 2 gal	—	21	21
4210-66-017-9378	Sprayer, Knapsack, fire fighting	2	—	2
4320-00-027-2915	Pump, Centrifugal Alcon	1	—	1
4540-66-021-3300	Heater, Immersion, assy, liquid fuel fired (CES 3198)	8	—	8
5120-66-011-1431	Crowbar, chisel and slaw ends, 66 in by 1½ in	10	—	10
5120-66-012-0785	Hammer, hand carpenter, nailing	10	—	10
5120-66-012-6893	Pick, digging, w/o handle 5 lbs	20	—	20
5305-66-021-0356	Switchboard, Telephone, Manual, and installation kit SB-22/PT (CES 3594)	2	—	2
5805-00-708-2202	Respirators GS Light	264	—	264
	Switchboard, Telephone, Manual, SB-993/GT with spares (CES 3315)	4	—	4
5809-66-018-5313	Telephone Set 'K' (Aust) MK2 (CES 3596)	26	—	26

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
5820	Loudspeaker, 166/U modified to 25 Set			
5820-00-032-3998	Radio Set Control Unit, AN/GRA 39A (CES 3667)	1	1	2
5820-00-497-8554	Antenna, RC 292 (CES 1757)	3	—	3
5820-00-857-0759	Radio Set and Accessory Kit AN/PRC 25 (CES 1237)	2	2	4
5820-66-018-8701	Microphone, Loudspeaker	4	3	7
	Power Pack Megaphone	—	3	3
5965-00-069-8881	Handset, H138/U	2	—	2
6115	Generator, 22.5 KVA	1	3	4
6140-66-010-7867	Battery, lead-acid, 12V	1	—	1
	Battery Secondary Portable	4	—	4
6230-66-013-7296	Light, Extension, flourescent 12V	4	2	2
6260-66-016-0231	Lantern, kerosene, pressure type	15	—	4
6350-66-025-8619	Alarm Set, anti-intrusion, restricted area C769 (TOBIAS)	15	45	60
7105-66-029-3266	Chair, Folding, arm, tubular type	2	—	2
7105-66-010-0832	Chair, Folding, camp, No 2	—	13	13
7105-66-012-2722	Cot, folding, camp, spring tensioned	—	6	6
7105-66-019-3636	Table, folding legs FS } OR 42" x 24"	190	—	190
7105-66-019-3637	Table, folding legs FS } 84" x 30"			
7110-66-023-1811	Blackboard, double faced	18	18
	Easel, blackboard	—	—
7110-66-029-9974	Table, folding legs, camp	—	6	6
7240-66-013-4772	Can, Water, plastic, 5 gal	20	50	70
7240-66-028-3966	Wash Tub, portable, galvanized steel, 8 gal	8	—	8
7310-00-281-2215	Stove, gasoline burner	1	—	1
7310-66-029-4699	Urn, Stainless Steel, multipot, type, 5 gal	—	4	4
7310-66-029-4700	Urn, Stainless Steel, multipot, 8 gal	4	—	4
7330-66-028-5522	Bin, Utility, food, w/cover	8	—	8
7330-00-238-2411	Food Container, Insulated, aluminium rectangular, w/inserts, 5 gal (CES 3195)
7330-66-017-5585	Bowl, Food mixing, anodized alim	4	—	4
7330-66-011-5755	Colander, stainless steel, lge	8	—	8
7340-66-012-5777	Spoon, food serving, and long handle, 14.7/8" O/a lge	12	—	12
7360-00-272-2485	Cook Set, field 3-piece	1	—	1
7360-00-273-8621	Range Outfit, M1937, with Accessary Outfit (CES 3482)	5	—	5
7430-66-010-4215	Typewriter, policy	—	1	1
8340-66-018-3668	Tent, 16' x 16' extendable complete (CES 3516)	4	19	23
8340-66-018-2165	Tent, 11' x 11' extendable complete (CES 913)	3	—	3
8340-66-023-6841	Tent, section, extension, outer, general purpose tent, 30' x 20'	—	6	6
8340-66-024-0952	Tent, Expendable, general purpose 30' x 20' (C S 3703)	—	6	6
8460-66-013-3842	Trunk, Locker, cabin steel	66	—	66
J1/JAA0202	Bag, water, canvas cylindrical 36 gal	4	—	4
J1/JAA0245	Bucket, shower, canvas	17	—	17
J1/JAA1008	Form, dining tent	—	20	20
J1/KA0049	Stool, camp, folding, tubular frame	—	13	13
J1/JAA3801	Table, portable, FS	18	—	18
J2/JBA0400	Container, cooking, 3 gal (Aust)	32	—	32
J2/JBA1600	Insulator, containers cooking (Aust)	16	—	16
J2/JB1260	Kettle, camp, oval, 12 qt complete with cover	12	—	12

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
J2/JBA3603	Stove, 12 gal (Aust)(CES 1043)	4	—	4
KC/KC2700	Gloves, hedging prs	20	—	20
KF	Box, salt 7lb	4	—	4
KF/KFA1202	Grater, round, bread and veg	4	—	4
KF/KFA3601	Safe, meat, large	4	—	4
KF/KFA3605	Scoop, hand, flour, medium	8	—	8
KF/KFA4666	Sieves, cocks, 16 mesh	4	—	4
KF/KFA0098	Spoon, wooden	4	—	4
V5/OS598GA	Telescope, Stereoscopic 1B, MK1	2	—	2
<u>PART 4 - ENGINEER STORES</u>				
	Driver, picket, tubular	6	—	6
	Pump, submersible	—	1	1
4110-66-028-0580	Refrigerator, 30 cu ft	—	3	3
4110-66-024-4193	Refrigerator, 300 cu ft	1	—	1
5430-66-023-7399	Tank, liquid storage, 10,000 gals	—	1	1
5430-66-023-6050	Tank, liquid storage, 1,000 gals	6	—	6
5430-66-016-5536	Tank, liquid storage, 200 gals	—	1	1
<u>PART 5 - LOAN STORES</u>				
	Conex Containers	—	2	2

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GS INSTRUCTION 10/69
1 ATF INT DUTYMEN ATTACHED DIOCCS

1. HQ 1 ATF has deployed Intelligence Dutymen to work permanently with DIOCCs in each District of Phuoc Tuy Province.
2. DIOCC Int Dutymen are normally to be provided by the unit affiliated to a particular District but are under the operational control of G Int HQ 1 ATF (MILO) and the administrative and disciplinary control of the HQ 1 ATF LO in each District.
3. The DIOCC Int Dutymen are responsible for collection and dissemination of intelligence and information between 1 ATF and the District in which they operate.
4. DIOCC Int Dutymen are to carry out the responsibilities and duties listed in Annex A.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIOCC INT DUTYMEN

General

1. 1 ATF reps are assigned to DIOCCs to expedite the flow of checked information - intelligence emanating from agencies within the District.
2. 1 ATF DIOCC Int Dutymen are under the administrative control of the 1 ATF District LO but are under the operational control and direction of HQ 1 ATF through the Military Intelligence Liaison Officer (MILO).

Duties

3. DIOCC Reps are responsible for:
 - a. Checking all documents from agents, informers, PW, and detainees from all agencies operating within the District to ensure that:
 - (1) Two copies of all significant items of information are translated or summarised and passed to MILO or G Int on a daily basis.
 - (2) The DIOCC passes significant info to other agencies as appropriate and to PIOCC.
 - b. Visiting each Hamlet and Village Chief and Village police/RD Cadre and other potential sources of local information and intelligence within his district at least once each week to check on VCI/guerilla locs, hides and to discuss local VC activities and status.
 - d. Checking S3/S2 at Sub-Sector HQ and advising LO and 1 ATF not later than 1630 hrs daily of any operations or items of interest which he considers will be of value or which are unlikely to be reported to be reported elsewhere.
 - e. Briefing of HQ 1 ATF staff officers during their visits to District HQ.
 - f. Maintaining close liaison with reps of Det 1 Div Int Unit, DIOCC and other DIOCCs to achieve a better flow and exchange of important information.

Conclusion

4. The primary task of DIOCC reps is to feed information to DIOCC and HQ 1 ATF/Det 1 Div Int Unit and to keep G Int HQ 1 ATF briefed on DIOCC activities. Further, action being taken by Sub-Sector to react to information provided is required.

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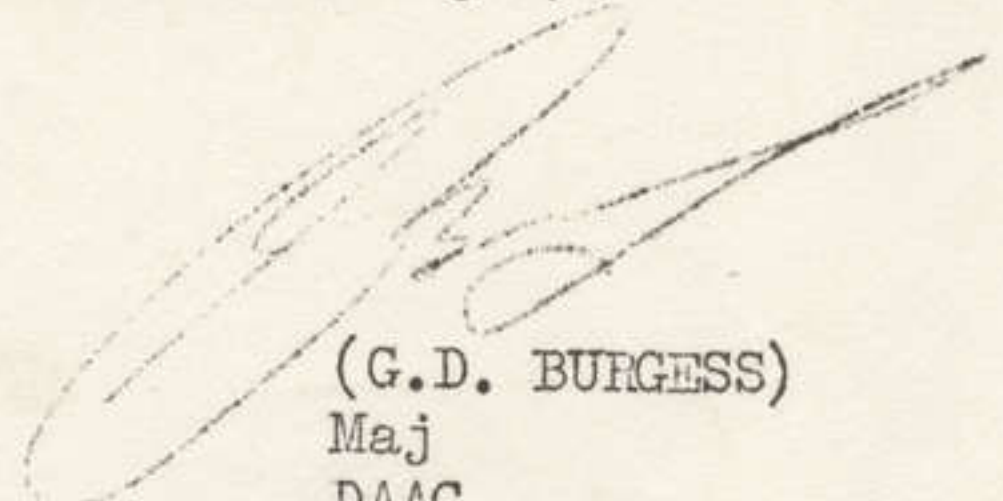
- Reference: A. AFV SOP Part 2 Chap 2 Sect 3 Annex C.
- B. AFV SOP Part 2 Chap 2 Sect 4 Annex E.

Rest and Convalescence Centre

- 1. All members of 1 ATF are eligible for five days Rest and Convalescence Leave (R & C) during a normal tour of duty in SVN.
- 2. This leave should be taken at the R & C Centre Vung Tau between the third and eleventh month of a members tour however this may be varied at the discretion of COs/OCs.
- 3. R & C need not necessarily be taken in one period, it may be taken in periods of not less than 48 hours duration.

Sub Unit Standdown - Beach Annex

- 4. Sub-Unit groups may be granted 42 hours standdown at the Beach Annex to the Australian Forces Club or in the event of excessive bookings at the R & C Centre.
- 5. The Beach Annex is designed to accomodate a Company group with its slice of supporting arms. As a general principle priority for use of the Beach Annex will be given to sub-units who spend long periods out of Nui Dat on operations.
- 6. Attached at Annexes A and B are the detailed instructions for each facility.
- 7. A Administrative Instruction No 10 dated 17 Apr 69 is cancelled except that the allocation of R & C vacancies is effective until 3 Aug 69.


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- Annexes: A. R & C Centre Instructions.
- B. Beach Annex Instructions

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- AFV Amenities Unit (4)
- AD Amenities AFV

REST AND CONVALESCENCE CENTRE

Aim

1. The aim of this Annex is to detail the procedure for R & C within 1 ATF. It does not cover personnel convalescing after illness or injury.

General

2. There are at present two villas situated at Vung Tau. No 4 villa caters for rank and file and No 3 villa caters for WOs and Sgts. Officers are accommodated in the Annex to the Grand Hotel, Vung Tau.

Allocation

3. The permanent allocation of vacancies to 1 ATF is 16 WOs/Sgts and 56 rank and file. No set allocation is made for officers.

4. Attached at Appendix 1 and 2 is the allocation of vacancies to units in 1 ATF. Unit allocations are designed to cater for those personnel who do not receive priority allocations to the Beach Annex.

Bookings

5. Units are not authorized to make individual bookings at the R & C Centre. To achieve flexibility in allocation of space, bookings will be controlled by HQ 1 ATF. Block bookings for units are at Appendix 1 and 2. These bookings are to be confirmed by units on a weekly basis by 1200 hrs Thursday of the preceding week. Any bookings not confirmed by that time will be cancelled and allocated to other units. Any units requiring additional vacancies are to bid to HQ 1 ATF by 1200 hrs each Thursday for the following week.

6. HQ 1 ATF will confirm unit bids by signal (copy to AFV Amenities and R & C Centre Vung Tau). Any additional vacancies allocated will be advised to units at the same time. On receipt of this signal units are to notify names to the R & C Centre (not less than 48 hours before the members are due to report to the centre.)

7. No block allocation is made for officers at the Grand Hotel. Units are to make bookings for officers direct to No 3 Villa Emu 161

Documentation

8. The following documentation is required for personnel proceeding on R & C:

- a. AAF Mob 3. This document is to be endorsed in the remarks column "Granted R & C from to"
- b. Paybook.
- c. Identity Card.
- d. PX Card.

Administration

9. Passes. R & C passes are issued to all members on arrival at the Centre.

10. Pay. Pay is available at the Centre.

11. Meals. Meals may be purchased at the Centre. Cost of meals is:

- a. Breakfast 35¢.
- b. Lunch 50¢.
- c. Dinner 50¢.

12. Discipline. Personnel proceeding on R & C are required to comply with the orders and instructions prominently displayed at the R & C Centre. Particular attention is to be paid to the Vung Tau curfew restrictions.
13. Dress. Personnel are required to wear uniform to and from the R & C Centre. Subject to local instructions civilian clothes may be worn out of the Centre and whilst on local leave.
14. Weapon Security. All members are to secure their weapons under R & C Centre arrangements.
15. Reporting. It is preferable for personnel to report to the Centre between 1500 and 1600 hours. Officers should report to Villa No 4 to collect their room key prior to going to the Grand Hotel.
16. Movement. Units are responsible for the movement of personnel to and from the R & C Centre. On the completion of R & C transport is provided to deliver personnel to the Badcoe Club 30 minutes prior to the departure of the 1 ATF convoy.

Draft Conducting Officers

17. Units are to appoint DCO for each draft. His responsibilities are:
- a. Ensuring dress of the draft is satisfactory.
 - b. Documentation is correct.

Leave Recording

18. The method of recording R & C leave is explained in AFV SOP Part 2 Chap 2 Sect 3 Annex A Appendix 1.

- Appendices:
1. WO/Sgt Allocation
 2. R & F Allocation

UNIT R AND C ALLOCATIONS - 4 AUG - 2 DEC 69 - WO & SGT

APPENDIX 1 TO
ANNEX A TO
HQ 1 ATF R487/1/2
DATED 6 JUL 69

UNIT	From To	AUG						SEP						OCT						NOV					TOTAL	
		4 9	9 14	14 19	19 24	24 29	29 3	3 8	8 13	13 18	18 23	23 28	28 3	3 8	8 13	13 18	18 23	23 28	28 2	2 7	7 12	12 17	17 22	22 27		27 2
B Sqn 1 Armd Regt		1	1		1		1	1	1		1		1	1	1		1		1	1	1		1		1	16
B Sqn 3 Cav Regt			1		1				1		1			1		1				1		1				8
1 Fd Regt + 161 Bty		2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	44
131 Div Loc Bty				1		1				1		1			1		1				1		1		8	
1 Fd Sqn		1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	32
17 Const Sqn		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
104 Sig Sqn			1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	20	
547 Sig Tp							1						1					1	1					1	4	
5 RAR		2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	32
6 RAR		1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	40
9 RAR		2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	32
3 SAS			1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1	16
161 (Indep) Recce Fl				1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	16
1 ARU		1						1						1						1						4
Det 1 Div Int Unit																										
A Sect 1 Topo SvyTp		1						1						1						1						4
TFMA		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
HQ Coy+IAD+Pro+198		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
1 Aust CA Unit		1	1					1	1					1	1					1	1					8
8 Fd Amb+Hyg+Dental			1	1					1	1					1	1					1	1				8
106 Fd Wksp		1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	20
TOTAL		16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	

UNIT B AND C A LOCATIONS 4 AUG - 2 DEC 69 - RANK AND FILE

APPENDIX 2 TO
ANNEX A TO
HQ 1 ATF R487/1/2
DATED 16 JUL 69

UNIT	From To	AUG					SEP						OCT					NOV					TOTAL				
		4 9	9 14	14 19	19 24	24 29	29 3	3 8	8 13	13 18	18 23	23 28	28 3	3 8	8 13	13 18	18 23	23 28	28 2	2 7	7 12	12 17		17 22	22 27	27 2	
B Sqn 1 Armd Regt		2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	44
B Sqn 3 Cav Regt		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	
1 Fd Regt+161 Bty		5	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	140	
131 Bty RAA		2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	44	
1 Fd Sqn		5	5	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	104	
17 Const Sqn		4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	96	
104 Sig Sqn		3	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	80	
547 Sig Sqn		1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	16	
5 RAR		5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	112	
6 RAR		7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	148	
9 RAR/ 8 RAR		4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	112	
3 SAS		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	48	
161 (Indep) Recce Flt		2	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	52	
1 ARU		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	
Det 1 Div Int Unit					1						1							1							4		
1 Topo Svy Tp					1	1	1				1	1	1					1	1	1					1	12	
TFMA		4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	80	
HQ Coy+LAD+PRO+198wks		3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	80	
1 Aust CA Unit		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	
106 Fd Wksp		3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	72	
8 Fd Amb+ Fd Hyg+Dent		1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	28	
TOTAL		56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	

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BEACH ANNEX TO AUSTRALIAN FORCES CLUBGeneral

1. The Beach Annex is designed to accommodate a company-sized group. Priority in the allocation of the Annex will be given to groups who spend long periods on operations outside Nui Dat. During a two week period each battalion is allotted five 42 hr periods of standdown at the Annex. Priority for the sixth period will be allotted to B Sqn 1 Armd Regt, B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and D & E Platoon HQ 1 ATF except that when the Anzac Bn is taking standdown all six periods will be allotted to that unit. Company groups are to consist of Inf Coy, Arty elms, engr elms and any other sp elms allotted during the previous operation.

Accommodation Available.

2. The following accommodation is available for standdown groups including any duty personnel provided by the unit:

- a. Officers - 7.
- b. WOs/Sgts - 12.
- c. Rank & File - 126.

3. In the event of a company group being in excess of this number HQ 1 ATF is to be advised by 1200 hrs on the preceding Thur so that an overflow into the R & C Centre can be arranged. Similarly if the numbers cannot be filled for any period the unit is to advise HQ 1 ATF.

Allocation of Vacancies

4. The allocation of vacancies is to be controlled by HQ 1 ATF. All bookings, confirmation or alteration of bookings are to be made to SC'A' HQ 1 ATF EBONY 165.

3. On receipt of a "forecast of operational commitments from GSO2 (Ops) the first five 48 hr standdown periods for the "in base" battalion will be allotted that battalion (six for Anzac Bn).

4. The sixth period in the fortnight will be held at priority call to armd sqn, cav sqn and D & E Pl. Confirmation of requirements are to be forwarded to SC'A' HQ 1 ATF by 1200 hrs on the Thur prior to commencement of the standdown period. Any bookings not confirmed by that time will lapse and will be offered at the Thur evening Briefing to other units in 1 ATF. A cut-off for additional bids will also be advised at the Briefing. Any unit wishing to obtain a small number of vacancies should contact the appropriate battalion to endeavour to obtain isolated vacancies before approaching SC'A' to be placed on waiting list. Confirmed bookings will be advised to units by signal (info AFV Amenities Unit).

5. It is not intended that units other than those mentioned be deprived of use of the Beach Annex. It is anticipated that vacancies will occur whereby units not allocated priority bookings may avail themselves of the use of the Annex. Every endeavour will be made by the HQ 1 ATF to ensure maximum utilization of the Annex.

CO-Ord of Coy Groups

6. Each battalion is responsible for the integration of supporting arms into company groups. The battalion will then be responsible for arranging and control of convoy duty personnel etc. HQ 1 ATF will appoint a co-ord unit/sub-unit when other than company groups are using the Annex.

7. Changeover days are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Convoys are to arrive at the Peter Badcoe Club between 1500 hrs and 1600 hrs on those days. Groups must not arrive before 1500 hrs. On the day of departure from the Annex units must leave between 0900 hrs and 1100 hrs.

Advance and Rear Parties

8. A duty officer and duty NCO is to be appointed by the co-ord unit. These personnel are responsible for:

- a. Discipline at the Annex.
- b. Handover and Takeover checks of the Annex.
- c. Any other duties as required by OC AFV Amenities Unit.

Weapons and Equipment

9. All weapons and equipment are to be secured at the Peter Badcoe Club before accomodation is occupied. It is recommended the weapons be labelled with members No, Rank, Name, Unit and Reg No before being placed into the store.

Use of R & C Centre for Overflow

10. When R & C Centre vacancies are allotted to units for standdown use (as apposed to R & C) units are to arrange for the movement of these personnel from the Peter Badcoe Club to the R & C Centre after securing weapons.

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GS INSTRUCTION 11/69 (PROV)
ACTION FOLLOWING AN ANTI PERSONNEL MINE INCIDENTIntroduction

1. The enemy lays anti personnel mines in clusters of three or four mines, with the aim of increasing the number of casualties caused by the first incident.

Aim

2. This instruction outlines the actions to be taken when an anti personnel mine incident occurs.

Action

3. On the occurrence of a mine incident the following guide lines are to be applied.

- a. Nobody in the area moves unless directed.
- b. The senior engineer or assault pioneer in the area directs all clearance activities through the commander.
- c. A two-man team clears a safe lane to any casualties using a mine detector if available or by prodding with a bayonet if a detector is not available. Mines are marked but not neutralised at this stage.
- d. Once this lane and the immediate area around the casualties is cleared and clearly marked, first aid is applied prior to Dustoff.
- e. If a known safe area is not readily available an area for litter extraction by the Dustoff chopper is also cleared and marked.
- f. Non-casualties in the area will not move but will wait until the clearance party clears a safe lane to their position.
- g. The commander now makes an assessment, based on advice from his engineer or pioneer commander, of his next course of action. Often he will require a deliberate breach clear of the suspect area in order to continue with the aim or evacuate the area.

4. The following points need emphasis:

- a. Very firm control by the commander.
- b. No movement unless authorised.
- c. Minimum number of people engaged in clearance operations.
- d. Everyone aware of the method of marking cleared areas.
- e. No one steps outside a cleared area.

f. Remain calm; despite casualties needing urgent attention priority must go to clearing a safe lane to avoid further casualties.

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PSY OPS PROPOSED PROGRAMME

20 JUN - 4 JUL 69

1. Attached Annex A lists Psy Ops Programme for period 20 Jun - 4 Jul 69.
2. Psy Ops staff will check current operational situation immediately departure and will check the operational situation with sub sector posts before commencing Psy Ops.
3. , If a unit does not concur with any aspect of planned Psy Ops activities to be conducted in its AO, the unit is to contact GSO 3 (Psy Ops) EBONY 33.



(A.P. BRUZGA)
Capt
GSO 3 (Psy Ops)

Distribution:

- 5 RAR
- 6 RAR
- 9 RAR
- CA Unit
- Det Div Int Unit
- APA/Psy Ops Phuoc Tuy Province
- 67 GL Section

Internal

- GSO 2 (Ops)
- GSO 2 (Int)
- GSO 2 (Air)

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PSY OPS PROGRAMME FOR PERIOD 20 JUN - 4 JUL 69

ANNEX A TO
R883/1/1 OF
1 JUL 69

GROUND OPS

DATE	TARGET	CAMPAIGN	THEME	MEDIA	FORCES	REMARKS
2 JUL 69	POPULATION LONG PHUOC HAMLET, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE PUBLIC SAFETY RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	MOVIES BROADCASTS	HE TEAM VIS	MORNING
	POPULATION AN HOA, AN PHUOC HAMLETS, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE PUBLIC SAFETY RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	MOVIES BROADCASTS	HE TEAM VIS	AFTERNOON
	POPULATION AN HOA, AN PHUOC HAMLETS, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE REPORT/REWARD RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	BROADCASTS POSTERS	HB TEAM APT	MORNING
	POPULATION LONG PHUOC HAMLET, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE REPORT/REWARD RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	BROADCASTS POSTERS	HB TEAM APT	AFTERNOON
	POPULATION HOA LONG VILLAGE	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE REPORT/REWARD	TELEVISION BROADCASTS MOVIES POSTERS	HE TEAM HB TEAM VIS B SQN 3 CAV	NIGHT
3 JUL 69	POPULATION LON SON, AN BINH HAMLETS, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE PUBLIC SAFETY RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	MOVIES BROADCASTS	HE TEAM VIS	MORNING
	POPULATION LONG HIEP HAMLET, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE PUBLIC SAFETY RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	MOVIES BROADCASTS	HE TEAM VIS	AFTERNOON
	POPULATION LONG HIEP HAMLET, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE REPORT/REWARD RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	BROADCASTS POSTERS	HB TEAM APT	MORNING
	POPULATION LON SON, AN BINH HAMLETS, LONG DIEM	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE REPORT/REWARD RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	BROADCASTS POSTERS	HB TEAM APT	AFTERNOON

DATE	TARGET	CAMPAIGN	THEME	MEDIA	FORCES	REMARKS
4 JUL 69	POPULATION	PACIFICATION	GVN IMAGE PUBLIC SAFETY RD AND NEW LIFE DEVELOPEMENT	MOVIES BROADCASTS	HE TEAM HB TEAM APT	

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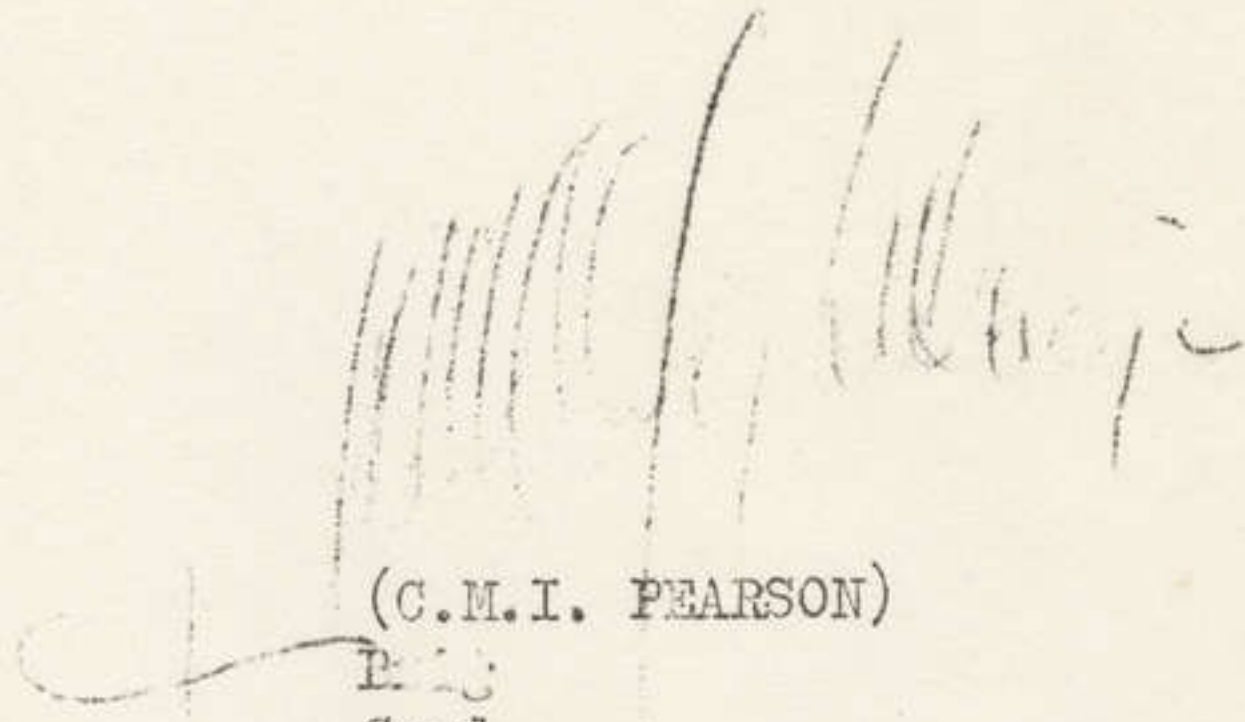
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VISIT TO 1 ATF BY
LT GEN SIR THOMAS DALY KBE, CB, DSO
4 - 5 JUL 69

1. Attached is a copy of the itinery for the visit by the CGS on 4 - 5 Jul 69.
2. During the tour of 1 ATF units the CGS will be accompanied by the following:
 - a. COMAFV.
 - b. Comd 1 ATF.
 - c. MA to CGS.
 - d. ADC to COMAFV.
 - e. LO HQ 1 ATF.


(C.M.I. PEARSON)

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CGS VISIT PROGRAMME

Serial	Time	Unit	Remarks
4 Jul 69			
1.	1015- 1025H	Reception Party - HQ Coy	Arrive Kangaroo Pad. Move to CP.
2.	1025- 1035H	CP - GS02 (Ops)	Meet CP Staff
3.	1035- 1145H	CP - GS02 (Ops)	Briefing Ops, CA and Int in VIP Briefing Room (incl morning tea)
4.	1145- 1155H	HQ Coy	Move to TFMA
5.	1155- 1220H	TFMA	OC to meet.
6.	1220- 1225H	HQ Coy	Move to 6 RAR
7.	1225- 1325H	6 RAR	Lunch
8.	1325- 1400H	6 RAR	Brief by CO and inspect area.
9.	1400- 1420H	HQ Coy 9 Sqn RAAF	Move to Eagle Farm. Fly to FLINDERS.
10.	1420- 1505H	9 RAR	CO to meet.
11.	1505- 1520H	9 Sqn RAAF	Fly to XUYEN NOC.
12.	1520- 1540H	Cav Sqn, 1 Fd Sqn and D and E Pl	Met by OC Cav, Sappers and Pl Comd D and E Pl.
13.	1540- 1555H	9 Sqn RAAF	Fly to VIP BARIA Pad.
14.	1555- 1635H	Province Chief	Province/Sector LO
15.	1635- 1645H	9 Sqn RAAF	Fly to KANGAROO.
16.	1645- 1700H	AATTV	At CP VIP Briefing Room.
17a	1800- 1930H	1 ATF Officers Mess	PMC
17b	1935H	9 Sqn RAAF	PC, DSA, A/DSA to VAN KIEP.

Serial	Time	Unit	Remarks
5 Jul 69			
18.	0825- 0830H	HQ Coy	Move to Tk Sqn.
19.	0830- 0915H	B Sqn Tks	Met by OC.
20.	0915- 0920H	9 Sqn RAAF	PIRATUS to THRUST.
21.	0920- 1000H	5 RAR	CO to meet; incl LCT brief by OC 1 Fd Sqn.
22.	1000- 1005H	9 Sqn RAAF	THRUST to HORSESHOE, via overfly LCT.
23.	1010- 1040H	HORSESHOE Coy	OC to meet.
24.	1040H	9 Sqn RAAF	HORSESHOE to 1 ALSG - St KILDA Pad.

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ROUTINE

040200Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: LIST C

SD 1205

INFO: HQ AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

VISIT . COL L D DONOHO CMM DEPT TO SPECIAL OPS CMAC CMM WILL VISIT 1 ATF FOR
AN ORIENTATION BRIEF 1330-1415H 7 JUL 69

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ROUTINE

040600Z JUL 69

R875/1/2A

FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: 6 RAR

SD 1206

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

VISIT . COL K C FENTON COMD NZ FORCE V IS TO VISIT 6 RAR 7 JUL 69 . COL
K C FENTON WILL ARRIVE WALLABY TWO AND DEPART WALLABY ~~THREE~~ . 6 RAR ARE
RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF THE VISIT

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

BY
BRIGADIER C.M.I. PEARSON, OBE, MC
COMMANDER 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE

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Serial: 12
Numbers: 63-66

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- 64. CONTROL OF VEHICLE MOVEMENT.
- 65. VEHICLE ACCIDENTS.
- 66. EXAMINATION BOARD.

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- BASKETBALL TEAM.
- COURTS MARTIAL - PROMULGATION OF FINDINGS.

A MATTERS

63. ANTI-MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS.

1. In the 14 days immediately preceding return to Australia from Vietnam all personnel must complete a course of anti-malarial drugs.

2. The drugs used are:

- a. Chloroquine -- 300 mgm base. (large pink tablet)
00-113-9310.
- b. Primaquine -- 7.5 mgm base. (small brown tablet).
99-210-7151.

3. During the course personnel must continue to use paludrine twice daily but dapsone is not to be taken.

4. The course is:

a.	Day 1	Time	Drug and Dose
		0700H	Chloroquine 2 tablets Primaquine 1 tablet
		1300H	Chloroquine 1 tablet Primaquine 1 tablet
		1800H	Primaquine 1 tablet
b.	Day 2 & 3		
		0700H	Chloroquine 1 tablet Primaquine 1 tablet
		1300H	Primaquine 1 tablet
		1800H	Primaquine 1 tablet
c.	Day 4-14		
		0700H	Primaquine 1 tablet
		1300H	Primaquine 1 tablet
		1800H	Primaquine 1 tablet

5. Every dosage on this course is to be independently checked and the members record sheet initialed.

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6. This order is to be repeated in unit routine orders every three months.

7. Attached as Annex A is a proforma to be used to check this course.

64. CONTROL OF VEHICLE MOVEMENT.

1. The movement of 1 ATF vehicles from the 1 ATF Base is permitted only under the following circumstances:

- a. As part of a convoy authorised by HQ 1 ATF.
- b. When the AAF G2 has been specifically authorised by an officer of A Branch 1 ATF.
- c. When the driver carries a special white pass issued by HQ 1 ATF.

2. A record of authorisations under sub-paras 1b and 1c is to be maintained at HQ 1 ATF and the front gate log sheet checked against this list daily.

3. Special authorisations will be made only on the most exceptional circumstances and units are not to anticipate approval.

4. The North Gate is to be locked at all times. Only operational traffic or convoys authorised by HQ 1 ATF may use this gate. The key is to be held by A Coy 5 RAR. 5 RAR is responsible for keeping the gate locked.

5. The East Gate is to be kept locked at all times. Only operational traffic or convoys authorised by HQ 1 ATF may use this gate. The key is to be held by B Sqn 1 Armd Regt CP. B Sqn 1 Armd Regt is responsible for keeping the gate locked.

6. Units are to publish paras 4 and 5 in unit routine orders.

7. RO 49/69 is cancelled.

65. VEHICLE ACCIDENTS.

1. After an accident vehicles are not to be moved until visited by the Provost Detachment unless:

- a. The vehicle is blocking the roadway.
- b. ~~The~~ vehicle is creating a traffic hazard.
- c. The time delay before the Provost arrive will be excessive.
- d. The tactical situation demands it.

2. If it is necessary to ~~move~~ the vehicle a sketch of the accident is to be made of the scene.

3. This order is to be reprinted in unit routine orders every three months.

4. The requirement to reprint RO 47/69 every three months is withdrawn.

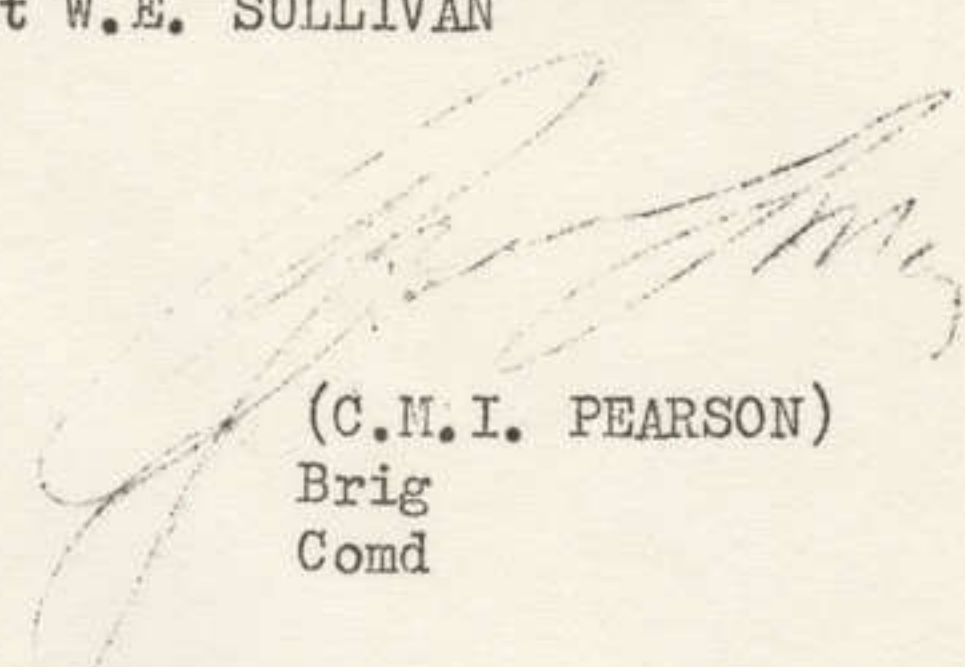
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66. EXAMINATION BOARD

1. The following officers are authorised to constitute a board of examination for Subject A for WO in B Sqn 1 Armd Regt on 4 Jul 69:

- a. President 335084 Maj A.H. SMITH
- b. Member 235213 Capt A.J. HULL
- c. Member 242876 Capt W.E. SULLIVAN



(C.M.I. PEARSON)
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NOTICES1. BASKETBALL TEAM

1. It is proposed to form a 1 ATF basketball team with selection obtained during inter unit games.

2. Unit basketball representatives or any personnel interested are requested to contact WO2 M Pearson, 106 Fd Wksps (Ebony 136) so a meeting can be convened.

2. 1 ATF NEWS SHEET

1. The first issue of the Task Force News Sheet will be distributed Sunday 6 Jul 69. It will be produced weekly and will contain the week's news obtained from Radio Australia and Public Relations sources. The major sports results on Saturdays will be included.

3. DISCIPLINE - COURTS MARTIAL - PROMULGATION OF FINDINGS.

1. 214844 Sgt S.W. Keys 9 RAR having been tried by District Court Martial commencing 9 May 69 at Vung Tau, Republic of Vietnam, the court found as follows:

On the charges

a. WOAS being a non commissioned officer striking a soldier (AA 37) - GUILTY.

b. WOAS being a non commissioned officer, illtreating a soldier (AA 37) - NOT GUILTY.

2. The member was awarded the following sentence: Reduced to the rank of Cpl and forfeiture of 56 days pay.

3. The finding and sentence were confirmed by the Commander 1st Australian Task Force on 16 Jun 69.

4. 1. 44546 Pte R.C. Stewart 5 RAR having been tried by District Court Martial commencing on 10 May 69 at Vung Tau, Republic of Vietnam the court found as follows:

On the charges

a. WOAS neglecting to obey unit routine orders (AA11) - GUILTY.

b. WOAS using threatening language to his superior officer (AA 8(2)) - GUILTY.

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c. WOAS using insubordinate language to his superior officer (AA 8(2)) - GUILTY.

d. WOAS striking his superior officer (AA 8(2)) - GUILTY.

2. The member was awarded the following sentence: To undergo detention for twenty eight (28) days.

3. The finding and sentence were confirmed by the Commander, 1st Australian Task Force on 16 June 69.

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ANNEX 'A' TO
1 ATF ROs PART 1
DATED 4 JUL 69

RTA ANTI MALARIAL COURSE

MEMBER

RANK

INITIALS AND NAME

UNIT

DATE DUE RTA

DATE STARTED COURSE

DATE	DAY	TIME	DOSAGE	TAKEN	CHECKED BY
	1	0700	Chloroquine 2 x tabs Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Chloroquine 1 x tab Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	2	0700	Chloroquine 1 x tab Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	3	0700	Chloroquine 1 x tab Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	4	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	5	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	6	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	7	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	8	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		

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DATE	DAY	TIME	DOSAGE	TAKEN	CHECKED BY
	9	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	10	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	11	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	12	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
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	13	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		
	14	0700	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1300	Primaquine 1 x tab		
		1800	Primaquine 1 x tab		

- Notes: 1: Paludrine is still to be taken twice daily.
2: Dapsone is not to be taken.
3: Chloroquine is the large pink tablet.
4. Primaquine is the small brown tablet.

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

050830Z JUL 69

R875/1/2

FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

SD 1214

INFO: 1 FD REGT LIST C

VISIT . REF YOUR SD 10174 OF 26 JUN 69 VISIT TO 1 ATF BY MAJ I G DARLINGTON .
 VISIT CONVENIENT CMM OC DET 131 BTY IS AVAIL TO ACCOMPANY MAJ I G DARLINGTON .
 1 FD REGT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF THE VISIT

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ROUTINE

050830Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: 1 FD SQN LIST C

SD 1215

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

VISIT . REF VISIT OF LT COL R H CLEMENT 9 TO 16 JULY 69 CMM VISIT IS NOW

DEFERRED . REASON NOT YET KNOWN . REGRET INCONVENIENCE

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ROUTINE

070100Z JUL 69 R875-1-2A

FROM: 1 ATF

TO: 1 FD REGT, 1 FD SQN, 5 RAR, 9 RAR, TEMA, 1 ALSG, DET 11 MC GP.

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INFO: CENARMYREC, AUSTFORCE VIETNAM,
D COMD SCA SCQ

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CMP VISITORS . OFFICERS GROUP 14/69 CMM PERIOD 9 JUL TO 23 JUL 69 .

ONE . ALLOCATION .

ALPHA . 1 FD REGT . CAPT TJ MEGGATT RAA 7 FD REGT E COMD .

BRAVO . 1 FD SQN . CAPT HV MAC DONALD RAE 11 FD SQN N COMD .

CHARLIE . 5 RAR . MAJ AW SCALES RA INF CSTO N COMD .

DELTA . 9 RAR . MAJ DJ HUNTER RA INF PNGVR PNG COMD .

ECHO . TEMA . LT WG TARR RAASC 10 COY RAASC W COMD .

TWO . HQ COY ARE TO PROVIDE 2x $\frac{3}{4}$ TON VEHIS TO MEET AC AT LUSCOMBE FIELD

APPROX 091330 JUL 69 CMM TRANSPORT VISITORS AND BAGGAGE TO HQ 1 ATF AND THEN TO
UNIT AREAS .

THREE . VISITORS ARE TO VISIT 1 ALSG ON 21 JUL AND 22 JUL 69 CMM TRAVELLING TO
VUNG TAU ON WALLABY TWO ON 21 JUL 69 AND RETURNING 1 ATF WALLABY THREE 22 JUL 69 .
IF ANY MEMBER IS NOT GOING TO VISIT 1 ALSG SIGNAL ADVISE TO THIS HQ CMM INFO 1
ALSG CMM BY 19 JUL 69 .

FOUR . WITHDRAWLS FROM VISITORS OF ITEMS ON TEMPORARY ISSUE CMM OTHER THAN THOSE
ISSUED AT 1 ATF CMM IS PROHIBITED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER MEMBER REQUESTS SUCH A
WITH DRAWL .

FIVE . FOR MOVEMENT . AC BOOKINGS FOR ABOVE MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS CLN

ALPHA . IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA THREE ABOVE .

BRAVO . ON RTA FLIGHT TO TON SON NHUT 0700 HRS 23 JUL 69

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ROUTINE

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

SD 1231

VISIT . REF YOUR SD 10772 LIAISON VISIT OF USLO AND LO HQ AFV 16 TO 18

JUL 69 . VISIT CONVENIENT

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Releasing Officer's Signature and Rank

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ROUTINE

080230Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: LIST C D COMD

SD 1234

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

VISIT . SENATOR P E RAE (TAS) WILL VISIT 1 ATF 10 JUL 69 ACCOMPANIED BY GP

CAPT T L BOURKE CMM AIR ATTACHE . ITINERY .

ONE . ARRIVE 1 ATF WALLABY TWO 0945H MET BY D COMD .

TWO . 1000-1045H INTERVIEW WITH D COMD CMM UPDATE BRIEF AND MORNING TEA .

THREE . 1045-1130H TOUR OF 1 ATF BASE CMM ACCOMPANIED BY D COMD CMM TO INCL
NUI DAT HILL .

FOUR . 1130H DEPART 1 ATF FOR 1 ALSG BY RAAF AC

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ROUTINE

080230Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: LIST A LIST C

SD 1235

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

VISIT . MR A W JARMAN MP (DEAKIN, VIC) WILL VISIT 1 ATF 13 JUL 69 ACCOMPANIED

BY LT CDR TAPPING ASST SERVICES ATTACHE . ITINERARY .

ONE . ARRIVES 1 ATF WALLABY TWO 0930H MET BY D COMD .

TWO . 1000-1045H INTERVIEW WITH D COMD CMM UPDATE BRIEF AND MORNING TEA .

THREE . 1045-1130H TOUR OF 1 ATF BASE CMM ACCOMPANIED BY D COMD CMM TO INCL
NUI DAT HILL .

FOUR . 1130H DEPART 1 ATF FOR 1 ALSG BY RAAF AC .

UNITS WITH MEMBERS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF DEAKIN VIC WHO WISH TO SEE MR JARMAN
MAY RELEASE THOSE MEMBERS WHERE PRACTICABLE AND OPS PERMITTING , TO BE AT

HQ 1 ATF 1000H

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Distribution below.

VISIT TO 1 ATF

BY MAJOR GENERAL O.C. TALBOT

CG 1ST INF DIV

1. Maj Gen O.C. Talbot will visit 1 ATF 1100H 15 Jul to 0830H 16 Jul 69.
2. Maj Gen Talbot will be accompanied by Comd 1 ATF during his tour.
3. The proposed itinerary is attached as Annex A.

(C.M.I. PEARSON)

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Distribution.

- List C
- 161 Bty
- 9 RAR
- 3 SAS Sqn
- 1 Aust CA Unit
- GS02 (Ops)
- GS02 (Int)
- PMC Offrs Mess
- Housing Offr (Capt D. Napier)

Visit of Maj Gen Talbot
Proposed Itinerary

Annex A to
1 ATF R875-1-2A
dated // Jul 69

	<u>15 Jul</u>		
1	1100H	Arrive Kangaroo Pad VIP	Met by Comd 1 ATF
2	1100H	Interview with Comd	a. Comd Quarters
	1200H	Briefing	b. GS02 (Ops) GS02 (Int) S5 to attend
3	1200H 1330H	Lunch	1 ATF Offrs Mess
4	1330H	Move to 9 RAR Via Nui TT UIs and Hot Dich	FSPB Flinders RAAF Helicopter Req
5	1400H 1500H	Visit 9 RAR	a. Met by CO Lt Col Morrison MBE b. To incl 161 Bty
6	1500H	Move to 3 SAS Sqn <u>via</u> Xuyen Moc Long Green, Light Green, Land Clearing, FSPB Thrust and Dat Do.	Overfly only
7	1600H 1700H	Visit 3 SAS Sqn	a. Met by OC Maj R.P. Beesley. b. To incl afternoon tea.
8	1800H	Drinks and Dinner	1 ATF Offrs Mess. PMC to meet.
9	1930H 2030H	Attend Comd Briefing	Comd Quarters
	<u>16 Jul</u>		
10	0815H 0830H	Move to Kangaroo Pad Depart 1 ATF by MACV Helicopter	

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HQ 1 ATF
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// Jul 69

R875/1/2A

Distribution below:

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY BRIG J.W. LAWSON, DMGO AHQ

1. Brig J.W. LAWSON is to visit 1 ATF 30-31 Jul 69 arriving and departing Wallaby Three.
2. The purpose of the visit is to examine and discuss MGO aspects of maintenance of AFVs, current performance of equipment, and to visit RAAOC and RAEME Units.
3. The proposed itinerary is shown attached as Annex A.

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 (C.M.I. PEARSON)
 Brig
 Comd

Distribution

- List C
- DAQMG
- Ord Offr
- EME
- 1 OFP (2)
- 106 Fd Wksps (2)
- B Sqn 1 Armd Regt LAD (2)
- B Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD (2)
- 1 Fd Sqn Wksps (2)
- PMC Officers Mess (Maj J.W. MORPHETT) (2)
- Housing Officer (Capt D.M. NAPIER)
- Det 11 MC GP
- HQ AFV (3) (for visitors)

ANNEX A TO 1 ATF
 R875/1/2A DATED
 11 JUL 69

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY BRIG J.W. LAWSON
PROPOSED ITINERARY

SERIAL	DATE	EVENT	REMARKS
1.	30 Jul 69 1525H	Arrive LUSCOMBE field Wallaby III.	Met by 1 ATF Ord Offr Capt J.S. GRANT.
2.	1600-1700H	Visit 1 OFP	Met by OC Capt M.W. GALT.
3.	1700-1735H	Attend evening conference.	1 ATF Briefing Room.
4.	1715-1800H	Discussion with Comd 1 ATF.	Comds quarters.
5.	31 Jul 69 0800-0900H	Discussion with DAQMG, Ord Offr and EME HQ 1 ATF.	To be held in office of Maj P.J. DAVISON.
6.	0900H	Move to 1 Fd Sqn Wksps.	1 Fd Sqn to provide tpt at HQ 1 ATF 0900H.
7.	0900-0930H	Visit 1 Fd Sqn Wksps.	Met by OC Maj R. ROWE, Capt L.J. POWER.
8.	0930H	Move to B Sqn 1 Armd Regt LAD.	1 Armd Regt to provide tpt at 1 Fd Sqn 0930H.
9.	0945-1015H	Visit B Sqn 1 Armd Regt LAD.	Met by OC Maj A.H. SMITH, Capt W.E. SULLIVAN.
10.	1015H	Move to 106 Fd Wksps.	B Sqn 1 Armd Regt to provide tpt.
11.	1030-1145H	Visit 106 Fd Wksps.	Met by OC Maj C.V. PALMER.
12.	1200-1330H	Lunch at 106 Fd Wksps.	To be attended by all RAEME and RAAOC OCs.
13.	1330H	Move to B Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD.	B Sqn to provide tpt at 106 Fd Wksps at 1330H.
14.	1345-1415H	Visit B Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD.	Met by OC Maj R. ROOKS and Lt K.R. SPARROW.
15.	1415H	Return to HQ 1 ATF.	B Sqn 3 Cav Regt to provide tpt.
16.	1500H	Move to LUSCOMBE field.	Tpt provided by HQ Coy 1 ATF.
17.	1530H	Depart 1 ATF WALLABY III for SAIGON.	

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HQ 1 ATF
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// Jul 69

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Distribution below

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY PARTY OF NZ JOURNALISTS

1. A party of NZ journalists will visit 1 ATF 0945H-1715H 12 Jul 69.
2. The party will comprise:

Mr	R E Coury	NZ Broadcasting Corporation
Mr	R J Burke	Evening Post (Wellington)
Mr	I F Thompson	Daily Post (Rotorua)
Mr	W E Crawford	Northern Advocate (Whangarei)
Mr	C R Mentiplay	The Press (Christchurch)
Mr	D Exel	NZPA (Singapore)
Lt Col	R I Launder	DPR, Minister for Defence
Capt	W J Scott	Escort Officer
S/Sgt	N A Bell	PR, HQ NZ Force V
3. Maj E Ross-Smith is the 1 ATF Escort Officer.
4. The proposed itinerary is attached as Annex A.

Annex: A. Proposed Itinerary.

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(C.M.I. PEARSON)
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Distribution:

Dist C
161 Bty (2)
6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) (4)
9 RAR (2)
3 SAS Sqn (2)
GS02 (Ops)
GS02 (Int)
GS02 (Air)
PR (Maj E Ross-Smith) (3)
Det 11 MC GP
HQ AFV
HQ NZ Force V (8)

PROPOSED ITINERARY

Serial	Time	Event	Remarks
	12 Jul 69		
1.	0945H	Arrive Luscombe Field Wallaby Two	Met by Maj E Ross-Smith (Escort Offr)
2.	1000- 1030H	Interview with Comd 1 ATF	Comds Quarters incl morning tea
3.	1030- 1130H	Update briefing	VIP Briefing Room: a. GS02 (Ops) b. GS02 (Int)
4.	1130H	Move to 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)	a. 6 RAR to provide tpt at HQ 1 ATF 1115H. 2 3/4 ton vehs. b. Accompanied by Maj E Ross-Smith.
5.	1145H	Visit 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)	Met by Co, Lt Col D M Butler
6.	1200- 1330H	Lunch at 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)	
7.	1330- 1430H	Visit NZ component	Met by OC Maj P J Burttt
8.	1430H	Move to 3 SAS Sqn	3 SAS Sqn to provide tpt at NZ component 6 RAR at 1415H.
9.	1445- 1515H	Visit 3 SAS Sqn	a. Met by OC Maj R P Beesley. b. To incl 4 Tp if possible c. To incl afternoon tea
10.	1515H	Move to KANGAROO VIP for movt to 9 RAR at FSPB FLINDERS	a. 3 SAS Sqn to provide tpt b. RAAF helicopter req (7 pax only).
11.	1530- 1630H	Visit 9 RAR	a. Met by CO Lt Col A L Morrison b. To incl 161 Bty.
12.	1630H	Return to 1 ATF	RAAF helicopter req.
13.	1645H	Land at 11 MC Gp Luscombe Field.	
14.	1715H	Depart 1 ATF for 1 ALSG Wallaby four.	

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

120130 Z JUL 69

R875-1-2

FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 1 FD REGT 6 RAR 1 AUST CA UNIT

SD 1270

DET AFV PRO UNIT 2 AFCU

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM D COMD

VISIT OF MR A.W. JARMAN MP TO 1 ATF 13 JUL 69 .

ONE . MR JARMAN HAS EXPRESSED WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING IF AVAILABLE CLN

ONE . LT D. BARROW 1 FD REGT .

TWO . PTE A. MAI 6 RAR.

THREE . 2LT B. LOGAN 1 AUST CA UNIT .

FOUR . CPL G. ROWE DET AFV PRO UNIT .

FIVE . PTE A. DIVERDOTH 2 AFCU .

TWO . IF THE ABOVE MEMBERS WISH TO SEE MR JARMAN CMM THEY MAY ASSEMBLE
AT HQ 1 ATF AT 1000H 13 JUL 69

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HQ 1 ATF
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1 Jul 69

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Distribution below:

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY TEAM

1. A Scientific Advisory Team will visit 1 ATF 0900 to 1630H
17 Jul 69.

2. The teams consists of:

- Dr WIKNER (SA COMDSMACV)
- Mr KIRK (SA COMDSMACV, Designate)
- Col DOODY (Deputy SA MACSA)
- Mr CAWSEY (SA COMAFV)
- Maj LEMON (FORS)

3. The proposed itinerary is shown attached as Annex A.

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(C.M.I. PEARSON)
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Distribution

- List C
- B Sqn 3 Cav Regt (2)
- Det 131 Div Loc Bty (2)
- 5 RAR (2)
- 3 SAS Sqn (2)
- D Comd
- GS02 (Ops)
- GS02 (Int)
- 1 ATF CP (2)
- PMC Offrs Mess
- HQ AFV (7)

ANNEX A TO 1 ATF
R875-1-2A DATED
12 JUL 69

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY TEAM
PROPOSED ITINERARY

SERIAL	DATE	EVENT	REMARKS
1.	17 Jul 69 0900H	Arrive KANGAROO Pad.	Met by D Comd.
2.	0915-1000H	Meet Comd 1 ATF. Update briefing.	Comds quarters to incl morning tea. GS02 (Ops) GS02 (Int)
3.	1000-1015H	Visit 1 ATF CP.	Met by GS02 (Ops) Maj D.A. CHINN. To incl FSCC.
4.	1015-1200H	Visit FSPB THRUST.	Met by CO Lt Col D.M. BUTLER.
5.	1200-1330H	Lunch	1 ATF Offrs Mess.
6.	1330H	Move to Det 131 Div Loc Bty.	Accompanied by D Comd.
7.	1340-1410H	Visit Det 131 Div Loc Bty.	Met by OC Capt A.S. EATON.
8.	1410H	Move to B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.	
9.	1420-1450H	Visit B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.	Met by OC Maj R.E. ROOKS.
10.	1450H	Move to 3 SAS Sqn.	
11.	1500-1530H	Visit 3 SAS Sqn.	Met by OC Maj R.P. BEESLEY.
12.	1530H	Move to 5 RAR.	
13.	1545-1615H	Visit 5 RAR.	Met by CO Lt Col C.N. KHAN.
14.	1615H	Move to KANGAROO Pad.	
15.	1630H	Depart 1 ATF by MACV Helicopter.	

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

140200Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: B SQN 1 ARMD REGT 1 FD SQN 9 RAR

SD 1282

AUST LO BARIA

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM LIST C

VISIT . MAJ W SMITH AND USLO FOR AUSTFORCE VIETNAM MACFWMAO WILL VISIT 1 ATF
16 JUL TO 18 JUL 69 ON FAMILIARIZATION TOUR .

ONE . OUTLINE ITINERARY .

ALFA . 16 JUL 69 . MORNING . VISIT HQ 1 ATF AND 1 FD SQN (MINE
FAMIARIZATION) . AFTERNOON . B SQN 1 ARMD REGT AND 9
RAR (REAR) STAY AT 9 RAR OVERNIGHT .

BRAVO . 17 JUL . MOVE TO FSPB FLINDERS AND STAY OVERNIGHT .

CHARLIE . 18 JUL . MORNING . VISIT SECTOR AT BARIA .

TWO . PLEASE ADVISE IF VISIT NOT CONVENIENT .

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

150120Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 6 RAR 9 RAR 104 SIG SQN

SD 1284

110 SIG SQN 1 ALSG

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM LIST C

CMF VISITORS . REF OUR SD1275 OF 13 JUL 69 .

ONE . PARA ONE ECHO . LT COL O.J. COSACK WILL NOW VISIT 6 RAR AND
MAJ D.F. CLARK WILL VISIT 9 RAR . REASON IS THAT CO 9 RAR WILL
BE ON LEAVE DURING THIS TIME .

TWO . PARA CHARLIE SHOULD READ 110 SIG SQN (VUNG TAU) . 104 SIG SQN
ARE TO ARRANGE LT B. BRAKINS TRAVEL TO VUNG TAU ON 1 AUG AND HIS
RETURN ON WALLABY THREE 5 AUG 69

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 1 ATF
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15 Jul 69

R1375-26-2

Distribution below.

FIRING DEVICE ELECTRICAL SIX CIRCUIT

1. Authority has been given to use the Firing Device Electrical Six Circuit AN/PRC-25 battery combination with a maximum of six Claymores connected in parallel using a length of D10 cable not in excess of 50 feet.
2. In using this circuit, however, the following limitations should be applied:
 - a. An unused battery should always be used.
 - b. The 50 feet maximum length should be rigidly enforced and, for preference,
 - c. A 50 feet length of connecting wire with less inherent resistance than D10 (e.g. the claymore connecting wires themselves or 23/0076 figure of eight domestic copper wire) should be used.
3. In order that consideration can be given to modifications to be made to the existing and prototype devices and also to reorientate the development project, it is requested that addressees provide the following details to form the basis for further design study:
 - a. The maximum distance required between the firing point and the Claymore mine site.
 - b. The number of mines required at typical sites.
 - c. The configuration of the mines, together with an indication of which are to be connected together for simultaneous firing.

(D.A. CHINN)
Maj
GS02 (Ops)

Distribution.

- 5 RAR
- 6 RAR
- 9 RAR
- B Sqn 1 Armd Regt
- B Sqn 3 Cav Regt
- 1 Fd Sqn
- 3 SAS Sqn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HQ 1 ATF
NUI DAT

R875/1/2A

21 Jul 69

Distribution below:

VISIT TO 1 ATF
BY LT COL B.C. LOVERIDGE GSO1
DMO & P

1. Lt Col B.C. LOVERIDGE is to visit 1 ATF arriving Wallaby four 26 Jul and departing Wallaby four 29 Jul 69.
2. The purpose of the visit is to study the concept, establishment, and detailed operation of a FSPB and the part it plays in counter insurgency ops. In particular:
 - a. The various groupings used for estb of FSPB.
 - b. Layout and def organization.
 - c. Op activity of a Bn over 7 to 10 days.
 - d. AC requirements.
 - e. Initial stocking, resupply, and backloading.
 - f. The basis for calculating requirements.
3. The proposed Annex is shown attached as Annex A.

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 (C.M.I. PEARSON)
 Brig
 Comd

Distribution

- List C
- HQ Coy 1 ATF (3)
- B Sqn 3 Cav Regt (2)
- 105 Bty
- 5 RAR
- 6 RAR (2)
- Q Branch 1 ATF (3)
- GS02 (Ops)
- GS02 (Air)
- Housing Offr (Capt D.M. NAPIER)
- PMC Offrs Mess (Maj J.W. MORPHETT)
- Det 11 MC GP
- Battle Analysis Team (2)
- HQ AFV (3) Copy to visitors

21 JUL 69

PROPOSED ITINERARY FOR
VISIT OF LT COL B.C. LOVERIDGE

Date	Time		
26 Jul 69	1710H	Arrive LUSCOMBE Field Wallaby Four	Met by DAQMG
	1720H	Move to HQ 1 ATF	
	1730H	Allocation of Accomodation	Housing Officer Capt D.M. Napier
27 Jul 69	0800H - 0830H	Interview with Comd 1 ATF	Comds Quarters
	0830H- 1200H	Conference with; Lt Col Preece, GS02 (Ops), GS02 (Air), DAQMG, OC 105 Bty, Ops Offr 5 RAR	Office of DAQMG
	1200H- 1330H	Lunch	1 ATF Offrs Mess
	1330H- 1630H	As Designated by 1 ATF	
	1700H- 1730H	Attend evening Conference	1 ATF Conference Room
28 Jul 69	0900H	Move to FSPB THRUST Remain overnight	a. Met by CO Lt Col D.M. Butler b. RAAF Helicopter required c. HQ Coy 1 ATF to provide tpt at HQ 1 ATF 0850H.
29 Jul 69	0930H	Return HQ 1 ATF	a. RAAF Helicopter Required b. HQ Coy 1 ATF to provide tpt Kangaroo Pad 0945H
	1000H- 1030H	Morning Tea	1 ATF Offrs Mess
	1030H- 1200H	Discussion with Battle Analysis Team	Met by Lt Col Preece
	1200H- 1330H	Lunch	1 ATF Offrs Mess
	1330H- 1430H	Clarification of Final Points	
	1500H	Move to LUSCOMBE Field	HQ Coy 1 ATF to provide tpt at HQ 1 ATF 1455H
	1530H	Depart 1 ATF Wallaby for 1 ALSG	

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MESSAGE FORM

PRIORITY ROUTINE

210800Z JUL 69

R842/1/1

FROM: 1 ATF

RESTRICTED

TO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

TRG 1345

INFO: LIST A

MANDATORY COURSES FOR OPERATIONAL SVC IN SE AREA ARO 73/68 .

AUSTFORCE VIETNAM TRG 09866 OF 210155Z JUN 69 .

ONE . CRITICISMS STATED PARAS ONE AND TWO OF REF ARE SUPPORTED .

TWO . OVERALL COMMITMENT DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CLN

ALFA . STR OF UNIT PARTICULARLY IN OFFRS/NCOS DURING ITS
BUILD UP PERIOD .

BRAVO . PREVIOUS QUALIFICATIONS AT COURSES LAID DOWN AS
MANDATORY .

CHARLIE . CORPS TRG COMMITMENTS OF SOME UNITS WHICH COMMITMENTS
ABSORB APPROX 25 PER CENT OF OFFR/NCO STRENGTH .

DELTA . REQUIREMENT FOR UNIT TRG TO CONTINUE REGARDLESS OF
POSTED OFFR/NCO STR CMM ATTENDANCE AT COURSES CMM
CORPS TRG COMMITMENTS .

ECHO . UNIT PREFERENCES FOR RANK LEVEL ATTENDANCE BASED ON
UNIT SOP AND UNIT APPOINTMENTS (EG UEO) .

FOXTROT . SPECIAL TO ARM COURSES REQUIRED FOR PROFICIENCY .

THREE . COMMENTS ON COURSES ANX A TO ARO 73/68 CMM BASED ON RELEVANCE
AND DEGREE OF PRIORITY BY SERIALS CLN

S/1 . MANDATORY

S/2 . NOT APPLICABLE

S/3 . NOT MANDATORY

S/4 . NOT MANDATORY

S/5 . NOT MANDATORY

S/6 . MANDATORY

S/7, 9 . CA UNIT ONLY

S/8 . MANDATORY

S/10 . MANDATORY

S/11 . NOT APPLICABLE

S/12 . MANDATORY UNLESS MAJOR UNIT RMOs CAN BE GIVEN

THIS TRG RESPONSIBILITY .

- S/13 . MANDATORY
- S/14 . MANDATORY BUT SEE COMMENT PARA TWO ECHO .
- S/15 . NOT MANDATORY DUE EMPLOYMENT AIR DESPATCH PERS THESE DUTIES .
- S/16 . MANDATORY BUT COURSE SHOULD BE ORIENTED DIRECTLY TO SVN OPS NOT JOINT WARFARE GEN INCL UK PROCEDURES .
- S/17 . SEE SERIAL 16 COMMENT .
- S/18 . MANDATORY . SCALE OF ATTENDANCE SHOULD ALLOW UNITS TO NOMINATE UP TO 20 PERS TO ATTEND TO ALLOW FOR INTERPRETER DEFICIENCIES CONSTANTLY ENCOUNTERED IN SVN . REVIEW OF COURSE TO PRODUCE MORE PROFICIENT LEVEL OF FLUENCY JUST PRIOR TO UNIT DEPARTURE FOR SVN IS NECESSARY .

FOUR . CRITICISM OF ARO IN RESPECT OF COMD RESPONSIBILITY IS SUPPORTED . IT IS SUGGESTED THAT COMDS SHOULD SEEK DMT APPROVAL FOR EMPLOYMENT OF APPROPRIATE COMD RESOURCES TO MEET AS MANY REVIEWED MANDATORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS AS POSSIBLE

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Releasing Officer's Signature and Rank

L. A. Doan Capt MAJ
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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

230100Z JUL 69

R875-1-2

FROM: 1 ATF

RESTRICTED

TO: 1 FD REGT

SD 1356

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM 1 ALSG LIST C

VISIT . LT COL D.D. WEIR CMM CI SCHOOL OF ARTY CMM IS TO VISIT 1 ATF
30 JUL TO 4 AUG 69 .

ONE . OUTLINE ITINERARY . ARIVE 1 ATF WALLABY FOUR 30 JUL 69 AND
DEPART FOR 1 ALSG ON WALLABY FOUR 4 AUG 69 .

TWO . PURPOSE IS TO STUDY CURRENT ARTY TRG PROBLEMS AND DOCTRINES CMM
PARTICULARLY EMPLOYMENT OF ARTY IN A SE ASIAN SETTING . IF
PCSS TO INCL VISIT TO II FFV ARTY .

THREE . 1 FD REGT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF THE VISIT

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b. Clothing.

(1) Long trousers are to be worn at all times.

(2) Shirts may be removed between 0700 hours and 1800 hours when out-of-doors and not in thickly vegetated areas. At all other times, shirts are to be worn; sleeves are to be rolled down between 1830 hours and 0630 hours.

c. Showering.

Showering is not permitted between 1830 hours and 0630 hours.

d. Mosquito Nets.

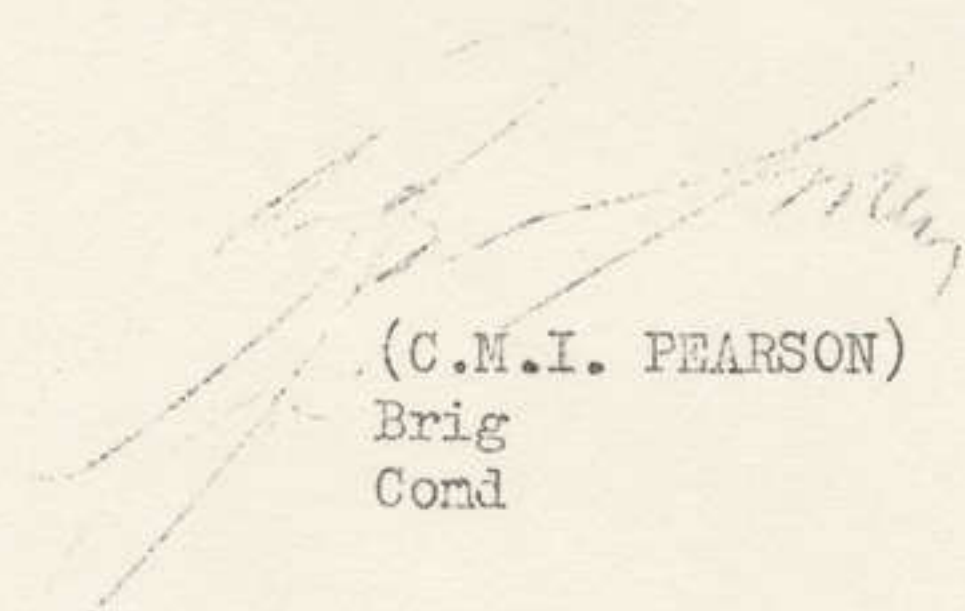
All ranks are to sleep under a mosquito net except when this is impracticable for operational reasons. Nets are to be kept in good repair and are to be tucked in under the mattress.

e. Insect Repellant.

When on operations or on sentry and picquet duties, repellant is to be applied to the exposed areas of skin each three hours between 1830 hours and 0630 hours.

f. Aerosol Sprays.

Aerosol insect spray is available for issue on the basis of one can per man per fortnight.


(C.M.I. PEARSON)
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NOTICES

Cancellations.

1. 1 ATF RO 52 of 19 Jun 69 is cancelled.

MESSAGE FORM

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ROUTINE

250730Z JUL 69

R875-1-6

FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 1 FD SQN 104 SIG SQN 110 SIG SQN

SD 1344

5 RAR 6 RAR DET 11 MC GP HQ COY 1 ATF

1 ALSG

INFO: CENARMYREC MELBOURNE AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

D COMD DAAG DAQMG

CMF VISITORS . OFFICERS GROUP 16/69 CMM 6 AUG 69 TO 20 AUG 69 .

ONE . ALLOCATION .

ALFA . 5 RAR . CAPT B.M. FRASER CMM RA INF CMM 4 RNSWR E COMD .

BRAVO . 6 RAR . MAJ B.G. INGRAM CMM RA INF CMM HQ 4 TF S COMD .

CHARLIE . 1 FD SQN . LT COL K.H. WAIT CMM RAE CMM 6 MC TRG GP
C COMD (6 AUG TO 12 AUG 69) .

DELTA . DET 11 MC GP . LT COL K.H. WAIT CMM RAE CMM 6 MC TRG GP
(13 AUG TO 20 AUG 69) .

ECHO . 104 SIG SQN . CAPT O.A. WINTLE CMM RA SIGS CMM 123 SIG
SQN W COMD (6 AUG TO 12 AUG 69) .

FOXTROT . 110 SIG SQN . CAPT O.A. WINTLE CMM RA SIGS CMM 123 SIG
SQN W COMD (13 AUG TO 20 AUG 69) .

TWO . HQ COY 1 ATF ARE TO PROVIDE TWO 3/4 TON VEHS TO MEET AC AT LUSCOMBE
FIELD AT APPROX 061330H AUG 69 CMM TRANSPORT VISITORS AND BAGGAGE TO
HQ 1 ATF AND THEN TO UNIT AREAS .

THREE . IF POSSIBLE THE D COMD WILL INTERVIEW MEMBERS BEFORE THEY DEPART FOR
THEIR UNITS CMM IF D COMD NOT AVAILABLE INTERVIEW WILL BE NOTIFIED
TO UNITS AND HELD PRIOR TO RTA .

FOUR . VISITORS ARE TO VISIT 1 ALSG ON 18 AUG AND 19 AUG 69 CMM TRAVELLING
TO VUNG TAU ON WALLABY TWO ON 18 AUG 69 AND RETURNING 1 ATF WALLABY
THREE 19 AUG 69 . IF ANY MEMBER IS NOT GOING TO VISIT 1 ALSG
SIGNAL ADVICE TO THIS HQ CMM INFO 1 ALSG CMM BY 16 AUG 69 .

FIVE . WITHDRAWALS FROM VISITORS OF ITEMS ON TEMPORARY ISSUE CMM OTHER THAN
THOSE ISSUED AT 1 ATF IS PROHIBITED CMM REGARDLESS OF WHETHER MEMBER
REQUESTS SUCH A WITHDRAWAL .

SIX . FOR MOVEMENTS . AC BOOKINGS FOR ABOVE MEMBERS AS FOLLOWING CLN

ALFA . IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA THREE ABOVE .

BRAVO . RTA FLIGHT TO TAN SON NHUT 0700H 20 AUG 69

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

260700Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)

SD 1356

INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM LIST C

VISIT . LT COL J. BROOKE CMM CO 1 RNZIR CMM WILL VISIT 1 ATF 3 AUG TO
7 AUG 69 . ARRIVE WALLABY TWO 3 AUG AND DEPART 7 AUG 69 BY RNZAF AC .
6 RAR/NZ ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF THE VISIT

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE 280615Z JUL 69 R875-1-2
FROM: 1 ATF RESTRICTED
TO: LIST C SD 1368
INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM 161 BTY

6 RAR/NZ 3 SAS SQN

VISIT . COL A.W. AINGE CMM COMD NZ FORCE FAR EAST CMM WILL VISIT 1 ATF
31 JUL 69 .

OUTLINE ITINERARY CLN

ONE . ARRIVE 1 ATF WALLABY TWO 31 JUL 69 .

TWO . IF POSSIBLE THE ITINERARY WILL INCL THE FOLLOWING CLN

ALFA . COMD 1 ATF .

BRAVO . UPDATE BRIEFING .

CHARLIE . 161 BTY (NZ) .

DELTA . 3 SAS SQN .

ECHO . 6 RAR/NZ CMM V COY CMM W COY .

THREE . DEPART 1 ATF WALLABY FOUR 31 JUL 69 FOR 1 ALSG .

FOUR . D COMD 1 ATF WILL ACCOMPANY COL AINGE DURING HIS VISIT AND ARRANGE
DETAILED ITINERARY

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MESSAGE FORM

ROUTINE

290010Z JUL 69

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FROM: 1 ATF

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TO: 1 FD SQN 104 SIG SQN 110 SIG SQN

SD 1369

6 RAR 9 RAR TFMA

INFO: LIST C

CMF VISITORS . OFFICERS GROUP 15/69 ARE REQUIRED AT HQ 1 ATF 1630H
5 AUG 69 FOR INTERVIEW AND DEBRIEF BY D COMD

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3 / Jul 69

OC Ready Reaction Force

BRIEF FOR READY REACTION FORCE
MINISTERIAL VISIT AP NGAI GIAO
1 AUG 69

1. Force to depart 0800H 1 Aug 69 from 1 ATF Base.
2. OC reports to DSA (LO not there) at DUC THANH Post 0830 hours, moving by H-13.
3. Detailed brief by DSA.
4. Tasks:
 - a. Sweep around mined area in posn visit -30 and +30.
 - b. Prevent enemy interference with visiting party by unobtrusive presence. (300 metres out).
 - c. Check fol areas - HILL NW, Rubber EAST, SW approach through scrub.
5. Reserve for reaction Task Force.
6. Internal security of NGAI GIAO by RD Cadre and CA personnel.
7. H-13 on call.

Lia Dixon Capt
for (D.A. CHINN)
Maj
GS02 Ops

For Information.

OC Tk Tp
OC Cav Tp
NCO I/C CET
LO DUC THANH
B Sqn 1 Armd Regt
B Sqn 3 Cav Regt
1 Fd Regt
1 Fd Sqn
9 RAR

Internal:

D Comd
GS02 Ops
GS02 Air
Arty Tac
GS03 Ops

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